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Glades at a Glance

Republicans meeting

Glades Republicans will hold their next monthly meeting Monday December 8 at the Moore Haven Library at 7 pm.

Election of new county committee officers for 2009-2010 will be held, including precinct representatives. Please try to attend to help make the best choices.

Other agenda items include planning our participation at Christmas on the Caloosahatchee and 2009 area festivals.

This meeting is open to the public.

FWC announces hog hunt dates

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission announces a notice of intent to issue permits for the purpose of controlling the feral hog population and protecting the ecological values on the Fisheating Creek Wildlife Management Area, West of U.S. 27.

Permits will be issued for two hog control time periods, Dec. 12 - 14, and Dec. 19 - 21.

Twenty-five permits will be issued for each hog control period. Permits will be issued on a first-come, first-serve basis to individuals 16 years of age or older. Permits will only be distributed at the Fisheating Creek WMA check-station at the FEC Campground located on U.S. Highway 27 in Palmdale, on Saturday, Dec. 6, beginning at 10 a.m.

Permittees will be allowed to take wild hogs with no size or bag limit. The use of dogs for capturing or taking hogs is prohibited. Firearms will be limited to a shotgun with #1 Buckshot or larger.

For additional information you may contact the Fisheating Creek WMA office at 863-946-1194.

Native Plant Society plans meetings

The Florida Native Plant Society meeting will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Agri-Civic Center at 4509 George Blvd. in Sebring in conference room number three.

For more information, call Roy Stewart at 863-632-0914.

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Late November scenes: eastern Glades County



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The hay harvest in Lakeport/Brighton area takes place near Thanksgiving.

Cops for Christmas

Sheriff's office organizes annual toy program

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

GLADES COUNTY -- The Cops for Christmas toy give away has become a bigger and even better Christmas time event. Sheriff Stuart Whiddon started the toy program about three years ago. He wanted to make sure that needy families also have a joyful holiday. According to Sergeant Kimberly Hill, the sheriff feels that no child should go without gifts on Christmas. Funds are donated from citizens, organizations and from the Sheriff's Office Forfeiture Fund.

People who donated funds or their time to make this happen have truly realized what a difference they can make in a child's life. The sheriff's office is able to buy new toys for all age

levels of children and give them away. This is a chance for children to more fully understand the spirit of the holiday, and to see that their community cares about them.

When money has been collected, and the Sheriff's Office totals the exact amount that can be used, it is time to schedule a shopping trip. Sergeant Kimberly Hill mentioned that employees of the sheriff's office volunteer to go shopping, and are divided into groups. Each group has a final total amount of money and a certain age group to keep in mind while looking for appropriate gifts. The groups will shop for toys for both boys and girls within their assigned age group.

The Glades County Sheriff's Office works with local community services to identify families truly in need. Employees also volunteer at the event to give the toys away. Toys are set up on tables in the Doyle Conner Building and categorized according to age group and

gender. Volunteers have large bags to collect the appropriate toys when the recipients arrive. There will be a lot of cheerful kids standing in line when the day arrives for them to receive toys. Volunteers look forward to this part of the program so they can feel the spirit of the season.

The Cops for Christmas program has grown larger each year since its inception. Sergeant Hill also noted that the sheriff's office places more emphasis throughout the year to collect funds for the event, and each year there is more money becoming available to purchase toys. This year's Cops for Christmas toy give away is being held on Saturday, Dec. 13 at the Doyle Conner Building in Moore Haven from 2-4 p.m. Donations are no longer being accepted at this time. However, citizens can plan to help with next year's program.

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Last year, before Christmas, volunteers wait to serve children on the list of recipients for toys from Cops For Christmas.

Affordable entertainment

Books and other media on sale at public library

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

MOORE HAVEN -- Residents do not have to drive all the way to Fort Myers to find entertaining diversions. Instead, get away from it all and go to the public library in Moore Haven and meet characters of all types. The Friends' corner book nook has printed, audio, video and vinyl media on sale. Browsers can meet navy

admirals, private investigators, aristocrats, and trailblazers in the donated or withdrawn books that still have life in them.

The Friends of Glades County Public Library offer two paperback books for 25 cents; and two hardbacks, audio books, videos or LP records for \$1. The money collected will end up helping the library and benefitting the patrons. There may not be a bookstore in Glades and Hendry Counties, so take a look at the selections offered during the library sale which will end after the first of the new year. The Friends usually offer these items for purchase on a regular basis, but the sale is

temporary.

You might need old-school technology to enjoy video tapes like "The Godfather III", or a James Lee Burke audio tape. The vinyl record selections have some mighty nice literary pieces that can be shared with children and grandchildren when it is time to settle down for the evening.

Hold on to old record turntables, cassette players and VCR's so you can play your bargain entertainment. Preserve the old videos, music tapes, vinyl and shellac records; because in the present economy, new DVD's,

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Christmas festival planned

Christmas on the Caloosahatchee features parade, food and raffles

by Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

GLADES COUNTY -- Volunteers, officials and employees of Glades County School District and the city of Moore Haven are looking forward to this holiday season's annual festival called Christmas on the Caloosahatchee. Family entertainment, reasonably priced food, raffles and a light parade with Santa will be featured on Thursday, Dec. 11 from 5-8 p.m.

About eight years ago a group of local teachers began to organize the first festival, and the city joined in by putting up lights and grooming the city park on Avenue J. Before the lights go up, the Moore Haven High School Beta Club members go through all the light bulbs and replace the ones that are burnt out. The Christmas lights will stay up through the New Year.

This is a major fund raising event for local schools and all grade levels will have booths set up. Bring an appetite because entrees and sides include chili, red beans and rice, tacos, french fries, nachos, tamales, tostados, hot dogs, pork sandwiches, pumpkin bread, hamburgers or cheeseburgers, soup, and cornbread. Sweets and snacks include popcorn, candy apples, cotton candy, boiled peanuts, jars of jelly or relish or pickles, elephant ears, cupcakes and other baked goods. Beverages offered will be sweet tea, coffee, soda, bottled water and hot chocolate.

Raffles will feature a bike, yard art, Bath and Body, iPod, 50/50 tickets, guitar, garden statue, and a hunting/fishing trip. Children can enjoy photos with Santa, giant slide, sleigh ride, Animal Land, bounce house, frisbee, bean bag toss, pony pulling cart, and face painting.

Organizations will be set up like Parent Teacher Organization, St. Joseph Catholic Church, 4-H, Project Graduation, health department, women's club, First Baptist Church, economic development council, garden club, New Hope Baptist Church, Conservative Citizens of Glades County, St. Martin's Episcopal Church and school clubs.

Entertainment for the evening will be furnished by a student choir, Moore Haven High School band, First United Methodist Church choir, music DJ, and charter school students from Brighton will sing carols in Creek. There is still time to volunteer for entertainment.

Susan Prowant, Felinda Langdale and many others have organized the event. Booth spaces are still open for \$10. Booth vendors must bring their own tables, lights and extension cords. Note that there will be no duplicate items, so first you must sign up with Ms. Prowant at 863-946-0737.

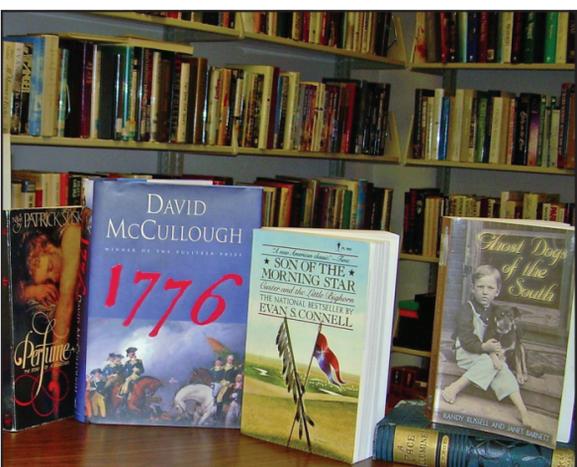
To sign up, qualify and prepare for a light parade entry, you must contact Ms. Langdale at 863-227-0311 or 863-946-0737. All kinds of creative vehicles can be in the light parade such as cars, golf carts, ATVs, bicycle, motorcycles, or saddle horses.

The city park location by the Caloosahatchee River is in the historic section of Moore Haven. You can find it south of the U.S. 27 bridge at Riverside Drive and Avenue J.

School children and festival organizers thank all school district and city officials, employees and volunteers. Those who donated funds will be shown appreciation by having their names listed on a plaque set up during the festival. Last year's festival was a popular success due to community involvement. Funds raised will go towards school supplies, materials and field trips.

"It is for a good cause," said Susan Prowant, teacher.

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'The Pahokee' remains a wild card for Cards

Cardinals' version of Wildcat offense - the Pahokee - involves versatile WR even more

By Kent Somers
The Arizona Republic



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Pahokee's own Anquan Boldin has a special surprise in store for rivals. Called 'The Pahokee,' it is just another layer of strategy in Mr. Boldin's repertoire.

has lined up in the backfield 11 times in the past and took direct snaps from center twice in a victory over the San Francisco 49ers recently.

"I think we're scratching the surface of what we can do," coach Ken Whisenhunt said.

"We were definitely waiting until we were sure Anquan was back to full health. It's a little bit different catching the ball outside and running it inside. You're a lot more susceptible to contact and hits."

Boldin's versatility makes him

sued to the role. He's an excellent runner and blocker.

He played quarterback in high school and for a time at Florida State.

Boldin hasn't attempted a pass this year, but he has thrown twice in his five seasons - an incomple-

tion and an interception.

It's hard to imagine Boldin's role growing larger.

He already leads the league in touchdown receptions with 10, a career high, and he has caught scoring passes in the past six games, a franchise record.

The "Pahokee," however, will give him the football even more.

The Cardinals, for obvious reasons, declined to say just what they have in mind, but Boldin could run, pass and even run the option from that formation.

"It's just something defenses have to prepare for, something extra," Boldin said.

"I think we give a variety of looks to defenses already, but you put something like that in, it just gives them something else to worry about."

The Cardinals don't plan to use the formation an inordinate amount.

Their strength is in the passing game, so they aren't going to take Boldin and quarterback Kurt Warner out of their regular spots too often.

"If you look at a game and how many times you want to get the ball in 'Q's' hands, I don't think you are ever going to feel bad about that," Whisenhunt said.

"I don't think you can make a living doing that because he is so good outside."

Not everybody is crazy about the Pahokee formation - Warner, for instance.

He prefers lining up at quarterback instead of receiver, where defenders "were trying to beat me up," Warner said.

If Boldin lining up in the backfield is called the "Pahokee," then the rest of the offense should be called the "Burlington" in honor of Warner's Iowa hometown.

"I don't like the offense," a smiling Warner said of the Pahokee.

"I just know the ball is not in my hands on those plays. It's in a good player's hands, but not mine."

20 years at Health Care District of Palm Beach County

HCD Marks Twenty Year Milestone

West Palm Beach - This month the Health Care District of Palm Beach County marks its 20th anniversary, a milestone recognized Wednesday by the District's Board of Commissioners.

At its meeting last week, the Board approved a proclamation that celebrated the wide range of services delivered since voters of Palm Beach County approved a ballot referendum on November 8, 1988 to establish a health care district "to maximize the health and well being of Palm Beach County residents by providing comprehensive planning, funding, and coordination of health care service delivery."

"The Health Care District was launched with a challenging mission," said Board Chair Jonathan Satter.

"Many dedicated people in our community deserve thanks and credit for helping the Health Care District grow and mature into the comprehensive health care system it is today."

Since 1992, the District's Trauma System has saved nearly 40,000 lives.

Every year the District protects the health of 1.3 million residents by delivering over two million health services for uninsured residents, enabling uninsured expectant mothers to receive more than 200,000 services from doctors and other health care providers, staffing registered nurses to care for nearly 170,000 students who make 655,000 visits to the public school clinics, providing vision and hearing tests to nearly 60,000 students, and treating residents who make nearly 19,000 visits to



Courtesy photo/John Ricksen Photography

Progress on the construction of a new regional hospital in Belle Glade continues at a steady pace. The lead agency on the construction is the Health Care District of Palm Beach County, which is celebrating its 20th anniversary this month.

the Emergency Room at Glades General Hospital.

"We are a unique health care system with a primary focus of prevention," said Dwight D. Chenette, the District's Chief Executive Officer.

"With the leadership of our volunteer Board and the support of our dedicated employees, we have implemented programs that satisfy several areas of critical need. Most notable, especially in light of the recent economic downturn, is the growth of our health coverage programs for the uninsured and for working peo-

ple with limited incomes. These health coverage initiatives, as well as our trauma system and school health services, have been recognized as model programs for the nation."

The Health Care District's programs include the nationally acclaimed Trauma System, school health rooms with dedicated nurses in more than 170 public schools in Palm Beach County, the Edward J. Healey Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, several health coverage programs for the uninsured, and a Pharmacy operation.

The Health Care District also operates Glades General Hospital in Belle Glade, the county's only public hospital, and is building a new replacement hospital and medical campus for the communities bordering Lake Okeechobee.

In addition, the Health Care District has provided and continues to provide funding to federal,

state and local health initiatives and organizations, including Florida Healthy Kids, Medicaid, the Children's Services Council, Children's Behavioral Health Program, Palm Beach Community College Nursing Program, Palm Beach County Medical Society's Project Access, County Health Department's Health and Dental Clinics, Florida Commu-

nity Health Centers, Ryan White, Glades Health Initiative, the Caridad Center, Comprehensive Aids Program and Compass, Pahokee Clinic, Glades Healthcare Foundation, and the Emergency Department Management Group.

The Health Care District is governed by a seven-member Board of Commissioners. Board members include of Jonathan R. Satter, Chair; Dr. Effie C. Grear, Vice-Chair; Dr. Jean Malecki, Secretary; David Goodlett; State Representative Richard A. Macheck; Patrick DiSalvo; and Ms. Carol A. Roberts.

For residents interested in information about the District's health coverage programs, call 1-866-930-0035.

To see an illustrated timeline of the District's progress year-by-year please visit:

www.hcdpbc.org/public_info/TimeLine.html

About the Health Care District:

The Health Care District of Palm Beach County provides health coverage for low-income residents, a nationally recognized trauma system, clinics with a dedicated nurse in more than 170 public schools, a pharmacy network, a long-term skilled nursing and rehabilitation center, and acute care hospital services at Glades General Hospital, the county's only public hospital.

The Health Care District is in the process of constructing a new, technologically-advanced hospital to serve the Lake Okeechobee region.

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Tigers fall to Mulberry and exit playoffs

Season ends abruptly for Clewiston Tiger
By Jeff Barwick

The Tigers season ended abruptly as a fast and powerful Panthers team scored early and often in a Class 2A Regional Quarterfinals at Clewiston's Cane Field on Friday night.

Mulberry used big as they rolled up 301 yards rushing on the night and a defense that stopped the Tigers when they had to.

Mulberry (8-4) got their first score when junior quarterback Tony Brown kept the ball on an option and raced 94 yards midway through the opening quarter.

The run came after it appeared the Tigers had the Panthers pinned deep after a 58-yard punt by Isandro Marquez, his longest of the year.

The Tigers then used a 7-play drive to get into position for Isandro Marquez to nail a 36-yard field goal.

The entire drive was tallied to tailback Darris Hughes.

After a 15-yard kickoff return, Hughes had 5 carries for 29 yards.

The Tigers were aided by 2 penalties against the Panther defense.

But that was the only successful offensive effort for Clewiston during the opening half.

On the following kickoff, Mulberry's Steven Willis busted loose and streaked for a 70-yard touchdown return.

Clewiston had a short drive but had to punt and the Panthers began at their own 26.

Wideout Jerrell Carr ran a reverse, checked up and threw a 39 yard completion to wideout Justin Wagstaff at the Clewiston 35.

Mulberry kept churning out short yardage runs but enough to get 2 first downs, the last being at the Tiger 10.

On third down from the 2, fullback Trent Thomas fumbled the ball into the end zone and

Tiger senior linebacker Leonard Newton pounced on the ball for a touchback.

Clewiston got a drive going but lost the ball when quarterback Isandro Marquez was attempting to pass and was hit at the time he released the ball causing it to go backwards and be ruled a lateral that Mulberry recovered near midfield.

From there, Jamar Reaves scored on an inside reverse from 39 yards out just before intermission to post Mulberry to a 20-3 lead.

Clewiston (7-4) picked up two touchdowns by senior tailback Darris Hughes in the second half on rushes of 10 and 13 yards.

But, it was too little, too late for the Tigers.

Mulberry scored three touchdowns of their own to keep Clewiston and the game well under control.

Hughes rushed for 244 yards and 36 carries but the Tigers just could not muster any other offen-

sive spark.

Marquez did complete 10 passes on 22 attempts but they were of the short yardage variety and only accounted for 64 yards.

"This was a very good team that gave us looks we haven't seen all year and it was hard to get prepared for their offense," said Tiger head coach Joe Roth. He added, "Darris had a great night and season. He's a special kid who has grown so much this year. He should get a good chance to go on to the next level."

The Tiger defense played hard but missed tackles and two blown pass coverages allowed the Panthers to break off some big plays. LaMarcus Thicklin had 5 tackles and 2 assists and defensive end Adam Trevino had 5 tackles and an assist.

Mulberry advanced in the playoffs and now gets a return engagement with district rival Tampa Catholic, who beat them in the regular season.

For the Tigers, the loss was dis-

appointing as they took an early exit from the playoffs.

But, at the start of the season most observers did not offer much hope for a winning season and Clewiston did finish 7-4 and were a perfect 4-0 in winning their District Championship.

Scoring:

	1	2	3	4
Total				
Mulberry	14	6	6	
Clewiston	3	0	7	

1Q: Mulberry: Tony Brown, 94 yd run; kick Kody Glass

Clewiston: Isandro Marquez 36 yd field goal

Mulberry: Steven Willis 70 yd kickoff return; kick Kody Glass

2Q: Mulberry: Jamar Reaves 38 yd run; run conversion failed

3Q: Mulberry: Stevem Willis 39 yd run; kick failed

Clewiston: Darris Hughes 10 yd run; kick Isandro Marquez

4Q: Mulberry: Stetson Chan-

ey 30 yd pass from Tony Brown; Tony Brown 3 yd run for two point conversion

Mulberry: Jerrell Carr 30 yd run; kick failed

Clewiston: Darris Hughes, 13 yd run; Julio Ramos 3 yd pass from Isandro Marquez for two point conversion.

Stats:

Rushing (Carries/Yards): Darris Hughes, 36/244; Leonard Newton, 1/0; Joey Cordova, 1/0; Jamarcus Smith, 1/1; Keon Ward, 1/5, Chris Herring, 1/6, Mark Richards, 1/-1, and Isandro Marquez, 2/-20.

Passing (Compl/Att/Int/Yards): Isandro Marquez, 10/22/2/64

Receiving (Catches/Yards): Joey Cordova, 1/8; Julio Ramos, 1/3; Damion Smith, 1/7; Jamarcus Smith, 5/40; Damarian Allen, 1/2

and Jonathan Brown, 1/4.

Glades Central wins Class 3A playoff opener

Pahokee and Glades Day punch tickets to Class 2B, 1A regional finals, respectively

By Najj Tobias

BELLE GLADE - No Leron 'L.J.' Thomas, no Kentavious McCoy, no problem.

Enter Alanda Shaw, who led Glades Central to a 25-6 victory over Miami-Belen Jesuit last Friday night.

Shaw, who came into this season as the Raiders third-string quarterback, was 9-of-21 passing for 121 yards with three touchdowns and three interceptions.

The sophomore, who took over at the helm for Thomas (collarbone injury), was aided by a balanced offensive attack and the offensive line, arguably among the very best in the state this season.

In the opening quarter of the Class 3A-4 regional quarterfinal game, Shaw connected with fellow sophomore wideout Kevin Benjamin (three catches, 50 yards) with an 11-yard touchdown pass.

Later in the first half, the sophomore quarterback threw another touchdown pass, a 6-yarder to senior wideout Rantavious Wooten (two catches, 18 yards).

Wooten, the four-star receiver, according to Rivals.com, competed in this game just six days after suffering from back spasms in the Nov. 15 Muck Bowl game against Pahokee.

Wooten's score put Glades Central up 19-0 going into halftime.

After Belen Jesuit cut the Raiders lead to 19-6 in the third frame, Shaw put the game away with a 17-yard touchdown strike to senior tight end/wideout James West (two receptions, 32 yards).

Though the rushing attack wasn't especially effective - the Raiders were limited to 69 rushing yards on 23 carries - senior tailback Antonio McCloude (12 carries, 65 yards) did register a touchdown in the game.

McCloude's score came on a 18-yard run to open the contest.

In terms of total yardage, Belen Jesuit held its own against the Raiders defense as it mustered 184 total yards, only six less than Glades Central (190).

But the Raiders defense, who limited the Wolverines to only six total first downs, came through yet again when it mattered most.

The defensive back duo of Cartavious Baldwin (2 INTs) and Gregory Dent (1 INT) proved to be the difference in the game for Glades Central.

The Raiders (11-0) will travel to Opa Locka tomorrow night to face off against Miami-Monsignor Pace in the Class 3A-4 regional semifinal game.

Monsignor Pace defeated Fort Lauderdale-Cardinal Gibbons, 35-21, in their Class 3A playoff opener last week.

The Glades Central-Monsignor Pace game is a rematch of last year's regional semifinals, which Glades Central won at home in an 8-6 comeback victory on a game-winning field goal by Vincent

Escebedo.

The winner of this game will move on to the Class 3A-4 regional finals next week.

The opponent will be either Dunbar or Class 3A defending champion Naples, who ended Glades Central's season last year with a 27-24 win to take the Class 3A-4 regional title.

Pahokee 22, Parkway Academy 8:

In the Blue Devils Class 2B playoff opener, it was Vincent Smith who propelled them to victory.

The Michigan-bound running back (19 carries, 163 yards) scored two of Pahokee's three touchdowns in the game, including an 80-yard run in the second quarter.

Smith's score, followed by a Nu'Keese Richardson 2-point conversion run, put Pahokee up 15-8 going into halftime in their home game.

No team scored again until the fourth quarter, when Smith punched in a touchdown run of 16 yards to conclude the game's scoring.

Richardson, who connected on a 5-yard touchdown pass to Dexter Holmes, completed just two passes on 12 attempts for 16 yards in this contest.

That being said, the Florida commit did finish with 102 total yards in the game (seven carries, 86 yards).

It just goes to show that there's more than one way Richardson could make his presence felt on

the field.

Holmes (two receptions, 16 yards) was the only receiver who made any catches in the game for Pahokee.

The Blue Devils (9-2) will be hosting the Fort Lauderdale-University Suns tomorrow night in the Class 2B-4 regional championship game.

It's a rematch of last year's Class 2B playoff opener, which Pahokee won 62-0.

University (11-0) defeated King's Academy 16-9 in their Class 2B playoff opener last week.

It prevented the Lions from advancing to its third consecutive Class 2B-4 regional finals game against Pahokee.

Glades Day 35, Indian Rocks Christian 21:

Kelvin Taylor led the Gators with 24 carries for 189 yards and three touchdowns in their Class 1A playoff opening win.

Taylor's performance led all Palm Beach County running backs in the first week of the state playoffs.

Glades Day senior wideout Deandre Jackson was the county's leader in receptions and yardage last week (nine catches, 101 yards).

The Suncoast transfer, who caught an 8-yard touchdown pass from Bo Schlecter in the game, finished with 152 total yards (five rushes, 51 yards).

Schlecter (13-for-17, 149 yards, 1 TD) scored a rushing touchdown in the contest, a 4-yard run in the first half.

That score put Glades Day up 7-6 going into halftime.

Once again, Taylor was the difference-maker for the Gators, scoring all of his touchdowns in the second half to put the game away.

Though Glades Day's rushing offense was great (237 total rush yards), the run defense was picked apart yet again.

Indian Rocks had its way on Glades Day's run defense, rushing for 258 yards on 39 carries with three touchdowns.

Glades Day (6-5) earned the right to host Class 1A powerhouse Fort Meade in tomorrow night's Class 1A-3 regional championship game.

It's a rematch of the Gators 23-21 Class 1A-3 finals victory over the Miners, which was played in Fort Meade last year.

Glades Day overcame Fort Meade's potent rushing attack in

the classic battle, highlighted by Schlecter's game-winning field goal with less than two minutes left in the game.

Cody Davis's game-ending interception sealed the win for the Gators, which allowed more than 200 rushing yards to Fort Meade last year.

Fort Meade, which defeated Evangelical Christian 34-7 in their Class 1A playoff opener last week, is looking to end a two-game losing streak to Glades Day.

Glades Day will need to tighten up the holes in its run defense if they expect to advance to their third straight Class 1A state semifinal game next week.

The winner of this game will face either Miami-Dade Christian or Class 1A defending champion American Heritage-Delray Beach in the state semifinals.

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"I would definitely use this hospital again." — patient survey response

We invite you to take a closer look at Glades General Hospital. We continue to provide quality healthcare, courteous and attentive staff right here at home, but to serve you even better, we have made a few changes:

- Our new Fast Track Program, within our Emergency Department, is designed to decrease waiting time. Under the direction of an Emergency Department doctor, nurse practitioners and physician assistants are able to evaluate, treat and discharge patients with less-emergent needs.



- All of these updates and improvements have been made with our community in mind to make Glades General Hospital your source for quality healthcare for you and your family, right here at home.



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THE NICEST COMMISSIONER: One of the nicest ladies and best county commissioners I have ever communicated with and never had the honor to meet. Let me tell you folks, if every commissioner was like this woman, Glades County would not have any problems and be the best county in the state.

A WOLF: Let me tell you she's nothing but a wolf in sheep's clothing, you people keep saying how nice she is. Read all of her posts during election time and most seemed negative towards the incumbents. Tell me, as I don't have a degree in accounting, if you can't work with your fellow elected official's, who can you work with ... just does not add up.

TO THOSE WHO ARE CURIOUS ABOUT MY PERSONAL RECORDS: I have a certificate of birth. I have a social security number/card. I have a driver's license. I have a high school diploma. I have college credits in Accounting I and Accounting II. I have an IRS Preparer Tax ID number. I have been licensed as a real estate salesperson. I am registered as Republican but was previously registered as Democrat. I am a property owner/taxpayer. I am married but did not change my name after the nuptials, nor did he. I have two children, three grandchildren. I have been defendant in a lawsuit in which forensic accounting exonerated me. I received a gubernatorial appointment after my credentials were authenticated. I have filed accurate financial disclosures with the Ethics Commission. I am Protestant Christian. I have never been arrested. I have the honor of serving Glades County citizens. BEST OF ALL, I HAVE WONDERFUL CONSTITUENTS! Commissioner Donna Storter Long. P.S. I have a sense of humor! I will answer other inquiries of a personal nature if e-mailed to mamzelle@strato.net. And oh yes, "Mamzelle" was my beloved feline.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following are online responses to last week's story entitled, "Yacht Storage Nears Completion." We invite readers each week to comment on stories that appear in the Glades County Democrat.

SURE BEATS A LANDFILL: 10,000 ways to 1. I just spent a fair amount of time up in Lake County here in Florida. There are a few of these types of facilities up there. They are all in "up-scale" neighborhoods. Watch out -- this area may be "up-scale" one day? Glades County may want to study Lake County and take a few notes. And they fight landfills tooth and nail up there. It seems like every other week there are fishing tournaments up there. Those people spend money and leave a relatively "small footprint." The most interesting thing about the people up there - They greet you with a smile and are very pleasant and helpful! I am sure there are "politicians" up there but the "statesmen" seem to out number them. Another thing they are big on in Lake County are "assisted living" communities. I never saw so many. Like I have said "Glades County is a diamond in the rough." "Glades County is the keystone of South Florida." It will never happen as long as "the old time politicians" are in control. Moore Haven and the "politicians" that run the county (most of all the ones behind the scenes) should "straighten out and start flying right." There is a tremendous future here no matter what the economy does elsewhere.

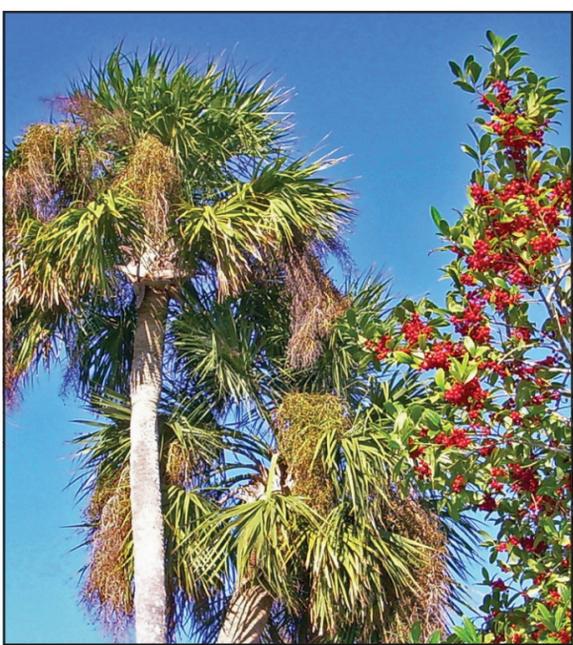
Local Weather Forecast

Weather Forecast for Glades County from the National Weather Service.

Moore Haven and surrounding areas:
Thanksgiving Day: Sunny, with a high near 73. Calm wind becoming north around 6 mph.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 48. Northeast wind between 3 and 5 mph.

Extended Forecast

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 78. East wind around 5 mph.
Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58. Light southeast wind.
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Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 58.
Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 79.
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INI/Nena Bolan

Local beauty

Berry tree and Sabal palms are located in Moore Haven near Lake Okeechobee.



INI/Nena Bolan

Sweater weather

Children enjoy their trikes in Brighton on a cool day.

Glades County Prescription Drug Discount Program

County Residents Take Advantage Of Free Discount Cards

INI Florida — During the six months since the introduction of the Glades County's free prescription drug discount program, county residents filled nearly one hundred prescriptions with the cards at discounts averaging 30 percent savings per prescription, Mary Ann Dotson, Glades County's Human Resources Director announced today.

Glades County launched the program to help consumers cope with the high price of prescription drugs. The county is making the free prescription drug discount cards available under a program sponsored by the National Association of Counties (NACo) that offers average savings of 20 percent off the retail price of commonly prescribed drugs.

There has been an increasing number of residents presenting the cards over the last few months.

Best of all, there is no cost to county taxpayers for NACo and Glades County to make these money saving cards available to our residents.

The cards may be used by all county residents, regardless of age, income, or existing health coverage, and are accepted at many of the surrounding county's pharmacies. A national network of more than 59,000 participating retail pharmacies also honors the NACo prescription discount card.

Cards are available at the Glades County Courthouse, Hendry/Glades Health Department, Glades County Social Services and the local schools. County residents can call toll free 1-877-321-2652 or visit www.caremark.com/naco for assistance with the program.

"Using the NACo prescription discount card is easy," said Ms. Dotson. "Simply present it at a participating pharmacy. There is no enrollment form, no membership fee and no restrictions or limits on frequency of use. Cardholders and their family members may use the card any time their

prescriptions are not covered by insurance."

The program is administered by Caremark Rx, Inc.

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Free Bread provided by the fine folks at the New Hope Baptist Church located at 1050 Yaun Road in Moore Haven. This will be every Tuesday from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. or when the bread is gone. Hard to believe, but the bread is free!

help elders

Center for Independent Living will be doing outreach on a regular basis at the Moore Haven, Clewiston, and LaBelle sites between the hours of noon until 2:30 p.m.

You can contact Tera or Linda at the Center for Independent Living at 941-766-8333 in Charlotte County to find out the days that they will be available in those areas.

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Clubs and organizations

Yard and Bake Sale

The Ladies Auxiliary VFW Post 4185 is having an In-Door Yard and Bake Sale on Friday, Dec. 5 and Saturday, Dec. 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the VFW Post 4185 Hall on 501 S. Francisco St. There will be Christmas Trees and lights, tires, household items and many more items. There will also be a bake sale. If you would like to donate good used items please call 863-677-1482 to make arrangements. All proceeds will go into our Relief Fund to benefit veterans and their families.

fax at 863-946-2290 or by e-mail: ericav@MyGlades.com.

Christmas Open House

Glades County Historical Society invites all to first annual Christmas Open House. The Glades County Historical Society (GCHS) members and friends are asked to meet in the Pieter Westergaard House at 270 Ave. L for a work party to prepare for their first annual Christmas Open House. Wear work clothes and bring rubber gloves and cleaning cloths.

The GCHS's Christmas Open House will be on Dec. 13 starting with a tour of the historic "Bungalow" style house built in the early 1900's, at 5:30 p.m. with ceremonies and dedication at 6:30 p.m. The agenda will include many thank-you's for all who helped, holiday music and homemade refreshments. This house belongs to all Glades County residents. Please join in for this long-awaited celebration!
 For further information, call 863-946-0520 or 863-946-2060.

Glades Republicans meet

Glades Republicans will hold their next monthly meeting Monday, Dec. 8 at the Moore Haven Library beginning at 7 p.m.

Election of new county committee officers for 2009-2010 will be held, including precinct representatives. Please try to attend to help make the best choices. Other agenda items include planning our participation at Christmas on the Caloosahatchee and 2009 area festivals. This meeting is open to the public.

Homeless Awareness and Food drive

November is Homeless Awareness Month. Hendry-Glades Homeless Coalition has seen many great achievements accomplished this year. You are invited to participate in our food drive that we will be hosting. If you have any questions or would like to receive more information, please do not hesitate to contact Erica Villafuert, Hendry-Glades Homeless Coalition administrator, 198 6th St SW/PO Box 1336 in Moore Haven, at 863-946-6004, by

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Drama Returns to Moore Haven Jr./Sr. High School

By Crystal Drake

Teacher Michael Hutchison has brought drama back to the halls of MHJSHS after many years of no school plays available for our student body. The name of the first play produced by the Drama Department was 'The Boardinghouse' by Vern Harden and the event was held at 7 p.m. on Nov. 21 and 22, also on Nov. 26 at 9:45 p.m. at the Glades County Auditorium.

Mr. Hutchison is in his third year at the high school where he teaches ninth and eleventh grade English classes as well as a newly added drama class. Mr. Hutchison graduated from the University of West Florida with a Bachelor's degree in theatre. He also traveled

several years as a singer, actor and stage director for a Christian musical group. In addition, he worked as a trainer and presenter for Walt Disney World. Mr. Hutchison has also completed his Alternative Certification requirements with the State of Florida and our district, making him a highly qualified and certified English teacher. We are quite fortunate to have someone with his talent on our staff.

The cast included the following members: Sarah Buonpastore, Brianna Criswell, Derrick Tellez, Zachary Click, Monique Duncanson, Fanny Velasquez, Garry Powers, Frankie Neal, Amber Hughes, Raquel Borovicka and Jose Aguilar. The Technical Team consisted of: Cameron

Chailland, Justin Chailland, Zachary Click, Mrs. Holly Buonpastore, and Mrs. Lisa Click. The director, Mr. Michael Hutchison, was also in charge of set and costumes.

The Drama Department would like to thank the following people for their support. Mrs. Prowant and Mrs. Barfield – thank you for your continued support for the arts. "We are blessed to have an administration that sees the benefit of a well rounded education."

Thank you to Jordan Chailland, Mr. Reid Ellinger, Pastor David Mercer and Living Waters Fellowship & Ministries, the MHHS drama class, Dr. John Huysman's art class, Mr. Phil Cosby's Agriculture class, the maintenance department and cast parents.



Submitted photo

Pictured here is the cast of "The Boardinghouse" by Vern Harden. A play held at Moore Haven Jr./Sr. High School on Nov. 21 and Nov. 22 at the Glades County Auditorium.

Lawrence Group offers \$588 million for U.S. Sugar

Investment group takes deal directly to shareholders

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza
Clewiston News

INI Florida -- U.S. Sugar existing 10 years from now.

The continuation of 1,700 jobs.

A sale to the state of Florida.

A lawsuit leveled at the top executives of the sugar giant.

The Mott family or the Lawrence family?

The only certainty in Clewiston nowadays is the uncertainty.

In the wake of an announcement by U.S. Sugar that it would sell much of its land for \$1.34 billion to the South Florida Water Management District for the purposes of rehabilitating the Everglades, the company has a new offer to contend with.

Officials are approaching the offer sensitively, given the fact that its previous interactions with the group ended in a lawsuit.

In a letter to the company, Gaylon M. Lawrence Jr. -- who along with his father Gaylon Sr. operates the Lawrence Group, a Nashville-based investment group -- calls on individual stockholders

to take a good, hard look at the figures on the table.

At \$300 per share, the group reasons that the offer represents a better tangible value than the deal put forth by the state of Florida to buy out the sugar company.

Taken at face value, the \$365-per-share deal by the state carries too many shifting variables to stockholders, Mr. Lawrence Jr. writes. The amount of tax that would be required to be paid by the company, and its existing debt obligations, makes the deal with the state a less attractive option, the group said.

"Our offer would provide shareholders with \$300 in cash per share immediately," said Mr. Lawrence Jr. "Our offer is a win for everyone: the employees, the local communities, the environment, the taxpayers, and particularly your shareholders. What possible reason could you have to not accept our offer?"

U.S. Sugar issued a statement on Thursday in response. The company requested that the Lawrence Group send a proposal for review:

"Our directors are continuing to review and evaluate the alternatives available to the Company and its stockholders, and look forward to an orderly, measured,

and considered process that will result in a transaction that is in the best interests of the company and its stockholders."

Todd Templin, a spokesman for the Lawrence Group, said that a formal proposal is being prepared.

The Lawrence Group is no stranger to U.S. Sugar.

The group is at the center of a lawsuit against the sugar company. After making buyout offers in 2005 and then later in 2007 for \$293 a share, the Lawrence Group was rebuffed, the lawsuit claims, without the knowledge of the employee stockholders.

The employee stockholders filed the complaint.

The suit alleges that these stockholders were in the dark about the deal and as a result were kept from selling their shares at a 50 percent premium -- at a time when the company was buying back individual shares at approximately \$100 less a share.

The suit claims that U.S. Sugar's CEO was wired \$10 million in hush money after initially being receptive to the plan, because the Mott family, which maintains control of the company through a foundation, wished to keep control of the company.

Perhaps recalling that event,

the Lawrence Group has taken its offer directly to stockholders in a bid for transparency.

Meanwhile, the deal already has local backers.

Melanie McGahee, an attorney in Hendry County, calls the Lawrence offer the most reasoned yet for the purchase of the company.

"It looks to me like the Lawrence deal is a no-brainer," said Ms. McGahee, who believes that agriculture will continue if the group is successful in its bid.

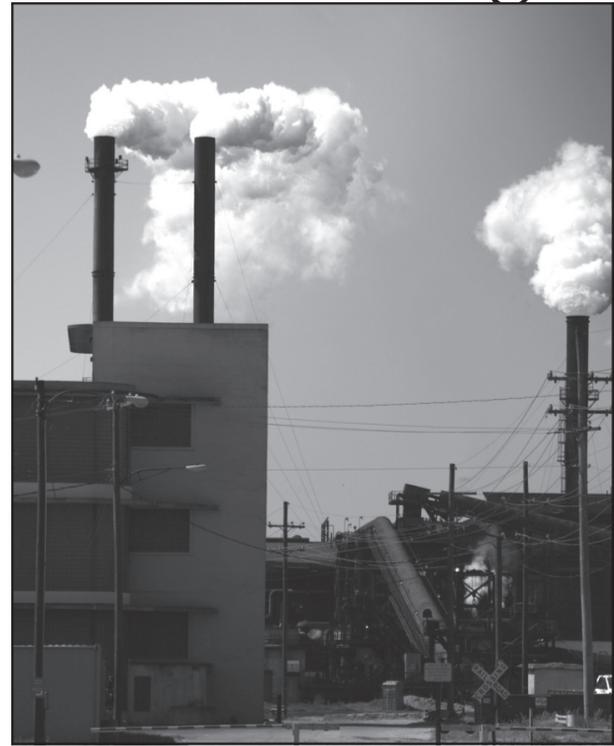
She remains hopeful that the Lawrence Group would work with the state to supply it with the land it needs to rehabilitate the Everglades while operating the mill and harvesting sugar well into the future.

"This is a win-win," she said.

She admits to being "traumatized" at hearing that U.S. Sugar had agreed to sell to the state earlier this year.

"My opinion is that the government owning any assets is a bad thing," she said. "The state is like a drug addict and the land is like cocaine. Once they take it, they're never gonna give it back."

News Editor Jose Zaragoza can be reached at jjzaragoza@newszap.com.



INI/Ashley Smith

A Nashville-based investment group has offered to purchase U.S. Sugar. The Lawrence Group is offering \$300 per share under the terms of its deal.

State grad rate increases

INI Florida -- Governor Charlie Crist announced that Florida's graduation rate reached its highest point ever last year at 75.4 percent, according to results released today by the Florida Department of Education (DOE). This rate exceeds the previous year's rate by three percentage points and represents an overall improvement of 15.2 percentage points since the 1998-99 school year. The results indicate that rising numbers of minority graduates continue to play a significant role in the improvement of Florida's overall graduation rate.

"I am so proud of our schools, teachers, and students for this tremendous achievement," said Governor Charlie Crist. "By giving our high school students a complete education, we are giving them the foundation they need for a successful future. Their success will make Florida's workforce and economy stronger."

"These results reinforce the tremendous academic progress our students have made over the last decade and prove that Florida is home to some of the best teachers in the nation," said Education Commissioner Dr. Eric

J. Smith. "It is vital that we continue to build on our progress by elevating the expectation for our children and preparing them with the skills they need to succeed in today's global economy."

Similar to last year, graduation rates for African-American and Hispanic students showed some of the largest growth this year, increasing by 3.8 and 3.1 percentage points, respectively. White students also showed sizeable growth, with a 2.6 point increase in their rate compared to 2006-07.

The DOE bases its graduation rate on data that follows every single student from ninth grade to graduation, a method that more accurately calculates the number of students who graduate high school. Florida currently stands alone nationally in its practice of compiling and following individual student records to determine a true, four-year graduation rate. In October, the United States Department of Education announced that all states must adopt a uniform graduation rate calculation by the year 2010-11. Consequently, the DOE is reviewing its graduation rate

to determine what changes are needed to meet the new federal requirement.

Decreased dropout rate

As Florida's graduation rate continues to rise, its dropout rate continues to decline. According to the results, Florida's annual high school dropout rate dropped to its lowest point ever this year at 2.6 percent. This rate is a decrease of 0.7 percentage points compared to last year's rate, and a decrease of 2.8 points since 1998-99.

Increased minority achievement was the leading force behind this decline. From 2006-07 to 2007-08, the dropout rate decreased for African-American, Hispanic, American Indian and multiracial students, with African-American students showing the most significant improvements in dropout reduction.

For more information about Florida's 2007-08 graduation and dropout rates, visit http://www.fldoe.org/news/pdf/grad_rate_data.pdf.



INI/Nena Bolan

Yachting center in Ortona

Each storage building in Ortona at River Forest Yachting Center can hold between 70-80 boats.

Ample sums to borrow - Second in series

By Jon Geitner
Senior Vice President

This is the second in a series of six installments dealing with the borrowing issues faced by many consumers in today's world.

In my previous article I alluded to the ample supply of money to fund loans, but the greater focus banks are applying to the five basic underwriting considerations; Character, Collateral, Capacity, Capital, and Conditions. If an applicant's qualifications do not meet typical bank standards, in each category, a prudent lender should have a strong offsetting circumstance in one of the remaining criteria in order to justify an approval. This, along with my next four commentaries, will try to explain how your bank defines each of the "5 C's of Credit".

I thought I would start with Character. Although defined similarly as found in any dictionary, banks tend to look at Character in the context of a customer's general stability and reliability. Does the applicant have a sincere willingness and desire to repay the debt because it is the right

thing to do.

Another aspect of Character is stability. Does the applicant have a history of moving from job to job or are they the sort of individual who demonstrates a steady commitment to their employer, limiting the risk of an interruption of income. A good rule of thumb is at least two years on the job with the current employer. The bank may rely on a credit report to verify your employment, or it may, with your permission, go so far as to contact your employer to verify what was listed on the application. Overall, your ability to repay the loan from the salary you earn (Capacity) is critical.

Character can also be defined by the individual's mobility. By this I mean their tendency to remain in a single location for an extended period of time. Does our borrower show a history of changing addresses frequently (more than once every two years) or are they inclined to remain at their place of residence for several years. This criteria can be further scrutinized by considering whether the applicant owns their home or rents. Historically, home

owners have deeper "roots" and the result translates into longer residency at a single location.

Willingness to repay, employment stability, and mobility are all tracked by the various credit reporting agencies. The three primary ones are Equifax, Experian, and TransUnion. For a fee, these organizations report information, to the bank, disclosing the paying habits and backgrounds of the applicant. In addition, information such as social security numbers, dates of birth, who has recently inquired into their file, and other personal information are maintained within their records. Finally, the most commonly recognized feature, your credit score, is also revealed.

Knowing the Character of our borrower is extremely important. That is one of the reasons why it is so important for your banker to be an active part of their community. Knowing the individuals they serve, the economic health of the local employers, and the general "pulse" of the fiscal strength of the area economy is critical.



INI/Nena Bolan

River Forest nears completion

River Forest Yachting Center in Ortona, Glades County is a facility for large boat storage. The small house on the right is now a restaurant for employees and local residents.

Obituaries should be submitted by e-mailing obits@newszap.com. Customers may also request photos and links to online guest books. A link to the obituaries is available at www.newszap.com.

The story of the Mayaimis Indian Nation

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum

The small river, fed by the pristine waters of the lake, flowed swiftly, cutting a winding, narrow swath through the emerald, custard apple forest.

The narrow, watery path emerged from the forest and meandered slowly through Carolina willows, before starting its final journey across the River of Grass.

A series of dirt mounds interrupted the river's approach to the Everglades.

The probing river stalled undecidably before it encircled the earthen intruders and continued its journey south into the Everglades.

Shelters were nestled on top of square mounds of sand and muck and loomed above the river and surrounding Everglades.

Dirt causeways coursed through the eddying river waters, interlinking all the mounds.

Mayaimis Indians moved leisurely along the causeways to different mounds as they visited friends and performed daily tasks.

This short story gives us a brief glimpse into the lives of the Mayaimis Indians living along the rivers and creeks that flowed in and out of Lake Okeechobee.

Who were the Mayaimis Indians and how did Lake Okeechobee and the surrounding areas

look when the Mayaimis Indians lived on its shore?

It is time to take "A Walk in The Past" and get the latest gossip on our Mayaimis neighbors.

The Mayaimis Indian Nation was part of the "Belle Glade Culture," (a term used to describe the Indian culture around Lake Okeechobee) and maybe the Kissimmee River valley from approximately 1,000 BC to 1,700 or 1,800 AD.

It was a large territory that included all or inland parts of; Glades, Hendry, Palm Beach, and Martin counties around the lake.

Other areas to the north included Okeechobee, Highlands, Osceola, and Polk counties.

Our old friend, Escanlante Fontanedo, a Spanish Castaway and slave of the Calusa Indians, tells us some interesting tidbits about our long forgotten neighbors, the Miayami Indians; "Situated on the bank of a river which extends into the county the distance of fifteenth leagues, and issues from an-urely lake of fresh water, which is said by some Indians who have traversed it more than I, to be an arm of Lake Mayaimi. On this lake, which lies in the midst of the country, are many towns, of thirty or forty inhabitants each; and as many more places there are in which people are not so numerous."

The river that Fontanedo was referring to is the Miami River.

The Eastern Coastal Ridge and the Immokalee Ridge formed a basin that once directed part of the Lake Okeechobee sheet flow through the Everglades into the Miami River that once flowed naturally out to Key Biscayne.

It should be noted that the City of Miami and the Miami River were named after the Mayaimis Indians and not the Miamis Indians living in Ohio.

Lake Mayaimis means Big Water.

The name Mayaimis was also used to describe the Indians living on Big Water, a lake we know today as Lake Okeechobee.

The Mayaimis Indian towns were located along the lake's shoreline and waterways that flowed in and out of the lake.

Yesterday's Lake Okeechobee had a much wider shoreline, larger flood zone and many waterways that have since been destroyed.

Mounds found around Lake Okeechobee today seem lost and out of place in a geographical patchwork of agriculture and urban development.

Old Timers recorded some of the old lake boundaries; Pelican Lake, a large bay that started roughly around Beacon Point and ran northeast toward Canal Point.

The bay split Pahokee from the mainland, forming Pahokee into a small peninsula that jutted out in the lake.

Further south, the lake waters once extended out to Dead Man's Curve on Highway 715, where commercial fishermen once harvested catfish in the early 1900s.

The land area north of South Bay is still called Lake Bottom.

It was once a great bay teeming with ducks and fish.

The lake once extended beyond the Clewiston sugar mill during the wet season.

The geographical change in the early 1,900s makes it difficult to envision the old lake boundaries as they were in the days of the Miayami Indians.

Laurence E. Will, the great Glades historian, wrote about the drought on Lake Okeechobee in the early 1900s.

He said the settlers walked across the southern sections of the lake that were once under water and discovered hundreds of Indian skeletons.

It was a mystery to Lawerance Will, who speculated that a great battle could have been fought, resulting in the death of so many Indians.

Geologist and Anthropologist may have a better answer.

Some believe that the lake's south shore could have ended where Rocky Reef lies today.

Rocky Reef is a limestone ridge running east and west across the lake.

It protrudes several feet above the water when the lake is low

and extends from Pahokee to Lakeport.

Most of the islands in Lake Okeechobee are south of Rocky Reef, indicating that all land south of Rocky Reef may have been higher once upon a time.

Archeologist have found enough artifacts on the lakes bottom to support the fact that Indians once lived high and dry in areas that are now inundated with lake water.

Hurricanes and flooding were probably the key factors that extended the lake's shoreline south of Rocky Reef.

Hurricanes no doubt played a role in the destruction of the burial mounds.

There will be more Tall Tales about the Mayaimis Indian towns and their locations in next week's edition of "A Walk in The Past."

I hope you enjoyed this story. Please contact the Clewiston Museum if you have questions, artifacts, pictures, or a "Whale of a Tale" that you would like to share.

The Museum's hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Butch Wilson is the Clewiston Museum Director.

He can be reached at clewis-tonmuseum@embarqmail.com, or by phone at 863-983-2870.

Hunting accident claims teenager

Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) officers are investigating what appears to be a hunting accident, which claimed the life of a Broward County teenager. Seth D. Edge, 15, of West Park, died from a single gunshot wound to the head shortly before 7 a.m. Saturday.

The victim was duck hunting with his father and brothers on Lake Okeechobee in Glades County when his 13-year-old brother attempted to set his gun down. Witnesses said the gun fell and discharged, fatally injuring Seth, who was pronounced dead at the scene. No charges have been filed.

The Glades County Sheriff's Office was among the first responders and assisted in the investigation.

In Florida, children 15 years and younger may hunt without a hunting license, as long as they are supervised by an adult. Children under 16 may hunt with a gun lawfully but must be under adult supervision at all times.

The FWC regularly schedules hunting safety classes in all Florida counties.

"We encourage all hunters, especially children to take the course," said FWC regional hunter safety administrator Lynne Hawk. "The course is free and satisfies the hunter education requirements of all other states and Canadian provinces that require hunter safety certification."

Everyone born on or after June 1, 1975, must pass an approved hunter safety course to be eligible to purchase a Florida hunting license.

Birth

Reyna Birth

Odessa and David Reyna of Clewiston, are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Davianna Mia.

Ms. Davianna Mia was born on Nov. 12, 2008 at 8:35 a.m.

She weighed 9 pounds 1 ounces and was 20.5 inches long at birth.



Submitted photo
Davianna Mia was born on Nov. 12, 2008 to parents Odessa and David Reyna, of Clewiston.

Engagement

Walden - Kline engagement

Tammie Denise Bellew Walden and George Michael Kline would like to announce their plans to be joined in marriage.

The couple will marry during a ceremony to be held on Saturday, Dec. 13, 2008.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of the late James and Edna Bellew of Clewiston.

The groom-to-be is the son of Diane Moore and the late Kenneth Moore of Clewiston.



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George Michael Kline and Tammie Denise Bellew Walden will be joined in marriage on Dec. 13, 2008.

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Arrest Report

Donnie L. Donaldson, 23



- Belle Glade
- Burglary of unoccupied dwelling; unarmed; no assault
- Arrested Nov. 18
- Bond set for \$20,000

Emmanuel Morgan, 31



- Belle Glade
- Failure to appear for felony offense: Sale of cocaine
- Arrested Nov. 23
- No bond set

Glover Williams, 21



- Belle Glade
- Aggravated battery on person 65 years or older
- Robbery by sudden snatching without weapon
- Arrested Nov. 21
- Bond has been set for \$8,000

Jean Ulysse, 44



- Belle Glade
- Nonmoving traffic violation - driving while license is suspended; habitual offender
- Fraud - false ID given to LEO
- Arrested Nov. 20
- Released Nov. 20

Lesly David, 19



- Belle Glade
- Obstructing justice - threaten a victim - witness informant
- Carrying a concealed weapon
- Arrested Nov. 23
- Bond has been set to \$6,000

Miriam Simms, 23



- Belle Glade
- Aggravated battery - person uses a deadly weapon
- Arrested Nov. 19
- Released Nov. 20 on probation

Alicia Downing, 20



- Belle Glade
- Larceny theft is between \$300 to \$10,000 from person 65 years or older
- Arrested Nov. 19
- Released Nov. 20 on \$3,000 bond

Tommy Moreland, 18



- South Bay
- Burglary of unoccupied dwelling
- Larceny grand theft \$5,000 or more but less than \$10,000
- Arrested Nov. 18
- Released Nov. 19 on \$6,000 bond

Corey Douglas, 20



- Pahokee
- Robbery with a firearm
- Arrested Nov. 23
- No bond set for release

Fred Morgan, 50



- Pahokee
- Violation of probation: failure to register properly as a sex offender
- Criminal mischief \$1,000 or more
- Arrested Nov. 18
- No bond has been set for release

Jerry Jackson, 21



- Pahokee
- Possession of marijuana over 20 grams
- Possession of marijuana with intent to sell or deliver
- Arrested Nov. 18
- No bond set

Micheal Davis, 39



- Pahokee
- Aggravated battery - person uses a deadly weapon
- Arrested Nov. 24
- No bond has been set for release

Damian Delamonedra, 32



- Pahokee
- Burglary of a dwelling unarmed
- Larceny theft is \$300 or more but less than \$5,000
- Arrested Nov. 22
- Bond has been set to \$8,000

Kelvin Walker, 35



- Pahokee
- Violation of probation: driving while license is suspended, cancelled or revoked; felony
- Arrested Nov. 19
- Released Nov. 19 on \$6,000 bond

Haslett C. Ayala, 18



- Clewiston
- Burglary of a structure/conveyance unarmed with no person inside
- Theft is between \$300 to \$5,000
- Arrested Nov. 23

Shirley N. Cotton, 44



- Clewiston
- Dealing in stolen property
- Contributing to the delinquency or dependence of a minor
- Arrested Nov. 23

Walter F. Jones, 37



- Clewiston
- Non-moving traffic violation - habitual offender
- Arrested Nov. 17

John Hall, 25



- Clewiston
- Battery causing bodily harm
- Burglary with assault or battery
- Arrested Nov. 23

Mario E. Bedolla, 15



- Clewiston
- Battery - felony resulting in bodily harm or injury
- Arrested Nov. 23

Rodney P. Johnson, 60



- Clewiston
- Possession of a vehicle with altered numbers
- Larceny theft between \$300 to \$5,000
- Arrested Nov. 17

Pedro Castro, 25



- Clewiston
- Possession of cocaine
- Arrested Nov. 22

Barry Shea, 43



- Clewiston
- Warrant with violation of probation: felony or community controlled
- Arrested Nov. 17

Mario M. Hernandez, 22



- Clewiston
- Battery causing bodily harm
- Burglary with assault or battery
- Arrested Nov. 23

Lee D. Humphrey, 35



- Clewiston
- Fleeing/eluding a LEO with injury and property damage
- Selling cocaine
- Aggravated assault on an officer
- Arrested Nov. 15, Nov. 16, and Nov. 19

Hospice of Palm Beach County hosts visit by Representative Vana

INI Florida - Representative Shelley Vana recently visited the Jay Robert Lauer Hospice & Palliative Care Unit at JFK Medical Center. The tour was conducted by Hospice of Palm Beach County staff: Dr. Richard Levene, DO, FAAFP, FAAHPM, Vice President of Medical Affairs; Julie Formoso-Onofrio, MD, Unit Medical Director, JFK Unit; and Colleen Hill, Practice Manager. The unit was dedicated by Matt Lauer in memory of his father and appreciation for the care given by Hospice of Palm Beach County. Said Matt Lauer, "Hospice of Palm Beach County were life enhancers for my Dad and our family."

The 11th annual Jay Robert Lauer Golf Tournament to benefit Hospice of Palm Beach County will be held Dec. 12 and Dec. 13 at The Breakers Palm Beach. For more information and tickets, please call 561-494-6884 or visit www.hpbc.com. For more information about Hospice of Palm Beach County, please call 888-848-5200.

About Hospice of Palm Beach County:
Hospice of Palm Beach County, a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization is dedicated to meeting every need of patients and families faced with

advanced illness. The organization offers a comprehensive range of programs and services - from nationally recognized hospice care to music therapy, massage and loss-specific healing services. Full bereavement support is offered to hospice families and to anyone in the community in need.
Care is provided wherever the patient is - the home, skilled nursing or assisted living facility, hospital or hospice inpatient unit, including the C.W. Gerstenberg Hospice Center in West Palm Beach, the Jay Robert Lauer Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at JFK Medical Center, the

Bethesda Memorial Hospice and Palliative Care Unit at Bethesda Memorial Hospital, and the Hospice and Palliative Care Units at Delray Medical Center, Good Samaritan Medical Center, and Palm Beach Gardens Medical Center. Hospice of Palm Beach County's focus is on quality of life. The organization is sensitive to and respectful of religious, cultural and personal beliefs. Contact Hospice of Palm Beach County toll free at 888-848-5200 or visit the website www.hpbc.com for information.



Submitted photo
 Pictured above is Dr. Richard Levene, DO, FAAFP, FAAHPM, Vice President of Medical Affairs, HPBC; Representative Shelley Vana; Julie Formoso-Onofrio, MD, Unit Medical Director, JFK Unit, HPBC; and Colleen Hill, Practice Manager, HPBC.

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lucky. The library has a 2009 schedule starting January 10 with a nature photography workshop for children and adults, followed on January 20 with an open house that introduces its partnership in Heartland Cooperative. Florida Highwaymen Artist, R.L. Lewis, will be a guest on February 21. A membership with Friends of the

Glades County Public Library is \$5 a year. A wonderful history archive room, containing Glades County and south Florida history, is ready to accept your contribution of family and community journals, documents, books, newsletters, business ledgers, pamphlets, photos, and yearbooks. A meeting room is also available for or-

ganizations. The public library is located along the Caloosahatchee River at 201 Riverside Drive in the historic district of Moore Haven. Call 863-946-0744 for more information. Books can also be purchased at the community library in Otona on Wednesdays. *Staff writer Nena Bolan can be reached at nenabolan@yahoo.com*

SFWMD Invests in Additional Alternative Water Supply

15 projects to help sustain South Florida's water resources

West Palm Beach, FL — The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) has approved the investment of an additional \$5 million for the development of alternative water supplies to better protect water resources for the public and the environment across South Florida. Together with water conservation measures, developing alternative water supplies will help ensure a more reliable and sustainable supply of water for Florida's future.

In September, the District Governing Board invested more than \$22 million in 24 projects to help

local communities build alternative water supply projects. This includes \$3.8 million in matching funds from the state.

On November 13, the board authorized using an additional \$5 million to pay for 15 more projects. When completed, these 39 projects will collectively provide nearly 27 million gallons of additional water per day. That's the average daily water use of nearly 151,000 South Florida residents.

A list of the 15 new projects is available by clicking here.

Alternative water supplies include treatment of saltwater and brackish water, capture and storage of surface water during wet weather, and use of reclaimed

water and stormwater from reservoirs or aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) systems. Once constructed, projects that produce usable water from these sources will provide a community with millions of gallons of additional water supply.

As part of the District's selection process, alternative water supply project proposals were evaluated for meeting funding criteria, such as minimizing impact on existing water resources, reducing local competition for water and producing a high quantity of alternative water supply relative to project cost. In addition, the projects were required to be ready for construction upon

grant award and be consistent with existing regional water supply plans.

The District administers funds through the Alternative Water Supply Funding Program. Cities, utilities, homeowners associations, community development districts and other water users and suppliers can be awarded up to 40 percent of a project's construction costs, based on total funding available and project type. Project sponsors finance the balance, although economically disadvantaged communities may be eligible for full funding.

Florida's growing population has focused attention on future availability of sufficient water sup-

plies. Since 2005, the state legislature has approved annual funding for diversifying water resources, specifically the development of alternative water supplies. The District and the State of Florida have invested approximately \$163 million since 1996 to fund more than 400 alternative water supply projects. These projects collectively are adding more than 300 million gallons per day of "new" water to the regional supply.

For more information about alternative water supply and related funding programs from the South Florida Water Management District, visit www.sfwmd.gov.

About the South Florida Water Management District

The South Florida Water Management District is a regional, governmental agency that oversees the water resources in the southern half of the state — 16 counties from Orlando to the Keys. It is the oldest and largest of the state's five water management districts. The agency mission is to manage and protect water resources of the region by balancing and improving water quality, flood control, natural systems and water supply. A key initiative is cleanup and restoration of the Everglades.



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Agriculture in Glades County

Weather has cooperated during hay season in south Florida. This scene is near Lakeport.



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Berry tree

Moore Haven Elementary School near the end of the day.

Briefs cont.

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This Thanksgiving, don't be a turkey

By Pastor John Hicks
First United Methodist Church

I've been told that the commercially grown turkey is one of nature's less intelligent creatures. In the article I read, the domesticated turkey was described as being "as brainless as a baseball."

Even drinking can put a strain on turkey intelligence. If a turkey is outdoors, looking up at the sky when it starts to rain, it can be drawn.

They're often not smart enough to close their mouths in the rain. Being called a turkey takes on a whole new connotation!

But at least the turkey has an excuse for being "bird-brained." It has a bird's brain!

There is less excuse for human beings.

Take the nine lepers Luke writes about in Luke 17.

Jesus had given them a tremendous gift.

Jesus had healed them from a disgusting, painful, and unsightly skin disease.

Even more, Jesus had made it possible for them to re-enter society and reunite with their families.

Ten lepers were healed. But only one leper, and a Samaritan at that, came back and said, "Thanks."

What turkeys! Ten received God's blessing, but only one stopped to say thanks.

What about us?

Thanksgiving Day is here. In which group will you be found?

Amongst the nine who forgot or with the one who came back to thank God?

No one wants to be a turkey. If we want to avoid being "turkeys" this Thanksgiving, the behavior of that tenth leper might prove instructive.

A first step in thanks-giving is perceiving, seeing the ways we've been blessed.

God has given different creatures different ways of seeing. I read that a hawk, perched on top of the Empire State building, could locate a dime on the sidewalk below.

I don't know why a hawk would care about a dime located on the sidewalk below the Empire State Building, but if a dime were there, the hawk could spot it.

A bee has a different kind of vision. Its eyes have 15,000 facets that enable it to see the sun as a single dot and to navigate long distances with the sun as a reference.

A kingfisher has two kinds of vision: one for spotting fish as it flies overhead and another for seeing fish underwater.

There are different ways of seeing, and we may need to see things in different ways if we are to experience the full measure of our blessings.

Can we thank God this Thanksgiving not only for the good things

that happened, but also for the bad things that didn't happen?

The problems and disasters we worried about which did not come about?

Can we look in a different way and see some sort of blessing even in the problems that we do face?

George Matheson, a Scottish preacher, once shared, "I've thanked God a thousand times for my 'roses.' Now I've got to learn to thank God for my 'thorns.'"

Matheson happened to be blind — which is a pretty significant "thorn."

Maybe, if we think about it a bit, we, too, can find different ways of seeing our blessings.

And we are not meant to keep all of these blessings to ourselves. "Thanks," is only half of the word "Thanksgiving."

"Giving" is the other half.

We are all very fortunate to have something to give.

In the West Virginia hills they

have a custom of setting an extra place setting and an extra chair at the Thanksgiving table.

It's a reminder that there will always be people in need — and we need to make room in our hearts and in our giving for people in need.

We can make generous giving a part of our thanks-giving.

Remember, every time we feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, visit the sick or the prisoner, it's the same thing as doing it for Jesus (Matthew 25:31).

The tenth leper may not have

had much, but in his gratitude he shared what he had to give.

This Thanksgiving, don't be a turkey.

In English, the word "think" and the word "thank" both come from the same root.

Nine out of ten forgot to think and forgot to thank God for their blessings.

But the tenth leper saw his blessings, gave thanks for his blessings, and shared his blessings.

So can we.

Whose shall those things be?

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist
First Christian Church

We are tempted to think that the things we have toiled for and given our energies to are ours!

We are only stewards of what we possess and if we are not careful we will be possessed by our possessions!

We must be sure we possess our possessions (Obadiah 17).

One way to make sure our possessions do not possess us is to remember "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" (1 Cor. 10:26).

Scriptural giving is one way of possessing our possessions instead of being possessed by them.

Often I've heard "do your giving while your living and you'll know where it's going!"

Let's look at some rewards of giving:

- Giving to a cause greater than we are extends our work.

- Giving increases our sense of involvement.
- Giving is an opportunity to participate in a good work.
- Giving fills a need of transcending our own realm.
- Giving increases our generosity.
- Giving brings its own reward of good measure, pressed down, and overflowing into our bosoms. (Lk. 6:38)
- A generous attitude makes for a happy spirit (2 Cor. 9:7).

The question, "Then whose shall those things be" (Luke 12:20) was asked relative to possessions left at death.

In a very real sense we are responsible as to who will then receive our goods.

Solomon wrote of leaving the fruit of our labor to others who may or may not be wise in the use of it (Eccl. 2:18-10).

The Psalmist said "man heaps up and knows not who will gather" (Psalm 39:6).

An unappreciative or unwise

heir may carelessly squander wealth which may have been accumulated by hard work, simple living and self denial.

There are some things we should consider relative to our possessions now which will affect them after we are gone:

- *Be generous now.
- By giving while we live we can have the joy of seeing the fruits of our giving.
- *Choose your heirs carefully. Dumping riches into one's lap may cause him to live foolishly.
- We should consider the consequences of the wealth on our heirs.
- *Be a faithful steward.
- A steward is one who has the goods of another entrusted to him for use for the rightful owner.
- A worthy steward makes good use of his possessions while he lives.
- A good steward also makes provision for the proper use of his goods after he is gone.
- When death comes we leave

our earthly possessions, all of them!

We can leave them in such a way as to be a blessing to man and the glory of God.

"Moreover it is required in stewards that a man be found faithful" (1 Cor. 4:2).

It is an appropriate question "Then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided" (Luke 12:20). Remember, you can't take it with you (1 Timothy 6:7), but you can send it on ahead (1 Timothy 6:17-19).

It is a fact that you can use your substance during your life and you may will it to some worthy cause where it will do good long after you are gone.

Bequest should have a spiritual intent with an eternal value. "Whose shall these things be", is up to you!

More than a nice gesture or being polite

By The Reverend Samuel S. Thomas, Ph. D.
Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

There are many times when I've been with people after an ordeal; an operation, the return of a loved one who was in danger, the escape from a threatening situation, the passing through a hostile territory. The call is to give thanks. Noah stops to build an altar (Genesis 8:20) when the ark escapes the flood waters and is brought safely back to dry land. Nehemiah finds the city of Jerusalem in ruins and rebuilds, then gives thanks to God for a restoration (ch 12:40) and worships. In spite of the decree of King Darius, Daniel continues to give thanks to his God (6:110) even though it would lead to defiance and finally the lion's den.

Our Pilgrim forefathers stopped to worship once the hardships of a transatlantic voyage was over and they had arrived at a new and promised land. All of these stories did not bring an end to more challenges or more difficulties; Noah's descendants would know slavery and persecution, Nehemiah's city would be again the site of many battles, our ancestors did not step into a land of comfort and peace. Yet at each moment, there came a time to give thanks even when things were difficult or problems remained.

Gratitude toward God for being with us during dark hours, not leaving us without hope, not leaving us comfortless; that's capturing a bigger picture of our lives and God's place in them.

Human beings are their most human when they appreciate all

that they have been given and their recognition of the source of all of our gifts is at the root of worship. A great writer has said that our recognition that "we didn't get through this all on our own" or "we didn't create the world and life without help" is when we begin to see God at work and when we realize that we have received so many and wonderful blessings.

Worship is our praising God for what He has done for us and for all of humanity; and our response and wanting to do something in return. In comparison to what God has done, it is precious little. That's all right, though, the Lord has told us to go ahead and do it. When He comes to face a darkest earthly hour, He stops with His disciples and gives thanks over the things they will share and ordains

that we will give thanks ever after in our worship, fellowship, common meal offerings. Thanksgiving is seeing the big picture; realizing what we have been given, realizing what God has done for us, realizing that we were not alone during the darkest of hours. It is the inner call to say something to God, no matter how inadequate, that we are aware of His presence and His gifts. It is taking time out to return what it is that we have to return, not much in comparison to what God has done, but enough because He asks it of us. In reality, God doesn't ask a lot, after all, there's not much we could give when you think about it. Just being thankful, that's all. That much I can do; that much I should do. Come Thanksgiving, that much I will do!

Religion briefs

Special Wednesday nights at First Christian!

During the month of December, First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco St., will be having a Special Study.

The first three Wednesday Nights the Church will be studying Rick Warren's "The Purpose of Christmas."

This includes a DVD with Rick Warren and a Study Leaflet.

On Dec. 3 the study is entitled, "A Time Of Celebration."

On Dec. 10 the study is entitled, "A Time Of Salvation."

On Dec. 17 the study is entitled, "A Time Of Reconciliation."

On Dec. 24, Christmas Eve, there will be a Christmas Eve Candlelight Carol Service.

Preceding each of these Services there is a Potluck Dinner at 6 p.m. with the Services to follow at 7 p.m.

Jackie Miller, Minister of First Christian, cordially invites the public to attend these Special Services.

Each Sunday those who attend will receive a Christmas Memento of their attendance.

On Dec. 21 at 11 a.m. the Church Choir will be presenting the Cantata, "JOY TO THE WORLD," under the direction of Jackie Miller, Minister.

Soloists include Deanna Walker and Heather Giddens. On that same day at 7 p.m. the Christmas Program, "JOY FOR THE WORLD," will be presented under the direction of Heather Giddens.

Christmas Treat Bags will be given out after this service. On Dec. 24, 7 p.m., Christmas Eve, a Christmas Candlelight Carol Service will be held.

Jackie Miller, Minister of First Christian, cordially invites the community to attend any or all of these Special Services.

ed in attending.

Sunday Bible Class will begin at 10 a.m., Sunday Worship begins at 11 a.m., Sunday Evening Worship will start at 6 p.m. and Wednesday Bible Study starts at 7 p.m.

The Clewiston Church of Christ is located at 336 Central Ave in Clewiston.

For further information please call 863-983-8822.

Christmas Dinner for Seniors

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Rummage, Bake Sale

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on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the Outreach Center on 350 South Berner Road.

The country breakfast is all you can eat with a suggested donation of \$6 and \$2.50 for children under 6.

First Christian plans a busy Christmas Season

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3/2 Royal Palm Reduced to \$190K
2/1 cottage on 3.68 acres PB County \$174,900
2/1 near all amenities \$109,900
4/2 Harlem \$120,000
2 Family Unit 3/1 and 1/1 Good income \$174,900
3/2/2 with pool and guesthouse \$295,000
3/2 corner lot - fenced yard with shed \$239,000
3/1 Pasadena with shed \$159,000
3/2 with pool on Ridge - 1.3 acre lot \$318,000
3/2 pool Ridgeview \$280,000
3/2 Ridgeview Add 2 \$285,000
3/2 Home with pool and apartment - Davidson Rd \$195,000
3/2.5/1 Townhome Lakeshore Villas \$149,900
4/2.5 Montura Ranches Home

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3/1 W Ventura - fenced yard with shed \$99,000
4/2 Osceola with a/g pool \$154.9K
2/1 W Circle Great first home \$129K
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3/2 DWMH Midstate Loop - \$79,000
3/2 DWMH with o/g pool Evercane Rd Reduced \$165,000
3/2 DWMH Woodlands-great secluded corner lot \$134,900
3/2 SWMH on 2.5 acres with horse-barn fully fenced Montura REDUCED to \$84,900
3/2 DWMH on lake Allen Rd \$120K
Mobile Home Park - Nal's Rd \$280K
Package Deal - 4 M-Homes and 2 vacant lots Rental Available Call for Details
3/2 DWMH has CBS outbuilding - Magnolia Lane \$79,900

3/2 1996 DWMH on 2.5 acres in Montura - fully fenced and remodeled only \$89,900
RENTALS
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VACANT LAND
Montura 1.25 acre lots available Call for Listings.
27.5 acres Pioneer \$295,000
11 Montura lots \$12,000 each
Moore Haven - 5 res. lots \$75,000
Moore Haven - 2 res. lots \$39,900

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Cabinet Shop 4800 sq. ft. & Apt. \$200K
200' US 27 frontage and 100'x120' lot behind - \$475,000
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Warehouse (rented) + 85 storage units (some a/c) E El Paso - Call for details.

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2) Over 2500 sq.ft with a pool!! 3/2/2 located on Ponce de Leon. Privacy fence, generator quick switch, 2 zone A/C \$299K
3) 1/2 acre on corner of Citrus and Crescent. Ask us about building your new home.
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6) New Listing!! 3/2/2 on 1/3 acre, fenced. Great Avenida del Rio location. Needs some interior work. Priced to sell @ \$125K
7) Investors! 2 bedroom/1 Bath Listed at \$65K
8) Duplex 3/1 and 2/1. Currently leased @ \$1,400 per month. \$145K

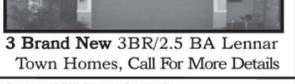
Manufactured Homes:
A) Sherwood S/D 3/2, fenced, corner lot. great price!! \$47K
B) 3/2 on Malabar SALES PENDING
C) Short Sale!! 3/2 located in Sunshine Lakes Estates. Reduced to \$109.9K
D) Tower Lakes 3/2 on Lake. Workshop and Shed. Reduced to \$90K for quick Sale
E) 2 Mobile Home Lots in Hooker's Point. \$20K Each

Moore Haven
1) 2 Bedroom/1.5 Bath. Perfect for first time home buyer, or investor. \$70K
2) 3 Bedroom/2 Bath CBS Home on Foxmoor St. \$167.5K
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• 3/2 MH in Hendry Isles, Corner Lot w/ Circular Drive, reduced \$106,900
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• Brand New 3/2 Mobile Home, never been occupied. 20x15 detached shed and fence yard. Only \$99,900.
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• .33 ac lot in Port LaBelle \$59,000
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• Highlands Co. 10, 28, & 80 AC.
• Corner lot in Lake Placid, Only \$99,900
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MONTURA/FLAGHOLE
• 1.25 acre Lots avail. Starting at \$25K
• 3/2 MH on Riverside St. 1.88 acre \$105K
• Montura lot 2.5 Acres \$50,000 or can be divided \$25,000 each.
• 3/2 MH in Lindero St. 1.09 Acre, only \$112,500
• 3/2 MH, Large wooden deck, Two Wells and Irrigation System. Only \$112,500
• 1.25 Acres Lot. Reduced \$10,900
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Public Notices 5000

Public Notice 5005
C-41A CANAL BANK REPAIRS, HIGHLANDS COUNTY, FLORIDA
The South Florida Water Management District will receive sealed bids through the Procurement Office, B-1 Bldg., 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406, for the C-41A Canal Bank Repair Project, Highlands County, Florida on Tuesday, December 30, 2008 at 2:30 p.m. local time, at which time submitted bids will be opened and publicly read. Project is for the repair of approximately 5 miles of banks along the C-41A Canal. Work includes but is not limited to: removal of existing vegetation, backfill & compaction of banks, sodding & installation of turf reinforcement mats.
An OPTIONAL pre-bid conference will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. onsite at the S-84 Spillway Structure. Directions from I-95: Exit 129 west on SR70/US11 for 42.6 miles to Bucks Dairy Rd (1.38 miles west of Kissimmee River (C-38 Canal). South on Bucks Dairy Rd for 1.38 miles to C-41A Canal junction. East on Bank of C-41A Canal for 1.83 miles to S-84.
All bids must conform to the instructions in the Request for Bidders (RFB). Interested respondents may obtain a copy of the complete RFB by obtaining a CD for \$50.00 at the above address, by calling (561) 882-2715, or by calling the 24-hour BID HOTLINE 800-472-5290. The public is invited to attend the bid opening. Information on the status of this solicitation can be obtained at our web site: www.sfwmd.gov. 301590 CGS 11/27/08

Public Notice 5005
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
File No. 08-CP-43
Division Probate
IN RE: ESTATE OF MARJORIE DIANA MOSS HERNANDEZ Deceased.
NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PUBLICATION
TO: Kristeen Moss
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Summary Administration of the Estate of Marjorie Diana Moss has been filed. You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to this action on Travis W. Trueblood, LL.M., of Trueblood Law Group, P.A., Petitioner's attorney, whose address is P.O. Box 1270, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, on or before December 12, 2008, and file the original with the clerk of this court at Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, P.O. Box 10, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, either before service on Petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.
DATED this 4th day of November, 2008.
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis Deputy Clerk
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Public Notice 5005
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No.: 2008-123-CP
IN RE: ESTATE OF MAYRA V. FLORES Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Mayra V. Flores, deceased, who date of death was May 8, 2008, and whose social security number is 589-98-8240 is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 25 E. Hickpochoe Ave., P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, Florida 33975-1760. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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Lost files? Search your hard drive

By Diane Timmons

My purpose in writing this column was to try to limit the aggravation seniors can feel when they are working on their computers. Because we didn't grow up with computers, sometimes we are at a loss to solve a problem that we know must have a simple solution. It's so easy to lose a file on the computer. I've done it and I'm sure you have too. It especially seems to happen when saving a file sent via email or if you are downloading a file from an internet site.

The great thing about Windows, is that a search function has been built into the operating system. It is simple to use with just a few tips. To clarify, the search I'm talking about isn't on the Internet or Google. You find it from your computer desktop.

If you have no idea where a file is, you probably want to

search your entire hard drive. This will search all those temp folders where some email attachments like to save.

1. Click Start and drag your mouse to select Search and then click For Files and Folders. This brings up a search panel. Again click All Files and Folders. In the top box, type the file name or part of it. It will search for just those letters in the names of the files. Or you can use the center box for a word or phrase in the body of the file. The third box down shows where you will be searching. Notice you can choose a different folder.

2. You can also search just by date. If you know what day you created the file, you can simply search by the day's date.

3. Now click Search.

4. The result will appear to the right in a list. This list can be quite long. A scroll to the right

may give you some information that will narrow down the file you are looking for. Pay special attention to the "In Folder" column which tells you where your file is located. It may show a lot of nested folders. Sometimes I open up a My Computer window along side the search results and make sure I can find the file before I close the search pane.

5. When you locate your lost file, either in the search results list or in a folder, double click to open the file. An hourglass will appear while your computer locates the application that created that file. The file will open.

My Computer provides a simpler view of the folders on your computer. Use My Computer if you want to search for a file in a specific folder. For example, open My Computer and look to the left to open My Documents. My Documents is the default save lo-

cation for many of your files and can get quite large with lots of files. Here is how to search within a file folder.

- After you have opened the folder within which you want to search, do one of the following to bring up the search panel discussed above:
- -Click the magnifying glass at the top of the folder.
- -Press Ctrl and then the "e" key to bring up the search panel.
- -Or, click the menu item View, then Explorer Bar, and then Search.

The Search function on your computer can help you find files and pictures you think you have lost. Practice it and happy computing!

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"River of Grass" Acquisition Update

As a part of its ongoing efforts to share information and promote transparency regarding the acquisition of land from the U.S. Sugar Corporation for Everglades restoration, the South Florida Water Management District continues to update its web site with information, presentations, video of each month's Governing Board meetings and documents associated with the agency's due diligence.

The following documents and files are now available at www.sfwmd.gov/riverofgrass.

Video of the Governing Board presentations and discussion from Nov. 12 and Nov. 13; Trans-action and due diligence presentations from the Nov. 12 and Nov. 13, Governing Board meeting; Due diligence reports including: Anderson & Carr, Inc., draft appraisal of real estate & other assets; Gillott Services, Inc., draft appraisal of real estate & other assets; Sewell, Valentich, Tillis & Associates, land only appraisal; Anderson & Carr, Inc., land only appraisal; Technical reviews of

the appraisals; Duff and Phelps, LLC, Letter Regarding the Fairness Opinion; Executive Summary of the Draft PSI Environmental Due Diligence Report.

The due diligence, along with supplemental analyses of the transaction, provides the District's Governing Board with comprehensive and extensive data and information for deliberating an acquisition of considerable scope.

A full-day public Governing Board workshop is scheduled for Dec. 2, to continue reviewing and

discussing due diligence results, documents and information associated with the transaction.

The meetings will be held in the B-1 Auditorium at District Headquarters in West Palm Beach.

Additionally, the meetings will be webcast at www.sfwmd.gov.

The public is encouraged to attend and participate in these meetings.

Don't let the flu spoil your holidays

By Brenda Barnes

It's not too late! You can still get your flu shot. Dec. 8 to Dec. 14 is recognized as National Influenza Vaccination Week.

If you get the flu, it can cause you misery for over a week! It can make you miss work, school, and activities you enjoy.

Get vaccinated for a healthier winter. Many providers in the area offer the flu shot at a reasonable rate.

The money you spend getting the flu shot will out weigh the costs of lost time from work should you get the flu.

The top three reasons you

should get your flu shot:

1. Protects Other People – Getting a flu shot not only protects you from getting the flu, but you are also protecting your family and friends or anyone that you may come in contact with.

2. Prevent Severe Illness – Over 200,000 people are hospitalized every year from flu related complications. Kids under 2 years of age and adults over 65 years of age are more likely to be hospitalized from the effects of the flu.

3. Prevent Flu-Related Deaths – Each year, over 36,000 people in the US die because of the flu. Most of these deaths are people aged 65 and older. More people

die from the flu than from any other vaccine-preventable disease.

Remember to wash your hands often.

Try not to touch your eyes, nose and mouth until you've washed your hands thoroughly. Cover your nose and mouth with a tissue when you cough or sneeze.

Discard the tissue in the trash and wash your hands immediately afterwards.

If you do get the flu, stay home, get plenty of rest, drink plenty of liquids and avoid alcohol and tobacco use.

Talk to your doctor about rec-

ommendations for getting a flu shot.

Remember that it takes up to two weeks to provide protection after you get the shot.

Protect Yourself. Protect your family and friends. Get Vaccinated!

Remember, be healthy and be happy!

(Brenda Barnes is the Public Information Officer and Planning Consultant for the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments. If you would like to read an article about a particular health topic, please call 863-674-4047, extension 126)



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Hendry Regional Medical Center held a 'Decontamination' training course on Wednesday, Nov. 12, to provide hospital employees with the skills necessary to decontaminate patients that might be exposed to chemical and/or biological agents.

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