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Glades at a Glance

Friends of GC Public Library

Friends of Glades County Public Library will have an interesting meeting planned on Monday, Sept. 21 at the Library meeting room. This will be a get acquainted type meeting and light refreshments will be served. All members of the Friends are encourage to attend and share ideas for this coming year. Anyone who is not a member is welcome to come and find out what this organization is about. We are planning for five meetings and several other activities will take

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Community traffic team begins plans

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

GLADES COUNTY -- The community traffic safety team (CTST) meets on the first Thursday of each month and looks for ways to improve safety for motorists, passengers, pedestrians, and bicycle riders. All representatives are from local and state government, law enforcement, organizations, schools and agencies. Some are assigned and some are volunteers. Residents also make up the team. A FDOT coordinator attends all meetings and advises or consults

authorities.

On Sept. 3, Sergeant Donald Watts, GCSO school resource officer, reported 277 traffic citations issued within the county last month. He mentioned the new school year resumed smoothly. The Glades County Sheriff's Office will continue its Teen Driver Challenge program which allows teens to have a hands on experience with the control and operation of their vehicle. The class is planned for October.

The traffic team would like to thank Doug Coxon, engineer FDOT, and Deputy Barbara Brown,

Hendry County Sheriff's Office, for their much needed help with the bicycle course at the Moore Haven Smokey Bear event on Aug. 8.

Donna Storter Long, county commissioner, reports that 49 bike helmets were given out during the event. The traffic team will plan more Bike Rodeos this school year. The team discussed tentative plans for Christmas on the Caloosahatchee, Chalco Nitka, bike rodeos, seat belt use and pedestrian safety.

Doug Meneke, road department, reports that resurfacing continues on CR 720 west in Muse.

FDOT projects in Glades County include shoulder repair on Loop CR 721 in Lakeport which began in July and will continue until Fall 2009.

Another FDOT project will begin in December on CR 720 east of US 27. The work will prepare design plans and resurface approximately 4.8 miles. FDOT reports the roadway is in poor condition. This rural route gets regular use from local traffic and is an alternate to US 27, including commuters to and from the cities of Clewiston and

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Historic bank is sinking

Is the old bank historic or just dilapidated?

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

MOORE HAVEN -- The old white "bank building" in Moore Haven opened for business in 1917 before Glades County was created from vast DeSoto County. The former First Bank structure survived the fire of 1921, and endured the 1926 flood that claimed approximately 250 lives.

Numerous businesses have occupied the two story building on the southwest corner of Avenue J and First Street. The current owner, Anne Coffey, operated an antique shop called "Anne-tiques" and four apartments on the second story.

The shop served juice and coffee, and became a small watering hole for neighbors, tenants, snow birds and customers. The original

bank vault became a curiosity and the building attracted people to the community. The shop was open about 14 years, and then Hurricane Wilma badly damaged Anne-tiques.

The owner, Ms. Coffey, realized someone needed to save the old bank building, so she sold it to real estate speculator, Robert Taylor, of Canal Point. According to Anne Coffey, she carried the note, but Mr. Taylor's numerous real estate ventures imploded and he could not keep up with payments. This left her in a financial bind. When the property came back into her hands it was in a much worse condition.

The roof needs major work because of water damage, and the foundation is sinking. Back in the day, builders did not de-muck before foundations were set. Vegetative muck debris in the Everglades area can be a foot deep or 10 feet deep, depending on where you break ground. It must be re-

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This is the back side of the old bank building on the southwest corner of Avenue J and First Street. It used to be home to Anne-tiques, but was damaged during Hurricane Wilma. This view shows how the back yard is sinking and the building needs to be shored up.



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Tigers handily defeated in season opener

The Tigers opened their season at Cane Field hosting Class 2A Plantation American Heritage and came up on the short end of the 46-14 score.

While not a district game, the annual game with Coach Byron Walker's squad is a rivalry that dates back 17 years.

On this night, Clewiston was just out-matched, made too many costly turnovers and did not make the big plays when they had the chance.

Clewiston got on the board first after Landon McDuffie recovered a fumbled punt return on the American Heritage 36.

Two plays later, junior quarterback Andres Rios hooked up with wideout Tyree Wilson on a slant pattern for a 30-yard catch and run for the touchdown.

Kicker Grant Polhill converted the extra point and the Tiger faithful had something to cheer about.

On their next drive, Clewiston was moving the ball and Rios threw a 29-yard strike to wideout Damion Smith at the Patriot 10 but he was hit and the ball was on the ground.

An American Heritage defensive back picked it up and returned the ball 29 yards to kill the drive.

Unfortunately, it was very late in the contest before they got the next big cheering opportunity.

The Patriots scored late in the opening quarter when tailback Sony Michel wiggled

outside and streaked 61 yards and then they knotted the score on the point after kick by Anthony Villagran.

American Heritage then took it to the Tigers, piling on 24 second quarter points.

The Tiger defense seemed to hold for a few plays and then they would yield plays for big chunks of yardage on both passing and rushing plays.

By halftime, Clewiston was down 31-6.

The third quarter was almost a wash as the Tigers held the Patriots to 3 points on a 27-yard Villagran field goal.

The Patriots added two more touchdowns in the final period but were denied conversions both times because of bad snaps to the kick holder.

Clewiston's final score came with only a couple of minutes left when freshman tailback Virthavious Robinson shook loose around the left side for a 30 yard touchdown.

Polhill was on target with his kick to close out the scoring.

Two bright spots in the Tiger offense were the passing of Rios and the hard running by Robinson.

Rios completed 12 of 18 attempts for 167 yards and had several dropped that were on target.

Robinson gained 109 yards on 10 carries. Flanker Damion Smith had 4 catches for 62 yards and tight end Darius Redd snagged 4

for 52 yards.

Smith also had 78 yards on 3 kickoff returns.

Tiger coach Joe Roth was clearly disappointed in his team's opening effort saying only, "We've got a long way to go but we are going to make it."

Clewiston played without 3 starters who go both ways.

Center/linebacker Dillon Irey had a leg injury from the preseason game and will likely miss at least one more game.

TE/DE Julio Ramos had to sit out the contest for disciplinary reasons and OL/DL Antonio Williams is recuperating from a knee sprain.

This week the Tigers will host Kings Academy with kickoff scheduled for 7 p.m.

1 2 3 4 Total
 American Heritage: 7 24 3 12 46
 Clewiston: 7 0 0 7 14
 Scoring:
 1Q: Clew: Tyree Wilson, 30 yd pass from Andres Rios; Kick Grant Polhill
 Amer Htg: Sony Michel, 61 yd run; Kick Anthony Villagran
 2Q:
 Amer Htg: Marken Michel, 57 yd pass from Gunnar Holcombe; kick Anthony Villagran
 Amer Htg: Shanard Saxon, 8 yd run; Kick Anthony Villagran
 Amer Htg: Anthony Villagran, 42 yd field

goal

Amer Htg: Shanard Saxon, 15 yd run; Kick Anthony Villagran

3Q: Amer Htg: Anthony Villagran, 27 yd field goal

4Q:
 Amer Htg: Andrew Flory, 8 yd pass from Gunnar Holcombe; pass failed

Amer Htg: Patrick Dugan, 2 yd run; run failed

Clew: Virthavious Robinson, 30 yd run; Kick Grant Polhill

Clewiston - American Heritage
 First downs: 12 - 12
 Rushing: 40/158 - 29/194
 Passing yards: 167 - 203
 Passing Compl/Att/Int 12/18/0 6/16/0
 Punts/Avg: 5/22.7 - 3/27.7
 Fum/Fum lost: 4/4 - 1/1
 Penalties: 4/45 - 5/45
 Indiv Stats:
 Rushing: Carlos Herring, 9/22; Chauncey Thicklin, 5/14; Fred Washington, 5/15; Edrick Crosby, 1/3; Virthavious Robinson, 10/105; Andres Rios, 4/-3; Albert Dorelien, 3/0; Bryant Richardson, 2/5; Randy Massie, 1/-3
 Passing: Andres Rios, 12/18/0 167 yds
 Receiving: Darius Redd, 4/52; Damion Smith, 4/62; Shimori Butler, 2/14; Tyree Wilson, 1/30; James Bigham, 1/9.

Glades Central pounces on Dwyer in road win

Pahokee, Glades Day, Moore Haven also come away victorious in Week 1

By Naji Tobias
 INI Florida

As predicted prior to last Friday night's games, Week 1 turned out to a really good one.

For starters, all of the area's teams - except for Clewiston - posted wins.

Some were ugly and others were big.

Nonetheless, these first regular-season games usually give teams a good idea of

where their strengths and weaknesses are at that point.

Without further ado, an analysis on Glades Central, Pahokee, Glades Day and Moore Haven.

Editor's Note: Jeff Barwick, a contributing writer, covers Clewiston for the entire football season.

Glades Central 21, Dwyer 7

The Glades Central Raiders, who came in as clear underdogs to the Dwyer (Palm Beach Gardens) Panthers, pulled out a 21-7 win on the road.

That gives Glades Central three straight wins over Dwyer, who many consider the

best football team on the Palm Beach County coast.

Early in the very hotly contested game, Dwyer took a 7-0 lead, thanks to a 55-yard touchdown run by Rivals.com five-star running back Matt Elam.

It was early in the first quarter when the Raiders saw themselves down, but for them, it only lasted for a half - to be exact.

The football gods smiled down on Glades Central after Dominique Gibson blocked a field goal attempt by Dwyer as they were trying to go into halftime with a 10-0 lead.

Literally and figuratively, it was a game-changing moment for both teams.

That was clearly apparent after L.J.

Thomas converted a two-point conversion pass to put the Raiders up 8-7 at the half.

Glades Central never relinquished the lead after that.

Despite gaining just 104 yards overall in the game, the Raiders were simply more well-conditioned and less mistake-prone than Dwyer.

For the past three years, if one would look at stats, it would seem like Dwyer should have won the game.

But one thing Glades Central has proven time and time again is that teams must be well-conditioned for all four quarters of play.

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Local Weather

Weather Forecast for Glades County from the National Weather Service.

Moore Haven and surrounding areas:

Thursday: Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly after 2pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 87. East wind around 6 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60%.



Thursday Night: Scattered showers and thunderstorms, mainly before 2am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 74. East wind around 5 mph becoming calm. Chance of precipitation is 40%.



Extended Forecast:

Friday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms, mainly after 9am. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 88. South wind between 3 and 6 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%.



Friday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 75. South wind between 3 and 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.



Saturday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 89. South wind around 5 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50%.



Saturday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 76. Chance of precipitation is 20%.



Sunday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 91. Chance of precipitation is 40%.



Sunday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 76. Chance of precipitation is 20%.



Monday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 90. Chance of precipitation is 40%.



Hope clients benefit from home improvements

Many elderly residents of Glades and Hendry counties are receiving home improvements, repairs and household appliances at no cost to them through the Hope Connections program.

Hope Connections, a program of Hope HealthCare Services, provides special home care and support services to the elderly in Glades and Hendry counties.

The home improvements are the result of a one-time expenditure by the State Department of Elder Affairs through the Area Agency on Aging.

The home improvements are intended to enhance each individual's quality of life. For example, two homebound clients now have wheelchair ramps, ensuring safety and comfort whenever they leave home. A woman in a rural area who had no running water now has a new well. Bathroom conversions enable one client to move easily from her wheelchair to the shower. Other clients now

have lift chairs, fans, washers, refrigerators and other items and upgrades, all with the goal of making their lives better.

"We are so pleased to be able to help in these special ways," said Hope President and CEO Samira K. Beckwith. "The people we serve through Hope Connections need this special kind of care, and we are deeply committed to ensuring their comfort and safety."

Beckwith said Hope Connections provides a number of services, including:

- Hot meals
- Personal care
- Homemaker services
- Household chores
- Transportation
- Medical equipment and supplies
- Counseling
- Emergency response systems

All services are provided by experienced staff and volunteers.

"Knowing that someone will be at your door to give you the help you need can bring real peace of mind while providing dignity and quality of life," Beckwith added.

For more information about Hope Connections, call the Elder Helpline at 866-413-5337, or visit www.hopehcs.org/connections/

Hope Connections is a program of Hope HealthCare Services, a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3)-status Community-Based agency, nationally recognized as a leader in providing high-quality, innovative care. Hope is accredited by the Community Health Accreditation Program (CHAP), the national leader in improving the quality of care in the home care industry, and is a recipient of the nationally acclaimed Circle of Life Award for excellence and innovation in care. For more information, visit www.hopehcs.org.

Clubs and organizations

Glades County Women's Club

The Glades County Women's Club will conduct their first meeting of the 2009 - 2010 season on Thursday, Sept. 10 at 7 p.m. at 270 Ave. L. in the Westergaard House. The GCWC was organized in 1916 and continues to serve Glades Countians with annual scholarships, educational programs, an annual style show and barbecue fundraisers. Refreshments provided. All are welcomed to attend.

Glades County Historical Society

The Glades County Historical Society will have their first meeting of the 2009-2010 season on Friday, Sept. 18 at 7 p.m. in the historic Pieter Westergaard House. Thanks to members efforts, dues, donations and Florida State Dept. of Preservation grants, the club has nearly completed three first restoration of one of the county's 41 historic buildings. Please join us as we plan the second annual Christmas Open House. Refreshments served. For further information please call 863-946-0520 or 863-946-2060.

Moore Haven Lions Club

Moore Haven Lions Club will have a membership and fundraiser dinner on Friday, Oct. 2 at the Doyle Cornner Building from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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•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.

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Registration is now through Friday, September 11. The summit will focus on ways rural communities and businesses can partner together to strengthen the tourism industry in this region.

"We've planned a full day packed with presentations, interactive discussions and best practice sharing," says Michelle Phillips, tourism coordinator for Florida's Freshwater Frontier. "This summit is providing a platform for learning best practices, hot tips to target today's travelers and how to put tools and resources to best use, like YouTube, Facebook and Twitter."

Registration fee of \$25 per person includes beverages, a buffet lunch, dessert, training and materials. Contact Florida's Freshwater Frontier to register by 4 p.m. on Friday, September 11. Call 863-385-7828, or

1-800-467-4540, or send e-mail to mphillips@flaheartland.com. The day includes time for networking, business card and brochure distribution, and door prizes.

Guest trainers include Sebring's own Casey Wohl, published author of the Girls Getaway Guide series. These city-specific travel guides for women provide information on where to eat, stay, shop and spa in various cities. She has been featured on several nationally-syndicated morning shows as a travel advisor, as well as in Woman's Day and Parenting magazines. She recently served as an online spokesperson for Dove Beauty, and is the owner of Gray Dog Communications in Sebring.

Erin Freel Best is the owner of her own marketing and communications firm that specializes in web design, video production and a host of other consulting services. Since its inception in 2000, The Market Place has more than 100 clients, primarily in Florida, but also maintains national accounts in Georgia, Texas and Minnesota.

Judi Durant, C.D.M.E., is the director of Visitor Services for the Lee County Visitor and Convention Bureau (VCB), also known to vacationers worldwide as The Beaches of Fort Myers and Sanibel. Judi's team is comprised of a Tourism Ambassador volunteer and staff corps that provide information to visitors and the traveling public. She over-

sees coordination of Team Tourism, the VCB's year-round informational program to impart the latest information on market opportunities and travel trends to local tourism marketers. She is also responsible for the Guests First Customer Service Training Program and the Elaine McLaughlin Outstanding Hospitality Service Awards, known as the E Awards.

Judi brings years of experience in tourism training and outreach to the summit. She is a fourth generation Lee County native, a graduate of Edison State College and has also served as executive secretary and part time legislative aide to former State Representative J. Keith Arnold with the Florida House of Representatives. In 2002, Judi earned the accreditation of Certified Destination Management Executive (CDME) through the International Association of Convention and Visitors Bureaus (IACVB), Purdue University, and the University of Calgary. The CDME program is recognized by the tourism industry as its highest educational achievement, with course work covering vision, leadership and business strategy implementation in preparation for increasing change and competition.

Sandra Friend is the former communications director for the Florida Trails Association. During her employ, Sandra conceptualized both the Florida Trail Gateway

Communities program and the first-ever Florida Hiking Festival, held in White Springs in March 2008, and supported major hiking initiatives statewide via a variety of creative media.

Representatives from the counties of Glades, Hardee, Hendry and Okeechobee will lead a discussion on new business opportunities in the tourism industry. Summit attendees are encouraged to share their tourism-related business start-up successes and vision for regional growth. John Scherlacher, the director of tourism for Highlands County Visitor and Convention Bureau is leading a presentation called Don't just cry... it's time to Diversify! A "no whine" approach to doing more with less in an ever-changing travel market.

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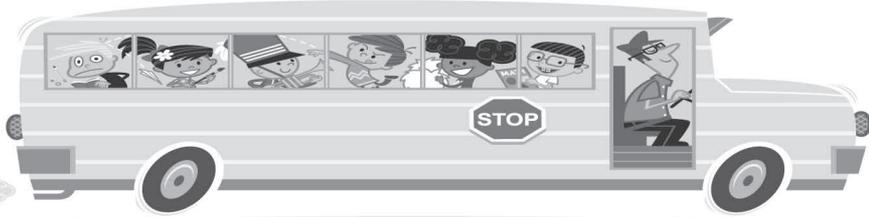
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Pahokee's De'Joshua Johnson was sharp with his throws in a practice held on Wednesday, Sep. 2 - just two days before his team's first regular season game against Atlantic. In Pahokee's 13-6 win, Johnson was 12-for-21 passing with 218 yards and two touchdowns - both to Chris Dunkley, who the nation's No. 13 overall player, according to the latest ESPN150 list.

Sports

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It showed when Elam was reportedly bothered by cramps in the second half, which severely limited his effectiveness on the field.

It showed when Glades Central's defense forced Dwyer quarterback Jacoby Brissett, a junior, into a very costly interception, with a pick by strong safety Travis Bell.

It showed when Antwon Chisolm, who was the hero two years ago as he powered his way to a game-clinching rushing score in a 14-7 road win, hauled in a 45-yard touchdown catch late in the game.

It showed when perhaps the area's best overall talent - senior athlete Greg Dent - caught the game-sealing touchdown, a 59-yarder from Thomas, toward the end of the game.

It showed when Glades Central's defense forced Brissett into six sacks, led by emerging defensive end Robert Way, who reportedly had 21 tackles and three sacks in the game.

In the end, costly mistakes and conditioning doomed Dwyer yet again.

Glades Central, who's generally a team built for the fourth quarter, showed everyone why football is a 60-minute game.

With that being said, it was a well-deserved and well-earned win for the Raiders, who moved to 1-0 for the season thus far.

Dwyer, ranked No. 38 in the nation by Rivals.com going into the game, is 0-1.

Pahokee 13, Atlantic 6: De'Joshua Johnson and Chris Dunkley may end up as the best passing tandem in the area.

Down early to Atlantic 6-0, Dunkley, who played in his first game for Pahokee, caught both touchdown passes from Johnson.

Dunkley, who's the No. 13 overall high school player in the nation, according to ESPN, racked up 148 yards on just five catches.

Johnson, who did not start in this game, was 12-for-21 with 218 passing yards and two touchdowns.

Fred Pickett, a West Virginia commit, registered 85 rushing yards on seven carries in

the game.

Dennis Hall, who is perhaps one of the most clutch players in the area, had six catches for 49 yards.

Interestingly, the four aforementioned Pahokee players are all naturally wide receivers.

That means for Pahokee to really maximize their use of all these receivers, they will need Emanuel Perez - who

started but was later benched - to step up his quarterback game at some point this season.

Pahokee also has another quarterback option in Joe Eason, who's entering his first full year on the team.

The Blue Devils defense may be their biggest strength, however.

The defensive backs limited Atlantic's Mark Leal, an all-star in his own right, to 131 pass yards.

The only touchdown allowed by the Pahokee defense was a quarterback run by Leal late in the first half for Atlantic's only score.

Pahokee, who came in the game ranked No. 18 by Rivals.com, is 1-0.

Atlantic, No. 95 on the Rivals 100 list going into this contest, is 0-1.

Glades Day 42, Benjamin 6: Freshman running back Kelvin Taylor begins his quest for 2,000 yards and 40 touchdowns with a masterful performance.

Taylor, who scored three touchdowns

Obituary

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Gary Ruffner

CLEWISTON — With great sorrow we announce the passing of a wonderful man and a very much loved grandfather, father, son, brother, and uncle. Gary Ruffner went to be with the Lord July 3, 2009. Grandfather of Makalya and Trinity, Father of William Wasiloff, Very much loved stepfather of Travis and Angela Robinson, Son of William (1972), Margaret Rose Wasiloff of Clewiston, Fla., Brother of Ron Ruffner of Florida, Reta, Shawn, Eleanor, Margaret, Larry (1980) and Daniel (1984), Uncle to several nieces and nephews, and Dear friend of Sandra Robinson. Gary lived in Florida. He worked on the Manitowac Cranes as an operator. He was a wonderful and much cherished son to his mother. He will be greatly missed.

carried the ball 17 times for 136 yards.

That means for the second consecutive year, he began the season with more than 100 yards rushing.

Tanner Redish, Glades Day's budding quarterback, blossomed in this game with two touchdown passes and no turnovers on 133 yards passing.

One of those scores went to Johntavis Brown, who caught a 39-yard heave from Redish in the first half.

Glades Day is 1-0, while Benjamin is 0-1. **Moore Haven 56, First Baptist Academy 6:** Fred Hall, who is aiming to become Moore Haven's first-ever 2,000 yard rushing season, got on the right track this game.

He led the Terriers with five overall touchdowns (four rushing) with 199 yards on 16 carries.

That makes Hall the area's leading rush-

er going into Week 2 of the regular season, besting Taylor by 63 yards.

Keonte White, meanwhile, threw for 181 yards on 7-of-14 passing for two touchdowns and no interceptions.

Terry Hallback led all of Moore Haven's receivers with three catches for 77 yards in the win.

Moore Haven is 1-0, while First Baptist Academy, in their first-ever game, is 0-1.

Week 2 games - all are on Friday, 9/11

Pahokee at Inlet Grove - 4 p.m.

Glades Day vs. Dade Christian (Miami) - Homecoming game at 7:30 p.m.

Glades Central vs. Palm Beach Central - 7:30 p.m. Moore Haven vs. Berean Christian - 7:30 p.m.

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Walk in the Past: The Indian Removal Act

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum

Cold, winter winds cut like knives through the thin cloths of the Cherokee people, who struggled relentlessly through falling snow and frozen wastelands. Their weary, shuffling feet resounded in the quiet, frozen land that had engulfed them in a raging sea of white.

The sorrow and harshness of the journey was more than many could bear. Relief for some came from beyond the grave, when the icy, cold kiss of death removed them forever from the terrible suffering they had endured on a thousand mile odyssey to an unseen land.

Some 15,000 Cherokee men, women and children started the long exodus to the west. Approximately 4,000 never made it to the promise land of milk and honey. The Cherokee Nation's westward journey would become known as the Trail of Tears.

Why would Native Americans risk so much for new lands out west when they were happy in their southern homelands? It is time to "Take a Walk in The Past" and read about a dark chapter in the history of the United States.

The removal of Native Americans to lands west of the Mississippi was used on Andrew Jackson's presidential campaigns in 1824 and 1828. Jackson won the presidential election in 1828, and he didn't forget his campaign promises to the American people. During his first term, Jackson encouraged the making of a legal document called the Indian Removal Act, which he signed in 1830.

The Indian Removal Act empowered the President of the United States to exchange western lands (lands west of Mississippi) with any tribe or Indian nation living in the United States. The term "United States" was directed toward the young nation's Native Americans that lived east of the Mississippi River.

Most Americans favored the passage of the Indian Removal Act, though there was significant opposition. Many Christian missionaries protested passage of the Act. While in Congress, Senator Theodore Frelinghuysen and Congressman Davy Crockett spoke out against the legislation; the Indian Removal Act was passed after bitter debate in Congress.

The northern New England states strongly protested the Indian Removal Act. They had become sympathetic to the Indians' plight in the south, which is ironic when one considers the bitter and bloody wars their forefathers fought against the "Redman" for over two hundred years.

Countless wars and European disease had practically wiped out the Indian nations in the New England regions, leaving only remnants of the once proud people. The surviving Indian nations lost most of their lands to the invading settlers and were now a scattered and docile people that posed no threat to the thriving New England communities around them.

The sympathies of the New England people toward the Redman are reminiscent of the remark made by England's famous World War II Prime Minister, Winston Churchill.

When dealing with the reconstruction of a defeated Germany at the war's end he said, "The Germans are either at your throat or at your heart."

The South's view of the Indian was much different than that of their brethren up north. They didn't consider the Indians in the southeast docile, but warlike. Southerners still remembered the war cries that had rang out across the southern frontiers and the bloodshed that followed. These fresh and vivid memories were never forgotten by some, including Andrew Jackson.

The savage fighting and atrocities committed on the southern frontiers, generated a prejudice and hate that lasted for years. These feelings were expressed at the 1828 presidential election.

Prejudice, accented with greed, made it easy for southern states to take the remaining lands from the Five Civilized Tribes (Creek, Cherokee, Choctaw, Chickasaw and Seminoles) and bear no guilt. Georgia is credited with taking Creek lands and later Cherokee lands through the American court system, while justifying its actions all the way to the Supreme Court.

The Indian Removal Act was supposed to be voluntary on the Indian's part, but in reality, the United States government put great pressure on the Indians, especially the Five Civilized Nations, to relocate west.

The Cherokees had adapted to white culture and become unofficially "Americanized." Many of the Cherokees owned farms, plantations, and slaves, while the Cherokee Nation had its own written language and newspaper. However, the Cherokees assimilation into many aspects of American life failed to spare them from Georgia's greed for more land, even after taking their grievances to the Supreme Court.

The Indian Removal Act started the reluctant and often forcible emigration of tens of thousands of American Indians to the West. It is estimated that 70,000 Indians were forced to move west.

The Choctaws living in Mississippi were the first to sign a treaty (Treaty of Dancing Rabbit Creek) in 1830, which ceded their lands in exchange for payment and land in the west. A Choctaw chief was quoted in the Arkansas Gazette as saying the removal was, "a trail of tears and death."

In 1835, the Cherokees signed the Treaty of New Echota, which resulted in their relocation out west. Their move to the west was in the winter and many perished. The Cherokees long and bitter journey to the new western lands became known as the "Trail of Tears."

Many Indians from the Five Civilized Tribes had intermarried with whites. Their offspring looked white and had adapted fully into white America. These mixed Indians that wished to stay behind had little trouble hiding their Indian heritage and canceling their trip west.

There were other Indians, who wished to stay behind that had olive complexions. Their olive complexions weren't going away, so they needed a Tall Tale to convince military authorities that they were white.

Sometimes, desperate times call for desperate measures. Indians claiming to be white with olive complexions told the

authorities that they were "Black Dutch," a term that got its origins in an old world country - Holland. Some successfully used this ploy, integrating into white America, while forfeiting their trip west.

The term "Black Dutch" got its roots in Spain, when Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand demanded that its Jewish citizens become Christian believers or face the alternative - expulsion from Spain. Most Jews remained loyal to their religion and were forced to look elsewhere for a new homeland.

Many Jews immigrated into Holland and greatly embellished the country's economics with business savvy and craftsman trades, especially diamond cutters. The Jews assimilated well into Dutch life, becoming great citizens. However, their olive skin and dark hair never blended with the Nordic look (blond hair and blue eyes), so the Jews living in Holland became known as the "Black Dutch."

In the 1800s, my great grandmother lived in Escambia County, Florida, which abounds with the history of Creeks and Seminoles. She unknowingly passed down a legacy, telling her children that her family descended from "Black Dutch." I can still recall as a very young boy, her long beautiful hair, high cheek bones and olive skin.

The Seminoles knew that politically, things weren't looking good. Their old adversary, Andrew Jackson, was elected as president in 1828 and had been a strong advocate of the Indian Removal Act. They knew his reelection in 1832 more or less confirmed the will and sentiments of the American people. The Indian Removal Act in 1830 was confirmation.

The Indian Removal Act was indeed a raw deal for the Seminoles, but if you lived on the Florida frontier and were a settler, you would have been mighty grateful that it passed in Congress. The Indians continued to cross reservation boundaries after the droughts had passed in the 1820s, and some sought vengeance for the bitter indignities they had personally suffered.

Living on the Florida frontier was great, if you wanted, "elbow room," but quite dismal should your homestead become the target of vengeful Seminoles. Neighbors living miles away gave little comfort to a soul that perplexed over such matters.

A drop of fear can quickly grow into a sea of fear. It was Seminole phobia that haunted white settlers living in the sparsely settled areas of Florida because they lived daily with the hidden fear of an Indian uprising.

I hope you have enjoyed this story. Please contact the Clewiston Museum if you have questions, artifacts, pictures, or a "Whale of a Tale" that you would like to share. The Museum's hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The museum provides an interesting fossil display of prehistoric animals that once roamed the Glades thousands of years ago and artifacts that reflect the heritage of Clewiston. Its theater has a 65-seat capacity and presents movies on the history of Clewiston, sugar cane harvesting, and the orange industry. Come by and enjoy a 45-minute group-tour for only \$2.00 per person



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What are the risks from getting a flu shot?

Almost all people who get influenza vaccine have no serious problems from it. The viruses in the flu shot are killed (inactivated), so you cannot get the flu from a flu shot.

The risk of a flu shot causing serious harm, or death, is extremely small.

However, a vaccine, like any medicine, may rarely cause serious problems, such as severe allergic reactions.

What are the side effects that could occur?

- Soreness, redness, or swelling where the shot was given
- Fever (low grade)
- Aches

If these problems occur, they begin soon after the shot and usually last one to two days.

What should I do if I have had a serious reaction to influenza vaccine?

- Call a doctor, or get to a doctor right away.
- Tell your doctor what happened, the date and time it happened, and when you got the flu shot.
- Ask your doctor, nurse, or health department to file a Vaccine Adverse Event Report.

porting System (VAERS) form, or call VAERS at 1-800-822-7967.

Can the flu shot give me the flu?

No, the flu shot cannot cause flu illness. The influenza viruses contained in the flu vaccine are each inactivated (killed), which means they cannot cause infection.

Flu vaccine manufacturers kill the viruses used in the vaccine during the process of making vaccine; batches of flu vaccine are tested to make sure they are safe.

In randomized, blinded studies, where some people got flu shots and others got saltwater shots, the only differences in symptoms was increased soreness in the arm and redness at the injection site among people who got the flu shot.

There were no differences in terms of body aches, fever, cough, runny nose or sore throat.

Why do some people feel bad

after getting the flu shot?

The most common side effect of the flu vaccine in adults is soreness at the spot where the shot was given, which usually lasts less than two days.

The soreness is often caused by a person's immune system making protective antibodies to the killed viruses in the vaccine.

These antibodies are what allow the body to fight against flu.

The needle stick may also cause some soreness at the injection site.

According to the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), rare symptoms include fever, muscle pain, and feelings of discomfort or weakness.

If these problems occur, they are very uncommon and usually begin soon after the shot and last 1-2 days.

Learn more about how you can receive your flu shot. Call Hendry Regional Medical Center at 863-983-9121 today.

Should you get a flu shot?

By Glenda Wilson

It's already time for seasonal flu shots, and Hendry Regional Medical Center wants to educate the public with some information provided from the Center for Disease Control's website.

What is the flu shot?

The flu shot is an inactivated vaccine (containing killed influenza viruses) that is given with a needle, usually in the arm.

Who should get a flu shot?

In general, anyone who wants to reduce their chances of getting the flu can get vaccinated; however, certain people should get vaccinated each year.

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Dr. Gonzalo Echavarria Anesthesiologist at HRMC

By Glenda Wilson

We call him 'Dr. E'

Dr. Gonzalo Echavarria (called Dr. E by many at the hospital) arrived at Hendry Regional Medical Center last January as its new anesthesiologist.

Originally from Argentina, Dr. Echavarria and his wife, Carol, have two children, a daughter who is two and a son who is four.

Education

Today's anesthesiologists are physicians who complete a four-year college program, four years of graduate doctoral training, and four more years of anesthesiology residency.

Dr. Echavarria performed two years of medical research at Columbia University in the City of New York.

Afterwards, he did a one-year surgical internship at the University of Pittsburg in Pennsylvania, but later changed his focus to anesthesia.

He had three years of training at Louisiana State University and served as Chief of Anesthesia at that location before graduating in 2006.

Shortly thereafter, he moved to Florida and joined the staff of Wellington Regional Medical Center, before accepting a position at Hendry Regional.

An Anesthesiologist – what is that?

Anesthesiologists are medical doctors who specialize in anesthesiology.

Anesthesiology is the study and use of medicines or combinations of medicines to produce a partial or complete loss of sensation and/or consciousness in patients.

Dr. Echavarria administers medication (called anesthetics, anesthetic agents, or anesthesia) to reduce or block pain caused by medical conditions or injuries, or to manage and control pain during and after medical procedures such as surgeries.

Dr. Echavarria has a broad range of

knowledge in several different areas of medicine.

Prior to administering anesthesia, he must learn as much as possible about your personal history, family history, and medical condition (e.g., illness or injury).

He applies his knowledge of medicine to fulfill his primary role in the operating room, which is not only to ensure your comfort during surgery, but also to make informed medical judgments to protect you.

These include treating and regulating changes in your critical life functions -- breathing, heart rate, and blood pressure -- since they are affected by the surgery being performed.

Dr. Echavarria is a specialist who will immediately diagnose and treat any medical problems that might arise during your surgery or recovery period.

'Dr. E' often works with other physicians and nurses as part of a healthcare team to monitor patients before, during, and after they receive anesthesia.

He may supervise other anesthetists such as certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNA's) who also have advanced training in anesthesia.

Before having surgery, you may meet this important physician specialist -- your anesthesiologist, Dr. Echavarria (Dr. E), who is your advocate in the operating room.



Courtesy photo/HRMC

Dr. Gonzalo Echavarria is Hendry Regional's new anesthesiologist.

Healthy Back To School Habits

This is the time of year to begin good oral hygiene habits in children and adolescents. Give them a lifelong practice that will benefit them far after they stop going to school.

Holland, MI, September 3, 2009 – Summer is winding down and thoughts are migrating toward "back to school". Most parents are excited, most kids are not. With the start of school, bad habits that accumulated in the summer will have to change. Some of these are bed times, homework guidelines, eating patterns and hygiene.

One of the most important habits for children and adolescents that are often overlooked is good oral hygiene. Since so many illnesses (like diabetes, heart disease, copd and others) are now being shown to link to oral health, it makes sense to establish healthy patterns while persons are young. These efforts will pay off in an individual's overall health in years to come.

Some oral health routines for parents to establish in their children:

- Avoid sugar sweetened beverages
- Avoid sugar laden foods
- Brush teeth twice a day
- Floss between teeth once a day

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City hall gets a face lift

The city hall in Moore Haven is receiving exterior improvements. City hall is located on Riverside Drive, Moore Haven, Glades County.



Okeechobee News/Pete Gawda

Seminole Royalty

Alyana Tommie, 2009 Brighton Junior Miss Princess, was one of the participants in the Okeechobee Cattlemen's Association Labor Day Parade.



INI Florida/Katrina Elsen

Labor Day parade

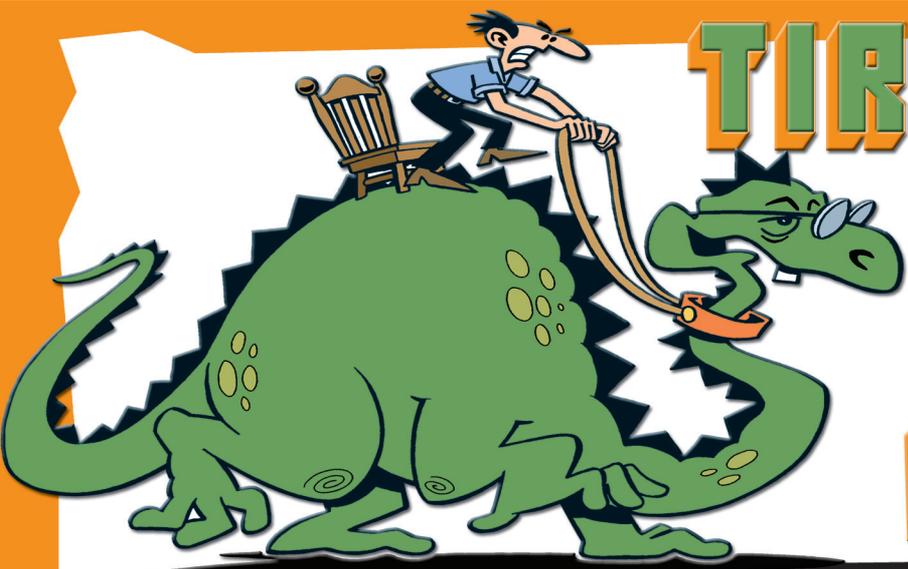
Members of the Seminole Tribe were among those participating in the Labor Day Parade in downtown Okeechobee on Monday.



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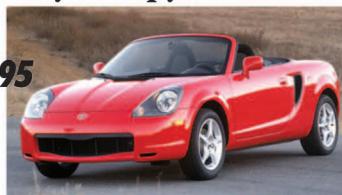
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Education: Key to the future

ECSWF ends first C.N.A. class

By **Patty Brant**
INI Florida

Hendry County is no stranger to high unemployment, but the current state of the economy is stretching many families to the breaking point. Bright spots are hard to come by, but there are bits of hope right here in your own neighborhood.

The Career and Service Center of Southwest Florida is now a One Stop Center on the Education of Southwest Florida, Inc. (ECSWF) campus, providing as seamless an array of employment services as possible. You can call the One Stop Center at 675-6700.

Since 1999 ECSWF has been providing basic courses designed to help those who need a job and also those who want to improve their earning potential. In 2002 the center became a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. The One Stop Centers offer a network of employment, education and training services. The center is located at 4930 SR 29 S, approximately four miles south of Cowboy Way. By bringing together all the components of employment - job seekers, prospective employers and training - the center is set up to maximize clients' success.

LaBelle's One Stop Center was made possible by federal stimulus funding to the Southwest Florida Workforce Development Board, Inc., which covers Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee counties. One Stop Centers are also available in Clewiston, Immokalee and Fort Myers.

At the Career and Service Center, Administrative Assistant Ashley Betancourt is on hand to assist anyone who stops by searching for a new job or training services. Ashley shares a bond with many of the people who come to the center. An experienced clerical worker, she lost her job through downsizing about a year-and-a-half ago. This mother of two said she was forced to rely on unemployment and looking for any assistance she could on her quest for a better future. She said Anna Ripperdan of Hendry County Social Services pointed her to the ECSWF to help with her job search. That eventually led to her being hired part time last February, then full time in July.

Her experience with the uncertainty of unemployment, especially being responsible for a family, gives her a special approach to clients because she has been where they are. She understands the hardship of having vehicles repossessed and of losing your home. She also knows how to help them through the process that can lead to a new life.

The One Stop Center provides internet job searches through Employ Florida MarketPlace access and also offers help with resume writing. The center is open from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday. August 27, ECSWF celebrated the successful conclusion of its first Certified Nursing Assistant (C.N.A.) class at Olivia's Restaurant. The 80-hour class was a combined effort of the Chamber of Commerce, which provided scholarship money for students, ECSWF and Oakbrook Nurs-

ing Home, which allowed use of its facilities for the class.

Cathy Burley of Oakbrook Nursing Home instructed the ten-week course, which included students' tuition, uniforms, equipment and even the cost of their state exam. Students still have a big hurdle before being able to work in their chosen field. They must pass their state exam before they can be employed as C.N.A.s.

ECSWF Executive Director Sonny Hughes is confident those passing the exam will find work as C.N.A.s. He said the school chose to offer the class because of the demand for C.N.A.s. Another C.N.A. class is planned for October. Anyone interested should call ECSWF at 675-6800.

C.N.A. graduates are now looking forward to passing the state exam and finding employment. It is their first step on a journey that will be different for each of them.

Cheryl Perez came to LaBelle in 1986. She has been driving the RCMA Head Start bus. With two grown children who are proud of her achievement, Cheryl is ready to pursue her new life. She believes it is her compassion that drew her to the health field.

At 22, Megan Puente said she's always wanted to get into the health field and is ready to focus on that dream. The class provided the impetus she needed to take that first step into her career. Megan hopes to work in either geriatrics or maternity. Her ultimate goal is to become an RN and work at a hospital. Understanding just what this class means, she looks forward to taking the next step toward that goal, saying, "I couldn't have done it without this school."

Malika Melnichenko sees this class as her best option in this economy. She graduated from LaBelle High School in 2006 and is also attending Edison State College as well as working at Olivia's. After earning her AA she plans to transfer to the University of Miami where she wants to study voice. She participates in voice worship at New Harvest Church in Clewiston. As a C.N.A. she can help pay for the rest of her education.

Shantal Melroy graduated from LHS in 2008 and is also a student at Edison State College studying nursing. Becoming a C.N.A. will provide her with invaluable experience in the health field she knows will be of service to her some day as a pediatric RN. She currently works at the post office, but plans to seek a job at a hospital.

Also completing the C.N.A. course were: Danielle Hayes, Megan Marroquin, Carolyn Muzzy, Kari West and Angelica Coronilla.

ECSWF has always provided basic computer classes, which may be set up at any time. Four students are required to begin one. They meet Saturdays from 9-11:30 a.m. at the center.

You may also take CDL classes and construction through ECSWF courses as they come available.

If you need to talk to a career counselor you can call Ashley at 863-675-6800.

Gerri Yoraschek, Chairman of the Education Center, and Executive Director Sonny Hughes both expressed their pride at the accomplishment of these young women and look forward to the next class.

USDA announces additional weight category for livestock indemnity program

Washington -The USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) today announced it will add an additional weight category to the Livestock Indemnity Program (LIP) for non-adult beef cattle, non-adult dairy cattle and non-adult buffalo/beefalo.

The over 400 pound category will be split into 2 categories, 400 to 799 pounds and 800 pounds or more. This change will ensure that the assigned market values for non-adult beef cattle, non-adult dairy cattle and non-adult buffalo/beefalo over 400 pounds reflect the statutory requirement for the payment to be 75 percent of the market value for the livestock.

FSA state offices will establish new normal mortality rates for each of the new weight categories covered under LIP and FSA national headquarters will establish average fair market prices for each category.

LIP was authorized in the 2008 Farm Bill and provides assistance to producers for livestock deaths that result from natural

disasters. Using funds from the Agricultural Disaster Relief Trust Fund established under section 902 of the Trade Act of 1974, the program is administered by FSA. LIP compensates livestock owners and contract growers for livestock death losses in excess of normal mortality due to adverse weather, including losses due to hurricanes, floods, blizzards, disease, wildfires, extreme heat and extreme cold. Eligible losses must have occurred on or after January 1, 2008, and before October 1, 2011.

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Religious columns

Habits or Heart?

By Pastor John Hicks

First United Methodist Church

Someone once posed some thought provoking questions: "Which would you prefer for a next-door neighbor: a person with excellent habits or a person with a good heart?"

"Which would you prefer for a good friend: a person of excellent habits, or a person with a good heart?"

"Which would you prefer for a husband or a wife: a person of excellent habits, or a person with a good heart?"

"Which would you prefer for a child: a child with excellent habits, or a child with a good heart?"

It's great to have neighbors who care for their property while respecting yours.

It's wonderful to have a friend who always treats you with consideration.

It's a blessing to be married to a husband who always is thoughtful and courteous, or to a wife who always is gracious in her comments and deeds.

It's fantastic to have a son or daughter who shows respect and uses good manners.

As wonderful as these things are, however, none of them compare to having a neighbor, a friend, a husband, a wife, a son, or a daughter with a good heart.

When you discuss good behavior and good habits, you are discussing the quality of a person's self-discipline.

When you discuss a good heart, you are discussing the quality of the person.

God prefers deeds to creeds, love over law, and hearts over habits.

Our Scriptures affirm: "The seed on good soil stands for those with a noble and good heart, who hear the word, retain it, and by persevering produce a crop." (Luke 8:15)

Labor Day: Is work about drudgery or is it an offering to God?

By The Reverend Samuel S.

Thomas, Ph. D. +

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

Labor Day for me meant "catching up" on some chores and taking a bit of a "Sabbath" too.

For many, it meant a long weekend; a chance to be away and kick back.

For others it was business as usual.

It seems we need a holiday from labor for different reasons; being paid is the reason given for labor, isn't it?

Most people would stop working if they weren't paid; but then there are those blessed ones who would continue anyway.

It's simple; we're rewarded for doing what is needed but what we may not like to do; and we pay for the things that may not be needed that we like to do.

Jesus tells the parable about laborers in a vineyard; who do different amounts of work but are all paid the same (Matthew 20:1ff).

The cry is "That's unfair! We bore the heat of the day and these others worked only an hour, and you're going to pay us all the same?"

Now, I know many amateur gardeners who bear the heat of the day hour after hour, working as hard as they can, and they get paid.... nothing!

They will tell you about a labor of love, about making things beautiful, about the joy of seeing things grow.

Same labor; different outlook. The Lord's parable about the laborers is not about equality but about fairness; they agreed to work for a certain amount and that was enough – or should have been.

I have come to regard as blessed those who love (or at least enjoy) their work.

I have been privileged in being able to spend life in a domain that I find totally fascinating.

The price of "administrivia" is a small one to pay as I see it; having to go to meetings that I don't really find edifying, filing reports and wondering if they are ever read, having to continually explain that our rural ministry is different than the ones on the coasts, being concerned about temporal affairs that may not be spiritual but are a "must" in any organization.

The chance to proclaim, to share, to help, to guide people along their spiritual pathways, to share in the special times in people's lives when they have a new addition or get married or celebrate a special occasion, being part of a special family-God's family; all of these things more than compensate for the parts I don't quite enjoy as much.

I suspect there is that balance between what we like about our work and what we don't like for all of us.

A lecture I heard on "washing dishes to the glory of God" was seeing that what I took as drudgery had a place in God's plans; making His world a little cleaner and safer so that His creatures might eat safely and be healthy.

It still might have been drudgery, but I understood it was with a reason and related to God's world.

Both work and joy?

It's possible!

Wake up! America!

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist

First Christian Church

Jesus said in Matthew 11:24-25 "While men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares amount the wheat and went away."

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 3/2 Home with pool and apartment - Davidson Rd \$176K

2/2 Condo Bass 'n Sun furnished \$112K
 4/1.5 E. Alverdez \$109K
 3/2 w/ Den Bayberry \$250K
 New 3/2 Orchard Park \$134,000
 3/2 with large shed and fenced yard - E Concordia \$169,900
 3/2/2 with pool E Del Monte \$189,900

MOBILE HOMES

3/2 DWMH w/ a/g pool Evercane Rd Reduced \$165K
 3/2 DWMH on lake Allen Rd \$120,000
 3/2 DWMH has CBS outbuilding - Magnolia Lane \$79.9K
 3/2 SWMH Hooker's and Point Rd \$44,900

VACANT LAND

27.5 acres Pioneer \$245K
 10 Montura lots \$9,900 each
 2.5 acres Montura \$25K

MooreHaven - 5 lots \$75K
 MooreHaven-2lots \$39.9K
COMMERCIAL
 Warehouse (rented) + 85 storage units (some a/c) E El Paso - Call for details.
SHORT SALE
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- 3BD/2BA MH on Merit St. Screened Porch and Private Fence. \$85,000
- 3BD/2 BA on Haiti Ave. with Privacy Fenced Asking \$89,000
- 2BD/1BA Della Tobias. Needs much TLC. Asking \$15,000
- 2 Brand New 3/BR/2.5 BA Lennar Town Homes, \$179,000
- 2 Duplexes on Obispo Ave. Each unit has 2BR/1BA. \$224.9K
- 4BD/2BA CBS Home on Del Monte Ave. Newly Renovated. \$195K
- Country Living Off CR 720. 2BD/2BA 1.25 Acres. \$185,000
- 2/1 MH on Gratton Rd. 1.37 Acres Reduced to \$59,900
- 3BD/2BA Brand New CBS Home in Orchard Park. Asking \$129,000

MOORE HAVEN / LAKEPORT

- Riverfront 3BD/2BA with Guest House \$250,000
- Riverfront 2BD/2BA with Efficiency. \$90,000
- Riverfront lot w/ Improvements. \$100,000
- 3BD/2BA MH. Yacht Club Way w/ Garage Asking \$140K
- Waterfront w/ lake access 2/2 w/ 2-Bay Boat House in Lakeport. \$ 219K
- 2/2 MH w/ Sunroom. Yacht Club Way \$82,500

ACREAGE, LAND & LOTS

- 51 Acre Ranch with 3BD/2BA Home. \$750,000
- Buildable lot on Del Monte Ave. \$129.9K
- 2 lots, Horseshoe Acres Reduced \$43.9K
- Highlands Co. 10, 28, & 80 AC. Parcels. Owner Financing Available
- 5 Acres Wooded Lot in La Deca \$75,000
- 1.5 Acres on Hookers Point Rd. Improvements included \$75K
- Vacant Residential Lot on Central Ave. Asking \$20,000
- Commercial lot on Bond St. Make offer!
- LaDeca. 3BD/2BA on 2.5 Acres. Large Pole Barn. \$225,000

MONTURA/FLAGHOLE

- 1.25 AC Parcels available in Montura Estate Ranches
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- 4/2 CBS Home w/ Det. Garage on Kilpatrick Loop. \$ 259K

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- Mobile Home Park. Hwy 27 Frontage. \$435,000
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- Flaghole MH '02 w/ shed & pond \$112K
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- **Reduced!** Melissa Rd. on lake \$84.9K
- Beautiful 3/2 corner lot **Reduced \$125K**
- 1670 Ridgill MH w/ pond \$39.9K
- 213 San Gabriel Like New \$123K
- **WOW!** Home Steps 3/2 Condo \$99.5K
- 10 Acres w/ '03 MH @ \$112.9K
- Vacant Lot - 12K Texas Ave
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- 3/2 House 628 E. Ventura \$89.9K
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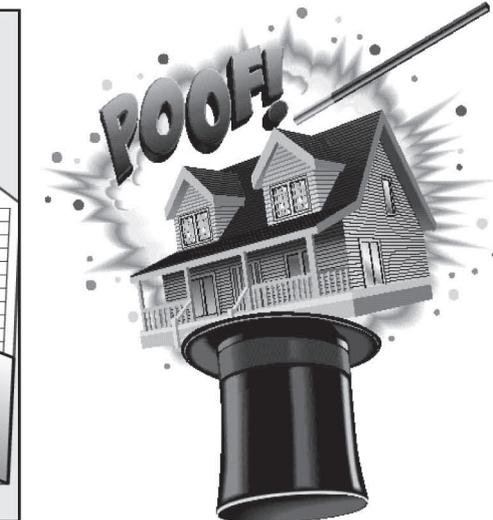
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Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 08-1287-CA
WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. Plaintiff,

Public Notice
RICARDO BALDERAS; ANGELICA BALDERAS; and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the herein named defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants; TENANT #1 and/or TENANT #2, the parties intended to account for the person or persons in possession
Defendants.

Public Notice
NOTICE OF SALE
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 24, 2009, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida, described as:

Public Notice
LOT 10, BLOCK 4, W.T. MADDOX FIRST ADDITION TO ENGLEWOOD TERRACE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 107, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH AMOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A PERMANENT FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO, DESCRIBED AS A 2006 HMMT DOUBLEWIDE, ID VIN NUMBERS FLHML2N167329590A & FLHML2N1673290B, TITLE NUMBERS 98185519 & 98185722, AND DECAL NUMBERS 12367031 & 12367032.

Public Notice
a/k/a 699 Maddox Street
Labelle, Florida 33935
at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in front of the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court being on the second floor of the administration building of the Hendry County Courthouse, Labelle, HENDRY County, Florida, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on September 30, 2009.

Public Notice
YOU ARE HEREBY required to file your answer or written defenses, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile (813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, the nature of this proceeding being a suit for foreclosure of mortgage against the following described property, to wit:

Public Notice
THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 23 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, ALSO KNOWN AS LOT NO. 4583 IN MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

Public Notice
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Trust Estate
Trust Estate of Robert Earl Meyers ("Decedent")
Date of Decedent's Birth: October 18, 1927
Name of Trust: Earl and Ruth Ann Meyers Joint Living Trust

Public Notice
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Decedent, Robert Earl Meyers, who lived at 170 Daniels Road SE #173, Moore Haven, FL 33471, died August 14, 2009. There is no personal representative of the Decedent's estate to whom Letters of Authority have been issued.

Public Notice
Creditors of Decedent are notified that all claims against Decedent's trust estate will be forever barred unless presented to Trustee Amy S. Neuman at 5981 Driftwood Lane, Belleaire, Michigan 49615 within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice.

Public Notice
Amy S. Neuman
5981 Driftwood Lane
Belleaire, MD 39615
(311) 533-8067
331803 CN 9/3,10/09

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 8th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY
Case #: 2009-CA-000164

Public Notice
Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1, Plaintiff,
-vs-
Rilean Smith Hooker and Emma J.S. Smith a/k/a Emma Smith; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants
Defendant(s)

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ACTION
FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY
TO: Emma J.S. Smith a/k/a Emma Smith; ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 448 Avenue S Southwest, Moore Haven, FL 33471

Public Notice
Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their 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 the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

Public Notice
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been commenced to foreclose a mortgage on the following real property, lying and being and situated in Glades County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

Public Notice
LOT 39, LESS THE NORTH 50 FEET, AND ALL OF LOT 46, BLOCK 175, IN THE CITY OR TOWNSHIP OF MOORE HAVEN FLORIDA ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 5, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Public Notice
more commonly known as 448 Avenue S Southwest, Moore Haven, FL 33471.

Public Notice
This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon SHAPIRO & FISHPAN, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 10004 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 112, Tampa, FL 33618, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the clerk of 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.

Public Notice
WITNESS My hand and seal of this Court on the 27th day of August, 2009.

Public Notice
JOE FLINT
Circuit and County Courts
By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
Deputy Clerk
332001 CN 9/3,10/09

Public Notice
331882 CN 9/3,10/09

Public Notice
NOTICE TO PUBLIC
The Hendry County Hospital Authority Board of Directors will conduct a Preliminary Budget Hearing beginning at 5:30 pm on Friday, September 25th, in the Conference Room at Hendry Regional Medical Center, 524 W Sagamore Ave - Clewiston, Florida. 332634 CN 9/10/09

Public Notice
The Hendry County Hospital Authority Board of Directors will conduct a Final Budget Hearing beginning at 5:30 pm on Friday, September 25th, in the Conference Room at Hendry Regional Medical Center, 524 W Sagamore Ave - Clewiston, Florida. 332635 CN 9/10/09

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY
Case #: 2009-CA-000151

Public Notice
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff,
-vs-
Tylon Fraley; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants
Defendant(s)

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ACTION
FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY
TO: Tylon Fraley; ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 2145 Riverside Drive Southwest, A/K/A 2286 Riverside Drive, Moore Haven, FL 33471

Public Notice
Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their 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 the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

Public Notice
YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been commenced to foreclose a mortgage on the following real property, lying and being and situated in Glades County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

Public Notice
LOT 6, RIVERVIEW, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 128, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Public Notice
more commonly known as 2145 Riverside Drive Southwest, a/k/a 2286 Riverside Drive, Moore Haven, FL 33471.

Public Notice
This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon SHAPIRO & FISHPAN, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 10004 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 112, Tampa, FL 33618, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the clerk of 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.

Public Notice
WITNESS My hand and seal of this Court on the 27th day of August, 2009.

Public Notice
JOE FLINT
Circuit and County Courts
By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
Deputy Clerk
332001 CN 9/3,10/09

Public Notice
NOTICE OF Rescheduled Meeting of the Rural Area Plan Ad-Hoc Committee
This Committee was formed by the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners to review the County's Rural and Agriculture Lands Study conducted by RWA, Inc., and make recommendations to the Board on long-term goals and land development regulations with regard to the report. The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 22, 2009, 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Emergency Medical Services Training Room, 1050 Forestry Division Road, LaBelle, FL 33935. The public is invited to attend.

Public Notice
Questions should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department at 863-675-5240, or email ycautero@hendryfla.net 332618 CB/CN 9/10/09

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Public Notice
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Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY
Case #: 2008-CA-000242

Public Notice
JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff,
-vs-
Loretta L. Lawhon a/k/a Loretta Lynn Lawhon and Carl E. Lawhon a/k/a Carl Ed Lawhon; CitiBank, N.A.;
Defendant(s).

Public Notice
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 28, 2009, entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-000242 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff and Mario Fernandez are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., on September 23, 2009 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

Public Notice
LOTS 9 AND 10, BLOCK 31, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES 37-39, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. TOGETHER WITH 1996, 46X26, LIMITED, MOBILE HOME ID NO. FLA14610632A AND VIN FLA14610632B AND TITLE NO. 72997309 AND 72997311, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO REAL PROPERTY.

Public Notice
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.

Public Notice
IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 25 EAST HICKPOCHEE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935 WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE: IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED, CALL: 1-800-955-8771. IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL: 1-800-955-8770.

Public Notice
BARBARA S. BUTLER
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Hendry County, Florida

Public Notice
BY: /s/ S. MILLER
DEPUTY CLERK
SHAPIRO & FISHPAN, LLP
10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112
Tampa, Florida 33618
09-125162
332289 CN 9/10,17/09

Public Notice
NOTICE OF MEETING
The Joint Glades/Hendry Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged will have a meeting on September 21, 2009 at 10:30 a.m. It will be held at the Glades County Courthouse, BOCC Conference Room, 500 Avenue J SW, Moore Haven, Florida 33471.

Public Notice
All meetings of the Local Coordinating Boards are open to the public. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act should contact Brian Raimondo at the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council by calling (239) 338-2550, Ext. 211, at least seven days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, call (800) 955-8770 (Voice) or 800-955-8771 (TDD) or e-mail braimondo@swfrc.org.

Public Notice
The SWFRPC's planning process is conducted in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes. Any person or beneficiary who believes he/she has been discriminated against because of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or familial status may file a complaint with the Florida Department of Transportation, District One, Title VI Coordinator, Gina Gilbreath at 863-519-2345 or by writing her at P.O. Box 1249, Bartow, Florida 33831. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. 332742 GCD 09/10/09

Public Notice
Property of Veronica Bettard: Sofa and love seat w/matching pillows, washing machine, 2 shelves, and miscellaneous boxes & bags
Property of Ongela Maiden: 2 forest green wood frame chairs w/floral pattern seats and miscellaneous boxes
Property of Loutricia Morgan: 4 large speakers, 2 white wall units, 3 small white night stands, ATV110, washer & dryer, miscellaneous boxes
331984 SUN 9/10,17/09

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY
Case #: 2009-CA-000203

Public Notice
CitiMortgage, Inc., Plaintiff,
-vs-
Loretta L. Lawhon a/k/a Loretta Lynn Lawhon and Carl E. Lawhon a/k/a Carl Ed Lawhon; CitiBank, N.A.;
Defendant(s).

Public Notice
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 28, 2009, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000203 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein CitiMortgage, Inc., Plaintiff and Loretta L. Lawhon a/k/a Loretta Lynn Lawhon and Carl E. Lawhon a/k/a Carl Ed Lawhon are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., on December 30, 2009 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

Public Notice
LOTS 18 AND 19, LESS THE EAST 206.50 FEET OF LOT 19, BLOCK K, FORT DENAUD ACRES, UNIT 2, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 68 THROUGH 70, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Public Notice
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.

Public Notice
IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 25 EAST HICKPOCHEE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935 WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE: IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED, CALL: 1-800-955-8771. IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL: 1-800-955-8770.

Public Notice
DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 28th day of August, 2009.

Public Notice
BARBARA S. BUTLER
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Hendry County, Florida

Public Notice
BY: /s/ S. MILLER
DEPUTY CLERK
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Public Notice
IN THE COUNTY COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No. 09CC69

Public Notice
Dick Seegmiller and Julia Seegmiller, Plaintiffs
vs.
Elise Schofield, Defendant.

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: Elise Schofield, Defendant, and to all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against Defendant.

Public Notice
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that you have been designated as defendant in a legal proceeding filed against you for Eviction, Past Due Rent and Damages.

Public Notice
The action was instituted in the County Court, Glades County, Florida, and is styled DICK SEEGMILLER and JULIA SEEGMILLER vs. ELISE SCHOFIELD.
You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the action on Dick Seegmiller and Julia Seegmiller, 109 Huntley Court, Lake Placid, FL 33852, on or before September 24, 2009, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff or immediately after service; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
The Court has authority in this suit to enter a judgment or decree in the Plaintiffs' interest which will be binding upon you.
DATED: Aug. 20, 2009.

Public Notice
Joe Flint
Clerk of the County Court
Glades County, Florida
By: /s/ Bonny Rhymes
Deputy Clerk
331302 GCD 8/27/9/3,10/17/09

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-000213

Public Notice
CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, Plaintiff,
vs.
ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ MORALES, et al,
Defendant(s).

Public Notice
NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

Public Notice
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated August 21, 2009, and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000213 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, is the Plaintiff and ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ MORALES; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALEJANDRO MARTINEZ MORALES N/K/A TERESA PRADO; TENANT #1 N/K/A MATILDA ORTIZ; TENANT #2 N/K/A GABRIEL PRADO are the Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at 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 23rd day of Sept. 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

Public Notice
LOT 4, BLOCK 2105, PORT LABELLE UNIT 3, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 73, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Public Notice
A/K/A 5021 GRAMERCY ROAD LABELLE, FL 33935

Public Notice
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.

Public Notice
WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Aug. 24, 2009.

Public Notice
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Public Notice
By: /s/ D. Hammond
Deputy Clerk

Public Notice
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 33909, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.

Public Notice
331880 CN 9/3,10/09

Public Notice
IN THE COUNTY COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No. 09CC69

Public Notice
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vs.
Elise Schofield, Defendant.

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: Elise Schofield, Defendant, and to all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against Defendant.

Public Notice
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Public Notice
The action was instituted in the County Court, Glades County, Florida, and is styled DICK SEEGMILLER and JULIA SEEGMILLER vs. ELISE SCHOFIELD.
You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to the action on Dick Seegmiller and Julia Seegmiller, 109 Huntley Court, Lake Placid, FL 33852, on or before September 24, 2009, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff or immediately after service; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.
The Court has authority in this suit to enter a judgment or decree in the Plaintiffs' interest which will be binding upon you.
DATED: Aug. 20, 2009.

Public Notice
Joe Flint
Clerk of the County Court
Glades County, Florida
By: /s/ Bonny Rhymes
Deputy Clerk
331302 GCD 8/27/9/3,10/17/09

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2008-926-CA

Public Notice
LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION AS TRUSTEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, MORTGAGE LOAN ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-FF2 Plaintiff
vs.
LARRY P. VELA; CARISSA CREBS A/K/A CARISSA R. CREBS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR FIRST FRANKLIN, A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above named Defendants, Defendants.

Public Notice
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

Public Notice
NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, will on the 23rd day of September, 2009, at 11:00 o'clock A.M., at the Front of the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court in the Hendry County Courthouse, being the 2nd Floor Hallway of the Hendry County Courthouse building, Labelle, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Hendry County, Florida:

Public Notice
Lots 10 & 11, QUESTEND SUBDIVISION of Block No. 40 of the City of Labelle, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 9 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Public Notice
pursuant to the Final Judgment entered in a case pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.

Public Notice
Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale.

Public Notice
WITNESS My hand and official seal of said Court this 31st day of August, 2009.

Public Notice
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court

Public Notice
By: /s/ D. Hammond
Deputy Clerk

Public Notice
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 33909, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.

Public Notice
331880 CN 9/3,10/09

Public Notice
IN THE COUNTY COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No. 09CC69

Public Notice
Dick Seegmiller and Julia Seegmiller, Plaintiffs
vs.
Elise Schofield, Defendant.

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ACTION
TO: Elise Schofield, Defendant, and to all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against Defendant.

Public Notice
YOU ARE NOTIFIED that you have been designated as defendant in a legal proceeding filed against you for Eviction, Past Due Rent and Damages.

Public Notice
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Deputy Clerk
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 09-117-CA

HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2006, FREMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-D, Plaintiff
 vs.
 WILLIAM O. STEWART JR.; AMY D. STEWART; BANK OF AMERICA, NA; COAST BANK OF FLORIDA; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendants

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 28, 2009, and entered in Case No. 09-117-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida. HSBC BANK USA, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT DATED AS OF NOVEMBER 1, 2006, FREMONT HOME LOAN TRUST 2006-D is Plaintiff and WILLIAM O. STEWART JR.; AMY D. STEWART; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; BANK OF AMERICA, NA; COAST BANK OF FLORIDA; are 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 Hickpochee, LaBelle, in Hendry County, FL, at 11:00 a.m., on the 30th day of September, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

THE WEST HALF (W 1/2) OF THE SOUTH 595 FEET OF THE EAST 850 FEET OF THE WEST HALF (W 1/2) OF THE SOUTH QUARTER (SW 1/4) OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, LESS THE SOUTH 50 FEET THEREOF FOR ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY.

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 31 day of August, 2009.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
 As Clerk of said Court
 By: /s/ S. Miller
 Deputy Clerk
 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 1-800-995-8770(V)(Via Florida Relay Services).
 332202 CN 09/10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 08-001194-CA

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 CHRISTINA K. PATTERSON; WILLIAM PATTERSON; and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the herein named Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants; TENANT #1 and/or TENANT #2; the parties intended to account for the person or persons in possession; PORT LABELLE UNIT FOUR PROPERTY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; PRIME ACCEPTANCE CORP.
 Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 24, 2009, in this case, I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida, described as:

LOT 39, BLOCK 2150, PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

a/k/a 4064 E. Sunflower Circle LaBelle, Florida 33935

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in front of the office of the Clerk of the Clerk of Circuit Court being on the second floor of the administration building of the Hendry County Courthouse, LaBelle, HENDRY County, Florida, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on September 23, 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.
 Dated at LaBelle, Florida, this 28th day of August, 2009.

Barbara F. Butler
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ S. Miller
 Deputy Clerk

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, E. MARION AVENUE, PUNTA GORDA, FL 33950, AND WHOSE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (941) 637-2281, WITHIN TWO WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 1-800-955-8771.
 324708 CN 6/25;7/2/09

Public Notice

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN OF WIDENING AND RESURFACING CR 833 FROM BIG CYPRESS RESERVATION TO 4 MILES NORTH AND CR 833 CURVE AT THE INTERSECTION OF CR 833 AND CR 846 IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

RFQ. No: 2009-35

OPENING DATE: Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in connection with the design of CR 833 from the Big Cypress Reservation to 4 miles North and CR 833 Curve at the intersection of CR 833 and CR 846 in Hendry County. Must have expertise in construction design for Roadway Improvements. Proposers shall have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. Individuals and firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submissions Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C. E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle Florida by 2:00 p.m., September 23, 2009, 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 Office, located at 99 E Cowboy Way, LaBelle, FL (or pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5222. Instructions and RFQ documents will be emailed upon request; however, Hendry County will not guarantee the accuracy or completeness of documents sent via email.

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

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively seeks Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation.

Board of County Commissioners
 Janet B. Taylor
 332048 CB/CN 9/3,10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 09-48-CA

INDYMAC FEDERAL BANK, FSb, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO INDYMAC BANK, FSb
 Plaintiff
 vs.
 JOHN G. COOK SR.; JUDITH A. COOK; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY;
 Defendants

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 28, 2009, and entered in Case No. 09-48-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida. INDYMAC FEDERAL BANK, F.S.B. AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO INDYMAC BANK, FSb is Plaintiff and JOHN G. COOK SR and JUDITH A. COOK, are 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 Hickpochee, LaBelle in Hendry County, FL, at 11:00 a.m., on the 30th day of September, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 13, HIDDEN HAMMOCK SUBDIVISION UNIT 2, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 140, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A LOT 5 KRAFT CIRCLE LABELLE, FL 33471

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 August 31, 2009.

Joe Flint
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
 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 3117, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.
 332352 CN 9/10,17/09

Public Notice

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN OF WIDENING AND RESURFACING CR 838 FROM OLD CR 78 TO SLAUGHTERHOUSE CURVE (APPROXIMATELY 2.3 MILES) IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

RFQ. No: 2009-36

OPENING DATE: Wednesday, September 23, 2009

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in connection with the design of CR 78 from Old CR 78 to Slaughterhouse Curve (approximately 2.3 miles) in Hendry County, Florida. Must have expertise in construction design for Roadway Improvements. Proposers shall have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. Individuals and firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submissions Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C. E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle Florida by 2:00 p.m., September 23, 2009, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

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Board of County Commissioners
 Janet B. Taylor
 332042 CB/CN 9/3,10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO. 22-2008-CA-000118

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,
 vs.
 GERRY MOORE A/K/A GERALDINE MOORE, et al,
 Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated August 27, 2009 and entered in Case No. 22-2008-CA-000118 of the Circuit Court in and for GLADES County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., is the Plaintiff and GERRY MOORE A/K/A GERALDINE MOORE; ALSTORKE E. MOORE, are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at STEPS OF THE GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 1st day of October, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 5, LESS THE EAST 20 FEET, ALL OF LOT 6 AND THE EAST 20 FEET OF LOT 7, BLOCK 2, W.T. MADDOX'S FIRST ADDITION TO BELMONT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 8, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A LOT 5 KRAFT CIRCLE LABELLE, FL 33471

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 August 31, 2009.

Joe Flint
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
 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 3117, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.
 332352 CN 9/10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY
Case #: 2009-CA-000264

Wachovia Bank, N.A. Plaintiff,
 vs.
 William M. Sanders and Cynthia B. Sanders, Husband and Wife; Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 28, 2009, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000264 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein Wachovia Bank, N.A., Plaintiff and William M. Sanders and Cynthia B. Sanders, Husband and Wife are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on September 23, 2009 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 5, LESS THE EAST 20 FEET, ALL OF LOT 6 AND THE EAST 20 FEET OF LOT 7, BLOCK 2, W.T. MADDOX'S FIRST ADDITION TO BELMONT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 8, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 25 EAST HICKPOCHEME AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935 WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE; IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL 1-800-955-8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL: 1-800-955-8770. DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 28th day of August, 2009.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
 CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
 Hendry County, Florida

By: /s/ S. MILLER
 DEPUTY CLERK

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
 SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP
 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy,
 Suite 112
 Tampa, Florida 33618
 09-129133
 332290 CN 9/10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-000161

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 EVELIO DOPICO A/K/A EVELIO F. DOPICO FERNANDEZ, et al
 Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated September 1, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000161 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and EVELIO DOPICO A/K/A EVELIO F. DOPICO FERNANDEZ; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at STEPS OF THE GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 1st day of October, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

THE NORTH 332.80 FEET OF THE SOUTH 1664.00 FEET OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, ALSO KNOWN AS TRACT 8, MUSE RANCHETTES, UNIT "B", AS RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 64, PAGE 550, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 560 NW PINE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935

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 September 2, 2009.

Joe Flint
 Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
 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 3117, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.
 332349 CN 9/10,17/09

Public Notice

1 - INVITATION TO BID

BID # 2009-2
CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
HERBICIDAL MAINTENANCE OF CANALS AND LEVEE

1.1 Public Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the above referenced **Herbicide Maintenance of 32.625 Miles of drainage canals and 8 miles of levee project** will be received by the Board of Central County Water Control District (hereinafter referred to as "CCWCD," "OWNER," and "DISTRICT"), at the District Manager's Office at the following address:

Central County Water Control District
 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street
 Clewiston, Florida 33440

until 2:00 p.m. local time on September 23, 2009 for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Instruction to Bidders, Bid Form, Construction Contract, Detailed Specifications and Drawings which comprise the Bid Documents. Immediately following the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids, all bid proposals which have been submitted in accordance with the conditions of the Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders and any Addenda issued in relation to this Project will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bidders may attend the bid opening. Bidder is responsible for the delivery of bid, and **bids received after the specified day and time will not be opened.**

1.2 A pre-bid meeting shall be held on Monday at 10:00 a.m. on September 14, 2009, at the District office located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, Florida.

1.3 The work made the subject hereof is described in the bid documents titled **Herbicide Maintenance of Canals and Levee** copies of which may be obtained from Rock Enterprises, Inc., 180 N. Bridge Street, Suite B, LaBelle, Florida, 33935, or from Central County Water Control District, 475 South Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, Florida 33440, for the non-refundable sum of \$25.00. For additional information you may contact Mr. David Hubbard, CCWCD Manager, at 863-983-5797, or Rock Aboujaoude, District Engineer, at 863-612-0011.

1.4 Each bid must be submitted in duplicate on the prescribed bid form and accompanied by bid security on the prescribed form, payable to the Board of CCWCD, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid amount. All subcontractors shall be declared on a separate form.

1.5 The Bid may be withdrawn prior to the date and time of bid opening. Bids shall remain open and subject to acceptance for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the date of bid opening, but no bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the date of bid opening.

1.6 In order to perform public work, the successful Bidder shall have all licenses and permits required by Federal, State, and local statutes, regulations and ordinances.

1.7 Before a Contract will be awarded for the work contemplated herein, the District will conduct such investigations as are necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Invitation to Bid. Upon request, the Bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the District to evaluate the bidder's qualifications. The District reserves the right to award the bid to the lowest responsible and qualified bidder based on available funding.

1.8 The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any or all bids with or without cause, and/or accept bids that in its judgment will be in the best interest of the DISTRICT, and the District specifically reserves the right to reject all bids and proceed to accomplish its objectives without awarding any contract pursuant to this invitation. The District also reserves the right to postpone the award of the Contract for a period of time which postponement, however, shall not extend beyond ninety (90) calendar days from the bid opening date during which time the District at its sole discretion may release the bid security.

DATED this 1st day of September, 2009

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

ATTEST:
 Cookie Hester, Assistant District Mgr. By: Benito Alvarez, Chairman
 332035 ON 9/6,13,20 CGS/CB 9/10,17/09

Public Notice

1 - INVITATION TO BID

BID # 2009-2
CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
HERBICIDAL MAINTENANCE OF CANALS AND LEVEE

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 Clewiston, Florida 33440

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1.4 Each bid must be submitted in duplicate on the prescribed bid form and accompanied by bid security on the prescribed form, payable to the Board of CCWCD, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid amount. All subcontractors shall be declared on a separate form.

1.5 The Bid may be withdrawn prior to the date and time of bid opening. Bids shall remain open and subject to acceptance for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the date of bid opening, but no bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the date of bid opening.

1.6 In order to perform public work, the successful Bidder shall have all licenses and permits required by Federal, State, and local statutes, regulations and ordinances.

1.7 Before a Contract will be awarded for the work contemplated herein, the District will conduct such investigations as are necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Invitation to Bid. Upon request, the Bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the District to evaluate the bidder's qualifications. The District reserves the right to award the bid to the lowest responsible and qualified bidder based on available funding.

1.8 The DISTRICT reserves the right to reject any or all bids with or without cause, and/or accept bids that in its judgment will be in the best interest of the DISTRICT, and the District specifically reserves the right to reject all bids and proceed to accomplish its objectives without awarding any contract pursuant to this invitation. The District also reserves the right to postpone the award of the Contract for a period of time which postponement, however, shall not extend beyond ninety (90) calendar days from the bid opening date during which time the District at its sole discretion may release the bid security.

DATED this 1st day of September, 2009

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CIVIL ACTION
Case No. 09-000024-CA**

FLORIDA COMMUNITY BANK, a Florida banking corporation
Plaintiff
-vs-
LABELLE INVESTMENTS, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, DONALD R. LUCAS, DANIEL T. CARABINE, NANCY I. CARABINE, UNKNOWN TENANT #1 and UNKNOWN TENANT #2,
Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to a Summary Judgment in Foreclosure and for Assessment of Reasonable Attorneys' Fees entered by Circuit Court Judge Christine Greider, in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein the cause is pending under docket number 09-000024-Ca, the Honorable Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Hendry County Courthouse, Administration Department of the Clerk's Office, Second Floor, 25 E. Hickpoochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M. on the 30th day of September, 2009, within the legal hours or sale, the following described property:

EXHIBIT A

Parcel 1:
The North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel 2:
The North 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel 3:
The South 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel 4:
The South 1/2 of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 9, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

As to all parcels, LESS AND EXCEPT any road right of ways.

EXHIBIT A-1

All of Block 87, Goodno's Addition to LaBelle, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, page 3, of the Public Records of Lee County, Florida, lying and being in Hendry County, Florida.

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.
DATED this 2nd day of September, 2009.

BARBARA S. BUTLER,
Clerk of Circuit Court
By: /s/ S. Miller
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, and whose telephone number is (239) 533-1700, within two working days of your receipt of the Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.
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Public Notice

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**PUBLIC INFORMATION WORKSHOP
NEW RIVER CROSSING
(Fort Denaud Bridge Replacement)
Project Development & Environment Study**

Date: Tuesday, September 15, 2009
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Location: LaBelle Civic Center
481 Highway 80 West (Behind City Hall)
LaBelle, Florida

Hendry County has scheduled a Public Information Workshop for the proposed New River Crossing bridge project. A study is currently being conducted by Hendry County to determine the type, location, and design of a new bridge across the Caloosahatchee River, locally known as the Okeechobee Waterway, connecting SR 80 and CR 78 in northwestern Hendry County. Six alternatives are proposed: East Alternatives 1, 2, and 3 and West Alternatives 1, 2, and 3.



The Public Information Workshop will provide interested citizens the opportunity to see the concept plans, to ask questions, and express their views concerning the design, location, and any potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed new bridge and approach roadways.

The workshop will be an open-house format so the public may arrive at any time between 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Aerial photographs, conceptual plans, 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 at the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners meeting on Tuesday, October 27, 2009.

Project documents will be available for public review from September 10, 2009 until November 6, 2009 at the Barron Library, 461 N. Main Street, LaBelle. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, and Saturday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. The documents will also be available for review at the Hendry County Engineering Office located at 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Monday-Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other non-discrimination laws, public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation service (free of charge) should contact Bonnie Hanshaw at (863) 675-5222 at least seven (7) working days prior to the workshop.

Any questions regarding the project should be directed to Shane Parker, PE, Project Manager, at (863) 675-5222, by email to sparker@hendryfla.net, or by writing to the Hendry County Engineering Department, P.O. Box 1607, LaBelle, Florida 33975.

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nanny of "Socialism".

While parents are sleeping "Socialism" is sowing poisonous seeds to destroy their children's faith in the family, morality and parental respect and obedience.

While Ministers sleep, saying all that is necessary to defeat "Socialism" is to preach the gospel, tares of unbelief are sown in evolution, atheism, attacks on the Bible, on the virgin birth and the deity of Christ.

While men sleep in tolerance, the enemy scatters seeds of "Socialist" propaganda, of slanted articles of half-truths, distortions, smear articles against American patriots.

While men elected to high office sleep, the mistaken are boring from within, ignoring the Constitution or changing it by means of misinterpretation and by destroying our

free-enterprise system by outward "Socialist" schemes.

While some Government Department heads sleep, enemies infiltrate various offices, help each other into power, protect each other, carry out various policies in favor of the enemy.

While some Boards of Education sleep, educators teach evolution, athiesm and un-Americanism.

Millions sleep, while the one-eyed idol, films and the internet sow the seeds of the enemy before their very eyes without their realizing it, by depicting immorality, extolling vice and crime, mocking chastity, patriotism and Americanism.

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Religion briefs

Pahokee

Family Fun Day

The Good Shepherd Church of God will be having a family fun day on Sept. 6 immediately following the morning service which begin at 10:30 a.m.

The activity will last until 5 p.m.

There will be food, water slide, face painting, games, prayer tent, and live performances from different church groups in the community.

There will be something for everyone. The Zion Dancers and choir of Good Shepherd will be there.

Everyone is welcome and all activities and food are free.

Moore Haven

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 and Hand Ministries of Palmdale,

if you would like to help us call 863-612-0640, if no answer leave message, God bless you.

Palmdale Church

On Thursday, Sept. 10, Palmdale Church will have food and fellowship at 6 p.m. Gospel and the word will be held at 7 p.m.

Our Pastor this month will be Gena Brim of Moore Haven.

Gena has brought the word to many churches in the area.

She preached at the Church of God in Moore Haven and the Ministry Center in Lake Placid, and many other churches.

Come and listen to this fine lady on the corner of 5th and main at the Palmdale Community Center, we welcome you.

Clewiston

Rally day at First Christian!

First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco St., will be holding Rally/Promotion Day on Sept. 6, beginning at 10 a.m.

This is the beginning of the Sunday School Year.

There will be New Classes and the Church will welcome Artie Carnes and his wife Dora as their New Associates.

The church has set a goal to DOUBLE Sunday School and Church attendance on this day.

Joe Payne will begin his service as Sunday School Superintendent.

Jon Loftis will begin his service as Teacher of the Adult Sunday School Class.

Other Teachers include: Ruth Ann Hughes and Jeanie Perkins (4's and 5's); Mary Ann Payne and Lisa Castellanos (1st and 2nd); Lois Brinn and Judith French (3rd and 4th); Mike Walker and Stan Giddens (5th and 6th); Artie and Dora Carnes and Julius Castellanos (7th-12th).

The church has plans to expand its present facilities and parking lot.

Jackie Miller, Minister, extends a cordial welcome to all who wish to attend.

Food Bank at Iglesia Vida Nueva

Everyone hits hard times at some point.

To ease the crisis a small food bank is open at Iglesia Vida Nueva on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Restrictions apply. Iglesia Vida Nueva is located at 217 East Aztec Ave in Clewiston. For more information please call 863-983-1070.

Services Times at Iglesia Vida Nueva

Sunday services will be 11 a.m. V.I.D.A Kids 4-10; V.I.D.A Teens 12-18 celebration services will begin at 6 p.m.

Monday services begin at 7 p.m. C4 Youth Group for ages 12-18.

Wednesday prayer and bible study services will begin at 7 p.m., Friday prayer and bible study will also begin at 7 p.m.

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Glades BOCC considers lease on Lake Okeechobee

By Charles M. Murphy
INI Florida

Glades County is optimistic about their future recreation and tourism goals as they are considering an extension of a lease at Curry Island near Lakeport for a county park.

While the county would like to add to their recreational opportunities, there are some hunting groups that have concerns about a lease at Curry Island.

Chris Chesley of Lakeport told Commissioners Tuesday that Ducks Unlimited also wants to work a lease with the State Department of Environmental Protection that would impact duck hunting at Curry Island, a lucrative business for the Lakeport community.

Commissioners argue that both leases can exist on one track of land and that one use should not interfere with the second.

The county is in the process of applying for a grant to add facilities at Curry Island. The plan would include five new open air covered shelters, 10 picnic tables, a restroom and a seven foot wide trail to be used for hikers, exercise, off road cyclists and even for the disabled. They would also like to extend the counties lease on the property until 2050.

Commissioner Paul Beck said he sees Curry Island as a main trail head for the Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail. While the trail is not paved in Glades County, local officials are still optimistic that it will happen one day. Beck hinted that \$1.2 million in state grant dollars could be made available to Glades County in the near future.

The Glades County Economic Council said resurfacing the 27 mile segment from Buckhead Ridge south and implementing the trailhead amenities is part of a comprehensive tourism development and economic development plan for Glades County.

The County intends to pursue a \$200,000 grant from the state for the first phase of improvements.

In other business the Commission approved a change in zoning from agriculture residential to open use agriculture so Jahna Industries and the Ortona Sand Mine can expand onto 15 additional acres on State Road 78 in Ortona.

County Manager Wendell Taylor received permission to advertise a position of administrative assistant in his office. Former assistant Michelle Lanier was recently promoted to the position of Director of the Probation department.

Commissioners also approved the purchase of \$46,000 worth of playground equipment for the Muse Fire Station.

They also accepted \$3.2 million from the state to resurface County Road 731, Rainey Slough from Venus south to County Road 74.

Mr. Taylor also announced a site for the new county health department will be just north of the ICE Jail facility on State Road 78. Construction isn't likely to begin until 2011.

Taylor also scheduled budget public hearings for September 14 and September 23 at 6 p.m. He noted the county tax rate will drop and that the budget currently includes three percent raises for county employees.

Anglers encouraged by fishery

By Nena Bolan
Glades County Democrat

MOORE HAVEN -- Bass fishing is very good on the lake at this time reports David Dannenhauer, proprietor of Mickey's Bait & Tackle on Fourth Street. Most have been caught in the Monkey Box, Observation Shoal, Uncle Joe's Cut and Cochran's Pass. The lake level has risen to 14.2 feet as of Sept. 4. Mr. Dannenhauer and other anglers want to see Lake Okeechobee reach 15.5 feet, and they hope officials maintain this depth. If so, experts anticipate an extremely good year for bass and crappie. Crappie are also known as speckled perch.

Snook season is in full swing as of Sept. 1 with many being caught at the Ortona Lock and spillway on the Caloosahatchee River. A few snook are caught by boaters in the river between Ortona and Moore Haven. The only snook kept should measure between 28 -33 inches.

Some bluegill and shell crackers are still

being caught in the Monkey Box, and cat-fishing is done at Uncle Joe's Cut and in the Caloosahatchee River.

Oscars and other non-native cichlid fish are caught in local canals, the river and in the big lake. Mr. Dannenhauer explains that they are good to eat and there is no limit.

Alligator hunting season began Aug. 15 and runs for 11 weeks through Nov. 1. The harvest of frogs has been fair to good recently.

Archery hunting season in the southern zone runs from Sept. 12 through Oct. 11 and includes deer, hog and turkey. An early, special duck season occurs the last week of September from the 26th through the 30th.

Anglers and hunters should consult FWC regulation pamphlets before taking any fish or game. Boating safety should be used at all times. Go to www.myfwc.com for more information on boating safety, fishing and hunting.

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



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Pearce Canal project

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Historic

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removed first, or else uncontrolled settling will sabotage a well made structure. A recent City of Moore Haven ordinance includes demucking on a checklist of pre-construction guidelines.

The structure needs to be shored up because the back yard is becoming a sinkhole, according to Julie Wigton, Glades County Historical Society. The society does not have the funds to accomplish this. Their major project at this time is the Peter Westergaard House in the historic neighborhood near the downtown area. Funds and manpower for the old bank building will have to wait, but it might be too late.

The building needs a buyer. Preservation of older structures in American small towns have lured businesses to historic areas, mentioned Ms. Wigton. She believes it would be a tragedy for our county if the building had to come down. Some preservation proponents feel that restoring historic buildings also saves the historical character of a place

and its people.

"Her business thrived," said Julie Wigton, referring to Anne-tiques.

"People kept asking 'when are you going to reopen your shop'," said Anne Coffey.

The Glades County Economic Development Council (EDC) has a partnership with non profit Main Street Moore Haven, Inc., and has newly created the Tourism Development Council. According to EDC web site, Main Street's 2006 vision encourages rehabilitation and adaptive reuse of historic properties in downtown Moore Haven.

However, recent goals to save some historic buildings were not successful, and two structures on the northeast corner of Avenue J and First Street were demolished. Now, Main Street's goal is to revitalize the city while preserving the community's sense of place, according to a June 2009 newsletter.

Realizing Moore Haven's and Glades County's rural, sparse population and strict limit on funds, it is no surprise that a rescuer has not been found for the former First Bank of Moore Haven.

Anne Coffey's financial situation during the nation's economic downturn is compounded by illness in her family. Just keep-



INI/Nena Bolan

The 1917 old bank on 100 First Street in Moore Haven needs major repairs on the roof. The foundation is sinking and needs to be shored up.

ing the grass mowed is a challenge. It saddens her heart when she thinks about the fellowship fostered by free coffee and juice, and the vintage merchandise that attracted

customers.

"My customers and tenants were wonderful," she said.

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Traffic

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Moore Haven. Irrigation ditches are on each side of the road and numerous dirt roads intersect CR 720 east. Also, the road has three

railroad crossings. CR 720 east is used extensively during the annual sugarcane harvest from October to April. The project may end by August 2010.

A chemical spill occurred Aug. 27 south of Moore Haven and west of Clewiston. It shut down the intersection of US 27 and SR 80. Two containers of fertilizer, magnesium

nitrate, spilled when the driver was turning. Approximately 300 gallons had to be removed from eastbound lane of SR 80 and the southbound lane of US 27. It took five hours for clean up and the fertilizer truck driver was cited for not securing a load. No one was injured. The pavement still has a dark brown stain.

Debra Stallings, FDOT/CTST coordinator, reminded the team that Oct. 10 is "Put the Brakes on Fatalities Day". For more information go to <http://www.brakesonfatalities.org/>

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Repair problems cause Moore Haven Lock to remain closed

MOORE HAVEN-Due to unforeseen complications associated with repairs to the Moore Haven Lock sector gates, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, will keep the lock located on Lake Okeechobee closed until Sept. 14.

Initially, the re-opening of the lock was

scheduled for Sept. 3. The lock has been closed for repairs since June 1 and crossing the state via the Okeechobee Waterway has not been possible.

The repair to the lock is a \$3.5 million, regularly-scheduled project, conducted once every 10 years. The work includes up-

grading navigational safety equipment, improving manatee protection screen systems and painting and sand blasting lock gates.

For more information, call the Jacksonville District Corporate Communications Office at 904-232-2236 or 904-614-4976.

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place at this time.

VFW Post 9528 to host Labor Day dinner

On Monday, Sept. 7, VFW Post 9528 in Buckhead Ridge will host a Labor Day ham dinner with sweet yams, green beans, raisin sauce and ice cream for desert. There will also be a flag burning ceremony held and door prizes with a whole ham auctioned off. Donation for the dinner is just \$8 per person. For more information, contact John Patton at 863-467-0600.

Special needs shelter

Glades County Emergency Management would like to remind persons who have special needs and will be requiring shelter during an emergency, to contact the Emergency Management office at 863-946-6020 to obtain an application, or you can apply

in person at Glades County Courthouse located at 500 Ave J - Room 7, Moore Haven, FL 33471.

Office hours are Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 5p.m.

Narcotics

Anonymous meets

Narcotics Anonymous meets Mondays at 7 p.m. for open discussion meeting at Buck Head Ridge Christian Church, 3 Linda Rd., Buckhead Ridge.

For more information, please call 863-634-4780.

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