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Beauty and Class

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2012 Queen

It was center stage February 4 for the newly-crowned Miss LaBelle Swamp Cabbage Festival Mallory Allen. Pictured from left: Marlana Nelson was Most Photogenic, Miss SCF 2012 Mallory Allen, first runner-up and Most Talented Alexa Pena and Miss Congeniality Chandler Bridwell. Marlana and Chandler were both named second runners-up. The SCF Pageant is scored this way: talent 30 percent, theme costume 30 percent, evening gown 20 percent and onstage question 20 percent.

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2012 Princess

Pictured from left: Ad sales winner Kasey Whidden, Faith Sherrod, Alari Foutch second runner-up, first runner-up Suzanna Talada and 2012 Princess Abby Arnold, Shelba Kelly, Breanna Browning, top ticket sales winner Cassidy Pascher and Most Photogenic Brooke Conly. Cassidy Pascher (with a skit titled It's a Doll's Life) and Suzanna Talada (who sang In Your Arms and played piano) tied for Most Talented.



Expo to focus on Hendry's ag heart

by Patty Brant
Caloosa Belle

Henry County's fortune has always been in agriculture. Even though the focus of economic development is to diversify the county's economic base, agriculture will still remain at the county's heart.

That heart will be celebrated all day Friday, Feb. 17, beginning at 8 a.m. Come to the old airstrip in Clewiston, 610 San Luis Ave. to be a part of this extraordinary event.

Beginning as a huge heavy equipment auction, the South Florida Ag Expo has morphed into a full day centered around agriculture.

You'll want to stop by and see what the Clewiston and LaBelle Chambers of Commerce booths have to offer. Try out the Clewiston FFA chapter's lunch fundraiser.

In addition, Hendry County experts are taking the opportunity to educate local folks on biofuel and its potential economic impacts on this area.

From 10 a.m. till noon local experts will hold a biofuel symposium. Dr. Rob Gilbert will discuss a Review of Potential Biofuel Feed Stocks from 10-10:30 a.m. From 10:30-11 a.m. Dr. John Capece and Dr. Ed Hanlon will provide an Overview of the Hendry County Biofuel Demonstration Project. From 11-11:20 Dr. Bradley Krohn will give a project update on Highland's Envirofuels and from 11:20 till noon a panel discussion with questions and answers is scheduled.

All this leads up to an appearance by Florida Commissioner of Agriculture and

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County lays groundwork for growth

by Patty Brant
Caloosa Belle

At their January 24 commission meeting, the county commission unanimously adopted a long term master plan conversion agreement for the Rodina Community Overlay.

Rodina is a planned development on 25,826 acres in western Hendry County that is to incorporate agriculture, natural resources, employment centers, town centers and villages. A transportation system and utilities are included in the

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Last year's South Florida Ag Expo was such a huge success that organizers are keen on making it even better this year. In addition to the auction of all kinds of farm implements, from huge tractors to everyday items, the expo will delve into the facts about biofuel as they apply to Hendry County's future. Head over to the old airstrip in Clewiston Friday, Feb. 17, 610 Luis Ave. Have a little lunch and help out the Clewiston FFA and celebrate the heart of Hendry County - agriculture.

Expo

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Consumer Services Adam Putnam, who is taking time from the Legislative session to make an appearance at 1 p.m. to celebrate his ties with the area.

Before his appearance at the expo, Commissioner Putnam will speak at Eastside/Westside Elementary School in Clewiston at 10:45 a.m. about his Fresh From Florida School Lunch Program.

Spend the day seeing the newest models of agriculture equipment before the huge auction of farm equipment kicks off. The auction itself caters to thousands of agricultural implement buyers from around the world.

This will be Weeks Auction Company's seventeenth auction in Clewiston. Brothers Tim and Grady Weeks own the company, Grady is the auctioneer. Tim said probably the most sought-after piece of equipment are tractors - they auctioned some 400 of them last year at this expo. He said people come from all over the world - Central and South America, Europe and Canada - to bid on their items. The largest of items sold are the huge tractors, but all kinds of farm implements go on the auction block, all the way down to floor jacks.

Anyone can register to bid at the expo that morning or on line at weeksauctions.com.

Director of the Hendry County Economic Development Gillman said this will be the second year for the expanded exposition. The EDC is hoping the entire Hendry County community will rally around this expo, so central to what this area is all about.

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plans.

Senior Vice President of Land Matters and Acquisitions for The Viera Company (A. Duda & Sons) Tom Duda appeared before the board to explain ramifications of converting the project to a long term master plan. County staff, The Viera Company and Department of Economic Opportunity have been working on the plan.

The agreement:

Does away with the need for future comprehensive plan amendments with regard to development entitlements permitted in the Rodina Community Overlay;

Exempts Rodina from the State Development or Regional Impact process;

Requires only a local development order if the Detailed Specific Area Plan (DSAP) is consistent with the county's comprehensive plan and the Rodina Community Overlay policies; and

Requires conservation easements within Rodina at the time of DSAP approval.

Rodina must still be developed consistent with the county's comprehensive plan and Land Development code.

The request was approved 5-0.

Natural gas line

Commissioners learned of a new natural gas line to run from the Palm Beach County line to Southern Gardens at CR 833 via SR 80.

The 32-mile, six-inch pipeline will all be underground. It will have 950 pounds of pressure and accommodate expansion for business.

Commission Chairman Tris Chapman said this was "good news" and that it will have the capacity to grow with the area. The pipeline is to be complete by October 2012.

Commuter Services

The commissioners listened to a presentation on a new FDOT Commuter Services program that promises to improve access to car and van pools and transition services, along with providing programs to encourage the use of bicycles and walking to and from work.

It also accommodates flexible schedules and compressed work weeks.

Commissioner Janet Taylor was asked to

be the "ambassador" for the state funded program in Hendry County. In partnership with the county commission, GoodWheels and other groups will provide rides home from work to eligible employees when emergencies arise, along with other services.

The program can form partnerships with the county, schools and businesses.

Tax abatement program

Economic Development Council Director Gregg Gillman appeared before the commissioners and told them that several businesses have inquired about coming into Hendry County. He said these businesses are considering seeking a tax abatement from the county and are also asking that the county waive a \$500 application fee.

The board decided it could not waive the advertising portion of those fees.

In other business

The board voted to have a budget workshop at 4 p.m. before its March 13 in Clewiston. Its next regular meeting is Feb. 14.

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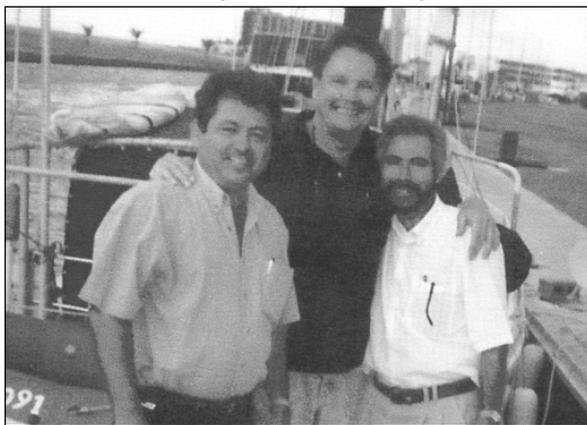
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Republican Women host world traveler

Caloosa Federated Republican Women's February guest speaker Deane Knox was born in Chicago and educated at the University of Illinois and Kunsfack Skolan, Stockholm, Sweden, with degrees in Art and History. As a veteran of the US Air Force, during the Korean War he had his fill of the Socialist experience. He taught in Colorado and Tokyo, then decided to further study the "storied" future of World politics. He spent one year in the Soviet Union. He was with an art exhibit in Beijing, China, in 1981 and made subsequent returns to China lecturing on American Culture at the University of Levers. In 1992 Knox sailed his boat to Cuba to "look around" and formed a culture bond with a Cuban German Foundation.



With four continuous years sailing out of Key West, Deane sponsored University of Havana teachers to spend a summer in Colorado re-learning the wax system of casting of bronze, now lost in Cuba due to political excesses on the subject of political art. Deane Knox will speak on his experiences in Cuba. After his presentation attendees are welcome to ask questions. Caloosa FRW greatly appreciates Deane's presentation with a sincere hope that he will return, at his convenience to speak on a subject of his choice. Deane is flanked by two University of Havana ISA professors.

Arrest Reports

LaBelle

Martin Mendoza Rayo, 34, was arrested Feb. 3 and charged with destroying, tampering or fabricating physical evidence. J. Hunt was arresting officer.

Manuel Marcus Carrillo, 35, was arrested Feb. 3 and charged with possession of cocaine and possession/use of drug equipment. J. Hunt was arresting officer.

Clewiston

Diane Dede Hall, 45, was arrested Feb. 4 and charged with driving with a suspended/revoked license habitual offender. SPD Officer Evelyn was arresting officer.

Joy Christine Gaylor, 64, was arrested Feb. 3 and charged with petit theft first degree larceny \$100-\$300 and possession of marijuana over 20 grams without a prescription. CPD Officer S. Bozzi was arresting officer.

Leroy Travis Jones, 41, was arrested Feb. 2 and charged with driving with a suspended

license habitual offender. N. Kirk was arresting officer.

George Manuel Apakian, 83, was arrested and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon no intent to kill, assault on and officer, firefighter, EMT etc., carrying a concealed weapon and resisting and officer without violence. C. Green was arresting officer.

Miguel Benitez, 29, was arrested Feb. 2 and charged on a warrant with driving with a suspended license habitual offender. Z. Donaldson was arresting officer.

Damian Rodriguez, 22, was arrested Jan. 30 and charged with grand theft \$5,000-\$10,000. J. Lee was arresting officer.

Daniel Lee Long, Jr., 37, was arrested Jan. 30 and charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon no intent to kill. J. Lee was arresting officer.

Church Briefs

Attention Gideons

Prayer breakfast every Saturday at Big V Restaurant, 7 a.m.

First Baptist to celebrate 100 years

Members and friends of First Baptist are invited to join our celebration of our 100 years and what God has done for us! Please RSVP by going to our church page on Facebook.

Friday Night Fellowship-Reunion Dinner Friday, February 10, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday Night Generational Gospel Sing Saturday, February 11, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday Anniversary Celebration Sunday, February 12, 10 a.m.

Dr. John Sullivan, the Executive Director of the Florida Baptist Convention, will bring the message and a special offering will be taken to pay off the new education building. Dinner on the grounds follows the service.

We are in still need of old pictures or news paper clippings from 1912 through the '60s. We have a pretty good collection from the '70s to the present.

If anyone has some pictures or clippings that they would share with us please bring them to the church office or email them to the church at church@fbclabelle.org.

If you any questions, please give us a call at 863-675-2171. You are welcome to look at

photos on the church's facebook page.

Judgment House

First Baptist Church of LaBelle have set the dates for Judgement House - March 9, 10, 11.

This year's Judgement House is entitled Finally Forgiven, an amazing true story of Tragedy and forgiveness. This story will be told in eight scenes.

This event is open to the public and groups can make reservations by calling the church office at 675-2171.

If you would like more information about Judgement House, please call Preston Long, Jr. at the church or check out the church Web site at www.fbclabelle.org.

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Road closing on CR 78

Hendry County Road & Bridge announces that CR 78 at the Pollywog Crossing, east of Caloosa Estates Drive, will be reduced to one lane starting February 27 to replace and enlarge the existing culvert.

Eastbound and westbound traffic will be maintained through the use of temporary traffic signals for approximately two months. Please allow for extra travel time through this area or seek an alternate route.

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Understanding the Millennial Generation

by Les Morgan

If you have ever talked with people born in an era other than the one in which you were born it is easy to affirm that every generation has its own characteristics. Major events during certain time period, along with key thinkers, musicians, poets and even entertainment all serve to shape the way people view life and approach living.

An example of this is seen in the thinking patterns of those who were alive prior to the Vietnam war and those who grew up in the 1960s and 1970s. Rarely will one find among two different generations a more stark view of what is important



Les Morgan

in life.

Today there is a new generation of adults. Those born after 1980 are called the "Millennial Generation." This current group of people under the age of 30 are, well, different.

I have to admit, my tendency as a full-fledged member of the "Baby-Boomer" generation is to say to that age group, "Grow up, youngster!" However, I have discovered that those within that age bracket are not going away, nor are they growing up at a pace any different than previous generations. Therefore, it is essential to learn what makes the youngest group of adults "tick" and what their uniquenesses are.

With that said, here are some insights about Millennials, (AKA those born from 1980 forward.)

1. They need freedom with their schedule. This one is tough for me. My dad was

a marine in WWII. His clock was the only clock that mattered. Awareness of how Millennials respond to time and others respond to time is starkly different.

2. They do well with projects, not a career. Career is just not the same anymore. They desire options, just like free agents. Think about it – how many people do you know who worked at the same place for forty years or lived in the same house most of their life? This current generation has no concept of such a group.

3. They are thirsty for a family environment. Work, family and social are all intertwined. An environment that provides a family oriented setting will prove to be fertile ground to Millennials. For them, everything is connected.

4. Cause is important. Tie in compassion and justice to the "normal." Causes and opportunities to give back are important.

5. Embrace social media. Like it or not (or understand it or not) social media is here to stay. Technology is the norm. XBOX, iP-hones, laptops, iPads are just normal. If you want a response, text first, then call. Or DM first. Or send a Facebook message.

6. Each person thrives on being unique. Don't create standards or rules that apply to everyone. Customize your approach. (I'll admit; this one is difficult, too!)

7. Authenticity and honesty must be the standard. Millennials are cynical by nature at their core and don't trust someone just because they are in charge.

8. They are not interested in "climbing the corporate ladder," but instead are more concerned about leaving their mark. They don't want to wait their turn. They want to make a difference now and will find an out-

let for influence and responsibility wherever they can. Empower them early and often and they will do well. Stifle them and they will go elsewhere.

9. For Millennials it's all about the larger win, not the personal small gain. In general they have an abundance mentality instead of a scarcity mentality. Partnering and collaboration are essential. They are not interested in drawing lines. Teamwork is the new currency, along with generosity. A temporal kingdom for one person is not attractive at all. Yet, they will work their guts out for a cause and vision bigger than themselves.

10. Millennials deeply desire mentoring, learning and discipleship. Many older leaders think Millennials aren't interested in generational wisdom transfer. Not true at all. Younger leaders are hungry for mentoring and discipleship. That is great news for church. Jesus called us to be disciples and disciple-makers. They are coachable and want to gain wisdom through experience. Therefore, it is important not to just tell them what to do but lead by example.

While it is true that Millennials are a "different breed" the church today must not dismiss them. They've been exposed to just about everything, so the sky is the limit in their minds. They have a much broader and a global perspective. Make an effort to recognize their values, not just their strengths. Don't use them without truly knowing them.

Dr. Les Morgan is pastor of Caloosa Baptist Church located 200 yards behind The Front Porch restaurant on Highway 80 in LaBelle.

Career Corner

Hiring Veterans

by Matt Kindermann

In the State of Florida, and all around the country, hiring veterans makes economical sense for business owners and non-profits alike. This past November, President Obama signed the "Vow to Hire Hero's Act 2011." This act extended tax credits gained by businesses that hire veterans, and raised some tax credit caps those businesses can claim. In January, Governor Scott reinforced the Hire Hero's Act by announcing Florida's commitment to veterans under the "Hiring Florida's Hero's" initiative. Both campaigns run concurrently and complimentary.

Under the Hire Hero's Act, a business that hires a veteran that has been unemployed for more than six months can claim up to \$9,600 in tax credits for the first year of employment. The hire date must be between November 22, 2011, and January 1, 2013. Employers can take a tax credit

of 25 percent of the veteran's first year wages if the veteran worked between 120-400 hours. If the veteran worked over 400 hours, employers can take a credit of 40 percent of the veteran's first year wages, up to \$9,600.

Under the Hiring Florida's Hero's campaign, employers can access the State's job seeker database and search specifically for veterans by going to www.veterans.employflorida.com. There is also a hotline employers can use to find their nearest veteran employment representatives at (866) 352-2345. Veterans in SW Florida are encouraged to register for employment services at their nearest Career Center which can be found at www.swflworks.org and clicking on "Locations."

For the first time, non-profit companies, such as 501(c)'s, can also claim this credit for qualified hires made between the qualifying periods.

To find these tax incentives and others, go to www.doleta.gov/business/incen-tives. Veterans are also eligible for SNAP, food stamp assistance, at a higher wage cap than civilians. Veterans can determine their SNAP eligibility by going to www.my-florida.com/accessflorida.



Matt Kindermann

Thank You

2012 Swamp Cabbage Beauty Pageant:

Congratulations to all the young ladies who participated in the 2012 Swamp Cabbage Beauty Pageant Saturday, Feb. 4. Each of you are beautiful and talented in your own special way - and a winner!

Thank you for taking the time and effort

to perfect your talent and being extra beautiful for the evening. The smiles and showmanship overcame the butterflies you must have felt.

Thank you to all the volunteers, staff, MC, the 2011 Princess and Queen, judges and all the leadership who guided the evening to spectacular heights.

Nikki Yeager, 2012 Grand Marshal

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Community Briefs

Cancer survivors support group to meet

Please join local cancer survivors for their first 2012 meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 28, from 10-11:30 a.m. at Family Health Centers of Southwest Florida, Inc. Any questions you can reach Janet at 239-425-5642 or Erika at 239-349-1488.

Old Timers tickets available

Tickets for this year's 17th annual Old Timers Dinner on Thursday, Feb. 23. The cost is still \$15 only a ticket and Cassie Williams will once again be our caterer. You can also get OTD tickets from Sara Townsend at the Greater LaBelle Chamber of Commerce on East Hickpochee Avenue (SR 80). Please remember to renew your LaBelle Heritage Museum dues for 2012.

Library to host painters guild show

Barron Library will host an Art Show and Sale for the LaBelle Painters Guild. The show will open with a wine and cheese reception Saturday, Feb. 18, from 4-6 p.m. Works of art will remain on display at the library through Swamp Cabbage Festival, Feb. 25.

LaBelle Painters Guild is an organization of local artists who meet to paint and learn new techniques, under the direction of Meagan Leary Kissinger, a Freelance Artist/Illustrator out of Fort Myers. Don't miss the LaBelle Painters Guild Show and Sale at Barron Library, February 18-25.

Local Dems to meet at Clewiston Inn

The regular joint monthly meeting of the Glades and Hendry County Democratic Committees will be held at the Clewiston Inn Thursday, February 16, at 6:30 the evening. Hendry County DEC Chair Joe Thomas said organizing the Democratic Candidate Information Booth for Swamp Cabbage Festival will be the major agenda item. Glades County DEC Chair Ellen Hawk Geake added, "Glades County Democratic candidates will be welcome at the SCF Booth just as Hendry County Democratic candidates will be welcome at our information booth at Moore Haven's Chalo Nitka Festival in March." In-

formation booths to assist Democratic candidates are also scheduled for Clewiston's Sugar Festival and Harlem's Brown Sugar Festival later in the spring.

The meeting is open to all Democrats, especially Hendry and Glades County elected Democratic officials who are ex officio members of their respective county's DEC and announced Democratic candidates from the two counties. County chairs Geake and Thomas said they welcome area Democrats willing to volunteer to help promote the Florida Democratic Party's Vote By Mail campaign, early voting and to fill precinct vacancies on both county Democratic Executive Committees.

Benefit planned

A barbecue benefit is being planned for Kimmie Walker on Friday, Feb. 10, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Community Harvest Church on SR 29S. Barbecued chicken or pulled pork with cole slaw, baked beans, bread and tea for \$7.

MCA events for February

Feb. 11: Country Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner at 6 p.m.

Feb. 16: Pizza party and karaoke begins at 7 p.m.

Feb. 18: Bingo, 6 p.m. (third Saturday of each month). Refreshments will be sold.

No jam session on the fourth Saturday of February only. All of the events are open to the public and will be held at the Muse Community Center Bldg. on Loblolly Bay Road (Hwy. 720) Come out for a fun evening and meeting your neighbors. For further information call 863-674-0467.

Valentine craft show

Come to RiverBend Motorcoach Resort, 5800 W SR-80 LaBelle, Saturday, Feb. 11, 8-1 p.m. in the Nature Center west of Welcome Center. Added Attraction: Homemade Pies by Debbie! Come early and enjoy breakfast from 8-10 at The River Clubhouse.

Gathering of Christian Men

The February meeting of the LaBelle Gathering of Christian Men will be at Caloosa Baptist Church, on Church Way across from the LaBelle City Hall, at 7 p.m. Monday, Feb. 20. Dinner will be provided and Carey

Soud will bring us the message. All men of LaBelle and surrounding area are invited to join us for dinner and fellowship. For more information or directions call Randy Way at 863 885 1099.

Applications ready for Miss Sugar

Applications are available for the Miss Sugar 2012 Pageant at: Clewiston High School, Clewiston Public Library, Clewiston Chamber of Commerce, Moore Haven High School, Chamber of Commerce - Moore Haven, Chamber of Commerce - LaBelle, LaBelle High School and Big Cypress Museum. Miss Sugar is open to all young ladies between the ages of 15-18 in Glades and Hendry County.

A mandatory meeting will be held Feb. 28, for both parents and contestants at the Clewiston Inn upper porch at 7 p.m. Please bring your application, entry fee, copy of birth certificate and proof of your GPA (3.0) to this meeting. A \$4,000 scholarship is awarded to the new Miss Sugar.

Network at breakfast

Seacoast National Bank's monthly business networking breakfast will be Feb. 15, 7:30-9 a.m. The bank is located at 17 N. Lee Street.

Valentine's Day dinner

Join the American Legion Family on Val-

entine's Day Tuesday, Feb. 14, 4-7 p.m. For a Steak By the Ounce dinner, \$1 per ounce (Minimum 6 ounces) Rib eye Steak, tax included. Salad, baked potato, garlic bread 50 cents each, dessert \$1. Located on 699 Hickpochee Ave. (SR 80) across from the Shell Station LaBelle. Public welcome. For more info call (863) 675-8300.

Spaghetti comin' up

The Ortona Community Association will hold a spaghetti buffet dinner on Saturday, Feb. 18, from 5-7 p.m. at the OCA Hall, on Ortona Road (Highway 78A). This popular all-you-can-eat buffet features delicious pasta with meat sauce and includes garlic bread, tossed salad, green beans, dessert, coffee and iced tea for \$6 (advance purchase) or \$7 at the door. For advance tickets or reservations, contact Fran Way at 863-675-7880 or email franwayrn@aol.com.

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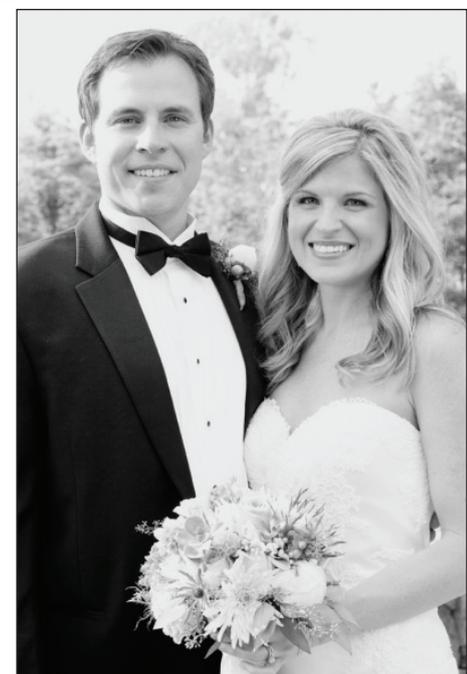
Come join us, Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. at The American Legion Post 130 on Hwy. 80 West in LaBelle. Meet guest of honor 13th District President Donna Dooley. Refreshments served following the meeting. Along with The American Legion, the Ladies Auxiliary solidly stands behind America and her ideals. Together we can make a difference. For more information call President Phyllis at: 863-674-1553 or Membership Chair, Sharon at 863-675-2980.

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Joanna Gail Finks and Robert Lloyd Chapman were married on May 14, 2011 at Sharp United Methodist Church, Young Harris, Georgia. The groom's uncle, Reverend Gregg Tottle officiated. The bride is the daughter of Glenn & Geri Finks, LaBelle, Florida. The groom's parents are Peter & Anne Eunson, Seminole, Florida and Lloyd Chapman, Mentor, Ohio. Grandparents attending were Gordon & Bev Rugland, Stanley, North Dakota; Don & Carolyn Finks, LaBelle; Virginia Tottle, Clearwater, Florida.

The maid of honor was Sarah Floyd. Bridesmaids were Melissa Finks, Lori Crisantiello, Kristie Cromer, Kelly Addison, Tiffany Isaac, Casey Jacobson, Laurie Long & Christina White. The best man was Justin Wollet. Groomsmen were Chris Chapman, Michael Eunson & Chip Eunson, brothers of the groom; Jared Finks, Jeremy Clark, Jason Fraxedas, Tristan Overcashier & Matt Putnam. Flower girl was Carrington Balthasar. Ringbearers were Randy Hanshaw, cousin of the bride & Weston Hofer. Guest book attendant & greeters were Kelli Hofer & Monica Eunson, sister of the groom. Ceremony readers were Susan Holland, aunt of the bride & Lindsay Chapman Jones,



cousin of the groom. The outdoor reception followed at Brasstown Valley Resort overlooking the mountains.

The bride is a 2001 graduate of LaBelle High School, University of Florida & South Texas College of Law. The groom is a 2001 graduate of Dunedin High School, University of Florida & Stetson College of Law. The couple resides in Tampa where both are attorneys.

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Budding Christian rock bands light up stage at Carlson Memorial UMC

by Sarah Lapp

From the same stage that brought you Christian music powerhouses Superchick[k], KJ-52 and Brit Nicole in 2008, Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church shed some light on three more musical acts on January 29. Up and coming stars, Southbound Fearing, Embers In Ashes and For A Season captured the audience with their charisma, passion and reckless abandon for Jesus Christ.

Southbound Fearing and Embers In Ashes, both signed under Red Cord Records, embarked on their "Fighting Words Tour" which spans over 40 states and over 2,000 miles. "The idea behind our tour comes from our most popular radio single "Fighting Words," Brady Leonard, lead singer and electric guitarist of Southbound Fearing explained. "The song is about the power of scripture and how, if we utilize it properly, it will challenge opposition and change lives. Fighting Words is also the last song that we perform in a show. It's very energetic and leaves a powerful message."

Jeremy Bates, lead singer and founder of Embers In Ashes, recounts that, "Our band formed by the grace of God. I'm from Birmingham, Alabama, and one day I had the calling to start a Christian rock band. So, I put up flyers around a university in Alabama and the rest just fell into place. I started getting calls from all over the country. We have a guy from California and Minnesota. It's not like we were all childhood buddies that bonded through the years, but it all worked out and we get along great."

Obituaries

Aaron Michael James Merritt

LABELLE — Aaron Michael James Merritt, five day old infant boy of Karina Movis and Rickey Merritt, passed away after a short time on this earth on Feb. 2, 2012, in All Children's Hospital in Saint Petersburg. Little Aaron was born in Fort Myers on Jan. 28, 2012.

He is survived by his father, Rickey Merritt; mother, Karina Movis; grandparents, Shaun Snider, Theo Snider, Maria Salas, and Jorge Salas; uncles, Jacob Merritt, Austin Merritt, Michael Reyna, William Salas, and Bryan Salas; aunts, Felina Snider and Veste Salas and Brandy Pearson; great-grandparents, Rachel Laviolett, Craig Davis, Alberta Castillo, and Antolin Hernandez; and a host of cousins and other family members.

The graveside service was 10 a.m., Monday, Feb. 6, at Fort Denaud Cemetery, 1170 Cemetery Road, LaBelle, with Rev. Frank Deerey Jr. officiating.

You can view his obituary, send letters of condolences and light a candle for little Aaron on the webpage of Akin-Davis Funeral Home at <http://www.akin-davis.com>.

It didn't take the band long to decide on a name, and Bates's personal testimony quickly set the foundation of the group. "The ashes represent our life before Christ. We're completely dead and full of garbage. Then, God takes hold of us and rescues us from the darkness. He sparks life, love and hope in our souls. He is now the vibrance amidst our emptiness, the embers in our ashes," Bates beamed.

And, boy, was that new life evident when this dynamite group took center stage. "Embers In Ashes had so much energy. They really impressed me. I felt their power the entire show," Maura Lofton, a seventh grader in Carlson's EDGE youth ministry commented.

For A Season, based out of Lehigh Acres, joined Southbound Fearing and Embers In Ashes for a special appearance at Carlson. "The coolest part about being a Christian artist is being a vessel for Jesus. Every time we perform, our goal is to usher in God's presence and lift people up. The motive behind our name (For A Season) is that everybody is in different stages of their lives. But, God is going to encourage you and be dedicated to you 110 percent, no matter how rough your circumstances are. That is why we jam for the Lamb, to bring hope to the hopeless at every time in their lives," lead singer Brian Keating revealed.

The evening was organized by Rob Robbins of Miami's 91.9 FM 'The Call' Radio. Robbins phoned CMUMC's youth minister, Scott Folsom about two weeks before the show. He asked Folsom if he would offer his church and EDGE group to welcome the "Fighting Words Tour" musicians. Scott was exuberant and could not wait for the family of Carlson, the city of LaBelle, and surrounding churches to witness the powerful concert.

"Tonight was incredible! I knew I had to come to LaBelle because Scott and all my friends from Riverside Retreat would be there. I came from Englewood, Florida, and it was so worth it. To top it all off, I caught the drumsticks from Embers In Ashes when they threw them into the crowd," Wil Fissackerly, a sophomore at Lemon Bay High School gushed.

These three musical groups are not frivolous boy bands; each and every band member oozes a jubilation that can only come from a child of God. Their music was fierce and rich, vibrating off the stained glass windows and penetrating the audience's souls. Although their music is "stylistically influenced by rock artists such as Anberlin and Paramore" (Jeremy Bates of Embers In Ashes pointed out) the deeper message is the pure salvation that is offered by our Savior, Jesus Christ. Now that's something to sing about.

First Baptist Church celebrating centennial

First Baptist Church LaBelle will be celebrating its 100th Anniversary this weekend, February 10-12, 2012. On Friday, February 10, 5:30 p.m. we will have our Fellowship - Reunion Dinner. A time for those who are

in town for the celebration to get together and do what Baptist do best...eat and fellowship! This is a casual time for everyone, old and new, to get to know each other over some BBQ. On Saturday, February 11, at 6:30 p.m. we will have our Generational Gospel Sing in the Sanctuary. We'll gather together and worship God with music from all the decades or our church's existence!

On Sunday, February 12, at 10 a.m. we will celebrate the 100 years God has allowed us to work in LaBelle.

Dr. John Sullivan, the Executive Director of the Florida Baptist Convention, will bring the message. Dr. Sullivan and his wife, Nancy, will be our special guest for the day. We will have dinner on the grounds following the service.

The church will be providing the meat, dessert and drinks; and everyone is encouraged to bring a side dish to be enjoyed by all. For more information you can check the churches Facebook page or our Web site at www.fbclabelle.org. You call the church office at 675-2171 to answer any questions, you might have.



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Community Briefs

Republican Party meeting in LaBelle

The Republican County Executive Committee will meet at the LaBelle City Hall, 481 Hickpoochee Ave, Monday, Feb. 13, at 5:15 p.m. Republican County Chairman Mel Karau invites all Republicans registered in Hendry County to attend, meet the candidates and help with the planning of booth activities for Hendry Count Fair, Swamp Cabbage and Sugar Festival. For further information, please call 675 4063.

Memorial bricks to be laid

Three more memorial bricks will be laid at the Veterans Memorial across from the Courthouse in a short ceremony at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11. Memorial bricks may be purchased for \$100 each. Contact American Legion Post 130 at 675-8300.

Register for car show

The South Central Florida Car Club registration is open for the 6th Annual Legends of the Road Super Cruise and Show. The show is open to all makes, models and years of cars and trucks on February 25 starting at 9 a.m. Vehicles will be staged on Ft. Thompson Ave.

Multiple trophies awarded in numerous categories. Door prizes. Register early to guarantee your spot. Applications can be found on line at www.swampcabbagefestival.org or call 863-634-1791 or 863-234-8343; or register at the Hot Rides and Hot Dogs in the Park on February 21 from 5-8 p.m. at Baron Park.

Legion fish fry

Come to the American Legion Post 130 Fish Fry every Friday night 5-7 p.m. The post is located at 699 SR 80W.

Pizza in Muse

The Muse Community Association is sponsoring a "Meet and Greet your Neighbor Night" with a "Pizza Party" at the community center on Thursday, Feb. 16, at 7 p.m. Pizza and beverage free! Come on out and join your neighbors!

Be your own boss

The next Southwest Florida Micro Enterprise class will start in LaBelle Tuesday, Feb. 28 and continue Tuesday evenings 6-9 p.m. for ten weeks at 921 Anvil Circle (off Cowboy Way). For more information and to register, please to go: www.goodwillswfl.org/microenterprise or call Matt at 675-1412.

LHS reunion

The LaBelle High School Reunion will be March 10 at the Dallas Townsend Ag Building on Pratt Blvd. Anyone who attended LHS up through the '50s is welcome. Call Freida Bullington at 863-675-1070 or 863-673-3482. The cost is \$10 per person. Send money to Frieda Bullington at 478 Maple Drive SW, LaBelle, FL 33935. Please bring a covered dish and send your money any time. RSVP by March 5. Afghans will be there to raffle,

yearbooks and pictures will be there to look through. Come early to visit an enjoy everyone. Dinner at 5 p.m. but come early to socialize.

VFW news

Friday, Feb. 10, stuffed pork loin dinner, 5 p.m.; \$8.

Saturday, Feb. 11, karaoke with 2 Sharps. Please bring a covered dish.

Sunday, Feb. 12, turkey shoot, 1 p.m.

Bingo open to the public every Monday. 6:30 p.m.

Charcoal grilled hamburgers every Saturday 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m., \$3. Serving stops promptly at 1:30 so come early.

Members are reminded that their 2011 membership card are now invalid. Members must have a valid 2012 card to attend meetings and enjoy canteen privileges.

The post is located on SR 29S by the rodeo grounds.

VFW Post 10100 will pay the initial membership fees and annual dues for any armed forces personnel currently serving in harm's way. For information, please call 863-675-8008.

AMVETS established

AMVETS Post 2012 was established Friday, Jan. 13. Meetings are at VFW Post 10100 the third Wednesday of the month 6:30 p.m. Any veteran of the armed forces honorably discharged since WWII is eligible for membership. For more information call Mark Schoenwald at 239-246-3094 or come to VFW Post 10100 for an application.

Learn about fibromyalgia

Terry Lowder, co-founder and President of Therapeutic Lifestyle Choices, Inc. (dba Easy Health Choices), serves as a Health Coach, Workshop Facilitator and Continuing Education Provider, is as well, a Florida Licensed Massage Therapist (# MA28451), who owns and operates a private massage practice, TLC Massage & Bodywork, in Bonita Springs & Naples, specializing in Fibromyalgia, Multiple Sclerosis, and Diabetes.

Mr. Lowder will be giving a presentation on fibromyalgia at the Caloosa Rejuvenation Center, located at 461-B South Main Street, LaBelle, tonight Thursday, Feb. 9, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Should you, or an acquaintance, be diagnosed as having fibromyalgia, this presentation may be extremely helpful.

A seating contribution of \$20 per person will be requested of which 100 percent of contribution shall be donated to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. Light refreshment will be provided. Contact Sherrie Easterly at 863-885-1500 for reservation/information.

Mr. Lowder will also be presenting Female Pathologies Thursday, March 8 at the same location. Please contact Sherrie Easterly at 863-885-1500 or caloosamassageworks@massagetherapy.com.

SBDC here to help

The Small Business Development Center at Florida Gulf Coast University is present in Hendry and Glades Counties and in Immokalee. One-on-one consultation is

available to all existing and potential small business. In addition, SBDC offers a variety of workshops and seminars to help the business community. Call Janice at 239-860-8592 to set up an appointment to discuss your ideas and needs.

Next on the agenda is tonight February 9, 4-6 p.m. at the Moore Haven Library, 201 Riverside Drive, Moore Haven. SBA and SBDC are teaming with Glades County Economic Development Council to provide essential information on starting a business, taking a business to the next level and providing the assistance and resources you need to do it. Area manager for SBA, Vince Lopresti and SBDC CBA, Janice Groves will present an informative program to help you. Register at sbdc.fgcu.edu or call 239-745-3700 for this no charge Small Business Success workshop.

Sit! Stay! Heel!

Caloosa Humane Society offers Dog Training Classes!! The four-week program has classes on Mondays from 5-6 p.m. for \$125. Basic obedience skills like sit, stay, heel, no jumping, etc. You and your dog can join the class at any time. Proof of rabies (dogs over 4 months) and DHPPC vaccination are required to be in the program. Get required

vaccinations at the shelter prior to the class for only \$20 for both. We do ask that the humans be 13 years old or older and under 18 year of age must have a parent present. Call (863)675-0997 to book your spot as space is limited. A portion of the proceeds will go to the wonderful dogs (and cats too) at Caloosa Humane Society.

Widows to meet

The Widows Support Group will meet for lunch at Top Draw (formerly Rodeo) at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 16. All widows welcome.

Spay, neuter, save lives

Caloosa Humane Society offers low-cost spay/neuter services and vaccination clinics to the community. While an appointment for spay/neuter services is necessary, the vaccination clinics are on a walk-in basis from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on the same days as spay/neuter.

Upcoming spay/neuter and vaccination clinic dates are: February 10, 17, 24. Please call and schedule your appointment today! For more information call 863.675.0997 or visit our Web site at www.caloosahumane-society.org

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Cowboys end basketball season with three wins



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LHS seniors Noel Gutierrez, Ian Kelley, Braxton Ford and Tanner Zietvolge.

The LaBelle Boys Basketball team finished up the last week of the season with three straight victories over Lake Placid, ECS and Lemon Bay. The Cowboys' record improved to 14-11 going into Tuesday night's district game at LaBelle. The scoring has been very balanced the last eight games and the bench players have contributed alot which will help in the play-offs.

(Coach Kelley) The week started off with a road victory at Lake Placid 59-70. Braxton Ford had 13 points and 5 steals, while Andrew Jean Baptist turned in another great 4th quarter before fouling out. ECS visited LaBelle on Friday night only to find a packed house and a 60-53 loss.

Tyler O'Ferrell turned in a 12-point and 14 rebound game. Braxton Ford added 13 points and 5 assists, Andrew Jean Baptist

scored 13 points and 6 rebounds. Seniors, Noel Gutierrez added 7 points and Ian Kelley came back from a injury to grab 5 rebounds. Saturday was Senior Day. All four Cowboy seniors were honored for their efforts with basketball at LaBelle High School. Braxton Ford, Noel Gutierrez, Tanner Zietvolge and Ian Kelley were honored in a pregame ceremony. Lemon Bay and LaBelle struggled from the floor shooting poorly in the first half for a 15-12 halftime score.

The Cowboys came out executing better on offense and won the game 43-31.

Junior, Devonte Ray sealed the victory with two big free throws and a great 2nd half effort on defense. The Cowboys will look to Ray, Kelley, Burtons and Jean Baptist for inside play in the district.

LHS Wrestlers lasso District runner up title

The Cowboy Wrestling team are the District Runner ups for 2012 just behind Golden Gate High School. Team Captains Andy McAvoy (145) and Delendio Watson (152) captured District Champion Titles. Wolfgang Lynn (138) finished second in the best match of the night losing in overtime. Sean Chadwick (132) wrestled in the finals coming in at second place. Twin Brothers Kabrel Pino (160) and Jeffrey Pino (170) wrestled to a second place finish also.

Others qualifying for Regional were Eliazar Cisneros (182), Juan Gomez (195) and Caleb Rimes (Hvy) all three took third place in their weight class. Daryl Spooner (126)

and Javier Deras (120) placed 4th.

"District Runner Ups are the LHS Cowboys, the kids celebrated their accomplishment with style, it's great to see the smiles on their faces. We qualified 11 wrestlers to move on to the Regional Tournament where the competition will be tougher. Only the top 4 wrestlers in each weight class will move on to the State Tournament in Lakeland at the Lakeland Civic Center," said Coach Ayala.

LHS wrestling this weekend February 10 and 11 at Golden Gate High School, wrestling starts at noon on Friday and 10: a.m. on Saturday. Come out and support your Cowboys.



Submitted photo/JerriLynn Merritt

Pictured are Gennifer's dad Clint Raulerson and SFCC coach Carlos Falla. Front row: Paige, Gennifer, Heather and their mother Diane.

Gennifer Raulerson signs to play at SFCC

by Jerri Lynn Merritt

Gennifer Raulerson achieved a goal Thursday that she has been chasing since she was five years old. She signed a National Letter Of Intent to play college softball at South Florida Community College after she graduates from LHS in June.

Gennifer chose SFCC because of the coaching staff and small school atmosphere and thought it would be a good fit for her as a student and athlete.

"G", as she is known to most people, grew up in a softball family and is the third of three sisters to play softball at LaBelle High School and go on to play at the college level. Paige, a 2005 LHS grad, went on to play at FGCU and Heather, a 2007 grad, played at Florida Southern.

As with any college athlete, the road to this point has not been an easy one. G has put in years of hard work and made a lot of sacrifices to get to this point in her career - pitching in the back yard with dad or one of her sisters until it is so dark she couldn't see or staying after practice when everyone else has gone home to get her pitching or batting practice done were things that were "normal" for G.

There were four speakers at G's signing party at LHS on Thursday, Coach Raymond Marroquin, who has coached all three Raulerson sisters at the high school level and has

known G since she was a baby, reflected on traveling with the Raulerson family to tournaments and G driving everyone crazy as a little kid. Coach Marroquin also spoke as to the hard work that all three sisters put in and that everything they have achieved has been "earned."

Coach Lori Perkins has also coached all three sisters in volleyball and basketball and said that someone may be bigger or faster than G but "no one will work harder than she will."

Gennifer's dad Clint spoke and wanted to talk about the people who had a hand in getting the girls to this point. He thanked coaches, teachers and family members in an emotional speech and spoke of how proud he and his wife are to have had their girls go to LaBelle High School. To all of the students who came to wish G well he encouraged them to "follow their dreams, work hard and to never forget where you came from".

SFCC coach Carlos Falla also spoke and said that SFCC was excited to have Gennifer join their program and he was looking forward to coaching her at the next level.

G would like to thank all of her teammates that have helped her get to this point, and said "softball is a team game and no body can win alone."

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Alternate Browsers

Last week we discussed optimizing the most prevalent browser on Windows systems, Internet Explorer.

We mentioned in passing that it's generally a good idea to have more than one browser installed so that if something happens to your primary browser, you can still enjoy an online experience with an alternate one until you can get your computer repaired.

The key to installing an alternate browser is to do it before you absolutely need it. Most browsers use what's called an 'online installer' which simply means you must be connected to the internet to install. If your primary browser is hijacked, it's probably too late to install an alternate.

This article will focus on installing Google Chrome and Mozilla Firefox as alternates to

Celebrate the sour orange

by Susan Etchey

Lakeport - The harvest and history of the sour orange is cause for an annual celebration in the small fishing resort of Lakeport on the north shore of Lake Okeechobee.

If you value the experience of eating rare tropical fruits like sour oranges, you're in for a treat. You can taste and purchase sour orange pies and various sour orange pastries at Lakeport's 20th Sour Orange Festival on Saturday, Feb. 11, from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. (the delicious pies do run out early).

Sour oranges are prolific in this remote wilderness region, the ancient trees growing wild in cattle pastures and homesteads. Sour oranges were once the original rootstock for the creation of the sweet oranges that created the huge citrus industry in Florida.

Lakeport is on the northwest side of Lake Okeechobee on Hwy 78 between Moore Haven and Okeechobee City. To find the festival grounds, follow the signs. There is a small entrance fee of \$1 donation for parking. Proceeds benefit the community.



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Internet Explorer. Which one is best? That's entirely a matter of opinion, but as all the choices are free, why not try both and see what you like about each?

The best part about considering these two alternate browsers is that they're capable of importing all of your bookmarks/favorites. This means that your home page, and all those bookmarks/favorites you've accumulated over the years will still be readily accessible from within your alternate browser.

Both Firefox and Chrome are easy to install and offer to automatically import settings from whichever browser it detects is already installed in your system.

To install Google Chrome, visit <http://www.google.com/chrome> or just search for 'Chrome' in your favorite search engine.

Typically the installation is as simple as clicking a link and answering a question or two.

Installing Mozilla Firefox is just as easy. Visit <http://www.mozilla.org/en-US/firefox/fx/> or search for 'Mozilla Firefox' using your favorite search engine.

Again, a few clicks and some questions answered and you'll have your alternate browser installed.

Installing an alternate browser will often include asking if you'd like the new browser to be your 'default'. If you're happy with your current browser (for most, this is Internet Explorer), say 'No' and complete the installation. If you say 'yes', the new browser will be the one that automatically opens when you click a link in a document or email message.

Don't fret if you've made your new browser the default and later want to change

your mind. That setting is usually pretty easy to find; again, simply by using your favorite search engine.

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River Oaks officers

The River Oaks Community Association in Ortona recently elected new association officers for 2012. The are from left: Larry Dalconzo, President, Alicia Hucker, Secretary, Nancy Genschaw, Treasurer and Bruce Keiseer, Vice-President.

Hendry Regional Medical Center is proud to announce that beginning February 9th, Dr. Robert Zarranz will provide ENT services to the residents of the LaBelle area. His office will be open every Thursday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING EAST HENRY COUNTY RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD
 Notice is hereby given that the East Henry County Recreation Advisory Board will hold a meeting February 15, 2012, at 5:30 p.m., at the Harlem Community Civic Auditorium, 2000 7th Street, Clewiston, Florida.
 If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
 East Henry County Recreation Advisory Board
 409190 CN/CB 2/9/2012

NOTICE OF FILING ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is given to all persons interested in the following described land and property in Hendry County, Florida, to wit: the owners and all persons interested in the lands corporate and other property in and adjacent to the Central County Water Control District, "the District," that the engineer hereto appointed to determine benefits and damages to the property and lands situated in the District and to determine the estimated cost of the proposed water control plan or plan amendment, filed his report in the office of the secretary of the district, located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida on the 22nd day of February, 2012, and you may examine the report and file written objections with the secretary of the district to all, or any part thereof, on or before February 15, 2012. The report recommends The Central County Water Control Plan be amended as follows:
 1. **Completion of Reservoir Levee Improvements** - Construction of the 2.5 miles of the levee that remains to be completed in order to allow water retention at design/permitted capacity;
 2. **Installation of Two (2) Additional Pumps** - The installation of two additional pumps upon completion of the Reservoir Levee thereby increasing the District's permitted pumping capacity from 250,000 gpm to 300,000 gpm, a net 50,000 gpm theoretical increase in pumping capacity;
 3. **Inclusion of Woodlands Subdivision in the District's Geographical Boundaries** - The District's legal description contains a scrivener's error thereby not closing the legal description of the Woodlands Subdivision as it relates to the geographical boundaries of the District;
 4. **Provision for a Special Assessment Funding the Reservoir Levee Completion** - The District intends to fund the Reservoir Levee Improvements referenced herein by a special assessment not previously authorized by law through the provisions of Chapter 298, Florida Statutes; and,
 A final hearing to consider approval of the report and proposed water control plan or plan amendment shall be held at its regularly scheduled meeting of Wednesday, February 22, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston.
 CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
 407529 CN 1/19,26 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2826 2007 4104329-0202430120 John C. Swearingen
 Lot 12, Block 2043, Port LaBelle Unit 2, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.
 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida
 409281 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2432 2008 1074433-030000103000 Leysa Rodriguez Ramos
 Lot 30, Block 1, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
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 Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
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 408290 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 1980 2008 1254432-A0002240100 GAME Investments Inc
 The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as tract 4999, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
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 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
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Public Notice

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 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2497 2008 1074433-03000230090 Manuel Gonzalez
 Lot 9, Block 23, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
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 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
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 Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012**.
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 408285 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Denton II, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2949 2007 4104329-03021030130 First Equity Funding Corp
 Lot 13, Block 2103, Port LaBelle Unit 3, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
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 409252 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Ella III, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 3153 2007 4104329-06021980120 Deano's Full Service Inc.
 Lot 12, Block 2198, Port LaBelle Unit 6, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
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 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida
 409241 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 1980 2008 1254432-A0002240100 GAME Investments Inc
 The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as tract 4999, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.
 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida
 408293 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2904 2007 4104329-02020830130 John C. Swearingen
 Lot 13, Block 2083, Port LaBelle Unit 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.
 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
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 409266 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Denton II, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2575 2007 2024329-670000B0300 Javaris J. James
 Lots 47 and 48, Block B, and the East one-half of the New York Street abutting said lots, Sunset Park Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.
 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
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 409231 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
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 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2950 2007 4104329-03021030140 First Equity Funding Corp
 Lot 14, Block 2103, Port LaBelle Unit 3, a subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.
 Dated this **1st** day of **February, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida
 409220 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
 CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
 2547 2007 2024329-46000000070 Park Investments Group, Inc.
 LaBelle, Millers Subdivision, Lot 11, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 88, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
 All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
 Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.
 Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida
 408281 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PHASE SERVICES FOR REPAVING CR 835 FROM 7.66 MILES SOUTH OF US 27 TO 6.65 MILES SOUTH OF US 27, CLEWISTON, FL FM# 430094

RFQ No. 2012-10
Opening Date and Time: March 8, 2012 @ 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in connection with repaving CR 835 from 7.66 miles South of US 27 to 6.65 miles South of US 27 in Clewiston, Florida.

A copy of the Instructions and RFQ Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Office, located at 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, FL 33935 (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220.

The solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFQ, or to contract for any services.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively seeks Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation.

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
409451 CN/CB 2/9,16,23;3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Verona A, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 787, 2007, 1274331-010000H0110, Derrick & Vonnette Douglas, Raymond & Barbara Dillon, Wesley & Pearl Gallimore, Errol C. Shim, Michael & Marjorie Gosley

The Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408006 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Hendry County will be conducting a Public Hearing for the FY 2011 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) grant program.

- 1. To benefit low and moderate income persons; or
2. To aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or
3. To meet other community development needs of recent origin having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

The categories of activities for which the FY 2011 funds may be used are in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, or economic development and include such improvement activities as acquisition of real property, loans to private-for-profit business, purchase of machinery and equipment, construction of infrastructure, rehabilitation of houses and commercial buildings, and energy conservation.

For each activity that is proposed, at least 70% of the funds must benefit low and moderate income persons.

In developing an application for submission to DCA, the County must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of planned CDBG activities.

The public hearing to receive citizen views concerning the community's economic and community development needs will be at the Hendry County Board of County Commission meeting held at the Hendry County Commission Chambers, Hendry County Court House in LaBelle, Florida on Tuesday, February 28, 2012 at 6:00 p.m.

The public hearing is being conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Any handicapped person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired should contact the County Administrator's Office at least five calendar days prior to the meeting and an interpreter will be provided.

409520 CN/CB 2/9/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ilene & Jon Klasfeld Co Tr, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 5701, 2003, 3014334-01001630130, Andrea S. & Ralph J. Marotta

Lot 16 and 17, Block163, of the General Plan of Clewiston, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 71-78, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 15th day of March, 2012.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

409224 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 191, 2007, 1074428-A0001410000, Michael D. Kelly

The West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 7, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 15th day of March, 2012.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

409244 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Verona A, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2609, 2007, 2184329-03000002290, Elizabeth G. Mack & Dana Brown

Lot 229 thru 240, Block 9, Evelyn Terrace, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 46, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 15th day of March, 2012.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

409314 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT County of Hendry, Florida, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1883, 2008, 1244432-A0001220100, GAME Investments Inc.

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 15th day of March, 2012.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

409279 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT County of Hendry, Florida, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2709, 2008, 1214334-010000K0130, Ursula K. Fuller

Lot 17 and 18, Block K, Harlem Addition No. 1, to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408010 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Jolene Funding, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3577, 2008, 4104329-030000L0020, Odiance Silien

Tract L2, Block 2102, Port LaBelle, Unit 3, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408286 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1775, 2007, 1344432-A0000960000, GAME Investments, Inc.

The Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 34, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida, extending or shortening its East and West boundary line so as to terminate at the North boundary line of Providence City, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 29, 30 and 31, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408291 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2032, 2007, 1314433-A0000530000, Park Avenue Investments Group Inc.

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408292 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2364, 2007, 2024329-670000A0140, Marcellous Smith & Sophia L. Harris

Lot 25 and 26, Block A, Sunset Park, a subdivision of the West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 8, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408283 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Winder VI, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 236, 2007, 1194428-A0000790000, John C. & Shelley Swearingen

The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 19, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 15th day of March, 2012.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

409234 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT County of Hendry, Florida, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2364, 2008, 1364432-A0002470000, Rex C. & Mary Lou Ransom

The North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 15th day of March, 2012.

Dated this 1st day of February, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

409265 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Winder VI, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1711, 2007, 1274432-A0001540100, Elena E. Rodriguez

The North one-half of the East one-half of the South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 27, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012.

Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida

408289 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
LONG TERM LEASE OF 6.26 ACRES (MOL)
AIRGLADES INDUSTRIAL PARK, CLEWISTON, FLORIDA
RFP NUMBER: 2012-12
OPENING DATE AND TIME: February 16, 2012 @ 2:00 P.M.**

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for the long term lease of 6.26 acres (more or less), located within the Airglades Industrial Park, Clewiston, Florida (part of Parcel I.D. No. 1-33-43-17-A00-0001.0000). In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hick-pochee Avenue, LaBelle, on or before Thursday, February 16, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the RFP can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220 or (863) 983-1585.

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County to lease the property, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFP, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submissions received as a result of this RFP, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFP, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Drug/Smoke Free Work Place.

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
409517 CN/CB 2/9/2012

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 95-268DR on November 30th, 2011 in the matter of Zenoria T. McKinney, as petitioner and Shep Harris, as respondent, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the respondent, to-wit:

Lot 28, Block "K", HARLEM ADDITION TO CLEWISTON, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida, including the 1986 Fleet wood 14X52 Mobile Home, Vin No.: LPLSP1AG257011902, and Title No.: 43345287. Also known as 1011 Della Tobias Avenue, Clewiston Florida 33440.

and on March 15th, 2012, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street LaBelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution.

IN accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-9-800-955-87671 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

Steve Whidden as Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida
By: Lt. Andy Lewis
409495 CN/CB 2/9,16,23;3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2270	2008	1354432-A0002320100	GAME Investments Inc.

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3876, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409270 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2738	2008	1214334-010000P0050	James Watson and Joel Mendoza

Lot 8, Block P, Harlem 1, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **18th day of January, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

408284 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1981	2008	1254432-A0002260100	GAME Investments Inc

The North one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5016, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409222 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1937	2008	1254432-A0001020000	GAME Investments Inc

The North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 1180, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409245 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2272	2008	1354432-A0002380100	GAME Investments Inc

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3881, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409264 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2044	2007	1314433-A0001370000	John C. & Shelley Swearingen

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 5907, Montura Ranch Estates.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **18th day of January, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

408282 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1981	2008	1254432-A0002260100	GAME Investments Inc

The North one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5016, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409222 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2564	2008	1314433-A0003180000	Moises Rivera Diaz Jr.

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5745, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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Dated this **18th day of January, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

408288 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Tarpon IV, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2040	2007	1314433-A000970000	Pilar Home Developers, Inc

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 6077, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **18th day of January, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

408007 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2156	2008	1274432-A0002430000	GAME Investments Inc

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 27, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 175, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409284 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

Hendry County, Florida (the "County") hereby provides notice, pursuant to Section 197.362(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied within the Seven K Estates Subdivision Municipal Services Benefit Unit, within the unincorporated area of the County, for assessments on properties for drainage purposes within that area commencing with the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2012, and continuing each year until discontinued by the County. The County will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by Section 197.362(3), Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 5:00 p.m. on February 28, 2012, in the Commission Chambers, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hick-pochee Ave., LaBelle, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the County Administration Office, 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the County with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed, and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Clerk at (863) 675-5217, seven days prior to the date of the hearing.

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
408755 CB/CN 2/2,9,16,23/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Verona A, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1032	2007	1134432-A0001430000	Maria Perez

The West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road to the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3049, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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Dated this **18th day of January, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

408287 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourist Development Council will hold a regular meeting Thursday, February 16th, 2012, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Clewiston Chamber of Commerce/Museum conference room, 109 Central Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440. If a quorum is not established, the alternative date is Thursday, February 23rd, 2012 at 4:00 pm. This meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Hendry County
Tourist Development Council
Karson Turner, Chairman
409518 CN/CB 2/9/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Ilene Kinsfeld DBA TCPA Properties**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1411	2004	1154432-A0001260100	Edward C. Lowe

The North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 15, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for a drainage canal of the North 25 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 3180, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **15th day of March, 2012**.

Dated this **1st day of February, 2012.**

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida

409286 CN 2/9,16,23 & 3/1/2012

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 09-213-CA**

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P.
Plaintiff,

VS.
RICHARD J. MARQUITH A/K/A RICHARD MARQUITH; PATSY A. MARQUITH A/K/A PATSY MARQUITH; Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 18, 2012, August 30, 2011, and entered in Case No. 09-213-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida. COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is Plaintiff and RICHARD J. MARQUITH A/K/A RICHARD MARQUITH; PATSY A. MARQUITH A/K/A PATSY MARQUITH; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY, IN FRONT OF OFFICE OF CLERK OF COURTS, ADMINISTRATION BLDG, HENDRY CO. COURTHOUSE, 25 EAST HICKPOCHEE, LABELLE, IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, at 11:00 a.m., on the 22nd day of February, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 57, TANGLEWOOD OAKS UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 176, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim with 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 25th day of January, 2012.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
As Clerk of said Court
By: J. Davis
As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2,065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act . If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 25 East Hickpochee, LaBelle, FL 33935, Phone No. (941)335- 2299 within 7 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-9558771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).
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408625 CN 2/2,9/2012

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1994 Nissan,
JN1H01FXRT252873
409455 CN 2/9/2012**

NOTICE OF WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will hold a workshop/special meeting on Wednesday, February 29, 2012 at 7pm at the CCWD Conference Room, 475 S. Cabbage Palm St. Montura Ranch Estates. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the loan commitment letters, proposed SPWMD water storage agreement, street lights, and signage, and any other business that may come before the Board.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL AID OR SERVICES AS ADDRESSED IN THE AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE AT (863)983-5797, NO LESS THAN FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ABOVE STATED DATE.

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
408715 CN 2/9,16,23/2012

ORDER OF NOTICE STATE OF CONNECTICUT SUPERIOR COURT

Judicial District of Hartford at Hartford, CT
90 Washington Street, Hartford, CT 06106
January 20, 2012
Giarratano, Linda A. vs. Giarratano, Frank M.
Return Date: February 14, 2012
NOTICE TO:
FRANK M. GIARRATANO

The Court has reviewed the Motion for Order of Notice in Family Cases and the Complaint which asks for a Divorce (dissolution of marriage) based on irretrievable differences.

The Court finds that the defendant's current address is unknown and that all reasonable efforts to find him/her have failed. The Court also finds that the defendant's last known address was located at 285 Case Road, LaBelle, FL 33935.

THE COURT ORDERS that the notice be given to the defendant by placing a legal notice in the Caloosa Belle, a weekly newspaper circulating in LaBelle, FL, containing a true and attested copy of this Order of Notice, and statement that Automatic Court Orders have been issued in the case as required by Section 25-5 of the Connecticut Practice Book and are a part of the Complaint on file with the Court.

The notice shall appear once a week for two successive weeks commencing on or before January 27, 2012 and proof of service shall be filed with this Court.

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY
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State of Connecticut
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Drug Free Hendry County has been invited by Hendry County Commissioner Karson Tuner to take part in the Raising Cane Rodeo on February 18-19 in Clewiston. Community activities like this create a place for teens to have an outlet for their passions and talents, reducing their risk of substance abuse. Drug Free Hendry County will be staffing the concession stand and all of the proceeds will be going back to Raising Cane Rodeo 501c3. This will also give us an opportunity to spread the message to parents to "Be The Wall Between Teens and Alcohol." We need help! We need plenty of volunteers in order to increase awareness of Drug Free Hendry County and our message.

There are two shifts on Sunday the 19th, 9-1 and 1-5, but any time you are available will help. If you would like to contribute your time to this in the name of prevention please contact Bianca Ross at 863 674-4056 ext 143 or bianca_ross@doh.state.fl.us.

If Sundays are not a good day for you but you would still like to help DFHC, we also need at least three volunteers for the Love The Lake Run in Clewiston the Saturday, Feb. 18 7-11 a.m. and for the Saturday Evening Rodeo 4:30-8 p.m. (Saturday rodeo still in planning stages).

In April and May we will be throwing Soc-Hops at LHS, LMS, CHS, CMS, and possibly MHHS. If you would like to chaperone any of these events please let me know.

Witches Brew
by Pudge Lehman

Well, here I am in the second week of a cold complete with a runny nose . . . EE-EEEEUUUUUU. I've never had an allergy in all my long life but, just maybe, I've developed one. Now I have a new worry . . . what if it's an allergy to dust! If this is true my days are numbered.

A few bathtub decals applied to the bottom of a kiddie pool will prevent slips and falls. Cut pieces and stick to sippy cups for a better grip for tiny hands and put a few on the seat of the high chair to keep baby from sliding down and out.

Speaking of babies ... we have a recent addition to the Beer/Robbins/Lehman families. Jackson Mathew Beer was born to Brent and Jessi Beer a few days after Thanksgiving. He comes from good, strong stock all the way down from Victor and Dorothy Beer and Jack and Pudge Lehman to Cindi and Bryan Beer and Chris and Fred Robbins. We are all so proud.

Just read a hint to take a large piece of bubble wrap to the ball game to cushion the hard bleachers. My mind instantly jumped to my rather large rump sitting on bubble wrap. Some elderly person could have a heart attack at the sound of 4th of July fireworks in February.

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Prescribed Fire Awareness Week

Fire and water are among the primary forces shaping Florida's landscape.

Why conduct a prescribed fire? Only in the last century has fire in the forest been viewed as a monster. We are now beginning to realize that fire is a natural agent essential for maintaining the natural ecosystems of Florida. Fire is neither all good nor all bad. It is natural. It is powerful. In the proper places, in the right hands, at the right times, fire can be an asset and an ally. To employ fire as a useful friend is much more logical than confronting it as an enemy.

How does a prescribed fire work? Instead of using a broom or a leaf blower, land managers use fire as a cleaning tool. Prescribed burning burns the duff layer (pine needles, dead leaves and twigs) at a slow pace going against the wind. A prescribed fire is planned process that is regulated by the Florida Statutes. If the fire escapes, the individual or agency can be held liable.

What about the animals? Animal life also depends on fire. The gopher tortoise, whose burrows provide habitat or shelter for hundreds of other species, is dependent on periodic fire to provide fresh browsing vegetation. Without fire, the scrub habitat changes; in overgrown scrub, plants create so much shade and leaf litter that the open, sandy patches disappear and so do the species that prefer them. During a fire, many species of small animals, such as ants, Florida mice, gopher frogs, mole crickets, and ox beetles, have ways to flee, or find refuge in an existing (gopher tortoise) burrow beyond the reach of the heat. Birds can easily fly away from the flames. Larger mammals can often sense and easily out maneuver a fire.

Now that we know that many of Florida's native species will disappear unless fire is introduced back into the habitats, people in charge of preserving and maintaining natural areas are including prescribed burns as part of their management. Prescribed burns are intended to do three things: 1) mimic natural conditions, 2) maintain a variety of plant communities, and 3) decrease the amount of accumulated plant material and thereby reduce the chance of devastating wildfires. A prescribed burn is not a one-time event, but a process that must be continually reapplied to the landscape. www.goodfires.org

Contact your local Florida Forest Service office (Vero Beach 772-778-5085; Ft. Pierce 772-468; Stuart 772-221-4045; Okeechobee 863-462-5160; Sebring 863-655-64-7; Palmdale 863-674-4000). Please visit our Web site at www.fl-dof.com.



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This 3BR/2BA home with its grand oak trees is located in the lovely Laurel Oaks subdivision. The home features a nice .28 acre lot with a fenced in backyard which would be perfect for your weekend BBQ. THIS HOME HAS BEEN WELL TAKEN CARE OF AND IS A MUST SEE!!! **\$99,900**

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LOTS OF POSSIBILITIES for this attractive 6000 s.f. building on busy SR 80W. High traffic area near the Hendry/ Lee Co. line. Zoned for Light Manufacturing. A/C offices or entire building. 3 OH doors, front porch & 648 s.f. covered canopy. This 1.1 ACRE property is enclosed w/chain link fencing. Don't miss out on this opportunity! **\$345,000**

NEWLY BUILT 4565 total s.f. custom home on .47 acres in town. Zoned LB-B1 and conveniently located on 1st Ave. behind a busy commercial plaza. 3 bdrm/4 baths, upstairs and downstairs living rooms, game room, balconies front and rear. Lots of potential uses. **\$365,000**

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A perpetual reminder of the sacrifice of a generation

Several Hendry County veterans and their families were honored at the Jan. 26 American Veterans Traveling Tribute, Cost of Freedom, in Fort Myers. Each Gold Star family, those who had relatives killed in America's wars, was escorted to the front of the audience as they were introduced. Nicholas Cutinha, who lived in LaBelle as a boy and whose Medal of Honor is permanently housed at American Legion Post 130, was recognized. His family could not be reached. Chief Warrant Officer Robert C. Hammett Jr.'s family of LaBelle did not attend, but Robert "Johnny" Hammett's son was killed in a bomb blast in Iraq, in June 2008. The Chief Warrant Officer was a graduate of LaBelle High School.

LEFT: Owen Luckey, left, of LaBelle and his wife Kathleen attended the Gold Star ceremony in honor of his brother, James Luckey, who was killed in Viet Nam on January 25, 1969. The couple flanks their escort at the ceremony.

CENTER: Paulette Hughley of Clewiston lost her brother Sgt. Arthur J. Anderson, who was killed February 23, 1969. Ms. Hughley said she mainly remembers family time with her older brother. She is pictured with her escort, County Commissioner Janet Taylor.

RIGHT: Beth Church, her daughter Brianna now 8, and Chris' cousin Amy. Marine Staff Sgt. Christopher Strickland was killed in Afghanistan while he was defusing an IED in June 2008. The Staff Sergeant was a graduate of LaBelle High School.

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