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Glades at a Glance

Gospel Celebration Singers

Gospel Sing by the Celebration Singers with old southern gospel music at the Swindle Farms Red Barn, April 3 at 7pm. Located in the middle of Clewiston and Moore Haven on Hwy. 27, 7 and a half miles West of Clewiston.

Annual Sausage and Pancake breakfast

The Moore Haven Lions Club will hold its 32nd Annual Sausage and Pancake Breakfast on Easter Sunday, April 12 at the Moore Haven Schools Cafeteria. Serving will start upon completion of the Easter Sunrise Service about 7:30 a.m. and conclude at 8:45 a.m. Every-

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Rep. Grimsley: Connecting with school students County salutes teachers

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

GLADES COUNTY -- A banquet was held, March 26 to recognize the work of Laura Ahern, Glades County Teacher of the Year 2010. Three of her fellows were also honored.

Ms. Ahern was chosen as Moore Haven Junior Senior High School's teacher of the year in the fall of 2008, and then in mid-December she found out she had been selected as Teacher of the Year for Glades County. There is a lengthy, challenging application for the process of the Florida Department of Education-Macy's Teacher of the Year program. An excerpt from Laura Ahern's application process includes an explanation of her teaching philosophy and practice.

"Good teaching is keeping up with the changes, but it is also being willing to be experimental. I advocate learning by trial and error; it is a good model for teachers to employ for their students. Being flexible and deviating from the "norm" is vital in effective teaching. For example, an effective teacher knows that the learner needs to be in charge of his or her learning in order to not only learn the task presented, but to also become a lifelong learner. After a lesson is presented, the teacher becomes a coach and mentor to her students as the students move through the learning process. During this process, the teacher gradually backs away from supporting the student as the student masters the skill," stated Ms. Ahern.

Laura Ahern began teaching

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INI/Nena Bolan

Kim Hamilton, district secretary to Rep. Denise Grimsley, presented a new flag to Moore Haven Junior Senior High School. It had been flown at the nation's capitol. Students accepted the flag at the school board meeting, March 26. From left to right are Tyler Wilson, MHHS senior; Kim Hamilton and Aaron Spero, MHHS senior.



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Patricia Ainsworth, left, is a junior at MHHS. She was recognized by Rep. Denise Grimsley for her work as a messenger in Tallahassee.

County considers care of animals

Board reviews code enforcement issues

Editor's Note: The following agenda notes are a summary of the Monday, March 23 Glades County meeting, prepared by Donna Storter Long, who is solely responsible for their content.

Commissioners in attendance: K. S. "Butch" Jones District 1, Donna Storter Long District 2, Chair Russell Echols District 4, Robert L. "Bob" Giesler District 5.

Business

Proclamation: April as Water Conservation Month (Chairman Echols)

Approved as requested by Water Management.

Appointment: Glades Library Board (Wendell Taylor)

Reappointed Janet Getchel to 5-year term at request of Jeanette Peeples, Chair of Glades Library Board.

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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 88. South wind between 9 and 14 mph.

Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. South wind around 9 mph.

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 89. South wind between 7 and 14 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph.

Friday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66. West wind between 5 and 7 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 88. Light and variable wind.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Sunday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 89.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 87.

Clubs and organizations

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!

New Hope Baptist Church Sunrise Service

Everyone is welcome! New Hope Baptist Church would like to invite you to join us for Sunrise Service at 7 a.m. on Resurrection Sunday, April 12. Following the Sunrise Ser-

vice Breakfast will be served at the fellowship hall. Please plan to join us at Sunday School at 10 a.m. and morning worship at 11 a.m.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for children attending Sunday School. Children participating in the Egg Hunt will receive a special treat.

Volunteers needed

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 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!

It's here: A new look to an old friend

By Tom Byrd

We live in a changing world. We're all struggling to come to grips with a changing and difficult economy. Citizens are adapting to new technology that is supposed to change our lives for the better.

Your favorite community newspaper has also made a change. The newspaper you're holding in your hands no doubt this week appears a little different than what you've grown accustomed to over the years.

It's a major change for us, but one we're confident our readers and advertisers will appreciate.

Beginning with this edition, The Glades County Democrat is publishing in a new, modern "compact" format vs. the traditional "broadsheet" format.

It reflects a design that studies have shown is popular with 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.

- Most important, the new compact will allow us to expand the use of color in the publication. With the new format, you'll see 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 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 consistently shown readers tend to recall and react -- to advertisements in compacts at a greater rate than they do in traditional broadsheets.

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

Despite the new look and the compact size, rest assured everything else you've come to expect from your 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 publisher and vice president of operations for Independent Newspapers, Inc. Tom welcomes your comments and suggestions and can be reached at Fpublisher@newszap.com.

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HRMC Focuses on Employee Health

By Glenda Wilson

Hendry Regional Medical Center is helping its employees to stay healthy and fit.

Through a grant provided by the Lake Okeechobee Rural Health Network, the hospital is sponsoring a Path to Wellness program for its staff, along with many from the Hendry County Health Department and Palm Terrace.

The eight-week program, which started on Feb. 18, offers incentives for employees to lose weight, stop smoking, eat more nutritiously and lead healthier lives.

It also incorporates the continued training of the diabetes program, which is already in place at the hospital.

In addition, the program provides free blood tests (lipid panel, H&H and blood sugar), walking incentives during work breaks, fitness center discounts, dietary/nutritional education and more.

Employees have been working diligently to 'lose those pounds,' and become the winner of the \$50 cash prize, offered at each two-week weigh-in.

Congratulations go to the first winner, Paul Miller of Hendry Regional Medical Cen-



Submitted to INI/HRMC
Paul Miller is the first winner of a \$50 cash prize, offered to employees as incentive to live healthier lifestyles.

ter's IT Department.

During the first two weeks of the Path to Wellness Program, Paul lost a whopping 6.7

percent of his total body weight – 17 whole pounds.

On Feb. 18, Paul weighed in at 252 pounds, and by March 4, he was down to 235 pounds! That's what it's all about.

If you don't believe participants are putting forth their best efforts, you may be surprised to learn that hospital employees have lost a total of 145 pounds in only two weeks!

Weigh-ins will continue every other week, and at the end of the eight-week period, the person who loses the most percentage of body weight will receive a flat screen TV, valued at \$500.

If you or your organization is interested in learning more about the employee wellness program, call Toni Pavey-McDaniel, Hendry Regional Medical Center's Corporate Health Director, at 863-983-1123.

Poison prevention - Not just for kids

By Pat Dobbins, RN.,/H.S.A.

Administrator, Hendry/Glades County Health Dept.



Most people think about children when it comes to poison dangers and poison prevention, but many adults put themselves at risk of poisoning every day.

Accidental poisoning and overdoses have been increasing and experts

think that it's the increase use of prescription pain killers, sedatives, psycho-therapeutic drugs and other narcotics that have caused this increase.

Adults need to take their medications re-

sponsibly!

Be sure to read the warning labels, and ask your doctor or pharmacist if you have any questions.

There are so many medications that can be dangerous if they are mixed with alcohol, other medications and even certain foods.

Be sure to tell your doctor about any medications that you are taking, including any vitamins or over the counter medications.

If you or your child is required to take any liquid medications, please use the proper measuring tool, don't "guess!"

A teaspoon from your silverware drawer is different than a regular measured teaspoon.

You don't want to accidentally give your child too much medication do you?

Parents should make sure that all medi-

cations are out of reach not only for younger kids, but for teenagers as well.

Some teenagers have overdosed on medications that were easily accessible in their parent's medicine cabinets!

All medicines should be kept in their original containers with the proper labeling and you should never share your medications!

If you ever have any questions about poison prevention or information on a possible poisoning, you can call the Florida Poison Information Center Network (FPICN).

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Sports brief

Black Gold Jubilee Children's Fishing Tournament

This year's Black Gold Jubilee Children's Fishing Contest will be held Saturday, April 4, 8 a.m. at the Belle Glade Marina.

A free lunch will be provided to children, and trophies will be awarded in each division (Toddlers, Division I, Division II and Division III) for biggest fish, most weight and smallest fish.

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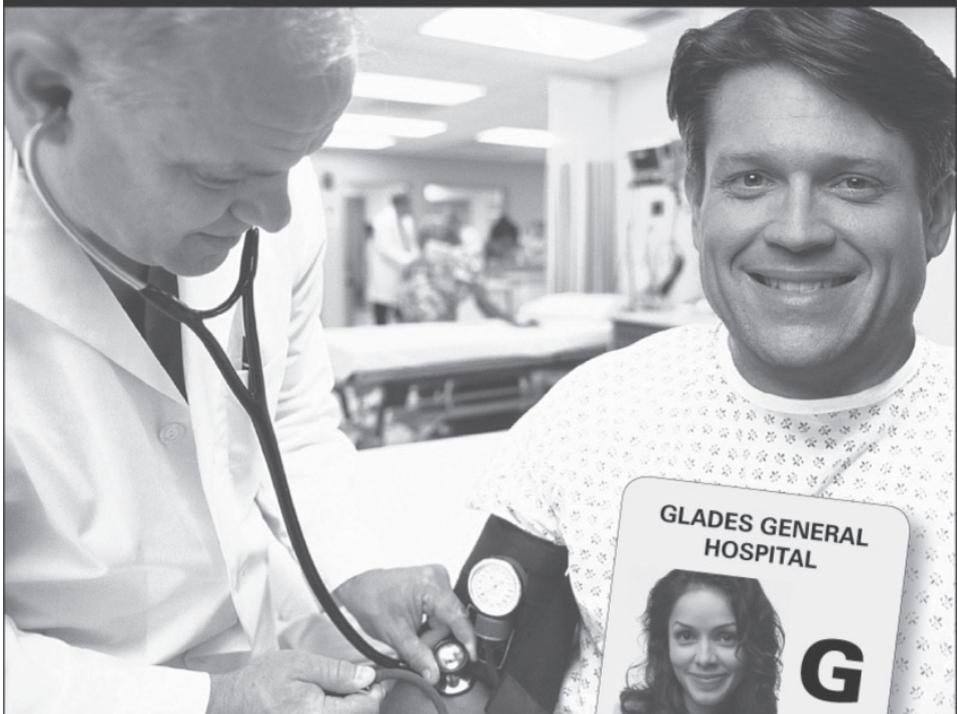
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Arturo 'Coco' F. Morrell

CLEWISTON — Arturo "Coco" F. Morrell, died Saturday, March 28, 2009, in the Palm Terrace Nursing Home in Clewiston.

Arturo was born in Havana, Cuba on Oct. 28, 1921, the son of Andres F. Morrell and Serafina F. Coca F. Morrell.

He graduated from the University of Havana and immigrated to the United States in 1962. He worked as a Civil Engineer in Havana, Cuba and for Glades County Sugar Cooperative for many years and retired from Okeelanta Sugar Corporation in 1997.

Coco was a resident of Clewiston for 45 years and was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Perla F. Morrell.

He is survived by his brother, Alberto F. Morrell and his wife Carlota. He is also survived by his children, Isabel Morrell of Moore Haven and her husband Vernon Whidden, John A. Kurtz, Arturo I. Morrell of Clewiston and his wife Debbie, Magdalena Morrell of Okeechobee, and Cristy Redman of Harrisburg, Pa. and her husband, Todd. He is also survived by his grandchildren and great-grandchildren; Jude Kurtz and his wife, Emily, and their two children, Michael and Rachel; Ian Kurtz and his two children, Marshall and Wyatt; Hans Kurtz, his wife, Adria, and children, Dylan and Hatton; Martin Kurtz and his wife, Andrea; Elise Kurtz and her daughter, Raeanne; Alicia, Carissa and Alex Morrell; Justin Reynolds; Shaun Morgan and his daughter, Lexi; and Christopher Redman.

Arturo will be greatly missed by his family, friends and by the many whose lives he touched with his love and kindness.

Mass of Christian burial was held Wednesday, March 31, 2009 in St. Margaret's Catholic Church

in Clewiston.

Arrangements were handled by Akin-Davis Funeral Home, Clewiston.

Sarah Elizabeth Dinges

MOORE HAVEN — Sarah Elizabeth Dinges, of Moore Haven, passed away March 18, 2009, in Clewiston. She was 68.

She was born Jan. 31, 1941, in Miami, to Jerry Britin Arnold and Margie (King) Arnold.

Survivors include her husband, Dean Dinges; sons, Jerry Lee Walker, Gary Lee Walker, Barry Lee Walker; daughters, Linda Lee Walker, Teresa Lee Walker (Brown); brothers, Jerry Arnold, James Arnold, Tom Arnold; sister, Billie Jean Arnold (Tucker); nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Larry Lee Walker.

A memorial service was held Sat. March 21 at New Hope Baptist, Moore Haven with Pastor Darrel Branham officiating.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

Bethany Hansen Stephenson, 77

MOORE HAVEN — Bethany Hansen Stephenson, passed away on Thursday March 26, 2009, in her home on Wayman Road in Moore Haven, Glades County. She was 77.

She was born on Dec. 20, 1931, in Cedar County, Iowa. Mrs. Stephenson graduated from St. Luke's Nursing School in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, as a registered nurse and was a graduate of the University of North Dakota of Medicine from the first class of Advanced Nurse Practitioners.

She resided in Moore Haven for several years and was a member of the 1st United Methodist Church and Moore Haven Women's Club.

Mrs. Stephenson is preceded in death by her husband, Don and a sister Phyllis.

She is survived by her daughters, Cynthia Stephenson-Gibbs (Jay) of Jacksonville, N.C., and SuAnn Stephenson-White (Leroy) of Moore Haven; grandchildren, Nathan P. Howard (Julie) of Grimesland, N.C., Hiedi A. Stephenson-White of Moore Haven, Matthew Stephenson Herrmann of Jacksonville, N.C., Haley A. Stephenson-White of Moore Haven; and a great-grandchild, Kayla Lynn Howard of Grimesland, N.C.

The family would like to extend their gratitude and sincere thanks to the medical and support staff of Hope Hospice, Team 420.

Following the success of the three-part Lake Okeechobee Survivor Series Adventure Race (Lake O Survivor Series) in 2008, the Lake Okeechobee Regional Economic Alliance of Palm Beach County (LORE) recently kicked off the first "leg" of the 2009 Lake O Survivor Series.

Taking place in the Palm Beach County Lake Region's natural landscape, the creators of the Lake O Survivor Series utilize the area's environment to test the mettle of participants with a series of obstacles along a course that is naturally inhabited by alligators, egrets, bobcats and manatees.

Components of the sporting event include a bike race along 15 miles of on- and off-road terrain, navigational challenges through nature trails, endurance challenges set in wilderness territory, canoe racing, and other high-endurance eco-adventures.

Success in the Lake O Survivor Series is measured not so much by the speed of the

A joint memorial for Don and Bethany Stephenson is planned and will be announced at a later date.

The family has requested in lieu of flowers, that donations be made to Hope Hospice, 100 W.C. Owens Ave., Clewiston FL 33440 or the 1st United Methodist Church of Moore Have, P.O. Box 190, Moore Haven, FL 33471.

All arrangements are under the direction and care of the Buxton Funeral Home and Crematory, 110 NE 5th St., Okeechobee.

Harry Sherman, 86

DEWELL — Harry Sherman, 86, passed away Wednesday, March 25, 2009, after succumbing to the recent onset of bone cancer.

Mr. Dewell is predeceased by his father, Sherod Daniel Dewell; his mother, Elizabeth Click Dewell; his brothers, Sherod Eugene Dewell and Daniel Edson Dewell; and his sisters, Frances Dewell Reed and Helen Margarite Dewell.

He is survived by 11 nephews and nieces, Sherod Eugene Dewell, Jr., Douglas Creighton Dewell, Leanora Dewell Young, Ellen Dewell Zamorano, Michael Edson Dewell, Patricia Dewell Thompson, Jean Winter Moss, Susan Reed Smith, Daniel Taber Reed, Sr., SarahBeth Reed Reeves, and Harry Ernest Reed; and 14 great-nephews; nine great-nieces; and seven great-great-nephews and nieces.

Mr. Dewell, a true American patriot, businessman, gentleman and veteran of World War II will be deeply missed by all of his family and friends.

A memorial service open to all who wish to attend will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, April 4, at Lakeport Church, Lakeport.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his loving memory to: The American Cancer Society, 4801 86th Avenue North, Pinellas Park, FL, 33782; or to the church or charity of choice.

Cards, condolences and acknowledgements can be sent to: The Family of Harry S. Dewell, in care of SarahBeth Reeves, P.O. Box 988, Crystal Beach, FL 34681.

Kathy Horn, 70

CLEWISTON — Kathy Horn, of Clewiston, passed away March 21, 2009, in West Palm Beach. She was 70.

She was born Aug. 13, 1938, in Duluth, Minn. She was a Insurance Agent, employed by B & K Insurance Agency.

participants, but by their ability to remain tenacious through each challenge along the course and their participation in the next scheduled race.

The first race in 2009 took place on Feb. 8, and will be followed by additional races, April 18, June 27 and Oct. 11.

The April 18 race will include biking, running, canoeing, and various physical and mental challenges along the course.

On June 27, the extreme adventure takes place at night, adding an extra edge to the challenge.

The final race will take place on Oct. 11. Further details for all the races are being finalized by race creators.

For updates on the race and information on how to participate, visit www.lakeosurvivorseries.com, or contact Kenny Lutz, Race Director, at 561.914.0373 or e-mail Lutz at adventurerace@earthlink.net.

Survivors include her husband, Bernard M. Horn, Clewiston; son, Fred Horn, Clewiston; three grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son, Russell Stewart Horn.

Cremation Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home, Clewiston.

Terry Lynn Hagan, 47

MOORE HAVEN — Terry Lynn Hagan, of Moore Haven, passed away March 22, 2009, in Moore Haven. He was 47.

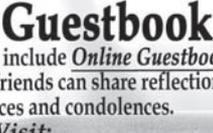
He was born March 3, 1962, in Clewiston to Larry W. Giddens and Myrna Jean Hensley. He was a lifelong resident of Moore Haven.

Survivors include sons, Josh Hagan of Chicago, Ill., and Jeremiah Hagan of Clewiston; parents, Myrna Hagan and Oscar Hagan; brothers, Patrick Todd Hagan and Allen Hagan, both of Moore Haven; sisters, Lesa Jones and Linda Wooten, both of Moore Haven.

A memorial service was held Sat., Mar. 28, 2009, at Church of God of Moore Haven with Pastor Billy Ford officiating.

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Palm Sunday: The way it was and now

By The Reverend Samuel S. Thomas, Ph. D. +

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

This Sunday will be Palm Sunday.

It is about the celebration of a triumphal entry; Jesus will enter Jerusalem and spend His last earthly week sharing a meal and teaching, but also being arrested and tried, being victimized and crucified, being denied, betrayed, falsely accused and killed.

As you read the events of this week; you can imagine the thought of "Some triumph!" Sunday begins with a borrowed donkey; and Jesus entering with His followers spreading palm branches along the way and calling out "Hosanna" - "Lord, save now." Jesus' message is by this time taking hold; crowds cheer Him on and He enters with more than just a few friends.

The gospel accounts of the week will reveal a group of followers that aren't sure; who leave Him, who waver.

It will be all right, though, the triumph is not in the short run or in a few moments of crisis; the triumph is in the long run.

In three hundred years, the whole world will be changed; those who were persecuted will be the leading force in the world, those who doubted will be pillars of assurance to others, those who were in power will have fallen by the wayside and the faithful will shape the destiny of the future of humanity. Job, who wrote "I know that my redeemer liveth..." foreshadows the message of tri-



Courtesy photo/flickr.com

Faithful the nation over will be celebrating Palm Sunday this weekend.

umph: it will work out for those who hold on and are faithful.

Today, many of the things that were once

taken for granted are no longer as they were. We're seeing losses of homes and rises in hopelessness at a scale never before seen.

Jobs are being lost at alarming rates; few go to work with the assurance that they will have a place for years to come.

The dreams we shared; education for our children or a comfortable retirement, are being priced out of existence and many are working years beyond what they planned.

Financial betrayal seems to abound; a man can betray the trust of others and divert billions of dollars and ruin others lives for generations to come.

There are two wars underway; one is supposed to be winding down but will it mean shifting troops to another front instead of real peace?

Nations are now vying for resources that were once plentiful for us; prices will go up and shortages will affect what we once took for granted.

We can ask "Where is the 'triumph' in all of this?" too.

Going back to that first Palm Sunday, is it apparent that the road was as difficult in those days.

What carried people through, and what gave a final victory was faith, and the trust that things would work out as God intended.

There would be suffering and difficulty before joy or fulfillment; but it would come to those who believed and held to their val-

ues.

It took a long time for some of Jesus' followers to realize just what had happened and that the victory was theirs, but the day came and the world was changed.

Over time, the faithful would become the moving force in the world and lay the foundations of the societies that we see today.

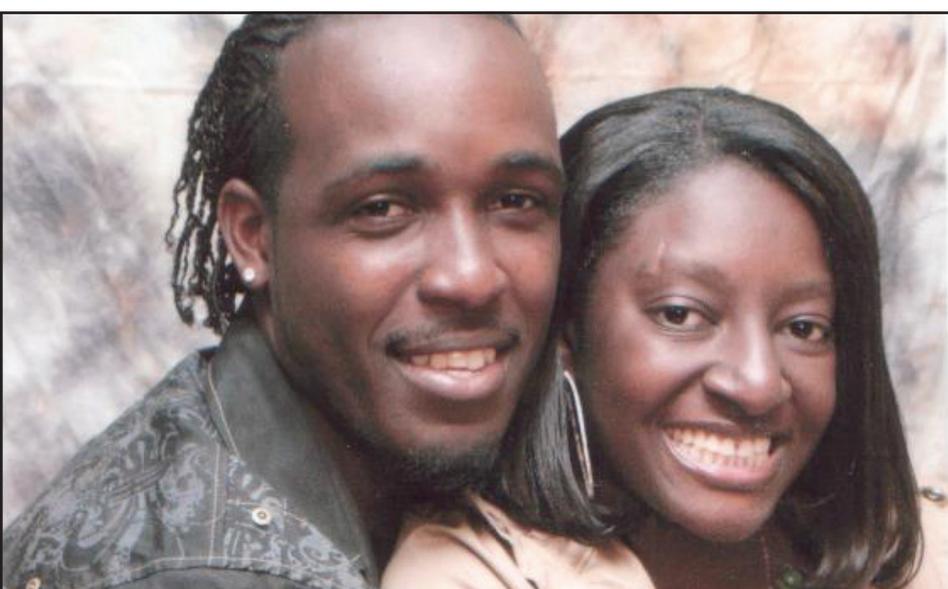
Every now and again, I see a triumph in somebody's life that has come only after pain or hardship.

I have known substance abusers who have reformed, people who were wiped out financially but started again and succeeded after learning the lessons of failure, couples who have thought a relationship was doomed and then decided to try once more; - stories that may seem few and far between - but proof that Palm Sunday has a message for us all.

In the long run, the faithful will be victorious, the events of the day may bring hardship and disaster, but victory comes to those who hold on to what they believe. Those that cried "Lord save now," were not disappointed; they stand as witnesses to us all and their faith can be ours too; even in dark times and when our world seems uncertain and without hope.

Their victory is ours if we see things in the long perspective, God's perspective - and continue on even in the midst of turmoil.

Engagement



Submitted to INI

Hostonia Segree and Cyril Johnson.

Segree - Johnson

Elaine Brown of Clewiston, Fla., is pleased to announce the engagement of her daughter Hostonia Segree to Cyril Johnson of Clewiston, Fla.

The prospective groom is the son of Thomas Johnson of Clewiston, Fla.

The wedding is planned for Aug. 8, 2009 in Negril, Jamaica.

The bride-to-be is a 2003 graduate of

Clewiston High School.

She attended Florida Atlantic University. She is employed as a social worker in West Palm Beach, Fla.

The groom is a 2000 graduate of Thompson Town High.

He is employed as a welder with U.S. Sugar.

After the wedding, the couple will reside in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Vath-Lambert Engagement



Roger and Betty Vath of Ocala, Fla., are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Charity Grace Vath to Billy Eddie Lambert of Lakeland, Fla.

The prospective groom is the son of Mary and Billy Lambert of Mississippi.

The wedding is planned for April 2, 2009 in Gatlingberg, Tenn. At the Park Vista Hotel and Resort.

The bride-to-be is a 1992 graduate of Clewiston High School. She is a full time mom.

The groom is a 1994 graduate of Lakeland High School. He is employed with Glade and Grove.

After the wedding, the couple will reside in Clewiston for a little while.



A Spanish Mission in La Florida

By Butch Wilson

Clewiston Museum

The ship reared and bucked like a spirited horse as it rose and plunged in the long, cresting waves of the Gulf.

The experienced helmsman steered the sturdy vessel through the advancing seas, easing the rudder to port, while maintaining a true heading.

The captain watched the ship's progress and knew the steady winds would bring his vessel to the shores of the Calusa Indians by morning.

His alert, dark eyes wandered across the ships billowing canvas sails and wet, heaving deck before coming to rest on the priests that had gathered around the ship's main mast.

The men were young and bore the angelic appearance of innocence.

Their faces shone with a religious fervor. One young man caught the captain's gaze and smiled serenely at him.

The captain turned to avert the placid stare and gazed across the rolling, turquoise sea with an uncertainty.

His troubled conscience struggled to justify the madness of this voyage.

Nightmarish images from the past emerged, and his face hardened as he rehearsed the horrible stories told by the castaways of the doomed ship, "La Rosa."

His crew had plucked two men and one woman from a leaky dugout that was miles from La Florida's shores.

"Three years of Calusa enslavement had forever marked the minds and bodies of those poor survivors," thought the captain.

Uneasy with his vivid memories, he turned and faced the gentle sea breezes, but found no escape from his dilemma.

This Tall Tale yarn is fiction, but reflects the real lives of priests, who risked their lives to convert the war-like Calusa.

It is time to take "A Walk in The Past" and read about the Spanish efforts to establish a new mission in the Calusa Indian Nation.

In 1678, the Spanish Governor of Florida sent an expedition to ransom the Spanish castaways enslaved by the Calusa Indians.

The militia was a mixed group of Spanish soldiers and Tocobago Indian warriors.

The expedition traveled in dugout canoes down the Apallacia River to the west coast of Florida, then south to the Calusa Indian Nation.

The Spanish expedition was disrupted when their Indian allies deserted prior to entering Calusa territory.

The Tocobago Indians fled in the night, while the Spanish soldiers were sleeping.

The Spanish felt unsure because of their reduced force, so the leaders aborted the rescue mission and returned to North Florida.

The Spanish Governor of Florida received the leader's report and reacted rather strangely.

His response was probably based on hard facts - he lacked a strong, punitive military force, so he took the only other course of action and wrote a letter to the Council of Indies, requesting that a mission be established in the Calusa Indian Nation.

The governor was hoping a mission would convert the war-like Calusa. He probably calculated that a shortage in cold Toledo steel could be supplemented by another two-edged sword: the gospel.

Priests would be needed to implement a mission, but where would he find them?

The Council of Indies reviewed the letter and contacted the Spanish King, who sent

orders to the Governor of Cuba and the Bishop of Santiago de Cuba to establish missions in South Florida using resources and personnel from Cuba.

The King told the bishop to find volunteers and ordered the Governor of Cuba to outfit the volunteers with passage to Florida using royal funds.

The bishop found volunteers and requested funds for their traveling expenses.

At this stage, the wheels of bureaucracy started turning, bringing the mission project to a halt for many years.

The bishop claimed the church was broke, and the governor claimed the royal coffer was empty, so the priests weren't sent.

In 1683, the Council of the Indies inquired again on the status of the Calusa mission.

The bishop reported the original volunteers wanted to be reinstated in their church positions when they returned from the Calusa missions.

This created turmoil in the church, because other priest would be forced to give up their positions.

The bishop tried to skirt this problem.

He suggested sending Jesuits or Dominicans instead, but the Council of Indies was afraid it would cause problems with the Franciscans, who were already established in Central and North Florida.

The Council asked the Franciscans, but they reported there was already a shortage of priests in North Florida.

In 1690, a Calusa chief came strutting through the new bishop's church doors. The ruling Calusa Casique had sent a Calusa representative to Cuba with twenty other Calusa Indians.

The Indians asked for baptism and con-

version to the Christian faith.

Documents indicate that the Calusa made the crossing in their ocean-going dugouts.

In 1697, the Council of Indies forced the Franciscans to send volunteers to the Calusas.

Five Franciscan priests were selected and sent to South Florida.

They sailed from Cuba to present day Key West, and then to the Province of Calus, near present day Port Charlotte.

The Florida Governor's letter, written in 1680, requesting missions for the Calusa had finally come to pass.

However, the slow wheels of bureaucracy probably sealed the fate of those forgotten Spanish Castaways that prompted the letter.

There is no mention of Spanish Castaways in the documents of the five priests.

The castaways were probably sacrificed because seventeen years is a bit too long in the hands of the Calusa.

Remember our ole friend, Fontanedo?

His older brother and 42 fellow castaways were sacrificed during the seventeen years he was enslaved to the Calusa.

There will be more "Tale Tales" in next week's edition "A Walk in The Past," when Spanish priests experience trials and tribulations in the Calusa Indian Nation.

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

The Museum's hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Butch Wilson is the Clewiston Museum Director. He can be reached at clewiston-museum@embarqmail.com, or by phone at 863-983-2870.

Religion briefs

Palm Sunday Sunrise Service

The community is invited to come to a sunrise service on Palm Sunday, April 5, at the Clewiston levee overlooking Lake Okeechobee.

The service, sponsored by the Clewiston Ministerial Association, will begin at 6:30 a.m. and is part of the Big O' Birding Festival. Bring chairs and blankets to sit on.

For more information, call 983-5269.

Community Easter Sunrise Service

We are rotating churches each year for our Easter sunrise services. The Community Easter Sunrise service this year will be hosted by Calvary Baptist Church on Davidson Road in Hookers Point.

The service will begin at 6:30 a.m. and will include special music, praise teams, drama, and speakers from churches across our community.

Everyone is invited to stay for the traditional Easter breakfast following the service. All are invited to come and all churches are invited to participate.

Call 863-983-5269 for more information

or to become involved!

5-K Walk/Run

Pentecostal Faith Cathedral Church of Moore Haven, is sponsoring a 5-K Walk/Run Saturday, April 18. Early registration begins April 4 at the Moore Haven City Park between 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Or call Vincent Lewis at 863-946-0186 for information on entry fees. Donations are also accepted. Mail to Pentecostal Faith Cathedral P.O. Box 1293 Moore Haven, FL 33471) Attention Group # 7.

All proceeds will go toward our building fund.

J. D. Miller, Guest speaker at First Christian

J. D. Miller, who is the Missions-Evangelism Minister of Zion Christian Church, Winchester, Ky., will be the guest speaker at First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco St., Clewiston, on Wednesday, April 8 at 7 p.m.

J. D. has directed "The Hallelujah Hode-down" for the church the past five years.

He was recently appointed Director of "White Fields Overseas Evangelism" that

had headquarters in Joplin, Mo. J. D. will be telling about the work of "White Fields" and his role with this Mission.

Jackie Miller, Minister of First Christian Church, extends a cordial invitation for the public to attend this Special Event.

Fish Fry Dinners on Fridays

St. Joseph the Worker Church is having Fish Fry Dinners every Friday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dinners include fried fish, hush puppies, a vegetable, dessert and tea, for a donation of \$7. Eat there or take home.

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.

We feel in helping the church it is helping you also, with your needs.

All things are nice and clean, these things are supplied by Cowboy Church - Hand & Hand Ministries of Palmdale, if you would like to help us call 863-612-0640, if no answer leave message, God bless you.

Clewiston Church of God Service Times announced

The Clewiston Church of Christ would like to announce their regular service times to the public and invite anyone interested in attending.

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

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

For further information please call 863-983-8822.

Reviving the stones conference

Angel Braham Ministries Inc. is hosting a conference on Saturday, April 11 starting at 6 p.m. at 525 East El. Paso Ave. in Clewiston. Registration is free, topics discussed will be as followed: Economic survival during the recovery process; Embarrassed but not ashamed; Using what is left of you and re-positioning yourself from hopeless to hopeful. For more information please call 863-983-8505 or visit www.angelbraham.com.

Gambling compact reviewed

By Eric Kopp
INI Florida

A recent study indicates that while the State of Florida needs to enter into a gaming compact with the Seminole Tribe, it may not be a financial boon to the state at its inception.

The Florida TaxWatch study states that financial gains from the compact would actually be offset by losses in other state gambling revenues from the Lottery, pari-mutuels, slot machines and card rooms. It predicts there will be losses in state sales tax revenue as well.

Still, in the long run, Florida cannot lose without the compact, the study claims.

"In the early years it's possible for the state to not come out ahead. The state will essentially be losing more money from other tax-source losses than gaining through the compact," said Robert Weissert, the director of communications and external relations for Florida TaxWatch. "But, it's impossible for the state to lose money. The final conclusion of the report is that even though there are losses because of other revenue sources declining, there's still a net increase after five years.

"There will be more money coming into Florida if they sign the compact," he added. "Of the net gain, some of the money will probably go to the counties. But, that wasn't estimated for this report."

Basically, said Mr. Weissert, Florida TaxWatch researchers used reports and statistics from other cities and states with gaming casinos -- such as New Orleans, La., and Biloxi, Miss. -- as the basis for their report. He went on to say those figures were then "extrapolated to show what Florida would lose."

"Based on the experiences in other states, and other factors, we projected out the amount of money otherwise gained in pari-mutuels, etc., turned in last year," explained Mr. Weissert. "It's a lengthy process to get to these numbers."

The report, written by Kurt R. Wenner, Florida TaxWatch director of tax research, states that different forms of gambling can "cannibalize" each other. This means there will be reductions in tax revenues from existing gaming due to the offering of new gaming.

"Additionally, the diversion of consumer spending from taxable purchases to casino gaming reduces sales tax revenues," stated

the report.

Governor Charlie Crist and the Seminoles entered into an agreement in 2007 that would allow the tribe to provide higher stakes slot machines as well as blackjack. These are not available at other gaming facilities in the state.

In return, the Tribe promised that the state would receive \$100 million in the first year; \$125 million in the second year; and, at least \$150 million in the third year.

However, the Florida Supreme Court nixed the pact and ruled that Gov. Crist exceeded his authority and that such a deal must be approved by the Legislature.

The Tribe, however, has gone ahead with its expansion plans.

Over a 10-year period it is estimated that the compact would result in the state receiving \$2.9 billion in revenue sharing. If the state does get that much, states the report, estimated total losses to the state in other revenue sources would be \$1.79 billion -- or, 61 percent of the projected revenue sharing from the Seminoles to the state.

The net added revenue to the state would be \$1.12 billion -- or, 39 percent of the shared revenue, added the report.

Also, the report continues, due to the mainly non-taxable nature of Indian Tribes, the extent to which Seminole economic development replaces current non-tribal businesses or non-tribal economic growth will determine if the state -- or, local governments -- will gain or lose additional tax dollars.

Mr. Weissert said additional employment brought about by the casinos was not part of the study released March 20.

"The focus on this report was only on projected revenues," he said.

Despite the potential revenue losses, Mr. Wenner states in his report that the state needs the compact. He points out that if gaming continues on tribal lands then the state gets nothing in revenue sharing and is actually losing money -- an estimated \$200 million annually by the fifth year.

"Florida cannot afford to have Class III gaming at any Indian casino without a compact to share in the revenue," stated Mr. Wenner.

For more, the entire report can be viewed at www.floridatxwatch.org/research.

Florida TaxWatch is a non-partisan, non-profit research institute. As an independent research institute and taxpayer watchdog, Florida TaxWatch does not accept money from Florida state and local governments.

Goodwill announces Spring Cleaning "SWEEP" Stakes

Hendry and Glades Counties- Spring is here, and with the change of season also comes the annual rite of "spring cleaning." This spring, Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida provides a new incentive for people to donate their gently-used items to Goodwill stores, by announcing its Spring "SWEEP" Stakes.

The grand prize winner will receive help with their spring cleaning, in the form of \$500 towards a closet reorganization and makeover from B&B Closets, Inc. "Spring is usually a busy donation season for us," says Kirsten O'Donnell, Director of Public Relations for Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida. "But we've seen a significant drop in the number of items we're receiving this year.

Donations are our life-blood. They support all of our programs and services, so we're really hoping this contest will help encourage more people to clean their closets and donate." With each donation visit to a Goodwill Retail & Donation Center or Attended Donation Center from March 30 until May 2, donors earn an entry into the

"SWEEP" Stakes.

The winner will be randomly drawn from all entries on Monday, May 11. A full list of contest rules is available at Goodwill's 23 Retail & Donation Centers in Southwest Florida. Donations received at Goodwill stores are re-sold to fund programs and services which help people become more independent.

Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida supports six Job-Link offices, eleven apartment complexes for people with disabilities and for low-income seniors, the Four Wheels for Work vehicle assistance program, a youth mentoring program, and a charter school for students with developmental disabilities.

These programs serve persons in Lee, Charlotte, Collier, Glades, and Hendry Counties. Goodwill Industries of Southwest Florida builds lives, families, and communities—one job at a time by helping people with disabilities and other barriers to employment discover and develop their full potential through work and career development services.

Trio charged in boat, motor thefts

By Eric Kopp
INI Florida

MOORE HAVEN —Three men, including two from Okeechobee, have been arrested by a Glades County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) detective in connection with the theft of a pontoon boat and an outboard motor.

Arrested in the case was Jeremy Eugene Beecham, 26, Old Lakeport Road, Lakeport; Patrick Allen Williams, 34, S.E. 34th Ave., Okeechobee; and Gerald Warren McMillan, Jr., 41, U.S. 441 S.E.

Beecham has been charged with grand theft, organized dealing in stolen property and burglary of an occupied structure. He was booked into the Glades County Jail under a bond of \$150,000.

Williams was charged with grand theft and organized dealing in stolen property. He, too, was booked into the Glades County Jail and his bond was set at \$10,000.

McMillan was also charged with grand theft and organized dealing in stolen property. However, he is being held in the Okeechobee County Jail without bond. He was arrested here on a warrant charging

him with violation of probation.

According to GCSO Detective Sergeant Steve Harris, the three men are charged with stealing a 2000 Landau 18-foot pontoon boat, motor and trailer valued at \$6,000 from Lakeport. The men are also charged with taking a 25 hp Mercury outboard motor, valued at \$2,800, as well as several tools, chainsaws and electronics.

Sgt. Harris said the three men took the stolen boat, motor and trailer to Palm City where it was traded to a man there to pay off a debt owed him by McMillan. The pontoon boat, motor and trailer has been recovered.

The Mercury outboard, he continued, was sold to an Okeechobee man who lives in the same mobile home park as McMillan for \$300. It, too, has been recovered.

Some of the other items, including a laptop computer and two cell phones allegedly stolen by Beecham in a home burglary, have also been found.

Sgt. Harris went on to say he was helped locally by Detective Bryan Lowe of the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO).

McMillan was arrested in Okeechobee on March 20, by Detective Lowe on a warrant charging him with violation of probation, which was brought about by the Glades County charges.

Department of Corrections records indicate McMillan was sentenced to prison on July 17, 2003, after being found guilty of aggravated battery with intended harm. He was released from prison on Feb. 21, 2008, and was placed on nine years probation.

Because he is jailed in Okeechobee, McMillan has yet to have his first appearance hearing in Glades County so his bond has not been set on those charges.



Jeremy Beecham.



Patrick A. Williams.



Gerald McMillan.

Fundraiser to help local boy scout troop

We will be holding the 1st Annual Skeet and Trap Shoot that benefits the local Boy Scouts of LaBelle. The event will be held on May 2 at the Hendry County Sheriffs Gun Range.

The cost is \$50 for individual shooters or \$250 for a team of five. The cost includes ammunition and a free lunch for shooters. Awards and prizes will be given to the top shooters. The event starts promptly at 9 a.m. Also, Pistol Pete's Hunting and Shooting Supply of LaBelle will be raffling a shotgun at a cost of \$10 per ticket or three for

\$10.

If you are interested in signing up or would like to sponsor a team, please call Dave Alexander at 863-675-0500. If you would like to buy a raffle ticket, you can call Pistol Pete's at 863-612-HUNT or stop by their store at 417 W. Hickpoochee Ave in LaBelle.

All proceeds will go to the local Boy Scouts to help in paying for Summer Camp and Summer Camp Supplies. Thank you for support.



Submitted photo

Grand Champion

Sara Teele was awarded Grand Champion Pure Bred Beef Breeding at the recent Glades County Youth Livestock Show.



Submitted photo

Awarding

Teale Humphries was award Jr. Grand Champion with her Brown Swiss, "Bumble Bee" and Sr. Grand Champion with "Dolar," also a Brown Swiss, and Sr. Showmanship at the Glades County Youth Livestock Shows and Sale recently.



Submitted photo

Jr. Showmanship

Jesse Espinosa, Chalo Nitka Princess 2009, is pictured here with Miss. Chola Nika 2009 Lindsey Ringstaff. Jesse was awarded Jr. Showmanship at the recent Glades County Youth Livestock shows.



Submitted photo

Steer bred

Austin Lee won Grand Champion with his 1,205 pound Charolais steer bred by Montsdeoca Ranch at the Glades County Youth Livestock show.



Submitted photo

An honor

At the Glades County Youth Livestock Show Kelsey Ahern received Jr. Reserve Grand Champion and Sr. Reserve Grand Champion with her Brown Swiss's Dafodil and Primrose.

School briefs

What do you think?

Each year the Moore Haven Junior-Senior High School SAC (School Advisory Council) conducts climate surveys to determine plans for the upcoming school year.

We ask that parents and community members give us feedback via the surveys

so that the school's improvement plan for the 2008-2009 school year will reflect your needs.

The surveys can be accessed online at <http://schoolnotes.com/33471/sac.html>.

If you have any questions about the surveys, please contact Laura Ahern at 863-946-0811 ext. 109.

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Princess Breakfast

The First Baptist Church of Moore Haven held a Princess Breakfast for pre-school through sixth-graders on Saturday, March 21. Upon arrival at the drawbridge each princess was given a tiara and taken to the banquet hall. Each princess was announced and escorted by a knight to be photographed and shown to their table.



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Royalty

At the Princess Breakfast held by the First Baptist Church recently all the tables were decorated with china and crystal by their table sponsor. Each table was served a breakfast feast. Storytellers then told the girls about being God's princesses and the morning ended with cake and twirling around to classical music.



Submitted photo

Double win

Kendra Murphy received Home Grown Grand Champion and Weight Gain award at the Glades County Youth Livestock sale recently.

FWC graduates ready for woods and water duty

A new group of Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) law enforcement officers will soon begin patrolling the woods and waters of the state.

Twenty-six FWC recruits became officers after graduating Friday from the Pat Thomas Law Enforcement Academy in Tallahassee. The recruits attended the academy for six months and received a wide array of training, which included accuracy with firearms, alligator handling, vessel operation, defensive tactics, all-terrain vehicle operation and BUI/DUI identification. They will spend an additional three months with a field-training officer.

The new graduates are assigned to counties throughout the state. Two of the officers come from different states. Officer Jarod Molnar is from Georgia and is assigned to Palm Beach County, and Officer Evan Laskowski is from Maryland and is assigned to Glades County.

The FWC's Division of Law Enforcement protects and manages 755 species of wildlife and more than 700 species of fish. The division patrols 34 million acres of public and private land, 8,200 miles of tidal shoreline, 3 million acres of lakes and 12,000 miles of rivers and streams. FWC officers are authorized to enforce all state laws and federal fisheries and wildlife laws.

The graduates and the counties they are assigned to are as follows:

- Craig Baker – Broward
- James Bonds – Alachua
- Raquel Daniels – Monroe
- Tiffany Davis – Monroe
- Michael Davis – Okeechobee
- Thomas Enos – Broward
- Joshua Greenier – Monroe
- Justin Henry – Citrus
- Jordan Hilliard – DeSoto
- Stephen Judah – Polk
- Harold Lanier – Brevard
- Evan Laskowski – Glades
- Michael Milillio – Monroe
- Jarod Molnar – Palm Beach
- Christopher Pettey – Martin

- Samuel Riggs – Citrus
- Henry Rockwell – Hendry
- Lonnie Sushil – Lee
- Rene Taboas – Dade
- Jamie Young – Palm Beach
- Randolph Irwin – St. Lucie
- Brandon Lasher – Marion
- Sulin Schafer – Escambia
- John Standland – Washington
- Kevin Sweat – Polk
- Jason Tidwell – Polk

NOTICE

The Glades County School Board Will Hold A Policy & Budget Workshop On April 9, 2009 At 4:00p.m. In The Glades County School Board Meeting Room

400 10th Street, SW
Moore Haven, Florida

CONGRATULATIONS

Lesley D. Camel, daughter of Rev. Leslie and Shamekia V. Camel. She is a 3rd grader at the Shepherd School in Pahokee, FL.



Lesley attended the Church of God Association of Christian Schools, (CGACS) Academic Bowl along with her school in Lakeland, FL on March 13. She competed in the spelling competition at the Academic Bowl.

Lesley won 1st Place in the competition against other 3rd graders from around the state. We are so proud of you, Keep up the good work. "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me" (Philippians 4:13)

Love, Mom and Dad



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Showmanship

Sarah Thomas received Sr. Showmanship for her skills in showing her animals at the Glades County Youth Livestock show.

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Lost



\$5000 Reward MISSING IN CLEWISTON AREA
American Bulldog, 100# male, white head, brindle ears, white chest and front legs, large brindle patch in middle of chest, brindle body with white tip on end of tail, white socks on back legs, brindle patch next to eye. Missing from Punta Gorda, FL and believed to be sold to a hog hunter in Clewiston area. \$5000 no questions asked reward. 1-239-410-4296

Giveaway

PUPPIES (3) - to good home only. (239)324-3313

Giveaway

FREE - 6 yr old, F Black Lab, 1 yr old F mix breed Good w/kids, dogs, housebroken (863)357-2124

Free Black lab-rott mix, 9 mo female. All shots and micro chip. Loves children. LaBelle 863-675-3533 5pm-8pm

Garage/Yard Sales

YARD SALE
CLEWISTON - 416 North Deane Duff, Sat. & Sun., April 4th & 5th, 8am - ??? Kid's toys, bed, books, '84 dump truck & more!!

Employment
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Employment Full Time

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HENDRY COUNTY EDC
Exp. professional to lead Hendry County's economic development effort.
Prefer degree in related field and 5 years experience.
Job description at: hendrycountyedc.com
Send resume by **April 20th** to:
Hendry EDC - Search Committee
P.O. Box 2518
LaBelle, FL 33975

Employment Full Time

TRACTOR MECHANIC Clewiston, FL
Gulfstream Goodwill Industries, Inc. is seeking an experienced Mechanic with diesel and hydraulic experience. Certification preferred. Persons w/disabilities welcomed. Valid FL DL w/acceptable driving record for insur. under co. insur. & ability to travel to outlying locations. \$17.25/hr. Download application packet at www.gulfstreamgoodwill.com. Fax completed packets to 561-848-1475 ATTN: HR Dept: EOE/M/F/D/V

~VET TECH~
Haman Ranch seeks Vet Tech. Req's: Fluent Eng., LVT, CVT or 3 yrs. exp. Exc. benefits, including fully pd. health ins. Please call for appt. (863)983-6003 or fax resume to 863-983-4608

Employment Full Time

Oakbrook of LaBelle
Now accepting applications for **CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANTS**. Must have current CNA license. Excellent benefits. Medical Insurance, 401K, Direct Deposit available. Apply in person: 250 Broward Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935 or fax resume to: (863)675-1390 EOE DFWP

Employment Full Time

HUMAN SERVICES COUNSELOR (Counselors, All Other - L1) (#64081968)
Family Assessment Worker position/Healthy Families Program/Hendry County Health Department - Clewiston; must have excellent interviewing & writing skills; must have valid Florida driver's license, reliable transportation, & ability to travel; bi-lingual English/Spanish required; Bachelor's Degree preferred; background screening & fingerprinting required. EEO/AA
Apply on line:
<https://peoplefirst.myflorida.com>
or Call Jeannie @ 863-983-1408 x 532 for more details

Employment Medical

FRONT DESK
Computer exp. needed. Healthcare exp. and bilingual pref'd. Competitive salary & excel benefits. Fax resume to (561)924-3405 or apply at FL Community Health Centers, 170 S. Barfield Hwy, Ste 103, Pahokee, FL. hr@fchcinc.org EOE/DFWP

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Ophthalmic Assistant
Eye Centers of Florida has an immediate opening for a Part Time Ophthalmic Assistant in the Clewiston Satellite Office. An OA performs preliminary work-ups for patient exams including obtaining medical histories, administering diagnostic tests, and measuring and recording vision. Applicants must have exceptional patient relation skills and previous medical experience. Eye Centers of Florida offers Generous Employee & Family discounts on all products and services; Work/Life Balance: no nights or holidays; Convenient 20-hour workweek. Interested and qualified candidates should send a resume or completed application to FAX: (239) 790-2431 or hr@ec-of.com. EOE.

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Merchandise

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Air Conditioners

PACKAGE A/C Unit 3 ton - Works great, can deliver and install the unit. \$400/or best offer. (863)675-8937

Appliances

DOUBLE STACKED- Washer/Dryer \$400 OBO (863)801-5850

DRYERS (3) - good working condition, \$45-\$50 ea. leave message \$130/will sep. (863)227-0142

REFRIGERATOR - Frigidaire 21 cu ft white like new excellent condition \$300. (863)612-5333

REFRIGERATOR - Kenmore 18 cu ft white runs / looks good \$150. (863)612-5333

REFRIGERATOR - Small size, \$200. Call 863-357-6617

WASHERS & DRYERS \$125 & Up
STACK UNITS, REFRIGERATORS & STOVES
1yr warranty(239)694-0778

WHIRLPOOL - washer/dryer set white excellent condition \$285. (863)612-5333

WHIRLPOOL GLASS Top Stove. - Works GREAT!! \$75/or best offer. (863)675-1077

WHIRLPOOL DISHWASH - Great Cond! White w/papers, ready to install! \$80/or best offer. (863)946-1640

Appliances Small

COFFEE POT - Farberware, stainless 2-4 cups, like new \$10. (863)467-8681

FAN - Neutone-Bathroom Ventilation ceiling Fan Good Cond. \$10. (863)467-8681

SMOOTHIE - Sunbeam, like new, used 3 times, \$20 (863)763-6936

Appliances Small

MICROWAVES FOR sale (2) - Both in good working condition. \$25 a piece. \$25/or best offer. (863)675-1410

ROLLING COOLER caddy - stainless steel, refer. \$100/neg. (863)634-4056 (863)467-6621

Barns Sheds & Lawn Items

FLORIDA ROOM - complete, 11 x 33, \$500 (863)763-8761

Bicycles

Schwinn Bicycle - 1955, MINT Cond. Paid \$1000 asking \$600 (863)467-5756

WOMAN'S Bicycle, like new, \$75 firm. see at American Legion at your convenience (520)256-7188

Buildings & Sheds

STEEL BUILDINGS
Recession Disc Avail
30x40-105x105
Call for Deal, Avail Ltd
www.scg-grp.com
Source#15M
Phone: 863-578-4141

Children's Items

BABY CLOTHES and toys - call for info. \$10/firm. (863)261-3699

BABY CRIB - Wood, in very good condition \$60. (239)410-6870

CRIB - Labelle. Mattress/accessories included. Light quality wood on wheels. \$100/neg. (863)673-5704

GRACO BABY Swing - Mint condition. (863)342-3374

Clothing

BOYS CLOTHES Size 5 - Several shirts, shorts, pants, excellent condition (Okee) \$30. (863)763-6131

Collectibles

HUGE COLLECTION OF SPORTS CARDS - FOOTBALL, BASKETBALL, BASEBALL, AND MUCH MORE. AUTOGRAPHS, GAME USED, ROOKIES, 1/1'S, LOW #D, AND A LITTLE BIT OF EVERYTHING. PRICE IS NEG \$2500/neg. (863)233-9887

Computer/Supplies

COMPUTER DESK - Excellent condition 3'W X 4'H 18"deep \$75. (863)763-4920

Furniture

Beautiful Rectangle 1/2 inch Glass 6 ft Table on glass pedestal w/6 Cream color parsons chairs \$400 (561)6258456 PBG

Bunk Beds w/stairs, drawers in bottom and in end. All wood. 4 mo old \$400 obo (863)674-1165 LaBelle

CERAMIC TABLE & 6 white wooden chairs - \$250/or best offer. (863)634-0907

COUCH AND Chair - old brown set, good condition \$100. (863)634-1608

COUCH, LOVESEAT and chair - green with red stripes, fairly new, good condition \$600. (863)634-1608

DOUBLE PILLOW top mattress - only a month old, call for info. \$1000/or best offer. (863)261-3699

FORMAL DR. TABLE, HUTCH, 6 chairs - light oak w/ lg. leaf \$1200/firm. (863)447-0680

HEADBOARD / FOOTBOARD - white oak rails, email: sismith1@embarqmail.com \$75/neg. (863)675-3412

KING SIZE bed - very pretty king size bed with lots of storage \$300. (863)234-1435

KING SLEEP Number Bed - Pillow top, like new. Foundation included. \$1000. (863)634-2582

Furniture

LARGE BLACK entertainment center - Purchased at Pier 1. \$200/or best offer. (863)675-1410

LOVESEATS (2) & 1 recliner - cream leather loveseats, brown recliner. Good condition. \$200. (863)467-1727

MICROFIBER BEIGE LIVING ROOM - IN NEW CONDITION PAID 1600.00 NOW \$500. (239)410-6870

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SUEDE/LEATHER SECTIONAL couch - \$800/or best offer. (863)634-0907

TOP WHITE/TAN table & 4 chairs - \$250. (863)634-0907

Golf Clubs/Equipment

EZ Go Golf Cart. New brakes and charger \$650. 863-674-0156 LaBelle

Guns/Supplies

COLT MATCHTARGET AR15 - 24" Bull Barrel, Never Fired Trade 4 O/U Shotgun \$1995/neg. (772)461-8822

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REMINGTON 1911 - .45ACP - .32 AUTO, Beretta 7.65, trade/ or both for \$2500. (239)633-7173

REMINGTON GAMEMASTER 760 30-06 - Sell or trade for Pistol (Ft. Pierce) \$350/firm. (772)461-8822

S & W 38 - Chief Special 2" M36 Sq Butt Nickel, New Condition \$600/or best offer. (678)776-5885

S & W BARRELL - Mod.686 s/s 357 4.5" - New Condition \$750/or best offer. (863)517-2944

SAVAGE - 7mm Rem Mag, bolt action mod #110, Bushnell High Contrast Scope \$450 (863)697-6095

SAVAGE .308 Mod. 99E - Excellent scope lever action shooter. \$500/or best offer. (863)673-3893

SAVAGE MODEL 111 7mm Rem. Mag. w/scope - call 4 more info \$400. (863)885-1172

SPANISH SIDE/SIDE - dbl barrel 12 ga. beautifully engraved, excellent condition \$275 (863)763-5883

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BOWFLEX REVOLUTION - Email sismith1@embarqmail.com for photos. \$2400. (863)675-3412

POWDER COATED STEEL WEIGHTS. TOTAL 65 LBS. \$40 (863)801-1272

WEIDER PROCLUB Weight bench w/300lb weight set - \$300/or best offer. (863)885-1172

Jewelry

CITIZEN WATCH - 100 FT WATER RESIST, DAY/DATE, LEAVE MESSAGE \$175. (863)674-1181

SEIKO WATCH - 2 TONE, DATE/DAY, GLOW IN DARK, 100 FT WATER RESIST. \$175. (863)674-1181

Outdoor Furniture

PATIO SWING - large, asking \$175 (863)946-2680

Miscellaneous

FIREPLACE - lighted logs, stucco style w/heater, moveable, \$250 (863)675-4098 evenings

JACUZZIE/HOTTUB - please donate portable jacuzzi to 89 y.o. w/ arthritic daughter \$1. (931)337-1053

KING QUAD 4 wheeler 2006 - transferable warranty 589 tires on ITP rims 170 hrs. Black fuel injected great condition best offer or trade \$4700/or best offer. (561)262-2032

LAWN EQUIPMENT - \$35/neg. (863)467-6475 (863)261-1723

Left handed golf clubs - Kannan - Graphite Boran shafts, Convex metal woods. Full set \$100 (863)467-1663

PROPANE TANK - 20 lb., \$10. (863)946-3922

TIRES - 4 15" mud tires in good condition 1/2 new price \$160. (863)675-6314

TRALOR HITCH - nice hitch for car or truck \$65. (863)610-0521

TRUCK RIMS 11x15 - Good cond. Aluminum, More info call & leave msg. \$130/or best offer. (863)227-0142

Musical Instruments

ELECTRIC GUITAR - Jackson, black & chrome, \$175 (863)517-2077 LaBelle

Gretsch electric guitar w/ hardshell case. Electromatic w/ bigsby tailbar. Dual pick ups \$500 239-503-0339

Pets/Supplies

BEAUTIFUL BABY hamsters - 5-6 weeks old. Very sweet. \$0. (863)634-8801

FISH TANK - Small fish tank with stand. Has equipment with it. \$40. (863)697-8332

KITTENS - 9 WKS, TO GOOD HOMES, PRETTY/PLAYFUL, KID/DOG FRIENDLY \$0. (863)261-5920

KITTENS - Kittens, Free to good home. Ready April 25th. 12 to choose from. L/M \$0. (863)357-1365

PUPPIES, RABBITS & CHICKENS - Lab mix pups, \$25, Rabbits, \$10, Rooster \$5 (863)675-0273

Photography

CANON REBEL XS Digital SLR - Like new w/ 2 zoom lenses & all accessories. \$600. (863)447-9762

Pools & Supplies

HOT TUB - Leisure Bay 4-5 Person, 120 Volt. \$1200. (863)612-0200

HOT TUB - Spa-In-A-Box! 120 Volt Plug in. \$400. (863)612-0200

Sporting Goods

BOAT SEAT - nice boat seat \$15. (863)610-0521

Sporting Goods

BOWFLEX POWERPRO - NEW Never been used. Leg attachments included. \$550. (863)763-7750

Golf Clubs - 300 misc clubs, including sets, drivers, putters & F.W. woods, \$1700 will separate (863)946-3123

Television

55" TV - Phillips. 6 years old. Works fine, nothing wrong. Good condition. \$600/or best offer. (863)484-2505

ANTIQUÉ CONSOLE TV - In good working condition. \$50/or best offer. (863)675-1410

Color TV Hitachi and JVC, both 36" \$500 for both- will separate 863-674-0156 LaBelle

DIRECT TV DISH - w/2 receivers, & remotes, still in box. \$100 (863)763-9410

DIRECT TV RECEIVERS (4) - with remotes and dual L&B Dish, all for \$100. (863)763-7989

DIRECT TV RECEIVERS (4) - with remotes and dual L & B Dish for all. \$100 (863)763-2772

ROUND TV Antenna - Amplified with mast, wiring & controls \$50. (517)648-1971

Tools

METAL LATHE 10 x 36 - Been completely over Hauled. Lots of extras, ready to use. \$550/or best offer. (863)983-7334 (239)826-5226

PALLET JACK - 2500kg, works well. \$175 (863)697-9704

PRESSURE WASHER - Devil Biss, 2000 PSI, 5HP Briggs & Stratton, Runs Great. \$75. (561)573-3499

TABLE SAW - Craftsman, Limited Edition, 10" 2.7 HP, Stand, Like New. \$65. (561)573-3499

WOOD LATHE - asking \$225 (863)517-2077 LaBelle

Toys & Games

HUGE STUFFED animals - 30" Elmo and 28" Bear. Like New (Okee area) \$10/will sep. (863)763-6131

Video/Audio

NEXTEL PHONE 1850 - Brand new w/clip, home/car chargers. \$60/or best offer. (863)357-6315

NEXTEL PHONE I275 - w/clip & home charger. \$25/or best offer. (863)357-6315

Wanted To Buy

Adjustable Bed wanted, prefer double, will consider single. 863-983-6748

Agriculture

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Lawn & Garden

CHAIN SAW - Echo CS 5000, will trade for gun. \$200. (863)234-1234 (239)357-5111

CHAIN SAW - Red Max G3800 - or will trade for gun. \$150. (239)357-0926

COMMERCIAL TRIMMER & Edger - Redmax trimmer and edger \$125 each or both \$200 \$125. (863)634-1479

CUB CADET commercial lawn mower - 62 inch cut Kohler engine 140 hrs \$2900. (863)697-1493

LAWN MOWERS - 2 Snap-rider riding lawn mowers 26" both cut and run GREAT, elec. start. \$300. (863)674-0467

RIDING MOWER - Honda HT 3813, 38" cut, 13 hp water cooled engine, new blades. \$700 (863)697-9704

RIDING MOWER - Simplicity, 42" cut. Manual included. \$425 (863)675-7080

ROTARY SPREADER - Scotts, like new, with new post hole digger, \$30. (863)763-0625

ZTR MOWER - BUNTON ZTR MOWER, 25HP KOHLER, 50" CUT, WORKS EXC \$2400/neg. (863)697-2032

Tack & Supplies

GOOSENECK STOCK Trailer 16' - New lights, top, rubber floor, spare tire. \$2500. (863)634-1479

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Rentals

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Apartments

Clewiston - CBS, Triplex, 2BR/1BA per unit, great location, corner lot, great investment, owners will consider all offers, priced to sell, \$160,000. (561)985-7570

DOWNTOWN CLEWISTON 2 & 3 BR apartments. Available immediately! Call (561)996-8467 for information.

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Condos/Townhouses Rent

BRAND NEW TOWNHOMES For rent w/ option to buy. Immediate occupancy. 2br, 2 1/2ba, 1 car garage. Stainless Steel appliances, incl washer / dryer. Furnished upon request. Walking distance to Lake Okeechobee & Roland Martin's Marina in Clewiston. \$1000 mo. + \$500 sec. & util. (\$100 +/-). Call for more information. 732-496-5454

Houses - Rent

FENCED - 2 BR/ 1 BA. \$500/mo + security deposit & 1st month. (863)228-6867

MOORE HAVEN RENTALS Furnished or Unfurnished *3BR, 2BA MH, fenced yard, screened porch, 1 acre, \$750/mo. *2BR, 1BA House, fenced yard & carport, \$750/mo. *3BR, 1.5BA MH, Screen porch, fenced yard, \$650/mo. Mobile Homes for Rent - \$350 & Up (863)509-0096

PAHOKEE - 2 BR/ 2BA, on large lot, \$900/month + 1st, last & sec. dep. (561)985-7570

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Mobile Home Rent

CLEWISTON: 3 BR, 2 BA, Doublewide. A/C, Appl., 560 Fleetwood. W&D. \$595 mo. (863) 674-5715

SOUTH CLEWISTON - For Rent or sale: (2) 3br, 2ba dbl wales, \$700/mo 386-546-8704 leave msg

Mobile Home Sale

BANK REPO'S MOVE TO YOUR LAND Mobile Home Angels 561-721-2230

CLEWISTON - Lot 51 Tropical Village, 3br, 1.5ba, part furn., W/D, Refrig, Stove, AC, screen porch, quiet area, \$16,000 (970)987-9749 Bring all Offers!

Doublewide 4bed/2ba very easy financing available, only \$53,900 including setup and a/c. Call 863-675-8888

PAHOKEE - 2 BR/ 2BA, inclds 50' buildable lot, carport, garage, \$125,000 or best offer. (561)985-7570

PAHOKEE - 3BR/1BA, family room, kit, & separate dining room, utility room, plus extra 1/2 lot, lg. front sitting room, frame, priced to sell, owners will consider all offers, \$64,900. (561)985-7570

~PALMDALE~ 1995 3/2 MH asking \$55,000.00. Owner Financing available with down payment for all credit types. Call 772-215-2468

Land - Sale

CLEWISTON: 1.93 Acres cul-de-sac, 250 Taft Blvd., 50' Frontage, w/all improvements \$79,000. 561-985-7570

RIVER RANCH Property - 1 1/4 acres, Polk County, (recreational), \$3,500 firm. Call 863-673-2108

Lots - Sale

BELLE GLADE - Residential, Approx. 50 x 120. \$15,000 or best offer. (561)985-7570

Waterfront Property

BHR - Furn Modular home 3/2 w/FI Room, Incl 3 HD TVs. Just updated plumbing, elect, new sod & sprink sys, fenced, boat ramp, dock, conc drive, car port, shed. \$138,500 or best offer (561)818-2348

Campers/RVs

COACHMAN 1985 - 28 Ft. Pull Behind. \$1800 Firm (863)675-7105

GULFSTREAM ULTRA 1996 - Motor Home: Labelle. 24' Gulfstream Ultra, V8 Chevy gas engine. Sleeps 5. 13.5k a/c, 100k miles. \$4999/or best offer. (863)673-5704

Hornet Travel trailer- 33 ft, 2 fold out, good shape. \$2000 or best offer (863)467-4890

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Recreation

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Boats

BOAT - 14' w/trailer, 3 motors, fish finder \$1000 or best offer (863)634-0221

BROWNING - 18' open bow, with trailer, inboard/outboard Merc cruiser, 175 hp, 4 cyl eng. \$2000 neg (863)763-5253

JOHN BOAT - 12ft., 2 1/2 HP Suzuki motor, trolling motor \$700 Neg. (863)467-0458

JONBOAT V-BOTTOM Select - 14ft no leaks, no calls before 5pm \$200/or best offer. (863)634-3978

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PAWK MODEL TRLR -

Real Estate Directory

Rawls real estate (863)983-8559
528 E. Sugarland Hwy., Clewiston

Cheryl Eby Gutfahr, Lic. Real Estate Broker (863) 228-1562
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2BD/1BA Apartment.
\$750 including utilities.
Call for more details!

RARE OPPORTUNITY!
1.90 Acres Hwy 27
Frontage. Former Sonny's
location.

CLEWISTON HOMES

- 2BD/1BA Della Tobias. Needs much TLC. Asking \$25,000
- 2/1 Home on Sagamore Ave. \$130,000
- 3/3 MH in Seminole Manor \$120,000
- 4 Brand New 3/BR/2.5 BA Lennar Town Homes. Amenities include: Pool, Gym and Cabana. Call for more details!
- 2 Duplexes on Obispo Ave. Each unit has 2BR/1BA. \$224.9K
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- Vacant Residential Lot on Central Ave. Asking \$28.5K
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 09-020-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF VALENTIN GOMEZ, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of VALENTIN GOMEZ, deceased, whose date of death was August 31, 2008, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Hendry County Clerk of Courts, P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975 1760. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court 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 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 April 2nd, 2009.

Personal Representative: MARIA INEZ RODRIGUEZ also known as MARIA INEZ GOMEZ 5037 S. Obispo Circle LaBelle, Florida 33935

Attorney for Personal Representative: MICHAEL A. GENARO, ESQ. Attorney for MARIA INEZ RODRIGUEZ also known as MARIA INEZ GOMEZ Florida Bar No. 237647

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PATHWAY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

There will be a Hendry County Pathway Advisory Committee Meeting held on Thursday, April 9, 2009 at 1pm. The meeting is to discuss a Pathway Plan for Hendry County. The meeting will be held at John Boy Auditorium in the Bearslay Room, located at 1200 S. WC Owens Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440. All interested parties are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact the Hendry County Engineer's Office at (863) 675-5222 or (863) 983-1588.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Janet B. Taylor, Chair
Board of County Commissioners, Hendry County
315866 CB/CN 4/2/09

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 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:

1. Electing one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine, and;
3. 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 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:

1. Electing one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine, and;
3. 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

314093 BGS 03/26;04/02/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, 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
2130	2006	3-01-43-34-010-0376-0100	SAGAMORE PLACE, LLC

Lots 19 thru 21, inclusive, Block 376, of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71 thru 78, inclusive, 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 Fifth Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **30th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **11th day of March, 2009**.

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

315181 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	WHICH ASSESSED
1162	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0079-0020	MASSINO SAITORI

Lots 2 and 3, Block 79, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38, and 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Dated this **11th day of March, 2009**.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2128	2006	3-01-43-34-010-0376-0090	SAGAMORE PLACE, LLC

Lots 15 & 16, Block 376, of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, As revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71 thru 78, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Dated this **11th day of March, 2009**.

Barbara S. Butler
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315227 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	WHICH ASSESSED
2093	2006	3-01-43-34-010-0150-0010	P & Y DEVELOPMENT LLC

Lots 1,2,3,4,21,22,23 and 24, Block 150, of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, pages 71 thru 78, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1551	2006	1-07-44-33-030-0008-0060	JOSE DOLORIS REYES & EUTILDES REYES % JUANITA CARRILLO

Lot 6 in Block 8 of WOODLAND SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 thru 2, 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.

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Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315388 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1496	2006	1-36-44-32-400-0186-0000	MRS. CHARLES S. GAMBY

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 36, 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 no. 4053 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

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 Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.**

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315380 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1896	2006	1-23-43-34-040-0000-0042	Mary B. Wagoner & the heirs, Beneficiaries & Devises of the Estate of Otto Wagoner.

Lot 7 of OKEELANTA PLANTATION COMPANY'S first plat in Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 57, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida, and lying and being in fractional Section 23, Township 43 South, Range 34 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.**

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
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315395 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MALBEC II, 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 **PINOT IV, 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
2265	2006	4-10-43-29-020-2044-0150	Ironstone Bank f/k/a Atlantic States Bank % Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur

Lots 15, Block 2044, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.**

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315381 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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
687	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 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 163, 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.

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

313571 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

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
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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, 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
1293	2006	1-26-44-32-A00-0026-0000	JOSE E. DEL CASTILLO

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 26, 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 1002, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.**

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315223 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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
801	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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, 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
1590	2006	1-31-44-33-A00-0012-0000	MANUEL LOPEZ & FANNY LOPEZ

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida, SUBJECT to an easement for an access road over the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 6091, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.**

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315399 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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 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
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

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
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 Southeast 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.

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

313590 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
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.

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

313579 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

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
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.

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

313564 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

Public Notice

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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

Public Notice

REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS
FELDA MSBU STORMWATER MASTER PLAN
RFQ NUMBER: 2009-19
OPENING DATE AND TIME: APRIL 23, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in connection with the development of a Stormwater Master Plan for the Felda MSBU. Proposers must have expertise in designing Stormwater Master Plans and should have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. All submittals (see Part IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by April 23, 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 RFQ Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, located at 99 E. Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 1670, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5222.

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 submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this Bid, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer, actively seeks Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation and is a Drug/Smoke Free Work Place.

HENDRY COUNTY
 Janet B. Taylor, Chair
 Board of County Commissioners
 315404 CB/CN 4/2,9,16/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

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 who 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 on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims 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 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. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

Personal Representative:
 Beverly Day
 Mark J. Nowicki, Esquire
 Florida Bar No. 358861
 480 Maplewood Drive
 Suite 2
 Jupiter, Florida 33458
 (561) 746-9200
 314094 CGS 03/26,04/02/09

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 **Jeroboam Sam Fran**
 Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Jeroboam 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 1760, 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 THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE 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 61, Box 55
 Clewiston, FL 33440

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

314136 CGS 3/26, 4/2/2009

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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-A00-0023-0000	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 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

Public Notice

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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
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.

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

313560 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

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) 983-1858.

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 submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this Bid, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and Drug/Smoke Free Work Place.

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

Public Notice

Public Notice

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 who 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 on whom a copy of this notice is served within three months after the date of the first publication of this notice must file their claims 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 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. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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

Personal Representative:
 Beverly Day
 Mark J. Nowicki, Esquire
 Florida Bar No. 358861
 480 Maplewood Drive
 Suite 2
 Jupiter, Florida 33458
 (561) 746-9200
 314094 CGS 03/26,04/02/09

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 **Jeroboam Sam Fran**
 Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Jeroboam 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 1760, 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 THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE 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 61, Box 55
 Clewiston, FL 33440

Ralph Elver
 Florida Bar Number 215848
 Paverse Law Firm
 Attorney for Personal Representative:
 P.O. Drawer 2280
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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
700	2006	1-33-43-31-A00-0234-0000	JOHANNE H. CYR & MATTHEW D. CYR

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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
 313587 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

PUBLIC WORKSHOPS FOR COMPREHENSIVE PATHWAY PLAN FOR HENDRY COUNTY
FDOT Project #423354-1-18-01

Hendry County has scheduled public information workshops regarding a Comprehensive Pathway Plan. A study is currently being conducted by Hendry County to determine locations of proposed new pathways in Hendry County.

The public information meetings will be held as follows:

Harlem Community Meeting, April 9th, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at Harlem Civic Center located at 2000 7th Street, Clewiston, FL 33440
Pioneer Community Meeting, April 13th 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Pioneer Community Center located at 910 Panama Ave., Clewiston, FL 33440
Port LaBelle Community Meeting, April 16th at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church, located at 4200 NE Eucalyptus Blvd., LaBelle, FL 33935
Felda Area Community Meeting, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. at Felda Community Center, located at 100 CR 830, Felda, FL 33930
Montura & Flahogue Community Meeting, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. located at Central County Water Control District, located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, FL 33440
Clewiston and Hooker's Point Community Meeting, April 29th at 6:00 p.m. at the John Boy Auditorium, Bearsley Room located at 1200 S W C Owens Blvd., Clewiston, FL 33440.
LaBelle Area Community Meeting, April 30th at 7:00 p.m. at the LaBelle Civic Center, located at 481 W. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935
School Officials, May 18, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., Hendry County School Board Room, located at 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935

The workshop will provide interested citizens with the opportunity to ask questions and express their views concerning the location and potential environmental impacts associated with the plan. The workshop will be on the agendas of the various community meetings or boards. Aerial photographs and other project-related information will be on display. County staff will be available to answer questions and discuss the project. Please note that this is not a public hearing. A formal public hearing will be held later in the study process, in keeping with state and federal requirements.

Project documents are available for public review until May 18, 2009 at the Barron Library, 461 N. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida 33935 and at the City of Clewiston Public Library located at 120 West Osceola Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440. Project documents are also available for review Monday -Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Hendry County Engineer's Office located at 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

If you have any questions regarding the Comprehensive Pathway Plan project, you may contact Mr. Shane Parker, P.E., County Engineer at (864) 675-5222 or by email at sparker@hendryfla.net. Persons with disabilities who may need special accommodations at the workshop, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, should contact Bonnie Hanshaw at (863) 675-5222.
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 08-01-CA

INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. Plaintiff
VS.
FRANCISCO FRANCO; CARDINA FRANCO; UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; RAINTREE VILLAGE UNIT NINE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, FSB; Defendants

RENOUNCE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated March 23, 2009, and entered in Case No. 08-01-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida, and for HENDRY County, Florida, and FRANCISCO FRANCO; CARDINA FRANCO and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, FSB, here defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY, IN FRONT OF OFFICE OF CLERK OF COURTS, ADMINISTRATION BLDG, HENDRY CO. COURTHOUSE, AT 25 EAST HICKPOCKEE LABELLE IN HENDRY COUNTY, FL 33935, at 11:00 a.m. on this 22nd day of April, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 12, BLOCK 2315, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 144, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

A person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens but file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Dated this 27th day of March, 2009.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
As Clerk of said Court
By: /s/ D. Hammond
As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, 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 provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 25 East Hickpochee, LaBelle, FL 33935. Phone: No. (941) 335-2299 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8770(V) (via Florida Relay Services).

NOTICE
THE ANNUAL REPORT OF KELLY FOUNDATION, INC. for the calendar year ended December 31, 2008, is available at its office located at 801 E Sugarland Highway, Clewiston, Florida, 33440, for inspection during regular business hours by any citizen who requests it within 60 days hereof.

(Phone No. 863-983-8177)
Principal Manager of the Foundation is Mr. Lovel G. Kelly
315712 CN 4/2/09

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY INSURANCE ADVISORY BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Insurance Advisory Board will hold a meeting Monday, April 13, 2009 at 4:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse Square, Room #A-118, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter discussed at such meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Hendry County Insurance Advisory Board
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 2007-1032-CA

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff
VS.
MARIA RAMIREZ, et al, Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated March 19, 2009 and entered in Case No. 2007-1032-CA of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., is the Plaintiff and MARIA RAMIREZ, et al, are the Defendants; I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 22nd day of April, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

THE SOUTH ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 33 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA; SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR AN ACCESS ROAD OF THE WEST 30 FEET THEREOF, SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR DRAINAGE CANAL OF THE SOUTH 30 FEET THEREOF. ALSO KNOWN AS TRACT 6140, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION.

A/K/A 575 SOUTH SHETLAND ST. CLEWISTON, FL 33440

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on March 23, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Miller
Deputy Clerk

**See Americans with Disabilities Act
In accordance with the Americans with 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.

314773 CN 4/2,9/09

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 04/17/2009, 10:00 am at 74 S. INDUSTRIAL LOOP, LABELLE, FL 33935, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC. Plaintiff

VS. CASE NO. 08-861-CA
BASIL LASHLEY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BASIL LASHLEY; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Hendry County, Florida, described as:

LOT 5, BLOCK E, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 8, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 136 AND 137, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

To include a:
2001 FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISE VIN FLFLY70A28424WC31 82562034
2001 FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISES VIN FLFLY70A28424WC31 82562171
A/K/A 716 ALABAMA AVENUE CLEWISTON, FL 33440

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Clerk of the Circuit Court in the Hendry County Courthouse (being the second floor hallway of the Hendry County Courts Building), LaBelle, FL 33935 at 11:00 AM, on April 22, 2009.

DATED this 20th day of March, 2009.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens, must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.

Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the 20th day of March, 2009.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the American with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceedings. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service.

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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 BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAL OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, 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 9, SUNSHINE LAKE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 175, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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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 Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing 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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Sugar deal may be downsized

By Pete Gawda
INI Florida

The purchase of U.S. Sugar by South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) for Everglades restoration may not be as sweet a deal as originally announced. In response to published speculations that economic conditions have forced the sale to be downsized from 180,000 acres to 75,000 acres, Deena Reppen, SFWMD's deputy executive director for governmental and public affairs, admitted that high level talks are going on.

Her remarks came during the Friday, March 27 meeting of the County Coalition for Responsible Management of Lake Okeechobee, St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee Estuaries and Lake Worth Lagoon. This organization is made up of county commissioners representing 10 counties in South Florida. The assembled commissioners also heard a report on the condition of Lake Okeechobee by Susan Gary of SFMWD and a report on the rehabilitation of Herbert Hoover Dike by Ingrid Bon of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE). Ms. Reppen told the commissioners that they would be informed of any decision made. She also said that any proposed changes would have to be approved by the SFWMD Board of Governors. The sale was to originally consist of all U.S. Sugar's assets of 180,000 acres for \$1.34 billion. Speculation is that the sale would be reduced to 75,000 acres. Lee County Commissioner Ray Judah expressed the opinion that if the sale were reduced to 75,000 acres, there would not be enough land for water treatment. He said that amount of land would be needed for water storage alone.

Ms. Reppen said the sale is proceeding toward a closing date of Sept. 25. Of the 180,000 acres under consideration, certain tracts would be available for local government use. Pahokee, Belle Glade, South Bay Clewiston and the Florida Inland Navigation District have requested tracts of land. Hendry County Commissioner Kevin McCarthy noted that if the sale were reduced to 75,000 acres the lands being considered for local government use would not be involved in the sale. If the originally announced 180,000 acre sale goes through, all land in sugar production could be leased back to U.S. Sugar for seven years. Mr. McCarthy said that in that case the lands being considered for local government use are in sugar cane production and would not be available for seven years.

Ms. Reppen addressed the concern expressed about the economic impact of the sale on the area. In this year's budget she said SFWMD has set aside \$2 million from projects and salary to fund capital improvements and infrastructure in the local communities affected by the sale. There is also a potential for other sources of funds to help the communities involved offset the loss of income that would be caused by the closing of U.S. Sugar. The governor's proposed fiscal year 2009/10 budget contains \$5 million to help areas impacted by the land acquisition. The governor's Office of Tourism Trade and Economic Development has visited the area to be impacted and is working to provide economic assistance.

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Turning from the acquisition process, Tom Teets, Everglades policy manager gave an overview of the process to develop a plan to use the land once it is acquired. Public meetings were held to get the input of all interested parties. Next modeling will be done to look at different configurations of land possible. In June a draft of possible configurations will be presented to the SFWMD Governing Board. The draft will be refined in July and a final draft of land configuration and preliminary costs will be given to the board of governors in August before the closing in September.

Dr. Susan Gray of SFWMD urged water conservation noting that rainfall in the 16 county area served by SFWMD is below average and more dry weather is expected. She said that Lake Okeechobee has a resurgence of submerged vegetation and the quality of the lake water is improving. She said water quality is fairly good for this time of year. However, she said the salinity levels are increasing in the St. Lucie River. Turning to dike rehabilitation, Ms. Bon noted that the lake can fill up six times faster than water can be let out. The dike was completed in 1962. In the 1980s COE began to see problems with it. In the 1990s studies were done and in 2005 construction was started on dike rehabilitation. After Hurricane Katrina, further study was done. The section between Port Mayaca and Belle Glade is being rehabilitated now by installing cutoff walls in the center of the dike to prevent seepage. This section is scheduled to be completed by 2013. The Moore Haven to Belle Glade section is scheduled rehabilitation next.

Commissioner Judah expressed his thanks that SFMWD and COE were working together to try to restore the pulse releases to the Caloosahatchee River in response to higher salinity level. Commissioner Russell Echols of Glades County thanked SFWMD for their help with the Moore Haven and Pierce Canal projects.

BHR Fire Department helps the needy

Volunteers with the Buckhead Ridge Fire Department have expanded their community service efforts in order to help community members in need. The volunteers, who meet every Tuesday evening at the Fire Department, decided to collect food for the needy.

They plan to give the food to individuals in the community who have a special need.

The first recipient of their donations is a man they call "Grandpa." The gentleman is a cancer patient and with the cost of medical care, has little money for food. This week they surprised him with groceries.

"We collect canned goods and other non-perishable items at the Fire Department," Pat Bell of the Buckhead Ridge Fire Department explained. She said they also

accept monetary donations which are used to buy additional food.

On the way to "Grandpa's" house, they stopped at the grocery store where they spent more than \$70 on food, including perishable items such as meat and eggs.

She said Grandpa told them he never thought anyone would help him.

"He was very thankful," she said. She said they plan to help more individuals.

Donations of non-perishable food and/or cash may be taken to the Buckhead Ridge Fire Department on Tuesdays between 7 and 8:30 p.m. If you know someone in Buckhead Ridge who needs help, contact Pat Bell at 863-357-1364. Ms. Bell said messages may be left on the answering machine.

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Bid Award: Pearce Canal Dredging (Wendell Taylor)

Bid for \$1,282,000 awarded to Dickerson of Florida, Inc.. The only other bid presented was for \$1,698,000 from Rio-Bak. The project will be completed before September 30, 2010 with funding provided by South Florida Water Management District.

Designate Area for Mailboxes for Click Drive Residents (Wendell Taylor)

Authorized County Manager Taylor to work with Public Safety Director Bob Jones and Lakeport Fire Chief to designate area off the tarmac near Lakeport Fire Dept. for Click Drive residents' mailboxes to be placed for mail delivery.

Neglected Animals (Sheriff Whiddon)

Sheriff Whiddon brought to the Board's attention the need to consider accommodations for impounded livestock. Recently, several horses were seized in Muse and now held at the Hendry County Sheriff's facility being fed by Caloosa Humane Society Director Suzanne Bonnell. Ellen Beers of Muse suggested inmate trustees might be able to take care of the animals if a containment area was built on county property. Chair Echols asked for the matter to be on the agenda for the next night meeting.

Public input

Robert Sarazen and Timothy Alexander, both of LaBelle, addressed the Board concerning the recent dismissal of Mr. Sarazen from the Muse Volunteer Fire Department, citing FS 633.820 that Volunteer Firefighters are considered employees, and that Mr.

Sarazen was not allowed to file a grievance as an employee.

Charley Hall of Washington Park addressed the Board concerning recent code enforcement measures in his neighborhood, stating, "One man's trash is another man's treasure." He was directed to work with Community Development Director Larry Hilton on the schedule of cleaning his yard and identifying the authority in the ordinances for his particular citation.

Claudia McPherson inquired on the time frame for getting on the agenda and was told the deadline was Wednesday of the week before a meeting but it would be scheduled by County Manager Taylor to determine the time needed for an item, and whether or not the Board would need legal counsel present.

Commissioner's comments

Request: Good Friday be a County Holiday (Commissioner Jones)

The motion for this request resulted in a tie vote 2-2. Commissioner Beck was absent.

Commissioner Jones noted he had received a petition from residents of Horseshoe Acres requesting improvements to their roads. He said when Horseshoe Acres roads were paved with cheaper pervious material, they were unable to hold up to the semi traffic that was present then, {ordinance now prohibits commercial vehicles parked or stored in residential areas} and now there are potholes and shoulders broken off. [There is insufficient funding in the County's Road Dept Budget for this item, but it may qualify as road upgrades and be funded by one-cent discretionary surtax that was voter approved for that and other purposes.]

Chair Echols informed the Board of a code enforcement violation on River Road that has become a fire hazard with the overgrowth of vegetation. Road Superintendent Brown estimated it might cost \$5,000 and 3 days with machinery to clean it up. Chair Echols stated he understood the court had issued documents that will allow the county to clean it up and lien the property.

U.S.S.C. agrees to amended acquisition terms

Affordable two-step acquisition protects jobs and environment

Submitted by U.S. Sugar

CLEWISTON -- U.S. Sugar Corporation agreed to the proposed amended terms for the South Florida Water Management District's acquisition that allow the District to acquire the Company's land in two smaller phases and enable the Company to continue its operations.

"The Governor's bold vision for our property remains the same as announced in June. We're just being realistic in light of the economy-- the acquisition will be made in two steps rather than one," said Robert Coker, Senior Vice President, Public Affairs.

"Even so, this historic acquisition still provides great benefits for the environment and a fair value for our Company. With property values and tax revenues falling, this became a matter of what the District realistically could afford," Coker said.

"Obviously, neither party gets everything they wanted at closing, but over the next ten years the state can still acquire a large portion of historic Everglades and U.S. Sugar property can still provide the legacy footprint for significant restoration," Coker said.

Under the proposed amended terms, the SFWMD would acquire an initial 72,500 acres of the Company's land for approximately \$530 million with an option to acquire the remaining 107,500 acres for up to ten years. The company would continue to farm the 72,500 acres through a 7-year lease that may be extended under certain circumstances.

"The two-step approach provides a greater degree of certainty for our businesses, our employees and also our communities by keeping our farming and processing operations viable," said Robert Coker, senior vice president, public affairs.

Coker said that U.S. Sugar will lease back the cane land for \$150 per gross acre for the initial seven-year period.

The SFWMD can take 32,000 acres of citrus land with one years notice. The SFWMD also may take up to 10,000 acres of cane land in the first ten years with a two-year notice for approved and funded projects.

Up to 3,000 acres of transition lands may be transferred to local municipalities immediately if the land is not in sugarcane production. "Both U.S. Sugar's Board of Directors and the SFWMD's Governing Board must still approve these proposed amended terms," Coker said.

NOTICE TAX IMPACT OF VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD

County of Hendry

Tax Year 2008

Members of the Board

Honorable DARRELL R. HARRIS	Board of County Commissioners, District No. 2
Honorable KEVIN MCCARTHY	Board of County Commissioners, District No. 4
Honorable RAY CLINARD	School Board, District No. 1
Citizen Member CECIL AKIN	Business owner within the school district
Citizen Member LARRY HALL	Homestead property owner

The Value Adjustment Board (VAB) meets each year to hear petitions and make decisions relating to property tax assessments, exemptions, classifications, and tax deferrals.

Summary of Year's Actions

Type of Property	Number of Parcels					Reduction in County Taxable Value Due to Board Actions	Shift in Taxes Due to Board Actions
	Exemptions		Assessments*		Both		
	Granted	Requested	Reduced	Requested	Withdrawn or Resolved		
Residential	2	33	1	42	52	\$104,370	-\$1,608
Commercial				19	15		
Industrial and miscellaneous				5	4		
Agricultural or classified use		17			9		
High water recharge							
Historic commercial or nonprofit							
Business machinery and equipment		3			3		
Vacant lots and acreage			1	71	67	\$10,730	-\$188
TOTALS	2	53	2	137	150	\$115,100	-\$1,796

*Include transfer of assessment difference (portability) requests.

If you have a question about these actions, contract the chair or the clerk of the Value Adjustment Board.	
Chair's name Darrell Harris	Phone 863-675-5220
Clerk's name Barbara S. Butler	Phone 863-675-5217

Teachers

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in Glades County in 1979. She has taught language arts, speech, drama, journalism and ESOL. She has been an extracurricular sponsor for the newspaper, yearbook, SADD, Beta Club, cheerleaders and drama club. Currently, Ms. Ahern teaches intensive reading, mentors students and does after school tutoring.

In 2002 she added more goals to her career. Laura Ahern began researching and writing a grant for a program called Enhancing Education Through Technology. She also became the program's technology trainer and on site technician.

With persistence, Ms. Ahern completed

work on three grants for MHHS. Her experience enabled her to become the district's liaison for the staff's state professional development; and she has worked closely with school accreditation and improvement.

Laura Ahern spoke to the banquet audience about her passion for education, young people and lifelong learning. She addressed many of her former students who are now her co-workers and neighbors.

"You have shaped the teacher you are honoring tonight," said Ms. Ahern.

Three other Glades County teachers of the year were honored that night. They were Lydia Pell of Moore Haven Elementary School, Jeanine Gran of Pemayetv Emahakv Charter School, and Tina Wills of West Glades School.

Staff writer Nena Bolan can be reached at nenabolan@yahoo.com



INI/Nena Bolan

Laura Ahern was recognized March 27 as Teacher of the Year for Glades County School District, and as teacher of the year at Moore Haven Junior Senior High School. Three other teachers were recognized as teacher of the year for their schools in the district. From left to right are Laura Ahern of Moore Haven Junior Senior High School, Jeanine Gran of Pemayetv Emahakv Charter School; Jean Lamar as guest speaker and Florida's Teacher of the Year; Lydia Pell of Moore Haven Elementary School and Tina Wills of West Glades School.

Hendry County pushes inland port site

By Patty Brant
INI Florida

Hendry County Commissioner Kevin McCarthy urged his fellow commissioners to put their efforts behind selling Hendry County as the best site for the proposed inland port. "It makes the most sense," he told his fellow commissioners at their March 26 meeting.

He felt Hendry County should be seeking to use county property first, and the Hilliard property as an ancillary partnership. The Hilliard and USSC railroad spurs are very important in the equation. The 75-mile rail will transport goods to and from the site, as will S.R. 27, S.R. 80 and Airglades Airport.

The Hendry site has some advantages over other possible sites, not the least of which is the lack of adverse environmental issues. He warned other commissioners not to discount environmental impact as an important piece of the puzzle.

Several factors are in Hendry County's favor because the site has no important environmental impact; it is not in the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) and it is not panther habitat.

In fact, he noted, the Audubon Society is in favor of the Hendry site.

According to Commissioner McCarthy, the county needs to take an aggressive stand to get everything in place, making itself as attractive as possible for the selection.

Commissioner Karson Turner is headed to Tallahassee to lobby on behalf of Hendry

County as the site for the new inland port. He has been asked to sit on an ad hoc committee representing Hendry County.

South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) will be seeking requests for qualifications on May 1 and requests for proposals on Aug. 1.

Landing the inland port would help Hendry County gain back considerable revenue lost due to state purchases of county property in recent years.

Commissioner Kevin McCarthy pointed out that 29,500 acres have been taken off Hendry tax roles by the state's Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Program (CERP). That will mean \$3.3 million off the tax roles if all of the USSC property involved in the proposed purchase goes through.

He estimated the economic loss from the state's purchase of STA-5, STA-6 and Berry's Reservoir at \$119 million in economic production annually from Hendry County. If cane acreage is also sold off, that's another \$72 million annually, he said.

Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT), by which the state compensates counties for land taken off the tax roles, now pays until the county reaches a population of 150,000. Previously, PILT payments were only provided for ten years after the state purchased county land.

Briefs cont.

one is urged and invited to attend. There is no charge; however donations are encouraged with all receipts going to support the Ronald McDonald Houses.

Lakeport Community Association

The Lakeport Community Association will meet on Tuesday night, April 7 at 7 p.m. This will be an election of directors and also plans for the summer. All members are asked to attend. Everyone in the community is welcome to come and share any ideas for activities that you may have.

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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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.

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399-5253. For more information, see the At Your Service Box on page 4.

Updated VFW Post #9528

The VFW Post #9528 is located at 2002 S.R. 78 W. in Buckhead Ridge. For information, call 863-467-2882. Post opens at noon, Monday through Sunday.

We are taking applications for new members for the VFW, Ladies Auxiliary, Male Auxiliary, AMVETS and AMVETS ladies auxiliary.

- Wednesday: Ladies Auxiliary dinner and Men's Auxiliary or AmVets. Music will be available.

- Every Thursday is bar bingo at 12:45 p.m. Lunch will be available.

- Every Friday a steak dinner with baked potato, salad and rolls will be served from 5:30 until 7 p.m. for an \$11 donation. Dancing immediately follows the dinner.

- Membership meetings are held on the second Saturday of the month beginning at 10 a.m. The House Committee meeting is on the fourth Saturday.

For information, contact Commander Robert Hare at 863-467-2882. All games and special events are shown on three televisions. The game room has a regulation-size pool table.

Native Plant Society plans meetings

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

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

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