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Body found in remote Hendry

By Chris Felker
INI Florida

HENDRY COUNTY — The body of a deceased white male Caucasian reportedly was found in a remote wildlife area, drawing a response from state and local law enforcement agencies recently.

An emailed tip to this newspaper provided a link to the NamUs website, that of the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System, where the discovery of the unrecognizable human remains, with all parts recovered, was reported near Clewiston.

The man was reported to be an adult of unknown age between 18 and 60, whose height and weight could not be estimated, with straight brown hair about an inch long on top and shorter on the sides, a brown and gray goatee but no mustache, and blue eyes. An artist's rendering of the deceased man as he might have appeared while alive is also on the site (namus.gov).

According to a heavily redacted report provided by the Hendry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO), Sheriff's Deputy Darrin McNeil was dispatched at 9:38 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 7, to the Dinner Island Wildlife Management Area located on County Road 833 in reference to a "suspicious incident."

A Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission officer then arrived at the scene, and a Hendry County detective, Sgt. Julio Perez, was contacted and instructed Deputy McNeil to turn the case and scene over to the FWC. All other details had been removed from the Hendry County sheriff's report.

HCSO spokeswoman Capt. Susan Harrelle said Wednesday, Oct. 17, that the case has been turned over to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for further investigation. FDLE Public Information Officer Jessica Cary in Tallahassee stated that in checking with the regional office, she learned that "FDLE is investigating a suspicious incident that occurred in the area," but that she could provide no other information because it is an active investigation. "I can't confirm that a body was located," Ms. Cary said.

The case file on the NamUs website (Case No. 52719) identifies FDLE Special Agent Nathan Coogan in Highlands County as being in charge of the investigation.

Anyone who might have information regarding this case may reach Agent Coogan at 863-386-6085. Carrie Sutherland is the contact at NamUs and can be emailed at carrie.sutherland@unthsc.edu.

Submitted photo/**Paul Narehood**

Sheer Fear will soon be here!

It's the scariest time of the year again, Halloween! Time for all the scary, scary things to come out and do what they do best! Are you brave enough to come out and play? Find out this weekend, Friday, October 26 and Saturday, October 27 at Sheer Fear. Come out to the LaBelle Nature Park on Fraser Ave from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Enter at your own risk. $5 per person, $4 for kids under 12 and be ready for a scary good time. WARNING: Sheer Fear is not for the faint of heart! Check out facebook.com/sheerfearhalloween. Sheer Fear is brought to you by Hendry LaBelle Recreation Board.

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Scarecrows on the Wharf

Stop by Desoto Avenue in front of Barron Library to see all the fall fun. Come vote for your favorite scarecrow for the People's Choice Award on Saturday, October 27 from 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Judging will take place at 1:30 p.m. with an award presentation at 3 p.m.

Gunter Joins Hendry Glades United Way

Greg Gunter of LaBelle joins United Way.

United Way of Hendry and Glades is happy to announce the addition of Greg Gunter to the staff. He will serve as staff support to the Hendry Glades Unmet Needs Coalition. The mission of the coalition is to support individuals and families impacted by Hurricane Irma to recover and rebuild.

Greg Gunter has been a resident of the area for over 20 years, and has a BS in Marketing. Previously, he was an owner of LaBelle's Badcock Home Furnishing Store. Gunter has one son and a grand-daughter.

Gunter will be working with survivors of Hurricane Irma by connecting them to resources to assist them to get back to a more normal life. The Hendry Glades Unmet Needs Coalition partners with community-based organizations, businesses, social service and government agencies and faith-based organizations to address emotional, physical and spiritual needs of the individuals and families affected by natural and man-made disasters in the counties.

The United Way of Hendry and Glades is a volunteer organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all people in our community. In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies and initiatives, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives. United Way helps support a local human service network of 28 partner agencies and 64 programs.

To reach the United Way Hendry Glades Manager, call (239)-433-7559. People in need of information and referral assistance to health and human services should contact United Way 211. Simply dial 2-1-1, or (800) 887-9234, or visit the United Way website at www.UnitedWayLee.org.

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The Firehouse Community Theatre Presents Boeing Boeing –

It's the 1960's and bachelor Bernard, has a flat in Paris and is engaged to three flight attendants from three different countries! Bernard's perfect life gets bumpy when his friend Robert comes to stay and the girls' schedules get changed! Fasten your seat belts as Bernard, his grumbling maid Berta, and his friend Robert struggle to keep the ladies from learning the truth! Will they be able to keep up this charade, or will a disaster occur? See Boeing Boeing, a fast-paced hilarious play, at the Firehouse Community Theatre in LaBelle! Tickets are on sale now at www.firehousecommunitytheatre.com or call the ticket hotline at (863) 675-3066 (Leave a detailed message and someone will return your call!!). The play is being directed by Michael Shough and will be presented on October 26, 27, 28 and November 2, 3, 4. (Friday and Saturday shows are at 7 p.m., Sunday shows are at 2 p.m.). Photo: (Front, sitting) Elaina Butler, Jack Webb, Olympia Abrego, (Back row) Joel Hawkins, Christina Guerra and Brenda Barnes.

My Mission Statement to you for my position as your Hendry County Commissioner District 2 Seat

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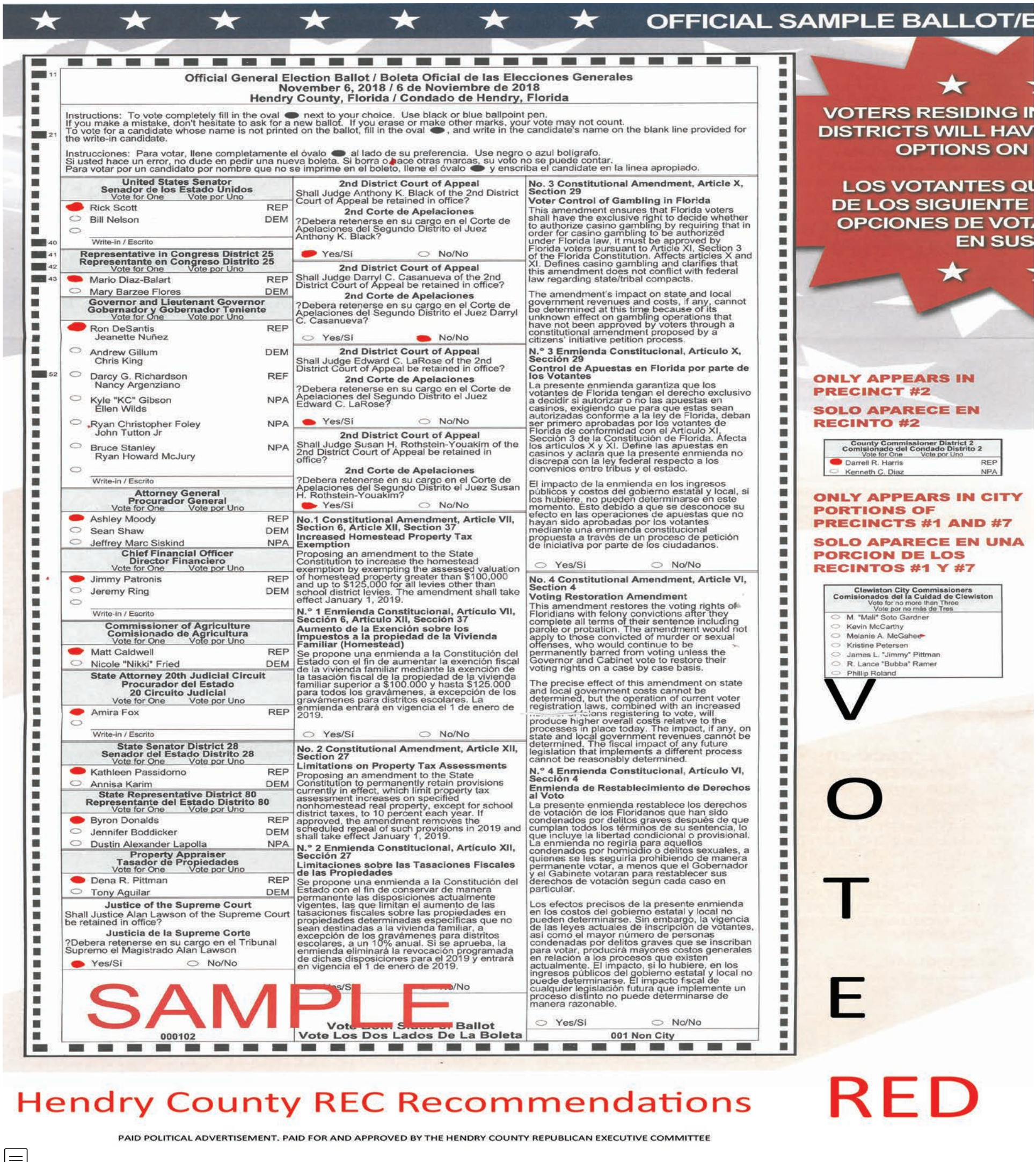
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November 6, 2018 / 6 de Noviembre de 2018
Hendry County, Florida / Condado de Hendry, Florida
Instructions: To vote completely fill in the oval next to your choice. Use black or blue ballpoint pen.
If you make a mistake, don't hesitate to ask for a new ballot. If you erase or make other marks, your vote may not count.
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Instrucciones: Para votar, llene completamente el óvalo al lado de su preferencia. Use negro o azul boligrafo.
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Bill Nelson DEM
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Representante en Congreso Distrito 25
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Mario Diaz-Balart REP
Mary Barzee Flores DEM
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Gobernador y Gobernador Teniente
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Ron DeSantis
Jeanette Nuñez REP
Andrew Gillum
Chris King DEM
Darcy G. Richardson
Nancy Argenziano REF
Kyle "KC" Gibson
Ellen Wilds NPA
Ryan Christopher Foley
John Tutton Jr NPA
Bruce Stanley
Ryan Howard McJury NPA
Write-in / Escrito
Attorney General
Procurador General
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Ashley Moody REP
Sean Shaw DEM
Jeffrey Marc Siskind NPA
Chief Financial Officer
Director Financiero
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Jimmy Patronis REP
Jeremy Ring DEM
Write-in / Escrito
Commissioner of Agriculture
Comisionado de Agricultura
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Matt Caldwell REP
Nicole "Nikki" Fried DEM
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Procurador del Estado
20 Circuito Judicial
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Amira Fox REP
Write-in / Escrito
State Senator District 28
Senador del Estado Distrito 28
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Kathleen Passidomo REP
Annisa Karim DEM
State Representative District 80
Representante del Estado Distrito 80
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Byron Donalds REP
Jennifer Boddicker DEM
Dustin Alexander Lapolla NPA
Property Appraiser
Tasador de Propiedades
Vote for One Vote por Uno
Dena R. Pittman REP
Tony Aguilar DEM
Justice of the Supreme Court
Shall Justice Alan Lawson of the Supreme Court be retained in office?
Justicia de la Supreme Corte
?Debera retenerse en su cargo en el Tribunal Supremo el Magistrado Alan Lawson
Yes/Si No/No
2nd District Court of Appeal
Shall Judge Anthony K. Black of the 2nd District Court of Appeal be retained in office?
2nd Corte de Apelaciones
?Debera retenerse en su cargo en el Corte de Apelaciones del Segundo Distrito el Juez Anthony K. Black?
Yes/Si No/No
2nd District Court of Appeal
Shall Judge Darryl C. Casanueva of the 2nd District Court of Appeal be retained in office?
2nd Corte de Apelaciones
?Debera retenerse en su cargo en el Corte de Apelaciones del Segundo Distrito el Juez Darryl C. Casanueva?
Yes/Si No/No
2nd District Court of Appeal
Shall Judge Edward C. LaRose of the 2nd District Court of Appeal be retained in office?
2nd Corte de Apelaciones
?Debera retenerse en su cargo en el Corte de Apelaciones del Segundo Distrito el Juez Edward C. LaRose?
Yes/Si No/No
2nd District Court of Appeal
Shall Judge Susan H. Rothstein-Youakim of the 2nd District Court of Appeal be retained in office?
2nd Corte de Apelaciones
?Debera retenerse en su cargo en el Corte de Apelaciones del Segundo Distrito el Juez Susan H. Rothstein-Youakim?
Yes/Si No/No
No.1 Constitutional Amendment, Article VII, Section 6, Article XII, Section 37
Increased Homestead Property Tax Exemption
Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to increase the homestead exemption by exempting the assessed valuation of homestead property greater than $100,000 and up to $125,000 for all levies other than school district levies. The amendment shall take effect January 1, 2019.
N.° 1 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo VII, Sección 6, Artículo XII, Sección 37
Aumento de la Exención sobre los Impuestos a la propiedad de la Vivienda Familiar (Homestead)
Se propone una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado con el fin de aumentar la exención fiscal de la vivienda familiar mediante la exención de la tasación fiscal de la propiedad de la vivienda familiar superior a $100.000 y hasta $125.000 para todos los gravámenes, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares. La enmienda entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.
Yes/Si No/No
No. 2 Constitutional Amendment, Article XII, Section 27
Limitations on Property Tax Assessments
Proposing an amendment to the State Constitution to permanently retain provisions currently in effect, which limit property tax assessment increases on specified nonhomestead real property, except for school district taxes, to 10 percent each year. If approved, the amendment removes the scheduled repeal of such provisions in 2019 and shall take effect January 1, 2019.
N.° 2 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo XII, Sección 27
Limitaciones sobre las Tasaciones Fiscales de las Propiedades
Se propone una enmienda a la Constitución del Estado con el fin de conservar de manera permanente las disposiciones actualmente vigentes, las que limitan el aumento de las tasaciones fiscales sobre las propiedades en propiedades determinadas específicas que no sean destinadas a la vivienda familiar, a excepción de los gravámenes para distritos escolares, a un 10% anual. Si se aprueba, la enmienda eliminará la revocación programada de dichas disposiciones para el 2019 y entrará en vigencia el 1 de enero de 2019.
Yes/Si No/No
No. 3 Constitutional Amendment, Article X, Section 29
Voter Control of Gambling in Florida
This amendment ensures that Florida voters shall have the exclusive right to decide whether to authorize casino gambling by requiring that in order for casino gambling to be authorized under Florida law, it must be approved by Florida voters pursuant to Article XI, Section 3 of the Florida Constitution. Affects articles X and XI. Defines casino gambling and clarifies that this amendment does not conflict with federal law regarding state/tribal compacts.
The amendment's impact on state and local government revenues and costs, if any, cannot be determined at this time because of its unknown effect on gambling operations that have not been approved by voters through a constitutional amendment proposed by a citizens' initiative petition process.
N.° 3 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo X, Sección 29
Control de Apuestas en Florida por parte de los Votantes
La presente enmienda garantiza que los votantes de Florida tengan el derecho exclusivo a decidir si autorizar o no las apuestas en casinos, exigiendo que para que estas sean autorizadas conforme a la ley de Florida, deban ser primero aprobadas por los votantes de Florida de conformidad con el Artículo XI, Sección 3 de la Constitución de Florida. Afecta los artículos X y XI. Define las apuestas en casinos y aclara que la presente enmienda no discrepa con la ley federal respecto a los convenios entre tribus y el estado.
El impacto de la enmienda en los ingresos públicos y costos del gobierno estatal y local, si los hubiere, no pueden determinarse en este momento. Esto debido a que se desconoce su efecto en las operaciones de apuestas que no hayan sido aprobadas por los votantes mediante una enmienda constitucional propuesta a través de un proceso de petición de iniciativa por parte de los ciudadanos.
Yes/Si No/No
No. 4 Constitutional Amendment, Article VI, Section 4
Voting Restoration Amendment
This amendment restores the voting rights of Floridians with felony convictions after they complete all terms of their sentence including parole or probation. The amendment would not apply to those convicted of murder or sexual offenses, who would continue to be permanently barred from voting unless the Governor and Cabinet vote to restore their voting rights on a case by case basis.
The precise effect of this amendment on state and local government costs cannot be determined, but the operation of current voter registration laws, combined with an increased [illegible] registering to vote, will produce higher overall costs relative to the processes in place today. The impact, if any, on state and local government revenues cannot be determined. The fiscal impact of any future legislation that implements a different process cannot be reasonably determined.
N.° 4 Enmienda Constitucional, Artículo VI, Sección 4
Enmienda de Restablecimiento de Derechos al Voto
La presente enmienda restablece los derechos de votación de los Floridanos que han sido condenados por delitos graves después de que cumplan todos los términos de su sentencia, lo que incluye la libertad condicional o provisional. La enmienda no regiría para aquellos condenados por homicidio o delitos sexuales, a quienes se les seguiría prohibiendo de manera permanente votar, a menos que el Gobernador y el Gabinete votaran para restablecer sus derechos de votación según cada caso en particular.
Los efectos precisos de la presente enmienda en los costos del gobierno estatal y local no pueden determinarse. Sin embargo, la vigencia de las leyes actuales de inscripción de votantes, así como el mayor número de personas condenadas por delitos graves que se inscriban para votar, producirá mayores costos generales en relación a los procesos que existen actualmente. El impacto, si lo hubiere, en los ingresos públicos del gobierno estatal y local no puede determinarse. El impacto fiscal de cualquier legislación futura que implemente un proceso distinto no puede determinarse de manera razonable.
Yes/Si No/No
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Letter to the Editor

Experts estimate it will take each voter 30 to 35 minutes to vote this election. At precincts with few voting booths, that means standing in line a long time. Supervisors of Elections are recommending you vote by mail. To request a Mail Ballot go to the website for your County Supervisor of Elections.

A 2016 court decision allows voters to cure a signature deficiency on a mail ballot before the election to make sure their ballots count. If your name has changed, or your signature has changed since you last registered or voted by mail, update your signature with your Supervisor of Elections.

Counties have spent millions on security upgrades to safeguard Florida's election process. More than 99.9 percent of all votes in Florida are cast by paper ballots, which by law must be kept for 22 months to preserve every voter's intent in case of a problem, not to mention a manual recount.

Educate yourself about the candidates and issues on the ballot. Voting by mail, while convenient, is also the form of voting most susceptible to "schemes and scams" such as volunteers showing up at people's homes offering to provide "assistance" in voting. Supervisors of Elections closely monitor absentee voting to prevent such activity. Do your homework and take care to secure your Mail Ballot by following the instructions on the envelope so your vote will be counted. Vote smart and vote by mail.

Mary Giddens, Chair
Glades County Party

Church Briefs

Fall'n'Fun Celebration

Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church will be hosting a free Fall'n'Fun celebration on **Wed. Oct. 31 from 6 p.m.-8 p.m.** Join us for trunk'or'treating, snocones, popcorn, bounce houses and more. Call (863) 675-0656 for more information

The Pumpkin Patch is back

The Pumpkin Patch is at the First Baptist Church of LaBelle through Oct. 31. The public is invited **Monday through Friday, from 3-7 p.m., Saturdays 9 a.m. -7 p.m., and Sundays 12:30-6 p.m.** There will be pumpkins of all sizes for sale, story-time, games, face painting, crafts and hayrides. Fresh homemade baked goods will be on sale on the weekends. All proceeds from the Pumpkin Patch will go to support church missions. The First Baptist Church of LaBelle is located at 330 N. Main St. The Pumpkin Patch will be near the ball field and accessible off Curry St.

Hispanic Day Festival

El Faro Church located at 431 Bryan Avenue in LaBelle, Fl. will be hosting a Hispanic Day Festival on their church property. The Festival will be on **Saturday, October 27 beginning at 11:00 a.m.** There will be authentic Hispanic foods made and various activities throughout the day. Also community organizations will be also set up around the property. Everything will be free. ALL are invited. Any questions you can call 863-843-0264

La Iglesia El Faro localizado en el 431 Bryan Avenue en LaBelle, Fl. estará auspiciando un festival celebrando Día de Hispanidad. Este evento será el sábado, **27 de octubre empezando a las 11:00am**. Habrá comida auténtica hispana y varios actividades durante el día. También habrá diferentes organizaciones de nuestra comunidad también participando. TODO va ser gratis y TODOS están invitados. Cualquier pregunta pueden llamar al 863-843-0264.

Family Fun Day

On **Saturday, Oct. 27, from 1 p.m.** to early evening, Grace Baptist Church will host a Family Fun Day. There will be games, refreshments, movies for the children and adults. (The children will see animated Bible stories; the adults will view the film "I Can Only Imagine.") There will be a nursery available. The church is located at 4200 N.E. Eucalyptus Blvd. in Pt LaBelle. For more information, call 863-675-3349. Other events will also add to the fun and enjoyment. Ages 3 - 99 are encouraged to participate.

Harvest Fall Festival

On **Sunday evening October 28 at 6 p.m.** the LaBelle Assembly of God, 123 Fraser Ave. is having a community wide Harvest Festival as an alternative to Halloween. This is a no charge event for the children and Adults of our community. They will have free hot dogs, games, and lots of candy and Face painting! There is a real possibility that some people might get wet. Wear your favorite costume or not and enjoy an evening of family fun. Everyone is welcome and everyone is a winner. The best games anywhere.

A Gathering of Christian Men

The monthly meeting of A Gathering of Christian Men will be held at the Caloosa Baptist Chruch, 550 W Hickpochee Ave on the third **Monday, November 12. The meeting begins at 6:00 p.m**. with a Pot Luck meal. Please remember to bring a dish to share. We will then continue with our business meeting. You are really needed.

Happenings at the Good Shepherd Episcopal Church

The Shepherd Episcopal Church is located at 1098 Collngswood Pkwy just south of SR 80, Port LaBelle 863-675-0385

Just a reminder please be sure to vote

Oct 25 Thursday Healing Service 9:30 a.m.

Oct 25 Thursday Bible Study 10:30 a.m.

Oct 28 Sunday Worship 10 a.m.

Oct 31 Halloween

Nov 1 Thursday All Saints Day Healing Service 9:30 a.m. Thursday

Nov 1 Bible Study 10 :30 a.m.

Nov 9 Spaghetti Dinner 5 p.m. till 9 p.m.

All are welcome to attend

Barron Library Happenings

BAKERS AND BIDDERS NEEDED for the DESSERT AUCTION – Raising funds for the library can be FUN, and oh, SO tasty. The dessert auction will be T**uesday, November 13, at 6:00 p.m.** If you would like to donate a dessert, please call the library at 863-675-0833. Save the date on your calendar, and join in the fun!

SCARECROWS ON THE WHARF – Fun for everyone SCARECROW DISPLAYS, **October 13 – 31st**, with a family event on the 27th, Halloween Downtown, including Trick or Treating, Pet Costume Contest, Pumpkin Story Time, Vendors and so much more. Pick up your application and guidelines for creating a display at the office of LDRC, open to Businesses, Organizations, and Individuals. Presented by LDRC and Mops of LaBelle.

FINANCIAL LITERACY SERIES – Second session in the ongoing Personal Finance Series will be **Saturday, October 27, 11:00 – 11:30 a.m.** Take advantage of this informational series taught by Cathy Perry.

P**AINTING WORKSHOP** – The Confident Creator offers workshops the third Monday, of every month, however, there will not be a session in November. Next workshop is **December 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Join the fun and see what you can create with paint and a little guidance. There is a $20 fee for the workshop, to cover the cost of supplies. Register now, as seats are limited. Call 863-675-0833.

FREE TUTORING PROGRAM – offered every **Monday evening, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** The tutor will be available to help your children in grades 1st through 5th. This program is being paid through funds received for the IHELP Grant.

SEWING GROUP – Interested in learning to sew, or just want to enjoy the company of others while working on individual projects, join this fun group on **Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 7:30.**

CHESS CLUB – Offering a time for experienced players to compete, and also an opportunity for beginners to learn the game, every **Monday evening from 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.** Event open to young and old alike.

PRESCHOOL STORY TIME – every T**uesday morning at 10:45.** Bring your little ones for fun stories and projects.

BARRON BOOK CLUB – The club meets at the library the second Monday of every month at 6:30 pm. Book selection for **November 12,** Last Bus to Wisdom by Ivan Doig. If you enjoy reading and joining in discussions, you may be perfect for the Barron Book Club. Everyone is welcome!

KOMPUTERS for KIDS – the library is still working with Komputers for Kids Community Outreach of Southwest Florida, who make rebuilt computers available to families at an affordable price. Check them out at Barron Library.

Caloosa Belle/**Dale Conyers**

Raising funds for the Pink Warriors

The American Legion Post 130 Benefit for Breast Cancer Month was a success with their 6th Annual Save the Ta Tas Fund Raiser with additional co-operation and fund raising from VFW Post 10100 and the LaBelle Moose Lodge. All organizations are pleased to say that all funds stay in Hendry County and are gooing to the Hendry Regional Medical Centers Pink Warrior's Fund. Presenting for the three organizations were: American Legion Steve Mockler, Finance Officer; VFW Post 10100 Marvin Ruble, Commander; Moose Lodge 2398, Pete Vasquez, Administrator. The checks were presented to Lynn Chiarelli, Director of Physician Practices and Electa Waddell, Foundation/Marketing Director. The three LaBelle orgranization raised almost $3,500 for the Pink Warriors Fund, bringing the total raised for the fund this year to a little over $22,000.
Pictured from Left to Right: Pete Vasquez, Electa Waddell, Lynn Chiarelli, Steve Mockler, Jim Rodgers, Marvin Ruble, Bethany Humphries, Linda Gille, Rose Mockler and Sharon Rodgers.

Retirement Security Week -- Take Steps to Boost Your Retirement Security

To raise awareness about the importance of saving for retirement, Congress has dedicated Oct. 21-27 as National Retirement Security Week. And the evidence shows that increasing this awareness is indeed important. Consider this: Some 50 percent of households are considered at risk of not having enough money to maintain their living standards in retirement, according to the National Retirement Risk Index, produced by the Center for Retirement Research at Boston College.

What can you do to help yourself stay out of the "at risk" category? Here are a few suggestions:

Define what retirement security means to you. Everyone has different ideas about what a secure retirement looks like. You might feel that true security means being able to remain in your current home and live independently throughout your life. Or you might only feel secure if you know you can afford to travel or help your grown children or grandchildren financially. Once you've identified your own vision of retirement security, you should be able to determine the financial resources you'll need to reach your desired outcome.

Create an appropriate financial strategy. To achieve your idea of a secure retirement, you can't just hope for the best – you need to create a comprehensive financial strategy, accounting for your various sources of retirement income: Social Security, pensions, employer-sponsored retirement plans, your investment portfolio and so on. You need to know how much you can expect from these sources, and how you can strengthen them.

Be diligent in your retirement savings. You could spend two or three decades as a retiree, so you'll want to accumulate as many resources as you possibly can – and that means you'll need to save and invest diligently during your working years. Put in as much as you can afford to your 401(k) or other employer-sponsored retirement plan – and every time your salary goes up, try to increase your annual contributions. But you can also go beyond your employer-backed plan and contribute to an IRA. In all your retirement accounts, you'll want to include a reasonable percentage of growth-oriented investments, within the limits of your personal risk tolerance.

Establish an appropriate withdrawal strategy. Your retirement security isn't just based on how much you've built up before you retire – it also depends on how you manage your assets and investment income during retirement. As you begin to take out money from your 401(k), IRA and other investment accounts, you need to establish a withdrawal rate appropriate for your age, retirement lifestyle and asset level. If you take out too much each year, you risk outliving your resources, but if you withdraw too little, you might be shortchanging yourself on your quality of life. You may want to work with a financial professional, who can review your entire situation – income, expenses and so on – and recommend an appropriate annual withdrawal figure.

These aren't the only keys to attaining retirement security – but they can still help you move toward that goal. Keep them in mind as the years go by.

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Obituaries

Betty Louise Wayne Letson Withnell, 95

Betty Louise Wayne Letson Withnell passed away at age 95 on Oct. 15, 2018 at Oakbrook Health & Rehab Center LaBelle. Born in Beaver County, Pa. on Aug. 11, 1923 to Andrew Leon Wayne and Ada M. Hillier Wayne. She was preceeded in death by husbands, Arthur Letson and E. Donald Withnell. She is survived by nieces: Nancy Scully Lorenzen, Judy Kelley Black, Patricia Kelley Butler, Valerie Kelley-Hall, and Mary Kelley Kitchens.

Betty worked in Pennsylvania as an airplane propeller welder at the beginning of WWII then moved to Ft. Lauderdale to live with her sister Helen Scully where she worked as a civilian driver of military buses. Post-war she worked as an upholsterer. During the 1960's she owned and managed a western tack store located at Sunrise Blvd. & NE 9th Ave. Ft. Lauderdale. During the 1970's she and Don Withnell raced their thoroughbred horse in the East Coast Racing Circuit from Ohio to Florida. In the 1990's she ran an orange juice evaporator at the Berry juice Plant in LaBelle.

Betty donated her remains to the University of Miami (FL) School of Medicine. At her request no services are planned.

Arrangements are being handled by the Akin-Davis Funeral Home- LaBelle Chapel.

James D. Merriman, 86

James D. Merriman, 86, a resident of Adams Woodcrest for the past year and a long-time resident of Preble, Indiana passed away Wednesday, October 17, 2018 at Adams Memorial Hospital in Decatur.

He was born on Friday, February 12, 1932 in Adams County, Indiana the son of the late Omer H. Merriman and the late Mary B. (Carr) Merriman. He married Marge Menter on June 7, 1953 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Preble. They were married for 65 years before Jim's passing.

Jim was a 1950 graduate of Monmouth High School. He retired in 1994 as owner & operator of Amishville, USA. He had previously owned Merriman's Family Restaurant & was the manager of Happy Humpty Restaurant. He had also worked for Don Ray Drive-a-Way from 1983 to 2005.

He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Preble where he had served as chairman and vice-chairman of the congregation and taught Sunday school. Jim had also served on the Wyneken School Board & served as president of the Social Club in Preble. He enjoyed winters in Florida with his wife. Jim and Marge were active in the Christ the King Lutheran Church in LaBelle, Florida. Jim served as an Usher and was on various committees. He helped decorate the Church for Christmas and Easter. He was well known for his pancakes at their pancake and sausage meals.

Jim was always willing to volunteer with anything that needed done in the community or the church. He loved his family very much.

Survivors include his wife, Marge Merriman of Preble; son, Randy (Beth) Merriman of Decatur; two daughters, Judith Teague of Fort Wayne and Gail (Carey) Webster of Roanoke; two sisters, Rowena Vogelwede of Decatur and Sandra Sue Yodice of Fort Lauderdale, Fla.; seven grandchildren, Shanon (Heather) Merriman, Anthony (Rachel) Merriman, Ryan (Nickol) Teague, Aaron (Caitlyn) Teague, T.J. Steensma, Tyler Steensma, and Trey Steensma, and 11 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Rose Kneuss and a son-in-law, Clyde Teague.

Funeral services were held at 10:30 a.m. Monday, October 22, 2018 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Preble. Pastor Andrew Yeager officiated. Interment followed in the St. Paul Lutheran Cemetery, Preble.

Friends were received from 3 to 4 p.m. Saturday at the Woodcrest Chapel on October 20, 2018 and on Sunday, October 21, 2018 from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Zwick & Jahn Funeral Home in Decatur and one hour prior to the service at the church on Monday.

Preferred Memorials are to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wyneken Lutheran School, or Worship Anew.

George Emory Dyess 74

George Emory Dyess of Griffin, GA passed away on October 12, 2018 after suffering from a devastating disease of Parkinson's. George "Emory" was born on December 15, 1943 in LaBelle, Florida to Glenn Raymond Dyess and Mary Farrey Dyess.

George served in the Navy and trained as an airplane mechanic which became his lifetime career and passion. After leaving the military, he worked for Delta Airlines and for the Griffin Airport. He is survived by his sister Glenda Dyess Harris and her husband, Darrell; many nieces and nephews and his son, Rodney Dyess.

When he wasn't working on airplanes, George had varied interests including beekeeping and flying. He was a member of First Assembly where he sang in the Choir for every performance and built sets for all the productions of the past 18 years. He will be fondly remembered as a servant making coffee for his Sunday School class and Choir. He was a generous giver to Missions and supporter of Missions trips and those going on them. He will be greatly missed by his immediate family, church and choir family and special friends Susie Axtell, Darrell, and Scott Creswell.

A Memorial Service will be held at First Baptist Church at 12:30, Sunday Oct 28.

Community Briefs

Moose Lodge plans events

Moose Lodge 2398, 230 Jaycee Lions Drive, (863) 675-6255.

Open: Tues-Sun @11 a.m. & Mon @3 pm

LOOM Mtg: First & third Monday of the Month

Wednesday- "Free Pool All Day"

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Fri- Bring snacks and Finger Food 5-? Join our Costume Party!

Saturday- Wings 5-7 p.m.

"Karaoke"- Fri & Sat Nite @ 6:30 p.m. & Sun @ 4:00 p.m.

Special Events: Fri Oct 26- Halloween Party!! LaBelle Moose Lodge 2398 Welcomes "Live" 7-11 p.m. "Boone County" Band. Costume contest *Flossing contest* 50/50* Basket Raffles *TV Raffle and much more!! All Welcome to join in the feast-tivities!! 5-? p.m.

Sat Oct 27-Jewelry Show "Paparazzi by Debra" All Jewelry under $5.00

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LaBelle Elementary's September Students of the Month

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Left to Right Front Row: Nicole Alanis, Aaron Montesino and Brogan Blanco. Second Row: Daniela Perez, Fabian Arrieta, Eli Garcia, Keshawn Williams and Cristalady Castro. Third Row: Ila Russell, Mason Flournah, Evelyn Carranza, Raegann French and Erika Espinosa. Back Row: Lizeth Carreon, Angel Gomez, Zitlaly Lopez, Alabama Hellard and Angel Castro-Olvera.

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Left to Right Front Row: Luz Sanchez, Kamryn Johnson and Rayden Rios. Middle Row: Kavin Carreno, Dalylah Gomez, Kristy Wingate and Gabriella Pequeno. Back Row: Jacquay Bradshaw, Edwin Hernandez, Samuel Morales, Kelsey Moreno and Anette Rodriguez.

School Briefs

LHS Haunted House planned

The students at LaBelle High School's Haunted House "The Silent Purge" would love to see you standing in line to get a ticket to get into the most wonderful and scariest haunted houses in LaBelle. They will be having this event on **Oct. 26 and 27 at 7 p.m.** There is a $5 entrance fee to get into the haunted house, and there will be a concession stand where you can get drinks, snacks and other items.

Haunted Happening

Thursday, **Oct 25 from 5-8 p.m.** in FSW Building B, 1092 E. Cowboy Way. The Hendry/Glades community and FSW family are invited to this night of fun frights including Trunk or Treat!

Sport Shorts

It's time for Junior Pro Basketball

It's time for Junior Pro Basketball for boys and girls. Sign-ups will take place Monday through Friday at the Hendry LaBelle Recreation Board office, located at 310 W. Cowboy Way (8 a.m. to 4 p.m.) or on Saturdays during Flag Football located next to First Baptist Church (FCB), 330 N. Main St., LaBelle, or at First Baptist Church. If you are interested in coaching, refereeing, scorekeeping or being a team sponsor, please contact Darrell Harris at 863-673-5475 or Preston Long at 863-673-3044. We need A-Team and Girls Team coaches.

Diaz Political Ad Misleading Hendry County Residents on Airglades Airport

With all due respect to my opponent, Ken Diaz, his recent political ad about the Airglades Airport project was anything but truthful. As a longtime resident of Hendry County, he should know that the Airglades Airport expansion represents one of the most exciting projects to happen to our community in decades, with jobs, innovation, and the diversification of our economy well within reach. It's shocking that he would attempt to sabotage a project that could provide Hendry County residents with the jobs and opportunity for economic growth they truly deserve at no cost to the county for his own political gain.

As a county commissioner and a strong supporter of this project, I have worked to ensure that no taxpayer dollars will be committed to this project until the nearly 1,000 jobs it will bring are created. This safeguard ensures that any risk in the project is shouldered by the private sector – not taxpayers. Diaz conveniently left this out when arguing against a project that independent economists suggest will bring many benefits to our county, including jobs, increased revenue for schools, local government, and retail businesses. Future incentives on the project will only be paid out once additional jobs beyond the initial 1,000 jobs are created.

The concerns over Hendry County's application with the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) are completely unfounded. This entire project has progressed according to schedule and approval from the FAA's Airport Privatization Pilot Program is on track, and Airglades has already received preliminary approval. Airglades International Airport is one of three other airports that have received preliminary approval, and the application to receive final approval is about 70 percent complete.

It is clear Diaz does not understand the future of America's airports, and what the FAA hopes to do through the FAA's Privatization Pilot Program. The Federal government, through the FAA, made it clear in the 1996 Federal Reauthorization Act that they are getting away from managing publicly-run airports, making them more in line with major airports around the world, which are private. Today, the FAA is actively encouraging private involvement in our nation's airports through the Airport Privatization Program. Airglades International Airport has been working to achieve this goal since 2010.

The FAA Privatization Pilot program will help counties with underutilized airports that lack the economic resources to develop them to their potential - thus the programs (led by the FAA) to incentivize the private sector to invest in these airports to create regional economic opportunity around an expanded, thriving, regional airport facility. Without private investment from Airglades International Airport, LLC, our airport would continue to languish, providing few jobs and little hope of improved economics.

Securing approval through the FAA's Airport Privatization Pilot Program will also ensure the project will not get caught up in the bureaucracy and red tape that have frustratingly prevented so many other projects from moving forward in our area.

Nearly all of improvements to Airglades International Airport will be funded by the private sector, not taxpayers. Once selected, a private investor/developer will be responsible for, among other things, the construction of a 10,000-foot runway plus parallel and connecting taxiways. As the project has taken shape, Airglades International Airport, not taxpayers, have paid for application costs, the feasibility studies, and expenses for compliance.

It is disappointing that my opponent has made it his personal mission to support the status quo and stand in the way of a significant opportunity for job creation, which our county so badly needs. We are well aware of Hendry County's job challenges, and an expansion of Airglades Airport would help us to bridge this gap by encouraging outside economic investment from many firms that are currently doing business at Miami International Airport. Hendry County is ideally situated nearly 100 miles north of Miami International Airport, making us an attractive location for freight companies looking to save fuel and stay away from the congestion of South Florida.

Airglades International Airport will be a win-win for Hendry County taxpayers. By creating jobs, it will increase our county's tax base, and protections have been put in place to ensure taxpayer dollars are spent wisely. I encourage our residents to get all the facts about this exciting project. Once completed, it will be a game-changer for our community.

Do you have any questions or conerns over the Airglades project or any concerns over Hendry County, if so call me I'd be happy to come to your house and discuss them.

I am a commissioner for all of Hendry County.

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Cofield speaks at Kiwanis

Joseph Cofield from the Northside Naples Kiwanis Club spoke at Kiwanis about his goal - getting the United States Constitution Booklets to every 5th grader, 220,000, in the entire 67 counties and 7th grade students (where requested and can be sponsored). Superintendent Paul Puletti and Superintendent Scott Bass are two of many school officials who felt the booklets helped improve the scores on the Civics Exam for the 7th grade students. For Hendry and Glades Counties, the booklets are already in the hands of the 5th graders, thanks to Representative Cary Pigman, Wayne Simmons, Southern Heritage Real Estate & Investments and 1st Bank. The Rotary Club of LaBelle will be putting them in the 7th grade in Hendry County and the Kiwanis Club of LaBelle will be delivering them to the 7th graders in Glades County. Thanks to Joseph Cofield – a leading educator since 1999 for working so tirelessly to build a better tomorrow.

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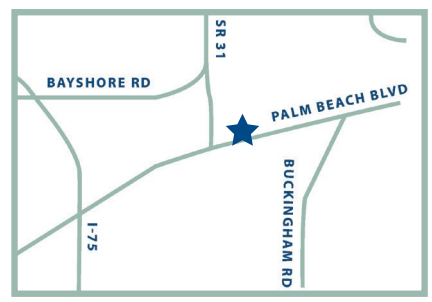

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Veterans Day Celebrations:

Friday, November 9 the LaBelle High School Honor Society will present a Tribute to All Veterans at 9 a.m. at the high school auditorium. Everyone in the community and all veterans are invited to attend. Following their program the high school FFA will serve a pancake breakfast with plenty of coffee – and time to visit with friends and veterans.

Sunday, November 11 – Veterans Day - It is a National custom to have the ceremony across the nation on the 11th Day of the 11th Month at 11 a.m. The VFW, American Legion and DAV are hosting the annual Veterans Day Ceremony at 11 a.m. at the "Newly Updated" Veterans Park on SR80/Main Street. The ceremony will include the unveiling of the new granite Veterans WALL and the ringing of the 1934 liberty type bell for the first time. The Bell has been donated by the Richard Lynn Family in his memory. Everyone is invited to attend.

Community Briefs

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Oct. 27, Sat. Strick's BBQ Dinner. Serving will begin at 5:00pm. Razor Edge Karaoke will begin at 5:00 p.m.

Oct. 31, Wed. TRUNK or TREAT from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Open to the Public.

For the children FREE hot dogs and chips. Cost for the adults.

Nov. 11, Sunday VETERAN'S DAY. There will be a Ceremony at the Veteran's Park on Hwy. 80 beginning at 11:11 a.m. A covered dish lunch to follow will be served at 12:00 p.m.

Every Tues. Free pool table from 5:00 p.m. to 9;00 p.m.

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Happy Hour: Mon.-Fri. 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

1st Thursday of every month House Committee Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

1st Thursday of every month Veterans Regular Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

2nd Wednesday of every month The Auxiliary Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Bingo every Sunday at 2:00 p.m. Open to the public

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La Leche League

The La Leche League will meet the second Thursday every month from 5-7 p.m. at Barron Library, 461 N Main Street, LaBelle. At La Leche League Meetings, we provide breastfeeding education and support. You can look, listen and ask questions. Some parents help each other and find friends. Come when you can and leave when you need to. The League will meet on the following dates in 2018: Oct. 11, Nov. 8 and Dec. 13. For more information, call Maria at 863-612-6264 or drop her an email too Maria. LLLHendryCounty@gmail.com.

Theatre group seeks help

Are you interested in helping behind the scenes at the Firehouse Community Theatre? The following positions are needed: Stage Managers, Back Stage Assistants, Set Designers, Directors, Lighting & Sound Technicians, Props, Costume Design, Concessions, Ushers. Any volunteer-time is greatly appreciated! There are talented people in our community that can help, so please call the theatre and leave a message with your contact information. Be part of the arts in our community! Call (863)-675-3066 or write to the theatre at: P.O. Box 958, LaBelle, FL 33975 or stop by the theatre to check it out: 241 N. Bridge Street, LaBelle, FL 33935.

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Donation from the Chamber

The LaBelle Chamber of Commerce was pleased to present a donation to Sprout Catering and the Port LaBelle Inn. Sprout Catering and the Port LaBelle Inn donated their venue and catering services to the Chamber for the Chamber's Annual Membership Dinner which was held on October 8.

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LaBelle man accused of abusing girls

By Geoffrey Ionescu
Caloosa Belle

On Oct. 9 Hendry County Deputies arrested Fidencio M. Leal Collazo, 36, on suspicion of sexually abusing three girls ages 13, 11 and 8, that lived in Immokalee over a period of about six years. Leal Collazo faces two counts of lewd and lascivious molestation, two counts of sexual battery of a child younger than 12 and one count of sexual activity with a child.

Leal Collazo was previously arrested in May by Hendry County Sherriff's office deputies on three charges of lewd and lascivious molestation, he was living in LaBelle at the time. While in jail he was served with a Collier County warrant on child sex abuse.

According to court documents, the abuses took place in LaBelle and in Immokalee. After his case is resolved in Collier, Leal Collazo may face prosecution in Hendry County.

The girls said that Leal Collazo had either forced them to have sex with him or touched them inappropriately. The girls said that the abuse took place several times between 2011 and 2017.

In May, the Florida Department of Children and Families received a report that Leal Collazo locked the girl in a home in Hendry County while verbally abusing them, threatening them and their mother. The girls told investigator that their mom didn't believe them when they told her about the abuse, the mom called them liars or said they were crazy.

Leal Collazo was booked at the Naples Jail Center. Bail was set at $3.15 million.

Calling All Artists for art show

As members of the art community, you are invited to submit up to 2 framed or gallery wrapped pieces of art for the Barron Park House Gallery's art show "Perceptions 2018". All artworks will be juried for entry into the show and are subject to approval by Arts of the Inland jurists. Acceptable mediums are photography, acrylic, oil, pastels, mixed media, pen and ink, watercolor, and charcoal. Works must be original and completed within the past two years. Works that have received an award higher than honorable mention in any AOI or ACSWF art show are not eligible. All artists are invited to enter your art, regardless of whether you are a member of Arts of the Inland or the Art Council Southwest Florida.

Art will be received at the Barron Park House Gallery on Tuesday, October 30 from 3 to 6 pm. It must be ready to hang with a wire hanging system. Saw tooth hangers are not allowed. Entry fee for members of AOI is $10 for each piece and $15 for non-members. Applications will be available at the Gallery that day.

The show officially opens on Friday, November 2 with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Winners will be announced with cash prizes and ribbons awarded that evening. Artists will also have the opportunity to discuss their works with judge David Meo, a professor at FGCU. The reception is open to the public and attendees will be able to vote on "The People's Choice" award. It will be a fun-filled evening with wonderful art, good food, and beverages. Everyone is welcome!

The Barron Park House Gallery is located at 471 No. Lee St. and is open Thursday thru Sunday from noon to 5. For more information, you may call Connie Killebrew at 863-674-1412 or Marty Cowen at 863-675-4710.

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Help those hit by Hurricane Michael

The folks and patrons at Two Peas Cafe collected items to send to the Panhandle of Florida to help those hit by Hurricane Michael. Charles Phillips took the donations on Sunday, October 21. Above is a shot of some of what has already been donated. Charles Phillips has also collected 130 five gallon buckets full of cleaning supplies.

Caloosa Belle/**Geoffrey Ionescu**

Friday Night on Ft Thompson is back

People enjoying a performance by The Bare Facts Band Friday, October 5 on Fort Thompson.

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With all of this comes new tax revenue to better care for the citizens. This means new parks, infrastructure, recreation, youth activities and in general more things to do for families right here in Hendry County.

Improved opportunities for all Hendry County adults is critical for them to enhance the lives of their children. This will create enhanced economic conditions, better schools, less poverty, less crime and an overall better quality of life for existing citizens and new citizens/families that decide Hendry County would be a great place to create a better life.

I will be honored to continue "to work for you" as the District 2 County Commissioner.

Thank you for your continued support and confidence in me.

Darrell Harris

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Pet of the Week

this is Betsy. She's a three year old spayed medium hair female kitty. Betsy is very sweet and loves to sleep in a ball. Come play with Betsy at the Caloosa Humane Society, 1200 Pratt Blvd, LaBelle, FL 33935, or check her out on our website Caloosahumanesociety.org.

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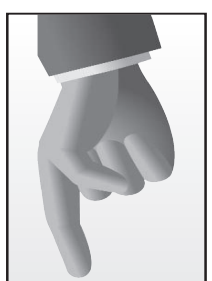

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Administration of Estates

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NO.: 18CP102

IN RE: ESTATE OF
DENNIS JAMES BARRY
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of DENNIS JAMES BARRY, deceased, whose date of death was May 27, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 25 E. Hickpoochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33935. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN FLORIDA STATUTES SECTION 733.702 WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is October 18, 2018.

MICHAEL BARRY
Personal Respresentative
P.O. BOX 3145
Paso Robles, CA 93447

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Administration of Estates

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INVITATION TO BID
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT CR833 AND CR846, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

FINANCIAL PROJECT NO. 433692-1-54-01

Bid No. 2018-14
OPENING DATE AND TIME: NOVEMBER 1, 2018 at 2:00 P.M.

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for "Construction Services in connection with intersection improvements at CR833 and CR846, 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 **November 1, 2018 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 online at www.hendryfla.net under the Public Information tab, or from the Hendry County Engineering Department, located at 99 E Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), or by calling (863) 675-5222.

Firms are encouraged to attend the **Pre-Bid Conference** on **Thursday, October 18, 2018, at 10:00AM** at the Engineering Department, 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

The solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFQ, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFQ, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so. The County may re-procure at the discretion of the Board.

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Si necesita la assistencia de un interprete que hable espanol para participar un esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Veronica Gonzalez al (863) 675-5324.

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Community Briefs

Trail Association meeting

Do you enjoy hiking, kayaking, or bicycling? Families, youth and adults invited to the Fisheating Creek Florida Trail Association Sub-Chapter monthly meeting. A list of upcoming activities will be available at the meeting. **Thursday, October 25 at 7 p.m.** @ Carlson Methodist Church Fellowship Hall, 310 Campbell St. LaBelle. For information Contact: Deanna Filkins 863-234-8181 dkfilkins@aol.com.

Have you ever been a student of Penny Fox?

If so, you're invited to a "past students only" art class at the Barron Park House Gallery on **Thursday, October 25 and Friday, October 26 from 1 to 4.** The subject is "Seascapes" and you may use watercolors or acrylics. Call 239-292-7105 for all details.

BBQ Chicken Dinner

The Sons of the American Legion are hosting a BBQ Chicken Dinner with cole slaw and baked beans, **Saturday, October 27th from 4:00 p.m.** – till - only $6; Halloween SCARE*E*OKE with Steve White. Dining room is smoke free and Public is Welcome. American Legion Post 130 is located at 699 SR80 West, across from the Shell station. For further info call 863-675-8300.

Rotary has Turkey Shoot

The LaBelle Rotary Club will hold their annual Turkey Shoot on **Nov. 9 from 6 until 9 p.m and Nov. 10 from 4 until 9 p.m.** Shotguns and ammo are provided for free or bring your own shotgun. Shooting tickets may be purchased for $4 in advance from a Rotarian or at the gate. Veterans (with a proper ID) receive discount shooting ticket of $3. Food will be available. The best shot in each group will win a certificate for a frozen turkey from Publix. All proceeds will go to the Rotary Foundation. Look for signs on SR80 to the event which is 7.5 miles west of LaBelle or 3.5 mile east of Alva. A shooting ticket is also good for the raffle of a Ruger 10/22 SS Take Down .22LR rifle on the 9th and for the raffle of a Beretta A300 Outlander 12 gauge shotgun on the 10th. All ATF rules apply on gun giveaways. Contact Ron Zimmerly at 863-673-0788 or e-mail him at zim60@hotmail.com for more information.

MCS to host Trunk and Treat Event

The Muse Community Association is hosting it's "Trunk and Treat" event on **October 31, from 5:00 -8:00** at the community building 3897 Loblolly Bay Rd. Games for the kids inside, wings on the grill outside! Decorate your car trunk, and pass out treats from your car. $25.00 prize for best costume, $10.00 for second and third place. Come for the fun!

Public Notice

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN AND PERMITTING SERVICES FOR SIDEWALK CONSTRUCTION ON OLD CR 78 FROM CR 78 TO SR 29 IN HENDRY COUNTY

Financial Project # 435016-1-38-01
RFQ No. 2019-03

Opening Date and Time: November 8, 2018 @ 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in design and permitting in connection with sidewalk construction on Old CR 78 from CR 78 to SR 29 in Hendry County, Florida. Firms submitting must have expertise in roadway, sidewalk and drainage design and permitting services and any other requirements that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) may impose in the Local Agency Participation (LAP) Agreement for this project. Proposers shall have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. Individuals and firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C. E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by 2:00 p.m., November 8, 2018, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one (1) or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and RFQ Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County website, www.hendryfla.net under the Public Information tab, by email at konan@hendryfla.net, or by calling (863) 612-4727.

The solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFQ, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFQ, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so. The County may re-procure at the discretion of the Board.

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Public Notice

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE PERMIT

The Department of Environmental Protection gives notice of its intent to issue an Environmental Resource Permit (File No. 365067-001) to Garcia Family Farms, LLC., 3333-24 Virginia Beach Blvd Virginia Beach, VA 23452, for a new sand mine in Hendry County. The proposed approximately 600.2-acre project site is located within a larger agricultural development. The project site is currently developed as row crops. Construction and operation of the stormwater management system for the existing agricultural development was authorized under South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) Permit No. 26-00623-P. SFWMD Permit No. 26-00623-P will not be superseded for the agricultural areas, instead, Permit No. 26-00623-P will be modified prior to each phase of mine expansion, to accommodate the change in land use.

The site will be reclaimed in accordance with the mandatory reclamation standards set forth in Chapter 62C-39, F.A.C. The post-reclamation land use of the approximately 600.2-acre area will consist of three lakes. The Phase 1a lake will consist of 139.3-acres with a 4.218-acres littoral zone, Phase 1b lake will consist of 144.2-acres with a 4.852-acres littoral zone, and the Phase 2 Lake will consist of 207.4-acres with a 5.363-acre littoral zone. The sites post-reclamation land use will consist Approximately of 490.9-acres of Lakes (FLUCCS 522), 89.9-acres of Improved Pastures (FLUCCS 211), 12.7-acres of Freshwater Marshes (FLUCCS 641), 4.8-acres of Ditches (FLUCCS 510), and 1.9-acres of Herbaceous (Dry Prairies) (FLUCCS 310). The estimated life of the mine is twenty years. The construction phase, including reclamation, of this permit expires in approximately twenty years.

The project is located in Section(s) 14 and 15, 22 and 23, 10, Township 47 South, Range 33 East, South of the city of Clewiston, along the east side of Sam Jones Trail (County Rd 833), two miles south of County Rd 835 in Hendry County, Florida. This site is within the drainage basin of the Feeder Canal, Class III waters.

The Department will issue the environmental resource permit unless a timely petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) is filed under sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application. Therefore, on the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department.

Petition for Administrative Hearing

A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. Pursuant to rule 28-106.201, F.A.C, a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

(a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;

(b) The name, address, any email address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests are or will be affected by the agency determination;

(c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;

(d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;

(e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts that the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;

(f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes that the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and

(g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action that the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399- 3000 or at Agency_Clerk@dep.state.fl.us. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

Time Period for Filing a Petition

In accordance with rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C, petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant must be filed within 21 days of receipt of this written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 21 days of publication of the notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. Under section 120.60(3), F.S., however, any person who has asked the Department for notice of agency action may file a petition within 21 days of receipt of such notice, regardless of the date of publication. The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

Extension of Time

Under rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399- 3000, before the applicable deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

Mediation

Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

The files associated with this order are available upon request. Please address your request to MiningAndMitigation@dep.state.fl.us and include the file number in your request.

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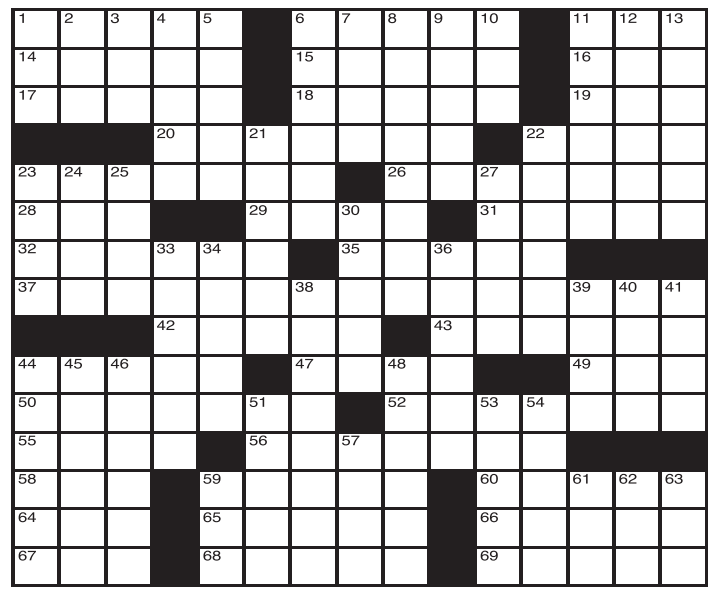

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Community Briefs

SUDDENLY IT'S 1923 AGAIN

LaBelle residents can see Paramount Pictures Adolph Zukor and Jesse L. Lasky's epic western, James Cruze's production of "The Covered Wagon" starring J. Warren Kerrigan, Lois Wilson and Alan Hale just as their parents, grandparents, or even great grandparents could have at the modern LaBelle Theatre owned by Mary Hayes Davis, crusading editor of the LaBelle Current and its successor the Hendry County News (now known as the Caloosa Belle). LaBelle Heritage Museum proudly presents this landmark 95 year old silent motion picture with appropriate recorded music but no talking just as it could have been seen in Florida's youngest county when it was first released. The program will start right at **7 o'clock** since it is a feature movie lasting over 90 minutes on **November 7!** It is suggested that attendees bring there own seat cushions since folding chairs are not all that comfortable. The doors to the Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Center will open at 6:30 p.m. There is no admission charge and the popcorn is free.

Animal Rescue Yard Sale

Nov. 3 from 9 to 2 at Barron Park. They will have Hot Dog or Hamburger, chips and a drink, raffles, 50/50, entertainment and much much more. There will be a spot to donate what you like. Animal Rescue Inc 463 E Lincoln Ave, LaBelle 863-342-2076 No kill shelter 501C.3 Non-Profit saving the Animals of Hendry, glades and Lee counties.

Masons host BBQ

The LaBelle Masonic Lodge, F&AM, #379, 180 Jaycees Lions Drive, will host a fundraising barbecue on **Friday, Nov. 2,** at the Lodge. Tickets may be purchased from Lodge members prior to the date. The menu is ½ barbecue chicken, cole slaw and beans. Luncheon meals may be picked up at the Lodge on Jaycee-Lions Drive from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and dinners from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. To purchase tickets call 561-632-7097.

LaBelle Chamber to Hold Document Shredding Event

In the past the Greater LaBelle Chamber of Commerce has sponsored Document Shredding Day events. Recently the Chamber has had many requests for another Document Shredding Day to be scheduled. To meet the needs of its membership, The LaBelle Chamber has scheduled a Document Shredding Day on **November 14, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.,** at the Chamber Building. Now is the time for you to gather all your old documents, tax records, and personal papers. Safeguard Shredding, a professional shredding company, will be on site to destroy your old documents. While you watch they destroy your paperwork in seconds with their large mobile shredder. You can bring a box full or a car trunk full… it doesn't matter. Just remember, papers only… no metal clips. The Chamber offers this service at no charge to its members, and non-members of the Chamber donate $20. Clean out your files before the holidays!

GCSO looking for Explorers

Glades County Sheriff David Hardin is always looking for ways to offer greater opportunities to the youth of Glades County. Sheriff Hardin is considering starting a Florida Sheriff's Explorers' Chapter. The Explorers will be trained in law enforcement techniques, traffic control, basic law and principles along with firearms training. If anyone between the ages of 14 and 18 is interested, please contact Leslie Smith at 863-946-1600 extension 2100.

Festival committee meets

The Swamp Cabbage Festival will meet the first Monday of each month (November 5, December 3 and January 7) in preparation for the 2019 Festival. The meetings are open to the public as well as anyone interested in volunteering. Please join us at LaBelle City Hall, 481 W Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, FL 33935 at 6:30 p.m. For more information, call our office at 863-675-2995.

American Legion, Post 130 Events:

Happy Hour Monday - Friday 11a--6p; Lounge opens 10 a.m. M-Sa; 12 noon on Sunday.

October 26, November 2 - Friday - 5-7 p.m. Fish Fry with assortment of fish, shrimp, crabcakes & chicken with cole slaw, baked potato or French fries & roll $9. Homemade desserts by the American Legion Auxiliary are available $1/slice to support our Veterans. Karaoke begins at 7 p.m. Dining room is smoke free and Public is Welcome.

October 27 – Saturday – 4:00 p.m. – till – Sons of the American Legion Chicken BBQ Dinner - $6; Halloween SCARE*E*OKE with Steve White. Dining room is smoke free and Public is Welcome.

November 11 – Sunday – Veterans Day Ceremony at 11 a.m. at the Veterans Park, SR80/Main Street. The Veterans Granite Wall will be dedicated and the 1934 Liberty Type Bell will be rung for the first time!

"Like" our Facebook page to get all the weekly updates, the newsletters and calendars on our website at www.legionpost130.com

American Legion Post 130 Meetings:

November 1 - Thurs - 6 p.m. DAV (Disabled American Veterans) meeting.

November 7 - Wed - 7:30 p.m. American Legion Riders meeting.

November 14 - Wed - 6 p.m. Sons of the American Legion meeting.

November 15 - Thurs - 7 p.m. - American Legion & American Legion Auxiliary meets.

American Legion Post 130 is located at 699 SR80 West, across from the Shell station. For further information call 863-675-8300. Dining room is smoke free and Public is Welcome.

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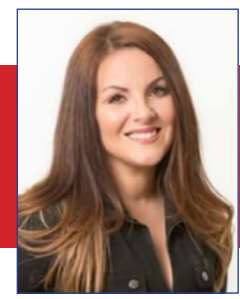

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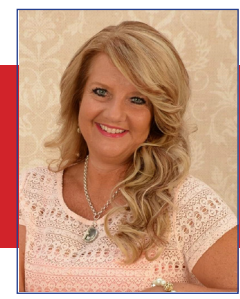

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Hendry Soil And Water Conservation District Board Meeting

The Hendry Soil and Water Conservation District will hold its regularly scheduled Board meeting on October 25, at 1:00 p.m. in the main room of the Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Building. Meetings are open to the public.

MOPS of LaBelle Second Annual Diaper Drive Extended

The MOPS Diaper Drive runs through October and is extended to November 11. A donation bin is set up at Winn Dixie. Donations of diapers and wipes made to MOPS of LaBelle will be given to our local Salvation Army to be distributed to those in need. For more information on the diaper drive contact Megan Narehood at (239) 206-9881 or mopsoflabelle@gmail.com.

Donations for Animal Rescue Inc.

CenterState Bank is taking donations for Animal Rescue Inc. The only true no-kill shelter in the tri-county. A non-profit corporation saving the animals of Hendry, Glades and Lee counties. Any monetary donations goes for the care of the animals such as food and supplies and veterinary care. CenterState Bank has a wish list box in the lobby for donations such as: Can dog and cat food, kitty litter, kitty treats, dog treats, pine sol, bleach, laundry soap, dish soap, blankets and toys. CenterState Bank will be taking donations for the shelter thru Nov. 2. All contributions are well appreciated.

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