

# Caloosa Belle

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## Birding Festival the Best

The 11th Annual Big O Birding Festival proved highly successful thanks to wonderful weather and plenty of cooperation from our local birds. Over 200 birding enthusiasts participated in the four-day event that covered sites throughout Hendry and Glades Counties.

Highlights included the J-7 Ranch Tour, which was a sell out. Two owl hoots were also conducted with one at Fisheating Creek and the other at Riverside Retreat in LaBelle.

At Gatorama, attendees got to help with a 'dig' for crocodile eggs. The tours on Lake Okeechobee and the Caloosahatchee were also popular as was the kayaking on the oxbows of the Caloosahatchee.

Special guests included Amy Bennett Williams, author of "Life on the Caloosahatchee," and renowned Woodstork researcher Jason Lauritsen, who provided the key note address to close out the festival on Saturday evening at the Port LaBelle Inn.

Over 150 species of birds were reported during the event with

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### Birds in Flight

Birds in flight from local photographer Daniela Langley, took second place in the 2012 Big O Birding Festival photography contest.



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### Tree top observer

Great Horned Owl



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### Survivors, best food forward

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Considering that the county's medical resources are limited, it is strongly suggested that you pursue primary evacuation plans with family, friends, neighbors, church organizations, etc. Speak with your physician and family about your transportation and sheltering needs. If you require hospitalization, have your physician execute the necessary pre-admission procedures well in advance of a known, pending disaster such as a hurricane.

Again, talk to your family, friends, and neighbors about providing you with evacuation transportation. If you live in a mobile home park or an area with an established

homeowners association, inquire about your association's disaster plan. Also, if you have special needs that do not require medical sheltering, speak with your Minister, or affiliate religious association, or civic organization to see what types of evacuation sponsorship programs are available. Please keep in mind that pets are not allowed in the shelter, so make arrangements for their care well in advance.

If you need to attend the West Glades School PSN Shelter, you are required to register before you arrive at the shelter each year, and you are required to bring a caregiver with you into the shelter.

Registration forms for Hendry County residents can be obtained from the Hendry County Health Department and the Hendry County Emergency Management Office. Once your completed registration is received

and reviewed, you will receive notification as to whether you qualify for the Special Needs Shelter or not.

Should it be determined that your needs do not meet the Special Needs Shelter criteria, you will be notified of other shelters that are available in your area in which you can seek refuge.

For more information, or if you would like to have a registration form mailed to you, please contact Kelly Dyess at the Hendry County Emergency Management office at (863) 674-5401.

## World recognizes Southern Gardens for food safety

There are all smiles at Southern Gardens Citrus Processing (SGCP) facility as they just received their FSSC 22000 certification. FSSC 22000 is based on internationally recognized International Standards Organization (ISO) 22000 and British Institute (BSI) Public Available Specification (PAS) 220 requirements. FSSC 22000 certification has gained full approval by the Global Food Safety Initiative (GSFI) and is recognized as one of the highest standards in Food Safety that organizations can obtain. Tris Chapman, Vice President and General Manager for Southern Gardens Citrus Processing, comments that "Southern Gardens is deeply committed to Food Safety and Quality and achieving FSSC 22000 certification is the highest standard in safeguarding products that Southern Gardens delivers to its customers."

Consumers around the world are becoming more sensitive than ever to Food Safety issues due to several food health outbreaks in recent years. FSSC 22000 is a whole new approach to risk management and quality assurance that more organizations across

the food supply chain from processors to retailers. Large retailers and manufacturers are aware of food health risk concerns from their customers and are now insisting that suppliers within their supply chain achieve a recognized GSFI certified scheme such as FSSC 22000.

Southern Gardens Citrus Processing employees recognized this concern and through hard teamwork met this challenge. Susan Ransom from Loyds Registrar Quality Assurance (LRQA) who performed the FSSC 22000 certification audit, stated that Southern Gardens was one of the few facilities that she has audited over the past five years that there were no minor or major findings against FSSC 22000 requirements. Ricke Kress, President for Southern Gardens Citrus, commented, "I am happy and pleased at this type of teamwork and these results will prove to be beneficial to our business in the future." Southern Gardens Citrus is only one of a few citrus processing facilities to achieve FSSC 22000 status.



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Pictured from left: Doug Van Strijp, Sue Ransom, and Tris Chapman

## Birding

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several uncommon sightings, including a rare scarlet tanager seen in the early morning hours at the boardwalk of the Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum at Big Cypress.

Other mentionable sightings were the endangered swallow-tailed kite and recently arrived chimney sweeps, which were seen at several locations.

The Audubon Birds of Prey Exhibit proved to be a very popular display at the Port LaBelle Inn. Additionally, Birds of Prey programs were provided to over 200 LaBelle school students at Upthegrove and LaBelle Elementary and more than 500 at Central Elementary in Clewiston. The LaBelle Kiwanis Club provided funding for the exhibit.

## Black Heritage Festival

May 17th Thursday Night Old Timers Dinner-7:00 p.m.

May 18th Friday Night -- 70's Ball/Dance-7:00 p.m.

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# United Way raises over \$205,500 for local agencies

LABELLE, FL (April 2, 2012) – The United Way of Hendry & Glades 2011-2012 Campaign has surpassed its goal, raising more than \$205,500 for the United Way Partner Agencies in Hendry and Glades Counties. Mary Beth Carroll, United Way of Hendry

& Glades Campaign Chair and co-owner of Hilliard Brothers made the announcement to the campaign committee.

“A huge ‘Thank you’ to all of the individuals and companies who gave to the United Way Campaign this year and helped us reach our goal! We are all affected by the difficult economy we are living in, but those who gave realized that many of their friends and neighbors are in greater need than they are themselves. 34 local United Way Partner Agencies will be able to provide food, emergency assistance, counseling and many other services right here in our committee because of your gifts.”

Carroll went on to say, “United Way is reach-

ing more individuals and families who are in great need because of our partnership efforts. There are now 3 United Way Neighborhood Houses in Hendry and Glades Counties. Each provide space for numerous agencies making it much easier for those in need to get services. Your generosity has made this possible.” United Way Neighborhood Houses are located in LaBelle, Clewiston and Moore Haven. Many individuals and companies gave to the United Way of Hendry and Glades Campaign. The top ten company contributors were

The top ten local companies are: Hilliard Brothers - \$43,718; Alico, Inc. \$20,640; Hendry County School District - \$13,200; Pavese Law Firm - \$7,040; Johnson-Prewitt Associates - \$5,400; Southern Garden & Citrus - \$4,952; Lykes Brothers - \$3,549; Hendry Glades Behavioral Health - \$3,399; Glades County School District - \$3,389; Hendry Glades Health Department - \$3,340.

“The good work of the United Way partner agencies has been phenomenal,” said Cliff Smith, President of the United Way commented. “We are working together to feed the hungry and improve the quality of life in the community.”

A local network of thirty-four agencies and programs will receive funds from the campaign. These agencies include: The Salvation Army, Goodwill, Visually Impaired

Persons (VIP), Harry Chapin Food Bank, the Children’s Advocacy Center, Healthy Start and many others. This network serves a diverse range of needs: nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods. The network of United Way agencies helped over 21,000 people in Hendry and Glades Counties last year.

For more information or to volunteer, please call United Way of Hendry and Glades Counties at (800) 887-9234.



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Pictured from left are Hendry-Glades United Way Campaign Committee members Tommy Perry, Traci Owens, Campaign Chair Mary Beth Carroll, Andy Tilton and United Way President Cliff Smith.

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## Arrest Reports

### LaBelle

Jennifer Ann Garrison, 32, was arrested March 28 and charged with a nonmoving traffic violation permitting an unlicensed minor to drive, possession of a controlled substance without a prescription and possession/use of drug equipment.

Robert L. Koff, Jr., 15, was arrested March 28 and charged with a nonmoving traffic violation operating a motor vehicle without a valid license and possession of methamphetamines schedule I.

Raymond Charles Nelson, 52, was arrested March 31 and charged with causing cruel death, pain or suffering to an animal. He allegedly shot a neighbor’s dog five times. He said to keep the dog away from his cats. H. Bledsoe was arresting officer.

Alejandro Gaman Deraz, 16, was arrested

March 29 and charged with burglary of a structure, dwelling or conveyance armed, C Buchhofer was arresting officer. He was then arrested on a warrant and charged with criminal mischief \$200-\$1,000, burglary of a dwelling, structure, conveyance armed, grand theft \$300-\$5,000 and grand theft of a firearm. B. Weaver made the arrest on the warrant.

Carl Andrew Morrison, 26, was arrested March 28 and charged with possession of marijuana under 20 grams and smuggling contraband into a detention facility. J. Conyers was arresting officer.

Cathy Jean Kist, 42, was arrested March 26 and charged with burglary of an unoccupied structure unarmed, grand theft \$300-\$5,000 and dealing in stolen property. R. Steed was arresting officer.

Russell Leroy Cowart, 34, was arrested March 26 and charged with burglary of an unoccupied structure unarmed, grand theft \$300-\$5,000 and dealing in stolen property. R. Steed was arresting officer.

Steven Ray Orenco, 43, was arrested March 24 and charged with aggravated battery knew or should have known the victim was pregnant, corruption by threat public servant or family and resisting an officer/interfere without violence. Sgt. J. Woods was arresting officer.

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

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

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# The Resurrection says, 'Failure is not Final'

by Les Morgan

Mark's account of the Resurrection includes two small words that make all the difference. He begins by recounting the women who came to the tomb to anoint our Lord's body for burial. To their amazement they found the tomb empty and an angelic being at the tomb, who announced the resurrection. The angel informs them that the Lord is not there, but He is risen. Then, he says, "But go, tell His disciples-and Peter-that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you" (Mark 16:7).

Do you see those two words that make all the difference? Look carefully. Mark 16:7 includes those crucial words, "and Peter." There, in a sense, we have the gospel in two words.

Why would we find this insertion-"and Peter"-in the midst of this angelic message. One might have expected that we would have found words of antagonism. That is, "Go and tell His disciples-and Pontius Pilate or Herod or Cephas" or any of the others who played a part in His indictment and conviction. Or perhaps one might have expected to

find words of appreciation. In other words, "Go and tell the disciples and John." After all, John had been there at the cross with the mother of Jesus when all the others had forsaken and fled. In this same vein of appreciation he could have added the names of Nicodemus or Joseph of Arimathea or Andrew or any number of others. But these were not words of antagonism, nor appreciation. These were words of affection. Our Lord knew Peter's heart. Peter had denied Jesus in his hour of testing and Peter was in dire need of a word of encouragement, a new beginning, a second chance.

Perhaps some of us on this Easter Sunday morning have blown it. What is the message of the empty tomb? It is the message of the second chance. Many of us are faced with setbacks or sorrows.

When you think about it, is there anyone on Easter morning who doesn't need to hear these two words-"and Peter"? I know I need to hear that liberating phrase!

Easter means hope, a new start, a new life, a new opportunity, a new beginning.

These two little words-"and Peter"-reveal that the second chance is possible and it is personal.

How is this second chance possible? It is possible because of the Resurrection. If there were no Resurrection of our Lord there would be no Gospel, no good news, no new beginning. Those two words-"and Peter"- came like water to a man dying of thirst. Peter thought the Lord would disown him for Peter had failed so miserably.

The Bible is the story of men and women who received a second chance. When it came time to deliver a nation, who of us would have picked a murderer? But God did. Moses had blown it. Forty years on the backside of a desert prepared him to be the emancipator of his people. When the Lord spoke to him from a burning bush, he knew the second chance was possible. And what about the fellow that was so full of lust? Who of us would have ever said that a guy like that could have a heart after God's own heart? However, when we read King David's prayer of repentance in Psalm 51 we see that a second chance is possible.

And what about Jonah? We all know his story well and remember how "the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time" (Jon. 3:1). He too found that a second

chance was possible.

Some may read Mark 16:7 and say, "Oh, I'm okay." But remember, before Simon Peter heard these words he had gone out and "wept bitterly." When the rooster crowed the coming dawn after his denial, his heart was broken as he was reminded of his sin. How long were his sleepless nights thinking of his cowardice and failure? Simon Peter denied that he even knew the Lord Jesus Christ. Now, his heart was broken. Can you imagine what he must have felt when he heard the angelic message that they were to go and tell his disciples-and Peter-that he was going before them into the Galilee?

It is important to recall that while the second chance is possible, no one said it was automatic! Judas did not get it. He reformed but he did not repent. The rich young ruler didn't get it. He was remorseful and went away "sorrowful" but there's no record that he ever repented. Pontius Pilate regretted his evil deed, but the Bible never says anything of his repentance. This verse is not for those who may think they can keep on in the same sin and come back time and time again. It is for men and women like Simon Peter who have repented, who have recognized their sin and wept bitterly over it.

The Lord Jesus did not have a private meeting with Simon Peter because he was a big sinner and guilty but because he was

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## Career Corner

### Selective Service

by Matt Kindermann

The Selective Service is a vital aspect of national defense and remains dedicated to its historical mission: to register and classify individuals for the Department of Defense in preparation for a national emergency. Many know it as simply "the draft board," but it is also the gateway to all the benefits granted by the federal government.

All males in the United States are required to register with the Selective Service within 30 days of their 18th birthday. Men may register late but cannot register at all after their 26th birthday. All men who take up residency in the U.S. before their 26th birthday must register, including those on an immigrant visa, illegal aliens, legal permanent residents, refugees and anyone else born in another country who migrate to the U.S. before their 26th birthday. Conscientious Objectors also need to register and may choose to be classified exempt from military service only in the event of a draft.

Failure to register is a disqualifying factor for many federal benefits including, but not limited to, federal student loans and grants, federal job training under the Workforce Investment Act, federal employment, contractor security clearance and U.S. citizenship. You DO NOT need a social security number to register and immigration status IS NOT reported to Immigration.

Only those men who are members of the military on active duty, reserve or National Guard are exempt from registration and do not need to prove registration for federal benefits or employment if they possess a military ID card or a DD214.

Registration can be easily completed by obtaining a free, pre-paid postage packet from any Post Office. Those men disabled, geographically distanced from a Post office, or otherwise unable to obtain a Selective Service registration from a Post Office, can register on-line at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov). Registration is not an automatic draft guarantee as the military will still screen candidates for appropriate mental and medical fitness prior to military service. All men are encouraged to register in order to ensure eligibility for federal benefits to you and your family in the future.

Southwest Florida Works will still provide core services to those without Selective Service registration, but intensive services, those involving job training or other financial assistance, will be restricted within Selective Service criterion. Do not discount yourself today for potential federal assistance you may need in the future!

Southwest Florida Works is the regional state workforce board for Hendry, Glades, Charlotte, Lee and Collier counties. For job search assistance or employer support, speak with an employment representative nearest you by going to [www.swflworks.org](http://www.swflworks.org) and click on "Locations."

## Speak Out

### Lies and deceit

It is a shame that in this day and age people are afraid to stand up for truth. You are guilty first, but instead of seeking the truth we cower down to lies; afraid of lawsuits. What lessons are we teaching our youth these days? Lie, cheat and steal! That's the only way to advance in this world. Really!!!! I moved to LaBelle because of the moral character the people of this town displayed, especially those in "higher" places. Where did it go? Get rid of the spoiled apple, not the good ones! That's how you save the rest of us!!!

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# This is National Public Health Week April 2-8

by Pat Dobbins

National Public Health Week is recognized April 2-8. This year's theme is A Healthier America Begins Today: Join the Movement!

Every year, chronic diseases such as heart disease, cancer and diabetes are responsible for millions of premature deaths. Americans miss 2.5 billion days of work because of these illnesses, and all of that lost productivity adds up to billions and billions of dollars! Injuries, unexpected accidents and violence affect people daily in all aspects of life. According to the American Public Health Association (APHA), unintentional injuries, such as motor vehicle crashes, poisonings and burns rank among the top ten causes of death for people aged 44 and younger.

A key role of Public Health is promotion and education to help prevent these illnesses and incidents before they develop which is the key to improving our nation's overall health. There are so many small steps we can take to begin leading healthier lives; sometimes it just takes a little motivation.

With this year's theme of A Healthier America Begins Today: Join the Movement, we can work to encourage communities to take preventive measures to help improve their lives. Little steps can lead to big changes.

Since 1995, when the first full week of April was declared National Public Health Week, communities across the United States have observed National Public Health Week as a time to recognize the contributions of public health and highlight issues that are important to improving the public's health.



Patricia Dobbins

It's so important to educate the public, policymakers and practitioners about issues related to health and what an impact Public Health has made over the years. Here are just a few of the accomplishments thanks to the efforts of Public Health:

- Vaccinations. Eradicate life threatening diseases such as smallpox and polio.
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- Safer workplaces and prevents pollution of our air and land through enforcement of regulatory controls and management of hazardous wastes.
- Control and prevention of infectious diseases (Measles, HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, etc.).
- Decline in deaths from coronary heart disease and stroke. Promotes healthy lifestyles to prevent chronic diseases such as cancer, heart disease and diabetes.
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## Resurrection

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penitent and sorrowful. It was not his cursing and denial that brought him mercy, it was his tears. It was his tears of repentance. There's no hope for the second chance for one who is simply sorry he or she got caught but only for that one with truly repentant and broken heart.

There are not many second chances that exist in the world. The good news is that with God there's always a second chance. That was the message of the angels wanted Peter to know. Their communication was crystal clear - "be sure and tell Peter that he is not out, he gets to bat again!" They wanted Peter to know that failure is not final.

Easter means hope. It means a new life, a new start, beginning again. Yes, the second chance is possible. "Go and tell the disciples and Peter!"

This Sunday please worship at the church of your choice. There you will hear that there is hope, there is a new day - and failure is not final! Happy Resurrection Day.

**Dr. Les Morgan is pastor of Caloosa Baptist Church in LaBelle, located across the street from City Hall on Highway 80.**

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## Easter Services

### Community 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.

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Rev. Gobble

Evangelical Ministers Association and The Gathering of Christian Men. There will be a free will offering received to help those in need. Rupert Balfour, John Bennett, William Maddox, L.W. Howard, Clifford Avery will be sharing in this time of Celebration

This year's keynote speaker will be Rev. Charles C. Gobble, Pastor of LaBelle Church of God. The public is invited to the celebration.

For more information call 675-0900. Baron Park is located at the corner of Highway 29 and Park Avenue in LaBelle.

### Sunrise at Grace Baptist

Grace Baptist Church will hold an Easter Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. 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.

### Join ICF in celebration

International Christian Fellowship would like to help you to celebrate Easter. Easter is the celebration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. International Christian Fellowship extends a cordial invitation for you and your family to attend Easter Sunday service, April 8, 10:30 a.m.

There will be a pot luck dinner and an Easter egg hunt after service. International Christian Fellowship is located at 233 Clark Street, LaBelle.

## 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 the corner of Cypress St. and SR 80 in LaBelle.

## Detour

Heavier traffic and delays have been reported in the construction area on CR 78 in North LaBelle.

The residential area has been impacted by drivers deviating from the detour (seeking a shorter route) and speeding. This construction will continue for the next few weeks.

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## Obituaries

### Robert Larry 'Rooster' Howard

LABELLE — Robert Larry "Rooster" Howard, age 53, of LaBelle passed away Mar. 29, 2012 in Fort Myers. He was born May 5, 1958 in Fort Myers.

He is survived by his wife, Carol A. (Holland) Howard; children, Thomas (J.D.) Howard, Jessica Howard (Billy) Canaday, Seth (Paige) Howard; mother, Ethelene (Self) Howard; brother, Steven Howard; sister, Diane Shields; grandchildren, Katlyn, Autumn, Lilly, Weston, Macey, Jarrod, Jazlyn, Rebecca, Robert and Olivia.

He was predeceased by his father, Robert Wesley "Pee Wee" Howard.

Rooster was a much loved Southern Gentleman.

A graveside service was held Tuesday, April 3, 2012, at 10:30 a.m. at Fort Denaud Cemetery in LaBelle with Matt Howard officiating. Interment followed in Fort Denaud Cemetery.

You can view the online obituary and light a candle in remembrance of Robert at [www.akin-davis.com](http://www.akin-davis.com)

Arrangements by: Akin-Davis Funeral Home-LaBelle

### Edward H. Gerber, 90

FT LAUDERDALE — Edward H. Gerber went to be with the Lord at 5:25 a.m. on Sunday, April 1, 2012 in his home.

Ed enjoyed life, especially spending time with this family. He was always eager to learn about the world and meet new people. He enjoyed traveling with his wife, family, and friends. He was a member of the Apostolic Christian Church of Fort Lauderdale.

Ed started Gerber Furniture in Bluffton, IN in 1946 along with his brother Alvin. He also established the Gerber Haus Motor Hotel in Fort Wayne, developed land in the Fort Lauderdale area, and was in the Florida citrus business for 42 years.

Ed was born March 17, 1922 in Adams County, IN to Jehu W. and Lydia (Maller) Gerber, the third youngest of sixteen children. He married Viola M. Isch on March 18, 1945 in Bluffton, IN; she survives.

Also surviving are two daughters, Fay (Mike) Hohulin, and Sue (Sid) Troxel, both of Fort Lauderdale; five grandchildren, Andrew (Amy) Hohulin, Tara (David) Prevo, Andrea Troxel (engaged to Tyler Geer), Marisa Troxel, and Megan Troxel; two brothers, Sylven and Floyd Gerber of Bluffton, IN; and four sisters, Anna Isch, Leona Schwartz, Alice Schwartz, and Josephine Schwartz also of Bluffton.

Ed was also preceded in death by five bothers, Gaius, Alvin, Lloyd, Truman, and infant twin Edwin Gerber; and four sisters, Helen Gerber, Minnie Aschliman, Sarah Kipfer, and infant Dorothy Gerber.

Calling hours will be from 2 to 8 p.m. Thursday, April 5, 2012 at the Goodwin Memorial Chapel in Bluffton, IN and from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Friday, April 6, 2012 at the Apostolic Christian Church East. Funeral services will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at the church with Mark Gerber and Ed Schwartz officiating. Burial is at the Apostolic Christian Cemetery.



Submitted photo/Cliff Avery

## Easter Sunday

April 8 at 11 a.m. LaBelle Assembly of God will present the musical, "God Can You Hear Me" written by, Katherine Avery. Many times we wonder when we pray and don't seem to get an answer, if God is hearing us. This musical shares that message and what God's word has to tell us about this question. Some of the songs that will be sung are Battle, Someone Worth Dying For, The Hammer, He's Alive, Hallelujah Chorus. Everyone is invited. There will be a treat for each child there. LaBelle Assembly of God is located at, 123 Fraser Ave. Across from the Edward Upthegrove Elementary School. For more information call, 675-0900 ask for Kathy. Men's ensemble- Singing At the Cross. Pictured from left: Pastor Avery, David Miller, Red Ortman, Todd Dye, Henry Avery, Wayne Wilkins, Vernon Harn.

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## Community Briefs

### Swing into Spring

Come Swing into Spring April 14, 5-8 p.m. at RiverBend Motorcoach Resort, 5800 W. SR 80. The event will benefit the United Way of Hendry and Glades. Tickets are \$50 per person and include a prime rib dinner, entertainment, auction and raffle. Tickets are available in advance and at the door. Contact Arlene at 1-800-887-9234 option#9. Ticket price (\$30 tax deductible) includes a raffle for six nights at a two bedroom cabin near Blue Ridge, Ga. Gold sponsorship of \$1,000 includes eight tickets, prominent recognition in the program and a reserved table; silver sponsorship: \$500 - six tickets and recognition; bronze sponsorship - two tickets and recognition.

### 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 emceeing the show and it should be a great night of entertainment!

### Scholarships available

American Business Women's Association scholarship applications are available at Babcock Furniture Store. Applications due May 1, 2012.

### Season finale

The workers at "Auntie Kay's Beauty Bouquet Soap Works" are on strike! They do not want to sell their hometown factory to a huge international conglomerate. To find out how it all "washes out," you will have to wait three weeks for the Firehouse Community Theatre's final production of the season, "The Bottom Line" by Bob Cramer and directed by Dave Johnson. Tickets at \$12 in advance or \$14 at the door. Show times are April 13, 14, 20 and 21 at 7 p.m. and April 15 and 22 at 2 p.m. To order your tickets in advance, call our Ticket Hotline (863) 675-3066 or email us: info@firehousecommunitytheatre.com. Seating is limited! The Firehouse Community Theatre is located at 241 N.

Bridge Street in historic downtown LaBelle. For more information, please visit our website: www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

### Widows to meet

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

### Republican Party meeting in LaBelle

The Republican County Executive Committee will hold its April monthly meeting at the LaBelle City Hall, 481 Hickpochee Ave., Monday, April 9, at 5:15 p.m. Republican County Chairman, Mel Karau, invites all Republicans registered in Hendry County to attend, meet the candidates and learn more about the Hendry County Republican organization. For further information, please call 675-4063.

### 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 kruiswithkati@aol.com or call 239-246-3045.

### Be a Democratic delegate

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 Heritage 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.

### 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: 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!

### 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.

### 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.

### Horse found south of LaBelle

The Hendry County Sheriff's Office has recovered a horse from running loose on the roadways in the Montura area and a calf found running loose near US 27 and Lewis Blvd in Clewiston. If you have lost a horse or a calf, please contact the Ag Unit at 863-805-5000 or 863-674-5600.

### Trail association subchapter to meet

Become a charter member of the Florida Trail Association, Fisheating Creek Subchapter which meets the second Tuesday each month from September to April. To join go to <http://www.floridatrail.org/>. The group meets at The Glades County Historical Society's Westergaard House, 270 Avenue L, Moore Haven. Public welcome. For information contact: Betty Loomis 863-946-3560 or Margaret England 863-674-0695.

### SBDC here to help

The Small Business Development Center at Florida Gulf Coast University is present in Hendry and Glades Counties and in Immokalee. One-on-one consultation is available to all existing and potential small business. In addition, SBDC offers a variety of workshops and seminars to help the business community. Call Janice at 239-860-8592 to set up an appointment.

### AMVETS established

Meetings are at VFW Post 10100 the third Wednesday of the month 6:30 p.m. Any veteran of the armed forces honorably discharged since WWII is eligible for membership. For more information call Mark Schoenwald at 239-246-3094.

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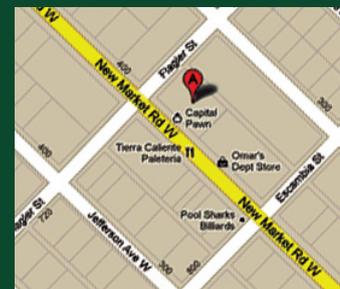
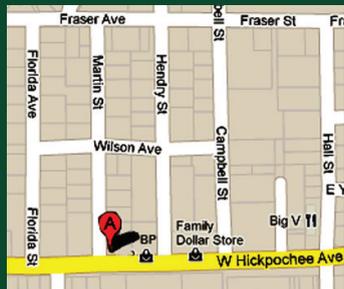
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## Cowboys win two of three

by Ron Dunbar

The LaBelle Cowboys improved to 10-5 on the season as they won two of three games last week in baseball action.

On Monday March 26, the Cowboys lost to Lake Placid 4-3 on the road in eight innings. It was the third one-run loss of the season for the Cowboys and the second against the Green Dragons.

The Cowboys had numerous opportunities to put the game away early but just could not pull the trigger on the pesky Green Dragons. Junior pitcher Austin Garcia took the loss on the mound but was two for three at the plate with a double and two runs scored.



Junior Alton Burton also added a double for the Cowboys. On Tuesday March 27, Cowboy

senior pitcher Steven Sodrel took a no-hitter into the seventh inning before giving up a triple with one out in a 7-1 victory over county rival Clewiston.

Sodrel had a career night on the hill as he finished with 12 strikeouts and two walks for his third victory of the season.

Austin Garcia led the Cowboy offense once again going three for four with a double, 2-run homer and three RBI! Alton Burton continues to hit the ball well as "Mr. Utility" went two for three with a double and two RBI.

Junior Brandon Miners scored three runs and also had two stolen bases for the Cowboys.

On Thursday March 29, the Cowboys defeated Gateway Charter 10-0 as senior Bo Meador recorded his first career pitching victory. Meador was pushed into the pitching rotation at the last minute and did a tremendous job giving up only four hits and striking out five in four innings. Sophomore Jarred Miller closed out the last two innings giving up three hits and no runs.

Meador was also two for two at the plate with a double while junior Tyler O'Ferrell added two hits in three at bats.

Austin Garcia, junior Correy O'Ferrell and senior Tyler Owens also had doubles for the victorious Cowboys.

## Big Cypress plan comment period is extended

The deadline comment on the Hunting Management Plan has been extended by 15 days. The new deadline is April 21, 2012.

Once the comment period concludes, all comments will be considered submitted in the development of the final plan/EA.

The National Park Service (NPS), in consultation with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), has drafted a Hunting Management Plan/Environmental Assessment for Big Cypress National Preserve in accordance with NPS policies.

The purpose of the plan is to allow the Preserve superintendent to provide for hunting opportunities in a manner that is in the best interest of the Preserve's resources and the public, while meeting the requirements set forth by the NPS, the Preserve's enabling legislation, the NPS/FWC Cooperative Partnership Agreement, and all federal, state, and local laws and regulations.

Hunting in the Preserve is authorized by Public Law (P.L.) 93-440, which established the Preserve in 1974. The original 1974 Preserve is a State Wildlife Management Area, and hunting is managed through regulations published each year by FWC. P.L. 93-440 was amended in 1988 by P.L. 100-301, which expanded the Preserve by 147,000 acres. These new lands, known as the Addition, were largely acquired by the federal government in 1996 and have not been open to hunting pending completion of an Addition General Management Plan.

That plan was completed in 2010 and states that the NPS will develop a Hunting Management Plan and work with FWC to provide hunting access, define hunting seasons, and develop hunting regulations consistent with policies and goals.

Alternatives included in this plan are as

follows:

Alternative 1 – No Action – Apply Current Management to the Addition Under alternative 1 (no action), management of hunting in the entire Preserve would occur in accordance with the NPS/FWC Cooperative Partnership Agreement.

Alternative 2 – Minimum Management – No Hunting in the Addition Under alternative 2, current hunting management would continue within the original Preserve boundaries, using the guidance outlined in the NPS/FWC Cooperative Partnership Agreement. In the Addition, public hunting would be prohibited.

Alternative 3 (Preferred Alternative) – New Adaptive Management Strategy Under alternative 3, the NPS and FWC, in consultation with FWS, would cooperate to implement an adaptive management strategy to manage hunting in the Preserve in accordance with the NPS/FWC Cooperative Partnership Agreement.

To review the draft plan, visit <http://park-planning.nps.gov/bicy>. Follow the appropriate link to Hunting Management Plan/EA.

We invite your comments regarding potential issues and concerns that should be considered during the planning process. You can provide comments at the meetings, by mail, or on-line. You should be aware that your entire comment, including your personal identifying information, may be made publicly available at any time.

While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments by mail may be sent to Superintendent, Big Cypress National Preserve, 33100 Tamiami Trail East, Ochopee, Florida 34141-1000. Comments may also be submitted on-line.



Caloosa Belle/Patty Brant

## Shades of former times

In days gone by pretty young girls riding horses was a common sight, but recently not so much. Recently folks in downtown LaBelle were surprised to see 16-year-old Mickaylaa Shock riding her thoroughbred-quarterhorse mix, Tag, through the streets. Mickaylaa is a member of the Silver Spurs 4-H Club and is homeschooled. Our photographer caught up with her on Bridge Street coming from the library.

## Easter Fun at Motorsports Park

On Saturday, April 7, the Hendry County Motorsports Park will play host to the Easter Bunny. There will be an Easter Egg Hunt at 8 p.m. for children of all ages with lots of prizes and even a bike race in which all children participating will receive a prize.

The racing program will begin at 7 p.m. and will continue after the Easter Bunny makes his debut in the First ever Easter Egg Hunt at the speedway. The racing program will feature many local street stock stars dueling it out with drivers from around the state in the first annual street stock Easter Egg Championship.

Also racing will be the pure stocks, open

wheel modifiers, limited late models, mini stocks, V-8 bombers and a powder puff race for the ladies.

The gates will open at 4 p.m. for fans, racing will start at 7 p.m. and the Easter Egg hunt will be at 8 p.m. Admission into the track will be only \$5 and children 12 and under are free. The race track is located 1/2 mile north of the intersection of Hwy. 80 and US 27. For more information call (863) 673-4325 or (863) 983-4663.

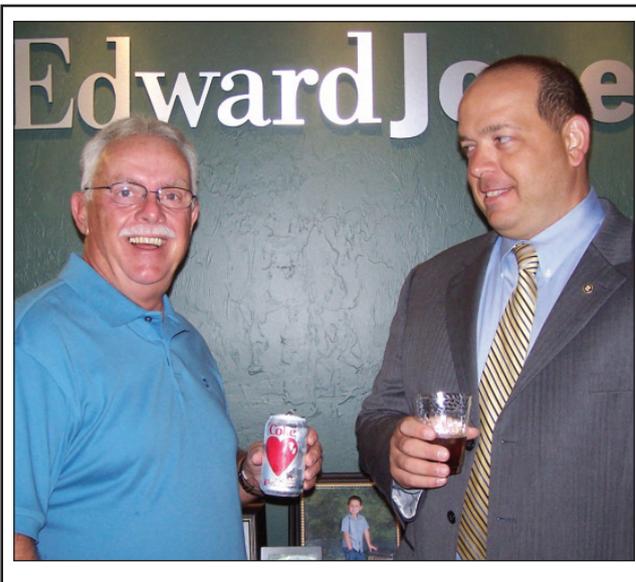
Remember, parents, bring your cameras for picture opportunities with the Easter Bunny and enjoy what is sure to be a fun-filled night with your family and friends.

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### Miles of smiles

Chamber of Commerce Director Randy Daniels, left, shares a light-hearted moment with Joe Timm, Financial Advisor at Edward Jones. The chamber and Edward Jones partnered for the monthly business after hours networking meeting on March 28 when local business men and women share information, laughs and melt the stress of the day.

## Israel Trip Being Planned

How does one express the personal experience of going to the very land where the Lord Jesus walked, taught, and encountered human life as we do today? What language can adequately communicate the sights, sounds, and even smells of the Mediterranean region where the God-man entered our world?

Where can one go to see, touch and move among the exact areas where the Master Himself healed the hurting, loved the people, forgave the sinner, and changed the world? In a word... Israel! And Dr. Les & Val Morgan are taking a group to the Holy Land

March 2013.

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Learn more about this amazing trip April 12 at 7 p.m. at Caloosa Baptist Church (675-4673).



Submitted photo/Mark Schoenwald

### Never forget

This motor home belongs to Viet Nam vet Gary Selig, a new member of VFW Post 10100. The graphics are in the memory of the Riverine Force that patrolled the Mekong Delta during the Viet Nam war. Gary travels the country keeping the memory of these brave warriors alive. He stopped in LaBelle to help commemorate March 30 "Welcome Home Viet Nam Veterans Day" recently established by Governor Scott.



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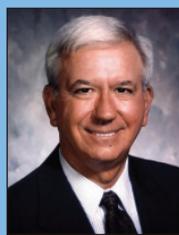
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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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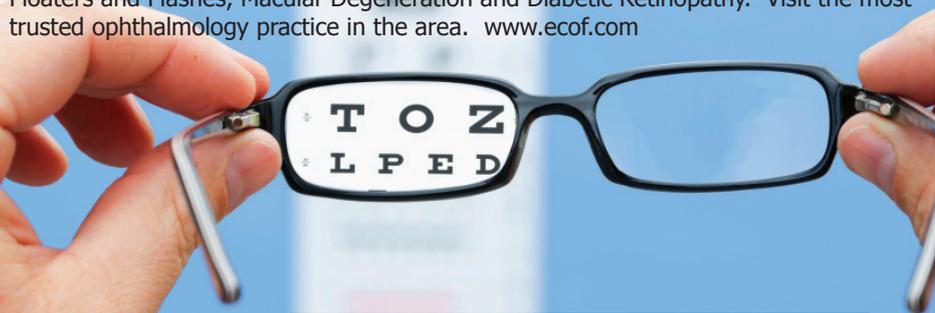
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## Church Briefs

### Free pizza

Tonight, Thursday, April 5, Christ the King Lutheran Church is hosting free pizza at 5 p.m. along with Mel Gibson's movie "The Passion of Christ" at 6 p.m. Christ the King is located at 350 CR 78. Take SR 29 over the bridge to stop light, turn left, one quarter mile. Everyone is welcome.

### 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.

### 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 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.

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## Osprey presentation Monday, April 9

### By Bob Montanaro

Everyone is invited to the Hendry-Glades Audubon Society presentation at the Clewiston Museum on Monday April 9 at 7:00 p.m.

The program this month is a photo documentary entitled "Ospreys of Pelican Island: An Exploration into the Life of the Fish Hawk." The presentation is a production by Bob Montanaro who is a local wildlife photographer and environmental enthusiast. Bob started OspreyWatch - "a multi-year project to document the lives of the Ospreys at Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge through photography."

"Ospreys of Pelican Island" follows the nesting attempt by a pair of Ospreys throughout the 2006 nesting season. Over 100 days were spent at the Refuge with almost 30,000 photographs being taken to chronicle the lives of the Ospreys. The program covers not only the Osprey nesting attempt but also shows encounters with other wildlife in the Refuge--everything from river otters and a family of pileated woodpeckers to fighting red-shouldered hawks! For more information, visit [www.ospreywatch.org](http://www.ospreywatch.org).

Bob Montanaro is the office manager for the Pelican Island Audubon Society handling all aspects of the day-to-day running of the chapter. He is also a volunteer at Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge and Archie

### Launching new Assembly

Living Waters Fellowship welcomes you to the Divine Connection and launching of their newest Assembly. 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 [Livingwatersfellowship8@gmail.com](mailto:Livingwatersfellowship8@gmail.com).

### Homeschoolers and private school attendees:

Under a bill that has been signed into law by Governor Scott students 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](http://www.stepupforstudents.org)) and the McKay scholarship ([www.floridaschoolchoice.org](http://www.floridaschoolchoice.org)). International Christian Academy is a private school meeting the needs of the individual student, by placing each child where he or she will learn, grow, be challenged and succeed. 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.

Carr National Wildlife Refuge. He also serves on the planning committee for the Pelican Island Wildlife Festival which is an annual event that draws 4,000 to 6,000 visitors to learn about the National Wildlife Refuge System, about local wildlife and habitats, and environmental issues and concerns.

Please contact the Clewiston Museum at 863-983-2870 or email us at [clewistonmuseum@embarqmail](mailto:clewistonmuseum@embarqmail) for questions or reservations.



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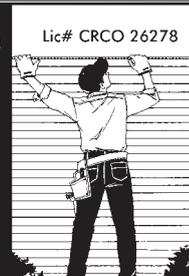
## Firehouse Theatre closing out season

The worker's at "Auntie Kay's Beauty Bouquet Soap Works" are on strike! They do not want to sell their hometown factory to a huge international conglomerate. To find out how it all "washes out", you will have to wait for the Firehouse Community Theatre's final production of their 2011-2012 season, "The Bottom Line" by local playwright Bob Cramer and directed by Dave Johnson. Show times are April 13, 14, 20 & 21 at 7 p.m and April 15 and 22 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$14 at the door. To order your tickets in advance, call our Ticket Hotline (863) 675-3066 or email us: [info@firehousecommunitytheatre.com](mailto:info@firehousecommunitytheatre.com). Seating is limited! The Firehouse Community Theatre is located at 241 N. Bridge Street in historic downtown LaBelle. For more information, please visit our Web site: [www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com](http://www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com). Seated from left: Laura Reed, Breanna Brown and Peter Miller. Standing: Vannoy Banks and Lori Shula.

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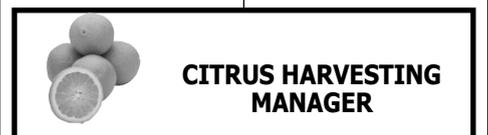
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Clewiston Field Station**Job Description**

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council will hold a meeting on Friday, April 13, 2012, at 10:00 A.M., in Conference Room #1, 1st Floor, 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, Florida 33935. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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.

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**NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS OF GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DRAINAGE AND WATER CONTROL DISTRICT GOVERNED BY CHAPTER 298, FLORIDA STATUTES, WILL HOLD A MEETING OF THE SUPERVISORS ON APRIL 25, 2012, AT 10:30 A.M., OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE, AT THE DALLAS B. TOWNSEND AGRICULTURAL CENTER, 1085 PRATT BOULEVARD, LABELLE, FLORIDA 33935. THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS TO ELECT OFFICERS FOR THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND TO TAKE ALL OTHER ACTION THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE. ANYONE WISHING TO APPEAL ANY ACTION TAKEN AT THE ABOVE REFERENCED MEETING IS RESPONSIBLE TO HAVE A VERBATIM RECORD MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. IF AN INDIVIDUAL REQUIRES SPECIAL AID OR SERVICES AS ADDRESSED IN THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS SOUD AT (863) 675-3903. 414051 CN 4/5/2012

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**NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING FOR GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**

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The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (Department) announces receipt of a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit (File No.: FL017954-003) renewal application for the continued operation and maintenance of Stormwater Treatment Area 5 (STA 5), flow ways 5-1, 5-2 and 5-3, from the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD). STA 5 is part of the Everglades Construction Project (ECP), construction, operation, and maintenance of which is required by the Everglades Forever Act.

STA 5 is located in southwest Hendry County immediately adjacent to the Rotenberger Wildlife Management Area.

The application is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Ecosystem Projects, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 24, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000, telephone (850) 245-3180. 413657 CB 4/5/2012

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**NOTICE OF REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING DATES FOR GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DRAINAGE AND WATER CONTROL DISTRICT GOVERNED BY CHAPTER 298, FLORIDA STATUTES, SHALL HOLD ITS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR THE TWELVE MONTHS OF APRIL, 2012, THROUGH MARCH, 2013, ON THE FOLLOWING DATES: APRIL 18, 2012; MAY 16, 2012; JUNE 20, 2012; JULY 18, 2012; AUGUST 15, 2012; SEPTEMBER 19, 2012; OCTOBER 17, 2012; NOVEMBER 21, 2012; DECEMBER 19, 2012; JANUARY 16, 2013; FEBRUARY 20, 2013; AND MARCH 20, 2013. ALL OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS REFERENCED ABOVE SHALL BEGIN AT 10:30 A.M. AND SHALL BE HELD AT THE DALLAS B. TOWNSEND AGRICULTURAL CENTER, 1085 PRATT BOULEVARD, LABELLE, FLORIDA 33935. THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETINGS IS TO CONDUCT NORMAL DISTRICT BUSINESS AND TO TAKE ANY AND ALL OFFICIAL ACTION THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE. ANYONE WISHING TO APPEAL ANY ACTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AT THE ABOVE REFERENCED MEETINGS IS RESPONSIBLE TO HAVE A VERBATIM RECORD MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. IF AN INDIVIDUAL REQUIRES SPECIAL AID OR SERVICES AS ADDRESSED IN THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS SOUD AT (863) 675-3903. 414050 CN 4/5/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1728	2008	1224432-01000470020	G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.

Lot 2, Block 47, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39, 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 May, 2012, which is the 10th day of May, 2012. Dated this 28th day of March, 2012.

Barbara S. Butler  
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413757 CN 4/5,12,19,26/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1785	2008	1224432-01000650080	G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.

Lot 8, Block 65, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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413740 CN 4/5,12,19,26/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1692	2008	1224432-01000280030	G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.

Lot 3, Block 28, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED  
1655 2008 1224432-01000120010 G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.  
Lot 1, Block 12, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.  
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413773 CN 4/5,12,19,26/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1773	2008	1224432-01000610370	G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.

Lot 37, of the Re-subdivision of Blocks 61, 68 and 69, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 47, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1763	2008	1224432-01000600030	G.A.M.E. Investments, Inc.

Lot 3, Block 60, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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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.

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Barbara S. Butler  
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412540 CN 3/22,29 & 4/5,12/2012

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby give notice that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in GLADES County, State of Florida, on the SIXTH day of NOVEMBER, 2012, A.D., to fill or retain the following offices:

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.

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John M. Green, 8001 Sherwood Circle, LaBelle
Norman R. Cole, II, P O Box 1170, Clewiston
Elizabeth D. Skipper, P O Box 3032, LaBelle

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 11-226CC on March 14, 2012 in the matter of John Jay Watkins, as petitioner and The Lyndel Group, LLC, as respondent, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the respondent, to-wit:

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School Briefs

Register for Summer VPK

Henry County Schools are 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. Open registration will begin from 5-7 p.m. at Country Oaks Elementary School on April 12, April 26, May 10 and May 17.

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\*\*OFICIAL\*\* AVISO DE ELECCIONES GENERALES Yo, Ken Detzner, Secretario de Estado del Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que se llevarán a cabo ELECCIONES GENERALES en el Condado de HENDRY, Estado de la Florida, el día SEIS de NOVIEMBRE de 2012 d. C., para determinar la ocupación o la retención de los siguientes cargos:

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Florida Department of Transportation Project Bids will be received by the District One 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

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

## Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
CIVIL DIVISION  
CASE NO. 2011-CA-000651

SUNCOAST SCHOOLS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Whose address is: P.O. Box 11904, Tampa, FL 33680  
Plaintiff,

v.  
DON EUGENE ROSS JR. A/K/A DON E. ROSS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DON EUGENE ROSS JR. A/K/A DON E. ROSS; N/K/A PATRICIA CRITTENDEN ROSS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; TENANT #1; TENANT #2,  
Defendants.

## AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause, in the Circuit Court of HENDRY County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida described as:

LOT 2, BLOCK G, FORT DENAUD ACRES UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as: 4065 Ft. Adams Avenue, Labelle, Florida 33935, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935, on April 25, 2012, at 11:00 A.M.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

DISABILITY LANGUAGE: If you are an individual with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. For further information please contact Sheila Mann, Court Operations Manager, Phone: (239) 533-1723, Fax: (239) 485-1014, smann@ca.cjis20.org at least seven (7) days before your scheduled court appearance or other court activity, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this March 27, 2012.

BARBARA S. BUTLER  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis  
Deputy Clerk

## 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.

## Public Notice

## 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., Plaintiff's 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 Plaintiff's 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 RELAY SERVICE, NOT LATER THAN SEVEN (7) DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDING  
413366 GCD 3/29;4/5/2012

## Public Notice

NOTICE: AUCTION on Friday, APRIL 13, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at 1225 N.W. Avenue L, Belle Glade, Florida.

• Property of DANTHEDA SALINAS - MATTRESS AND BOX SPRING, WASHER AND DRYER, HEADBOARD AND MISCELLANEOUS BOXES AND BAGS.

• Property of DAVID HOBBS - SECTIONAL, MICROWAVE, TV'S AND MISCELLANEOUS BOXES AND BAGS.  
413455 SUN 5/5,12/2012

## LaBelle High School Spring Testing Schedule

Beginning this month and continuing through the first week of June, LaBelle High School students have a series of required tests. Some are CBT (Computer-Based tests)

and some are paper-based tests:

FCAT Math, Reading, and Reading 2.0 Retakes CBT April 10-13

FCAT 2.0 Reading CBT (10th) April 16 & 17

FCAT 2.0 Reading Paper-based (9th) April 16 & 17

Geometry End of Course CBT April 23 & 24

Biology End of Course CBT April 30 & May 1

Algebra End of Course CBT May 7 & 8  
US History End of Course field test CBT May 17 & 18

Advanced Placement (AP) Paper-Based May 7-18

It is important for students to be here on their assigned test dates. Students taking FCAT and EOC exams have participated in practice exams (ePATs) to learn how to use the computer-based test tools. Students taking AP exams will complete a pre-administration session, during which they will pre-grid their answer sheets and receive testing instructions and receive more information about their testing date, place, and time. 11th grade students and parents/guardians have received initial information about the PERT test. This test is scheduled for the end of May.

Please contact Jane Hatfield at (863) 674-4120, ext. 228, or hatfieldj@hendry.k12.fl.us, if you have questions about your son's or daughter's test schedule.

## LHS Pruebas

LaBelle High School secundaria de primavera Programa de Pruebas

A partir de este mes y hasta la primera semana de junio, los estudiantes de secundaria LaBelle tienen una serie de pruebas requeridas. Algunos son CBT (Computer-Based pruebas) y otros son basados en papel las pruebas:

Matemáticas del FCAT, lectura, y lectura de 2,0 Retoma la TCC 04 10 al 13

Lectura del FCAT 2.0 TCC (10) Abril 16 y 17

Lectura del FCAT 2.0 basados en papel (9) Abril 16 y 17

Fin de Curso de Geometría de la TCC 23 de abril y 24 de

Biología Fin de Curso de la TCC 30 de abril y 01 de mayo

Algebra de fin de curso CBT 07 de mayo y 8 de

Fin del Curso de Historia de EE.UU. prueba de campo TCC 17 de mayo y 18 de

Colocación Avanzada (AP) Papel-basada en mayo de séptima a décimo octava

Es importante que los estudiantes de estar aquí en sus fechas de las pruebas asignadas. Los estudiantes que toman el FCAT y exámenes EOC han participado en exámenes de la práctica (ePATs) para aprender a utilizar las herramientas de prueba basados en computadoras. Los estudiantes que toman los exámenes AP completará una sesión previa a la administración, durante el cual se pre-parrilla de sus hojas de respuestas y recibir instrucciones de la prueba y recibir más información acerca de su fecha de la prueba, el lugar y tiempo. 11 estudiantes de grado y los padres o tutores han recibido información inicial acerca de la prueba de PERT. Esta prueba está programada para finales de mayo.

Por favor, póngase en contacto con Jane Hatfield @ (863) 674-4120, ext. 228, o @ hatfieldj@hendry.k12.fl.us, si usted tiene preguntas acerca de su hijo o hija horario de la prueba.

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### LMS Spelling Bee winners

Pictured from left: third place, Brendon Herrera (7th); first place Alondra Reyna (6th); and second place, Hugo Vargas (8th).



Caloosa Belle/Patty Brant

Walking the distance. Dillon Rouse took on "uncle duty," bringing the younguns to LaBelle's Relay for Life. His buddy, who would only identify himself as "Pablo" kept Dillon and Eric Bardot company. Eric was using his feet to support his mother, a cancer survivor.



## RELAY FUN

Submitted photo/Annie Ayers  
Country Oaks Elementary School participated in the 2012 Relay for Life. Arthur Ayers, Site Manager for COES (aka Uncle Sam) participated in the duct tape event. Country Oaks was representing the U.S.A. A great time was had by all that participated for this great event. A big thank you to the Relay for Life Committee and all the teams.

# 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 reporting 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



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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>.

## Hendry Regional Putting you on the "Road to Wellness"

Hendry Regional Medical Center has initiated an affordable wellness program that aims to improve the health of those in our community. By offering new and discounted wellness screenings, your local hospital is taking the lead to creating a healthy community.

For those who do not have insurance (and for those who do), Hendry Regional Medical Center's Wellness Program now offers the following discounted lab screenings:

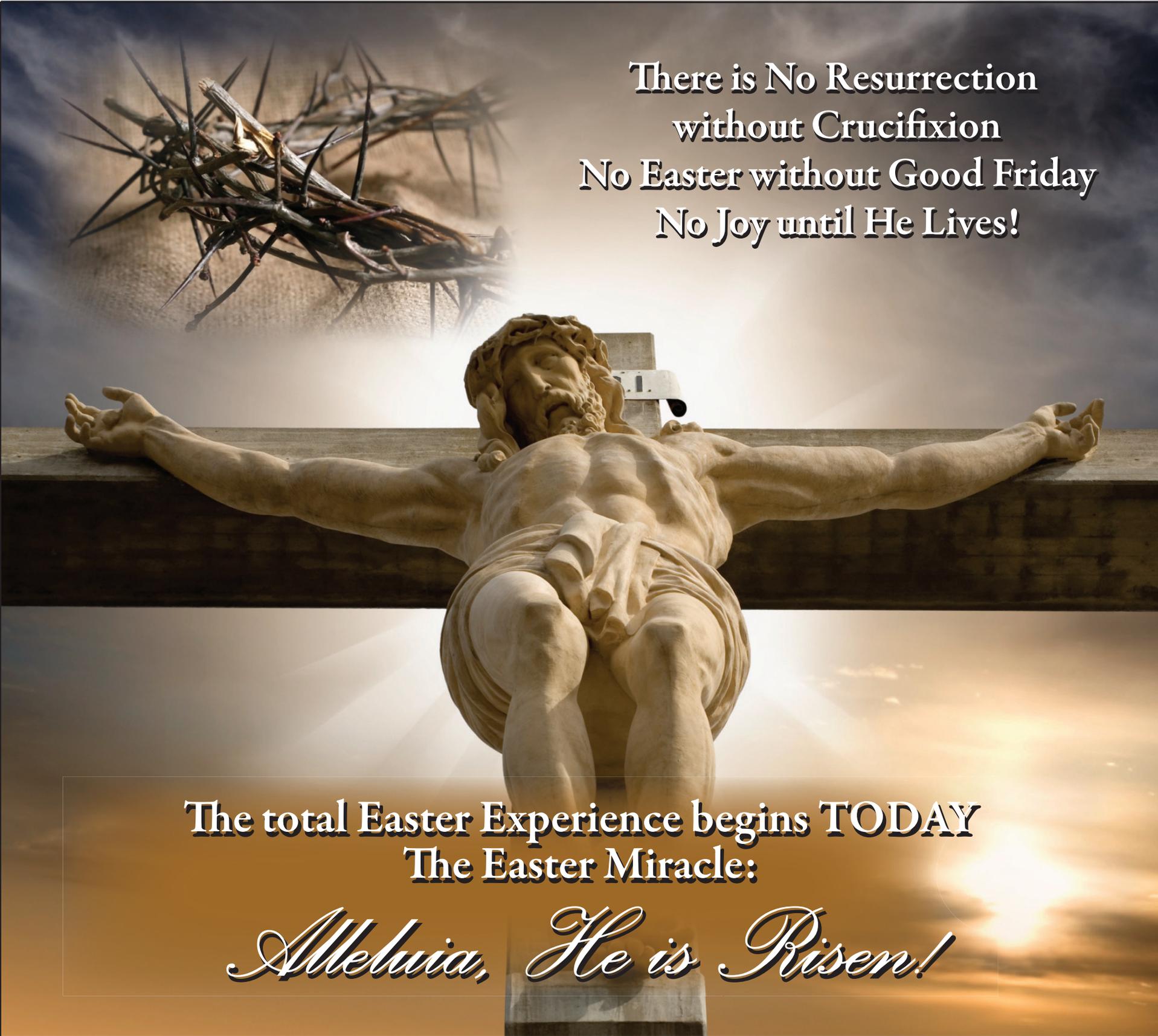
\$10.00	ABO Rh Blood Group	\$20.00	Chem-8 (Chemistry Tests)
\$10.00	Hb A1C (Diabetic - long term)	\$20.00	Chem-14 (Chemistry Tests)
\$10.00	CBC with Diff. (Anemia)	\$20.00	Lipid/Cardiac Risk
\$10.00	Cholesterol		(Cholesterol, Triglycerides, HDL, LDL)
\$10.00	Glucose (Diabetic - short term)	\$10.00	TSH (Thyroid)

No physician prescriptions are necessary.

To get one or more of these tests performed, it's a very simple process, ask for the "Wellness Program Screening Form" at the hospital front lobby in Clewiston, or at the reception area of the Convenient Care Center in LaBelle.

In less than one week, you will receive the results of your lab tests. If you have questions or concerns regarding your tests results, contact your primary care physician. If you don't have a physician, we encourage you to make an appointment in Clewiston at the Hendry Family Care Center (863-983-3434) or in LaBelle at the Convenient Care Center (863-675-2356). Let us put you on the "Road to Wellness." Visit Hendry Regional Medical Center for your wellness screenings.





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