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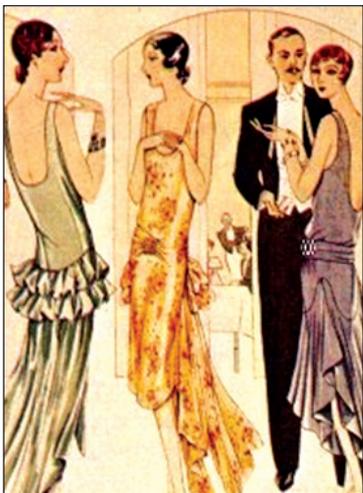


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Army Strong

Seniors Jose Gomez (who incidentally has already committed to joining the Marine Corps) and Benny Morales worked up a sweat with the Army's heart-pumping obstacle course. Both these young men are high school athletes: Jose was on the football team and Benny is a powerlifter.



Marines "Never give in"

Sgt. Joel Slaymaker USMC helped students through a somewhat challenging agility course. Students did chin ups, hefted weights and ran with them, LHS student and 2014 SCF Princess Kasey Whidden proves she's not just a beautiful young lady - she's tough, too!

Getting healthy

Every year LaBelle High School devotes most of a day to actively encourage healthy living through physical activity and nutrition. Friday, March 7, the campus was alive with students enjoying healthy activities like dodgeball and ping pong, soccer, flag football, 3 on 3 basketball, volleyball, softball and a cool slip and slide. Booths were set up to inform students of the dangers of smoking. Healthy snacks and water were available. The Army, Navy and Marine Corps all had tables set up.

Deputies, subject identified

The Hendry County Sheriff's Office has identified the man who died in last week's shooting off E Road, in LaBelle as 23-year-old Eddy Barrios of LaBelle.

Deputies were responding to a report that Barrios was involved in a battery that occurred earlier in the evening. They were responding to the area when they turned onto E Road and witnessed Barrios walking on E Road, armed with a sawed off shotgun.

Deputies identified themselves and ordered Barrios to drop his

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Water rates to increase

by Patty Brant
Caloosa Belle

LaBelle City Commissioners will be increasing water rates at tonight's city commission meeting (March 13),

The current \$24.36 fixed demand charge for a 5/8" line will increase 20 percent to \$29.23 for customers inside the city. For customers outside the city limits the

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LHS A Team

The LaBelle High School Academic Team won its first match of the year against Gateway High School as part of the annual A-Team Challenge put on by NBC-2 and the Foundation for Lee County Public Schools. The winning team is pictured from left: Paul Luckey, Lucas Curtis, Faith Patrick and Mykala Williams.



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Mathletes

LHS Cowboy Mathletes at Regional Math Competition in Cape Coral.

Rates

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\$30.46 fixed rate charge will increase to \$36.55. Deposits for all customers will go up from \$90 to \$108.

Customers will also pay a higher commodity rate. The current \$3.16 per 1,000 gallons will increase to \$3.79 for city customers. The usage rate for customers outside the city will go up from \$3.95 to \$4.74.

Meter rates for city customers will increase from \$603 to \$723.60 for 5/8x3/4 lines. Outside the city those rates will increase from \$643 to \$770.40.

Rates for larger lines will increase according to a set schedule for both residential and commercial water customers.

Impact fees for city customers will go from \$3,312 to \$3,974.40. For customers outside the city limits, impact fees will go from \$4,140 up to \$4,968.

The rate increase will be used to repay debt service to the US Department of Agriculture and Rural Development for the city's new 1.5 million gallon per day reverse osmosis water plant that is to go in line in the next few months.

Daycare rezoning

At tonight's meeting (March 13) the commission vote to change zoning to allow the LaBelle Children's Garden. The daycare is looking to move from its present location at SR 80 and MLK Blvd. to 88 South Main Street, just across from the Courthouse.

The facility, owned by Child Care of Southwest Florida, currently has 49 students ages 1-8.

The owner has purchased the building at 90 Main Street, the old probation office, to provide office space for approximately six businesses.

The resolution to allow the daycare at the Main Street site came up at the city's February meeting, but a vote was never finalized. At that time City Planner Shelly Johnson explained that the property is 1.25 acres and includes a vacant 3,200 square foot com-

mercial building. Access is available from both Main and Hall Streets.

Ms. Johnson recommended several conditions for approval of the resolution including internal and site improvements: ingress and egress from Hall Street; striping added for the parking lot; fencing specific areas including drop-off and pick-up areas and the play area. She said the property would provide adequate stacking for traffic dropping off and picking up children during the facility's hours of operation, 6:30 a.m. till 5:30 p.m.

Right turns only would be permitted from the property onto Main Street, similar to McDonalds just north of it, which would be the only exit, with the entrance from Hall Street.

Staff also said the plan would fit the criteria in the city's land development code.

Don Davis, owner of Don's Steak House on Hall Street as well as the old Long Branch, both of which about the property concerned, expressed concern for the children's safety. He cited big trucks making deliveries to both his restaurant and Burger King. He also noted that the Long Branch property is still zoned for a bar.

Resident Julie Wilkins also expressed concerns about traffic in the vicinity.

Chris Hernandez, spokesman for property owner, noted that the daycare is currently located in a high traffic area at Martin Luther King Blvd. and SR 80. He felt the site plan for the move was a good one with room for parents to maneuver their vehicles.

Representatives of the Children's Garden said they had many of the same issues, but were convinced they would not present problems. She said fencing would be adequate for safety and that the old bar would not be a problem since they do not face the same direction and there are no windows in the building. She added that fencing could be enhanced if any problems arose.

The city commission meets tonight at 7 p.m. at city hall.

Shooting

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weapon. Barrios refused the orders given by the deputies and instead he raised his shotgun, on them. The deputies then fired at the suspect.

Barrios was transported to Lehigh Regional Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries.

The deputies involved in the shooting were immediately placed on administrative leave pending the investigation.

The deputies involved were D/S R. Leverenz, D/S S. Harrynarine, D/S M. Yeomans and D/S H. Kearns.

Group from Grandma's Grove makes donation

A generous donation of \$400 was presented to Central Church of Christ, by a group from Grandma's Grove who had been a part of Grandma's Grove Independent Church. The group that used to meet for church out at the park has been dissolved and the majority of them are attending Central. After learning about the work of the children's home, the group decided to disperse some of the remaining funds to the Mt. Dora fund.

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HCSO addresses SCF safety

"I realize that people would like to cross the street to go back and forth to see the various vendors along Bridge Street during the Swamp Cabbage Festival. But, once it is opened to traffic, I have a duty to protect, not only the pedestrian traffic, but the motoring traffic, as well. The only safe way to do that is to direct people to use the crosswalk at Ft. Thompson Avenue or walk under the bridge. If traffic is stopped on the bridge, it creates a dangerous situation for traffic crossing it, especially when they may already be distracted by the festival.

"As for taking at least one away in handcuffs; actually there were two. These Lehigh Acres residents had already drawn attention by being belligerent as they entered the festival and didn't want to use the sidewalk to get out of traffic. On their way out, one decided to walk in the traffic lane

again. When requested to get on the sidewalk, he challenged my deputy and cursed him aloud with ladies and children nearby. He was arrested for Disorderly Intoxication. One of his acquaintances decided to interfere and displayed a similar, limited vocabulary. He was arrested and charged with Disorderly Intoxication, as well. Both earned additional charges of Obstruction of Justice." The folks clapping on the sidewalk didn't appreciate their behavior at our family event either.

"I had a deputy stationed at the crosswalk on Ft. Thompson Avenue to 'help these people cross the street' so everyone could have a safe and festive day. None of us want to see someone hurt by stepping into oncoming, probably distracted, traffic. Thankfully, we didn't."

Steve Whidden, Sheriff

Montura home invasions

Montura – Hendry County Deputies arrested two men on several charges related to an armed burglary.

On Friday, March 7, 2014, Hendry County Deputies responded to a burglary in progress in Montura Ranch Estates. The Sheriff's Office was notified by a resident of the area who told authorities that his neighbor's home was being burglarized. According to the caller, he saw one of the subject's approach the home armed with a rifle and reported that he heard a shot fired, prior to entering the home.

As deputies arrived on scene, they observed two subjects leave the home carrying bags, running into a heavily wooded area, dropping some of the property taken from the residence. The property recovered from the scene was later positively identified by the resident of the home. The only item not recovered is a 9mm Beretta.

Several deputies arrived on scene along with Hendry County Canine Units, Clewiston Canine Units and the Lee County Sheriff's Office Aviation Unit, to begin a thorough search of the area.

A short time later, deputies took into custody both subjects. The first subject was identified as 20 year old Marvin Jaimes of 756 N. Arabeledo Street, and the second subject was 17 year old Adrian Javier Pozo of 701 Siboney Ave., both from Montura Ranch Estates.

Deputies located Jaimes at a residence not far from the victim's home. It was reported that Jaimes was standing in the front yard waiting for someone to pick him up. Poza was discovered by canine units, as he attempted to hide from law enforcement officers in the thick vegetation not far from the victim's home. When Pozo was taken into custody, deputies discovered a large plastic trash bag with six plastic air tight bags that containing a green leafy substance suspected to be marijuana. During the interview Poza admitted that he had taken the marijuana, however at this time law enforcement personnel were unable to determine where the marijuana was taken from.

Jaimes was charged with Criminal Mischief, Armed Burglary, Grand Theft, Theft of a Firearm and Resisting Arrest Without Violence, along with three additional outstanding warrants. He was released on March 8, 2014 on \$42,500.00 bond.

Pozo, a juvenile, was charged with Firing a Weapon into a Residence, Criminal Mischief, Armed Burglary, Grand Theft, Theft of a Firearm, Possession of Marijuana with Intent to Sell, Possession of Marijuana over 20 Grams. Pozo was transported to the Department of Juvenile Justice and was sentenced on March 9, 2014, to 21 days confinement in the Department of Juvenile Justice.

March 10 home invasion

Monday night, March 10, 2014, at approximately 11:30pm, Hendry County deputies responded to the area of Hacienda Street in the Montura Ranch Estates after receiving a call from a resident reporting he had just been robbed.

When deputies arrived on scene they spoke with the victim of the robbery who reported that while he was outside his residence three men ran up wearing dark clothing and face masks, pointing guns, and yelling "Police". They forced the victim inside the residence and handcuffed him. During this time the victim reported being struck in the face and was forced to lay face down on the floor. A second victim in the residence was able to run out of the home, but was caught by the subjects and brought back into the residence. The subjects attempted to bind her hands by tying them together with cords found inside the home.

The robbers then rummage through the home taking money and jewelry. They later left the home in the victim's vehicle, a 2007 Toyota Corolla which was later recovered.

Hendry County Detectives are continuing to follow up on all leads. Anyone with any information is asked to call Hendry County Det. Sgt. C. Bucchofer or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-780-TIPS (8477). All callers will remain anonymous and may be eligible for a cash reward up to \$1,000

Sheriff's Office mixup

Information on a March 2 Hendry County Sheriff's Office form was apparently incorrect, causing the wrong man to be identified in a Caloosa Belle arrest report in the March 6 issue.

Robert Kevin Robbins Sr. 51, was arrested and held in Hendry County Jail, charged with

possession of drugs-methamphetamines and possession of drug equipment. The paperwork, and the Caloosa Belle report, incorrectly identified him as Robert Kevin Robbins Jr., age 28.

We apologize for any inconvenience to the younger Mr. Robbins.

Expanded income tax program

FORT MYERS, Fla. (March 4, 2014)---The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program has already prepared 853 federal tax returns resulting in over \$1.9 million coming back to our community. The filing season continues until April 15.

VITA is a free tax filing service available to individuals and families making \$57,000 or less. A partnership among United Way 211, the IRS, and United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee makes the free service available at United Way Neighborhood Houses and other locations in Lee, Hendry, Charlotte and Collier Counties.

This year the United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee is proud to partner with United Way of Charlotte County and United Way of Collier County, and has added four new tax preparation locations. There are a total of 12 locations. The new locations are in Bonita Springs, Immokalee, Naples and Port Charlotte.

Volunteers at United Way Houses and other locations have prepared thousands of tax returns for area residents in the last five years.

Volunteer tax preparers come from many walks of life and include college students, retired accountants and others who all receive training and certification from the IRS. Their service to the community helps people of low to middle income file their taxes free, and with the speedy e-file returns.

Households making less than \$57,000 can have their taxes done for free at one of our 12 locations. The United Way of Lee, Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee raises funds for human service organizations in our community, and promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies, focusing on issues and solutions to improve lives.

For more information please call United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades at (239) 433-2000 or visit www.unitedwaylee.org.

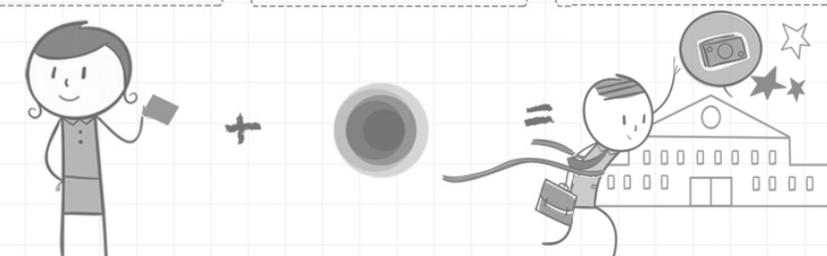


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Letters to the Editor

Response to illegal drugs in Glades County

A young man who grew up in Moore Haven said the following: "Glades County is no place for a young man unless he has a good job and a family."

That was a true statement then. Moore Haven was a great place to live and raise a family. That is until now.

Illegal activity has always been in the Glades County culture. In the sixties it was alligator poaching and illegal fishing. Then marijuana distribution moved in. Now it is the other drug scene, meth, coke, crack, heroin and lately the use and sale of prescription pills.

Individuals and families are so dependent on the income from the sale of dope that they threaten and yes even murder to protect their illegal activity. Members of the community will not confront or speak out against the dope dealers because of fear for their life or the safety of their families.

Dealing in illegal pills and other forms of dope makes the dealer/supplier a criminal and if arrested and convicted could spend time in prison hopefully being rehabilitated. Murder raises the criminal element to another level. When convicted in Florida, the sentence is life or the death penalty. If you committed the murder, expect the death penalty. If you helped carry it, out expect life.

The really sad part of this whole illegal drug scene are those individuals addicted to the drugs willing to pay the criminals for the drugs to feed their habit and at the same time keep the drug business going while destroying their own GOD given life.

The really sad part are those family members of both the dealer and addict who suffer the consequences from the arrests, jail time, loss of money, dangerous living conditions and heartache that comes with the absence of the loved one either through incarceration, hospitalization or death by drug abuse, overdose or murder.

How can and should the community respond? You can take the "turn our heads the other way it's not my problem" approach. You can think "let the Sheriff handle it, he was elected for that purpose. You can move away. "If you don't like the way we live here move." You can arm yourselves, our constitutional right, go get our concealed weapons permit and be prepared for the

bad guys or even go after them. You can pray about it and let God take care of it. Or you can be HIS instrument and be proactive with strong education from an early age up at home and by demanding the school district provide it. At the same time you can be alert in your neighborhood and report suspicious and known illegal activity to the local authorities. You can be anonymous by calling CRIMESTOPPERS. If you know anyone connected with the recent murder of Mario Hughes, call CRIMESTOPPERS today. Mario grew up in Moore Haven, is an Iraqi Freedom War Veteran, and was still serving as a military policeman in the United States Army Reserve. He had two sons and a daughter who will never really know their father. He died at the foot of his mother in a pool of blood from a bullet through the heart, shot in the back in his parent's home.

Why was he ambushed and executed? Probably because he had and was helping the local authorities slow down illegal drug trafficking in Glades County. The time to act in Glades County is now or Glades will be like Lee County with 12 unsolved murders, mostly drug and gang related. Call CRIMESTOPPERS today if you know anything related to this tragic event.

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In the event that a crime, or arson tip, leads to an arrest or conviction, the anonymous caller can be awarded up to \$1,000.00 for providing the information. This reward is sent anonymously using Western Union, and received using a code name, and a paired secret question and answer.

When calling a tip into our operators, they will provide you with a code to use when checking back on if any arrests or actions were taken as a result.

If your tip results in an arrest or conviction, you will be given a code name, and a two part question and answer statement to provide to your local Western Union location. Using the code name and the two part security question/answer, you will be able to receive your reward without providing your name, or showing ID. Call the tip line at 1-800-780-TIPS (8477).

**Norman Hughes
Moore Haven**

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Push Back in the Right Time

When you face a personal or spiritual attack to your goals and dreams you need to push back! Don't accept defeat. Don't let life push you around. You can overcome every enemy you face. David said, "Through you we push back our enemies; through your name we trample our foes. I put no trust in my bow, my sword does not bring me victory; but you give us victory over our enemies, you put our adversaries to shame" (Ps 44:5-7).

That's a strong statement for a warrior. Obviously, a soldier in battle is not going to discard his weapons. We, too, need our natural talents and abilities, and do the best we can in life. We need to work hard for success and fight for the things we believe in. However, victory takes more than self-effort in our own abilities. We need to trust the Lord!

God doesn't do everything for us. Don't accept defeat. Don't be intimidated. Push back as you fight the good fight of faith, and see the victory the Lord will give you.

Two years ago Chick-fil-A made national headlines when company president Dan Cathy spoke out in support of traditional marriage. Liberals and gays came unglued and launched massive protests against the restaurant. Several mayors spoke out saying they would not allow any more Chick-fil-As to be built in their cities. They tried boycotting the Christian owned company, but that backfired. Instead, Chick-fil-A had a world record day with many locations selling out of food to supporters. Is it any surprise that the only news the liberal mainstream media has reported concerning Chick-fil-A has only been the negative?

Remember a few weeks ago when the ice storm hit the south? The mainstream media showed footage of miles of cars stranded on the interstates and reported that school kids were trapped on busses for almost 24 hours because of all of the ice. Parents going frantic wondering where their kids were. In all of the icy gloom and doom, chances are good that you didn't hear about the heroic and generous actions of a Chick-fil-A along Highway 280 in

Birmingham, Alabama.

Mark Meadows, owner of the Chick-fil-A closed early the day of the storm and sent all of his employees home. However, the employees and Meadows soon discovered they were not going to be able to get home with all of the stranded motorists stuck on the roads. The manager described the conditions: "Our store is about a mile and a half from the interstate and it took me two hours to get there. It was a parking lot as far as I could see. More people were walking than driving." Meadows and his employees reopened the kitchen and prepared several hundred chicken sandwiches and distributed them Highway 280.

Some drivers tried to pay them, but Meadows and his employees refused to take a single penny. "This company is based on taking care of people and loving people before you're worried about money or profit. We were just trying to follow the model that we've all worked under for so long and that we've come to love. There was really nothing to do but try to help people any way we could."

Meadows kept the restaurant open overnight so stranded motorists could have a warm place to be. A number of motorists slept in booths or on the benches.

The next morning, they prepared chicken biscuits for their overnight guests and once again they refused to accept any payment. This Chick-fil-A restaurant opened their kitchen, doors and hearts to hundreds of stranded motorists and they did so refusing to accept any payment. As one source put it, Meadows and his staff lived up to the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:35 which states: "For I was hungry, and you gave Me something to eat; I was thirsty, and you gave Me something to drink; I was a stranger, and you invited Me in..."

Their actions were truly generous and heroic. I bet you never heard anything about this from the mainstream media. It was too much against their liberal standards to report a Christian company doing something so positive for so many.

We need to support this and all company's with similar values. And a good place to start would be right in our home town!

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



Les Morgan

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Letters to the Editor

PUD on Missouri St.

How many more times will the Caloosa Belle, as well as the Hendry-Glades Sunday News, reprint the same story I have read four or five articles in these two papers the past three weeks and 95 percent are repeat complaints from the first letter. Narrow roads, bad drainage, no money for city sewer, orange water, the boundaries of the so called "Walking District," 18 units per acre. Then there was the Bonita Bay and developers issues, etc., etc. Can't the complaining citizens come up with their own ideas? Seems not! Perhaps the big next issue these citizens could get together to write one blistering letter to the editor and all 5-6-7 or so sign the bottom. As a famous Governor of New Jersey said recently to a question what do we do about the government problems, "vote him out." . . .

Oh, I almost forgot, let's throw some dirt on the property owner since he bought the property cheap, like that's not the American way. Maybe you folks should have went to the auction and ponied up some money and you could be the proud owners of that location.

George Bostick Jr.

Neighborhood vision

It's all in the eye of the beholder. When I see our neighborhood, I am so glad that I live here. It's like living at our old camp

in the Everglades. When we have visitors we always hear, "This is like living in the woods." And it is!

But the city of LaBelle apparently wants to change this old, old neighborhood into a modern, bustling walking area and the only way to do that must be to allow 11 apartments to be built here. It doesn't seem to matter that this neighborhood only has single family homes. Injecting apartments is a must to modernize LaBelle. One look at the area is all it takes to see that idea is wrong.

Our neighborhood showed up for the meeting on Feb. 13 and heard "the staff felt this and the staff felt that" and so all of our objections fell on deaf ears. The developer's requests were rubber stamped. Too bad! Next! Have the people in power actually looked at the plan and corresponding sites and evaluated the zoning? Have they determined if the zoning is really appropriate for the area? Would the zoning be appropriate if it was their home sitting next door or across the street?

Wouldn't THAT make a difference! Every block should be evaluated and changed if needed. No matter how much they try, LaBelle is not going to become a new Ft. Myers. Thank goodness - that is why I live here in LaBelle.

I was born and raised in Hendry County - this is my home - I know the people, I grew up with them. I do not believe that the people who love LaBelle want the new Comprehension Plan - not the way it is now. And that's the thing - the people of LaBelle love our town. The way it is. Ask anyone how they would change LaBelle. You will not hear "Put apartments in among single family homes."

Go out to Missouri St. on the east side between Washington and Fort Thompson Rd. The wooded lot will have 14 of those oaks cut down. Imagine a 2 story, 8 unit building

and a 1 story, 3 unit building there. Is that good planning or what?

An old established residential neighborhood should not have 11 apartments on .7

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Whisper Creek

We at Whisper Creek would like to thank all of the people that donated to our Springfest Week with a special Thank You: Anita Umpierrez, Auto Zone, Badcock Home Furniture, Beef O'Brady's, Bridge Street Auto, Bridge Street Coffee & Tea, Captain Quick Lube, Curtis Honey, Cutting Edge, Don's Steak House, Double Image Salon, Forrey Grill, Hari Liquors, Hungry Howie's Pizza, K&M Drugs, LaBelle, Family Florist, LaBelle Nails, Langford Ford, Log Cabin, Lyons Printing, Nathan's Barber Cuts, Plattner's LaBelle Dodge, Quality 1 Auto Care, Randy's Garage, Rhonda Alison, Rhodes Aluminum, Saddle Up Arcade, Sal Cal Pizza, Show Time Mobile Car Detailing, Southern Divas, VFW, Vision Ace Hardware LaBelle, Whisper Creek Management and World Class Barber.

Aqua Isles thanks

Aqua Isles would like to thank the business owners, managers and all the residents of our park for the wonderful door prizes for the Mad Hatter Tea Party.

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60th ANNIVERSARY

Charlie & Betty Watkins would like to share the exciting news that they celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary this past week. The couple were married March 6, 1954 in Quicksand, Kentucky (near Jackson). They were blessed with

six sons and one daughter, fourteen grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, & one on the way. They have resided in LaBelle now for fifteen years. The couple enjoys gardening, racing, music, and watching their family grow. Charlie would like to dedicate the bluegrass song 'Will There be Sweethearts in Heaven' to his love... "If the angels have sweethearts, then I want you for mine."



HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF CHANGES TO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO PROTECT USE OF COUNTY AIRPORTS

The Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida proposes to adopt the following by ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1-53, ZONING, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1-53-6.13 AIRPORTS, SECTION 1-53-3 ZONING DISTRICTS, TABLE 53-1, AND SECTION 1-53-4 DIMENSIONAL AND DENSITY REGULATIONS, TABLE 53-2; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, INCLUSION IN CODE, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A public hearing on the ordinance will be held before the Board of County Commissioners on March 25, 2014, at 5:05 p.m. in the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, to consider the recommendation of the Local Planning Agency and to discuss the ordinance. A second public hearing on the ordinance will be held before the Board of County Commissioners on April 8, 2014, at 5:05 p.m. in the Clewiston City Hall, Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, to consider the recommendation of the Local Planning Agency, to discuss the ordinance and to consider adopting the ordinance.

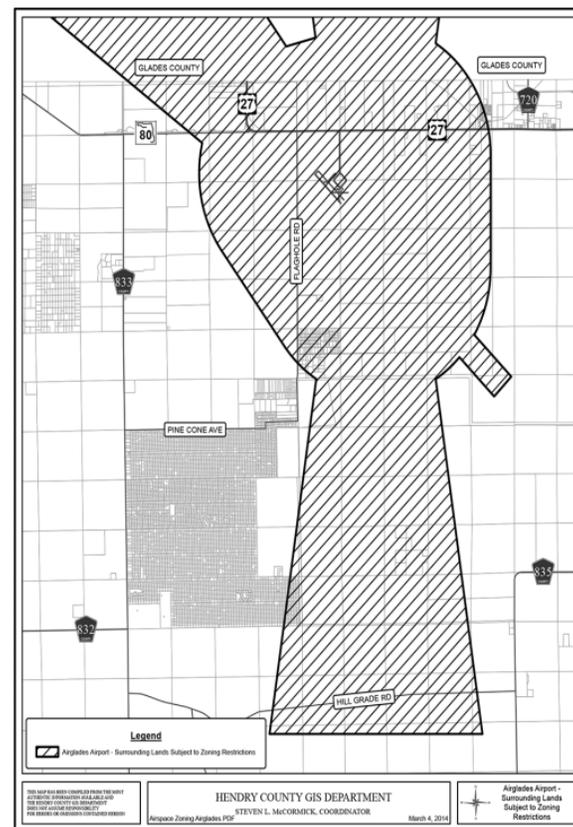
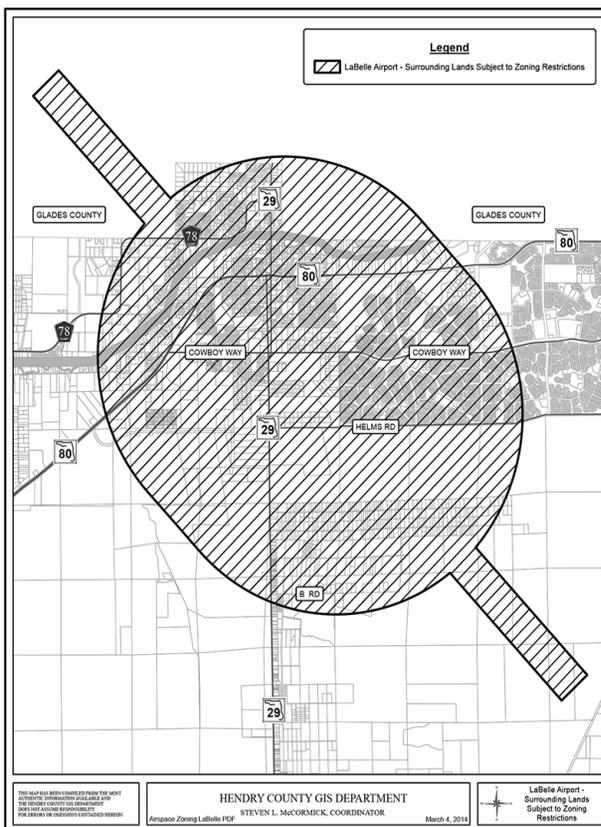
Please see the maps to the right for a detailed view of the areas

The meetings are open to the public. All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Commission with respect to any matter discussed at such meetings, 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.

A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available for inspection on weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Office of the County Attorney, 110 Board Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

Si necesita la asistencia de un interprete que hable espanol para participar un esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Myra Johnson al (863) 675-5240.

Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners



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Department of Health: Florida youth improve health behaviors

TALLAHASSEE – The Florida Department of Health and the Florida Department of Education today announced improvement in healthy behaviors for Florida's high school youth. Recent statistics from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey indicate significant progress in three health behaviors that contribute to a healthier weight for Florida's students. New data from the Youth Risk Behavior Survey show improvements in the following areas:

- A decrease in the percentage of high school students who drank soda 1 or more

times daily from 31% in 2007 to 22.1% in 2013.

- An increase in the percentage of high school students who had sufficient physical activity, defined as 60 minutes per day on five or more of the past seven days, from 38.4% in 2007 to 43.9% in 2013.

- A decrease in the percentage of high school students who watched three or more hours of TV on an average school day from 40.2% in 2007 to 31.2% in 2013.

"These encouraging results demonstrate

that Florida's high school students are acting on the health messages provided through collaboration with our partners like the Department of Education," said State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health, Dr. John Armstrong. "This joint effort has created supportive school environments that help our students make healthier choices, such as drinking more water, being more active, and watching less television.

"We're proud to partner with the Florida Department of Health to promote healthy behaviors for our students," said Commissioner of Education, Pam Stewart. "The survey results show that students are making informed decisions that allow them to focus on learning that will prepare them for suc-

cess in college, a career and in life."

Healthiest Weight Florida is a public-private collaboration bringing together state agencies, not-for-profit organizations, businesses, and entire communities to help Florida's children and adults make consistent, informed choices about healthy eating and active living. For more information, please visit www.HealthiestWeightFL.com

The Department works to protect, promote and improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county and community efforts.

Follow us on Twitter at @HealthyFla and on Facebook. For more information about the Florida Department of Health, please visit www.FloridaHealth.gov.

Church Briefs

Women's conference

All women are welcome to join in a great time of worship, word and fellowship with Rev. Marilyn Weeks from Booksville, FL. She has been in ministry for many years, ministering in churches, women's conferences and missions. She is the author of several books. Come be a part March 22. Registration at 9 a.m. \$10. Service begins at 10 a.m. with lunch at noon. For information call 675-0938.

Enjoy Soup and a Movie

Please join us for Soup and a Movie each Thursday night at Church of the Good Shepherd Episcopal, 1098 Collingswood Parkway. Starts at 6 p.m.

Schedule

Thursday, March 13: "The Way" with Martin Sheen

Thursday, March 20: "The Greatest Miracle" Angels are all around us

Thursday, March 27: TBA

Thursday, April 3: TBA

Thursday, April 10: TBA

All are welcome bring your soup bowl and spoons we are making fresh soup each Thursday.

CMUMC invitation

Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church invites you to dinner and worship on Wednesday nights. A delicious free dinner is served at 5:45 p.m. with worship beginning at 6:30 p.m. for teens and adults.

W3 (Wild With Worship): children ages 5-12 will have a safe environment where they can Move + Groove while learning about God's love.

Student Ministry: small group at 7 p.m. A time for the youth to take God's word and apply it to everyday life and lift each other up in prayer.

Small Groups of varied discipleship experiences at 7 p.m. "For where there are two or three gathered in My name, there I am among them. Matt. 18-20.

Gospel sing

There will be a gospel sing at Oak Grove Holiness Church on March 8 at 6 p.m. If you sing/play an instrument and wish to share your talent, come be with us. Refreshments will be served after services. We are also in the process of building a new fellowship hall. All donations are appreciated. You can also mail a donation to Oak Grove Holiness

Church, PO Box 266, LaBelle FL 33975.

Brother Jerome Sears and congregation welcome everyone to be with us at Muse. Take SR 29 north to Whidden Road; turn right on to Fire Tower Road, Loblolly Bay Road, follow for six miles to the top of Sumnerall Road and arrive at church.

Church of the Good Shepherd March schedule

Thursday March 13: Fr. David Jackson Healing service - Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday March 16: Eucharist 10 a.m. Rev. Nancy Smith

Thursday March 20: Fr. David Jackson Healing service - Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday March 23: Eucharist 10 a.m. Rev. Sandy Johnson

Thursday March 27: Fr. David Jackson Healing service - Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

Bible Study - 10:30 a.m.

Sunday March 30: Eucharist 10 a.m. Fr. David Jackson

Church of the Good Shepherd Episcopal - 1098 Collingswood Pkwy 863-675-0385 www.goodshepherdlabelle.org <https://www.facebook.com/goodshepherdlabelle>

Christian Men to meet

The March meeting of the LaBelle Gathering of Christian Men will be held at the Community Harvest Church, 55 Orange Street at 7 p.m., on Monday, March 17. All men of LaBelle are invited to join us for dinner and a message. For directions or information please call Clay Townsend at 863-674-0699.

CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENT

Effective March 10th, 2014
Englewood Home Health Care
License # 20328096

Patients requiring further services will be assisted in transfer process to another agency of patient choice. Further questions please call 1.941.249.4347.

Childcare conference planned

FORT MYERS, Fla. (Jan. 23, 2014) – Child Care of Southwest Florida invites early childhood educators and caregivers to Circles of Care, a daylong conference designed to inform and inspire those who work with children from infancy through elementary school. The 19th annual conference is scheduled for Saturday, April 12, from 8:30 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. at the Fort Myers campus of Edison State College. Presentations, age-specific workshops, hands-on experiences and exhibits will provide information and resources for teachers, administrators, paraprofessionals, family-care providers and parents. Up to .65 continuing education credits will be available.

Sponsorships help keep the advance registration cost to \$40 per person. Admission at the door will be \$55. To register as a participant or exhibitor or for more information, log onto www.ccswfl.org, or call 239-278-1002.

"Useful content, compelling presenters and great value have made this the conference of the year for early childhood education in Southwest Florida. More than 600 people typically participate," said Beth Lobdell, executive director of Child Care of Southwest Florida.

Keynote speaker Ron Mohl will share teaching methods with STEAM (science, technology, engineering, the arts and math) and provide ideas to arouse students' natural curiosity and activities to engage their families. Glen "The Wild Wizard" Beitmen

is returning to Circles of Care with an entertaining and enthusiastic presentation that includes a year's worth of STEM curriculum ideas.

Circles of Care conference partners are Edison State College, Florida Gulf Coast University, Southwest Florida Parent & Child Magazine and Lee County Association for the Education of Young Children.

Child Care of Southwest Florida's mission is to strengthen and enhance the lives of children and their families with scholarships and services to low-income children at the agency's six accredited centers in Lee and Hendry counties. The agency provides early-childhood education, as well as voluntary prekindergarten and Head Start programs, at its centers near Page Field, on the Fort Myers campus of Edison State College and in Dunbar, Lehigh Acres, LaBelle and Clewiston.

Dedicated to the premise that kindergarten is too late, the center's professionals work to ready children for school success. Research shows that high-quality early-childhood education reduces dropout rates, teen pregnancy and arrests.

Child Care of Southwest Florida Inc., A United Way agency established in 1967, also provides state-mandated training for child care professionals and administers the federal food program for eligible centers and family child care homes throughout Southwest Florida. Visit www.ccswfl.org to learn more.



IN MEMORY OF PATRICIA A. SINKOVIC

Memorial Service
American Legion Post 130
March 16, 2014
2:00 P.M.

In lieu of flowers the family has requested donations to Hope Healthcare Services, 1201 Wings Way, Lehigh Acres, Florida 33936



Submitted photo

Thanks for the Memories

The Firehouse Community Theatre proudly presents this year's musical production, *Thanks for the Memories*, written and directed by Firehouse's very own Nick Fianza. Nick and the Firehouse Singers are ready again to entertain us with a USO look at World War II. The USO mission supported the troops during each of these wars. Celebrities like Bob Hope rallied many singers, actors and comedians to follow him into the war zones to entertain our troops. The Firehouse Singers will be presenting several of these famous memories and help recapture some of our fondest memories from the "greatest generation." Showtimes are Friday March 21st and Saturday March 22nd at 7:00 p.m. and Sunday, March 23, at 2 p.m., as well as the following weekend, Friday, March 28, and Saturday, March 29, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, March 30, at 2 p.m. Tickets for all of our productions can be purchased on our website www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com and are \$12.00 in advance, or use the ticket hotline at (863) 675-3066. Tickets sold the night of the performance are \$14.00, however, we cannot guarantee a seat if we are sold out. The Firehouse Community Theatre's annual musical is always one of the most popular productions, so make sure to get your tickets now! The Firehouse Community Theatre is located at 241 North Bridge Street in historic downtown LaBelle; three blocks north from the intersection of SR80 and SR29 and just 28 minutes from exit 141 on I-75. For more information on the Firehouse Community Theatre, please visit their website: www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com or call the Ticket Hotline at (863) 675-3066. Mailing address: Firehouse Community Theatre, P.O. Box 958, LaBelle, FL 33975.



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Future farmers

These beautiful red cabbages were recently harvested from LaBelle Elementary School's "Garden Club" garden. Eighteen students from grades 3 and 4 started the vegetable garden in October of 2013 under the direction of Ms. Strickland, the Art teacher at L.E.S. Other vegetables planted were tomatoes, jalapeno peppers, and Japanese eggplants. The garden club is all about soil, bugs, how to plant and care for plants and how to be a good environmentalist. The students in the picture are from left: Fabian Sanchez, Isaac Polanco, Colton Bass, Evan Martin and Max Lofton.

MEETING DATE AND LOCATION CHANGE FOR PUBLIC HEARING (VA14-0001)

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners public hearing for VA14-0001 has been rescheduled to March 25, 2014, at 5:05 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida.

The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners for final consideration at this public hearing.

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

All persons wishing to be heard on this issue may appear at said meeting. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or 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.

Any questions pertaining to this matter should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department, either by phone (863-675-5240), email (scatala@hendryfla.net), U. S. mail (P. O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863- 674-4194).

Si necesita la asistencia de un interprete que hable espanol para participar un esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Myra Johnson al (863) 675-5240.

Petition Number: VA14-0001

Applicant/Agent: Ms. Barbara Maves, represented by Ensite, Inc.

Resolution Title: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING A VARIANCE OF 115 FEET RESULTING IN A LOT DEPTH OF 35 FEET, 7 FEET RESULTING IN A FRONT SETBACK OF 28 FEET, 4 FEET RESULTING IN A SIDE SETBACK OF 11 FEET, AND 24 ½ FEET RESULTING IN A REAR SETBACK OF ½ FOOT TO ESTABLISH A LEGAL, NON-CONFORMING STATUS FOR THE PROPERTY AND TO ALLOW FOR SITE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE IN THE MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (RG-2) ZONING DISTRICT

Location: 861 CR 78, LaBelle, FL

Property size: 0.48 acres +/-

Request: The applicant is requesting a variance of 115 feet resulting in a lot depth of 35 feet, 7 feet resulting in a front setback of 28 feet, 4 feet resulting in a side setback of 11 feet, and 24 ½ feet resulting in a rear setback of ½ foot, to establish a legal non-conforming status and to allow for site improvements on the property.

Legal description of subject property:

PARCEL 1:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2 IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN S 89°33'01" E, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2, A DISTANCE OF 639.10 FEET; THENCE S 11°08'13" W 35.62 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD NO. S-78; THENCE S 89°33'01" E, ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 391.86 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE TRACT OF LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE CONTINUE S 89°33'01" E 38.24 FEET TO THE BEGINNING OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT WITH A RADIUS OF 1180.92 FEET; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVED RIGHT OF WAY LINE (HAVING A CHORD BEARING OF N 85°18'46" E AND A CHORD DISTANCE OF 211.48 FEET), 211.76 FEET; THENCE S 03°00'41" E 44.73 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE CALOOSAHATCHEE RIVER CANAL; THENCE S 69°34'21" W, ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, 250.00 FEET; THENCE N 08°26'28" W 116.22 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

AND

PARCEL 2:

COMMENCING AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2 IN SECTION 5, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AND RUN S 89°33'01" E, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2, A DISTANCE OF 639.10 FEET; THENCE S 11°08'13" W 333.05 FEET TO THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF THE CALOOSAHATCHEE RIVER CANAL ; THENCE N 69°34'21" E, ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE 747.93 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PARCEL OF LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE CONTINUE N 69°34'21" E 60.00 FEET TO THE EAST LINE OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2; THENCE N 00°25'36" E, ALONG EAST LINE OF GOVERNMENT LOT 2 TO THE SOUTH LINE OF STATE ROAD NO. S-78; THENCE WESTERLY, ALONG THE ARC OF SAID RIGHT OF WAY LINE, (BEING CURVED CONCAVE TO THE NORTHWEST WITH A RADIUS OF 1180.92 FEET AND HAVING A CHORD BEARING OF S 78°43'13" W), A DISTANCE OF 60.00 FEET; THENCE S 03°00'41" E 44.73 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Karson Turner, Chairman
Hendry County Board of
County Commissioners

Lots of action at the LaBelle Youth Swine Show

On Wednesday, February 12th, the 4-H/FFA Market Swine Show was held. The show consisted of 4-H'ers and FFA members exhibiting their market swine ranging from 200 pounds to 299 pounds.

The show was sponsored by Diamond R Fertilizer.

The official judge of the evening was Mr. Rick Ahrens of Brooksville, Florida.

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

Receiving blue ribbons for their entry: Ry-

ley Bowen, Travis Burchard, Trace Burchard, Bryana Campbell, Clay Campbell, Brilee Cochran, Cutter Cochran, Dustin Cooper, Ethan Cox, Clayton Cox, Trey Crews, Kirsy Dunaway, Evan Farless, Brandon Flack, Tyler Flack, Shelby French, Dalton George, Wyatt Glenn, Gage Griffin, Emilee Harrell, Case Hendry, Ashlyn Hood, Alyssa Jedrykowski, Amanda Jedrykowski, Cameron Kelly, Emmalee Langford, Joey Leon, Taylor Lynn, Taylor Martin, Tayler McGill, Madison Murray, Lane Murray, Shelby O'Bannon, Haylee O'Bannon, Alisah Obern, Miranda Pequeno, Marshall Platt, Dillon Powell, Jaden Razo,

Christopher Rigdon, Edicia Rodriguez, Edilia Rodriguez, Derik Rose,

Katie Rose, Logan Sanders, Kaydence Tindall, Kenzie Tindall, Trevor Vahle, Dalton Watson, Tatianna White, Jordan Whobrey and Cassidy Willis.

Receiving red ribbons for their entry: Gwen Ash, Taylor Corbitt, Austin Dailey, Augustus Dunaway, Daniel George, Lauren Glenn, Landon Glenn, Alyssa Harrell, Kayla Hood, MacKenzie Hudson, Emily Markusen, Tristan Mudge, Dillon White and Emma Willis.

The Grand Champion Swine was shown by Brilee Cochran of the Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club. Brilee's hog weighed 289 pounds and was purchased by H & H Harvesting. Taylor Martin of the Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club exhibited the Reserve Champion Hog weighing in at 299 pounds. Palmer Ranch purchased Taylor's hog.

After the placing of the swine came the Showmanship category. Showmanship is judged on the ability to exhibit an animal to its best advantage, as well as the overall care and training of the animal. The exhibitors are judged on control, presentation to the judge, awareness of the judge, and knowledge of the species. Planning, practicing, and neat appearance will assist the exhibitor in being successful.

In the Senior Swine Showmanship division: Cassidy Willis captured the first place award with Joey Leon taking the second place award. Cassidy and Joey are members of Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club.

In the Junior/Intermediate Swine Showmanship category: Rooter Runner 4-H Club member Brandon Flack was awarded the first place award with Landon Glenn in second place. Landon is also a member of the Rooter Runner 4-H Club.

Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club member Emmalee Langford was the winner of the Average Daily Gain award with Taylor Martin capturing the second place award. Taylor is a member of the Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club.

In the Junior Herdsman division: Augustus Dunaway was awarded the first place award with Gwen Ash in close second. Augustus and Gwen are members of the Felda Community Pioneer's 4-H Club.

In the Senior Herdsman division: LaBelle High School FFA member Shelby French took the first place award with Derek Rose in second place. Derek is a member of the Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club.

Congratulations to all of the exhibitors; thank you sponsors, committee members, club leaders, advisors, and parents. The Double "H" Livestock 4-H Club is led by Collette Willis, the Felda Community Pioneers 4-H Club is led by Jesse & Stephanie Dunaway, the Hogs R Us 4-H Club is under the direction of Nicole Talley, the Rooter Runner 4-H Club is led by Carman Corbitt & Jessica Griffin, and the Pig Skin Classic 4-H Club is under the direction of Jennifer Hood. The LaBelle High School FFA Advisor is Jeff Burton.

Submitted By: Sonja Crawford



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Pet Show

From left: Alyssa Jedrykowski (Cutest Pet), Dalton Watson (Happiest Pet), Zachary Dalrymple (Most Unusual Pet), Justin Michelsen (Best Pet Trick), Cassie and Karly Hendry (Most Look Alike, Child & Pet), Ashlyn Hood and Vivianna Rodriguez (Most Unusual Name of Pet) and Katie Rose (Best Dressed Pet). Monetary donations and animal shelter supply donations collected from this event were donated to Caloosa Humane Society.



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Cowboys Burchard pitches no-hitter

On Monday, March 3, LaBelle Cowboy senior pitcher Travis Burchard pitched his second career no-hitter as the Cowboys crushed the Immokalee Indians 13-0!

Burchard struck out nine and walked three to win his second game of the young season.

Travis did a tremendous job on the mound. He was in complete control throughout the game, locating his pitches down in the strike zone.



Travis Burchard

Travis never allowed Immokalee to hit the ball out of the infield, giving up a total of 11 ground balls to short-stop and second base the entire game.

That's tough for any pitcher to do, no matter who you play. "I am really proud of him and how he has become a complete player over his career," said Coach Ron Dunbar.

Senior center fielder Sergio Flores led the Cowboy offensive barrage going 3-for-5 with a triple and two RBI.

The speedster also stole three bases and scored three runs. Juniors Jarred Miller and Danny Keller were both 2-for-4 with 2 RBI, while sophomore Baylen McCormick went 2-for-3 with one RBI.

On Friday, March 7, the Cowboys lost a tough 3-2 contest to the Tigers of Clewiston. Burchard and junior Felix Hernandez combined to pitch a solid game on the hill, but the Cowboy offense never got untracked, collecting only 4 hits for the evening. Hernandez had 2 of those hits for the Cowboys.

"I will give Clewiston a lot of credit. They played hard and never gave in. Pitcher Dakota Jackman did a great job locating his pitches and keeping us off balance most of the night.

Also, their second baseman Sammy Rios made numerous big plays every time we started to make a run. We just need to come out of the gates with a little more fire and keep the heat on," Coach Dunbar commented.

The Cowboys are now 4-4 on the season.

Meet Edison's new athletic director

You can meet Edison State College's new Athletic Director Carl McAloose. The college returns to athletic competition in the fall 2015, and will be known as the Buccaneers.

The Town Hall meetings are scheduled as follows:

Monday, March 17

Charlotte Campus (Punta Gorda), at 1 p.m., Building O, Room 117

Tuesday, March 18

Collier Campus (Naples), at 3 p.m., Building N, Room 148

Hendry/Glades Center (LaBelle), 5:30 p.m. in Building A, Room 119

Community Briefs

MCA March events

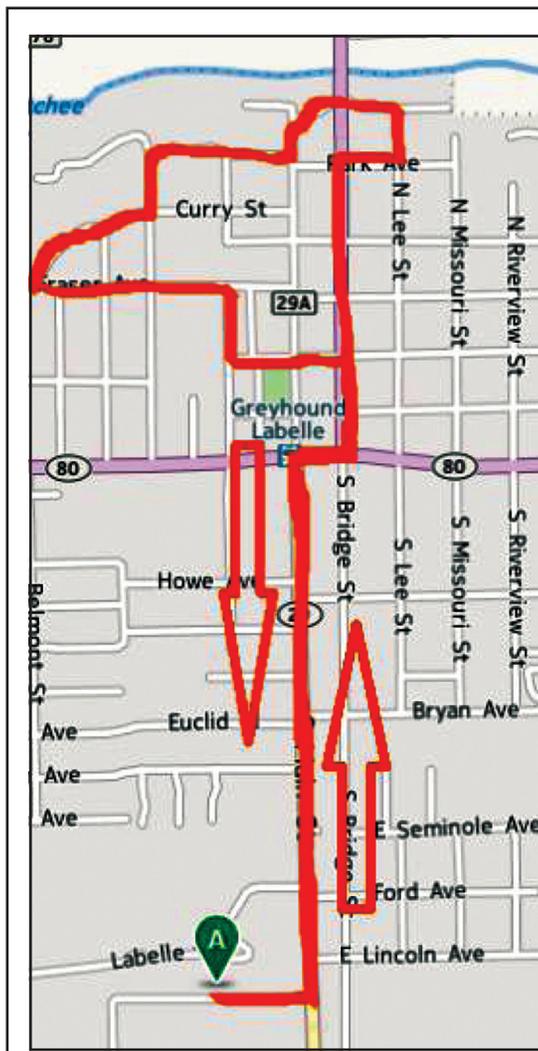
March 20, Thursday, will be the regular monthly meeting 7 p.m. Special guests Donna Storter Long, Glades County Commissioner and Capt. Daryl Lewis, Glade County Sheriff's Office. Refreshments. MCA meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month.

March 22, Saturday, Country Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner will begin at 6-9 p.m. Jam Sessions are usually the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month. Everyone is welcome to come and play.

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

Come out for a fun evening and meet your neighbors. Refreshments will be served.

For further information call 863-674-0467.



Submitted photo/Kelly Boone

Going for a Home Run!

Zac's Home Run 5k will begin at 7:30 a.m. this Saturday, March 15, with a 1-mile fun run taking place after the awards ceremony! Haven't registered yet? There is still time! Come by Zac's Friendship (located at 140 Jaycee Lyons Road) on Friday, March 14, from noon until 5 p.m. to register and pick up your t-shirt and race bib. We encourage as many registered runners as possible to pick up their packets on Friday. Race morning registration will be open from 6:30-7:15 a.m. Register in-person for the mile fun run on Friday or Saturday for only \$10. For anyone who wants to support this event, but not run, please come and purchase a shirt for \$15. The race begins at Zac's Friendship House on Jaycee-Lion's Drive. The runners will run north on Main Street, around the Barron Library to the river, in front of Carlson Memorial Methodist Church, and work their way back to Main to run back to the Friendship House. Can't wait to see you there!

Thursday, March 20
Lee Campus (Fort Myers), 2 p.m., Building U, Room 119

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FCAT – Tips Before The Test

FCAT – Florida's Comprehensive Assessment Test. Even though April is still several weeks away, I thought this would be a good time to remind students and parents that the FCAT dates are closing in quickly. Testing dates for the FCAT can be found on the Hendry County School Board's website (hendry-schools.org). If you've been following my articles then you probably know how strongly I feel about routines. Why not start a routine now that might possibly help your child do his or her best on the test?

Tip #1: Try to stay healthy. Over the next several weeks help your child make good eating choices, keep germy hands washed, avoid unnecessary conflict and get plenty of rest. (Remember, if your child has a fever, then he or she should not go to school.)

Tip #2: Review homework and books. Go over homework and correct mistakes each night. Also, question your child about the books he or she is reading to build recall and comprehension skills. Reviewing class work in the weeks leading up to FCAT can be very beneficial. Go online and use FCAT Explorer (fcatexplorer.com) to find FCAT



Amanda Nelson

type questions for your child's grade level. (Practicing online will be helpful as students begin to transition from paper and pencil tests to testing on computers.) Teachers can assist with login information if needed.

Tip #3: Encourage success. Don't stress out yourself or your child right before the test. Yes, a lot can ride on this assessment. However, the situation is stressful enough, and young minds don't need the added pressure. Discuss the importance of the test, stay positive and remind them to always try their best!

Tip #4: Go to bed at an appropriate time. Turn off the television or video game and get a good night's sleep. Brains can recall and analyze information much better if they are well rested.

Tip #5: Provide a good protein-rich breakfast. A well balanced meal (think scrambled eggs and not sugary cereal) in the

morning is fuel for the brain. Hungry kids are more easily distracted and fatigued so encourage your child to eat! Free breakfast is offered at each school, but during testing times a kid may need a little more yummy in his tummy!

Tip #6: Dress appropriately. Make sure outfits are comfortable and not restrictive. Your child will be sitting in a chair for some time. Tight or heavy clothing may become distracting. Layer comfy clothes or send a light jacket in case the classroom is cold.

Tip #7: Arrive on time each day. This is definitely not the time to be late or have an unexcused absence. Once the testing begins, children cannot enter the classroom until that session has ended. Children generally perform better when taking tests with their peer groups rather than at a make-up time.

Of course these tips could be considered useful year-round. However, I think they are especially important during the weeks leading up to and including the week of actual assessments. Stay tuned next month. I will discuss some test taking tips for students!

March is Colorectal (Colon) Cancer Awareness Month

by Pat Dobbins

The month of March is recognized as "National Colorectal (Colon) Cancer Awareness Month". Of cancers that affect men and women, colorectal cancer (cancer of the colon and rectum) is the second leading cancer killer in the United States. Take action! Screenings can help find pre-cancerous polyps, which are abnormal growths in the colon or rectum. These polyps can be removed before they get a chance to turn into cancer. Having regular screenings can also help find colorectal cancer at an earlier stage and treatment during an early stage of ten leads to a cure.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), every year, about 140,000 people in the US are diagnosed with colorectal cancer and more than 50,000 people die from it. However, about one-third of adults aged 50 or older (Which is the age group at greatest risk of developing colorectal cancer) have not been screened appropriately. The risk of getting colorectal cancer increases with age. More than 90% of cases occur in people who are 50 years old or older. Colorectal cancer screening saves lives, but many people are not being screened according to the national guidelines.

If you are 50 years old or older, get screened now. If you think you may be at higher than average risk for colorectal cancer, talk to your healthcare provider about getting screened early; it could save your life!

Precancerous polyps and colorectal cancer don't always cause symptoms, especially at first. You could have polyps or colorectal cancer and not know it. That is why having a screening test is so important. Symptoms for colorectal cancer may include:

- Blood in or on the stool (bowel movement).
- Stomach pain, aches, or cramps that do not go away.

- Losing weight and you don't know why.

These symptoms may be caused by something other than cancer. If you have any of these symptoms, the only way to know what is causing them is to see your healthcare provider.

There are some steps to help decrease your risk of getting colorectal cancer such as increasing the intensity and amount of your

physical activity, avoiding obesity and weight gain around the midsection, and not drinking too much alcohol. You can also lower your colorectal cancer risk by not smoking.

If you think you may be at high risk for colorectal cancer, talk to your healthcare provider about when and how often to get tested. You can get more information by visiting the CDC website: <http://www.cdc.gov/vitalsigns/colorectalcancerscreening/>



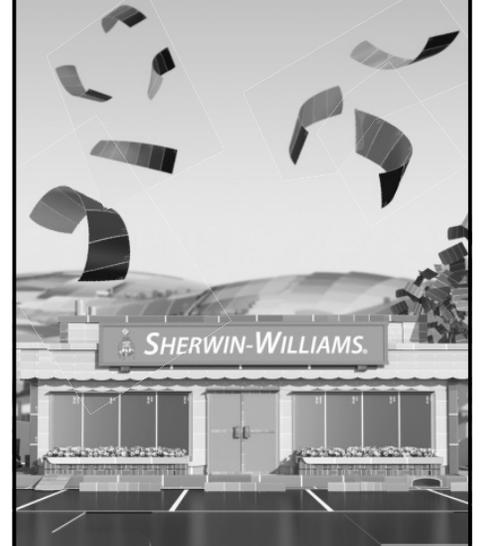
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Caloosahatchee water basin history

LaBelle Rotary President Andy Higginbotham, far right, thanks speaker Wayne Daltry for his presentation entitled history of the Caloosahatchee River water basin. Wayne Daltry served as Executive director of the Southwest Regional Planning Council for 20 years and directed Lee County's Smart Growth Dept. for several years. Presently Mr. Daltry is President of The Caloosahatchee River Citizens Association-RiverWatch. The LaBelle Rotary Club meets weekly at noon on Tuesdays at Beef O Brady's.

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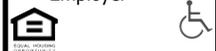
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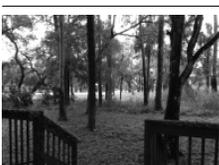
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Public Notices

Public Notice

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Disston Island Conservancy District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Disston Island Conservancy District for the year 2013, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida on Tuesday, March 25, 2014 at 11:00 A.M., for the purpose of:

1. Electing one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BY: Sam Williams, President
463470 CN/GCD 3/13,20/2014

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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 WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26, 2014, 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. 463060 CN/CB 3/13/2014

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A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the District office located at 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida 33935 (for pick up), PO Box 1606, LaBelle, FL 33975-1606 (mailing address) or by calling 863-675-0346.

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Mark Colbert,
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv, 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
879	2010	1274329-01000E20340	Juan Esquivel

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

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BY: Sam Williams, President
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HENDRY COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING LOCATION CHANGE

Members of the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, may attend and speak at a Community Values Workshop, at 6:00 p.m. on March 20, 2014. The location of the meeting has been changed to the Montura Clubhouse, 255 N. Hacienda St., Clewiston, Florida. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

Board of County Commissioners
Hendry County, Florida
Karson Turner, Chairman
463365 CN/CB 3/13/2014

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4239	2010	4104329-04021650020	James V Pridden

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4244	2010	4104329-04021690100	David Scott Washburn

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2361	2009	1314433-A0001340000	David & Yasmín K McGe

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5846, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision

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Hendry County, Florida

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Ameribank % Kingery/Crouse Magnolia TC2 SA 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
3066	2010	1214334-01000050120	Daisy Bell Williams c/o Lois Graf Prof Bus Svc

Lot 12, Block 5, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 4 TO CLEWISTON, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 32, of the Current Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING FOR GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1011	2010	1294529-A000090000	Jesus Carlos Ortiz

Starting at the Southeast corner of Section 29, Township 45 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, and running North 363.5 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence running West 150 feet; thence North 264 feet; thence East 160 feet; thence South to the Point of Beginning, less State Road right-of-way.

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462049 CN 2/20,27;3/6,13/2014

REQUEST FOR BID (RFB) NO. 600000618
Diesel Oxidation Catalyst Installation and Improvements, Pump Stations S-357, S-26, S-332C, S-6, S-319 and G-310, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach Counties, FL

The Procurement Bureau of the South Florida Water Management District, P-3 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406, will receive sealed bids up to **2:30 p.m.** opening time on **Tuesday, April 15, 2014** for the **DIESEL OXIDATION CATALYST INSTALLATION AND IMPROVEMENTS, PUMP STATIONS S-357, S-26, S-332C, S-6, S-319 AND G-310, MIAMI-DADE AND PALM BEACH COUNTIES, FL**. Project includes but is not limited to the following work at six (6) District pump stations: Pump Station S-357: Install new Diesel Oxidation Units (DOCs) in the exhaust piping for the four (4) diesel engines main pump drivers. Pump Station S-26: Replace the existing 5-inch diameter exhaust piping, exhaust silencers and silencer support brackets for the three (3) diesel engine generators with new 8-inch diameter exhaust piping, new silencers and new silencer support brackets. Re-use and re-install the existing DOCs and associated instrument tubing. Pump Station S-332C: Replace the existing, engine-skid-supported DOC maintenance access platforms for the four (4) diesel engine pump drivers with new, floor-mounted platforms. New platforms will be approximately 13 inches higher than existing to provide additional headroom for engine maintenance. Existing DOC/silencer assemblies shall also be raised approximately 13 inches. Pump Station S-6: Add thru-bolts to one wall connection in each of the three (3) existing DOC maintenance access platforms/pipes supports. Pump Station S-319: Relocate swing gate on DOC maintenance access platform for Engine #5. Pump Station G-310: Remove and replace the calcium silicate jacket between the flanges of the DOC unit and the expansion joint at engines #1 & #3.

An **OPTIONAL PRE-BID CONFERENCE** will be held on **Monday, March 24, 2014 at 10:00 a.m.**, on-site at Pump Station S-357. For driving directions call (561) 234-5550.

All bids must conform to the instructions in the RFB. Interested respondents may obtain a copy of the complete RFB (1) at the above address; (2) by downloading the solicitation from our website at www.sfwmd.gov; (3) by calling (561) 682-2715. The public is invited to attend the bid opening. **Further information on the status of this solicitation can be obtained on our web site - www.sfwmd.gov.**

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1009	2010	1294529-A000080000	Jesus Carlos Ortiz

Begin at the Northeast corner of the Southeast one-quarter, Section 29, Township 45 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida; thence S 01 degree 44' 50" W, 1322.57 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; thence continue 285.63 feet; thence N 89 degrees 35' 15" W, 157.54 feet to the Easterly right-of-way of SR 29; thence N 00 degrees 36' 30" W along right-of-way, 285.34 feet; thence N 89 degrees 20' 56" E, 169.18 feet to the East Line Section and the Point-of-Beginning.

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Hendry County, Florida

462164 CN 2/20,27;3/6,13/2014

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2013-CA-831

THE BANK OF NEW YORK MELLON TRUST COMPANY, N.A. as trustee on behalf of BCMSC SECURITIZATION TRUST 2001-A, acting by and through GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, as Servicing Agent
345 St. Peter Street
St. Paul, MD 55102
Plaintiff,

v.

MICHAEL D. ROTHENHOEFER A/K/A MICHAEL DAVID ROTHENHOEFER, LISA MICHELE ROTHENHOEFER, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF KRISTEN K. CLEVENGER, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RONALD L. CLEVENGER, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY CLEVENGER,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RONALD L. CLEVENGER, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MARY CLEVENGER.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a civil action has been filed against you in the Circuit Court, County of Hendry, State of Florida, to foreclose certain real property described as follows:

LOT 9, BLOCK B, CROSS-TIE MOBILE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 103, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA; TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2000 FLEETWOOD 48X26 MOBILE HOME SERIAL NUMBER AND FFLX70A27522WC31 AND FFLX70B27522WC31.

Commonly known as: 861 E. LINCOLN AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935

You are required to file a written response with the Court and serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Timothy D. Padgett, P.A., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, Florida 32312, at least thirty (30) days from the date of first publication, and file the original with the clerk of this court 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.

DATED this 24th day of February, 2014

CLERK OF COURT
BY:
Deputy Clerk

462730 CN 3/6,13/2014

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
542	2010	1324229-A0000560000	Denton II LLC

The East one-half of the following described property as divided by a North-South line parallel to the East boundary thereof.

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter and the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter, EXCLUDING the East 178.99 feet and EXCLUDING the North 150 feet of the West 375 feet of Section 32, Township 42 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to a perpetual easement for ingress and egress across the North 30 feet thereof. Subject to a perpetual easement for ingress, egress and utilities across the East 30 feet thereof and across the South 30 feet of the East 200 feet thereof.

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

463077 CN 3/6,13,20,27/2014

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourist Development Council will hold a regular meeting at 4:00pm Thursday March 20, 2014 in the conference room of the Hendry Co Economic Development Council, located at 644 S. Main St. LaBelle, FL. This meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Hendry County
Tourist Development Council
Darrell Harris, Chair
463381 CN/CB 3/13/2014

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NOTICE OF MEETING

The Barron Water Control District Board of Supervisors will meet at 3:00 P.M. on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at the office of the District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, Port LaBelle, Florida.

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct regular business that may require Board action.

This meeting is open to the public.

Mark Colbert, Chairman
463534 CN/CB 3/13,20/2014

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 03/21/2014, 10:00 am at 74 S. INDUSTRIAL LOOP, LABELLE, FL 33935, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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Goodwill LaBelle Job-Link to Host As, Inc. Job Fair

LaBelle- Goodwill Industries of South-west Florida, Inc. will be hosting As, Inc. at their Job-Link Center (133 North Bridge Street) for the company's job fair on March 18 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.. As, Inc. is a floral nursery located in Alva and is looking to fill 250 seasonal harvester positions.

"We like employers to view Goodwill as a resource for new hires," says Job-Link Coordinator Magdalena Flores. "We work with so many clients with a variety of skills that are looking for employment that we are happy when companies approach us to host job fairs like this one."

Requirements for the As, Inc. seasonal

harvester positions include the ability to work outside, and standing and bending for extended periods of time. The positions are Monday thru Friday 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Job-Link Centers provide employment services, skills training, and family strengthening resources. In addition to Goodwill's employment-related guidance, the nonprofit partners with other agencies to provide services, such as money management, foreclosure assistance, income tax preparation, and English as a second language courses.

For more information about the job fair call (863)675-0114.

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1233 N. W. Avenue L,
Belle Glade, Florida

• Property of: Dorothy Walker-Bike Bed Spread, TV Cart, Miscellaneous Boxes
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Community Briefs

Genealogy lecture

The GFWC LaBelle Community Woman's Club is hosting Kathleen Callanan on March 18, 6:30 p.m. for her Internet Genealogy lecture. Kathleen Callanan spoke on DNA so this will be the tie-in to that lecture. If you did not attend the DNA lecture, this will still be excellent information. Lecture is \$10 and will cover finding records on-line, proper documentation, and Public Trees. The club has Wi-Fi so the lecture will include live searches. This will be the last genealogy lecture until September; please plan to attend. For reservations and questions, please contact Tina Noel at 863-673-1144 or tinasews@gmail.com

Sign up for Little Miss LaBelle

Sign-ups for the Little Miss LaBelle Pageant will be Tuesday, March, 18 from 5-6:30 at the First Baptist Church and Thursday, March 20, from 5-6:30 at the LaBelle High School Auditorium. Kindergarten thru 8th grade, registration fee is \$25 and you must attend a LaBelle school or be a resident of LaBelle. The pageant is April 26.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

American Legion Post 130 is hosting the Annual St. Patrick's Day Corned Beef & Cabbage dinner Monday, March 17, 4-7 p.m. The \$8 includes "Legion Size Portions" of Boiled Red Potatoes, Steamed Carrots, Fresh Rye Bread and "Green Beverage Available." Desserts \$1. For more information: 863-675-8300. The American Legion of LaBelle is located on west SR 80 across from the Shell Station.

Grab your ride and Cruise in

The South Central Florida Car Club's monthly Cruise In- Hot Rides & Hot Dogs will be March 18 5-8 p.m. in Barron Park. All area auto lovers are welcome, and bring out their ride to show.

Fresh grilled hot dogs are served with chips and drinks. Your choices of toppings on the side. So dust off your ride and join in for a fun night of conversation along the banks of the river. Call 863-634-1791 or 863-674-0128.

Gardeners to meet

The LaBelle Garden Club will meet Monday, March 24, at 7 p.m. at the Dallas Townsend Center, 1085 Pratt Blvd. Dale Kammerlohr, a true expert on Bromeliads will present on "Landscaping with Bromeliads."

Bring a friend. Refreshments served, (Bring a treat if you'd like to share something). If you have a plant to exchange - or produce from your garden - Great - if not come anyway, you'll come away with one or more plants and have a fun filled evening with so much to learn! Check out the website 'labellegardenclub.org' for a site chock full of information on gardening specifically in LaBelle. For more information, call President Dave at 863-342-8233 or Nikki at 239-564-2005.

Walk in Paradise

Hikers and families are invited to a "Day before St. Patrick's Day Hike" on the Paradise Lake Loop Trail at Fisheating Creek Ft. Center Wildlife Management Area. The hike to the Memorial Cypress will be led by Fisheating Creek Florida Trail Association volunteers on Sunday March 16. Go green. We will look for the budding signs of spring and green seedlings.

Meet at 3 p.m. at the Paradise Lake Trailhead parking lot north of the SR29/US 27 intersection for the leisurely two-mile walk. After hiking 1 mile we will eat our lunch on the Creek near the Memorial Cypress before returning to the parking lot by 6 p.m.

Wear green. Wear closed-toed comfortable shoes, hat and sunscreen. Bring: water, lunch and insect repellent. Optional: camera. For more info or to sign up for this event please contact a leader. Leaders: Margaret England 863-517-0202, mleighthouse@embarqmail.com; Betty Loomis 863-532-9339, beloomis@yahoo.com.

ABWA Bingo action

Get ready for the American Business Women's Association's first Bingo/Luncheon. Bingo with non-cash prizes March 22 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. at the Dallas Townsend Ag Building, 1085 Pratt Blvd. Door opens at 9:30 a.m. Jackpot game and 50/50 tickets sold separately. For more information call Joyce McLeod 239-370-9418, Carol Kraft 863-885-1339; or Roberta Reynolds 863-675-6369. Proceeds go specifically toward furthering education.

Included in a \$25 ticket is one pack of six cards for 15 games. Additional packs available for purchase; salad bar and desert with coffee, tea and water.

OCA Spaghetti Dinner

The Ortona Community Association will hold its popular spaghetti buffet dinner Saturday, March 15, 5:7 p.m. at the new Community Park Building, 2086 Ortona Locks Road (Highway 78A). The park is located 500 feet beyond the Ortona Fire House.

The all-you-can-eat spaghetti buffet features pasta with delicious original- recipe meat sauce, tossed salad, hot garlic bread, green beans, dessert, coffee and iced tea for \$7 advance or \$8 at the door. For reservations contact Fran Way at 863-675-7880 or email franwayrn@aol.com.

Conservationists to meet

The Hendry Soil and Water Conservation District will hold its regularly scheduled board meeting March 27, 1 p.m. in the large conference room of the Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Building. Meetings are open to the public.

Barron Library plans annual meeting

The annual meeting for Barron Library will be held at the library on Monday, March 17, at 6 p.m. After a short informational meeting, refreshments will be served. The meeting is open to the public.

Become a 'Friend of the Library', with an-

nual fee of \$10.00.

American Legion Auxiliary to meet

Come join us, Thursday, March 20, at 7 p.m. at The American Legion Post 130 on Hwy. 80 West in LaBelle. The District President Diann Dikrcz will be our guest. Come meet and greet her. The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary and all

branches of the Legion solidly stand behind America and her ideals. Together we can make a difference. For more information call President Linda at 863-675-2086.

Widows to meet

The Widows Support Group will meet March 20 at the 7 Mares (formerly Vickie's Lunch Box) at 11:30 a.m. All widows welcome.

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Tina Noel has been nominated for Volunteer of the Year for 2013

Members of the General Federation of Women's Clubs (GFWC) LaBelle Community Woman's Club have nominated Tina Noel for the organization's District 12 Volunteer of the Year for 2013. Tina, a 100 percent disabled veteran, has given unselfishly of her time and service to a multitude of worthy organizations. She's been a driving force behind the Woman's Club for the past few years, and she never thinks twice before throwing her efforts behind any project the club tackles.

When you first meet Tina, she can come across as a bit aggressive or overly assertive. But, you soon learn that this is a result of her undying passion to help others and to drive necessary change in our community. She wants to be in the know. She wants to find out what needs done. And, finally, she sees to it that any worthy project is tackled with style! This is true for her work with the Woman's Club as well as with the many other organizations she supports—Disabled American Veterans, The American Legion, Daughters of the American Revolution, Heifer International, Days for Girls, Dress for Suc-

cess, Humane Society, Women for Women international, Hacienda House, Community Sew, American Sewing Guild and many other community projects—especially any project with an emphasis on education or veterans services.

She walks the walk... She asks no one to do something she wouldn't do herself. She doesn't just say "you should..." She says "we will!" She helps plan the projects and then jumps in feet first to see them through to the end. She invests her time, her effort and her financial support as well as rallying both physical and financial support from any other source possible.

She talks the talk... She is a strong advocate for any worthy cause. She will make it heard and known through every venue available to her. She creates and distributes posters and news releases.

She uses word of mouth, the press and the various internet outlets. For example, in 2013 her efforts managed to help stop our community from taking on a 30 year monetary commitment to a golf course that many believed was doomed from the beginning.

She supports a broad mix of projects - sewing quilts to be raffled to support the Woman's Club scholarship fund—purchasing all materials out of pocket; sold raffle tickets for those quilts till her hubby accused her of selling her "stuff" on the street! She spearheaded bringing a lecture series on genealogy to the club and community.

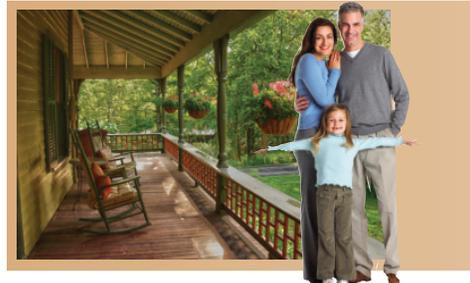
One of the Woman's Club's best fundraisers this past year was called a Mother's Day Off Basket. Tina rounded up over \$600 worth of gift certificates for services and merchandise from area businesses. These were put into a raffle basket and all proceeds from the raffle went to the club's scholarship fund. She has served as club secretary since 2012. She single handedly gathered and compiled its yearly reports for 2012, going member-by-member and generating lists of hours and donations. This was the first time the club had reported in probably more than ten years. She's always on the lookout or potential members and fundraising ideas. She doesn't hesitate to put her money where her mouth is and uses her own funds to get projects rolling.

Late in 2013, Tina was distressed to learn of the need for feminine hygiene products in so many parts of the world. She worked to inform the Woman's Club and community of this need and has challenged the club to make 500 kits for Days for Girls (daysforgirls.org) during 2014. She encourages other club members to find projects and bring them to the Woman's Club for help.



Tina Noel

Members of the LaBelle Woman's Club are grateful to have Tina as a member. Her spirit, passion and energy make so many things possible.



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BAKED PINEAPPLE

INGREDIENTS

- 1 (16 oz) can crushed pineapple, drained
- 3 eggs, beaten
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 4 tablespoons cornstarch
- Butter
- Cinnamon

DIRECTIONS
 Combine pineapple with 3 well-beaten eggs. Mix the sugar and cornstarch together and add to the egg and pineapple mixture. Mix well. Pour into 1-quart baking dish. Dot with butter and sprinkle with cinnamon. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 to 60 minutes or until firm & brown.

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