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How will you celebrate Earth Day?

Earth Day is celebrated on April 22. LaBelle Middle School is going to do various activities to inform students about Earth Day. We are going to decorate grocery bags; they will have pencils, erasers, and buttons in them. Wisconsin Senator Gaylord Nelson wanted a way to educate people about protecting the Earth, so in the spring of 1970 he made April 22 Earth Day. America used to be the only country to celebrate this holiday. In 1990 Earth Day became a worldwide holiday. Earth Day is all about conserving energy and doing things that are good for the Earth. Earth Day has been successful on informing the public about environmental concerns. Without Earth Day some people wouldn't care about what happens to our environment. Earth day informs people of the impact their actions have on the environment.

- To help you can:
- plant trees
 - learn about issues facing the environment
 - reduce, reuse, and recycle
 - clean up litter
 - wear green or brown
 - buy environment-friendly products

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Digging deep



Caloosa Belle/Patty Brant

The Molina family stood tall at Saturday's Relay for Life. Their youngest member, Arik - now 8 - is their own little miracle. At just four years of age, Little Arik woke up crying. His legs hurt. He couldn't walk, and was soon diagnosed with leukemia. He braved over three years of daily chemotherapy as well as steroids, spinal taps and other treatments from August 2011-November 2013. His parents, David and Arlene, said Arik was the "exception to every rule" about cancer treatment. Their little boy kept his sense of humor throughout, and was a source of strength to his family, including siblings Adan, 11, and Amelia, 18. Today he is cancer-free, a happy well adjusted second grader at Uptegrove Elementary School. A true Relay for Life success story.



Left: The crowd applauds as cancer survivors take the traditional first lap around the track at the 2014 Relay for Life Saturday, April 12. More photos Page 2.

LaBelle plans 'walking district'

by Patty Brant
Caloosa Belle

LaBelle City Commissioners continue to envision the future look of the city as they consider a new concept called the Downtown Smart Code.

At the board's April 10 meeting, City Planner Shellie Johnson explained that the Smart Code is derived from a national concept calling for a return to seeing downtown areas as gathering places. The project is funded by a \$20,000 grant from the Department of Economic Opportunity. The planner is engaged in writing city zoning code for Downtown Walking District that is designed to continue redevelopment along a historical context for the downtown area. The code would encourage walking, social participation and a "sense of local character" that the city has been moving toward for years.

Several years ago the city sought public input for guidelines based on visioning of a downtown walking district. Ms. Johnson said the next step is to write a zoning code to promote that visioning process.

First, Ms. Johnson said they identified the city's core area with the most commercial use and highest residential density. The idea is to make downtown LaBelle a "destina-

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Help a neighbor: Volunteer for Habitat

Habitat for Humanity of Lee and Hendry Counties is having a LaBelle Work Day Saturday, April 26, from 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to help build a home in this community for a family in need.

Put love into action by helping build a home. There is a role for everyone, no experience necessary. Habitat for Humanity believes providing a safe and stable environment for children is a task people in the community want to accomplish.

Contact the Volunteer Department at 239-652-1684 or paulas@habitat4humanity.org to learn more. For general information, homeowner information or to make a donation please call 239-652-0434 or check out www.Habibat4humanity.org.

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Easter Fun

On Saturday, April 12 the Kiwanis Club of LaBelle sponsored the annual Egg Hunt and Scavenger Hunt at the LaBelle Kiwanis Thrift Store. Approximately 50 kids participated in the event and prizes were awarded in four age group categories. There were thousands of eggs scattered all over the field behind the Thrift Store. LaBelle High School Key Club Members and West Glades Builders Club Members helped the kids to gather their eggs

Natalie Perez - Most eggs

while parents watched and snapped photos. There were 40 scavenger hunt items hidden all over the Kiwanis property for the older kids. Participants in the scavenger hunt had 10 clues; then they had to "guess" what the item was and then search for those items within a certain allotted time. Of course the Easter Bunny (Mary Bartoshuk) was there bringing smiles to everyone! The kids (of all ages) seemed to have a wonderful time!



Laeda - Prize Egg



Winners: Mariah-Prize; Kyza-Least; Natalie-Most.



Submitted photo/Nikki Yeager

Relay for Life Contest

A challenging, fun (wet) contest during the Relay for Life was to lay on your back and balance a bowl of water on your feet for as long as possible. It also turned out to be very long! It was 'down to the wire' between two participants and a winner was finally declared by a final disqualification technicality. The spirited cheering and distractions continued to the end. Fun activities continued all night. Next year, watch for the next exciting Relay for Life and let's all get involved!

Caloosa Belle/Patty Brant

Big Smiles: Dad Geraldo Topper Jr., with children Alyssa, Justin

Thank you to everyone involved with the LaBelle Relay for Life. Weather was perfect this year.



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tion" for locals and visitors to enjoy, with a mix of uses and a buffer area that transitions to single family housing.

It is this transitional area that recently caused an uproar with residents surrounding the "Missouri Street PUD," allowing an apartment complex at the edge of the core downtown district and a single family residential neighborhood. The PUD includes some parking on the street for apartment residents.

Ms. Johnson said the code will establish a framework for a small walking district based on the city's existing small lot pattern and protect its existing historical context.

The plan is designed to keep a local flavor and includes several transitional areas of varying densities and uses. She said that minor exceptions may be made by staff in some areas, while deviations that cause inconsistencies in the code would need to be addressed by a public hearing.

She said many details remain to be worked out with a draft possibly ready for June.

In a related exchange, resident Bonnie Feickert addressed the board with complaints about the way it handled dealing with neighborhood opposition to the recently passed Missouri Street PUD. She accused the board of doing a "lousy job" of communication with residents and said the board of "trusted elected officials" owes them a better explanation of what happened.

She said it felt to residents like the board didn't care about them and had already made its decision before hearing from them. She added that the board is "lucky to have"

helped residents understand the process.

Mayor Dave Lyons said that he thought the board conveyed information appropriately that night. As per the current zoning code, the property owner could have done the project without making any concessions to the city.

City Attorney Angela Hill explained that the commissioners are not supposed to answer questions and interface with the public at meetings.

In the end, Mayor Lyons said he was glad Ms. Feickert came and expressed her opinion and that the board needs that kind of involvement.

Earth Day

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- talk about your environmental concerns
- ride your bike instead of driving your car

Did you know?

- The average American produces more than 4 pounds of garbage per day
- Americans throw away 25 billion Styrofoam cups a year
- Plastic requires 100-400 years to break down in a landfill
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- The average American uses more than 750,000 gallons of water per year

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Devils Garden Branch of QDMA Annual Sportsman Banquet

The Devils Garden Branch of the Quality Deer Management Association will hold its annual Sportsman Banquet & Auction at 6:30pm on April 26, 2014.

The event will be held at LaBelle Civic Center, 481 State Road 80, LaBelle FL 33935
Doors open at 6:00 pm.

The banquet will follow. Several raffles, live and silent auctions will take place throughout the evening. Prizes and items up for bid will include hunts, firearms, bows, knives, collectibles, wildlife art, hunting equipment and much, much more.

Tickets are only \$50.00 for adults, \$75.00

for couples

Tickets are available by Calling Marc Proudfoot at 863-673-2034 or by Email: QDMAdevils garden@gmail.com

Founded in 1988, the QDMA is a national nonprofit wildlife conservation organization with more than 50,000 members in all 50 states and several foreign countries.

Membership in the QDMA is open to anyone committed to ethical hunting, sound deer management and the preservation of the deer-hunting heritage.

-www.QDMA.com-



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Rotary welcomes Dallas Townsend

Pictured with Dallas Townsend, retired Hendry County Extension Director, is LaBelle Rotary Club President Andy Higginbotham on the left. Dallas made a presentation entitled, "A little History of Hendry County, Florida." The presentation started with the US purchase of Florida from Spain in 1891 for \$5,000,000 and concluded with the 1947 hurricane which caused the Caloosahatchee River to over flow its banks, flooding the city of LaBelle. After the Caloosahatchee River was re-dredged in the late 1950s and early 1960s the river never again came out of its banks. The LaBelle Rotary Club meets on Tuesday at Beef O Brady's at noon.

Prepare for Hurricane Season

Week 3 Groceries

- One gallon of water*
- One jar jelly or jam*
- One meat group item*
- One can ready to eat soup*
- One fruit group item*
- One hand operated can opener
- One package paper napkins

Other Supplies

- A portable AM/FM radio - battery operated or hand crank

Hatchet or ax

Roll of duct tape

Note: In a disaster there is enough stress without your family having to eat foods they don't like. Pick foods based on your family's needs and wants.

Whenever possible pick foods that are low in salt, and packed in water. Be sure to rotate your supplies every six months to a year. Items marked with a * should be purchased for each member of your household.

Arrest Reports

LaBelle

Nathan Lorenzo Erickson, 24, was arrested April 14 and charged with indecent exposure and corruption by threat of a public servant or family. R. Maldonado was arresting officer.

Rodney Allen Willis, 32, was arrested April 13 and charged with grand theft of motor vehicle. N. Krause was arresting officer.

Ramiro Gaona, 18, was arrested April 14 and charged with criminal mischief \$200-\$1,000, burglary of an unoccupied structure unarmed and resisting an officer obstruction of justice without violence. V. Speak was arresting officer.

Jose Gaona, Jr., 25, was arrested April 14 and charged with criminal mischief \$200-\$1,000, burglary of an unoccupied structure unarmed, resisting an officer obstruction of justice without violence, fraud impersonation - providing false ID to law enforcement and having an out of county warrant. V. Speak was arresting officer.

Bently Charles Richard Jr., 24, was arrested April 11 and charged with battery touch/strike and aggravated battery offender knew or should have known the victim was pregnant. J. Brown was arresting officer.

Roberto Miguel Zavala, 18, was arrested April 9 and charged with larceny \$300-\$5,000. J. Rojas was arresting officer.

Asteri Isaac, 44, was arrested April 9 and charged on a warrant with grand theft of a motor vehicle. A. Campbell was arresting officer.

Shanda Lavonne Morris, 23, was arrested April 4 and charged with criminal mischief under \$200, burglary of an unoccupied dwelling unarmed and grand theft \$300-\$5,000. Sgt. Olvera was arresting officer.

Bobbie Lynn Farabee, 21, was arrested April 4 and charged with criminal mischief under \$200, burglary of an unoccupied dwelling unarmed and grand theft \$300-\$5,000. Sgt. Olvera was arresting officer.

Michael Rene Johnson, 20, was arrested April 8 and charged with selling misbranded drugs in lieu of a schedule I, II, III of IV controlled substance.

Clewiston

Dakotah Blayne Cypress, 27, was arrested April 14 and charged with a moving traffic violation driving with a suspended license third or subsequent offense. M. Thomas was arresting officer.

Prescription take-back Saturday at K&M Drugs

LaBelle, FL – On April 26 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drug Free Hendry County, Hendry County Sheriff, K&M Drugs and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) will give the public its eighth opportunity in three years to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your pills for disposal to K&M Drugs at 149 W. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle or at 340 E. Sugarland Hwy., Clewiston. (The DEA cannot accept liquids or needles or sharps, only pills or patches.) The service is free and anonymous, no questions asked.

Last October, Americans turned in 324 tons (over 647,000 pounds) of prescription drugs at over 4,114 sites operated by the DEA and its thousands of state and local law enforcement partners. When those results are combined with what was collected in its seven previous Take Back events, DEA and its partners have taken in over 3.4 million pounds—more than 1,700 tons—of pills.

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. Medicines that languish in home cabinets are highly susceptible to diversion, misuse, and abuse. Rates of prescription drug abuse in the U.S. are alarmingly high, as are the number of accidental poisonings and overdoses due to these drugs. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, Americans are now advised that their usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flush-

ing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—both pose potential safety and health hazards.

DEA is in the process of approving new regulations that implement the Safe and Responsible Drug Disposal Act of 2010, which amends the Controlled Substances Act to allow an "ultimate user" (that is, a patient or their family member or pet owner) of controlled substance medications to dispose of them by delivering them to entities authorized by the Attorney General to accept them. The Act also allows the Attorney General to authorize long term care facilities to dispose of their residents' controlled substances in certain instances.

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Help get abuse shelter ready for opening

Thank you for allowing me to share this with you, Abuse Counseling & Treatment, Inc. {ACT} has served victims of domestic violence and their children, survivors of sexual assault and human trafficking in Lee, Hendry and Glades Counties for over 35 years.

We provide 24-hour hotline, safe emergency shelter with 90 beds and a circle of support services which includes individual and group counseling, case management, medical, legal and personal advocacy, assistance with crime compensation and relocation, child assessments and children's program, support and assistance with injunctions for protection, support throughout the judicial system minding accompaniment to court, 24-hour-on-call counseling and support at all local hospitals and our rape crisis center, and profession and community education throughout the communities we serve including middle and high school educational programs.

Many victims we serve have only the

clothes they are wearing when they arrive. We are able to give them back things they need and a new beginning.

Through counseling, services and assistance they are able to make healthier choices and be free from the violence. All services are offered free of charge.

ACT is a non-profit organization funded in part by the United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades Counties, Lee County, City of Cape Coral, City of Ft Myers, Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Florida Council Against Sexual Violence, Florida Department of Health, Office of Attorney General, fundraising and private donations.

Our mission is to eliminate domestic violence, sexual assault and human trafficking through the services we provide by the quality and excellence of our Board, staff and volunteers.

Our services will provide the survivors and their children with support and options for beginning the journey to a safe, healthy relationship and life.

We presently operate two emergency shelters, one in Fort Myers and another in Cape Coral. Our Hendry-Grades County shelter, which was rented, closed six years ago due to circumstances beyond our control and it has taken us this long to find appropriate space and funding to purchase

a building that can be transformed into a beautiful shelter for these victims and their children.

Last month, we purchased a 3,700 square foot building in LaBelle through a grant from the State of Florida. The physical structure is a perfect base to build from, but before we can open our doors a number of improvements must be made.

The improvements are mandated and required by law.

Having a shelter located in LaBelle, again, is essential to the success and safety of the victims and their children living in Hendry and Glades Counties. This building location is perfect. Our clients will have numerous agencies of which they will benefit from services, within walking distance.

Once the facility is up and running, we will also be able to offer forensic examinations for rape victims. Law enforcement and family members will no longer have to travel with the victims to Lee County.

Listed below are modifications that need to be made to our LaBelle Shelter in order to open the center and operate:

- ADA Compliant Bathrooms for the residents
- Installation of Fire Sprinkler & Alarm System
- Security; Monitoring System
- Doors and Locks upgraded
- Commercial Grade Range Hood, Stove and Refrigerator
- Two Commercial Air Conditioners
- Security Fencing
- Electric work inside to accommodate

washers, dryers, commercial stove and range hood and outside electric line buried where it comes into the building and is low enough some children could jump up and touch

Listed below are items we would like to have done;

- Exterior Paint
- Rear Porch Screened
- Laundry Room
- Closets built into the rooms
- Playground Equipment
- Food Pantry Shelving
- Clothes and Supply closets/shelving
- Office Furniture

Renovations (upgrades) and purchasing of necessary equipment for the facility will cost us over \$177,000 to get ready and begin operations. Any help you could offer would be greatly appreciated.

We are working hard to try and find the necessary funds to complete this project that is so worthwhile and will have such an impact on the community. We thank you for your time and any consideration for assistance you may give us.

Sincerely

Vickie Coley, Victim Advocate
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Naturalization volunteer training

The Florida New Americans (FNA) campaign is a statewide campaign to naturalized legal permanent residents eligible for citizenship at a mass scale as part of the Florida Immigrant Coalition. We are having a free non-legal volunteer training on April 26, At 10 a.m. at the Goodwill Center on Palm Beach Blvd in Fort Myers.

All ages above 16 are welcome and bilingual volunteers (Spanish or Creole) are preferred but not required.

Interested attorneys should be aware of this opportunity as well as this is a way to support the community and our trainings provide you with CLE credit.

United Way House Family Resource Center, 4162 Palm Beach Boulevard Fort Myers. Light breakfast provided 9:30. For more information, contact Grey Torrico at grey@floridaimmigrant.org or 239-571-7043 (239)693-9510.

Thank You

It has been over a month since Patrick's accident and he is doing much better. This week he is back at work on light duty. We would like to thank everyone for the love, prayers, and donations we have received. You never realize how much you are loved until something tragic happens. We would have liked to thank everyone personally but that would take up the whole newspaper. Thanks to the whole community of LaBelle. Thank you to all those who set up the benefit, donated to and purchased dinners and tickets. Thanks to our bosses and companies for giving us the needed time off and welcoming us back. Many people complain about LaBelle being a small town full of drama, but to us it is a small town filled with lots of love!

Thank you all,

Patrick and Mona O'Bannon

Community Briefs

Narcotics Anonymous meetings

NA meetings are held at the United Way Building, 133 North Bridge Street. each Monday from 6-7 p.m.

It is an open meeting and anyone having a desire not to use narcotics or any other substance is free to attend this meeting.

For more information, individuals may contact Chad at 239-878-1136.

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.

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We Pledge...

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- To correct our errors and to give each correction the prominence it deserves.
- To provide a right to reply to those we write about.
- To treat people with courtesy, respect and compassion.



Submitted photo

Hendry County Employee of the Quarter

Steven McCormick is Hendry County BOCC E.L.F.F. committee's choice for Employee of the Quarter. E.L.F.F. is a group of employees who help boost other BOCC employee's morale. Mr. McCormick was nominated for employee of the quarter by his fellow coworkers. Pictured are E.L.F.F. Committee members Myra Johnson, Randi Davis and Mydajah Williams, Mr. Parker the county engineer and the County administrator Mr. Chapman. The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners recently voted to recognize individual county employees for their exceptional work.



Submitted photo

Karaoke stars

All Starr Karaoke held its 2014 A.S.K.E. Awards Show at the LaBelle Moose on Friday, April 4, 2014. It is All Starr's way of being able to give special recognition for the hard work, dedication and talent to individuals this past season. The award recipients are chosen based on their season long performances, crowd response and overall improvement. Having more than 200 singers that participated made the choices very difficult. Front row left: Sandra Howard - Top Female Entertainer of the Year, Briana Gibson - Honorable Mention Youngest Singer, Jennifer Keehn - Female Best Rendition, Lonnie Epperson - Male Honorable Mention, Rose Mason - Female Star Performer, Pat McGill - Female Honorable Mention, "Zim" Bob Way - Top Male Entertainer of the Year, Marty Lyons - Honorable Mention, Janie Loreto - Honorable Mention. Back row left: Matthew Howard, Male Best Rendition, Phil Simpson, Male Star Performer, "Big Al" Venema - Male Rising Star, George Ketcham - Male Honorable Mention, Mary Harn - Female Most Improved, Al Taliente - Male Honorable Mention, Paula Renfro - Female Best New, Lori White - Female Star Performer, and Shirley Martin - Female Honorable Mention. Missing from photo are Toni Edge - Female Honorable Mention, Gary Albritton - Male Honorable Mention, Eric Bardon - Male Best New, Bobby Mims - Male Honorable Mention, Kat Bardon - Female Rising Star.



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We can also assist with your hazardous waste management needs.



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Thank you for your recycling efforts & feel free to let us know your suggestions for improving our program.



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Church Briefs

Gran Campaña Evangelística

La Iglesia El Faro de LaBelle les invita a las 7:00 p.m. en el Rodeo por la 29 Sur Sabado, 19 a las 7:00 p.m. en la Iglesia El Faro 431 Bryan Ave. Domingo 20 a las 6:30 p.m. an la Iglesia El Faro 431 Bryan Ave. Para mas informacion llama al Pastor Isabel Valentin Al 863-843-0264

Sunrise service speaker chosen

The LaBelle Evangelical Ministers Association are pleased to announce the selection of this year's community sunrise speaker for Easter April 20 7 a.m. in Barron Park. He is Pastor George Rodriguez, along with his wife Asia, ordained ministers through Christian International Ministries. They have been Senior Pastors at Life Ministries Church for 13 years. Their calling is to restore and mature the saints to their potential so they can do the work of their ministry. Their desire is to see the Lord's prophetic ministry flow through mature saints by the preaching and teaching of the Gospel, followed by signs, healings and wonders.



Pastor George Rodriguez

They know first hand about the power of healing through Jesus. When Pastor George was stricken with advance thyroid cancer years ago, he lost his voice due to several surgeries, and the diagnosis was that he would never be able to speak again, and would not live past two years.

God miraculously healed him of cancer and restored his voice. Today they both shepherd, prophesy, preach and teach Gods word. They have four children and four

The El Faro church of LaBelle invites you to their "Revival" Saturday the 19th 7:00 p.m. and Sunday the 20th at El Faro church starting at 6:30 p.m. For more information Call Pastor Isabel Valentin at 863-843-0264.

Good Shepherd Easter schedule

Maundy Thursday, April 17. Fr. Da-

grandchildren who serve and love the Lord.

Sunrise Service

Barron Park- April 20 7 a.m.

Pastor Charles Gobble Welcome, opening prayer, Pastor of LaBelle Church of God

Kathy E. Avery worship leader at LaBelle Assembly of God Congregational worship 1 Corinthians 15: Reading L. W. Howard Pastor of Community Harvest Pentecostal Church of God

William Maddox, Prayer for Our Country, Pastor of First Christian Church

Randy Way, Old Testament Reading, LaBelle Community Prayer Chain

Frank Deerey Jr. New Testament Reading, Pastor of First Baptist Church

Offering Prayer - Clay Townsend Vice-president of LaBelle Gathering of Christian Men

(Offertory)

Solo: Mr. Larry Luckey II, UES Principal Pastor Jorge Rodriguez Easter Message, Pastor of Life Ministries

Clifford Avery, Benediction Pastor of LaBelle Assembly of God

Preston Long Jr. Audio System Youth Pastor of First Baptist Church

vid Jackson Healing service - Eucharist 9:30 a.m.; Bible Study - 10:30 a.m.; Washing of feet Service 7 p.m. Rev. Sandy Johnson

Good Friday, April 18, Good Friday Service 7 p.m. Fr. David Jackson

Easter Sunday, April 20. Eucharist 10 a.m. Fr. John Gamble

Thursday April 24, Healing service - Eucharist 9:30 a.m.

Sunday, April 27, Eucharist 10 a.m. Rev Sandy Johnson.

Egg hunt planned

Eastside Baptist Church, 601 East Hickpochee Ave., will hold an Egg Hunt April 19 from 10 a.m. till noon.

Easter at Grace Baptist

Grace Baptist Church, located at 4200 N.E. Eucalyptus Blvd. in Port LaBelle, will hold a Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday at 7 a.m. The church will supply a breakfast at 8 a.m. and the morning Worship Service will be at 9:30 a.m. The staffed nursery will be provided. Come and enjoy a morning of

worship, fellowship and feasting as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus and all the benefits that means for us. For more information, call: 863-675-3349.

Easter at Carlson

We will commemorate the crucifixion of Jesus and His death at Calvary with a Good Friday Service on April 18. The service will begin at 7 p.m. Christ is Risen. He is risen in deed. Hallelujah! Come and celebrate the resurrection of our Savior and Lord on Easter Sunday, April 20 starting with a Sunrise Service at 6:30 a.m. after the service the Costa Rica Mission Team will be serving breakfast in the Fellowship Hall until 10:30 a.m. There will be a Traditional Service at 9 a.m. and a Contemporary at 11 a.m. as well.

Gospel, dinner concert

Come to the Southern Gospel Dinner & Concert Good Friday, April 18, at Sunshine Worship Center, 12925 Palm Beach Blvd. Fort Myers. Contact Tammy Farewell 239-898-8195 for more info.



Submitted photo/Ciff Avery, Men, women and children's choir

God's Amazing Grace

Easter Sunday, April 20, at 11 a.m. The musical, "God's Amazing Grace" written by, Katherine Avery will be presented at LaBelle Assembly of God. This musical shares the love God has for mankind and how His amazing love sent His only Son to this world to pay for their pardon and make them His very own children. Some of the songs will be, This Is Amazing Grace, Amazing Grace, The Hammer, He's Alive, Blessed Redeemer, Step By Step and others. LaBelle Assembly of God will have a carry in dinner following the 11 a.m. service and a candy hunt for the children following the dinner. Everyone is welcome, LaBelle Assembly of God is located at 135 Fraser Avenue across from the Edward Upthegrove Elementary School. For more information call - 675-0900 and ask for Kathy.

Obituaries

Hiram Steven Williams, 52

LAKE WORTH — Hiram Steven Williams, age 52, of Lake Worth, passed away April 4, 2014 in Delray Beach.

He was born August 1, 1961 in Fort Myers, Fla., to the late Wayland and Beatrice Joan (Ballard) Thomas. Mr. Williams married Deanna L. McKenzie.

Survivors include his wife, Deanna L. Williams; mother, Beatrice Joan (Marty) Thomas; siblings, Stephanie Joan (Marion) Stratton of Russellville, Ky., Nerissa Leighton Williams of Russellville, Ky., Janna Thomas, Mike Thomas, Jeff Thomas, Jody Thomas and Jennifer Thomas; grandmother, Beatrice Ballard of LaBelle, Fla.; uncle, Kirby (Linda) Williams; aunt, Minnie Hansen; uncle, Sam (Cindy) Ballard of LaBelle, Fla.; aunt, Jeanette (Dale) Small of LaBelle, Fla.; nephew, Cale (Kristin) Newman; niece, Amanda Newman; nephew, Cance (Brittany) Williams; great niece, Pressley Newman; great niece, Molly May Williams; great nephew, Ozzy Williams.

He was taught by his grandfather on how to operate heavy equipment and he ran them his entire life.

Funeral services were 11 a.m., Friday, April 11,

2014 at Church Of God-LaBelle with Rev. Cliff Gobble officiating. Interment will be in Fort De-naud Cemetery, LaBelle.

Visitation was held Friday for 1 hour prior to the service at Church Of God-LaBelle.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.

Wayne D. Pepitone, 67

LABELLE — Wayne D. Pepitone, of LaBelle, passed away April 10, 2014 in Fort Myers.

He was born Feb. 15, 1947 in Brooklyn, N.Y., to the late Anthony S. and the late Thelma R. (Hicks) Pepitone.

He served in the United States Army and received a Purple Heart for his service during Vietnam from 1966 to 1972.

He is survived by son, Michael W. Pepitone (Jennifer) of LaBelle, Fla.; and daughter, Toni M. Kirksey; brother, Anthony J. Pepitone (Debbie); grandchildren, Morgan Pepitone, Michael A. Pepitone, Kaitlyn Jaser, Karen-Ann Kirksey and Alex Kirksey.

Military honors will be held Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, Florida

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.



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UES March Students of the Month

K-2nd grade

First row from left: Kyle Boyce, Cindy Paniagua, Vanessa Morales, Jenna Coker, Diego Gomez, Yareli Perez, Charlize Lopez, Second row: Taumi Kay, Diego Serrano, Jarrod Willis, Cassidy Devine.



Submitted photos/Teresa Baker

UES March Students of the Month

3rd-5th grade

First row from left: Samantha Cruz, Abigail DeLeon, Walker Royal, Marcos Mendoza, Avery Peck, Payton Conly, John Davis, Bryan Canche. Second row: Geronimo Campos, Fernando Aragus, Natalie Welky Jassiry Salazar, Antonio Montez, Jaden Cutright, Joshua White.



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USF Dean's List

Jena Howard is a LHS 2012 graduate, ranked fourth in her class. She is now attending USF in Tampa (GO BULLS!) and has made the USF College of Education's Dean's list for the fall 2013 semester. Her parents Ken and Julia Howard of LaBelle are so proud of her. She was accepted early into the School of Education at USF and is excelling. Jena plans to obtain her BS in Elementary Education and Minor in Criminology. Her plan is to bring it all back to LaBelle. She is a sophomore at the University of South Florida.

School Briefs

Register for Summer VPK at Country Oaks

Hendry County Schools is offering a free Summer VPK program again this year. If you have a child that will be entering Kindergarten in August and will be five years old by September 1, 2013, he/she is eligible to attend a VPK program. Children must be residents of Florida to be eligible, but they may go to any school at the completion of VPK.

The program at COES is an excellent way to prepare your child for regular school routines.

The program runs from June 9-July 25 from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. each day. Breakfast and Lunch are provided at no cost. Please call Richard Talada at 674-4150 or 612-0750 for information or stop by Country Oaks on one of the following days from 5-7 p.m. to register.

Open registration will begin from 5-7 p.m. at Country Oaks Elementary School on April 24, May 6, May 15 or May 22. Registration may also be completed at the VPK Office located in the Old Red Brick Building at

111 Curry St. or call 674-4108. Students will be educated in literacy and mathematics as well as, music, art, computer skills and gross and fine motor skills during the course of the summer.

We look forward to having the opportunity to work with your child this summer. Register early to reserve a spot for your child!

Register at LHS

Early Registration on May 7 from 2:30-4 p.m.

LaBelle High School Registration for the 2014-15 year will be: May 19 for 11th graders; May 20 for 10th graders; May 21st for 9th graders.

Still time to register for VPK

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the lottery for the Hendry County School District VPK classrooms for the 2014-2015 school year, there is still time.

The school district is accepting applications until 4:00 p.m. May 1. Your child must be 4 years old on or before September 1,

2014 in order to enroll in the lottery.

For more information, please call 863-674-4108 or visit the Hendry County Federal Programs Office at 111 Curry Street in LaBelle (next door to Upthegrove Elementary School).

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Pictured are the cast of *Night Watch*, back row, from left: Doug Patterson, Jeni Dyess, Travis Downhen, Loris Shula and Joe Timm; front row, from left: Laura Reed, Joel Reinking, Brittany Steinke.

Firehouse goes off Bridge Street with 'Night Watch' production

The Firehouse Community Theatre proudly presents this year's "Off Bridge Street" production, *Night Watch*, written by Lucille Fletcher and directed by Mike Shough. *Night Watch* is presented by special arrangement with Dramatists Play Service, Inc., New York."

An outstanding Broadway success, this ingeniously devised thriller builds steadily in menace and suspense until its final, breath-stopping moment. Unable to sleep, Elaine Wheeler paces the living room of her Manhattan townhouse, troubled by unsettling memories and vague fears. Her husband tries to comfort her, but when he steps away for a moment Elaine screams as she sees (or believes she sees) the body of a dead man in the window across the way. The police are called, but find nothing except an empty chair. Elaine's terror grows as shortly thereafter she sees still another body—this time a woman's—but by now the police are skeptical and pay no heed to her frantic pleas. Her husband, claiming that Elaine may be on the verge of a breakdown, calls in a lady psychiatrist, who agrees with his suggestion that Elaine should commit herself to a sanitarium for treatment. From this point on, the plot moves quickly and grippingly as those involved—Elaine's old friend and house guest, Blanche; the inquisitive and rather sinister man who lives next door; and the nosy German maid, Helga—all contribute

to the deepening suspense and mystery of the play as it draws towards its riveting and chilling climax.

Night Watch stars Jeni Dyess, Travis Downhen, Doug Patterson, Laura Reed, Joel Reinking, Dennis Rock, Lori Shula, Brittany Steinke and Joe Timm. Assistant director/stage manager is Linda Patterson.

Showtimes are Friday, April 25, and Saturday, April 26, at 7 p.m. and Sunday, April 27, at 2 p.m. *Night Watch* runs for one week only, and please note that this is not part of our regular season ticket package. Season ticket holders must buy tickets in order to see the show. Tickets can be purchased for this show by calling the hotline at (863) 675-3066 or on our website at www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com.

Tickets are \$12 in advance. Tickets sold the night of the performance are \$14; however, we cannot guarantee a seat if we are sold out. 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.



Submitted photos/Andrea Compo

LES Students of the Month for February and March

Pre-k & kindergarten: Front Row: Christofer Soto-Renteria, Angel Castro-Olivera Middle Row: Yomar Espinal-Payano, Dariel Morales, Noel reyes, Chris Dominguez-Garcia Back Row: Emily Villeda, Ashley Santos, Juan Villegas, Alina Rodriguez, Alisson Busto, Zelene Olquin



1st Grade: Front Row: Jaime Castaneda, James Dickey, Brenda Yata-Moreno, Ismael Villanueva, Julian Gonzalez Back Row: Mariana Soto, Katia Garcia, Mariana Marin, Arianna Escobedo, Aissa Antunez.

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United Way raises \$223,249 for local agencies

LABELLE, FL (April 8, 2014) – The United Way of Hendry & Glades 2013-2014 Campaign has surpassed its goal, raising \$223,249 for the United Way Partner Agencies in Hendry and Glades Counties. Tommy Perry, of Johnson-Prewitt and United Way of Hendry & Glades Campaign Chair made the announcement at the celebration on March 27.

“A huge ‘Thank you’ to all of the individuals and companies who gave to the United Way Campaign this year and helped us reach our goal! 34 local United Way Partner Agencies will be able to provide food, emergency assistance, counseling and many other services right here in our community because of your gifts.”

Perry went on to say, “United Way is reaching more individuals and families who are struggling because of our partnership efforts. The 3 United Way Neighborhood Houses in Hendry and Glades Counties provide office space for many agencies to meet with clients, making it much easier for those in need to get services. Last year over 18,000 people were assisted at the Hendry & Glades United Way Houses. Your generosity has made this possible.” United Way Neighborhood Houses are located in LaBelle, Clewiston and Moore Haven.

Many individuals and companies gave to the United Way of Hendry and Glades Campaign. The top ten company contributors were:

- TOP CONTRIBUTORS
- Hilliard Brothers - \$42,782
- Alico, Inc. - \$23,463
- Hendry County School District - \$15,818
- United Way of Lee, Hendry & Glades (employees) - \$12,500
- SunCoast Credit Union - \$10,000
- Pavese Law Firm - \$9,620

Easter Bunny at Speedway Saturday

Saturday April 19, at 8 p.m. Hendry County MotorSports Park will play host to the Easter Bunny. There will be candy and prizes on hand for the kids and there will also be two separate Easter Egg hunts, divided by age groups. All kids up to 12 years old will be admitted free of charge.

Gates for this event open at 4 p.m. and the event will start at 7:00. There will also be plenty of racing action featuring street stocks, thunder stocks, mini stocks, open wheel modifieds and limited late models. There will be plenty of good food on hand.

The speedway is located one mile north of the intersection of US 27 and SR 80. For more information call 863-675-8888 or race day 863-983-3478 or go to www.HendryRacing.com.



- Monsanto Imagine - \$6,605
- Southern Garden Citrus - \$6,400
- Hope Hospice - \$5,800
- Johnson-Prewitt - \$5,445

One hundred percent of the funds raised in Hendry and Glades Counties stay in Hendry and Glades to fund local agency programs. None of the funds are used for administration or fundraising costs.

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

A local network of thirty-four agencies and programs will receive funds from the 2013-2014 United Way of Hendry & Glades fundraising campaign. These agencies include: The Salvation Army, Goodwill, Lighthouse (formerly VIP), Harry Chapin Food Bank, the Children’s Advocacy Center, Healthy Start and many others. This network serves a diverse range of needs: nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies, helping them to work together focusing on issues and so-

lutions that continue to improve lives.

For more information or to volunteer,

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Celebration of surpassing the United Way goal with Tommy Perry the United Way Campaign Chair.

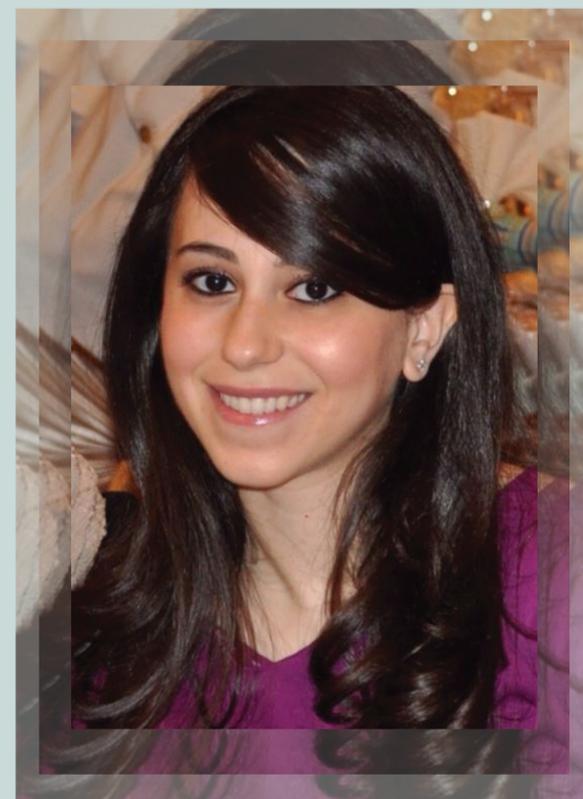
Hendry Regional Medical Center welcomes new Pharmacy Director

Hendry Regional Medical Center is proud to announce the arrival of its new Pharmacy Director, Dr. Iman Saghir.

Iman Saghir graduated as Valedictorian of her high school class in 2001. At a very young age, she felt a burning desire to help mankind; to fulfill this passion, she chose to enter the pharmacy profession. In 2007, Iman graduated from WSU Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions in Detroit, Michigan, with a doctorate in Pharmacy. She began practicing at Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center, a 650-bed hospital in Dearborn, Michigan, as a Clinical Pharmacist. In November 2012, Iman became a Board-Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist.

During the fall of 2013, Iman relocated from Michigan to Florida. She accepted the role of Pharmacy Director in February and comes to Hendry Regional Medical Center with six years of acute care, long-term hospital pharmacy experience. “I’m passionate about ensuring the best treatment for patients at Hendry Regional Medical Center and look forward to serving this community,” she says.

R.D. Williams, Hendry Regional’s CEO, expressed his pleasure in welcoming Iman to her new position, “Iman Saghir brings insight, experience, and expertise to a key leadership position at our hospital. I’m certain she will strive to provide excellent pharmaceutical care.”



Dr. Iman Saghir



Cowboys hot on the diamond

Senior Travis Burchard limited the Immokae Indians to five hits while striking out seven as the LaBelle Cowboys defeated their arch rival, 3-0, in baseball action last Tuesday, April 9. Burchard also had two hits in three at bats to lead the Cowboy offense.



Glenn Burton



Travis Burchard

On Thursday, April 11, the Cowboys exploded for 13 hits as they crushed the Dunbar Tigers 12-2 in five innings. Junior Glenn Burton was three-for-three with a triple and a triple RBI for the Cowboys. Senior Sergio Flores had three hits in four at bats and also scored three runs. Junior Danny Keller also had a good night going two-for-four with a double and two RBI.

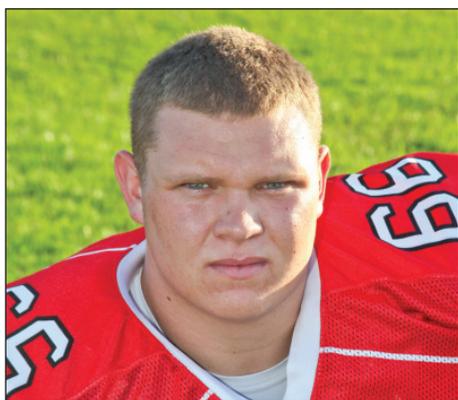
The Cowboys are now 10-9 on the season.

Keep pulling for Caleb

On April 19, there will be a Softball Tournament Fundraiser for Caleb Rimes at the Lee County Sports Complex at 9 a.m.

Softball teams from all over the area are invited to participate. Sponsorship is \$500; the cost is \$350 to enter a team. Make checks payable to Josh Rimes to be a sponsor, enter a team or for more information. Contact Jorge Diaz at 239-443-9605.

You may also help Caleb and his family by making out a check to First Bank of Clewiston, Joshua Caleb Rimes Fund.



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- 3 cups shredded cheese
- 1 can condensed cream of chicken soup
- Seasonings to taste
- 1 1/2 cups mayonnaise

DIRECTIONS

- Cook the rice according to package directions to make 6 cups.
- Combine the cans of veggies, shredded chicken and condensed cream of chicken soup and thoroughly mix together.
- Place 1/2 of the rice mixture in a 9 x 13 greased casserole dish

- Place 1/2 the chicken/veggie/soup mixture on top of the rice
- Sprinkle 1 1/2 cups shredded cheese on top
- Place remaining rice mixture on top of cheese
- Place remaining 1/2 chicken/veggie/soup mixture on top of rice
- Sprinkle remaining 1 1/2 cups shredded cheese on top of everything
- Bake at 350 for 30 minutes or until heated through and cheese is bubbly

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Delta Kappa Gamma recaps year to date

The local Delta Kappa Gamma teacher members held their end-of-year dinner meeting on March 24 at LaBelle Beef O'Brady's Conference Room. Chapter President, Megan Greenleaf, called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Recording Secretary, Cathy Kirby asked each member to answer the Roll Call with "Words of Wisdom for New Teachers". The members enjoyed sharing their ideas with answers that focused on teaching with enthusiasm and with empathy for the students.

Treasurer, Joy Bridwell and Scholarship Game Day Chair, Emily Figured reported a \$1,947.00 profit from the January Game Day fund raiser. The members were pleased to approve the recommendations of Scholarship Chair, Robin Blake and the Scholarship Committee's selections for \$1,500 in college scholarships for the coming school year.

The DKG members also voted to award Scholarships to two local students for a year of service from the Backpack Program. This program sends a Backpack filled with ready-to-eat food home for the weekend with selected students in the Hendry County School system. Chapter members also volunteered to pack food into Backpacks on May 8.

Delta Kappa Gamma members then voted to donate \$100 to the Carlson United Methodist Church for use of their Fellowship Hall for the January Scholarship Game Day project.

Megan Greenleaf handed over the President's gavel to 2014 - 2016 DKG President Lisa Horton. Other new officers include 1st Vice-President, Robin Blake, 2nd Vice-President, Stella Luckey, Recording Secretary, Cathy Kirby, Corresponding Secretary, Megan Greenleaf, and re-appointed Treasurer,

Joy Bridwell. The officers will be installed at the Fall Meeting.

Past President Megan Greenleaf closed the meeting by asking for Joys and Concerns from the members. Delta Kappa Gamma members are reminded to be considering

Nominations for new chapter members for next school year. Dates for next year's quarterly meetings will be announced following the summer Delta Kappa Gamma Chapter Officers' Meeting.

Dr Hermann from ESC campus was Born on the Bayou

By Dr. Duke DiPofi

While most of us shiver at the sight of spiders, roaches, and other creepy crawlers, Dr. Henry Hermann, a newly tenured biology professor at our Edison State College Hendry/Glades Center, views them with wonder. He shares this same passion for teaching, and his students often leave his class viewing biology and bugs in a whole new light.

Dr. Hermann comes to us after retiring from the University of Georgia after 30 years of instruction. When interviewing for the position, he said to me, "I just got bored in retirement, and I missed teaching terribly."

I first met him on the Lee Campus after being introduced by the now Dean of Pure and Applied Sciences, Dr. Theo Koupelis. Indeed, I was looking for a distinguished elderly gentleman, but what I found was a down-to-earth, pony-tailed man, deep in study about bugs and clinging to a butterfly net! Needless to say, Dr. Hermann has brought a lot of "life" to the Hendry/Glades Center.

His interest, now expertise, in entomology, all began from his childhood exploits on the bayou. Dr. Hermann is a native of New Orleans and lived just a mile down the road from the swampy regions where the mouth of the Mississippi meets the Gulf of Mexico. His mother would tell him growing up, "Henry, don't spend too much time down by the bayou, or you'll get sick." Despite her best efforts, young Henry was just too attracted to the wildlife. He would often escape for hours, enchanted by the pristine waters and the simplicity of the natural habitat. In other words, the interactions of reptiles, bugs, tics and parasites were worth getting poison ivy and at least one trip to the hospital!

What began as a childhood interest led to a career in both graduate and undergraduate

instruction at Louisiana State University. He mused with me once that after receiving his Ph.D. in 1967, he was so immersed in study that he heard a man humming a song about a "yellow submarine" and had no idea what the man was singing about. That same dedication is displayed today as he instructs our current students.

What I admire most about "Hank," as I like to call him, is that he always has time for everyone else, and he never stops learning. He just recently took on a few new Anatomy and Physiology classes so our students would no longer have to travel to the Lee Campus or take the course online. The truth is, many of his students just realize how fortunate they are to have him as an instructor and cannot wait to take another one of his classes.

Dr. Hermann has written 17 books, over 100 articles, and co-authored nine chapters in as many books over the past several years, and he has just recently finished a book for children that my son is reading at this moment.

Our goal is to have Dr. Hermann host seminars and workshops for our science teachers in town, and maybe even have a book signing "meet and greet" this fall. Until then, feel free to stop in at the Hendry/Glades Center and see him. His students do it all the time. Feel free to "bug" him—it's okay!

Dr. Duke DiPofi is the Academic Service Coordinator Academic Coordinator and fellow professor of Religion and the Cornerstone Experience at the Edison State College Hendry/Glades Center.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourism Development Council will hold a meeting at 4:00PM, Thursday, April 24th, 2014, in the conference room located at the Clewiston Museum and Clewiston Chamber of Commerce Building, located at 109 Central Ave, Clewiston Florida. 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 Tourism Development Council
 Darrell Harris, Chair
 464912 CN/CB 4/17/2014

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council will hold a meeting on April 25, 2014, at 11:30 a.m., at the Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Extension Office, 1085 Pratt Boulevard, LaBelle, Florida.

Members of the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, may attend and speak at this meeting. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

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. Please note that matters may be discussed at the meeting which are not on the prepared agenda for the meeting.

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

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3480	2007	4104329-09023060060	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 6, Block 2306, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 144, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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 Dated this **9th** day of **April, 2014**.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2857	2007	4104329-02020590090	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 9, Block 2059, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2881	2007	4104329-02020750070	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 7, Block 2075, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 11-57CC on November 8th, 2013 in the matter of Bertha Sander, as personal representative of the Estate of Annie Lou Moore and Ezekiel Miller, I, Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, to-wit:

1993 Inhouse Spri Mobile Home Vehicle ID number CLFL35146 and Title number 63826403 located at 829 Marilyn Avenue, Clewiston, Hendry County Florida

and on May 8, 2014, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street LaBelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution.

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

Steve Whidden as Sheriff
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 By: Lt. Andy Lewis
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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2819	2007	4104329-02020410160	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 16, Block 2041, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2910	2007	4104329-02020880070	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 7, Block 2088, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4264	2010	4104329-05021860120	Ela III LLC

Lot 12, Block 2186, of PORT LABELLE UNIT 5, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 104, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Tefla Investments**, 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
3908	2011	4104329-03020930030	Gladys Beadle + Michael S Beadle + Dianna Beadle

Lot 3, Block 2093, PORT LABELLE UNIT 3, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
180	2007	1074428-A0000260000	Fred & Lisa Elliott

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3487	2007	4104329-09023080210	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 21, Block 2308, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 144, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3322	2007	4104329-08000000140	CHL Home Builders Inc

Tract D14, Block 2255, PORT LABELLE UNIT 8, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 131, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3286	2010	1234334-06000000490	Jacqueline Pinerio

Lot 49, SUNSHINE LAKE ESTATES, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 175, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3342	2007	4104329-0802520160	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 16, Block 2252, PORT LABELLE UNIT 8, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 131, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2870	2007	4104329-02020670080	CHL Home Builders Inc

Lot 8, Block 2067, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in O.R. Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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 Dated this **9th** day of **April, 2014**.

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

464879 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Tefla Investments**, 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
4766	2010	4104329-09022950310	George & Adassa Morant

Lot 31, Block 2295, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 144, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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 Dated this **26th** day of **March, 2014**.

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 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida

464653 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

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
1196	2010	1274331-01000000140	Steven Hurst and Carol Lorange

The Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 North, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 14, Block O, PIONEER PLANTATION, an unrecorded subdivision.

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464656 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
HENDRY COUNTY
LEASE OF SPACE AT THE LABELLE AIRPORT**
RFP No. 2014-09
Opening Date and Time: April 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking proposals to lease the LaBelle Airport Mobile Home as office space. In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by **April 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, by email at konan@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.

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.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
464780 CN/CB 4/9,16/2014

Submitted photo/John Hollingsworth
Fashion fun at Good Shepherd

Members of the Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd model fashions from Boutique On Wheels supplied by Tom Kelley.

The 2015 Fashion Show and Luncheon will be held on Saturday, February 28. 2015. Swamp Cabbage Festival 2015 is on February 21 and 22, 2015.

Model from left: Mary Hollingsworth, Nora Fagin, Brenda Hoots, Joan Cavaliere and Carolyn Ford.



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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
874	2010	1274329-01000E10440	Linda Dekie Davis

From the intersection of the South line of Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, with the centerline of SR 29, run North 03 degrees 51' West along the centerline of SR 29, a distance of 2598.3 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; thence run North 86 degrees 17' East, a distance of 450 feet; thence run South 03 degrees 51' East, a distance of 100 feet; thence run South 86 degrees 17' West, a distance of 450 feet; thence run North 03 degrees 51' West, a distance of 100 feet to the Point-of-Beginning. LESS the Westerly 50 feet for the right-of-way of SR 29. Being in Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida and more commonly known as Business Lots 44 through 47, inclusive, Section E-1, LABELLE RANCHETTES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

464872 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
HENDRY COUNTY
CLEARING AND REMOVING DISASTER DEBRIS AND ANCILLARY SERVICES**
RFP No. 2014-14
Opening Date and Time: May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking proposals to obtain the services of a qualified firm(s) to provide services to remove, process, and lawfully dispose of disaster generated debris (other than hazardous materials and household garbage) from public property and public rights-of-way in Hendry County, Florida in response to an emergency event such as, but not limited to, hurricane(s) or other natural or manmade disaster(s). In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by **May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Emergency Management Department, by email at ltaylor@hendryfla.net or by calling (863) 674-5400 or the Hendry County Purchasing Department, by email at Mydajah.williams@hendryfla.net or by calling (863) 675-5220.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
464920 CN/CB 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

Public Notice

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**REQUEST FOR BIDS
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES REGARDING STAFFORD KING AIRPORT HANGAR RETROFIT REPAIR WORK AT LABELLE AIRPORT IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**
BID No. 2014-10
OPENING DATE AND TIME: May 15, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida for repair of the Stafford King Airport Hangar at the LaBelle Airport in Hendry County, Florida. In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners c/o the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Attn: Barbara Butler, at the C.E. Hall Building, Room A-226, Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, by **May 15, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, located at 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 1607, LaBelle, Florida 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5222.

All Bidders **MUST** attend the **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference on April 30, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.** at the Engineering Department, 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935. An optional site visit after the pre-bid conference will be conducted for all bidders interested.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
464827 CN/CB 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014



Submitted photo/Sylvia Guzman

Public Notice

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**REQUEST FOR BIDS
FOR MISCELLANEOUS PAVING AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**
BID No. 2014-11
OPENING DATE AND TIME: May 1, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida for the miscellaneous repaving of various roads throughout Hendry County, Florida. In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners c/o the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Attn: Barbara Butler, at the C.E. Hall Building, Room A-226, Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, by **May 1, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

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Bidders are encouraged to attend the **Pre-Bid Conference on Thursday, April 24, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.** at the Engineering Department, 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
464671 CN/CB 4/3,10,17,24/2014

Public Notice

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Your new home could be in today's paper. Have you looked for it? When you want something sold, advertise in the classifieds.

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
HENDRY COUNTY
EMERGENCY DEBRIS MONITORING**
RFP No. 2014-15
Opening Date and Time: May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking proposals from qualified firms to provide Emergency Debris Monitoring Services including collection and debris site monitoring, in accord with all statutes and rules issued by Hendry County, the State of Florida and/or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). These services will be in response to an emergency event such as, but not limited to, hurricane(s) or other natural or manmade disaster(s). In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by **May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

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Board of County Commissioners
464919 CN/CB 4/17,24;5/1/2014

Public Notice

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
566	2011	1324229-A0000550200	Oscar I Luckey c/o Albert Luckey

The South one-half of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter AND the South one-half of the East 12.50 feet of the West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter. Subject to and together with an easement for ingress and egress described as follows: The East 12.50 feet of the West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter AND the West 12.50 feet of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter AND the East 55.00 feet of the West 67.50 feet of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter; all lying and being in Section 32, Township 42 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel Identification Number: 1-29-42-32-A00-0055.0200
Property Address: 820 Ross Road, LaBelle, FL 33935

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Dated this **26th** day of **March, 2014**.

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

464652 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

Rodeo time at West Glades

On Thursday, February 28, West Glades students enjoyed a rodeo demonstration in honor of the annual Chalo Nitka festival held in Moore Haven. The students had the opportunity to watch barrel racing, relay races, team tying and a roping demonstration. These demonstrations were given by West Glades School own Cross Fulford and Ty Murray. Horses, a calf and an Angus bull were present at the event. Students learned about how the animals are cared for and what they eat. To end the day, students were able to join in the fun with a mock relay race using stick horses and try their hands at roping the steer dummies. All the students enjoyed the rodeo and had lots of fun. A big thank you to Mr. Brad Murray for taking the time from his day to come out to bring the animals, supplies needed and overseeing the event.

Looking for a place to hang your hat? Look no further than the classifieds.
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When doing those chores is doing you in, it's time to look for a helper in the classifieds.
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Community Briefs

Spring Arts & Music Festival

Everyone is invited to LaBelle High School's annual Spring Arts and Music Festival from 5-7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 24.

Art on display

Artwork by members of the LaBelle Art Guild is on display at the library through April.

Mothers Day off basket

The second Annual "Mother's Day Off" Basket Raffle is here! GFWC LaBelle Community Woman's Club is again raffling off the wonderful basket of gift certificates from local businesses - restaurant gift certificates, hair, facial and nail certificate, plus a Firehouse Play certificate. Value over \$600; truly a "Mother's Day Off" and then some. Tickets are \$2 each or 6 for \$10. Drawing will be May 6. Call Elvia, 863-885-4237, Tina 863-673-1144, Kate 947-730-8009 or Lea 863-234-8656.

MCA events for April

April 17, Thursday, regular meeting 7 p.m. Special guest Donna Storter Long, Glades County Commissioner. Refreshments. MCA meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month.

April 26, Saturday, Country Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner 6-9 p.m. Jam Sessions are usually the second and fourth Saturday of the month. Everyone is welcome to come and play. All events are open to the public and held at the Muse Community Center Bldg. on Loblolly Bay Road (Hwy. 720). Call 863-674-0467.

Help Woman's Club help women

The LaBelle Woman's Club is asking for monetary donations for the Days for Girls Project to finish up the supplies needed for the remaining kits. The club still needs donations of 100 percent cotton material. There is someone at the club house every Tuesday from 9-11:30 a.m. Please stop by and see what the project is all about.

Farmers market!

Farmers Market on Saturdays, sponsored by a different church or non-profit each week, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Sweet & Southern, 30 Hardee Street, right behind the Log Cabin BBQ. Half of the proceeds will go to Souled Out Shoe Ministry. For more information about Souled Out, call 673-3255.

Donate to Salvation Army

Help the Salvation Army provide for those in need by donating cans of meat or soup. Please drop them by 133 N. Bridge Street.

NAMI support

National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) meets every Friday 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the United Way House, 133 N. Bridge Street. NAMI Connection is a free, confidential and safe support group for individuals living with mental health challenges. Join

a caring group of peers that offer support through their learned wisdom,

Meetings are for 90 minutes, open to any adult 18 or older living with a mental illness. Trained peer facilitators living in recovery teach the sessions.

Widows to meet

The Widows Support Group will meet April 17 at the Log Cabin Barbecue at 11:30 a.m. All widows welcome.

Swimming lessons

Learn to swim this summer. Back again, Flora Zimmerly, a Red Cross certified Instructor, is offering swimming lessons through the summer. Call for information: 863-673-2353.

Amnesty at Barron Library

Barron Library is offering Amnesty through April 25. Please return any overdue library books during that period of time and all overdue fees will be waived. Many books that are overdue are on waiting lists for other patrons. Please take this opportunity to return all of your overdue library books.

With shrinking budgets it is impossible to replace all books that are never returned. Please keep your commitment so the library might serve your friends and neighbors.

Book Club meets monthly at Barron Library

The Barron Library Book Club meets the second Monday of every month from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the library. Book selection and meeting dates for the next three months are as follows: May 12 - The All-Girl Filling Station's Last Reunion by Fannie Flagg. June 9 - Orphan Train by Christina Baker Kline.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to participate in the book club. For information call Barron Library at 863-675-0833.

Legion Auxiliary to meet

Come join us, Thursday, April 17 at 7 p.m. at The American Legion Post 130 on Hwy. 80 West in LaBelle. The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary and all branches of the Legion solidly stand behind America and her ideals. For more information call President Linda at: 863-675-2086.

Legion events

American Legion Post 130 hosts breakfast the first Sunday and a Fish fry the first Friday of the month. Y'all come! The American Legion is holding bingo every Tuesday night from 6:30 to whenever. West SR80 across from the Shell Station. Open to members and guests.

Gardeners to meet

The LaBelle Garden Club will meet Monday, April 28, at 7 p.m. at the Dallas Townsend Center, 1085 Pratt Blvd. Guest speaker: Curt Sinclair, local Hibiscus Master Hybridizer Specialist. He will use pictures, plants and blooms during his presentation. To see his amazing plants and talents, check out his website: www.exotichibiscus.com

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! Check out the website 'labelgardenclub.org'. For more information, call President Dave at 863-342-8233 or Nikki at 239-564-2005.

DAV flea market

Come out every Saturday to the Disabled American Veterans flea market, off Martin Luther King Blvd. Lots of deals - lots of items - lots of fun! Call 239-728-5332.

Come to Howard reunion

The 2014 Howard Family Reunion will be Saturday, May 3, 11 a.m. at the Felda Com-

munity Center. For more information and volunteering contact Rowdy Howard at ((863) 673-0199, Kenny Howard at (863) 673-3819, or Todd Howard at (239) 565-7813.

Come to yoga

Come to yoga at Maple Corner Clubhouse Monday-Wednesday at 3:30 p.m. Call Sharyn at 609-707-0940 for a reservation.

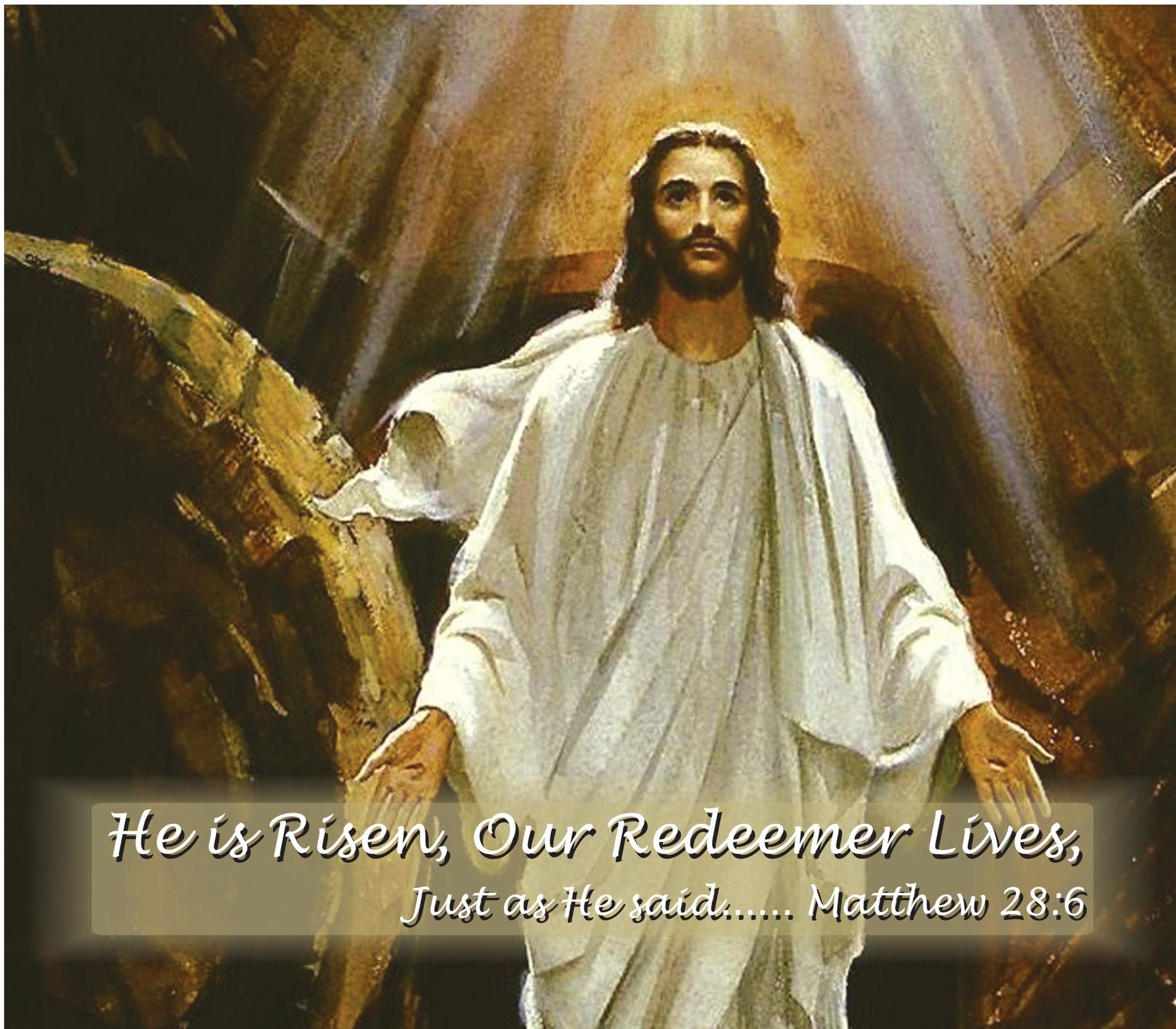
Caloosa Humane Society Clinic

The Caloosa Humane Society can order special diets from Hills, Royal Canin and Purina. All sizes of Trifexis now in stock, a once a month oral flea/heartworm prevention. You can schedule visits for nail trims, anal gland expression, ear plucking, and more. Call 863-675-7387 for more info.

LABELLE AREA BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

<div style="background-color: #333; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">APPLIANCES & REPAIRS</div> <div style="padding: 5px;"> <p style="font-size: small;">Serving LaBelle Since 1966</p> <p style="font-size: x-large; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">863-675-0717</p> <p style="font-size: small; text-align: center;">NEW AND USED SALES, SERVICE AND PARTS</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; text-align: center;">TECHNICIAN BOBBY WHITE</p> </div>	<div style="background-color: #333; color: white; padding: 2px; text-align: center; font-weight: bold;">PERSONAL TRAINER</div> <div style="padding: 5px;"> <p style="font-size: x-large; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Jackie Roversi</p> <p style="font-size: small; text-align: center;">Certified and Insured</p> <p style="font-size: small;">2010 Fort Denaud Road • LaBelle, FL 33935</p> <p style="font-weight: bold; font-size: small;">Phone: (305) 764-7914</p> <p style="font-size: small;">E-mail: jroversi@comcast.net</p> <p style="font-size: x-small;">- Initial Confidential Assesment at no cost - - Now in LaBelle - Only \$45 per hour -</p> </div>						
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*He is Risen, Our Redeemer Lives,
Just as He said..... Matthew 28:6*

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