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Bone retains city seat

Incumbent Greg Bone retained his seat as City of LaBelle Tax Collector/Commissioner by a very wide margin in the July 16 election. Mr. Bone garnered 204 votes. The 50-year-old has held the office since 2007.

Challenger and newcomer to public elections, 25-year-old Brent Stevens received 63 votes.

Voter turnout for the mid-summer, non-partisan election was only 13.04 percent. The City of LaBelle has a total

of 2,049 registered voters.



Greg Bone

With no opposition, two other commissioners whose terms were up did not appear on the ballot.

Dave Lyons will continue as commissioner-mayor in his own right, after completing former mayor Paul Puletti's term. Mr. Puletti was elected as Superintendent of Schools last November.

Daniel Akin also will retain his seat as Commissioner-Tax Assessor.

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Let's all Cowboy up!

Caloosa Belle/Dale Conyers
Young Taylor Lowe tries his hand with the lasso as Cowboy Charlie critiques his form. Young cowboys and cowgirls got a chance to check out the cowboy life, up close and personal, at the Barron Library summer program. On Tuesday, July 9, the 'Florida Trackers' focused on the life and work of a cowboy, presented by 'Cowboy Charlie' Clonch. First, "Ponce de Leon" explained his latest explorations. Next up "Cowboy Charlie" told the children about his life as a cowboy on the ranchlands of Florida. The 108 kids then moved outdoors. At the first station, "Cowboy Charlie" taught the fundamentals of roping, giving anyone who wanted to try their hand at roping a 'steer' a chance to do so. At the second station, Ida Erwin showed the tools of the trade used by the Florida cowboy from horse shoes to barb wire. The children also got to sit in a real saddle and see what it was like to ride in one. At the third station, Ellen Ferguson and Lara Conley demonstrated the proper care of a cowboy's horse. "Cowboy Charlie" brought his own horse, Dakota, along to help. Thanks so much to Ellen Ferguson for putting the program together, and to "Cowboy Charlie," Ida and Lara for helping to make this program happen. The library's 'Florida Trackers' will continue their trek through the state on Tuesday with a special visit from the Seminole Tribe of Florida. The presentation will include the tribes history, culture and on-going traditions and will offer the children a hands-on project: July 23: Seminole Tribe of Florida; July 30: Miss Patty, Gatorama; and August 6: Florida's 500th Birthday Party - all at 10:30 a.m.

Federal agencies search LaBelle home

US Attorneys Office, along with EPA and IRS personnel, served a search warrant at 259 Ford Ave. Tuesday morning. Authorities would not discuss the reason for the action because it concerns an ongoing investigation.

The home is listed as belong-

ing to Dean and Brenda Daniels. They have owned the home since March 2011. The couple are also owners in several companies.

During the execution of the search warrant, vehicles clogged the yard at the upscale residence, which is surrounded by a

white fence and situated in a middle class neighborhood. Authorities remained there for several hours removing items from the home. The US Attorneys Office in Tampa is not releasing any additional information on this on going investigation.

Honor LaBelle's heroes Saturday

LaBelle's Fallen Heroes Benefit honoring the memories of Marine Staff Sgt. Christopher D. Strickland and Chief Warrant Officer Robert Hammett Jr., two local men killed in action in 2008, is planned for July 20. The event begins at 11 a.m. at VFW Post 10100, next to the LaBelle Rodeo Grounds, south of Cowboy Way.

Each year this is a joint community project, co-sponsored by members of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 10100, American Legion Post 130, Disabled American Veterans Chapter 144 and the Fraternal Order of the Moose Lodge 2398.

The event will include a pork dinner with all the fixin's for just \$8 (Free delivery in town.)

All proceeds go toward building and maintaining the LaBelle Veterans Memorial Park. This year, there will be a brick laying ceremony at 9:30 a.m. at the Veterans Park before the benefit begins.

The Fallen Heroes Committee would like to thank the many businesses and individuals who have donated their time and monies to help improve the LaBelle Veterans Park, year after year. Thank you for always remembering and honoring those who have sacrificed so much and continue to do so for our freedom.

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CIW honored as 2013 Four Freedoms Award Laureate

With Independence Day just past, CIW members and Fair Food activists everywhere can celebrate with added cheer this year, as the CIW has been selected to receive the Roosevelt Institute's prestigious Freedom from Want Medal for 2013 in recognition of its two decades of work on behalf of farmworkers' human and economic rights and the unprecedented advances of the Fair Food Program!

In his January 6, 1941 State of the Union Speech (a speech delivered with the country on the brink of entering World War II), President Franklin D. Roosevelt enumerated what he called the "four essential human freedoms."

Those freedoms, or fundamental human rights, would form the vision of a more just, peaceful world that would guide the country through the terrible sacrifices of the coming war years:

"In the future days, which we seek to make secure, we look forward to a world founded upon four essential human freedoms. The first is freedom of speech and

expression—everywhere in the world.

"The second is freedom of every person to worship God in his own way—everywhere in the world.

"The third is freedom from want—which, translated into world terms, means economic understandings which will secure to every nation a healthy peacetime life for its inhabitants—everywhere in the world. The fourth is freedom from fear—which, translated into world terms, means a world-wide reduction of armaments to such a point and in such a thorough fashion that no nation will be in a position to commit an act of physical aggression against any neighbor—anywhere in the world.

"That is no vision of a distant millennium. It is a definite basis for a kind of world attainable in our own time and generation. That kind of world is the very antithesis of the so-called new order of tyranny which the dictators seek to create with the crash of a bomb."—Franklin D. Roosevelt, excerpted from the State of the Union Address to the Congress, January 6, 1941.

Those freedoms would also come to be manifest in the formation of the United Nations, established in the years following the war, and form the four pillars of the UN's Universal Declaration of Human Rights, a truly visionary document championed by former First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt. The preamble of the UN Declaration of Human Rights fittingly cites Roosevelt's Four Freedoms:

"... Whereas disregard and contempt for human rights have resulted in barbarous acts which have outraged the conscience of mankind, and the advent of a world in which human beings shall enjoy freedom of speech and belief and freedom from fear and want has been proclaimed as the highest aspiration of the common people,..." read more

And so it was with great pride (and a bit of surprise, truth be told) that we received the wonderful news that the CIW had been selected to receive is 2013 Freedom from Want Medal by the Roosevelt Institute, the New York-based organization, "devoted to carrying forward the legacy and values of Franklin and Eleanor Roosevelt by developing progressive ideas and bold leadership in the service of restoring America's promise of opportunity for all."

The honor was particularly remarkable for the company in which the award places the CIW. From the Institute's letter:

"We would be honored if the Coalition would consider accepting our Freedom from Want Medal. By accepting this award, you will join a noteworthy group of past laureates including Presidents Truman, Kennedy, Carter and Clinton, Nelson Mandela, the Dalai Lama, Aung San Suu Kyi, Carlos Fuentes, Studs Terkel, Tom Brokaw, Hillary Clinton, Elie Wiesel, and Anthony Romero."

There will be more on this breaking news as plans for October's award ceremony in New York City develop. For now, the CIW wishes to thank the Roosevelt Institute for considering the CIW and the Fair Food Program for such an august award.

They assure everyone that freedom will ring just a bit louder this year in Immokalee, and in farmworker communities everywhere, thanks to your deeply moving recognition of this movement for farmworkers' fundamental human rights.

(This article is from the CIW website)

Danny Woosley Scholarship event set for August 16

Come to the Danny Woosley Memorial Scholarship Fund event for dinner and dancing at the beautiful Riverbend Motorcoach Resort on Friday, August 16, 2013! Banquet tickets include steak dinners for two with all the trimmings, desserts, open bar, silent auctions, 50/50 drawing and live band for only \$100.

The Riverbend Motorcoach Resort is located 5800 W. State Road 80, in LaBelle. Purchase tickets online at www.dannywoosley.org, LaBelle Ranch Supply or Don's Steak House.

We also have several levels of sponsorship to choose from.

Silver level sponsor: \$100 - Appropriate for individuals or businesses that will not be able to attend, but would like recognition during the banquet.

Gold level sponsor: \$400 - Appropriate

for individuals or business that will not be able to attend, but would like recognition during the banquet, in print items and on-line.

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Hunter Education 4-H Shooting Sports Camp

If you are interested in becoming a certified hunter through the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, this summer day camp is for you.

During this fun filled week, youth will learn the information, skills and attitude to be a safe hunter. Upon completion of the summer camp, youth will take a 50 question multiple choice test as well as a range day

in order to receive their Hunter Safety Certificate.

The camp is open to youth, ages 8 -18 as of Sept. 1, 2012. The camp will be held July 23- 25, 2013, from 9:15 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Clewiston 4-H Office. Lunch is provided. Space is limited to the first 25 youth. Contact the 4 H office at 983-1598 or 674-4092 to reserve your spot.

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On behalf of Gary and all of us at the Gary Sinise Foundation, thank you for your selfless service and dedication to our country.

We wish you much success with your professional endeavors!!

All the best,

Gary Sinise Foundation

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Road Watch

HENDRY COUNTY

US 27 from the railroad tracks to Industrial Canal: Maintenance project: Crews will shape and add sod to utility strips on Monday, June 10 through Wednesday, July 10 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting. Motorists can expect lane closures and should use caution.

SR 80 from CR 833 to east of US 27: Construction project: Work expands two-miles of SR 80 to four lanes from east of County Road 833 to west of US 27. Crews are placing sod, temporary barrier wall and asphalt in anticipation of a traffic switch. Pay attention to traffic signs and barricades throughout the construction project, stay alert, and use caution. Completion is spring 2014.

SR 80/US 27: Interchange improvements: Construction project: Work continues to modify the intersection with construction of an overpass for SR 80 traffic eastbound to US 27 northbound and for US 27 traffic northbound to SR 80 westbound. The project also realigns US 27. Crews also will widen approximately 3/4 mile of SR 80 to four lanes approaching the intersection, add a traffic signal at the overpass, and install lighting at the interchange. Work currently involves placing fill dirt, installing drainage, and constructing the new overpass and roadways. US 27 traffic is using the newly constructed lanes. No other work activities are scheduled this week in observance of the Fourth of July holiday. The SR 80/US 27 intersection is temporarily shifted to the north. Motorists travelling east and west on SR 80 must use caution at the US 27 intersection and follow

the posted speed limit of 25 MPH. Motorists are advised to be aware of construction vehicles entering and leaving the work zone and to use caution driving in this area. Project completion is estimated at end of year 2013.

SR 80, from Birchwood Parkway to Dalton Lane: Construction project: This project expands five miles of existing two-lane roadway to four-lanes. Crews are constructing two new 12-foot lanes to the south of existing roadway, installing drainage and building new bridges over the C1 Canal. Expect a new traffic pattern west of Cowboy Way. Estimated completion is summer 2014.

GLADES COUNTY

Harney Pond Road from Park Area to SR 78: Construction project: Crews will construct one mile of bike path and sidewalk near the parking area at Harney Pond. There are no anticipated lane closures during the project, however, motorists are advised to use caution in the parking lot. Work is anticipated to be completed, by end of August 2013.

US 27 from Moore Haven to north of SR 78 (Ortona Road): Maintenance project: Crews continue placing sod in the median from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Expect lane closures and should use caution and watch for vehicles entering and exiting the work area.

SR 29 at the intersection of US 27: Maintenance project: Crews continue placing sod in the median from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Motorists can expect lane closures and should use caution and watch for vehicles entering and exiting the work area.

Arrest Reports

LaBelle

Michael Dean Vahle, 31, was arrested on a warrant July 15 and charged with DUI alcohol or drugs third or subsequent offense, refusal to take a breathalyzer test and moving traffic violation driving with a suspended license third or subsequent offense. C. McVey was arresting officer.

Timothy Wayne Tabor, 49, was arrested on a warrant July 11 and charged with driving with a suspended or revoked license G. Rodriguez was arresting officer.

Preston Craig Wooten, 50, was arrested July 11 and charged with possession of a weapon or ammo by a convicted Florida felon and FTA. FHP Trooper J. Mulhern was arresting officer.

Dennis Austin Perkins, 25, was arrested July 10 and charged with battery on a person 65 or older (victim was 74 years old). A Campbell was arresting officer.

Clewiston

Jose Luis Humberto Zavala, 21, was arrested July 14 and charged with possession of cocaine and driving with a suspended license first offense. CPD Officer B. McLeod was arresting officer.

Alexander Santos Melgar, 28, was arrested July 10 and charged with a moving traffic violation driving with a suspended license habitual offender and violation of probation. J. Mateu was arresting officer.

Theodore Arthur Leclerc, 46, was arrested July 9 and charged with a nonmoving traffic violation driving with a suspended license third or subsequent offense. J. Rayburn was arresting officer.

Francisco Hernandez, 52, was arrested July 13 and charged with battery touch or strike and cruelty to a child no great harm - felony. R. Garcia was arresting officer.

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Do you wonder what will we be like in heaven?

Have you ever wondered what it will be like to be in heaven? Some have said they will sit down and finally rest. Others have said they believe heaven will be like one grand family reunion. And, amazingly, some think very little of heaven, for it seems, to them, to be a bit like a very, very, very long, boring church service, where there are no doors whereby one could escape!

Well, while there are various opinions and even stranger ideas about heaven, one thing is certain – it won't be boring, and it won't be a place anyone would want to leave.

One reason that claim can be made – perfection! That is what heaven will be and, what every person is destined for in the glory world.

Perfection.

Most of us understand the concept of perfection but have a hard time envisioning anything truly perfect. There is a key reason for that. Simply put, everything in our earthly life experience is flawed, incomplete, and imperfect.

If we are really honest with ourselves, the imperfections we are most deeply aware of often tend to be our own. These deficiencies and blemishes go way past the frailties

of our bodies—though we feel those, too. But the shortcomings that trouble us most are not so temporal or superficial. The real problem is sinfulness that comes straight from the heart. After all, it was Jesus who said in Mark 7:21–23 “For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed the evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness. All these evil things proceed from within.” We try to cover ourselves, but in our hearts we know sin and imperfection can slide in so quickly. What honest believer cannot echo with what Paul wrote in Romans 7:24: “Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?”

The reality is that we are not alone in this struggle because the entire universe suffers the effects of sin. Again Paul writes, “For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now” (Romans 8:22). That's why all we can know on earth is imperfection. All creation agonizes waiting for the curse to be finally removed.

Want to know what perfection looks like? Pain, sorrow, and the groaning of creation

will finally be no more. The whole person—body and soul—will be made completely new, flawless. As John wrote, “Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when He appears we shall be like Him, because we shall see Him as He is” (1 John 3:2).

Try as we do, we can't envision it now, but the good news is clear from Scripture. A day will come when we will finally be wholly and completely as Christ is now. Paul claims this is the very purpose for which God chose to redeem us: “to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that He might be the firstborn among many brothers” (Romans 8:29). What we read in Philippians 1:6 is really true: that He who has begun a good work in us, and He will faithfully “bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

One of my favorite preachers said it like this: “Heaven is a perfect place for people made perfect. Perfection is the goal of God's sanctifying work in us. He's not merely making us better than we are; He is conforming us to the image of His Son. He is making us fit to dwell in His presence forever. The utter perfection of heaven is the consummation

of our salvation. It is the purpose for which He chose us before the foundation of the world.”

Being conformed to the image of Christ is not something that will begin when this life ends. God is already performing His sanctifying renovations in the lives of His people on this side of eternity.

What a hope and what a promise!

You may be wondering “Can anyone know for sure that they will be in heaven when they die?” The answer is “YES!” Those willing to confess their sin and acknowledge the free gift of God through Christ who died on the cross, shed His blood and rose again can be assured of heaven. The result for those who embrace Christ by faith will be a changed heart that wants to live for God who loved him or her so much.

Trust Christ today. And, then find a church where you will be welcomed, are taught the truths of Scripture, and begin to grow in your relationship with Christ.

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

Department of Health announced grants for cancer research

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida Department of Health has awarded funding for nine research projects that are focused on finding cures for cancer and tobacco-related diseases. Cancer is the leading cause of death in Florida, claiming 41,696 Florida lives in 2012. The funds support research on diseases that relate to tobacco use, including heart disease, which is the second largest cause of death in Florida.

“High-quality, innovative research is key for a healthier Florida,” said State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health Dr. John Armstrong. “The Department is pleased to make these research awards that will focus on helping Floridians live free from cancer and tobacco-related disease.”

Ninety-one original applications from twelve universities and research institutions were submitted. From these competitive applicants, grant awards were provided to researchers at the University of Florida, Moffitt

Cancer Center, the University of Miami, the University of South Florida, Florida International University and the Sanford-Burnham Research Institute.

The negative health impact of tobacco use is an agency priority and therefore four grants were awarded to research tobacco-related disease.

One of the grants will support a smoking intervention program for low-income Hispanic women to help mothers with newborns stop smoking.

One study will explore how tobacco use may result in loss of vision and will study a new drug to help those impacted in this way. Another grant will research ways a patient's own immune system reduces the severity of stroke, and yet another will explore therapy for patients experiencing difficulty swallowing after a stroke.

As these awards are intended to advance the cure for cancer, the remaining five grants

were allocated to recipients researching diverse cancer projects. One study explores an innovative approach to discovering drugs that may prevent arsenic exposure-related cancers. To support a cure for one of Florida's most common cancers, another project strives to determine whether a patient's immune system may be used to treat lung cancer. One grant funds research that may lead to therapy for currently therapy-resistant breast cancers, and another study will work to determine why certain cancers resist treatment and spread throughout the body.

Funding for the awards comes from programs established by the Florida Legislature. The James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program supports initiatives addressing tobacco-related diseases including cancer, cardiovascular disease, stroke, and pulmonary disease. The Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program provides grants to further the search for a cure to all types

of cancer.

State Senator Anitere Flores said, “I am pleased to see the Department of Health continuing to award research funding to strategic projects that offer hope to Florida's families who are struggling with cancer. Through collaboration, world-class research and targeted resources we will see improved treatments and lives saved.”

Dr. James F. Howell Assistant Dean for Professional Relations at Nova Southeastern University and member of the Tobacco Advisory Council said, “Prevention, treatment, and research are essential elements to address the addiction and diseases associated with tobacco products. Research discovers new prevention and treatment knowledge so needed to address the complex cancer issues we are all so aware of. The Florida Department of Health is to be commended for its leadership addressing tobacco addiction and related diseases.”

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Church Briefs

Music ministry

Come to a Southern Gospel Sing with Grammy Award winning Larry Ford July 31, 2013 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of LaBelle, 330 North Main Street. The concert is free and open to the public. A good will offering will be taken to support this music ministry.

VBS at First Christian Church

Save the date! Join First Christian Church for "Everywhere Fun Fair" Vacation Bible School July 22-26, 9 a.m.-noon. Children will experience a global celebration in the setting of a world's fair and discover God's love can be found everywhere. For more information call 862-675-1366.

Hip, Hop, Hope VBW and fine arts camp

Boys and girls, mark this date on your family calendar – July 29 thru August 2 - because you don't want to miss Vacation Bible School at Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church. You will be hip hopping through the week as you learn Bible stories and songs, music and dance, drama and make crafts about how Jesus can make us glad each and every day.

Hours are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is no fee for attending and lunch will be served each day.

Please register by calling the church at 675-0656 or stopping by the office. You will be given a music CD once registered.

Obituaries

Georgia Jean Villegas, 61

LABELLE — Georgia Jean Villegas passed away July 8, 2013.

She was born Aug. 29, 1951 in Ft. Liverpool, Ohio to the late George Irwin and Connie Parker, but was raised by mother Connie and Reno Coppa after her birth father passed away when she was a baby. She moved to Florida in 1980 to establish herself as a hardworking mother of 3, then became a mother of 4 in 2003 when she adopted a baby boy at birth. She worked for years doing anything she could to provide for her family. Then she started a business with her then husband only for a short time before she went out on her own in 1995 to build her own company "The Sod Jeannie" that she owned and operated with the help of her daughters, Christi and Billie. Due to health issues she and daughter Christi moved back to Ohio where they lived until the untimely passing of daughter Christi. She moved back to Florida to live near her other daughter and family in 2011, where she lived until the good lord called her home.

She is preceded in death by her birth father, George Irwin; parents, Reno and Connie Coppa; and daughter, Christi Lopez.

She is survived by her daughter, Billie (Jose) Cuellar; sons, Anthony Barnett Sr. and William Villegas; ex-daughter-in-law, Anita Coronado; grandchildren, Jose (Shannon), Jacob (Heather), Benjamin, Nikolas, Angelica Cuellar, Anthony Jr. and Amber Barnett, Chrissi and Zakary Lopez; great-grandchildren, Isaac and Jacob Jr. Cuellar; and a host of nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held on July 21, 2013 at 4 p.m. at First Christian Church of LaBelle. All family and friends are welcome to come. Arrangements made by Akin-Davis Funeral Home of LaBelle.

Orie Edith Johns, 99

LABELLE — Orie Edith Johns passed away July 13, 2013 in LaBelle.

She was born Aug. 28, 1913 in Kingsland, Ga., to the late Joseph Fleming and the late Hattie Mae (Drury) Allen. She was a resident of LaBelle since 1957 and was a member of the Church of God-LaBelle.

She was preceded by her husband, John Johns.

Survivors include her sons, Earl (Freda) Johns

of LaBelle and Ray (Pat) Johns of Lake City; daughters, Linda Craft and Moena (Gerald) Edwards both of LaBelle; many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. on Wed., July 17, 2013 at Church Of God-LaBelle with Pastor Lonnie Johns and Pastor Shannon Craft officiating. Interment followed at Ft. De-naud Cemetery in LaBelle. You may view the online obituary or leave condolences to the family at www.akin-davis.com

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.

Lewis L. Roland, 88

LABELLE — Lewis L. Roland passed away July 9, 2013 in Fort Myers.

He was born Feb. 28, 1925 in Edison, Ga., to the late Silvester and the late Roxanne (Mumford) Roland. He served in the Navy during WWII.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Mitzy Skinner.

Survivors include his wife, Joyce A. Roland; sons, Steve (Shirley) Roland and Raymond (Linda) Randazzo; daughters, Ginger (Jeff) Skinner and Linda Persinger; and grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Students with 'A' in science statewide receive free Florida Museum admission

GAINESVILLE, Fla. --- The Florida Museum of Natural History is continuing its popular "A for Science" free admission program for K-12 students statewide.

Students who receive an "A" or "E" grade in a science can provide their most recent report card at the front desk and receive a free admission with the purchase of a paid regular price adult admission.

The offer is valid for the Butterfly Rainforest exhibit, the "Titanoboa: Monster Snake" exhibit open through Aug. 11, or a value admission for both exhibits. Beginning Aug. 31, the offer is valid for the Butterfly Rainforest exhibit, the new "Surfing Florida: A Photographic History" and "Surf Science: Waves and Wildlife" exhibits, or a value admission to the Rainforest and surfing exhibits.

"The 'A for Science' program directly supports our emphasis on youth education," said Jaret Daniels, Florida Museum assistant director of exhibits and public programs. "It encourages them to take a strong interest in the sciences by rewarding stellar academic achievement."

The Butterfly Rainforest is a 6,400-square-foot, lush, tropical garden with

hundreds of living butterflies from around the world, including 60 to 80 different species at any given time.

"Titanoboa: Monster Snake" tells the incredible story of how Florida Museum researchers discovered 60-million-year-old remains of the largest snake in the world, Titanoboa cerrejonensis, in a Colombian coal mine. Measuring 48 feet long and weighing 2,500 pounds, this massive predator was about as long as a school bus. Featuring a full-scale model of Titanoboa, fossils from the site and clips from a Smithsonian Channel documentary, the exhibition delves into the discovery, reconstruction and implications of this enormous reptile.

Children 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult. This offer has no cash value and cannot be combined with other offers or discounts.

For more information about this promotion or other museum events, visit www.flmnh.ufl.edu or call 352-846-2000.

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The Talkin' Monkeys Project celebrates 10 years in Hendry County

Ten years ago, it was hard to imagine the impact a simple primate sanctuary could have on Hendry County. When Tom and Debbie Misotti moved their established primate rescue project from Ft. Lauderdale to Pioneer Plantation, with the permission of Hendry County authorities in 2003, no one could have imagined how such a small project could influence the educational, economic and social status of Hendry County. Since then, hundreds of students from all over the world have come here to study, learn and volunteer at The Talkin' Monkeys Project. The project has become a Service Learning Center for colleges and universities throughout the world. It is registered with FGCU and Edison College locally, but the educational primate sanctuary is recognized internationally as a learning center. The constant cooperation with schools all over the world, FWC, USDA, international primate watch organizations and wildlife groups has enabled The Talkin' Monkeys Project to establish itself in the international educational community.

There are 14 non-human primates residing at the sanctuary. All of the primates are endangered species and protected by the Federal Endangered Species Act, hence the licensing of the facility is through the Federal Government, as well as the State of Florida. Black Spider monkeys, Cinnamon Capuchin monkeys, White Faced Capuchin monkeys and Marmoset monkeys, as well as a species of ape known as White Handed Lar Gibbons live here. Most of the primates here have experienced some sort of trauma, physical as well as psychological and the efforts of the sanctuary are centered on rehabilitation as one would an adolescent who had been abused. Behavioral assessments are made and treatment programs are established to overcome each of their personal obstacles.

There is a natural cycle to everything in the sanctuary. The motto reduce, recycle and reuse is visible everywhere. Recycling is a large part of the mission of the project, and even some of the habitats are created from recycled products. The project works with the American Bamboo Society and has hundreds of clumping bamboos representing 115 different species of bamboo planted throughout the property. They have a recycled tire garden with edible plants to help feed the primates. Their composting is reused to fertilize the bamboo. All of the bamboo is grown on soaker hose and drip

line systems which they were told could not be done. Yet, here at the sanctuary, it has been done so well, the American Bamboo Society has invited Dr. Misotti to do a presentation on the process at their annual congress meeting in West Palm Beach, after which the entire congress will journey to the sanctuary to see for themselves the results of the process. The use of bamboo as landscaping, practical edible applications for the primates and as acoustical barriers is considered a unique and practical example of eco-friendly gardening. There is a strong environmental foundation at the sanctuary gaining them high praise from the International Bamboo Congress as well.

The month of June has found the sanctuary welcoming an intern from Valdosta College in Georgia, Erika Schumacher. Erika plans to become a neurosurgeon, in the future; hence she was interested in cognitive learning skills and patterns of behavior. She has spent most of the month working with the apes and monkeys at the sanctuary under Dr. Misotti's tutelage. Erika helped Dr. Misotti with her presentation at Barron Library too. They worked together with a new marmoset who came to live at the sanctuary with amazing results. They also worked closely with gibbons Dobby and ChiChi developing bonding techniques. Erika will be greatly missed by all at the sanctuary when she returns home next week.

The Talkin' Monkeys Project continues to expand its International status and broadens the exposure of Hendry County through its volunteers. This week a new country is sending volunteers to the sanctuary. The newest volunteers come from South Korea. One of the project's former volunteers is teaching this in an International School in South Korea. Jen Mitchell completed her teaching degree at FGCU and was a volunteer for the primate sanctuary for several years during her studies. She arranged for three students from her new school outside of Seoul to attend schools in Lee County. It has been arranged with the Lee County Board of Education for the exchange students to accomplish some of their study programs at The Talkin' Monkeys Project here in Hendry County.

The Talkin' Monkeys Project was congratulated by State Representative Matt Hudson and Governor Rick Scott on his recent visit to Hendry County for ten years of educational contributions to our community and the people of the State of Florida. The future



Submitted photo
Debbie Misotti (center) of The Talkin' Monkeys Project was congratulated by State Representative Matt Hudson (right) and Governor Rick Scott (left) on a recent visit to Hendry County.

of the sanctuary was discussed during the meeting. Governor Scott and Representative Hudson were pleased to learn, when the Misottis eventually make the difficult decision to retire from this lifestyle, the educational primate sanctuary, property and primates will be donated to Florida Gulf Coast University to serve as an Outpost Research Center, thereby giving FGCU its first footprint in Hendry County. The Talkin' Monkeys Project will continue its commitment to Hendry County well into the future, something we should all appreciate.

The Misottis and The Talkin' Monkeys Project are celebrating more than ten years of service to Hendry County, the State of Florida, the nation and the international

community. The educational programs provided by Dr. Misotti are a work from her heart without monetary remuneration. The students study here free of charge, with no funding received from the colleges or universities. Sanctuary expenses are high and The Talkin' Monkeys Project is a 501c3 IRS approved charity relying solely on the generosity of public donations to continue their work. There is no state or federal subsidy program for this unique local facility. The primate sanctuary is not open to the public; however, private educational tours for small groups can be arranged by appointment only. Please contact Dr. Misotti at (863) 983-2335 to make a donation or to request additional information.

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New children's book set in Old Florida

The past is all around us. In a place like the 'Glades, it's in the trees and the water; it's in the glaring summer sun and the ancient alligators. Even with the highways and the houses, businesses and people seemingly everywhere, if you look you can still see - and even feel - Old Florida.

Set in the old community of Ritta, outside Clewiston, a new Christian-oriented book for kids 8-12 by area resident Cheryl Abney, has captured the feel of the 'Glades in the early 20th Century. Belle of the 'Glades The Shell-Letter Adventure, brings back to life the pioneer days of the area with its hardships and its purity.

Cheryl Abney earned a business degree from Palm Beach College and a teaching and masters degree from Florida Atlantic University. She first taught at a Christian school, then moved into Clewiston's public schools,

retiring from Clewiston High School in 2011 after 31 years as a business teacher and guidance counselor.

As a young girl her love of poetry led her to a general love of reading and writing. Florida literature is a particular favorite of hers, including Patrick Smith's A Land Remembered and Zora Neale Hurston's Their Eyes Were Watching God.

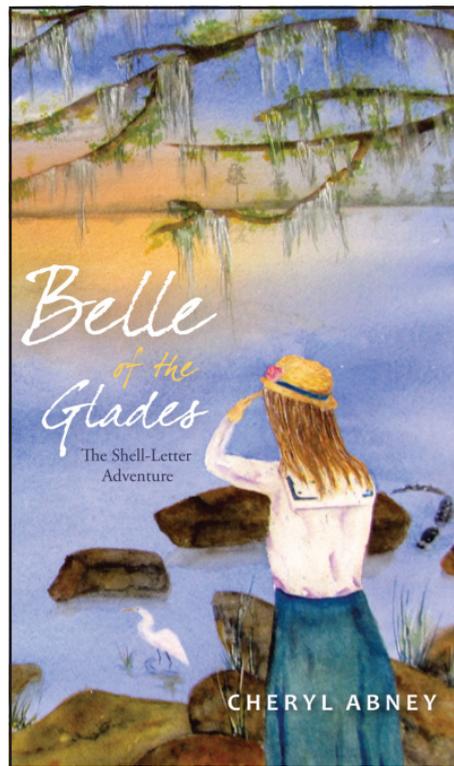
She has also been published in Mature Living magazine.

The inland area of Florida's Southwest is the Muse that has fostered this, Cheryl's first novel, which was published by iUniverse this year. Although written for the younger set, Belle of the 'Glades will hold readers of any age with its realistic setting and quick moving story. The reader meets Belle, an innocent young orphan coming to Florida's last wilderness for the first time to join her Uncle Arden, whom she has yet to meet. From a sedate town life in Indiana, Belle has been snatched up and thrown into this alien world of Spanish moss and alligators at Uncle Arden's fish camp on Lake Okeechobee.

Seen through Belle's eyes, the reader is treated to a true picture of the area circa 1918. Belle of the 'Glades captures not only the wildness of the land but the sturdy, self reliant nature of its people including both pioneers and local Indians.

The author hopes you will relate to her characters and come away having enjoyed the adventure right along with Belle.

Belle of the 'Glades The Shell-Letter Adventure is available at Amazon.com. Also, Cheryl has a sequel in the process, so fans can continue to follow Belle and her adventures.



Prepare for disaster: The Hurricane Factor

The SBDC at FGCU and Hendry County Emergency Management are partnering to bring you disaster plan information. Hendry County EDC will be present to provide information as well.

Presenters Amy Howard, Hendry County Emergency Management, and Dan Regelski, Director of SBDC, will focus on individual and business planning. Emphasis will be on the importance of planning ahead. Your plan will include contact information if you need assistance after the fact. Individuals and businesses need to approach their planning differently and speakers will provide the information necessary.

Mark your calendar for this informative and useful workshop on Thursday, July 25, 1- p.m. at Edison State College in LaBelle. Register for this no cost workshop at www.sbdseminars.org or call 239-745-3700.



Cheryl Abney

Hendry Regional announces FHIMA Scholarship Award to Kathy Counts

Hendry Regional Medical Center is pleased to announce that the Florida Health Information Management Association (FHIMA) recently selected Kathy Counts as a recipient of the 2012-2013 FHIMA Graduate Scholarship Award.



This scholarship, which will be awarded at the FHIMA Membership luncheon on July 23rd, will assist Kathy in pursuing her Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Information Management at the University of Central Florida (UCF). FHIMA provides scholarships to students enrolled in both undergraduate and graduate studies related to the Health Information Management field.

Kathy Counts has been at Hendry Regional Corporate Health Services for the past 6 years as a National Registered Certified Medical Assistant (NRCMA).

On July 22nd, Kathy will be moving into the HIM (Health Information Management) department at Hendry Regional. There she will work under the direction of Christine Irwin, the HIM Director and Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT), who has over 40 years of experience. Christine will train Kathy on all aspects of HIM processes. Kathy's long-term goal is to become an HIM Director.



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Community Briefs

Al Black of the Highwaymen at Barron Library

Al Black, one of Florida's Hall of Fame Artists and an original Highwaymen, will display his work at Barron Library, Thursday, July 18, from 4-8 p.m. Visit Barron Library and the art show and sale on July 18.

COFFO to meet

The Coalition of Florida Farmworkers (COFFO) will hold its quarterly meeting Friday, July 26, at 10:30 a.m. at the COFFO Immokalee Office, 214 A South 1st Street, Immokalee.

Kids Expo donations accepted

The community Kids' Expo Back to School, which will happen 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, August 10, at the Health Department in LaBelle, 1140 Pratt Blvd. and in Clewiston at 315 S. WC Owens in Clewiston. There will be free eye screenings, dental screenings, kids hair cuts, hearing screenings, school shots, bike safety supplies, school supplies (limited) as well as healthy eating and nutrition tips, free kids books, weather information and education and hurricane and disaster information.

Look for these local businesses collecting specific items:

CenterState Bank is collecting composition notebooks - goal 200.

Seacoast Bank is collecting #2 pencils in packages of 12. Please drop a package (or two!) into the school bus in Seacoast lobby-the kids will really appreciate it!

Family Eye Care is a collection site for highlighters and is asking for 200 2-pack thin highlighters of any color.

If you would like to donate, please drop off your items at their front desk. Your support for the children of our community is much appreciated.

Legion, SAL, Auxiliary to install officers

Thursday, July 18, the Installation of Officers will be a combined ceremonies for the American Legion, Sons of the American and the American Legion Auxiliary. It will begin at 6 p.m. at the American Legion Post 130 on

Hwy. 80 West in LaBelle. Everyone is invited to join in the festivities.

Felda 4-H fundraiser

Felda Community Pioneers 4-H Club will have a pork dinner fundraiser Saturday, July 20, at the Felda Community Center from 5-8 p.m. (dine in or take out) and the LaBelle Extension Office (take out only). Additional raffle tickets will be available for \$1 each. Please contact Jesse Dunaway at 517-1360 if interested in purchasing a ticket.

MCA events for July

There will be no regular meetings in July and August. Meetings will begin again in September. The third Thursday of the month, July 27, Country Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner 6-9 p.m.

Jam Sessions are the second and fourth Saturdays of the month. Anyone is welcome to come and play.

All events are open to the public and will be held at the Muse Community Center Bldg. on Loblolly Bay Road (Hwy. 720)

Come out for a fun evening and meeting your neighbors. Refreshments will be served. For further information call 863-674-0467.

Learn to grow tropical fruit trees

Tropical Fruit class and workshop. 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Saturday, July 20.

Learn about growing: avocado, grumichama, jaboricoba, mango, longan, lychee, mamey sapote, and more. Speakers will cover cultural practices, pests, and tricks of the trade to grow subtropical-tropical fruit, from those you know to those you want to know better. Featuring: Chris Rollins, Director of the Miami Fruit and Spice Park; David and Jenny Burd, Friendly Burd Tree Service and Billy Hopkins, Hopkins Tropical Fruit Nursery. Hopkins Nursery will have fruit trees for sale after the classes. Sponsored by Horticulture Educator Doug Caldwell at Collier County University of Florida IFAS Extension, 14700 Immokalee Rd., 11 miles east of I-75; adjacent to the County Fairgrounds on 39th Ave. NE. Cost: \$5 by credit card on Eventbrite at: www.tropicalfruits.eventbrite.com or by cash or check (made out to 'BCC') at the door if trouble with Eventbrite.

Please register 3 days before the event so we know how many handouts to make and etc. Call 353-4244 if any questions.

Fisheating Creek campground closed

High water levels have prompted the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to temporarily close Banana Grove Road, the boat ramp entrance road and the campground at the Fish Eating Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA). At this time, other portions of the WMA remain open.

The closure goes into effect immediately and will be lifted as soon as conditions allow. This action is necessary to ensure the safety of those visiting the WMA.

If you have additional questions, please call the FWC's South Regional Office during normal business hours at 561-625-5122.

ESC new look on web

Edison State College launched a new website. Check out the exciting new look and design, as well as navigate through the various options on the site, by visiting www.edison.edu.

Visitors will be able to move through the new website with ease, by locating the site navigation tools that best fit what they need," said Jeff Stewart, Vice President for Research, Technology, & Accountability at Edison State College. "It is now easier for

potential students to learn about financial aid, the admissions process, academic offerings and more." For more information please visit www.edison.edu.

Volunteer for juvenile arbitration

The Hendry County Court Administration is seeking volunteers for its Juvenile Arbitration program. The ideal candidate enjoys working with youth and has a strong desire to help them transition out of the Juvenile Justice system. Interested persons should contact Robin Manfredi, Court Operations Manager at 863-675-5374 for an application form and further information.

VPK at Children's Garden

Come and join Children's Garden of LaBelle for free Volunteer Pre-K registration July 20 from 9 a.m.-noon. there will be snacks, balloons and face painting for everyone registering.

Widows to meet

The Widows Support Group will meet at Vickie's Lunch Box today July 18, at 11:30 a.m. All widows welcome.

DAV flea market

The Disabled American Veterans Flea Market is open every Saturday from 6 a.m.-3 p.m. at the corner of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and SR 80. For information or to set up a booth call 239-728-5332.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING PORT LABELLE UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD
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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.
Port LaBelle Utility Advisory Board
448131 CN/CB 7/18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **German American Capital Corp.**, the holder 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:
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All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
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Dated this **19th day of June, 2013**.
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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS, AGENTS/BROKERS, SELF-INSURANCE FUNDS AND DIRECT WRITING INSURERS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

RFP NUMBER: 2013-20
OPENING DATE AND TIME: July 25, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.
Hendry County is seeking firms interested in providing property & casualty insurance for the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners. Firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their proposal for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFP will be reviewed by staff for recommendation. 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 July 25, 2013 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses. Any proposals received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.
A copy of the Instructions and RFP Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, by email at jmcclihaney@hendryfla.net, or by calling 863-675-5220.
This solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFP, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFP, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.
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Public Notice

NOTICE TO PUBLIC
The Hendry County Hospital Authority Board of Directors will conduct their monthly Board meeting on Friday, July 26, 2013 at 12:00 pm in Suite 1 at Hendry Regional Convenient Care Center, 450 S. Main Street, LaBelle, FL 33935. The public is invited to attend.
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE POSITIONS FOR SENIOR MANAGEMENT SERVICE CLASS

Take notice that the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, Hendry County, Florida, will consider designating the positions of Chief Deputy, Human Resources Director and Finance Director for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class within the Florida Retirement System under the provisions of Section 121.055, Florida Statutes, to take effect August 1, 2013. Comments may be made by mail or in person to the Hendry County Sheriff's Office at: 101 South Bridge Street, LaBelle, FL 33935.

HENDRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Steve Whidden, Sheriff

448134 CN/CB 7/18,25/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **TC 10L, LLC**, the holder 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
1049	2010	1044430-01000050020	Santos M & Irene Perez

The East 1/3 of Tract 3, Block 5, GERBER GROVES, SECTION ONE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 14-22, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

The West 2/3 of Tract 2, Block 5, GERBER GROVES, SECTION ONE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 14-22, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446356 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **County of Hendry**, the holder 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
2326	2008	1364432-A0001470000	Carlos A Alvarez

The East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4014, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446374 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **TC 10L, LLC**, the holder 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
1016	2010	1344529-A0000020400	Faustino Hernandez-Antonio

A parcel of land in the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 34, Township 45 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of said Section 34 and run N 89 degrees 36'20" E, along the North line of said Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter, a distance of 834.45 feet; thence S 00 degrees 23'40" E, a distance of 60.00 feet to the South right-of-way line County Road No. S-830-A and the Point-of-Beginning of the parcel of land herein described; thence S 00 degrees 00'19" W, a distance of 291.74 feet; thence N 86 degrees 03'32" E, a distance of 139.47 feet; thence N 89 degrees 36'20" E, parallel to the South right-of-way line of said County Road No. S-830-A, a distance of 166.48 feet; thence N 00 degrees 00'19" E, a distance of 283.11 feet to the South right-of-way line of said County Road No. S-830-A; thence S 89 degrees 36'20" W, a distance of 305.62 feet to the Point-of-Beginning.

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

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Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446362 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **County of Hendry**, the holder 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
1823	2008	1224432-01000810030	Celia Rubin + Ruth Czukerburg + Dailiah Czukerburg + Vivian Goldikener

Lot 3, Block 81, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, at Pages 37, 38 and 39 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446367 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **County of Hendry**, the holder 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
3176	2008	2054329-A0000360200	Ruth W Stevens TR

Begin at the Southwest corner of Government Lot 5; thence N 00 degrees 31' 15" W, 1215.41 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; continue 31.71 feet; thence N 56 degrees 56' 49" W, 42.48 feet; thence S 33 degrees 03' 11" W, 23.32 feet; thence S 43 degrees 30' 32" W, 16.19 feet; thence N 46 degrees 29' 29" W, 44.01 feet; thence S 44 degrees 14' 42" W, 44.55 feet; thence S 79 degrees 51' 08" E, 124.72 feet to the Point-of-Beginning.

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Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446378 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **County of Hendry**, the holder 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
1862	2008	1224432-A0000710000	Juan Perez

The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5295, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

44639 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **German American Capital Corp**, the holder 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
3041	2010	1144334-07000000060	Victor L Perez

Lot 6, MIDSTATE SUBDIVISION, a subdivision in a portion of unurveyed Section 14, Township 43 South, Range 34 East, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Pages 132 and 133, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446366 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

Public Notice

NOTICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014 FOR COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors' Meetings of Collins Slough Water Control District are scheduled for the fourth Monday of each month. In the event the fourth Monday of the month falls on a holiday, the Meeting would be held on the next business day.

Collins Slough Water Control District Meetings begin at 3:30 P.M. and are held at the Office of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida.

If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting herein referred, he or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

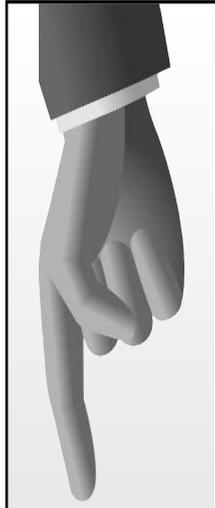
Pursuant to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the District at (239) 226-2000 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date of proceeding.

DATED this 8th day of July 2013.

COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

447810 CN 7/18/2013

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENDED AGENCY ACTION

The South Florida Water Management District gives notice of its intent to transfer and/or issue Water Use and Environmental Resource permits with conditions to McDaniel Reserve Holdings LLC, 3333-24 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452 as follows: Permit Number 26-01136-W, Application Number 130507-11; Permit Number 26-00707-W, Application Number 130507-13; Permit Number 26-01141-W, Application Number 130507-22; and Permit Number 26-00623-P-02, Application Number 130507-10. The existing permits (originally issued for the project known as McDaniel Ranch) are being subdivided into three separate parcels with separate permits for the continuation of existing agricultural practices. The permits being noticed herein, as listed above, are for the project known as Property East (Garcia Farms) with a total project area of 9,454.4 acres in Hendry County, Sections 1-3, 10-15, 22-27, 34-36 Township 47, Range 33. No change in water use allocation, withdrawal facilities or sources, and no modifications of the previously permitted and constructed surface water management system are authorized for the project.

The Staff Report setting forth the staff recommendation regarding each permit, including proposed limiting conditions to provide reasonable assurances that the project meets SFWMD statutes and rules, can be obtained by contacting the Regulatory Records Management Section, during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406, Regulation Division, by telephone at 682-6911, by e-mail at permits@sfwmd.gov or by accessing the Staff Report directly from the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) using the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page.

The District's proposed agency action as set forth in the Staff Report shall become final unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statutes before the deadline for filing a petition.

As required by Sections 120.569(1), and 120.60(3), Fla. Stat., following is notice of the opportunities which may be available for administrative hearing or judicial review when the substantial interests of a party are determined by an agency. Please note that this Notice of Rights is not intended to provide legal advice. Not all the legal proceedings detailed below may be an applicable or appropriate remedy. You may wish to consult your attorney regarding your legal rights.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected by the South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD or District) action has the right to request an administrative hearing on that action pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Fla. Stat. Persons seeking a hearing on a District decision which does or may determine their substantial interests shall file a petition for hearing with the District Clerk within 21 days of receipt of written notice of the decision, unless one of the following shorter time periods apply: 1) within 14 days of the notice of consolidated intent to grant or deny concurrently reviewed applications for environmental resource permits and use of sovereign submerged lands pursuant to Section 373.427, Fla. Stat.; or 2) within 14 days of service of an Administrative Order pursuant to Subsection 373.119(1), Fla. Stat. "Receipt of written notice of agency decision" means receipt of either written notice through mail, or electronic mail, or posting that the District has or intends to take final agency action, or publication of notice that the District has or intends to take final agency action. Any person who receives written notice of a SFWMD decision and fails to file a written request for hearing within the timeframe described above waives the right to request a hearing on that decision.

Filing Instructions

The Petition must be filed with the Office of the District Clerk of the SFWMD. Filings with the District Clerk may be made by mail, hand-delivery or facsimile. Filings by-mail will not be accepted. Any person wishing to receive a clerked copy with the date and time stamped must provide an additional copy. A petition for administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt during normal business hours by the District Clerk at SFWMD headquarters in West Palm Beach, Florida. Any document received by the office of the SFWMD Clerk after 5:00 p.m. shall be filed as of 8:00 a.m. on the next regular business day. Additional filing instructions are as follows:

- Filings by mail must be addressed to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk, P.O. Box 24680, West Palm Beach, Florida 33416.
- Filings by hand-delivery must be delivered to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk.
- Delivery of a petition to the SFWMD's security desk does not constitute filing. To ensure proper filing, it will be necessary to request the SFWMD's security officer to contact the Clerk's office. An employee of the SFWMD's Clerk's office will receive and file the petition.
- Filings by facsimile must be transmitted to the SFWMD Clerk's Office at (561) 682-6010. Pursuant to Subsections 28-106.104(7), (8) and (9), Fla. Admin. Code, a party who files a document by facsimile represents that the original physically signed document will be retained by that party for the duration of that proceeding and of any subsequent appeal or subsequent proceeding in that cause. Any party who elects to file any document by facsimile shall be responsible for any delay, disruption, or interruption of the electronic signals and accepts the full risk that the document may not be properly filed with the clerk as a result. The filing date for a document filed by facsimile shall be the date the SFWMD Clerk receives the complete document.

Initiation of an Administrative Hearing

Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, Fla. Admin. Code, initiation of an administrative hearing shall be made by written petition to the SFWMD in legible form and on 8 and 1/2 by 11 inch white paper. All petitions shall contain:

1. Identification of the action being contested, including the permit number, application number, District file number or any other SFWMD identification number, if known.
2. The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner's representative, if any.
3. An explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination.
4. A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the SFWMD's decision.
5. A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate.
6. A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
7. A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
8. If disputed issues of material fact exist, the statement must also include an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes.
9. A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the SFWMD to take with respect to the SFWMD's proposed action.

A person may file a request for an extension of time for filing a petition. The SFWMD may, for good cause, grant the request. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the SFWMD prior to the deadline for filing a petition for hearing. Such requests for extension shall contain a certificate that the moving party has consulted with all other parties concerning the extension and that the SFWMD and any other parties agree to or oppose the extension. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

If the District takes action with substantially different impacts on water resources from the notice of intended agency decision, the persons who may be substantially affected shall have an additional point of entry pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Fla. Admin. Code, unless otherwise provided by law.

Mediation

The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., and Rules 28-106.111 and 28-106.401-405, Fla. Admin. Code. The SFWMD is not proposing mediation for this agency action under Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., at this time.

RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW

Pursuant to Sections 120.60(3) and 120.68, Fla. Stat., a party who is adversely affected by final SFWMD action may seek judicial review of the SFWMD's final decision by filing a notice of appeal pursuant to Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.110 in the Fourth District Court of Appeal or in the appellate district where a party resides and filing a second copy of the notice with the SFWMD Clerk within 30 days of rendering of the final SFWMD action.

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **German American Capital Corp**, the holder 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
615	2010	1174329-07000000020	Agustin Atunex + Eusebia M Sanchez + Humberto Mendoza

Lots 82, 83 and 84, SOUTH LABELLE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 49, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

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Public Notice

Public Notice

Community Briefs

Arts of the Inland launches 2014 rates today!

Arts of the Inland (AOI) announces new membership rates for 2014. AOI is committed to presenting and promoting the visual, literary and performing arts and with the launching of the 2014 rates, they are presenting artists with many cultural opportunities. Upcoming events include an "Artful Evening" at Keiser University on July 11, "Perceptions" judged art show on November 10 and gallery shows/sales.

Join today and receive the 2014 rates which begin at \$25 for individual artists.

Contact LaVon Koenig, President, Arts of the Inland for more information by e-mail

at www.artsinland@gmail.com or call 239-303-5849. Website: www.artsoftheinland.com.

Be a school bus driver

Hendry County School District is recruiting substitute bus drivers. Training will be held July 29-August 8 from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. at the LaBelle Bus Compound, 4040 Cowboy Way. Applicants are required to have a CDL driving permit before the first day of class. Anyone interested should contact the LaBelle Transportation Dept. at 674-4115 or the Clewiston Transportation Depart. at 983-1516 to register by July 22.

FPL improving system for 911

FPL improvements to electric system for local 911 facility, water treatment plant and Hendry County Fire-EMS are under way. Part of FPL's program to make key facilities stronger in major storms.

This storm season, homes and businesses in LaBelle are expected to benefit from upgrades to the local electric system. Florida Power & Light Company has started work on strengthening local power lines and equipment so they better withstand intense storms and improve everyday reliability.

FPL's local improvements this year focus on reinforcing a main power line serving the local 911 center, water and sewage treatment plants and additional county and municipal resources in LaBelle, including Hendry County Fire-EMS. The upgrades will make the system stronger against powerful winds and help the area return to normal more quickly following storms. The strengthening project started in January and is expected to be completed in June. Other local improvements in and near LaBelle in 2013 include clearing vegetation from 100 miles of power lines.

"Although FPL delivered its best reliability on record in 2012, we're always working to make it even better," said Charlotte Miller, FPL external affairs manager. "We're

upgrading our systems across Florida that serve critical local facilities – hospitals, police and fire stations and others – as well as major thoroughfares and commercial areas. Upgrading the power lines and equipment serving these community resources in LaBelle will improve reliability and help us restore service faster following major storms."

A Long-Term Commitment

The 2013 projects are the latest in a series of improvements FPL has made in and near LaBelle since the last major hurricane season in 2005. Since then, FPL has:

- Inspected all existing utility poles (13,130), restoring or replacing those that no longer met the company's standards for strength.

- Cleared 1,050 miles of power lines of trees and vegetation – a major cause of power flickers and outages.

- Inspected 10 main power lines using an advanced infrared camera to evaluate lines and equipment – and help us address issues before they cause outages.

Since 2006, FPL has invested more than \$1 billion across its 35-county service area – in addition to its other ongoing system maintenance and improvement work – to make the electric grid stronger.

LHS Counselor's Corner

Another Exciting school year is about to begin! Classes start bright and early on **August 19** at 7:25 am. Please mark your calendars for important upcoming events to start the school year off right!

July 29 - LHS Guidance Counselors are back in the office and ready to assist you!

August 13 - Freshman Information Night (5:30 pm - 6:15 pm LHS Auditorium) students will receive their class schedules after the presentation, and get their LHS school student ID cards.

August 13 - Senior Information Night (6:30 pm - 7:30 pm LHS Auditorium) seniors will receive academic histories, senior calendars, and other important information.

August 16 Cowboy Day – sophomores, juniors, and seniors are scheduled from 9am to 11am, and freshmen scheduled 12:00

pm to 2:00 pm. Students will receive class schedules and student I.Ds.

August 19 - First Day of School! Arrive early and rested!

It is extremely important that parents and students attend Cowboy Day and the appropriate Information Nights. These events provide valuable information that support student success. Take the time to attend and meet new teachers, the new principal, Mr. Jose Roquett, and our new guidance counselor, Mr. Dennison. If you have any questions concerning your child's academic histories or schedule, please email Rhonda Kosh at koshr@hendry.k12.fl.us, email is the quickest way to receive a response during the summer months.

Museum sets summer hours

LaBelle Heritage Museum, 360 North Bridge Street, will be open Fridays from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. through August 3. The museum will close from August 5 until shortly after Labor Day; however, special tours for groups of five or more may be possible at other times with a minimum 24 hours advance request either by an e-mail to labelleheritagemuseum@comcast.net or a phone call to (863)674-0034.

Fishing Camp comes to Riverside

Riverside Retreat and the Florida Youth Conservation Centers Network are offer-

ing a week-long day camp that focuses on freshwater angling and ecology. Children in the 3rd-8th grade will experience hands-on activities covering topics such as habitats, species ID, choosing and catching bait, basic boating safety, casting/reeling techniques and preparing their catch....plus lots of fishing! At the end of the week, families are invited as their children show off their skills and enjoy a fish-fry! Pick-up and drop-off will be available via the LaBelle/Hendry County Recreation bus at the former U-Save in LaBelle. Scholarships are available! Contact Chelsey Hernandez at 863-675-0334 or RiversideRetreatPrograms@gmail.com for more information. Registration is available online at www.RiversideRetreatUMChurch-Camp.com.

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Kiwanis Club of LaBelle Helps with "Building the Fight Against Hunger"

In June, The Kiwanis Club of LaBelle formed a "team" to help with the "Building the Fight Against Hunger." This was an event coordinated by United Way Day along with WCI Communities. Kiwanis Club of LaBelle members joined with over 700 volunteers to help pack meals to be distributed to families in need. At the end of the day over 375,000 meals were packaged! The event was set up at the Bonita Springs Middle School Cafeteria in Lee County. Thanks to the generous volunteers, some of those meals will be distributed to folks in Hendry and Glades Counties! Kiwanis Club of LaBelle "Team Members" – "Building the Fight Against Hunger."



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Sharing the fun

At a recent Kiwanis Club of LaBelle meeting, the Boy Scouts Troop 9 gave a great presentation about their recent camping trip and some of the activities and "challenges" they have to complete to earn their Merit Badges. The Kiwanis Club of LaBelle gave the Troop a check for \$500 to help send these hard working young men to camp. These Scouts came back to proudly show pictures to the Kiwanis Club members and talk about their experiences at camp.



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RECIPE OF THE WEEK!

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Glazed Bacon Wrapped Pork Loin

INGREDIENTS

- 1 whole boneless pork loin 4-6 lbs.
- 1 cup brown sugar
- 2 tbs. spicy brown mustard
- 1 tbs. soy sauce
- 1 tbs. Worcestershire
- 1/2 cup pure maple syrup plus some for drizzling when basting
- 10-12 bacon slices
- Salt, pepper and garlic salt to taste

DIRECTIONS

Mix 1 cup brown sugar, 2 tbs. spicy brown mustard, 1 tbs. soy sauce, 1 tbs. Worcestershire, 1/2 cup maple syrup. Remove the layer of fat on top of the pork with a sharp knife or most of it. Sprinkle with salt, pepper, and garlic salt.

Pour the brown sugar glaze over the top. Wrap the pork with bacon slices covering it all. Drizzle the top with the maple syrup. Cover with foil and bake for 1 hour at 375 degrees. Remove foil and with a spoon re-glaze the top with the dripping in the pan. Recover and cook for 30 more minutes. Uncover and re-glaze again with the pan juices. You can drizzle with more syrup if you like now also. Cook uncovered until bacon is brown and crispy... about 20 more minutes. Let it rest for about 5-10 minutes before slicing.

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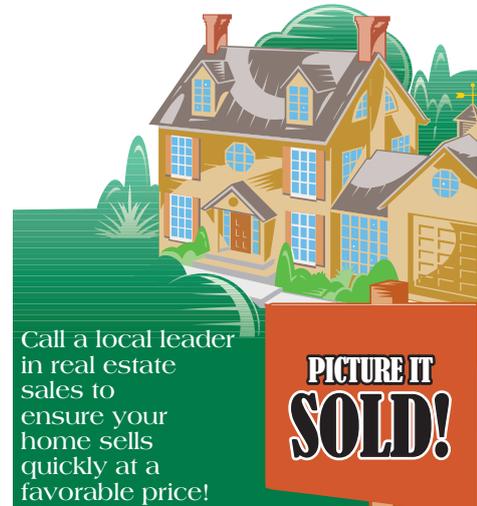
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