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Fighting cancer

Better get your extra sleep now, 'cause this weekend you'll want to be up all night to enjoy the 2012 Relay for Life at the LaBelle High School football field. It all begins at 3 p.m. this Saturday, March 31, and continues through the night till 8 a.m. Sunday, April 1. Teams representing different countries of the world will be set up with booths to pique your fancy.

Come for dinner and sample the food and, of course, the goodies. All proceeds go toward winning the fight against cancer.

Events will be going on non-stop all night, but highlights include:

- Opening ceremony at 3 p.m.
- Survivor Lap at 4:30 p.m.
- Luminaria ceremony - the lighting of candles in memory of those who lost their battle with cancer - 8 p.m.

Survivors and caretakers are invited to the Survivor's Tent for a big birthday party after completing the Survivor's Lap.

Entertainment by Melissa's Dance Studio at 5 p.m. and again at 9:30 p.m., Debbie White's Cloggers at 7 p.m. and the LHS Dance Team at 1 a.m.

In between there'll be plenty

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Bird festival focus on natural attractions



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Chamber Secretary Sara Townsend, left, and Margaret England display a photograph of a wood stork by local photographer Mark Renz, just one of the amazing silent auction items at the Big O Birding Festival.

by **Patty Brant**
Caloosa Belle

The Big O Birding Festival is becoming one of the area's important draws, luring bird enthusiasts from all around the country to one of the most prolific birding areas in South Central Florida with tours by top notch guides from around the state. In fact, LaBelle's own Margaret England said this area actually has more bird species than the well-advertised coastal sanctuaries. The prestigious guides include Dr. Paul Grey, Raeanne Wessel, Mark Kiser and his wife Selina, John J. Lopinot, Greg and Leslie Cornet. Locals including Sarah Maddox, Master Naturalist Gene McAvoy, Margaret England, Larry Luckey and Butch Wilson willingly share their expertise as well.

During the 2011 festival, 139 bird species were recorded by attendees, attesting to the quality of the experience and abundance of bird species available here. A tri-community affair encompassing Moore Haven, Clewiston and LaBelle, the Big O Birding Festival actually began in Moore Haven. Some of the original committee members, including Margaret England, Jeff Barwick, Janet Papinaw and Butch Wilson, are still involved.

This year 170 birders from all around the state and area registered for this unique festival - the most in the festival's 11 year history. Last year 122 birders enjoyed

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Notice green recycling bins around the county?

Recycling is the way of the future. People make trash, so people have to take care of their trash. It's that simple.

Hendry County has had a recycling program for over 12 years. In unincorporated Hendry County - Port LaBelle, North LaBelle and Felda - a curbside pilot recycling program has been working well for several years and the county is researching how best to expand the program.

In 2010, over 9,000 tons of recycled materials were collected in the county, including over 138 tons from the City of LaBelle, The City of LaBelle recycling program is separate from the County program.

These recycled materials are sold to the vendor with the best offer, helping to defray the costs of the program, which helps to keep the waste assessment at a minimal rate for all

residents.

Large Green Recycling containers are located throughout the county. The types of recyclable containers at any given location are established by need.

It is essential that each container only be used for the specific type of material it is labeled for. When recyclables are mixed, separating them becomes a bigger job.

The worst thing people can do is dump garbage into a recycling container, contaminating the entire load, which the county then has to pay transportation and disposal costs. Even a small amount of garbage can contaminate the entire container.

Items that are accepted for recycling are:

- Cardboard—no bushel fruit boxes (break-down boxes and place in container)

- Plastics — bottles that are stamped with

the running arrows (soda, detergent, soap)

Plastic grocery bags are not accepted.

- Aluminum cans
- Tin cans
- Newspapers/Telephone Books/Magazines

- Office Paper

- Glass bottles and jars – no ceramics or window glass

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LaBelle Middle School, Cowboy Way

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the festival.

The 2012 Big O Birding Festival began Tuesday, kicking off four days chock full of tours at many important birding locations throughout Hendry and Glades as well as photo shoot tours, river excursions, lake tours, campfires, owl hoots and exhibits.

Lynda and Jim White, wildlife rehabilitators, will also do an Audubon Birds of Prey presentation for students at LaBelle and Uptegrove Elementary Schools in conjunction with the festival.

Margaret England said she's "excited about the LaBelle Heritage Trail," which includes stops at a private ranch in Muse,

the Curtis Honey House, LaBelle Heritage Museum, Fort Denaud Swing Bridge and Captain Hendry House. She said the community's response has been impressive.

Although the festival is aimed at avid birders, a number of events will also appeal to local folks with a more general interest in birds. For instance, Thursday (today) local folks can drop in on two programs at the Port LaBelle Inn, "The Roost" for the event. The Clewiston Inn is "Bird Central" for the eastern portion.

At the Port LaBelle Inn you can check out several free presentations including How to Make a Great Photograph by John J. Lopinot from 2-3:30 p.m., and The Great Florida Birding & Wildlife Trail with Mark and Selina Kiser from 3:30-5 p.m. Also during that time period, 2:30-5 p.m., a program and exhibit by Lynda White of the Florida Fish and Wildlife, Bird of Prey, will be ongoing

in the Inner Courtyard. Welcome to anyone interested.

On Friday, March 30, you can check out Wildlife and the Human Connection presented by local educator and author Nancy Dale, from 2-3:30 p.m. Advanced Birding, a program by Paddy Cunningham, will follow from 3:30-5 p.m.

In addition, there are lots of items in a silent auction at the Port LaBelle Inn lobby. The auction, which continues daily through Saturday, is open to the public. Come check out the selection and put your bid in on numerous terrific items, including a trip to the Dry Tortugas worth about \$1,100, and a beautiful wood stork photo by local paleontologist, author, photographer Mark Renz. The wood stork is the theme bird of the 2012 event. You do not have to be present to win.

Proceeds from the festival will go to the

Hendry County Tourism Development Commission (TDC) to continue spreading the word about Hendry County's attractions.

The Big O Birding Festival is a cooperative effort between the LaBelle and Clewiston Chambers of Commerce and the Hendry County TDC. This year the festival is being coordinated by LaBelle Chamber of Commerce Secretary Sara Townsend, who said she is very proud of all the volunteers on both sides of the county who have stepped up to help make 2012 a banner year for the festival.

In fact, Volunteer Coordinator Debra Strickland said the projects many volunteers are "the heart" of this festival. She added that she's watched all the commitment of the volunteers who do so much, "especially Sara, who has been the driving force behind this."



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Hendry County appreciates residents' efforts to recycle, but is having a bit of a problem with overflow and with people leaving bags on the pavement outside the receptacles.

Community Briefs

SBDC here to help

The Small Business Development Center at Florida Gulf Coast University is pres-

ent 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.

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of games and presentations to keep everyone hopping. It's a kid-friendly night with loads of fun like the bounce house area with unlimited play for \$10 from 5 p.m. till midnight.

Everything happens at LaBelle High School football field. Celebrate the fight against cancer with your family and friends March 31-April 1.



Are you ready to start your own business

If you are thinking of starting your own business, being your own boss, becoming that entrepreneur you have always wanted to be, then take time to join the Small Business Center for a free FAQ Session. You will be given the questions you need to ask yourself before starting on a new venture. The event takes place on Wednesday, March 14, 8-10 a.m. at Edison State College, Room A106, 1092 E. Cowboy Way, LaBelle. Register on line at sbdc.seminars.org.

Recycle

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LaBelle High School, Cowboy Way
Country Oaks Elementary, Eucalyptus Blvd.

Uptegrove Elementary, Frasier and Main St.

Ft. Denaud Cemetery, Cemetery Road
Grandma's Grove, SR 80
Beef O'Brady's, Hickpochee Ave
Davis-Pratt Park, Lillian St.

Rent A Center, Sugarland Hwy.
Roland Martin, E. Del Monte Ave.
Ernie Reddish, Sugarland Hwy.
Pioneer Community Center, Panama Ave.

Joey's Pizze, Flaghole Rd.
Clewiston Middle School, W. Osceola Ave.

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Clewiston

Family Dollar, Sugarland Hwy.



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Local voices needed to speak up for children

If abused, neglected and abandoned children could vote, they might have a voice in their own future, but it would take too long. They need a voice right now. The Statewide Guardian ad Litem Program, supporting volunteers who independently speak up for the best interests of these children, has recently launched a strategic campaign to recruit 10,000 child advocates. There are approximately 31,000 in Florida's foster care system today. With nearly 8,000 volunteers, the program is able to give a voice to 22,000 of those children. Who will be a voice for those 10,000 children without an advocate?



Raelyn Means

To promote awareness and recruit volunteers, the Florida Guardian ad Litem Program has begun promoting the airing of public service announcements (PSAs) throughout the state. The PSAs capturing the mission were created by National CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) for use by local member groups to raise awareness for these most vulnerable children. CASA's "I AM for the Child" recruitment campaign includes 30-second PSA's available for use by local media.

"Our volunteers, supported by staff, are the true heroes for these children," says Guardian ad Litem 20th Circuit Director, Raelyn Means. "We just don't have enough

volunteers. We're hoping the public will become more aware of the need locally through the 10,000 Voices Campaign. We never know how many children are going to need a trained volunteer. We've had to prioritize who gets an advocate. It's a difficult choice. Every child deserves a voice in his or her situation today and for the future."

Currently, both Lee County and Collier County volunteers are advocating for only 65 percent and 68 percent of children who need an advocate, respectively with Hendry and Glades counties needing at least 15 more advocates.

Guardian ad Litem volunteers are ordinary citizens who are Florida residents, at least 21 years old, pass a background check and complete free training. No legal background is required as a program attorney is assigned to every child's case and a Volunteer Supervisor/Facilitator assigned to every volunteer to help navigate systems and coach. An average of 8-10 hours monthly on the volunteer's own time is required, with the volunteer being in charge of his/her day-time schedule.

Secretary of the Florida Department of Children and Families David Wilkins has added his support to this initiative by stating, "The challenge of providing all of Florida's children with the opportunity to dream of a better future is enormous. But it is truly the highest of moral callings and it requires the work of our Department, our community partners, businesses and volunteers. I have repeatedly seen first-hand the impact of a

volunteer Guardian ad Litem on a child's life and the rewards are great for the child, the volunteer and our state's future. I encourage any Floridian who wishes to help a child to volunteer with the Guardian ad Litem Program. The impact one person can have is incredible."

Alan Abramowitz, Statewide Guardian ad Litem Executive Director, often visits offices around the state encouraging both volunteers and staff to help even more children. "Our message is simple, but profound, by becoming a Guardian ad Litem child advocate you will quickly understand this reality: 'To the world you may be one person, but to one person you may be the world.' We're hoping every Florida resident hears us loud and clear through the 10,000 Voice Cam-

paign and gets involved."

The 20th Circuit Guardian ad Litem Program supports volunteers advocating for the best interests of abused, neglected and abandoned children in Lee, Collier, Charlotte, Hendry and Glades Counties.

Voices for Kids of Southwest Florida is a non-profit, United Way agency, supporting the 20th Circuit Guardian ad Litem Program by funding recruitment and training of volunteers, and working to fund children's individual needs not provided by any other source.

Volunteer information and the upcoming 1-hour orientations open to the public are available by contacting Mary Ann Brownstein at 239-995-3737. See also www.guardianadlitem.org and www.voicesforkids.org.

Arrest Reports

LaBelle

Michelle Lee Lowman, 43, was arrested March 20 and charged with larceny grand theft \$300-\$5,000. Sgt. Olvera was arresting officer.

Steven Ray Orenge, 43, was arrested March 24 and charged with aggravated battery - knew or should have known victim was pregnant, corruption by threat of a public servant or family and resisting an officer - interfering with a law enforcement officer without violence. Sgt. J. Woods was arresting officer.

Larry Jenkins Jr., 35, was arrested March 25 and charged with battery by a person detained in prison or jail facility. R. Shepherd was arresting officer.

Sergio Mendez, 25, as arrested March 24 and charged with aggravated battery knew or should have known victim was pregnant. C. Green was arresting officer.

Ralph Edward Fagin, 52, was arrested March 19 and charged with fraud uttering a false instrument. N. Reed was arresting officer.

Eric Wayne Taylor, 32, was arrested March 19 and charged with grand theft \$300-\$5,000, burglary of an unoccupied structure unarmed and criminal mischief under \$200. Sgt. Olvera was arresting officer.

Carlyce Angelina Taylor, 21, was arrested March 20 and charged with three counts of fraud- make, utter, issue insufficient funds over \$150, grand theft \$300-\$5,000 and ut-

tering a false instrument. C. Buchhofer was arresting officer.

Clewiston

Antonio J. Lopez, 22, was arrested March 22 and charged with use-display of firearm in public, discharging a firearm in public and discharging a missile into a dwelling, vehicle, building or aircraft. Sgt. W. Griffin was arresting officer.

Lee Willie Thicklin Jr., 25, was arrested March 20 and charged with a nonmoving traffic violation driving with a suspended license habitual offender. CPD Officer M. Thomas was arresting officer.

Men charged in Clewiston homicide, shooting incidents

On Wednesday, March 21, 2012, Hendry County Investigators arrested 22-year-old Raul Angel Ramos of Clewiston in the death of 46-year-old Alexander Escalante.

Escalante was shot on March 25, 2011, while riding his bicycle in the area of Twin Lakes Mobile Home Park in Clewiston. Hendry County deputies were called to the scene after motorists in the area reported a man lying in the roadway in a pool of blood.

Investigators developed leads to identify the perpetrator which led to the arrest of Ramos. Ramos was charged with Homicide and is currently being held in the Hendry County Jail with no bond.

Shooting

On March 22, 2012, Hendry County Investigators arrested 22 year old Antonio Lopez of Clewiston, Florida on numerous

weapon charges.

Lopez reported that on February 18, 2012, while pumping gas he was approached, from behind, by three men and struck between his neck and shoulders. He told the Investigator that he could identify all three men. Lopez told the Investigator that he then armed himself with a handgun and shot 10 times into the fleeing vehicle.

On March 17, 2012, Lopez had been involved in another shooting when he fired shots into a vehicle. The victim, in that incident, reported to deputies that the shooter was Antonio Lopez.

Lopez was arrested on March 22, and charged with 2 counts each of Use of Firearm During a Felony, Discharging a Firearm in Public, and Firing a Deadly Weapon into a Vehicle. Lopez is currently being held in the Hendry County Jail on \$64,000.00.



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Remember the 3 R's - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle!

by Pat Dobbins

Have a heart... think about "going green"!

The 3 R's of the green slogan - Reduce, Reuse and Recycle offer basic guidance for working toward a cleaner, healthier environment. Two great places to start are at home and at work.

Recycling involves taking a product at the end of its useful life and re-processing all or part of it to make



Pat Dobbins

another product. Recycling is a simple way that you, as a consumer, can help out the environment and help preserve our natural resources from being depleted. So... get involved and get green!

So many items used in our modern lifestyles can be recycled. Here are some:

Electronics - CDs & DVDs, Cell Phones, Computer Monitors, Computers, DVD Players, Inkjet Cartridges, MP3 Players, Office Machines, Televisions, VCRs, Video Games, & Consoles

Plastic - Number 4 Plastic, LDPE, Number 6 Plastic, Polystyrene, Number 7 Plastic,

Plastic Bags, Plastic Bottles, Plastic Casing, and PVC

Not all communities collect plastics, and not all plastics are recyclable. Follow the guidelines for your local community by finding out more from the county recycling department. Only recycle those plastics that are allowed. Remove plastic lids and rings from containers because often they are not recyclable. Rinse out containers and flatten them before placing them in recycling bins.

Paper - Books, Brown Paper Bags, Cardboard, Cartons, Catalogs, Computer Paper, Magazines, Mail, Newspapers, Paperboard, and Phone Books

Most municipalities will accept different types of paper. Paper should be sorted by type. Construction paper, brightly colored "astro bright" papers, and greasy or waxed coated papers aren't allowed because they can ruin a batch of paper which is being recycled. These must be thrown in the garbage. Toilet paper, tissues, tissue paper, and paper towels must also go in the garbage as well.

Cardboard: Cardboard can also be recycled in most communities. Your cardboard should be flattened for easy pickup. Do not recycle cardboard that is greasy (such as pizza or donut boxes) or wax coated (such as meat and certain produce boxes). The wax and grease can ruin an entire batch of cardboard that is being recycled. How can you tell if the cardboard is wax coated? Scratch your finger over the surface; if you see wax under your fingernails, it means the cardboard needs to be tossed in the garbage.

Metals - Aerosol Cans, Aluminum Cans, Aluminum Foil, Metal, Clothes Hangers, and Steel - Most communities take cans of all types. Before tossing metals in the recycling bin, rinse the cans thoroughly to remove all traces of food. Food particles can attract insects and; food contaminants can ruin a batch of recycling. Also try to remove the paper label and flatten before throwing in the recycling bin.

Glass - Glass must also be rinsed, and sorted by color. Remove the lids and bottle tops since these can contaminate the batch of glass recycling. Do not include mirrors, dishes, light bulbs, or ceramics.

Here are a few handy tips:

Collect newspapers in a paper grocery bag or in tied bundles (Did you know that it takes up to 75,000 trees to produce one

Sunday edition of the New York Times!)

Don't recycle wet cardboard. It can clog sorting machines. Throw it away to keep it from contaminating the rest of the load.

Don't recycle bottle tops; they're not made from the same plastic as recyclable bottles. But if you forget, don't sweat it. They'll be sorted down the line. (Quick fact: The energy saved by recycling one plastic bottle can power a computer for 25 minutes.)

Rinse cans, but crushing isn't required. The aluminum can is the most common as well as the most valuable recycled item in the United States. It can be recycled again and again, and so efficiently that a can is re-generated and back on the shelf in as little as 60 days.

Cleaning: Don't worry if you can't get the lime out of the beer bottle or the last of the peanut butter from the jar. The recycler's machinery will zap all contaminants. But do empty and rinse glass jars and containers.

Here are some ways that things are recycled: Plastic soda bottles can be recycled into pillow fill.

- Plastic milk bottles, detergent bottles can be recycled into new detergent bottles.

- Take-out boxes and shampoo bottles can be recycled into drainage and irrigation pipes.

- Grocery bags and shrink wrap can be recycled into new bags.

- Yogurt containers and bottle caps can be recycled into plastic lumber.

- Packing peanuts can be recycled into plastic lumber.

Note: Squeezable ketchup bottles and microwavable dishes can't be recycled.

Don't contribute to dangerous seepage in landfills by throwing hazardous materials in the garbage. Please take these items to special locations in your community where they can be disposed of properly.

Following these tips helps to keep recycling centers operating at maximum efficiency. It will also reduce bad odors and help keep animals from rooting around your recycling bins. But most importantly of all, it will prevent perfectly good recyclables from ending up in the landfill, and, therefore, help to keep the environment cleaner and healthier for everybody. That's why being green is so important!

CAREER CORNER

More Interview Questions

by Matt Kindermann

This week we will cover more examples of common interview questions, the theory of why they are asked and suggestions on how to craft appropriate responses. As we have noted in past articles, interviews are either behavioral/situational or traditional.

Traditional interview questions elicit straight forward answers designed to provide personal strengths and weaknesses. Behavioral interview questions are designed to reveal how you think or get you to say what you would do in a hypothetical situation. I encourage you to search the internet for situational interview question examples. Studying the suggested answers will get you to think about the right way to structure your responses for any question.

Many interviews are given by a single person, which can be more relaxed than a panel interview. However, a panel interview is likely to be more structured, fairer to each interviewee, and allows the candidate to meet the department heads personally. Panel interviews should be embraced and you should be on your A-game; this is your opportunity to impress the powers that be!

One situational question you may likely

receive is "what did you like about your last job." The interviewer is looking to see if you are happy worker. Even if you hated your last job and were fired for slashing the bosses tires, think of something specific that you actually enjoyed. Many interviewers are aware of the generic responses such as "I liked the challenge," or "I liked working with the people." Good responses will use something unique to the position and display your passion, such as "the job was mostly routine but one time we received a Hollywood client and my team worked 20 hours straight through the weekend but we got it right, made a lot of money for the company and we all felt like we accomplished something great."

Remember, whatever the question is, limit your answer to 45 seconds or less. Try to smile a lot and look each interviewer in the eye when giving your answers. When you're finished with your answer then stop talking. Many interviewers try to elicit more information if they stall between questions, don't be baited and give more than you want; stick to your answer. If there is an awkward silence after you have answered a question, kindly ask "did that answer your question?"

Southwest Florida Works is the regional state workforce board for Hendry, Glades, Charlotte, Lee and Collier counties. For no-fee job search assistance or employer support, speak with an employment representative nearest you by going to www.swflworks.org and click on "Locations."



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'Everglades Evangelist' preserving logging history

By Patty Brant
Caloosa Belle

This place we call home grew up on the edge of Florida's Everglades and it remains just at the border of that wild and little known place. Over the years the 'Glades have attracted some unique individuals, able to stand for themselves and face Mother Nature on her terms.

In the early decades of the 20th Century, men came into this inhospitable environment to harvest the valuable and ancient trees, cypress and pine, that fed the development of this great land.

The story of that lust for the great trees of the Everglades attracted a man named Cesar Becerra. In 1997 the Miami Herald called him the "Everglades Evangelist." It became his mission to capture that intriguing story from newspaper clippings and writings of the time as well as from those hardy individuals who lived it.

Cesar spent over 20 years interviewing the men who made their livelihood from felling those legendary trees.

Centered in Jerome, on SR 29 south of Immokalee and ten miles north of Everglades City, the time of the logging industry is passed, but its rich history still lures Cesar to this area.

According to Cesar's painstaking research, CJ Jones had the largest and last sawmill operation in the Southeastern US. He began his operation in Felda in 1938, and moved it to Jerome in 1940 until 1957 when it folded. The not-so-distant history of La-

Belle was also linked strongly to the logging industry, with many sawmills located here.

Jones mainly cut pine, but the Lee Cypress Tidewater Corp. only took cypress, and shipped it by rail to Perry, FL to be cut.

Over the years Cesar has shared his knowledge of Corkscrew Swamp, the last stand of virgin cypress in the Southeastern US and of the logging industry in South Florida. Corkscrew remains the only large stretch of these wooden giants, many 15' at the base and 150' tall, left standing. They were 2,000 years old in 1940s and '50s when the loggers emptied the 'Glades of their shadows.

Originally, Cesar said, the loggers took only the best trees, in convenient locations. "World War II changed everything," he said. The government paid for all wood that could be brought out of the 'Glades, not just best. Cypress in particular was prized as it was used to build all amphibious landing craft for US forces, including those at D-Day and other historic invasions. Much of that cypress came from the Florida Everglades.

Logging in the swampy terrain, mostly Fakahatchee and Big Cypress, was difficult and men had to build up grades in the swamps to accommodate locomotives to transport the logs.

During his visits to the area, Cesar has spoken at Corkscrew Swamp Sanctuary and at the Everglades Museum for the Everglades City Marjorie Stoneman Douglas Environmental Festival, and has done the same for LaBelle's historians.

Many of his logging stories came from interviews with CJ Jones' assistant Edwin

Jones, his brother and accountant for operations. Edwin even taught Cesar the accounting for logging operations for Cesar's book, *Giants of the Swamp*, which took ten years to write.

In those days almost all of the tough and dangerous logging jobs were filled by African Americans; whites worked at the mill and the locomotive jobs.

In addition to his logging operations, CJ Jones also had retail stores in Miami, Fort Myers and Immokalee. He said Gwendolyn Tate ran the lumber retail store in Immokalee.

His labors include two summers interviewing 40 loggers, along with ferreting out old photos and documents. He is converting these into print, PDF and audio versions to be included in Florida International University's Project Everglades Digital Library.

Cesar's longtime friend Waddy Thompson of LaBelle has donated many photos of his pioneer family photos from those logging days. The purpose of the FIU project is to house all these amazing stories under one roof.

Cesar feels the urgency of getting pioneer families like the Thompsons to donate photos and stories of the old logging days so they will always be available for future generations.

He also got leads for his stories over the years at libraries and from the pioneering agribusiness giant Alico, an important component in the story of Everglades logging. Alico owned the land Jones leased to log the coveted cypress and pine that fueled con-

struction throughout the nation.

One fascinating bit of local history underscored by Alico historians involves the use of hauling temporary sawmills into the woods after a big storm to collect damaged timber. Alico would allow Jones to go in to fetch this less desirable wood. Although Cesar knew about them, he had never seen a picture of an actual temporary sawmill until some were discovered in Alico's files.

Other interesting local facts: Jones was the last to log using steam, not diesel, to run his sawmill and locomotive and he never decimated a stand of pines. He always reseeded. Jones was also one of the few who employed state certified foresters.

A Miami resident, Cesar's love affair with the Everglades began at age ten when he flipped a canoe in the 'Glades. He said that experience "connected" him with the 'Glades and put him in tune with its heart. Since that time, he has developed a never-ending curiosity about this place he finds endlessly fascinating.

"It's a sad story. It's horrific what we've done," Cesar said about logging in the Everglades, but he's been dedicating himself to making sure that story does not die. It will live to serve as a cautionary tale to those who come after us.

You can order Cesar's book, *Giants of the Swamp*, from www.planetcesar.com.



Submitted photo/Waddy Thompson

Many African American men labored long and hard, felling giant trees like this one to supply wood for the construction industry in the '40s and '50s and before.



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The last steam driven train hauling lumber out of the Everglades was run by CJ Jones.



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Church Briefs

Special services

Grace Baptist Church would like to invite the public for a special service on Friday, April 6, at 7 p.m. The church will honor the Passion of Christ with a Candle-Light Communion service. What better way to remember the death, burial and resurrection of our Lord and Savior. The church is located at: 4200 N E Eucalyptus Blvd. Just east of Collinswood Road. A nursery will be provided. For more information call: (863) 675-3349.

Old Fashioned Gospel Sing

Everyone is welcome to the old fashioned Gospel Sing Palm Sunday, April 1, 6 p.m. at Palmdale Baptist Church. You, your neighbors and friends are invited to the Congregational and "specials" by locals. Bring guitars or any musical instrument to make a Joyful Noise to the Lord! Refreshments served afterwards. The church got some new song-books with old & new favorites.

Gran Campaña Evangelística

La Iglesia El Faro te invita a su Gran Campaña Evangelística los días 1 al 8 de Abril del 2012.

Los días 1 (Domingo) 7 (Sabado) y 8 (Domingo) estaremos teniendo nuestro culto en la Iglesia El Faro en la 431 Bryan

Obituaries

Laberta Brown Thompson, 96

LABELLE — Laberta Brown Thompson, age 96, passed away Nov. 2, 2011.

Laberta was born Jan. 16, 1915, on Chokoloskee Island, Fla. She was a lifetime resident of Southwest Florida spending her life in Everglades City, Immokalee and LaBelle.

She was preceded in death by her father and mother, John J. Brown II and Alice McKinney Brown, pioneers of Chokoloskee Island; her husband, Waddy Thompson of LaBelle; and son, Oscar Thompson (surviving wife Miladie) of Ft. Myers; brothers, Bert Brown, Melvin "Peg" Brown and Loren "Totch" Brown.

Survivors include her daughter, Vivian Martin of LaBelle; son, Waddy Thompson (Karen) of Labelle; sister, Audrey Hancock of Lake Placid; seven grandchildren, Tommy Williams Jr, Susan Williams, Rose Williams, Christina Davidson, Doug Thompson, Tracy Thompson, and Robert Thompson. She was the great-grandmother of 11 and great-great-grandmother of 13.

Laberta was a devoted wife and mother, an excellent seamstress and enjoyed working in her yard.

At Laberta's request a memorial service will be held at International Christian Fellowship Church, 233 Clark St., LaBelle, Sunday, April 1, 2012, at 2 p.m. The eulogy will be delivered by Rev. Sammy Co. Service will be closed with the hymn "How Great Thou Art" being sung by Mrs. Tracie Co and Miss Micaiah Co.



Ave. LaBelle.

Los días 2 al 6 (Lunes a Viernes) estaremos en el Rodeo por la 29 S al frente de las tiendas La Fiesta y Las Gemelas. El horario para los días son lo siguiente: Los Domingos (1 y 8 de Abril) empezaremos a las 6:30 p.m. y los días Lunes (2) a Sabado (7) empezaremos a las 7 p.m.

Tenemos transportacion GRATIS! Ven gan y gocense con nosotros! Para mas informacion llamanos al 863-843-0264. Dios los bendiga!

Launching new Assembly

Living Waters Fellowship welcomes you to the Divine Connection and launching of their newest Assembly. Grand opening April 1. Meetings are Sunday nights at 1816 N. SR 29 Suite B, 6 p.m. An evening of praise and worship. Holy Ghost preaching, healing and deliverance with Senior Pastors Robert and Michelle Akers and Associate Pastors Edward and Faustina Ekwa.

For further information contact Senior Pastors Robert and Michelle Akers at 239-826-3006 or 239-728-2118 or email Living-wat3ersfellowship8@gmail.com.

Homeschoolers and private school attendees:

Great news for homeschoolers and private school attenders: According to www.stepupforstudents.org website,

Under a bill that has been signed into law by Governor Scott on March 23, stu-

dents who meet the income guidelines and are entering grades K-5 do not have to have previously attended a public school to be eligible for a scholarship. We will begin accepting applications for students who fall into this category in early April.

International Christian Academy of LaBelle (K-12th) accepts the Step Up For Students scholarships (www.stepupforstudents.org) and the McKay scholarship

(www.floridaschoolchoice.org).

International Christian Academy is a ministry of International Christian Fellowship. It is located at 233 Clark Street. For more information concerning International Christian Academy or scholarships, please, call Tracy Co at (863) 675-4227 or (863) 675-1112.

Applications for the new school year are being accepted. Space is limited.

Easter Services

The Living Lord's Supper

On March 30, in Barron Park at 7 p.m. The Gathering of Christian Men will reenact the Living Lord's supper followed by the celebration of Holy Communion. Cory Masterson will play the part of Jesus. This a young man well acquitted with God's mercy and grace. If acting is in your blood and you would want to be a part of this production we will have a rehearsal Thursday at 7 p.m.

We are having this event early so it will not conflict with any churches Good Friday services. Pastors are always needed to assist and serving the last supper. Call 675-0900.

Easter Sunrise Service

At first light of Easter Sunday morning the pastors of LaBelle and Western Henry County will be joining together to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. The LaBelle churches unite their pastoral and musical talents to share the peerless event of Jesus

Resurrection. This event is sponsored by LaBelle Evangelical Ministers Association and The Gathering of Christian Men.

There will be a free will offering received to help those in need. This year's keynote speaker will be Rev. Charles C. Gobble, Pastor of LaBelle Church of God. For more information call 675-0900..

Sunrise Service

Grace Baptist Church will hold an Easter Sunrise Service at 7 am. Sunday, April 8, at the church. Come for a special time on reverence, fellowship, and worship. The church will also have a free breakfast at 8 a.m. with another service to follow at 9:30 a.m. This will be a special spiritual adventure that may change your life. Grace Baptist is located at 4200 N E Eucalyptus Blvd. For more information contact Pastor Jeff Zimmerman at: (863) 675-3349.



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GED Prep	9900026-311	Mon-Fri	04/02/12	06/08/12	8:00am-11am	\$30	\$120	Mr. Crebs	Port #99-121
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ABE	9900004-313	Mon/Wed	04/02/12	06/04/12	6:00pm-9:00pm	\$30	\$120	Ms. Jones	LHS-15-012
GED Prep	9900026-313	Mon/Wed	04/02/12	06/04/12	6:00pm-9:00pm	\$30	\$120	Ms. Jones	LHS-15-012
ESOL	9900040-311	Mon/Wed	04/02/12	06/04/12	6:00pm-9:00pm	\$30	\$120	Ms. Alaniz	LHS-15-008

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Community Briefs

Volunteer for Red Cross

The American Red Cross is recruiting volunteers to serve Hendry and Glades counties. Serve your community in a variety of duties: Disaster Response, Shelter Operations, Client Casework, Service to the Armed Forces and many other areas. If interested please attend the Red Cross New Members Introductory Class, Saturday, March 31, 9 a.m. till 12 p.m., at the new United Way House, 133 North Bridge Street, LaBelle. To register please call 239-278-3401.

LHS Talent Show

The LaBelle High School chapter of National Honor Society will hold the 7th Annual LHS Talent Show at 7 p.m. on Friday, April 13. Cash prizes are awarded to the top three acts of the night. Admission is \$3 and goes to help support NHS programs during the year. Come out and join us as we showcase the amazing talent to be found here in LaBelle! Mrs. Mary Sue Smith will do us the honor of emceeding the show and it should be a great night of entertainment!

Rummage Sale

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 130 is having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 31, from 7 a.m.-12 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the auxiliary programs and veterans. Located on 699 Hickpochee Ave. (SR 80) across from Shell Gas Station.

Scholarships available

American Business Women's Association scholarship applications are available at Babcock Furniture Store. Applications due May 1.

Legion Auxiliary

plans rummage sale

The American Legion Auxiliary Unit 130 is having a Rummage Sale on Saturday, March 31, from 7 a.m.-12 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the Auxiliary programs and veterans. Located on 699 Hickpochee Ave. (SR 80) Across from Shell Gas Station, LaBelle - 863-675-8300.

Widows to meet

The Widows Support Group will meet at Contreras Mexican Restaurant Thursday, April 19, at 11:30 a.m. All widows welcome.

Win a hog

The Felda Double "H" 4-h Livestock Club is offering you a chance on a 304 pound show hog, professionally cut and wrapped, for a \$10 donation. Proceeds will go toward purchasing a set of portable livestock scales. If you win, you can put it in your freezer or donate the meat back to the club, which will gladly make sure it gets to a needy family. For more information, contact Colette Willis at 863-673-0539. The drawing will be held April 1 and the winner notified by phone.

Bring it back to LaBelle

Sunday, April 22, come to the Bring it Back to LaBelle Bike Party at 870 Hickpochee Ave.

in the parking lot at Top Draw. Live music by Riverside, loudest pipes contest, slow race, balloon toss, prizes, trophies and vendors. Free raffle for a chance to win a \$50 Visa card plus food and drink specials.

For more information email kruisinwithkati@aol.com or call 239-246-3045.

Dems to meet in Moore Haven

The joint March meeting of the Hendry County and Glades County Democratic Executive Committees will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 29, at El Chili Restaurant, 442 Highway 27, Moore Haven. The restaurant is just north of the Moore Haven Bridge on Highway 27. The meeting agenda includes the 2012 Florida Democratic Party Convention and Caucus to be held the first weekend in June in Tampa and the Democratic National Convention held the week of September 3, in Charlotte, NC. Any Hendry or Glades County Democrats who would like to run for Congressional District Delegate to the State Convention has until April 27 to file the forms. Contact Hendry County DEC Chairman Joe Thomas, 863-612-0413, if you are interested in filing as a Hendry County delegate from Congressional Districts 16 or 23. Glades County Democrats interested in being a Congressional District 16 delegate should contact Glades DEC Chair Ellen Hawk Geake at 863-983-2922. Glades County Democrats will elect two delegates at a county caucus to be held on Saturday, May 5. Hendry County Democrats will also caucus on May 5 to select two delegates from Congressional District 16 and two delegates from Congressional District 23.

Other agenda items include planning a joint Hendry and Glades County Democratic fundraiser to help elect local Democratic candidates from our two counties on the first Tuesday this coming November and for information booths for our Democratic candidates at the Sugar Festival in Clewiston, Harlem's Brown Sugar Festival, and LaBelle's Black Herirage Festival. All Democrats in Hendry and Glades Counties are welcome, and local Democratic candidates are encouraged to attend and introduce themselves to Democrats who want to see Democratic candidates elected in November.

Adult FCAT retakes

Adult FCAT retakes are scheduled at LaBelle High School as follows:

Tuesday, April 10: FCAT Math 5 p.m. Gator Lab (off Media Center)

Wednesday, April 11: FCAT Reading 5 p.m. Gator Lab (off Media Center)

Interested retakers must contact Mrs. Hegley at LHS @ (863) 674-4120, ext. 330.

FCAT tests are CBT (computer-based tests). Retakers must take the ePAT practice test before taking the FCAT. The ePAT will be given at 5 p.m. each night before testing. This is the last administration of the FCAT Reading Retake test. After this test administration, the State of Florida will require adults retaking the FCAT Reading to take the FCAT 2.0 Reading test, which is also computer-based.

Free dance lessons

Greentree South apartments will be giving

free dance lessons in Salsa, Merengue, Bachata on Friday, March 30, from 7-9 p.m. Class room size is limited to 20 persons call 863-675-0313 to register.

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: March 30 and April 6, 13, 20, 27. Please call and schedule your appointment today! For more information call 863.675.0997 or visit our Web site at www.caloosahumanesociety.org Please be a part of the solution and spay or neuter your pet!

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.

VFW news

Bingo open to the public every Sunday at 2 p.m. VFW Post 10100 serves the best Charcoal Grilled Hamburgers in town every Saturday for \$3 from 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Serving stops promptly at 1:30 p.m. Please come early.

VFW Post 10100 will pay the initial membership fees and the annual dues for any armed forces personnel currently serving in harm's way. For information, please call: 863-675-8008. The post is located on SR 29S by the rodeo grounds.

Horse found south of LaBelle

The Hendry County Sheriff's Office has recovered a horse running loose on the highway just south of SR29 in LaBelle. If you live in this area and have lost a horse, please contact the Ag Unit at 863-674-5600 or 863-805-5000.

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Counselor's Corner

LaBelle High School Counselor's Corner

Parents and seniors, graduation day is fast approaching. We would like to remind parents and seniors of important dates and requirements that may be crucial to your students' graduation and post-high school success:

SAT - www.collegeboard.com - The next test registration deadline is April 6. Review the website for late fee charges after April 6.

ACT - www.act.org - The next test registration deadline is May 4. Review the website for late fee charges after May 4.

FAFSA - http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/ - (required for Isabella Curtis Scholarship and FL Bright Futures)

FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/home/applyhere.htm:

Please register if eligible! For eligibility questions, review the FBF website provided.

ARMED FORCES - LHS will have a Military Day, April 5, during school hours for seniors interested in researching military careers and scholarship benefits.

Important dates:

- April 5 Military Day
- April 10-13 FCAT Retakes
- April 27 Grad Bash
- May 15 Senior Awards Night (7pm @ LHS)
- May 17 Athletic Awards (7pm @ LHS)
- May 19 Prom
- May 24&25 Senior Final Exams. May 25 Last Day for Seniors
- May 30 Graduation Practice (7:30 a.m. @ LHS) Senior Breakfast to follow in the cafeteria.
- May 31 12:45 p.m. Baccalaureate practice @ Carlson United Methodist Church, 7 p.m. Baccalaureate (seniors arrive at 6 p.m.) reception to follow.
- June 1 7:45 a.m. Graduation Practice: LHS Auditorium. Graduation practices are mandatory for students planning to participate graduation day.
- June 2 8 a.m. Graduation LHS football field, seniors arrive at 7 a.m.

reception to follow.

• June 1 7:45 a.m. Graduation Practice: LHS Auditorium. Graduation practices are mandatory for students planning to participate graduation day.

Project Graduation

Calling all parents and community members. Your help is needed to help make this year's Project Graduation a success for 2012 graduating seniors! All meetings will be held at the LaBelle High School cafeteria at 6:30 p.m. on April 10, May 8, 22, and 29. Thank you for attending.

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Los padres y los adultos mayores, el día de graduación se acerca rápidamente. Nos gustaría recordar a los padres y ancianos de las fechas importantes y los requisitos que pueden ser cruciales a la graduación de sus estudiantes y post-alto éxito en la escuela:

SAT - www.collegeboard.com - El plazo de prueba de registro es el próximo 06 de abril 2012. Revise la página web de los cargos por pago atrasado luego de 6 de abril.

ACT - www.act.org - El plazo de prueba de registro es el próximo 04 de mayo 2012. Revise la página web de los cargos por pago atrasado luego de 4 de mayo.

FAFSA - http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/ - (necesario para Isabel Curtis Becas y FL Bright Futures.)

LA FLORIDA EL FUTURO BRILLANTE http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/home/applyhere.htm:

Por favor, regístrese o si es elegible! Para preguntas sobre elegibilidad, revise el sitio web de IG siempre.

LAS FUERZAS ARMADAS - LHS tendrá un Día del Ejército, 05 de abril 2012 durante el horario escolar para las personas mayores interesadas en la investigación de la carrera militar y los beneficios de becas.

Fechas importantes:

- 05 de abril Día del Ejército
- 10 al 13 abril del FCAT Retoma
- 27 de abril Grad Bash

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• Mayo 17 Premios Atlético (19:00 @ LHS)

• 19 de mayo de baile

• Mayo 24 y 25 Exámenes Finales mayores. 25 de mayo Último día para la tercera edad

• 30 de mayo de graduación Práctica (07:30 am @ LHS) Desayuno Superior a seguir en la cafetería.

• 31 de mayo 24:45 la práctica del Bachillerato @ Carlson Iglesia Metodista Unida, 19:00 Bachillerato (personas mayores llegan a las 6pm) la recepción de seguir.

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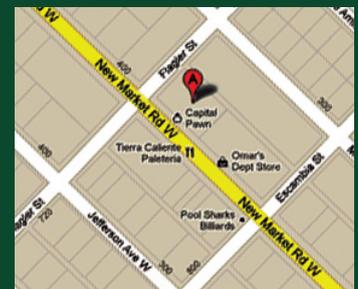
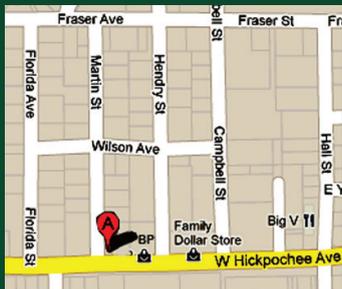
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LaBelle Youth Livestock Show - Swine results

by Sonja Crawford

On Wednesday, February 15th, the 4-H/FFA Market Swine Show was held. The show consisted of 4-H'ers and FFA members exhibiting their market swine ranging from 200 pounds to 314 pounds. Diamond R Fertilizer sponsored the event with Florida Gulf Coast University sponsoring the belt buckles.

The official judge of the evening was Mr. Brett Wheeler of Myakka City, Florida.

The hogs were judged on muscling, trimness, length of body, spring to the rib, design, productive type, correctness of finish, and expected carcass desirability.

Receiving blue ribbons for their entry: Chase Altman, Ryley Bowen, Travis Burchard, Trace Burchard, Bryana Campbell, James Campbell, Rhett Conly, Taylor Corbitt, Wyatt Corbitt, Ethan Cox, Austin Dailey, Curtis Dailey, Evan Farless, Braxton Ford, Shelby French, Gage Griffin, Karli Henry, Amanda Jedrykowski, Joey Leon, Taylor Lynn, Alberto Martinez, Natalie Martinez, Andy McAvoy, Robert Meador, Jonathon Munson, Lane Murray, Marshall Platt, Dillon Powell, Edilia Rodriguez, Derik Rose, Katie Rose, Baylee Seay, Herod Spangler, Tyler Vahle, Morgan Walker, Dalton Watson, Dillon White, Tatiana White, Carl Willis and Cassidy Willis.

Receiving red ribbons for their entry: Gwen Ash, Luis Blanco, Tripp Edgar, Brandon Flack, Tyler Flack, Landon Glenn, Lane Goodwin, Kevin Harrell, Ryan Howard, Mackenzie Hudson, Gary Ben Hull, J C Leon, Taylor McGill, James McVay, Justin Mickelsen, Paul Morrison, Micah Mudge, Tristan Mudge, Tyler Owens, Dustin Padgett, Jarad Plair, Gennifer Raulerson, Deedra Shackford, Zachary Tanner, Kenzie Tindall, and Elyssa Willis.

The Grand Champion Swine was shown by Kayla Hood of the Hogs R Us 4-H Club. Kayla's hog weighed 277 pounds and was purchased by Capling Leveling. Ashley Schoefield of the Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club exhibited the Reserve Champion Hog weighing in at 264 pounds. First Bank purchased Ashley's hog.

After the placing of the swine came the Showmanship category. Showmanship is judged on the ability to exhibit an animal to its best advantage, as well as the overall care and training of the animal. The exhibitors are judged on control, presentation to the judge, awareness of the judge, and knowledge of



Submitted photos/Jerri Lynn Merritt
Kayla Hood - Grand Champion Swine.



Submitted photos/Jerri Lynn Merritt
Ashley Schoefield - Reserve Champion Swine



Ryan Howard, 1st place Senior Showmanship



Herod Spangler - 2nd place Senior Showmanship

the species. Planning, practicing, and neat appearance will assist the exhibitor in being successful.

In the Senior Swine Showmanship division: Ryan Howard captured the first place award with Herod Spangler taking the second place award. Ryan is a member of the Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club and Herod is a member of the Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club.

In the Junior/Intermediate Swine Showmanship category: Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club member Derik Rose was awarded the first place award with Trace in second place. Trace is also a member of the Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club.

Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club member Evan Farless was the winner of the Average Daily Gain award with Marshall Platt capturing

the second place award. Marshall is also a member of the Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club.

Congratulations to all of the exhibitors; thank you club leaders, advisors, and parents. The Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club is led by Colette Willis, the Hogs R Us 4-H Club is under the direction of Elaine Hudson and Winn Weatherington, the Rooter Runner 4-H Club is led by Carman Corbitt and Jessica Griffin, and the Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club is under the direction of Donna Hull. The LaBelle High School FFA Advisor is Jeff Burton.



Left: Derik Rose - 1st place Junior Showmanship. Right: Trace Burchard - 2nd place Junior Showmanship



Sports Shorts

Little League tournament

There will be a Little League Tournament of Champions round played at Davis Pratt the last weekend this month March 30-April 1. Twenty-nine games will be played starting at 6 p.m. Friday. Please come out and cheer on our Little League guys and gals.

LHS journalism staff, Log Cabin team up

by Sarah Lapp

Slow smoked pulled pork on a light-air bun. Smooth and creamy homemade cole slaw with crisp cabbage and carrots. And rounded off with hearty baked beans. Yes, that is the Log Cabin Barbecue way.

To indulge in this Cabin staple, cruise over to LaBelle High School on Tuesday, April 3. As you admire the Cowboy baseball and Cowgirl softball teams battling it out on the burnt orange diamond with arch-rival, Bishop Verot Vikings, you will not be cheer-

ing on an empty stomach.

The JV Cowboys hit the field at 4 p.m. with the JV Cowgirls following at 5 p.m. Stick around for some Varsity action with the gentlemen up to bat at 7 p.m. along with the ladies taking center stage at 7 p.m.

The pork dinner plates will be sold by the Journalism staff of LaBelle High School. Your revenue will aid in the production cost of the LHS yearbook, The Corral, as well as the student driven paper, The Cowboy Current. Extra funds will go towards the expense of a summer workshop at the St.

Petersburg campus of USF June 20-23 as well as new cameras, laptops and other technological advancements.

Walk right up to the concession stand and we guarantee you a plate for only \$7 during either the JV or Varsity games.

Special thanks to Glenn and John Schofield of Log Cabin for generously supplying this barbecue favorite. Any additional questions, call Journalism Advisor Bridget Updyke of LaBelle High School at (863) 674-4120 extension 248.

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Easter Bunny fun

CenterState Bank would like to invite the community to an Easter celebration Saturday, April 7, from 9 a.m.-12 pm. in the lobby. There will be games, prizes and the Easter Bunny will make his presentation with candy filled eggs and a chance to win an Easter basket. Come and get your picture with the Easter Bunny! CenterState Bank is located at the northeast corner of SR 80 and Bridge Street.

easter fun

Easter Egg Hunt

On Saturday, April 7, at 1 p.m. Eastside Baptist Church invites you to bring your children for an Easter Egg Hunt with a children's Easter story skit and refreshments. Lots of Easter fun at 1095 Carlyle St. in LaBelle.

Easter Egg Hunt at Kiwanis

Calling all kids from ages 12 and under! "Hop" on over to the Kiwanis Thrift Store on March 31 starting at 10 a.m. for The Annual LaBelle Kiwanis Annual Easter Egg Hunt! The egg hunt is free and the hunt will be separated into three age groups: Ages 3 and 4, ages 5 to 7, ages 8 to 10. No parents will be allowed on the "hunting grounds" with the kids, but Kiwanis members and Key Club members will be on hand to assist with the smaller kids. Kids are asked to bring



their own basket or any type of bag to put their eggs in during the hunt. Prizes will be awarded! There will be other fun activities (scavenger hunt) for ages 11 to 12. There will be goodie bags for all kids! Additionally, all ages are welcome to come and take their photo with the Easter Bunny!

The Kiwanis Thrift store is located at 155 S. Bridge Street. For more information, you can call the LaBelle Kiwanis Thrift Store at (863) 675-4043.

Witch's Brew

by Pudge Lehman

The Chamber of Commerce put on a super delicious dinner a few weeks ago. The steak was "to die for" and everything else was sooo good. The C of C board members, Sara and her volunteers are excellent cooks. Every dinner they have now is better than the last. Y'all miss out if you don't go. Speaking of time...Why don't they leave it alone! I refuse to set my clocks until Monday! All day Sunday is on my time in defiance of government control.

Talking to Uncle Bill McGill the other day I, as usual, learned something new. In our recycle bins when you put your plastic water bottles in don't put the plastic cap back on. So far the cap is not recyclable here. And

as usual with Uncle Bill's great knowledge I checked it out and it's true!

If you freeze your cooled cake before you try to frost it the icing will go on smooth without crumbs. Makes the cake really moist too. When my friend, Joanne Kyle, makes deviled eggs she mixes the yolks and the other stuff in a plastic bag, snips a small hole in the corner and squeezes a pretty center into the white. I wondered why mine looked like they were stuffed by a back hoe.

Favorite say'ins: Life is like an onion: you peel it off one layer at a time, and sometimes you weep . . . or . . . The trouble with trouble is that it starts out as fun..or, my personal favorite . . . When I want your opinion I'll remove the duct tape.

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- April 10 - Clewiston Women Golf Assn. 8 a.m.
- April 12 - Play All Day Members \$18, Non-Members \$25
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- April 17 - Clewiston Women Golf Assn. 8 a.m.
- April 19 - Play All Day Members \$18, Non-Members \$25
- April 21 - Moore Haven Terrier Boosters Tournament 8:30 a.m. (Course Closed)
- April 23 - Play All Day Members \$18, Non-Members \$25
- April 24 - Clewiston Women Golf Assn. 8 a.m.
- April 26 - Play All Day Members \$18, Non-Members \$25
- April 28 - Clewiston City Championship (Flighted) 11 a.m.
- April 29 - Clewiston City Championship (Flighted) 11 a.m.
- April 30 - Play All Day Members \$18, Non-Members \$25

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Pictured from left: Hank Graham, Caloosahatchee Forestry Center Manager, (in uniform) Kevin Podkowka (in uniform), Gov. Rick Scott, Michelle Podkowka, wife and daughter Gwyneth, and James R. Karels, Florida Forest Service Director (in uniform). Others in the photo are cabinet members.

Local forester receives state award

TALLAHASSEE – Governor Rick Scott and the Florida Cabinet recently signed three resolutions sponsored by Agriculture Commissioner Adam Putnam, honoring the recipients of the 2011 Jim Stevenson Resource Manager of the Year Award.

Kevin Podkowka, forestry resource administrator of the Department of the Florida Forest Service, earned the Jim Stevenson Resource Manager of the Year award, one of Florida's highest environmental honors.

"Kevin has been a long-time ambassador for the Florida Forest Service," said Commissioner Adam Putnam. "His dedication, commitment and service to this state and our community are unequalled, and it is an honor to recognize him for the Jim Stevenson Resource Manager of the Year award."

The Jim Stevenson Resource Manager of the Year was established by DEP in 1992 to recognize the employee who is judged to have made the most significant progress in the stewardship of state lands that are actively managed by DEP, the Florida Forest Service and FWC. This is the second year the award has extended beyond DEP to include all three agencies.

The award recipients are selected by a committee of environmental professionals representing the Sierra Club, Florida Audubon Society and The Nature Conservancy.

Kevin Podkowka holds the position of Forestry Resource Administrator and is primarily responsible for the oversight of the Florida Forest Service's Okaloacoochee Slough and Picayune Strand State Forests. Kevin's commitment to maximizing all of the available resource-based recreation that the forests have to offer while expanding amenities has accounted for the rapid rise in popularity at both forests, which have ranked within the top ten of Florida's 35 state forests. As forestry resource administrator, Kevin and his

staff are implementing a program named "Community Forest Designation" that is recognized by the US Forestry Service as the only program that feasibly addresses the issue. Kevin's dedication and innovative ideas make him stand out as a manager for the Florida Forest Service.

About the Florida Department of Environmental Protection ... The Florida Department of Environmental Protection, the lead agency for environmental management and stewardship, is one of the more diverse agencies in state government - protecting our air, water and land. DEP is divided into three primary areas: Regulatory Programs, Land and Recreation, and Water Policy and Ecosystem Restoration. Florida's environmental priorities include achieving regulatory efficiency, consistency and protection, getting the water quality and quantity right in Florida, and ensuring our residents and visitors have more opportunities to enjoy Florida's award-winning state parks.



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AMVETS officers installed; new organization chartered

The new LaBelle AMVETS Post 2012 was presented its official charter on Thursday, March 21. Pictured from left are Bob Middleton, VFW Post 10100 Commander; Roy Rees, AMVETS Post 2012 Commander; Allen Baggett, AMVETS Department of Florida 1st Vice Commander; Mark Schoenwald, AMVETS Post 2012 Finance Officer; Chuck Wilhelm, AMVETS Post 2012 1st Vice Commander; Rusty Francis, AMVETS Post 2012 2nd Vice Commander. 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 please call Mark Schoenwald at 239-246-3094 or come to VFW Post 10100 for an application.

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PUBLIC NOTICE
LABELLE AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
There will be a LaBelle Airport Advisory Board Meeting held on **Wednesday, April 18th at 3 p.m.** The meeting will be held at **LaBelle City Hall**, in the Commissioners Board Room, located at 481 W. Hickpochee Avenue in LaBelle. All interested parties are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact the Hendry County Engineer's Office at (863) 675-5222 or (863) 983-1588.
If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Commission 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.
Tristan Chapman, Chair
Board of County Commissioners, Hendry County
413461 CN 3/29/2012

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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
3999 2007 4104329-13025380070 Peter Keenan
Lot 7, Block 2538, Port LaBelle Unit 13, a subdivision according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 55, 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 Second Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **12th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **29th** day of **February, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
411762 CN 3/8,15,22,29/2012

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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
1816 2008 1224432-01000780020 Orlando & Betty F. Ramos
Lot 2, Block 78, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37 thru 39, 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 Fourth Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **26th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
412552 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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
1338 2008 1134432-A0000460000 GAME Investments, Inc.
The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, 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 5582, 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 Second Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **12th day of April, 2012**.
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Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
411763 CN 3/8,15,22,29/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
1629 2008 1224432-01000020020 Montura Trading Post Inc.
Lot 2, Block 2, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37 thru 39, 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 Fourth Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **26th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
412541 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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
2076 2008 1264432-A0002490100 Carol Mola
The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 26, 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 434, 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 Fourth Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **26th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
412557 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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
2245 2008 1354432-A0001520000 Marcia Perez & Marisol
The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest 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 3747, 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 Fourth Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **26th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
412547 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
1936 2008 1254432-A0000990000 Argelia M. Martinez
The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 1162, 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 **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
412539 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2574 2008 1314433-A0003500000 G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.
The Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 5870, 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 **29th** day of **February, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
411773 CN 3/8,15,22,29/2012

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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2223 2008 1354432-A0000580000 Antonio Reyes Valdivovinos
The North one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast 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 Lot 4605 in 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 Fourth Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **26th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
412554 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2075 2008 1264432-A0002490000 Carol Mola
The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 26, 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 433, 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 **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
412553 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2074 2008 1264432-A0002480100 Carol Mola
The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 26, 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 415, 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 **14th** day of **March, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
412548 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 22-2012-CA-000004
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
v.
EMMA J.S. SMITH, ET AL,
Defendants.
NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: EMMA J.S. SMITH, and all unknown parties claiming by through, under or against the above named Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants
Current Residence Unknown, but whose last known address was: 921 YACHT CLUB WAY NW, MOOREHAVEN, FL 33471, 700 SCHOPKE LESTER RD., APOPKA, FL 32712
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Glades County, Florida, to-wit:
LOT 5 AND 6, BLOCK A, MOORE HAVEN YACHT CLUB, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 54, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN DOUBLE-WIDE MOBILE HOME WITH VIN #FLA146C5560A, TITLE #81707816 AND VIN #FLA146C5560B, TITLE #81707188-WHICH HAS BEEN RETIRED.
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on DOUGLAS C. ZAHM P.A., Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is 12425 28th Street North, Suite 200, St. Petersburg, FL 33716, on or before April 16, 2012 or within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975-1760, either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint petition.
WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on this 6th day of March, 2012.
Joe Flint
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ Julie Braddock
Deputy Clerk

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICAN WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PERSONS NEEDING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE SENIOR DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT THE LEE COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER, ROOM 1213, 1700 MONROE STREET, FT. MYERS, FLORIDA 33901. TELEPHONE NUMBER: (239)335-2299; 1-800-955-8770 (V), VIA FLORIDA RATED SERVICE, NOT LATER THAN SEVEN (7) DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDING
413366 GCD 3/29;4/5/2012

Public Notice
PUBLIC NOTICE
The City of South Bay will hold a Workshop on Tuesday, April 03, 2012 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in the City Chambers 335 S.W. 2nd Avenue, South Bay, FL 33493
413427 CGS 3/29/2012

Public Notice
PUBLIC NOTICE
This City of South Bay will hold a Community Revitalization meeting on April 05, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will take place in the City Chambers 335 S.W. 2nd Avenue, South Bay, FL 33493.
413426 CGS 3/29/2012
Public Notice
PUBLIC NOTICE
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BELLE GLADE IS REQUESTING PROPOSALS FOR REPAIRS TO THEIR LIFT STATIONS. FOR INFORMATION CONTACT ALAN SULLIVAN AT (561) 996-2140 OR AT THE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IN OSCEOLA CENTER, 1204 N W AVENUE L TERRACE, BELLE GLADE, FL 33307 SUN 3/29/2012

Public Notice

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
HENDRY COUNTY DEFERRED
COMPENSATION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE**

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Deferred Compensation Advisory Committee will hold a meeting April 2, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Administrative office, Conference Room #1, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, 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.

Deferred Compensation
Advisory Committee
413309 CN/CB 3/29/2012

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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
2088	2008	1264432-A0002820000	Ivan Mestres

The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 26, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the South 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 489, 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 Fourth Thursday** in the month of **April, 2012**, which is the **26th day of April, 2012**.
Dated this **14th** day of **March, 2012**.

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

412540 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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1854	2008	1244432-A0000370100	International Monetary Mortgage Fund

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 24, 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 5341, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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**REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN SERVICES,
DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE FOUR CORNERS MSBU**

RFQ No. 2012-16

Opening Date and Time: April 18, 2012 @ 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in connection with drainage improvements to the Four Corners MSBU in Hendry County, Florida. Firms submitting must have expertise in drainage design, permitting, and possibly construction inspection services. Proposers shall have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. Individuals and firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. All submittals (see Part IV, Submissions Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals 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. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle Florida by 2:00 p.m., April 18, 2012, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

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 (for pick up). Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mail address) or by calling (863) 675-5220. Instructions and RFQ documents will be emailed upon request; however, Hendry County will not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of documents sent via email.

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. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFQ, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

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

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
412879 CN/CB 3/22,29;4/5,12/2012



BCAP Project Area Sign-up

Applications are being accepted for the USDA Farm Service Agency's next round of Biomass Crop Assistance Program (BCAP) Project Areas. Proposals will be accepted until April 23, 2012.

BCAP provides incentives to farmers and forest landowners to grow non-food crops to be processed into biofuels. Because most energy crops are perennial and take time to mature before harvest, BCAP is designed so sufficient quantities of feedstock will be available to meet future demand. Since these crops can grow where other crops cannot, it provides farmers new opportunities to diversify into more markets.

The BCAP Project Areas where these crops are grown will be selected from proposals producers or biomass facilities submit to FSA. The Request for Proposal and additional information can be found at <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/bcap>. You may contact the local FSA office for more details.

Acreage Certification

Filing an accurate acreage report for all crops and land uses, including failed acreage and prevented planting acreage, can prevent the loss of benefits for a variety of programs.

Acreage reports are required for most Farm Service Agency programs. Crop re-

porting dates are as follows: April 15th for fall & spring-seeded crops; 15 calendar days after the completion of planting for each specific crop type for spring & fall fruits and vegetables; May 31st (the year before coverage begins) for ornamental nursery; and June 30th for all other crops (including grass for grazing).

Failed acreage must be reported within 15 days of the disaster event and before disposition of the crop. Prevented planting must be reported no later than 15 days after the final planting date.

GovDelivery

The USDA Farm Service Agency offices are moving toward a paperless operation. Producers are asked to enroll in the new GovDelivery system which will provide notices, newsletters and electronic reminders instead of a hard copy through the mail.

FSA, like many other organizations, is trying to work smarter and be more efficient. Moving to electronic notifications via email will help conserve resources and save taxpayer dollars. County Committee ballots will continue to be mailed to all eligible producers.

Producers can subscribe to receive free e-mail updates by going to <http://www.fsa.usda.gov/subscribe>.

Clewiston clinic sets lower adoption donation

Clewiston Critter Care Animal Clinic is excited to announce its new lower adoption donation.

All of our sweet and lovable puppy dogs are enjoying the new lower adoption donation that is drawing more attention to them so they can meet more people! Some breeds you can expect to adopt from us include: Poodle, Shih Tzu, Maltese, Bichon Frise, Havanese, Pug, Dachshund, Chihuahua, Pomeranian, Golden Retriever, American Staffordshire Terrier, German Shepherd, Schnauzer, Rat Terrier, Yorkshire Terrier, etc. and there will be puppies and adults!

The adoption still includes: Physical, Bathed, groomed, Spay/Neuter (Completed before leaving our care),

First year's vaccinations (Including Rabies 1 year), Fecal, First year's De-worming for intestinal parasites

Heartworm tested, nationally registered Microchip, 30 to 45 days of FREE health insurance and reduced Veterinary visit costs for your adoptive pet at our full-service veterinary clinic for the first year!

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Visit us online at www.animalcare.petfinder.org and check out our beautiful adoptable puppy dogs today! Send us an email at animalcare.society@yahoo.com and we'll send you an application for you to fill out and return to get the ball rolling!

We also offer: Doggy Day Care! Schedule your pet to stay for a day, half-day or just a couple of hours! This service is available Monday through Friday, 9am to 5pm only.

Public Notice

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**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Florida Department of Transportation Project**

Bids will be received by the District Office until 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 19, 2012, for the following Proposals:

- E1L21- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Tree Trimming/Removal & Clearing & Grubbing in Highlands & Okeechobee Counties. Budget Estimate: \$215,219.00
 - E1L22- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Concrete Sidewalk Repair in Highlands & Okeechobee Counties. Budget Estimate: \$73,503.00
 - E1L23- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Roadside Ditch Cleaning in Highlands & Okeechobee Counties. Budget Estimate: \$102,759.00
 - E1L24- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Reflective Pavement Marker Removal & Replacement in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$150,000.00
 - E1L25- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Large, Small Machine & Slope Mowing, Litter Removal & Edging & Sweeping in Hendry County. Budget Estimate: \$32,657.00
 - E1L26- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Median Rehabilitation in Highlands County. Budget Estimate: \$149,000.00
 - E1L27- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Performance Highway Lighting Maintenance in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$468,855.00
 - E1L28- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Long Line Striping in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$203,580.00
 - E1L29- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Large Machine & Slope Mowing, Litter Removal & Edging & Sweeping in Glades County. Budget Estimate: \$150,393.00
 - E1L30- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Large, Small, Intermediate Machine & Slope Mowing, Litter Removal & Edging & Sweeping in Hendry County. Budget Estimate: \$147,155.00
 - E1L31- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Mechanical Sweeping in Glades & Hendry Counties. Budget Estimate: \$39,800.00
 - E1L32- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Retro-Reflective Pavement Marker Removal & Replacement in Lee County. Budget Estimate: \$149,500.00
 - E1L33- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Mowing, Litter Removal, Under Deck Herbicide Application, Edging & Sweeping in Manatee County. Budget Estimate: \$300,000.00
 - E1L34- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Miscellaneous Asphalt Repair in Desoto, Hardee, Manatee, & Sarasota Counties, East of I-75. Budget Estimate: \$148,000.00
 - E1L35- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Replacement of Ditch Pavement & Mitered Pipe End Sections in Charlotte & Lee Counties. Budget Estimate: \$148,000.00
 - E1L36- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Pipe & Mitered End Replacement in Charlotte, Lee, & Collier Counties. Budget Estimate: \$176,814.00
 - E1L37- A Certification of Qualification is not required for High Mast Light Pole Repair & Replacement in Lee, Charlotte, & Collier Counties. Budget Estimate: \$206,600.00
 - E1L38- A Certification of Qualification is not required for High Mast Light Pole Repair & Replacement in Manatee County. Budget Estimate: \$258,250.00
- Complete letting advertisement information for this project is available on our website at <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministration/district1/> or by calling (863) 519-2559.
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School Briefs

Register for Summer VPK at COES

Hendry County Schools is offering a free VPK summer program again this year. If you have a child that will be entering Kindergarten in August and will be 5 years old by September 1, 2012, he/she is eligible to attend a VPK program. Children must be residents of Florida to be eligible, but they may go to any school at the completion of VPK. The program at COES is an excellent way to prepare your child for regular school routines.

The program runs from June 11 until August 2 from 7:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. each day. Breakfast and lunch are provided at no cost. Please call Richard Talada at 674-4140 for information or stop by Country Oaks on one of the following days from 5-7 p.m. to register. Open registration will begin from 5-7 p.m. at Country Oaks Elementary School on March 29, April 12, April 26, May 10 and May 17. You may also come by during regular school hours to register for the summer VPK program as well. Students will work on learning the alphabet, numbers, computer skills, gross and fine motor skills during the course of the summer.

Students participate in art activities and music activities as well. We look forward to working with your child this summer.

Register for summer classes at Edison

Make the most of your summer by earning college credit. Registration for Summer 2012 classes at Edison State College is ongoing. Register as soon as possible because classes fill up quickly. For more information about Summer registration visit www.edison.edu/academics/schedule.

To receive additional information about programs of study, campus locations and other information visit edison.edu/request-info.

Want to drive a school bus?

If you are interested in driving a school bus for the Hendry County School Board please call 863-674-4115 during the hours of 7:30-4.

You can help LHS football

The LaBelle High School Football program is putting on a mattress fundraiser. Profits all go directly to the team.

If you need a mattress set, this is the time to buy. All sizes available from twin through king, including pillowtops, orthopedics and memory foams. All mattresses are brand new with factory warranties. Free layaway is available as is delivery. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.

It happens this Saturday, March 31, at LaBelle High School from 10 a.m-5 p.m.

This is one day only. Get \$50 off your purchase with this article.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on the following petition on April 11, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the application is consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan and will review the application for consistency with the Hendry County Land Development Code.

The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners for final consideration at a public hearing. This hearing will be held on April 24, 2012 at 5:05 p.m. at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida.

Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, Florida, and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the matter. 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.

Petition Number: RZ11-0002

Applicant: OB Florida CRE Holdings, LLC, represented by H.L. Bennett, P.E., P.L.S.

Ordinance Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING ORDINANCE (95-08) TO ALLOW AN EIGHT-LOT SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON 29.82 +/- ACRES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICT, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Location: Riverbend Drive, LaBelle, FL

Property size: 29.82 acres +/-

Request: The applicant is seeking to amend the existing PUD (Ord. 95-08) to reduce the development from 24-residential lots to 8-residential lots. There will be one shared driveway to Riverbend Drive.

Legal description of subject property:

DESCRIPTION:
GOVERNMENT LOT 1 AND 2, OF SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

LESS AND EXCEPT:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF BLOCK 98 CITY OF LA BELLE, SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 00°08'14" WEST (BASIS FOR BEARINGS IS COUNTY AND SOUTH FLORIDA FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT, RIGHT OF WAY MAP OF CANAL C-43) ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID BLOCK 98, A DISTANCE OF 259.10 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE CALOOSAHATCHEE RIVER CANAL C-43 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PARCEL HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE NORTH 53°20'42" WEST ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 119 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE NORTHERLY EDGE OF THE OLD RIVER; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY, ALONG SAID NORTHERLY EDGE, A DISTANCE OF 185 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE EAST LINE OF SAID BLOCK 98; THENCE NORTH 00°08'14" WEST ALONG SAID EAST LINE A DISTANCE OF 52.00 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING (WESTERLY PART OF ISLAND).

LESS AND EXCEPT:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF BLOCK 98 OF THE CITY OF LA BELLE. NORTH 0°8'14" WEST ALONG EAST LINE OF BLOCK 98 - 259.10 FEET TO SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY OF THE CALOOSAHATCHEE RIVER CANAL C-43 AND POINT OF BEGINNING. SOUTHEAST ALONG THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY OF CANAL 43 TO NORTH BANK OF OLD CALOOSAHATCHEE RIVER. NORTH WESTERLY ALONG THE NORTH BANK TO A POINT 52 FEET SOUTH OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING - NORTH 52 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING. EASTERLY PART OF ISLAND.

TOGETHER WITH EASEMENT FOR INGRESS AND EGRESS. AS RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 218. PAGE 1037. PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Petition Number: RZ12-0003

Applicant: Sanibel Captiva Community Bank; represented by Kenneth D. Bulmahn

Ordinance Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT ZONING ORDINANCE (2005-09) TO ALLOW AGRICULTURE USES, SPECIFICALLY CITRUS, ON 2.55 +/- ACRES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICT, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Location: 1219 CR 78, LaBelle, FL

Property size: 2.55 acres +/-

Request: The applicant is seeking to amend the existing PUD (Ord. 2005-09) to allow citrus to be placed on the property.

Legal description of subject property:

Description:

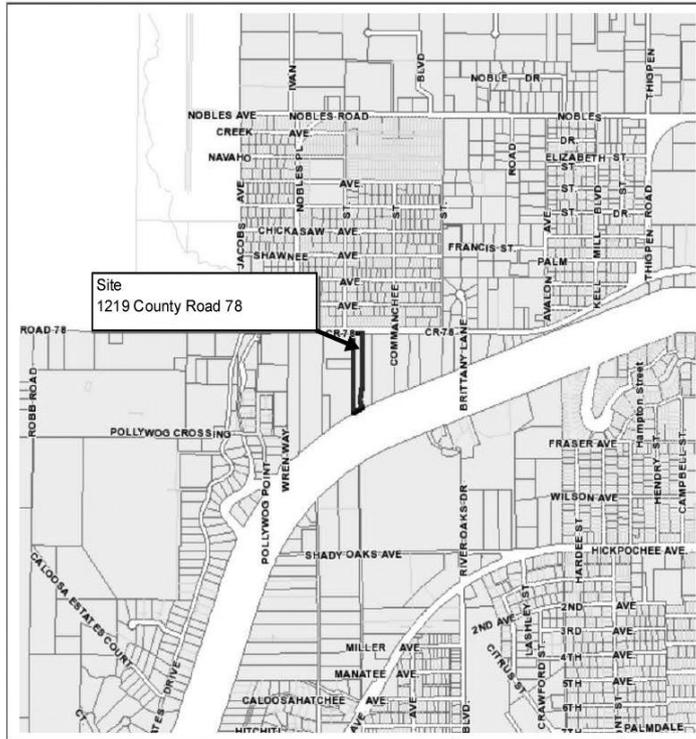
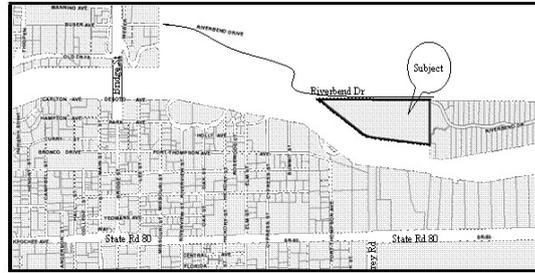
A 2.55 acre parcel of land in Government Lot 1, Section 6, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northeast corner of Government Lot 1 in Section 6, Township 43 South, Range 29 East and run N89°36'10"W, along the North line of Government Lot 1, a distance of 1154.22 feet; thence run S00°25'19"W, 35.00 feet to the South right-of-way line of County Road No. 78 and the point-of-beginning of the parcel of land herein described, thence S00°25'19"W 985.58 feet to the North Right-of-way line of the Caloosahatchee River Canal; thence Northeasterly, along the arc of the curved canal right-of-way line (said right-of-way line being concave to the Southeast with a radius of 3600 feet, a central angle of 02°11'43", and a chord bearing of N63°01'16"E), 137.93 feet; thence N16°47'41"W 102.53 feet; thence N09°55'30"E 169.00 feet; thence N00°25'19"E 657.54 feet to the South right-of-way line of County Road No. 78; thence N89°36'10"W, along said right-of-way line, 120.00 feet to the point-of-beginning.

Applicant: Hendry County Board of County Commissioners

Ordinance Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1-53-6.17, AIRGLADES PLANNED INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT (APID); TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE PERCENTAGE OF IMPERVIOUS AREA AND BUFFERING STANDARDS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, INCLUSION IN CODE, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Orvell Howard, Chairman
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Tristan Chapman, Chairman
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County gives primate project special exception

by **Patty Brant**
Caloosa Belle

It was a long public hearing but in the end, Dr. Debra Misotti's Talkin' Monkeys Project got a big thumbs up from the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners. Four commissioners voted to approve the request for a special exception that will allow a partnership with Florida Gulf Coast University or possibly other educational institutions in the future.

The Talkin' Monkeys Project is a rescue sanctuary for primates as well as an educational facility for students of all ages and the general public.

Twenty-three people signed comment cards to speak on the matter, 22 of them to support it. The public hearing took on larger ramifications with attorney Steve Ramunni representing complainant Mary Harrison, who was asking that the special exception be denied. After Assistant Planner Sarah Catala provided an overview of the project, Mr. Ramunni cross examined her. He also cross examined Dr. Misotti.

In her initial statements, Ms. Catala explained that the facility has been located at 1655 Panama Ave. in Pioneer Plantation since 2003. Ms. Misotti has all the wildlife and zoning required of her.

Central to Mr. Ramunni's case is his assertion that only domestic animals are allowed in residential areas such as Pioneer.

Dr. Misotti read a prepared statement for the board, stating that Talkin' Monkeys is an educational primate rescue facility. She said she chose Pioneer because there were already exotic animals located in Hendry County. Since 2003 she has rescued and cared for at risk and traumatized primates there, developed cognitive therapies for the primates, shared her knowledge with students of all ages and the community at large. From around the world numerous col-

lege students have studied and worked with her primates, she said.

All has been done with appropriate governmental permitting. Now, she and her husband want to ensure the future of the facility by paving the way for the facility's transfer to FGCU or another university some day.

Mr. Ramunni established that the project is a non-profit and has state wildlife licensing. He said the crux of the issue, which has litigation pending, is that wildlife may not be kept in residential areas and that Hendry County staff issued the initial permitting in error.

Comments from the audience stated that the facility is well-run, responsible and a benefit to the community. One woman compared Ms. Misotti to the famous Jane Goodall, who worked with apes in Africa.

Dr. Roger Myers, an environmental scientist who lives just down the road from the primate facility, was staunchly in favor of it. He added that he believes disallowing a well established, well thought of facility to accommodate one newcomer would be a dangerous precedent. It would allow any special zoning to be reopened for any reason.

Speaker after speaker, many who live in close proximity to the project, echoed these sentiments.

Pioneer Plantation Homeowner's Association President Barney Goodman said his group supports Dr. Misotti and Rep. Denise Grimsly agreed that the project is exemplary and an asset to Hendry County through her administrative assistant Kim Hamilton.

Dr. Misotti's attorney, Antoinette Peck, restated that they are simply asking for a ratification of the county's previous determination some nine years ago. She said the Talkin' Monkeys Project has been beneficial to the animals and to humans in teaching animal husbandry, environmental concerns

and outreach. She reiterated that it is situated in a rural community.

Commissioner Al Perry said he has visited the sanctuary and was in favor of the

request. His motion to approve the special exception was seconded by Commissioner Darrell Harris. Commissioner Turner abstained from the vote, which passed 4-0.

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Annual generosity

Residents of Grandma's Grove presented three checks to the Salvation Army this year, one from the park association, one from the owner and one from the church. Even as the economy lags the total donation was a nice increase from last year, thanks to the generosity of our Snowbird friends. Pictured from left: Sharon Patzsehke, Gerri Kuykendall, LaBelle Salvation Army Office Coordinator Lisa Sands and Raymond Abbey.

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Hundreds of People Cash In at the Holiday Inn Express Yesterday!

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By Jason Delong
Treasure Hunters
STAFF WRITER

Gold and Silver pour into yesterday's event due to highest prices in 40 years.

Yesterday at the **Holiday Inn Express**, hundreds lined up to cash antiques, collectibles, gold and jewelry in at the event. The free event is in **Clewiston** all week buying gold, silver antiques and

"It is unbelievable, I brought in some old coins that had been in a little cigar box for years and some old herringbone necklaces and in less than fifteen minutes I left with a check for \$712.37."

collectibles. One visitor I spoke with yesterday said "It's unbelievable, I brought in some old coins that had been in a little cigar box for years and some old herringbone necklaces and in less than fifteen minutes I left with a check for \$712.37. That stuff has been in my jewelry box and dresser for at least 20 years." Another gentlemen brought an old Fender guitar his father bought years



Above • A couple waits with anticipation while an event specialist examines their antiques and gold items. The event is at the Holiday Inn Express this week.

ago. "Dad had less than fifty bucks in that guitar." The event specialist that assisted him, made a few phone calls and a veterinarian in Seattle, Washington bought the guitar for \$5700.00. The seller continued, "I got another \$150.00 for a broken necklace and an old class ring. It's

not every day that someone brings six thousand dollars to town with your name on it."

Jeff Parsons, President of Treasure Hunters commented, "Lots of people have items that they know are valuable but just don't know where to sell them. Old toys, trains, swords,

guitars, pocket watches or just about anything old is valuable to collectors. These collectors are willing to pay big money for those items they are looking for."

This week's event is the place to get connected with those collectors. The process is free and anyone can bring items down to the event. If the event specialist finds items that their collectors are interested in, offers will be made to purchase

those items. About 80% of the guests that attend the show end up selling one or more items at the event.

Antiques and collectibles are not the only items that Treasure Hunters is buying. "Gold and silver markets are soaring," says Archie Davis, a THR representative. "Broken jewelry and gold or silver coins add up very quickly. I just finished working with a gentleman that had an old class

ring, two bracelets, and handful of silver dollars,... his check was for over \$650.00. I would say that

there were well over 100 people in here yesterday that sold their scrap gold."

"If you go to the event, you can cash-in your items for competitive prices. THR representatives will be available to assess and purchase your items at the Holiday Inn Express through Saturday in Clewiston."

One gentleman holding his check for over \$1250.00 in the lobby of the event yesterday had this comment,

"I am so happy I decided to come to the event. I saw the newspaper ad for the event and brought in an old German sword I

brought back from World War II and some old coins and here is my check. What a great thing for our community. I am heading home now to see what else I have they might be interested in."

The event continues today starting at 9am. The event is free and no appointment is needed.

Our International Collectors Association members are looking for the following types of items.

• **COINS** Any and all coins made before 1970. This includes all silver and gold coins, dollars, half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels and pennies. All conditions wanted!

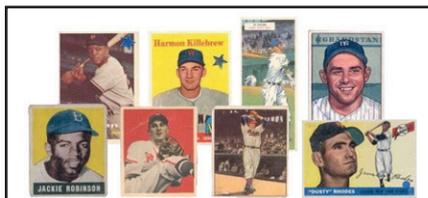
• **GOLD, SILVER & JEWELRY** PRICES AT 40 YEAR HIGHS! for platinum, gold and silver during this event. Broken Jewelry, dental gold, old coins, pocket watches, Kruggerands, Gold Bars Canadian Maple Leafs, Gold, Silver, Platinum, diamonds, rubies, sapphires and all types of stones, metals, etc. Rings, bracelets, necklaces, all others including broken jewelry. Early costume jewelry wanted.

• **WATCHES & POCKET WATCHES** Rolex, Tiffany, Hublot, Omega, Chopard, Cartier, Philippe, Ebel, Waltham, Swatch, Chopard, Elgin, Bunn Special, Railroad, Hamilton, all others.

• **TOYS, TRAINS & DOLLS** All types of toys made before 1970 including: Hot Wheels, Tonka, Buddy L, Smith Miller, Nylint, Robots, battery toys, Mickey Mouse, all other toys - Train sets, all gauges, accessories, individual cars, Marklin, American Flyer, Lionel, Hafner, all other trains - Barbie Dolls, GI Joe, Shirley Temple, Characters, German, all makers accepted.

• **MILITARY ITEMS & SWORDS** Civil, Revolutionary, WWI, WWII, etc. Items of interest include swords, badges, clothes, photos, medals, knives, gear, letters, etc.

• **ADVERTISING ITEMS** Metal and Porcelain signs, gas companies, beer and liquor makers, automobile, implements, etc.



All sports memorabilia is in high demand including: Pre 1970's baseball cards; autographed baseballs, footballs & basketballs; jerseys; signed photos; etc...

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The event is featured next week:

March 27th - 31st

Tues - Fri: 9AM - 6PM & Saturday: 9AM - 4PM

FREE ADMISSION

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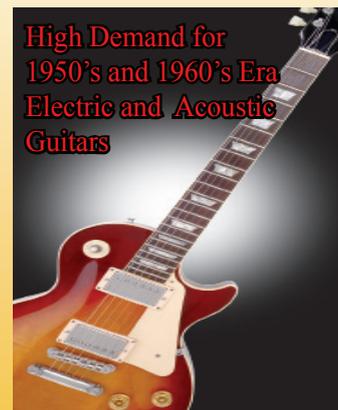
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