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Glades at a Glance

Easter Sunrise Service

Palmdale Baptist Church will be having their Easter Sunrise Service on Easter Sunday at 7 a.m. Breakfast will be served following the service. Everyone is welcome to join us in celebrating our Savior's Resurrection. Palmdale Baptist Church is located on 510 Seminole Ave. NW Palmdale, FL 33944.

Egg Hunt

Palmdale Baptist Church will have a Youth Easter Egg Hunt on April 11 at 4 p.m. There will be food, prizes and the Easter Story will be read. Don't forget your baskets. Children under five need to have a chaperone. Come join the FUN!

GC history books at library

The Glades County History Books are available at the public library in Moore Haven. If you already ordered one, please pick it up. Contact the library at 863-946-0744. Enjoy a good book!

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Narcotics

Anonymous meets

Narcotics Anonymous meets Mondays at 7 p.m. for open discussion meeting at Buck Head Ridge Christian Church, 3 Linda Rd., Buckhead Ridge. For more information, please call 863-634-4780.

Lake Level

12.32 feet above sea level

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Glades County: Boating adventures



INI/Nena Bolan

Boaters travel east through Lake Hicpochee on their way to Moore Haven.



INI/Nena Bolan

Lake Hicpochee is a local favorite with families in eastern Glades County.

Terriers win Tri-Meet

Girls finish third, behind Clewiston and Okeechobee

By Naji Tobias
INI Florida

MOORE HAVEN - Make it four in a row for the Terrier boys.

After cruising to yet another victory last week at the Moore Haven Tri-Meet, the program seems to be hitting on all cylinders.

Fred Hall, who finished second in the triple jump (38-2) and was the third leg of Moore Haven's winning 4 x 400 relay

team (3:38), credits his head coach, Steve Petti, for the fast start thus far.

"Coach Petti gets you right, he pushes you to a point where you can't slide," Hall said.

"Slacking is not tolerated with our coach."

Keivon Bell, who won both the triple jump (40-6) and the 200 meter race (22.67 seconds), made some bold predictions in relation to this track season.

"From the St. John Neumann meet (which they won), everything's been a lot smoother for us," Bell said.

"You could tell our team chemistry is way better than

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Democrat plans changes to format

Independent Newspapers, publishers of the Glades County Democrat, plans to convert the size of its six community newspapers from the traditional broadsheet format to a new "compact" format.

Readers will see the change in format beginning with next week's editions.

The biggest change, said Tom Byrd, the company's vice

president of operations, will be in the size of the page.

"The width of the page remains relatively the same, but the height of the page will be reduced from 22 inches to 12 inches," said Mr. Byrd.

The new format is meant to appeal to readers and advertisers, in addition to being more efficient and environmentally

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Officials look at South Bay site for port

Informative discussion held in the Glades

By Nina G. Wills
Special to INI

The Port of Palm announced it is moving forward to establish a 3,500-acre Inland Logistics Center (ILC) in the southern Lake Okeechobee region at a community meeting in South Bay on Fri. March 20.

The industrial and commercial center would include warehouses and would serve

as a distribution hub for cargo. According to Port authorities, the center would also create thousands of jobs for residents — a welcomed reprieve from the area's economic decline. Over 100 people attended the forum including city leaders and commissioners from Belle Glade, Pahokee, and South Bay.

"We are planning for the future growth of western Palm Beach County. We have many voices, but my hope is that we will walk out of here with one message, one voice. We know that we need that port in our communities. We know that the

job market is very bleak right now," said Shirley Walker-Turner, mayor of South Bay.

Edward Oppel, chairman of the Port of Palm Beach District Board of Commissioners, explained that this would be the first of many informative exchanges of dialogue between the Port and the community.

"It's all about jobs and economic development for the Lake region. That's all we're about. It's not a port project; it's a job's project. It's a one stop-shop that we think will provide a lot of the economic solutions for this area," Oppel said.

By 2015, there will be a demand for 40-80 million square feet of additional distribution space in South Florida alone, according to a Martin and Associates Market Assessment Analysis. The feasibility study determined that 1 million square feet of space employs approximately 300-900 individuals depending upon the level of automation of the center.

Those in attendance gasped when Manuel Almira, executive director of the Port of Palm Beach, explained that if the inland logistics complex is 40 million square feet and has 500

employees per 1 million square feet there would be 20,000 new jobs created for this area. This number does not include possible jobs that are indirectly associated with the complex, such as restaurants.

On May 1, the Port of Palm Beach will be accepting requests for qualifications from businesses or parties interested in selling their land for the site location. By Aug. 1, the Port will have selected site location finalists and will extend invitations to negotiate. Also, the Port wants to develop

See **Port** — Page 12

Graceful raptors return

Please report sightings of swallow tailed kites

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

GLADES COUNTY -- The largest known gathering of swallow tailed kites in North America occurs in Glades County at the Fisheating Creek Wildlife Management Area, according to a 2007 Florida Wildlife Commission report. These acrobatic birds of prey weigh about 15 ounces, yet

have a wingspan of four feet. They are a well-loved species, and local residents are proud to claim them as neighbors.

March signals the return of swallow tailed kites to the southwest bank of Lake Okeechobee. So far, no sightings have been reported and that has gotten the attention of Margaret England, secretary for Hendry-Glades Audubon Society.

"Swallow-tailed kites aren't being reported in Glades County, which is the largest staging area in the United States," she said.

Ms. England has volunteered her birding expertise at Storm Treatment Area 5 in

Hendry County, which attracts bird watching visitors and ecotourists. She has also contributed to the Big O Birding Festivals which feature bird life in Glades and Hendry Counties.

The southeastern states are a summer breeding ground for the kites. Before 1940, they were found in 21 states; but now they are only seen in seven states. Sometimes as many as 2,000 or more may share communal nesting sites in the Fisheating Creek area. The raptors favor the Glades County landscape, which includes their preference for large trees

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submitted by Larry Frogge
Larry Frogge, wildlife photographer, kindly shares his spectacular photos of swallow tailed kites. The graceful raptors are a local favorite in Glades County. Residents can watch them soar for hours.



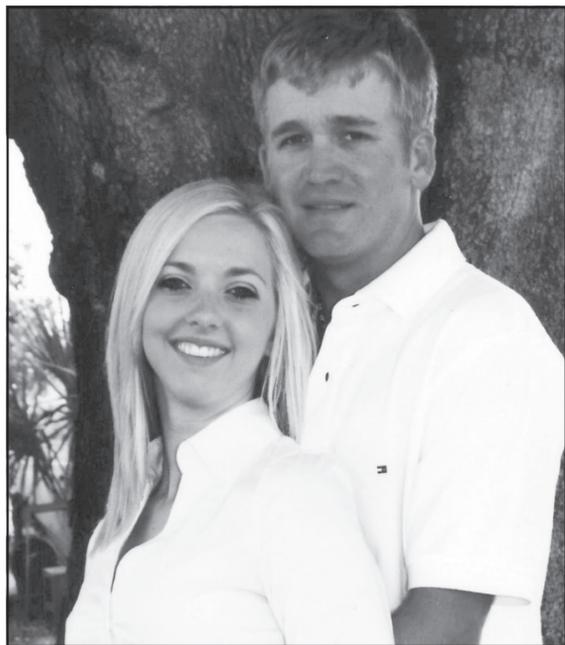
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McDaniel-Yates



Submitted photo
Kathryn McDaniel and Donnie Ray Yates will be joined in marriage on Feb. 13, 2010.

David and Kathy McDaniel of Clewiston are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Kathryn McDaniel to Donnie Ray Yates of Okeechobee.

The prospective groom is the son of Donnie and Donna Yates and stepmother, Cathy Yates of Okeechobee.

The wedding is planned for Feb. 13, 2010 at McDaniel Ranch in Clewiston.

The bride to be is a 2004 graduate of Clewiston High School.

She currently is a student attending Florida Atlantic University with a major in education.

The groom is a 2002 graduate of Okeechobee High School and is employed as a supervisor with H&H LSD.

After the wedding, the couple will make their home in Okeechobee.

Sutton birth



Submitted photo
Riley Reece Sutton was born Jan. 26, 2009 in Fort Myers.

Shane and Katrina Sutton of Clewiston, Fla. are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Riley Reece Sutton.

She was born on January 26, 2009 at Healthpark in Fort Myers, Fla.

She weighed 7 pounds 8 ounces and was 20 inches long at birth.

Riley was welcomed home by Kalei and Landon Sutton.

Maternal grandparents are Jerry and Heather Worth of Clewiston, Fla.

Paternal grandparents are Steve and Kim Abowd of Clewiston, Fla.

Great-grandparents are Myrtice Sutton of Clewiston.

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Annette Marie Andrews Jaber, 26

MADISONVILLE, Tenn. — Annette Marie Andrews Jaber, of Madisonville, passed away Wednesday, March 18, 2009, in Fort Sanders Regional Medical Center, Knoxville. She was 26.

She is survived by a daughter, Layla Marie Jaber; parents, Franklin Layne and Brenda Andrews of Madisonville; Pearlina and Alvaro (Papi) Verela of Metarie, La., grandmothers, Dorothy Andrews of Clewiston, Fla., and Jeanette Andrews of Chau-

vin, La.; half brother, Nicolas Verela of Metarie, La.; step-sisters, Sabrina Pitts of Madisonville, Aujulissa Verela; step-brother, Alvaro Verela III, both of Metarie, La.; several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

She was preceded in death by grandfather, Clyo Andrews Sr.; and uncle, David Clyo Andrews Jr.

Funeral services were Sunday, March 22, 2009, in Biereley-Hale Chapel. The Rev. Murice Watson officiated. Burial was in Haven Hill Memorial Gardens.

Ray Earnest Lee, 77

CLEWISTON — Ray Earnest Lee, of Clewiston, passed away March 21, 2009, in Clewiston. He was 77.

He was born April 22, 1931, in West Palm Beach, the son of the late Clarence Melvin and the late Hilda Anna (Wilder) Lee of Lake Harbor.

He was a graduate of Belle Glade High School.

He served during Korean Conflict in the Navy. He was a graduate and master barber from the Florida Barber College. He was a Barber-Rancher, owning and operating Ray's Barber Shop until retirement in 2001.

He was a member of First United Methodist Church-Clewiston, Hendry County Cattleman's Assn., and the American Legion.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Lois (Hawkins) Lee; sons, Joe Ray Lee of Clewiston, John Michael Lee (Alicia) of Moore Haven; daughter, Kathryn Caulkins (Jeff) of Clewiston; brother, Robert C. Lee (Elaine) of Hollywood; sisters, Betty J. Lee of Clewiston, Wanda Lee of Watkinsonville, Ga.; grandchildren, Trevor Caulkins of Starkville, Miss., Kamryn

Caulkins of Orlando, Brandon Caulkins of Clewiston, Alaina Lee and Austin Lee both of Moore Haven.

Funeral services were held 11 a.m. Tuesday, March 24, 2009, at First United Methodist Church, Clewiston with Pastor John Hicks officiating. Interment followed in Ridgeland Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Hope Hospice, 9470 HealthPark Circle, Fort Myers, FL 33908 or Florida United Methodist Children's Home, P.O. Box 6299, Deltona, FL 32728.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home-Clewiston.

Glades County Youth Livestock Sale Results

The Exhibitor's hard work paid off as their livestock were auctioned off to the highest bidders by auctioneer Brian Trimble. The Sale total was \$155,138.50. All of the exhibitors, and Glades County Youth Livestock would like to thank all the buyers. Listed below are the sale results; Exhibitor's name, buyer, and price per pound are as follows:

Steers

1. Austin Lee, Glades Electric Cooperative, Inc., \$5
2. Warner Ward, Wright Construction Group, \$4.25
3. Kendra Murphy, Wolf Island, Inc., \$3
4. Jake Griffin, Griffin Electric & Air Conditioning, \$3
5. Caitlyn Morris, Farm Credit of Southwest Florida, \$2
6. Sarah Thomas, Quality Electric, \$2
7. Brooks Bass, Wolf Island, Inc., \$2
8. Kristen Bemby, First Bank of Clewiston, \$1.75
9. Amy Perry, Everglades Farm Equipment & Palmdale Oil Co., \$3.25
10. Dustin Chapman, Okeechobee Livestock Market, \$2.50
11. Ryan Story, Brighton Council, \$2.75
12. Hunter Ward, Seminole Tribe Richard Bowers, President, \$2
13. Easton Moss, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$3
14. Brittany Driggers, U Save Super Market, \$2
15. Melany Williams, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$1.75
16. Macy Randolph, Seminole Tribe Brighton Council, \$2
17. Alaina Lee, United States Sugar Corp., \$2.25
18. Jessica Echols, Wright Construction Group, \$2.50
19. Sara Teele, Seminole Tribe Richard Bowers, President, \$2.25
20. Alexis Story, Seminole Tribe Brighton Council, \$2
21. Dustin Thomas, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board & Thomas Wood & Block, \$2
- ***Glades Electric Cooperative raised all steers to \$2.50 per pound.

Dairy

22. Jesse Espinosa, Espinosa Land Clearing, Inc, \$3.25
23. Jessica Stafford, Jack & Janice Lundy, \$2.50

24. Kelsey Ahern, Ahern Welding Service, \$33.75
25. Megan Whitehead, Gilbert Chevrolet, \$3
26. Noah Johnson, Everglades Farm Equipment, \$2
27. Conner Morris, Ahern's BP Shop, \$2.25
28. Chloe Ahern, Ahern Welding Service, \$33.75
29. Jennifer Arnold, Wolf Island, Inc., \$2.75
30. Destiny Everett, Perry Farms, \$2.75
31. Blane Hough, Seacoast National Bank, \$3
32. Hannah Smith, Gilbert Chevrolet, \$3
34. Jessica Smith, Palmdale Oil Co., \$2.50
35. Brantley Woodward, Everglades Farm Equipment, \$2.25
36. Olivia Everett, Ahern's BP Shop, \$2.25
37. Devyn Arnold, U Save Super Market, \$3
38. Matthew Smith, Johnson & Prewitt, \$2.75
39. Skye Schlueter, Hendry Glades Sunday News, \$3.25
40. Ashanti Shepherd, Wolf Island, Inc., \$4.25
41. Savanna Schlueter, Seacoast National Bank, \$3.75
42. Shyla Hough, Gilbert Chevrolet, \$3
43. Shelby Schlueter, U Save Super Market, \$2.75
44. Rylee Palladino, Quality Electric, \$3.75
- ***Glades Electric Cooperative raised all dairy to \$3 per pound

Swine

45. Seth Garvey, Seminole Tribe Brighton Council, \$7.75
46. Samantha Barnes, Sunset Harvesting, \$7.50
47. Joey Sanders, Eli's Western Wear, Inc., \$2.50
48. Tom Perry, Helena Chemical Co., \$3
49. Kate Perry, First Bank of Clewiston, \$3
50. Katie Cline, Seminole Tribe Brighton Council, \$3
51. Megan Platt, Holly Johns, \$3.25
52. Charles Knight, Seminole Tribe Brighton Council, \$5.75
53. Kellie Taylor, Roger & Susan Williams, \$2.50
54. Eric Bryan, Johnson & Prewitt, \$3
55. Lindsey Ringstaff, Seminole Tribe of Brighton & Tampa

- Board, \$3.50
56. Tanner Mathis, Glades County Detention Center, \$4
57. Alisha Beck, Grid One Electric, \$3.75
58. Kyle Hubbard, Gilbert Chevrolet, \$3
59. Cale Rives, Caloosa Transport, \$6.25
60. Emily Navarro, Seminole Tribe Richard Bowers, President, \$3.75
61. Titus Johnson, Farm Credit of Southwest Florida, \$3
62. Susan Mathis, Tommy & Dena Todd, \$4.25
63. Lacy Cline, Greg Collier & Carl Perry, \$4.25
64. Ryan Hubbard, Jones Family from Brighton Indian Reservation, 3.25
65. Payton Woodward, Ogletree Enterprises & Farnam Family, \$4.50
66. Chelsea Williams, U Save Super Market, \$3.50
67. Kelby Kirtland, Tommy & Katherine Bronson, \$3
68. Shelbi Brown, Marki Rodeo & Brighon Board, \$4
69. Lindsey Swaford, Teddy & Nancy McCall, \$10.75
70. Reygen Livingood, Ahern Welding Service, \$3.50
71. Emmanuel Ibiatorremendia, Sugarland Harvesting, \$4.75
72. Cade Hamil, Palmdale Oil Co., \$3.25
73. Cole Hamil, United States Sugar Corp., \$3
74. Ethan Taylor, Irene's Laundry of Moore Haven, \$4
75. Gary Beck, Quality Air Conditioning, \$3.75
76. Matthew Shearer, United States Sugar Corp., \$3.50
77. Dray Adkins Ward, 3 A W Welding, \$4.25
78. Samantha Shearer, Performance Napa, \$4.75
79. Chyenne Seiler, Seminole Land Surveying, \$4.75
80. Jacob Seiler, Helena Chemical Co., \$4
81. Savannah Devine, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$4.75
82. Rebecca Langdale, Skyler Burke & Connie Haught, \$4.25
83. Wyatt Ward, Hilliard Brothers, Inc., \$5.50
84. Derek Sexton, Seminole Land Surveying, \$4.75
85. FFA Chapter, Ahern's BP Shop, Glades County Youth Livestock, \$10
- Olde Cypress Community Bank & Double H Construction

86. 4-H Chapter, Teddy & Nancy McCall, \$10
- ***Glades Electric Cooperative raised all swine to \$3.50 per pound.
- Original Buyer/Donated to/ Then Purchased by: Price/lb.
87. Glades Electric Cooperative, Inc./ Project Graduation, Carrie Kilpatrick, \$1.25
88. Quality Electric/ Amy Lundy Memorial Scholarship, Donnie Lundy, Mike Pressley & John Ahern, \$1.75
89. Wright Construction/ Amy Lundy Memorial Scholarship, Glades Utility Service, \$5
90. Ahern Welding Service/ MHES Safety Patrol 09/10, All Seasons Welding, \$1
91. Ahern Welding Service/ MHES Safety Patrol 09/10, Ahern's BP Shop, \$2.50
92. Tommy & Dena Todd/West Glades Elementary School, PV Ranch, \$2.25
93. Ahern Welding/Amy Lundy Memorial Scholarship, Hilliard Brothers, Inc. & Johnson & Prewitt, \$4
95. United States Sugar Corp./ 4-H Chapter, Humphries Construction, \$1.25
97. 3 AW Welding/FFA Chapter, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$1.25
98. Helena Chemical/Amy Lundy Memorial Scholarship, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$1.25
99. Skyler Burke & Connie Haught/Amy Lundy Mem.Scholar., Jackie & Dwayne Pollard, \$1.25
101. Glades Utility Service/ Glades Youth Livestock, Kilpatrick Ranch, \$1
102. Glades County Detention Center /4-H & FFA, Jones Family Brighton Indian Reserv./Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$1.25
103. GCYL, Olde Cypress Community Bank, Ahern's BP & Garrett Swaford, \$1
- Double H Construction/4-H Chapter
104. Helena Chemical/4-H Chapter, Seminole Tribe Brighton Board, \$1.25
- Glades County Youth Livestock would like to thank all exhibitors, parents and other volunteers for making the 2009 Glades County Youth Livestock Show and Sale a success!

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Arrest Report

This column lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Anyone who is listed here and who is later found not guilty, or has the charges against them dropped, is welcome to inform the newspaper. We will confirm the information and print it..

Eric Hunter, 31



- Clewiston
- Selling cocaine schedule II
- Distribution of cocaine schedule II

Arrested March 13 by Deputy J. Walker
Also arrested by Inv. Daley on separate date

Hector Paloblanco, 19



- Clewiston
- Battery - felony battery result from bodily harm or disability

Arrested March 19
Arrested by Deputy L. Riordan

Crime Stoppers

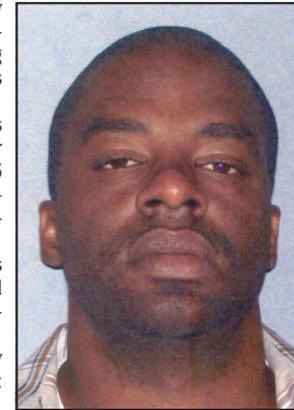
The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office is seeking assistance from the public in locating the following wanted fugitive as of March 19.

Clennon Everett, age 34, is a black male with black hair and brown eyes. He is 5 feet, 6 inches tall and weighs approximately 200 pounds. He has tattoos on both shoulders.

His last known address is S.W. 11th St. in Belle Glade and last occupation known is a Laborer.

Everett is wanted on felony charges violation of probation: kidnapping.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of this wanted fugitive is asked to contact the Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-



Submitted photo

Clennon Everett.

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Joseph Cooksey, Jr., 39



- Clewiston
- Aggravated battery cause bodily harm or disability

Arrested March 16
Arrested by Deputy S. Bell

Kenneth R. McKenzie, 24



- Clewiston
- Carrying a concealed weapon - firearm

Arrested March 22
Arrested by Deputy J. Perez

Jose Galindo, 19



- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested March 20
Arrested by Deputy B. Weaver

Vancancio Gomez, 26



- Clewiston
- Battery - results from bodily harm/disability

Arrested March 22
Arrested by Deputy J. Perez

Jeffrey W. Hall, 41



- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested March 14
Arrested by Deputy J. Hunt

Gustavo Nunez, 15



- Clewiston
- Possession of cocaine at Clewiston High School

Arrested March 18
Arrested by Deputy R. Wingate

Luis Perez, 19



- Clewiston
- Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill
- Battery causing bodily harm

Arrested March 22
Arrested by Deputy J. Perez

Manuel Gonzalez, 42



- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested March 16
Arrested by Deputy C. Buchhofer

Melissa Gilkes, 30



- Clewiston
- Warrant with FTA: felony offense

Arrested March 18
Arrested by Deputy T. Hessler

Carlos Alvarado, 28



- Clewiston
- Battery - results from bodily harm/disability

Arrested March 22
Arrested by Deputy J. Perez

Carlos Ruiz, 35



- Belle Glade
- Burglary - unoccupied conveyance unarmed

Arrested March 22
Bond has been set to \$3,000

Charles Christler, 18



- Belle Glade
- Battery on an officer, firefighter, emt, etc
- Resist officer with violence

Arrested March 17
Released March 18 on \$10,500 bond

Deliha Logan, 30



- Belle Glade
- Neglect a child without great harm

Arrested March 21
Released March 22 on \$9,000 bond

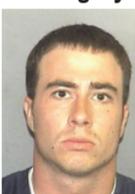
Erik Hernandez, 30



- Belle Glade
- Traffic offense - DUI

Arrested March 19
Released March 19

Gregory Waldon, 23



- Belle Glade
- Violation of probation: possession of schedule substance

Arrested March 20
No bond set for release

Harry Salter, 19



- Belle Glade
- Robbery with a firearm
- Carrying a concealed weapon

Arrested March 19
No bond has been set

Irma Hernandez, 50



- Belle Glade
- Traffic offense - DUI alcohol or drugs

Arrested March 22
Released March 22

James Samuels, 20



- Belle Glade
- Robbery with a firearm
- Resist officer - flee elude LEO with lights siren active

Arrested March 19
Bond has been set for \$5,500

John Sandlin, 44



- Belle Glade
- Larceny theft is \$300 or more but less than \$5,000

Arrested March 17
Bond has been set to \$3,000

Latina Hunter, 33



- Belle Glade
- Battery on officer, firefighter, emt
- Neglect child - without great harm

Arrested March 21
Released March 22 on \$9,000 bond

Little Mack Williams, 29



- Belle Glade
- Battery - felony battery or domestic battery by strangulation

Arrested March 22
No bond set

Minnie Clayton, 52



- Belle Glade
- Family offense - interfere with custody of minor

Arrested March 19
Released March 19 on \$3,000 bond

Pablo Varela, 37



- Belle Glade
- Larceny theft is \$300 or more but less than \$5,000

Arrested March 19
Released March 19 on \$3,000 bond

Richard Charlemond, 20



- Belle Glade
- Violation of probation: Burglary of an unoccupied structure

Arrested March 18
No bond has been set

Ruperto Martinez, 51



- Belle Glade
- Out of county warrant

Arrested March 22
No bond set for release

Troy Kornya, 18



- Belle Glade
- Out of county warrant - lewd or lascivious molestation

Arrested March 19
Released March 19 on \$25,000 bond

Aguelar Silvia, 33



- Belle Glade
- Traffic offense - DUI

Arrested March 19
Released March 19

Emmanuel Lamar, 19



- Pahokee
- Battery - felony battery or domestic battery by strangulation

Arrested March 17
Released March 18

Nathaniel Washington, 18



- Pahokee
- Larceny theft is \$300 or more but less than \$5,000
- Burglary - unoccupied dwelling unarmed

Arrested March 19
Released March 20 on \$3,000 bond

Tanzarneka Williams, 28



- Pahokee
- Larceny theft is \$300 or more but less than \$5,000

Arrested March 17
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Tyrone Hickman, 43



- Pahokee
- Possession of marijuana with intent to sell, manufacture or deliver schedule I

Arrested March 20
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Effective Thursday, April 30, 2009:

Residential Customers only:
MoviePlex, located on Digital Starter will move to the Digital Classic Tier and remain on channel 149.
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Seminole Heritage Day

Members of the Seminole Tribe participated in the Okeechobee County Fair's Seminole Heritage Day recently at the Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center.



submitted by Larry Frogge

Swallow tailed kite

The swallow tailed kite is easy to identify with its scissor shaped tail and contrasting white and black plumage. Local experts ask for residents and visitors to report sightings of these slender hawks.

Local Weather Forecast

Weather Forecast for Glades County from the National Weather Service.

Moore Haven and surrounding areas:

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 84. Southeast wind between 6 and 13 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 60. Southeast wind around 6 mph.

Extended Forecast:

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 85. Southeast wind around 6 mph.

Friday Night: A 10 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. South wind around 6 mph.

Saturday: A 10 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 87. South wind between 7 and 10 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 65.

Sunday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 84.

Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 63.

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Coming soon: A new look to an old friend

By Tom Byrd

Nothing is permanent except change.

That statement is true more so today than ever before. We live in a changing world. We're all struggling to come to grips with a changing economy. Citizens are adapting to new technology that could change our lives for the better.

The newspaper you're holding in your hands is also making a change. It's a major change for us, but one we're confident will be positive for our readers and advertisers.

Beginning with next week's edition, your Glades County Democrat may appear just a little bit different to you.

We will begin publishing our newspapers in the new, modern "compact" format vs. the traditional "broadsheet" format.

It marks the first major format change in many years for the company and reflects a design that studies have shown is preferred by readers and advertisers alike.

But no matter how you look at it, it's still your hometown newspaper!

The most noticeable difference, of course, is the size of the product. The new "compact" is smaller -- but don't let its size fool you. The new "compact" offers

tremendous advantages over the broadsheet and more and more newspaper companies are starting to take notice:

- The new size provides greater convenience to readers. It's easier to hold, easier to read.
- The new format allows us greater flexibility when it comes to packaging and design. We're confident you'll like the way content and features are organized and presented in next week's edition.
- Most important, the new compact will allow us to expand the use of color throughout the publication. With the new format, you'll see much more color. The pages will be more exciting and the photographs will be more vibrant.

We're also confident the new format will be attractive to our advertisers. We recognize times are tough and many businesses are struggling to survive. We are constantly in search of ways to improve our products and provide advertisers with an effective and cost-affordable way to reach consumers in their market. We think the new format gives our advertisers more "bang for their buck!"

The new compacts provide greater impact for advertisers. Again studies have shown that readers tend to recall -- and react

to advertisements in compacts at a greater rate than they do in traditional broadsheets.

The No. 1 complaint from our local advertisers over the years involved "ad clutter." Frankly, there were too many ads on a page -- and the more ads on the page, the less likely their ad was to be spotted by a reader.

Compacts conquer that challenge. The overall page size is smaller. There are fewer ads on a page, so each ad stands out much more than if it were on a page crowded with dozens of small ads.

Finally, the new compact is much more efficient for us to produce. That's important in these tough economic times. We've been the Greater Lake Okeechobee area's No. 1 community newspaper publisher for over three decades and we have every intention of continuing in that role.

We're not ashamed in the least

bit to say this move will help us streamline our efforts, control costs, and be more environmentally friendly. That's beneficial to our readers and advertisers, not to mention our company and its employees.

Despite the new look, rest assured everything else you've come to expect from the Glades County Democrat remains the same. We're still your hometown newspaper providing you with the same great news and information you've come to expect from us.

We hope you like our new look. Please let us know your thoughts and suggestions for improvements. We appreciate your continued support and look forward to serving you in the future!

Editor's note: Tom Byrd is vice president of operations for Independent Newspapers, Inc. Tom welcomes your comments and suggestions and can be reached at FLpublisher@newszap.com.

United Way announces their final push towards making goal

Labelle, Fla. -- The goal for the United Way of Hendry and Glades 2008-2009 Campaign is \$194,000, and early results show the campaign is short of the goal. Current contributions total \$168,000, or about 85% of the goal.

"I would like to thank the generous organizations and individuals who have already contributed to the campaign," said Michael Talaga, United Way Campaign Chair and Senior Vice-President, Human Resources and Information Technology for Alico, Inc. "But we are short of our goal at a time when our 34 local United Way partner agencies need every dollar. We want to be sure that the residents of Hendry and Glades Counties receive the services they need when so many people are in great need."

Julie Osterhout, chair of the "Giving Rocks" event to take place April 18th in LaBelle, added, "Giving Rocks is our big fundraising event for the United Way campaign in Hendry and Glades Counties. The event is a very important part of helping us reach the \$194,000 goal." She added, "This year the event should be better than ever. We will have a fun auction, raffle, antique car show as well as entertainment and excellent food. It will be at the Barron House in LaBelle."

For more information about attending the event, or to become a sponsor or volunteer, please contact either Julie Osterhout or Arlene Bettencourt at 863-675-8383.

A local network of thirty-four

agencies and programs will receive funds from the 2008-2009 United Way of Hendry & Glades fundraising campaign. These agencies include: The Salvation Army, the Children's Advocacy Center, Child Care of Southwest Florida, Healthy Families and many others. This network serves a diverse range of needs nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods. The network of United Way agencies helped over 21,000 people in Hendry and Glades Counties last year.

Extensive volunteer involvement allows the United Way to keep fundraising costs extremely low, and community volunteers evaluate agency performance and thoroughly study agency budgets and programs to make sure United Way dollars are spent efficiently and with impact. All money raised through the United Way of Hendry and Glades Counties campaign remains in the Hendry and Glades area aiding members of the community who really need the help.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives.

Clubs and organizations

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CREW is still helping Hendry and Glades county residents recover from Hurricane Wilma, Tropical Storm Ernesto and Tropical Storm Faye.

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Free bread provided

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!

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 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
 FILE NUMBER: 2009-016-CP DIVISION: PROBATE
 IN RE: ESTATE OF BERYLE BOWLING Deceased
 NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION
 The administration of the estate of Beryle Bowling, deceased, File Number: 2009-016-CP is in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975-1760. The names and personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
 ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:
 All persons on whom this notice is served have objections that challenge the validity of the will, the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court are required to file their objections with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
 All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
 All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
 The date of the first publication of this Notice is March 26th, 2009.
 Personal Representative: Beverly Day
 Attorney for Personal Representative: Mark J. Nowicki, Esquire 480 Maplewood Drive Suite 2 Jupiter, Florida 33458 (561) 746-3200 314094 CGS 03/26/04/02/09

Public Notice 5005
 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2008-812-CA
 COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. Plaintiff
 vs. JOSE A. PACHECO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE A. PACHECO; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC.; NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants, Defendants(s)
 AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, will on the 1st day of April, 2009, at 11:00 A.M. at Front of the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in the Hendry County Courthouse, being the 2nd Floor Hallway of the Hendry County Courthouse Building, LaBelle, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following-described property situate in Hendry County, Florida:
 Lot 14, Block 2204, PORT LABELLE UNIT 7, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 116, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
 pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.
 Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale.
 WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this 9th day of March, 2009.
 If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Hendry County Courthouse, 125 Pratt Blvd., LaBelle, Florida 33935 and whose phone number is (941) 675-5217, within 2 working days of your receipt of this Notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-355-8771.
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 By: /s/ D. HAMMOND Deputy Clerk
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Public Notice 5005
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING COMMUNITY ACTION ADVISORY BOARD
 Notice is hereby given that the Community Action Advisory Board has scheduled their Board Meeting at 5 PM March 30, 2009 at the Hendry County Satellite Office at 100 (East El Paso Ave., Clewiston, Florida). This was the old Health Department Building. The meeting is open to the public and the site is accessible by the disabled.
 Community Action Advisory Board
 Joyce Adams, Chairperson
 314298 CB CN 3/26/09

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
 Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on the following petitions on April 22, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the applications are consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan and will review the application for consistency with the Hendry County Land Development Code.
 The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners for final consideration at a public hearing. This hearing will be held on May 12, 2009, at 5:05 p.m. at the City of Clewiston, Commission Chambers, 115 W Ventura Ave., Clewiston, Florida.
 Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida, and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 All persons wishing to be heard on this issue may appear at said meeting. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
 Petition Number: SE06-0009
 Applicant: Aida Santana
 Ordinance title: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO ALLOW A CHURCH AND RELATED FACILITIES IN A RESIDENTIAL/RURAL DEVELOPMENT-FARM ZONING DISTRICT.
 Location: 360 & 366 Horse Club Avenue, Montura Ranch Estates
 Property size: 2.19 acres +/-
 Request: The applicant is requesting a special exception to allow a church and related facilities in a Residential/Rural Development-Farm (RR-F) zoning district.
 Legal description of subject property:
 DESCRIPTION: LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 49, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 37-39, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
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 Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on the following petitions on April 22, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the applications are consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan and will review the application for consistency with the Hendry County Land Development Code.
 The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners for final consideration at a public hearing. This hearing will be held on May 12, 2009, at 5:05 p.m. at the City of Clewiston, Commission Chambers, 115 W Ventura Ave., Clewiston, Florida.
 Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida, and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
 All persons wishing to be heard on this issue may appear at said meeting. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
 Petition Number: SE06-0009
 Applicant: Aida Santana
 Ordinance title: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION TO ALLOW A CHURCH AND RELATED FACILITIES IN A RESIDENTIAL/RURAL DEVELOPMENT-FARM ZONING DISTRICT.
 Location: 360 & 366 Horse Club Avenue, Montura Ranch Estates
 Property size: 2.19 acres +/-
 Request: The applicant is requesting a special exception to allow a church and related facilities in a Residential/Rural Development-Farm (RR-F) zoning district.
 Legal description of subject property:
 DESCRIPTION: LOTS 1 AND 2, BLOCK 49, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 37-39, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 Petition Number: VA09-0001
 Applicant: Aida Santana
 Ordinance title: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING VARIANCES FROM THE 150 FOOT SETBACK REQUIREMENT ON THE NORTH AND WEST SIDES.
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 Property size: 2.19 acres +/-
 Request: The applicant is requesting a variance of 115.9 feet from the required 150-foot setback on the north and 135.2 feet from the 150-foot setback requirement on the west side of the property (lot 2) to use an existing building as a church. The Hendry County Land Development Code requires a building setback of 150 feet from residentially zoned property.
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 Orvell Howard, Chair
 Hendry County Local Planning Agency
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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
803	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0089-0100	MARY MAXINE WILLIAMS & DAVID LEE NIEHAUS, JR.

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. LESS road dedication of 25 feet on the West side thereof.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313559 CGS 3/19/26;4/2/9/09

Public Notice 5005

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SAUTERNES V, LLC holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
891	2006	1-14-44-32-A00-0017-0000	GONZALEZ INVESTMENTS, LLC

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 14, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 3598, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

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Public Notice 5005

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SAUTERNES V, LLC holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
700	2006	1-33-43-31-A00-0234-0000	JOHANNE H. CYR & MATTHEW D. CYR % JORDYN TAYLOR PROPERTY, INC.

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. LESS the South 20.00 feet thereof. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 154, PIONEER PLANTATION, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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

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Public Notice 5005

COUNTY OF HENDRY, STATE OF FLORIDA
RESOLUTION NO. 2009 - 18

RECORDED IN RESOLUTION BOOK XXII, PAGE 46

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FINDING THAT A FIRE EMERGENCY EXISTS WITHIN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON UNREGULATED FIRES WITHIN THE COUNTY.

WHEREAS, the recent freezes and drought affecting Hendry County has created an extremely high danger of grass, brush and forest fires throughout all of Hendry County, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has the authority under Ordinance No. 2001-03 to impose a moratorium on all unregulated fires.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA THAT:

- A fire emergency exists within Hendry County, Florida, under the definitions and provisions of Hendry County Ordinance No. 2001-03, as amended.
- The Board hereby imposes a moratorium on all unregulated fires within Hendry County, Florida, as provided in said Ordinance No. 2001-03, Section 2, as amended. An unregulated fire means any outdoor fire other than a cookfire which is not permitted by a governmental agency.
- The moratorium imposed hereby shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until further action by this Board.

Duly considered and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, this 24th day of February, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Janet B. Taylor, Chair

ATTEST:
Anita Bischel, Deputy Clerk
Barbara S. Butler, Clerk

Certified to be a true and correct copy of the original.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk Circuit Court
Hendry County Florida

By: A. Bischel
Deputy Clerk
Date: 2-25-09

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Public Notice 5005

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 2008-045-CP

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF Jerroban Sam Fran Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Jerroban Sam Fran, deceased, whose date of death was October 24, 2006, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Post Office Box 1700, LaBelle, FL 33975. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is March 26, 2009.

Personal Representative
Nita Billie
HC #1, Box 55
Clewiston, FL 33440

Ralph Eiver
Florida Bar Number 215848
Pavese Law Firm
Attorney for Personal Representative:
P.O. Drawer 2280
LaBelle, FL 33975
Telephone (863) 675-5800
Fax No. (863)675-4998

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Public Notice 5005

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
743	2006	1-35-43-31-010-0001-0020	RENE ALEJANDRO MARTINEZGUERRA

The Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 35, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 2, Block J, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
688	2006	1-33-43-31-A00-0042-0000	JOSE A. HERNANDEZ

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 162, PIONEER PLANTATION, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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Public Notice 5005

REQUEST FOR BIDS
PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES FOR HENDRY COUNTY JAIL INMATES
BID NUMBER: 2009-17
OPENING DATE AND TIME: APRIL 15, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for "Pharmaceutical Services for Hendry County Jail Inmates". In order to be considered, Bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by April 15, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 165 S. Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up). Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220 or (863) 983-1585.

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this Bid, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submissions received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or its entirety this Bid, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

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HENDRY COUNTY
Janet B. Taylor, Chair
Board of County Commissioners
314480 CB/CN 3/26;4/2/9/09

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION HENDRY COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on April 22, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, La Belle, Florida, to consider the Preliminary Plat Application of Grovewood Estates (PL06-0003), a subdivision of a portion of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 29 East including a portion of Section 3, Township 44, Range 29. The subdivision is located at the northeast end of E Road.

A copy of the proposed Preliminary Plat is available for inspection on weekdays between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida.

All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the issues at said meeting. All advertised public hearings are subject to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, which states that anyone desiring to appeal decisions made by the Local Planning Agency and/or the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County may be required to furnish a verbatim (word for word) record of the proceedings that includes testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

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NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: NOEL DE ARMAS
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
7415 SW 93RD Avenue
Miami, FL 33173-3266

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSALS, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in HENDRY COUNTY, Florida:

LOT 19 AND THE WEST 1/2 OF LOT 20, BLOCK 438, OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 111, IN THE CITY OF CLEWISTON, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 24, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

as been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Florida Default Law Group, P.L. Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 9119 Corporate Lake Drive, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Clewiston News.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court on this 9th day of March, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ A. Holtsbeck
As Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, FL 33622-5018

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1041	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0009-0030	JORGE LUIS REYES & FLORENTINA G. REYES

Lot 3, in Block 9, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat 3, Pages 37, 38 & 39, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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881	2006	1-13-44-32-A00-0242-0000	ANA PEREZ

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida, subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 5518 in Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
802	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0042-0000	PAHOKEE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, INC

Parcel 1
The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25 feet on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 2
The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25 feet on the North side of tract.

Parcel 3
The East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25 feet on the South side of the tract.

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Hendry County, Florida

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1041	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0009-0030	JORGE LUIS REYES & FLORENTINA G. REYES

Lot 3, in Block 9, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat 3, Pages 37, 38 & 39, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313556 CGS 3/19/26;4/2/9/09

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NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: NOEL DE ARMAS
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
7415 SW 93RD Avenue
Miami, FL 33173-3266

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSALS, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in HENDRY COUNTY, Florida:

LOT 19 AND THE WEST 1/2 OF LOT 20, BLOCK 438, OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF BLOCK 111, IN THE CITY OF CLEWISTON, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 24, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

as been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Florida Default Law Group, P.L. Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 9119 Corporate Lake Drive, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Clewiston News.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court on this 9th day of March, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ A. Holtsbeck
As Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, FL 33622-5018

Public Notice 5005

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MERLOT III, LLC holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
480	2006	1-27-43-29-010-0002-0090	BEN WESLEY NIEDECKEN, III

The East one-half of the West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida; LESS the North 30 feet thereof, previously reserved for perpetual road right-of-way.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313558 CGS 3/19/26;4/2/9/09

Public Notice 5005

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ANTONIO & COLETTE MARTINEZ holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1368	2001	1-14-44-32-A00-0211-0100	STELLA KEVENIDES EST. MONTURA LAND AND CATTLE INC

The North one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 14, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 2837, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313592 CGS 3/19/26;4/2/9/09

Public Notice 5005

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SAUTERNES V, LLC holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
601	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0041-0000	PAHOKEE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, INC

The East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313575 CGS 3/19/26;4/2/9/09

Public Notice 5005

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF EAST SHORE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of East Shore Water Control District, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of East Shore Water Control District for the year 2009 will be held at their office located at 2832 N. Main Street, Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, Florida, on Wednesday, April 15th, 2009, at 9:30 A.M., in the forenoon for the purpose of:

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

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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF EAST SHORE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
By: /s/ Gene Dodgen, President

Orvell Howard, Chair
Hendry County Local Planning Agency

Public Notice 5005

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Area Housing Commission of Clewiston, LaBelle and Hendry County will hold the Regular Monthly Meeting on Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 5:00 P.M. at the GreenTree South Community Center at LaBelle, Florida, Hendry County.

The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the general business and consider any other matter that may be brought before the Housing Commission. Any person or persons wishing to appeal any decision made at said meeting must ensure that a verbatim record is made upon which the appeal is to be based. The meeting will include any business before the "Hendry County Non-Profit Housing, Inc." 314552 CB/CN 3/26/09

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BELLE GLADE
Owner

1204 NW AVENUE L TERRACE
BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA 33430
Address

Separate sealed BIDS for the construction of Selective renovation of approximately three hundred ninety-nine existing multi-family living units consisting of one, two, three and four bedroom units at Osceola Center Housing Development and approximately two hundred eighty-seven existing multi-family living units consisting of one, two and three bedroom units at Osceola Center Housing Development will be received by the Owner and Architect at the office of the Housing Authority of the City of Belle Glade, 1204 NW Avenue L Terrace, Belle Glade, Florida 33430 until 2:00 P.M., (local time) April 28, 2009, and then at said office publicly opened and read aloud.

The CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be examined at the following locations:
SWILEY CURTIS MUNDT HUNNICUTT ASSOCIATES ARCHITECTS INC,
1036 SOUTH FLORIDA AVENUE
LAKELAND, FLORIDA 33803 telephone (863) 688-8882

and copies of the CONTRACT DOCUMENTS may be purchased at B & Z Reprographics located at 2718 South Combee Road, Lakeland, Florida 33803, telephone (863) 665-0022.

All contracts exceeding \$10,000 shall contain a provision requiring compliance with Executive Order 11246, entitled, "Equal Employment Opportunity", as amended by Executive Order 11375 and as supplemented in Department of Labor regulations (41 CFR Part 60).

DATE: March 26, 2009
314663 CGS 3/26/09

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
667	2006	1-33-43-31-A00-0039-0000	JOSE A. HERNANDEZ

The Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30

The reality: We all have animals

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MALBECII, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1171	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0083-0100	TODD JAMES, LLC

Lot 10, Block 83, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37 through 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009. Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313566 CGS 3/19/26:4/2,9/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **SAUTERNES V, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1042	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0009-0070	JULIA GONZALEZ

Lot 7, Block 9, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009. Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313572 CGS 3/19/26:4/2,9/09

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF PELICAN LAKE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Pelican Lake Water Control District, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Pelican Lake Water Control District for the year 2009 will be held at their office located at 2832 N. Main Street, Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, Florida, on Wednesday, April 15th, 2009, at 10:00 A.M., in the forenoon for the purpose of:

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

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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PELICAN LAKE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
By: /s/ Paul Allen, President

314091 BGS 03/26/04/02/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MERLOT III, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
798	2006	1-29-43-32-400-0023-0000	PAHOKEE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, INC

Parcel 1
The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County Florida. Less road dedication of the 25' on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 2
The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. less road dedication of 25' on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 3
The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel 4
The East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25' on the South side of the tract.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009. Dated this 25th day of February, 2009.

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

313561 CGS 3/19/26:4/2,9/09

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000128

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff
vs.
WILLIAM HERNANDEZ, et al, Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: ELIZABETH HERNANDEZ

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 1382 Kings Dairy Road Clewiston, FL 33440

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING THROUGH, AGAINST, IN, INDIVIDUAL WHO ARE KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, GRANTEE, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN
CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in HENDRY County, Florida:

LOTS, SUNSHINELAKE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 175, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH A MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Florida Default Law Group, P.L. Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 9119 Corporate Lake Drive, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition. This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Okeechobee News.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court on this 20th day of March, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ D. Hammond
As Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, FL 33622-5018

In accordance with the Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813)335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.

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READING A NEWSPAPER MAKES YOU A MORE INFORMED AND INTERESTING PERSON.

No wonder newspaper readers are more popular!

By Pastor John Hicks

First United Methodist Church

It's hard to believe, but Easter is right around the corner. So are taxes.

This is another year where Easter and taxes fall on the same week.

I find it ironic that as I sit at my computer trying to outline my Easter messages, I have the tax deadline weighing down on me.

I have my Bible opened to the passage proclaiming, "He is not here, He is risen," and nearby is my tax material for 2008.

With no apologies to the IRS, one seems spiritual and the other mundane.

One minute I'm at the cross, the next I'm at my checkbook.

Even though I might feel a little crucified financially, the time I spend on one seems holy, the other worldly.

One reminds me how God in

Christ paid it all, and the next reminds me that there's something I have to pay.

In all of this, I try to keep in mind the words of our Lord to give Caesar the things that are Caesar's and give to God the things that are God's.

Sometimes, however, I struggle with what I want or have to give.

I'm currently planning my message for the Palm Sunday Sunrise service at the Clewiston levee at 6:30 a.m. on April 5, and I can't help but wonder about the guy who gave Jesus his donkey for the Palm Sunday procession.

I wonder if the guy who gave the donkey for Jesus to ride into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday struggled with his giving or the fact that he was asked to give generously in a time when finances were tight.

We don't know his name or what he looks like.

We only know that Jesus told

His disciples that "If anyone asks you why you are taking the donkeys, say that the Master has need of them, and he will send them at once." (Matthew 21:3)

Did this guy just give the animals to someone in need, or did he know it was Jesus who needed the donkeys?

Did he worry about getting the donkeys back?

I wonder about these things because sometimes it's hard for me to give as freely as I might.

There are times I like to keep my animals to myself for my own use.

Sometimes I rationalize not giving by wondering if my little deeds and giving today will really make a difference in the long run.

Sometimes I don't give it because I'm not sure what to give or how to give, or I get busy and put things on the back burner.

And then there are the times God calls to my heart and I re-

spond to our Lord, and feel honored that a gift of mine would be used to carry Jesus forward to proclaim the Kingdom and make a difference in the life of another.

The reality is that all of us have a donkey.

You and I each have something in our lives which, if given back to God, could, like the donkey, move Jesus and His story further down the road.

Maybe you could reach out and help a friend or a neighbor, or encourage a child.

Maybe you can sing, or hug, or teach a class, or speak a foreign language.

Maybe you can give a cold glass of water to someone who is thirsty. Maybe you can write a check.

Whichever, that's your donkey. Whichever, it could be that God wants to mount your donkey and enter into another place, another situation, another heart.

The Tried Stone, a Sure Foundation!

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist

when he is old?" On and on the questions came throughout His ministry.

Jesus was thoroughly tried by men, and the stone did not break!

Not only was He tried by the devil and man; the Heavenly Father tried Him. On the cross Jesus said, "My God; My God!

Why hast thou forsaken Me?: The tried stone did not break!

Not only was the stone a tried stone; but it was also a precious stone. Isaiah said it was a precious cornerstone and Peter called it a stone elect and precious.

Under normal circumstances we take water for granted. It is as near to us as the turn of the tap. But to a person on the desert with no prospects of getting more, his canteen full of water is more precious than gold.

He will not wish to waste a drop. Jesus, who gives the water of life, must be recognized as the most precious thing in our lives!

Peter told the council at Jerusalem, when they were being tried for healing the lame man at the Beautiful Gate of the Temple, "There is therefore now no other name under Heaven given among men whereby we must be saved." Jesus is our only Hope!

The stone was also a sure foundation.

Paul told Timothy, "Howbeit the firm foundation of God standeth sure.

The Lord knoweth them that are His, let everyone that nameth the name of the Lord Jesus depart from iniquity."

Remember Peter said, "Ye also

are living stones, built up a spiritual house."

And again Paul tells us in Ephesians that we are no longer strangers and sojourners, but fellow citizens with the saints and the household of God, built upon the foundation of Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ, Himself, being the chief cornerstone."

All Christians are a part of the Rock, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Jesus gives the best plan for a life when He tells us in the Sermon on the Mount; "Everyone that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them shall be likened unto a wise man who built his house upon the rock,

And the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house, and it fell not, for it was founded upon the rock.

And everyone that heareth these words of mine and doeth them not unto a foolish man who built his house upon the sand.

And the winds came and the winds blew and beat upon that house and it fell and great was the fall thereof."

The Stone is sure, and we are sure. We are just as sure as the Lord is sure! We stand or fall in Christ.

Our salvation is just as sure and solid as the Rock of Ages. The stone is tried, precious, and sure!

Jesus told the chief priest after the Triumphal Entry that the stone that the builders rejected, the same was made the head of the corner.

Whoever falls on this stone shall be broken in pieces, and on

whomever it falls it will scatter him as dust.

Those who are part of the stone elect and precious are indestructible and those who are not shall be ground as powder and scattered as dust.

To those who are not a part of the stone, Peter has a word of warning in the eighth verse of First Peter, chapter one.

He refers to the stone of stumbling and the rock of offence.

He further states they stumble at the word.

Many have stumbled over the Stone Made without hands.

To many, that Stone is a rock of offence.

I know of no place where people stumble at the word and trip over the rock of offence as much as how to be saved.

Peter said on the day of Pentecost to those who inquired, "What shall we do?"

"Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Luke tells us in Acts the eighth chapter of an example of how a baptism was performed.

"They went down into the water... they came up out of the water."

In spite of the clarity of God's word, many there are who stumble at the word and trip up on the rock of offence.

"The stone is tried, precious, and sure. Jesus said, "Upon this rock I will build My Church and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it."

stand equal or, higher than the other clergy.

I suggested that what was sought was a layperson and not clergy, and didn't see any participation as "ecumenical" at all.

One principal asked me to attend a dedication of a new school.

I asked what I might contribute but she told me that there would be no "religious" acts.

I asked about what was being done to recognize God's place in the school, and she told me that they were going to play some "nice" music.

I didn't attend; I had nothing to contribute.

Do I respect other traditions? Of course!

But I ask that mine is also respected.

In this day and age of erosion of values (look around you if you don't believe it!), we all need to "stand for something lest we fall for anything."

We're talking about who we really are - all of us!

By the Reverend Samuel S. Thomas, Ph. D.

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

A recent news item on TV caught my attention when the reporter told of the resignation of an institutional chaplain on the east coast.

The chaplain felt that she could not use the words "God" or "Lord" as the reporter conveyed, and so she resigned.

The institution sent out two faxed statements, one from the President and CEO and the other from the Senior Chaplain.

The statements had to do with a "suggestion" to be "inspirational but not religious" at their staff meetings.

My recollection of the roots of the word "inspire" is that it comes from "in-spirited," and that sounds "religious" enough to me.

Since the institutional staff was reported to come from various backgrounds, it was inferred that all traditions should be respected.

That struck me as curious. Once you're talking about "inspirational" you're off and running.

If you're a religiously trained person say a chaplain, that would likely get you back to things "religious and not necessarily inspirational."

It sounds like the job, a chaplaincy, calls for a religiously trained person - isn't that what chaplains are? - but you want them to be "inspirational but not religious."

Wow! I am one of that group referred to as "clergy." It is a different group than the "laity" and involves religious beliefs.

Religion is a part of my identity; as such as my preference for certain makes of automobiles, my favorite foods, my love of animals, my choice of clothing; in short - it is "me."

I don't parcel out parts of me when called upon to do something. If someone asks me to participate in an activity or share in an event, it is with the understanding that those who asked wish me to offer what I have to contribute.

When asked to give an invocation, or benediction, or offer a prayer, I do so out of the religious traditions that have helped shape me and make me the person, and clergyman, that I am.

People who want "generic" representations, or sometimes no representation at all, ask for a lesser person than I am.

I doubt that they tell their mechanics to use monkey wrenches instead of socket sets or the muffler folks to use a "ne-size-fits-all" replacement.

Generics are not always the way to go.

Placing limits on people we ask to share in special times in our lives keeps them from being who they are; and limits an opportunity to learn something ourselves (I've learned a lot from people with whom I disagreed or didn't particularly like!).

I have refused to take part in an "ecumenical" marriage because I was not to wear any distinctive clergy garb or to comment on the scriptures I was to read, or to

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Don't ask me for a watered-down version

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Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

A recent news item on TV caught my attention when the reporter told of the resignation of an institutional chaplain on the east coast.

The chaplain felt that she could not use the words "God" or "Lord" as the reporter conveyed, and so she resigned.

The institution sent out two faxed statements, one from the President and CEO and the other from the Senior Chaplain.

The statements had to do with a "suggestion" to be "inspirational but not religious" at their staff meetings.

My recollection of the roots of the word "inspire" is that it comes from "in-spirited," and that sounds "religious" enough to me.

Since the institutional staff was reported to come from various backgrounds, it was inferred that all traditions should be respected.

That struck me as curious. Once you're talking about "inspirational" you're off and running.

If you're a religiously trained person say a chaplain, that would likely get you back to things "religious and not necessarily inspirational."

It sounds like the job, a chaplaincy, calls for a religiously trained person - isn't that what chaplains are? - but you want them to be "inspirational but not religious."

Wow! I am one of that group referred to as "clergy." It is a different group than the "laity" and involves religious beliefs.

Religion is a part of my identity; as such as my preference for certain makes of automobiles, my favorite foods, my love of animals, my choice of clothing; in short - it is "me."

I don't parcel out parts of me when called upon to do something. If someone asks me to participate in an activity or share in an event, it is with the understanding that those who asked wish me to offer what I have to contribute.

When asked to give an invocation, or benediction, or offer a prayer, I do so out of the religious traditions that have helped shape me and make me the person, and clergyman, that I am.

People who want "generic" representations, or sometimes no representation at all, ask for a lesser person than I am.

I doubt that they tell their mechanics to use monkey wrenches instead of socket sets or the muffler folks to use a "ne-size-fits-all" replacement.

Generics are not always the way to go.

Placing limits on people we ask to share in special times in our lives keeps them from being who they are; and limits an opportunity to learn something ourselves (I've learned a lot from people with whom I disagreed or didn't particularly like!).

I have refused to take part in an "ecumenical" marriage because I was not to wear any distinctive clergy garb or to comment on the scriptures I was to read, or to

stand equal or, higher than the other clergy.

I suggested that what was sought was a layperson and not clergy, and didn't see any participation as "ecumenical" at all.

One principal asked me to attend a dedication of a new school.

I asked what I might contribute but she told me that there would be no "religious" acts.

I asked about what was being done to recognize God's place in the school, and she told me that they were going to play some "nice" music.

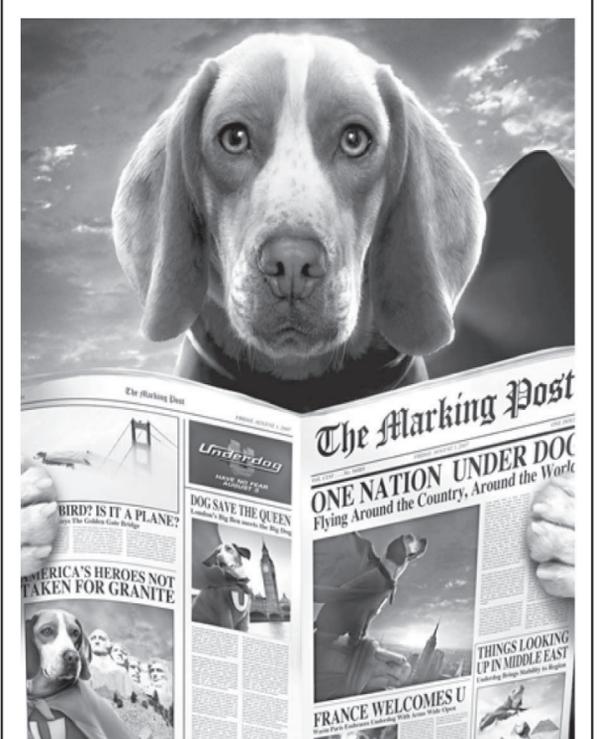
I didn't attend; I had nothing to contribute.

Do I respect other traditions? Of course!

But I ask that mine is also respected.

In this day and age of erosion of values (look around you if you don't believe it!), we all need to "stand for something lest we fall for anything."

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Religion briefs

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Thrift shop open at Church of God of Prophecy

The Church of God of Prophecy, in Moore Haven, will have a thrift shop open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., all things are given for a donation, this is to help for expenses of the church.

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Clewiston Church of God Service Times announced

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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.

The 2009 Glades County Youth Livestock Shows

The week started with the exhibitors weighing in their animals at 2 p.m. on the first day of March. Steers had to weigh at least 850 pounds in addition to having a minimum of 1.75 lbs average daily weight gain. This was based on 169 days from the first weigh in that took place on September 13, 2008. Twenty one of the 22 steers that weighed in on Sunday met both criteria for the show. All forty two Swine reached or exceeded the minimum weight of 225 pounds, and the Dairy Exhibitors were only required to weigh in their animals if they intended to sell. There were a total of 31 dairy animals that checked in.

Bronson Arena was a very popular place this week. The Dairy show started the week off on Monday, March 2 at 7 p.m. John Huysman was the announcer and Lindsey Swaford led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Prayer. There were 24 exhibitors displaying 31 animals. These animals were classed according to age. The Judge for the evening was Gene Holcomb of Okeechobee. He awarded 25 of the 31 with blue ribbons. The Jr. Grand Champion was awarded to Teale Humphries with her Brown Swiss, "Bumble Bee". Kelsey Ahern took Jr. Reserve Grand Champion with her Brown Swiss, "Primrose". Teale Humphries won Sr. Grand Cham-

panion with "Dolar", also a Brown Swiss, and Kelsey Ahern took the honor of Sr. Reserve Grand Champion with another Brown Swiss named "Dafodil". Jr. Showmanship was won by Jesse Espinosa, and Sr. Showmanship was awarded to Teale Humphries. The Dairy Exhibitors are members of the "Cows R Us" 4-H club led by Terri Smith, the Udder Club led by Kell Ahern, and the Moore Haven FFA Chapter led by Phillip Cosby.

On Tuesday night March 3, the Swine Show was announced by Tommy Hare and Warner Ward delivered the Prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance. The swine were classed according to their weights, and there were eight classes ranging from super light weight to Extra Super Heavy Weight. There were 42 entries, including 1 swine for the FFA Chapter, raised by Jake Griffin and one swine raised by Tanner Mathis for the 4-H Chapter. Mr. Allen Newsome was the judge and selected Seth Garvey as Grand Champion Swine with his 272 pound Yorkshire and also selected Samantha Barnes as Reserve Grand Champion for her Yorkshire X weighing in at 260 pounds. The judge awarded 30 of the 42 with blue ribbons. Jr. Showmanship was earned by Lacy Cline, and Eric Bryan received Sr. Showmanship. Rick Ahrens judged showman-

ship. The exhibitors are members of the 4-H Club "Rooters" led by Buddy and Betty Kay Garvey, and the Moore Haven FFA led by Phillip Cosby.

One of the cutest events of the week was the Pee Wee Show which was held on Wednesday and Thursday night just prior to the Steer Show and Livestock Auction. The Pee Wee exhibitors sported new "Little Rascals" T-shirts designed by their 4-H club leaders Celeste Dotson and Vivian Hart. Of the 24 exhibitors five showed little pigs, three showed rabbits, there were three goats, one lamb, seven adorable dairy calves and five beef calves. They all did a wonderful job and received blue ribbons and medallions.

On Wednesday evening Tommy Hare again announced the Show, and Rebecca Langdale led the Pledge and Prayer. 21 steer exhibitors proudly displayed their animals. The steers ranged in weight from 1065 to 1490 pounds and were divided into five classes according to their weights. Travis Arp from University of Florida resided as judge over the show. He awarded all but three with blue ribbons and praised the exhibitors for their dedication to their projects. Austin Lee won Grand Champion with his 1,205 pound Charolais steer bred by

Montsdeoca Ranch. Warner Ward was awarded Reserve Grand Champion with his Alico bred 1,325 pound Angus Cross steer. Kendry Murphy was awarded Home Grown Grand Champion and Jake Griffin took the honor of Reserve Home Grown Grand; both were Glades County bred by Lykes Brothers, Inc. Amy Perry received the Jr. Showmanship and Sarah Thomas the Sr. Showmanship award for their skill in showing their animals. Sara Teele won Grand Champion Pure Bred Beef Breeding with her Brahman Bull. Kendra Murphy had an average daily weight gain of 4.2 pounds which earned her the weight gain award. There are two 4-H steer clubs. Sarah Williams leads the "Hot Shot Cattle Club", and "The Beefmakers" is led by Calinda Chapman. The Moore Haven FFA Chapter is led by Mr. Phillip Cosby.

Throughout the week we were graced with the presence of our 2009 Chalo Nitka Royalty. Chalo Nitka Queen Lindsey Ringstaff, Jr. Miss Elizabeth Johnson, and Princess Jesse Espinosa presented all winners with ribbons and belt buckles.

On Thursday night Tommy Hare welcomed everyone to the Livestock Auction and Lindsey Ringstaff followed leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance

and Prayer. Janet Story of the Glades County Cattlemen's Association awarded Kendry Murphy with a \$500.00 check and Jake Griffin with \$250.00 for their Home Grown Grand and Home

Grown Reserve Grand Champions. Janet also presented plaques to Lykes Brothers Inc. the breeder of both home grown steers. Mr. Harvey Sapp accepted the plaques on their behalf.

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MHES Students

Mrs. Ford's fifth-grade class celebrated Chalo Nitka by creating floats that depicted scenes from Glades County History.



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Mini floats

Picture here are a few of what Mrs. Ford's fifth-grade class created to show what their pride in Glades County.



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FCAT ready

Ms. Linda Timmons' third-grade students at Moore Haven Elementary School are pictured wearing their "Rock the FCAT" shirts during FCAT week.



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Rock the Test

Faculty at Moore Haven Elementary did their best to encourage students to do their best during FCAT testing by decorating the halls at their school for motivation. Picture above is Assistant Principal Ms. Sonya King.

MHES Citizens of the month

February 2009

The following students have earned recognition as February Citizens of the Month at Moore Haven Elementary School. This is a very special honor since it means that they have done a commendable job of showing Trustworthiness. Trustworthiness

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Sweet Deception: Youth in the crosshairs, again

Targeting the youth of America is nothing new for the tobacco industry.

Despite industry denials, we know Big Tobacco has targeted youth through the use of cartoon characters, sports sponsorships, sexy models, and aggressive advertising campaigns.

Though much of the industry's strategy to hook young people revolves around advertising and promotional activities, new product development plays a huge role in the recruitment of new tobacco users.

One of the most significant developments in recent years has been the explosion in flavored tobacco products.

The unaddressed threat

At virtually every corner convenience store and local beverage

stores such as Patson's and Hari's, a wide array of flavored cigars, cigarillos, blunt wraps, and spit tobacco products can be found.

Offerings include a cornucopia of fruit candy flavors such as grape, peach, apple, watermelon, pineapple, and strawberry, alcohol flavors like apple martini, rum, and wine, and traditional kid favorites like chocolate, vanilla, and honey.

Some of these stores even sell the hookahs or water pipes that are becoming increasingly popular with college youth and are frequently used with exotic flavored tobaccos.

Flavor is an integral part of the spit tobacco industry's graduation strategy.

They use lower nicotine products in familiar, kid-friendly flavors as starter products for youth.

Youth in internet chat sites are anticipating spit tobaccos with

new flavors like watermelon.

If you search for "watermelon Skoal," you will find hits on MySpace, YouTube, and other sites.

The talk is all excitement over the possibility of a new flavor coming out.

"I am just a freshman in H.S. and I have been dipping since the end of Eighth-grade."

A US Smokeless Tobacco Company (UST) document, discussing Hawken, one of the first sweet, low-nicotine brands, noted that "these products have reached kids four to five years earlier than we have contacted them in the past." (January 21, 1980 confidential document from UST.)

Flavor is also playing a role in new products that are being promoted by the industry.

Most of the emerging trends in tobacco incorporate the use of flavors.

The new Camel and Marlboro

snus products being marketed by Reynolds American and Phillip Morris come in flavors like mint and spice.

Responding to the flavor craze

As citizens concerned about the influences on our youth, what can we do to deal with the growing flavored tobacco trend?

In Florida, some counties are currently pursuing local ordinances which prohibit the sale of flavored tobacco products.

Florida has developed an action plan and tools to assist groups interested in implementing this strategy in their own communities.

The materials include a draft ordinance, retail store survey, talking points, power point presentations, hand outs, and much more.

This past October, Drug Free Coalitions were developed in Hendry and Glades Counties through the Tobacco Prevention Program to address Alcohol, Tobacco, and other drugs affecting our community's youth.

Community Coalitions are comprised of parents, teachers, law enforcement, businesses, religious leaders, health providers, and other leaders who mobilize at the local level to positively affect their community.

By connecting multiple sectors of the community in a comprehensive approach, it is possible to achieve real outcomes in substance abuse and violence reduction.

The coalition held a retreat in February to develop their mission statement and formulate a steering committee to move forward.

Mission: The Drug Free Hendry County Coalition is dedicated

to empowering youth, and over time adults, to reject harmful substances by increasing education, motivation, collaboration, and awareness to create a safe and healthy community.

If you are interested in becoming involved, please attend the next Coalition meeting on Monday, April 20 at the Clewiston High School Auditorium beginning at 5:30 p.m.

For more information on the local campaign and coalition, please contact the Hendry County Health Department's Tobacco Prevention Program at 863-674-4041.

In Glades County please call Angelica Peña at 863-946-0707 ext. 220.

La Florida and the Spanish Expedition of the 1600s

A fruitless journey for the Spanish as they pushed to release those who had been taken as slaves

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum

The sun sank slowly across the heavens as it followed an ageless, celestial trail that linked two worlds; night and day.

Its golden orb radiated, filling the sky with paschal hues of color, as it paused momentarily on the fringes of the western horizon and then disappeared.

Only the red crimson sky betrayed its hidden presence as nighttime ushered in.

The darkening sky brought relief to the weary, sun burnt soldiers and Indians who had toiled all day in the hot sun.

Their bodies, arms, and shoulders ached from the listless hours they had spent paddling in the cramped, wet quarters of the dugouts.

Now they steered their canoes to the sandy shoreline, eagerly anticipating a hot meal and rest.

The canoes were beached and some of the men went in search of firewood, while others establish a primitive campsite.

Soon the tantalizing aroma of fresh broiled fish and baking oysters filled the cool night air.

Warm, flickering fires and full stomachs brought rest and closure to the night as the Spanish soldiers slumbered off to sleep.

The restless Indians bedded down, but sleep eluded them.

Cold, clammy droplets of moisture formed on the Tocobago Indian's tense bodies as each lay quietly, reminiscing and cultivating an ancient fear, the Calusas.

Tomorrow's journey would

bring the small expedition into the land of the powerful Calusa and the thought of confronting their dreaded enemy was terrifying.

They knew the horrors that awaited the man or woman who fell captive to the Calusa.

A silent, but unspoken signal passed uncannily through their ranks.

All rose together, moving through the encampment like shadows in the night.

Ghostly images, void of flesh and blood, leaving no physical traces as they stepped soundless and effortlessly past their Spanish companions.

They quietly pushed their dugouts into the sea's dark canopy of cover and started paddling relentlessly north, like crazed men driven by terror.

The ole saying "Ignorance is Bliss" wasn't embraced by the Tocobago Indians in this Tall Tale yarn that took place in 1679.

It is time to take "A Walk in the Past" and read about a Spanish expedition in south Florida.

In 1679, Spanish Governor Pablo Salazar received word that captive Spaniards were being held as slaves at the province of Calusa.

His informant was an Indian chief called Caciqee Medina, who traded and worked with Indians from the Tocobago Indian Nation.

The Tocobagos lived in the Tampa Bay region and were always feuding with the Calusas.

They probably reported the Spanish captive's plight to Caciqee Medina for purposes that went beyond humanitarian reasons.

The Calusa Indian Nation was an ancient enemy that the Tocobago fought, hated and feared.

What better way to play two superpowers in Florida, the Spanish against the Calusa.

The Spanish captive incident

only confirmed all was not well on the Calusa frontier.

Information concerning Calusa hostilities wasn't new to Governor Salazar.

In a letter written in 1675, to the crown, Governor Salazar describes the Calusas as the most warlike and troublesome Indians in Florida.

He wrote that they killed shipwreck survivors and Indians, whose nations were under Spanish protection.

Earlier Spanish letters report that a truce was established in 1612, between the Spaniards and Calusas.

The truce lasted at least until 1634, because a letter written by a priest in the same year indicated the Spaniards and Calusas were still on peaceful terms.

Calusa hostilities would have occurred after 1634.

There are no recorded instances of Spanish slavers or European diseases in South Florida that could have fueled hostilities during this time, so what happened?

The problem may have stemmed simply from "The changing of the guards," when a new Calusa Caciqee took power.

A new ruler may have exercised a different political agenda, one that was fiercely patriotic and traditional.

Historians will probably never know what really reignited the Calusa hostilities.

The 1679 report on Spanish Captives spurred Governor Salazar to act.

He created a small expedition under the joint command of Juan Cruz and Caciqee Medina.

They were to negotiate and ransom the Spanish captives from the Calusas.

The expedition consisted of Spanish soldiers and Indian warriors.

Traveling by canoes, the expedition traveled down the Appalachia River to the Gulf of Mexico,

then southward along the west coast of Florida to Tampa Bay.

The expedition stopped at a village along the way called Alcola; it had a population of 300 persons.

They rested and continued south, stopping at another village called Pojo that had up to 300 people.

The chief of the village begged the soldiers not to continue south because the Calusa would view his village with contempt for not attacking the soldiers.

The chief said the Calusa would bring severe reprisals against his people.

The expedition disregarded the chief's request and continued south.

Other village chiefs appealed to the Spanish expedition, begging them to turn back for fear of retaliatory acts against their villages by the Calusa.

The villager's fear of the Calusas rubbed off on the expedition because all the Indian warriors traveling with the expedition fled into the night, abandoning the group.

The small force of Spanish soldiers was ill equipped to face a large Calusa force, so they returned to north Florida without the Spanish captives.

Governor Salazar was updated by the expedition's leaders and reacted in a strange way.

He wrote a letter to the crown in 1680, and suggested missions be established in the Calusa Indian Nation.

We will never know what his intentions or expectations were in writing such a letter.

There was a war going on in South Florida, and he was asking for missions!

There will be more "Tale Tales" in next week's edition "A Walk in the Past," when the Spanish attempt to establish a mission in the Calusa Indian Nation.

I hope you have enjoyed this story.

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Kidneys: We're not talking beans

Understanding the effects of unchecked kidney diseases; finding help before it's too late

By Pat Dobbins, R.N., M.S./H.S.A.
Administrator

Kidneys play a very important role in a person's overall health.

Your kidneys help keep the right amount of water in the body and help to filter out harmful wastes.

Common causes of kidney disease are diabetes and high blood pressure.

Chronic kidney disease is when a person loses kidney functions, which can happen from physical injuries or diseases that



Pat Dobbins.

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damage the kidneys (diabetes or high blood pressure).

When the kidneys are damaged, it reduces their ability to remove wastes and extra water

from the blood as well as they should.

Chronic kidney disease is a silent condition and in the early stages, you may not notice any symptoms.

Chronic kidney disease often develops so slowly that many people don't realize they're sick until the disease is advanced.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), an estimated 26 million adults in the United States have chronic kidney disease, but most do not know it and it's the ninth leading cause of death in the United States.

The final stage of chronic kidney disease requires the person to be on kidney dialysis (filtering of blood through a machine) or transplantation.

The risk for kidney disease

can be reduced by learning how to prevent diabetes and high blood pressure.

Bladder infections can also damage your kidneys.

Some symptoms of bladder infection include cloudy or bloody urine, pain or burning when you urinate, or an urgent need to urinate often.

The symptoms of a kidney infection may include back pain, chills, and fever.

Please talk to your healthcare provider if you think you may have a bladder or kidney infection.

Also, please be sure to get your blood pressure and blood sugar levels checked regularly!

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a public private partnership that includes private sector financing and a minimal amount of public funds to develop this project, according to Oppel.

Questions were raised concerning the necessary training area residents would need to qualify for the variety of jobs at the center. Oppel assured the audience members that Port authorities would partner with workforce development to offer proper training.

"As long as we keep it within the Lake Region, no one will be a loser. Everyone will be able to take advantage of the jobs offered through this inland logistics center," Oppel said.

Palm Beach County Commis-

sioners have shown their commitment to bringing the inland logistics center to the tri-cities area as well. In Sept. 2008, the Palm Beach County Commissioners voted to endorse a plan for the future development of the complex along U.S. 27. Commissioners felt it was in the best interest of the county to officially support the center since Hendry and Martin Counties were also vying for the location site. Commissioner Jess Santamaria of District 6, which includes Belle Glade, Pahokee, and South Bay, opposed the plan leaving many local residents confused and disappointed.

After Friday's meeting in South Bay, Commissioner Santamaria clarified his Sept. vote.

"Although I was made to be the bad guy because I was made to appear as if I did not want the inland port here, it was the con-

trary. I want the inland port to be anywhere in the Glades. But by limiting it to a small area and increasing the value of that land, there is a possibility that it may end up somewhere else, outside of the Glades, where the land values are lower. I was really for the inland port, but some people tried to make it appear that I was against it," Santamaria explained.

While the inland logistics complex still faces many unknowns, one thing is clear: the absolute agreement that the complex should be built in the tri-cities area.

"The inland port has to be in the Glades area. Jobs is exactly what this area needs. It's the one thing that will change the entire face of the Glades. It will make the Glades what it should have been a long time ago," Commissioner Santamaria said.

Changes

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responsible. "We're confident readers will find the new modular format convenient to read and much more attractive," said Mr. Byrd.

"Advertisers will immediately notice that their ads stand out more and they will see greater impact from their ads in this new

format," added Mr. Byrd.

The compact size also provides more opportunity for more color throughout the newspaper. Each newspaper's commitment to local news remains the same.

"We will continue to be the No. 1 source for local news in each of the communities we serve," stated Mr. Byrd. "We're confident our new-and-improved newspapers, along with our existing online community sites, allow us to be the leader in local news."

Independent Newspapers also publishes the Clewiston News, The Sun, The Immokalee Bulletin, The Caloosa Belle, and the Okeechobee News. The Okeechobee News publishes three times a week.

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Tri-Meet

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last year's." Bell on how Moore Haven will fare in later meets:

"The only meets we're worried about are the American Heritage and Port Charlotte ones," he boldly stated.

"We're going to dominate the districts, we already proved we could do that," he continued.

"I think we can regionals, too."

Keonte White, who finished second in the 300 meter hurdles (46.06 seconds), wasn't quite so bold as he simply put everything into proper perspective.

"Our work ethic is good right now, but if we want to win state, we gotta work even harder," White said.

"Right now, we're just focusing on our meets coming up."

After the Avon Park Invitational in Avon Park, which Moore Haven participated in Tuesday, the bigger tests await them next week.

Next Tuesday (Mar. 31), the Terriers will be at American Heritage (Plantation), with the Charlotte Tri-Meet to be held in Punta Gorda on Friday, Apr. 3.

Moore Haven will have the opportunity to rest those legs during spring break week (Apr. 6-10).

After that, they'll be preparing for the all-important Class 1A District Track Championships, which will be held on Friday, Apr. 17 at St. John Neumann (Naples).

Team results from Moore Haven Tri-Meet

Boys
Moore Haven - 65 points
 Clewiston - 54 points
 Okeechobee - 47 points
Girls
Clewiston - 85 points
 Okeechobee - 43 points
 Moore Haven - 32 points

Individual Results

Boys
Discus
Thicklin (Clewiston) - 111-1/2
 McGee (Okeechobee) - 110-4
 Hart (Okeechobee) - 99-8
 Huggins (Clewiston) - 93-2
Shot Put
Thicklin (Clewiston) - 43-8
 McGee (Okeechobee) - 41-11
 Huggins (Clewiston) - 40-7
 Washington (Clewiston) - 40-1
Long Jump
Smith (Clewiston) - 20-4
 Fagan (Moore Haven) - 18-4
 Humphries (Moore Haven) - 18-1
 Tolbert (Clewiston) - 17-5
Triple Jump
Bell (Moore Haven) - 40-6
 Hall (Moore Haven) - 38-2
 White (Moore Haven) - 37-9
 Lewis (Moore Haven) - 37-6

1/2
110 meter hurdles
Humphrey (Moore Haven) - 16-16
 Butler (Clewiston) - 17-49
 Bigham (Clewiston) - 18-24
 Herring (Clewiston) - 19-07
100 meters
Blackmon (Moore Haven) - 10-79
 Patterson (Moore Haven) - 11-31
 Rush (Okeechobee) - 11-60
 Smith (Clewiston) - 11-63
1 mile
Horveth (Okeechobee) - 4:59
 Alvarado (Okeechobee) - 5:04
 Broun (Clewiston) - 5:25
 Sanchez (Moore Haven) - 5:27

400 meters
Martinez (Clewiston) - 53.05
 Fagan (Moore Haven) - 54.44
 Lewis (Moore Haven) - 55.58
 Hall (Moore Haven) - 56.70
300 meter hurdles
Humphrey (Moore Haven) - 41.83
 White (Moore Haven) - 46.06
 Herring (Clewiston) - 46.33
 Thicklin (Clewiston) - 47.07
800 meters
Jones (Okeechobee) - 2:12
 Brown (Clewiston) - 2:25
 Watson (Clewiston) - 2:32
 Poihill (Clewiston) - 2:36
200 meters
Bell (Moore Haven) - 22.67
 Blackmon (Moore Haven) - 22.71
 Martinez (Clewiston) - 23.19
 Rush (Okeechobee) - 23.66
2 mile
Denova (Okeechobee) - 11:03
 Alvarado (Okeechobee) - 11:21
 Horveth (Okeechobee) - 11:34
 Denova (Okeechobee) - 11:53
High Jump
Nieto (Okeechobee) - 6-4
 Patterson (Moore Haven) - 5-10
4 x 800 relay
Okeechobee - 9:11
 Clewiston - 9:38
4 x 100 relay
Moore Haven - 43.87
 Clewiston - 45.28
4 x 400 relay
Moore Haven - 3:38
 Clewiston - 3:45

Girls
Discus
Harris (Clewiston) - 98-6
 Jackson (Clewiston) - 95-10
 Boykin (Clewiston) - 89-10
 Horvath (Okeechobee) - 78-7
Shot Put
Jackson (Clewiston) - 32-3
 Harris (Clewiston) - 31-0
 Boykin (Clewiston) - 30-5
 Ford (Moore Haven) - 29-3
Long Jump
Koger (Okeechobee) - 15-8
1/2
 Coleman (Clewiston) - 15-8
 McPherson (Moore Haven) - 15-2
 Weekley (Clewiston) - 14-1
Triple Jump
Coleman (Clewiston) - 29-1
1/4
 Jackson (Clewiston) - 28-10
 Langdale (Moore Haven) - 27-10
1/2
 Perkins (Moore Haven) - 25-8
100 meter hurdles
Gamble (Clewiston) -

19:20
 Piper (Clewiston) - 20.51
 Langdale (Moore Haven) - 20.62
100 meters
McPherson (Moore Haven) - 12.62
 Perkins (Moore Haven) - 13.23
 Weekley (Clewiston) - 13.41
 Whitaker (Clewiston) - 13.55
1 mile
Penido (Okeechobee) - 5:52.60
 Prudencio (Clewiston) - 6:22.45
 Leon (Moore Haven) - 6:23.33
 Gonzalez (Clewiston) - 6:33.70
400 meters
Koger (Okeechobee) - 1:10
 Ford (Moore Haven) - 1:13
 Gadson (Moore Haven) - 1:18
 Perkins (Okeechobee) - 1:22
300 meter hurdles
Gamble (Clewiston) - 54.86
 Sapp (Okeechobee) - 55.77
 Piper (Clewiston) - 57.97
 Langdale (Moore Haven) - 1:01
800 meters
Penido (Okeechobee) - 2:39
 Hegley (Clewiston) - 2:45
 Rice (Clewiston) - 3:01
 Guitierrez (Clewiston) - 3:07
200 meters
Pass (Clewiston) - 27.31
 McPherson (Moore Haven) - 27.57
 Youmans (Okeechobee) - 27.82
 Weekley (Clewiston) - 28.15
2 mile
Serrano (Okeechobee) - 14:26
 Leon (Moore Haven) - 15:51
 Jimenez (Moore Haven) - 15:55
 Resendiz (Clewiston) - 17:24
High Jump
Pass (Clewiston) - 4-10
4 x 800 relay
Clewiston - 11:30
 Okeechobee - 12:24
4 x 100 relay
Okeechobee - 54.26
 Clewiston - 54.50
4 x 400 relay
Clewiston
 Okeechobee
Notes: All winners were highlighted in bold print.
 Only the top four places in each event were recognized, unless indicated otherwise.
 The 4 x 400 relay times for the Clewiston and Okeechobee girls teams were not marked correctly. The Moore Haven Tri-Meet was held on Thursday, Mar. 19 at Terrier Field.
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Submitted to INI
The Moore Haven boys 4 x 400 team knew that prior to competing in their relay race, they has already locked up their fourth consecutive team victory.

Raptors

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that stand in water and marshes. Here they hunt for insects and small reptiles in the tops of trees or catch insects in flight. During the breeding season, the kites are taking on much needed reserves of fat which will sustain them as they migrate back through the Andes Mountain range in South America, according to avian experts.

The kites are found not only at Fisheating Creek, but in many areas within Glades County and the Hendry-Glades Audubon Society encourages residents and visitors to report any sighting of these graceful birds. It will help assess the status of the species and allow scientists to acquire much needed statistics on their biology and demographics. If anyone sees a swallow tailed kite, they can contact the Center for Birds of Prey and report information

and location. There are three ways to contact them. A person can go to www.thecenterforbirdsofprey.org and fill out an online form, or download the form and send it to P.O. Box 1247, Charleston, South Carolina, 29402. Another way is to call 843-971-7474. These graceful raptors are easy to identify with their all white heads and bodies contrasting with black wings and tails. The slender hawks seem to hang in the sky and seldom flap their wings. Their scissor shaped tails constantly rotate for quick turns of nearly 90 degrees. To attend the Big O Birding Festival that begins April 3, contact Janet Papinaw at 863-612-4783. To get more information on bird watching along the southwest bank of Lake Okeechobee, contact Hendry-Glades Audubon at hga09@hendrygladesaudubon.org For more information about eco-tourism in Glades County, contact Tracy Whirls at 863-946-0300.

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