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The Glades County 4-H Archery Club starts up to prepare for this year's competition. For more photos and information, turn to page 23.

## Sex Crimes Dismissed Against Patrick

BY CHARLES M. MURPHY  
Glades County Democrat

A judge dismissed charges of incest and sexual activity against Samuel Patrick after he was found incompetent to proceed to trial at a recent court hearing, the 20th Judicial Circuit State Attorneys Office said this month.

Glades County Judge Jack Lundy ordered Patrick to be placed into a mental institution and the charges were dismissed without prejudice, which means they can be re-filed should Patrick ever be found competent, a State Attorney Spokesperson said.

Samantha Syoen said legally the judge had to dismiss the charges when he was found not competent to proceed.

Patrick has been in custody for nearly a decade since a disturbing 2002 investigation at a rural ranch home north of the Brighton Seminole Indian Reservation.

Glades County Sheriff Deputies arrest affidavits from February, 2002, stated law officers discovered the casket of Joshua Patrick, who died of natural causes when he was eight months old. Detectives stated the casket had been removed from Evergreen Cemetery in Okeechobee in 1990. No charges were filed in that incident because the crime had occurred beyond the statute of limitations.

Detectives said Patrick lived with his sister, Debra Lynn Patrick and their nine children and four grandchildren. The children were immediately removed from the home.

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## Lake Coalition Hears of SFWMD Budget Cuts

BY CHARLES M. MURPHY  
Glades County Democrat

Executive Director of the South Florida Water Management District, Melissa Meeker, explained the budget proposal for her agency to the County Coalition for Responsible Management of Lake Okeechobee at the Coalition's quarterly meeting Friday.

She explained flood control and emergency response is the main mission of the district who have focused on their core mission amidst major budget reductions and increased state legislative control this year. She recently announced 100

employee layoffs to the District Governing Board. The proposed budget totals just over \$557 million. Restoration projects represent 39 percent of the budget. They will also spend more money from reserves to possibly lower property tax rates and build Everglades' restoration projects. The district plans to have \$60 million in reserve within five years.

Projects funded in this area included the Lakeside Ranch STA Phase I, the C-44 reservoir north of Indiantown, continued work on the Kissimmee River restoration and work in the Caloosahatchee River watershed.

Spending is down \$105 million in the pro-

posed budget.

In other business, Glades County Commissioner Russell Echols was elected chairman of the Coalition. Commissioner Karson Turner of Hendry County was elected vice-chairman.

Okeechobee Commissioner Margaret Helton said she would like to see the Corps of Engineers address low water levels in the Kissimmee River.

Highlands County Commissioner Jack Richie said his county received 15 inches of rain in the past two months. He noted the levels of Lake Is-

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# Board of Commissioners Adopt Mitigation Strategy

Notes by Commissioners  
Donna Storter-Long

## Public Hearings

1. Adopt Proposed Millage Rate for BOCC and Law Enforcement MSTU (Sandra Brown)

Board adopted proposed millage of 9.0367 for the General Fund, .1 (one/tenth) for the Transportation Trust Fund and 1.95 for the Law Enforcement MSTU. Ad valorem assessment revenue is anticipated to be down approximately 7% but the Board did not raise the tax rate and as adopted, is the same as last fiscal year.

If the BoCC had decided to create a budget with the same ad valorem dollars generated last year, it would have required rollback millage rates of 9.7661 and 2.0877 mills respectively. The Board also set the Hearing date of September 14 for the Tentative Budget to be considered, and September 21 for the Final Budget Hearing.

With the adoption of the proposed millage rates tonight, the Board cannot raise the millage at a later date.

2. Approve Ordinance to Lift Burn Ban (Bob Jones)

Board adopted ordinance to officially lift the burn ban, effective July 25. Please comply with state burning laws which may be reviewed at Remember, only vegetative yard waste can be burned outdoors when in compliance with rules found at [http://www.fl-dof.com/wildfire/laws\\_trash\\_burning.html](http://www.fl-dof.com/wildfire/laws_trash_burning.html).

## Business Agenda

4. Adopt Local Mitigation Strategy Plan and Approve Resolution

(Angie Snow Colegrove)  
Board approved the Local Mitigation Strategy Plan that was previously approved by FEMA and Florida Div. of Emergency Management as updated by Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. This plan anticipates emergency situations that can affect Glades County with steps to reduce impact thereof as well as mitigate and or prevent such. The plan will next need approval by city of Moore Haven.

5. Request: EMS Billing to EMS Consultants

LTD (Bob Jones)

Public Safety Director Bob Jones was granted Board approval to contract services with EMS Consultants of LaGrange, Georgia for billing and collection of fees for ambulance services with the caveat that County Attorney Pringle reviews and approves the contract.

Glades County complies with the state mandate to provide county-wide ambulance service but faces great losses each year due to failure of transported patients to pay for use of the service. Medicare and Medicaid patients' billing is paid at reduced rates, but frequently insured patients do not respond to billing for the balance of fees unpaid by their insurance companies; uninsured patients also do not pay all their fees, some paying nothing at all.

Another problem has been the denial of insurance companies to pay any amount based on ER physicians' notations that the patient did not require transport by ambulance, but could have traveled via cab service. Of course no cab service is based in Glades County and our EMS staff will always provide ambulance transportation when their judgment call is that the patient needs to go to the ER, and that call is never based on the patient's ability to pay, but on the medical emergency at hand.

The billing company will charge a 6 percent billing/collection fee, but have guaranteed that if they do not increase our net dollar allocations per call, will reduce the fee to 5.5 percent for non-Medicaid claims; they will provide software and training for county staff to be able to submit trip-ticket charges within three days of the ambulance service provided.

All taxpayers fund the availability of the service, but it is expected for actual users of the services to pay for transport services provided.

6. Contract: County Lobbyist Services (Taylor)

Board approved assigning our lobbyist contract to CAS Governmental Services LLC as requested by senior lobbyist Dale Milita. The service will not change, only the name of the provider, which was formerly Craig A. Smith & Associates. Mr. Milita will continue services along with Connie Vanassche and Ken Grimes.

7. Approve Going Out for Bids on 2010/2011 Resurfacing and Paving Road List (Avant

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## LAKEPORT NEWS

•Lakeport Gators meets every Friday from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Citizens are encouraged to come out and take part in the crafts, food and games. For more information, call Ms. Brenda at 863-532-8314.

•Lakeport Community Center Bible Study on Wednesday's at 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call George at 863-946-1222.

•Lakeport Community Center Yoga classes every Monday and Friday at 12:15 p.m. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Dori at 863-227-1074.

•Lakeport Gators Kid's and Teen's are asking for donations of food, craft materials and other items to help with our weekly activities. For more information or to donate, call Brenda at 863-532-8314.

•Starting June 3 to Aug. 19, Lakeport Gator's are having a special summer camp program on Friday evenings starting at 6 p.m.

Each Friday will be a different theme, and not only can the children dress up, but the workers as well.

There will be plenty of food, games and crafts for everyone. For more information, call Brenda at 863-532-8314.

## GLADES AT A GLANCE

### Barbecue Pork Dinner

Ortona parents will offer a barbecue pork dinner to benefit the Ortona Community Association Children's Program on Saturday, July 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fund raising event will be held at the new Ortona Community Park and Playground.

The park is on Ortona Locks Road (78A), 0.2 of a mile beyond the firehouse and just before the church.

Look for the event sign. The carry out dinner includes pulled barbecue pork, baked beans, potato salad, rolls, and iced tea.

### Church Services

Church services at the Church of God of Prophecy in Moore Haven on the corner of 4th and E. St. Church services are held on Wednesdays and Sundays at 6 p.m.

### Thrift Shop

There's a thrift shop on the corner of Fourth and E St. in Moore Haven whose profits go to help a local church.

The thrift shop will aid the Church of God of Prophecy in paying bills.

The shop opens on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. It is operated through donations, clean clothes and good brands.

For more information, contact Denna Adkins at 863-612-0640.

### Salvation Army

The Salvation Army will be at the United Way House (located at the Health Department in the

future).

They are presently at the Community Development Building on the third Thursday of the month from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Burn Ban for Glades County

The Glades County Board of County Commissioners hereby determines that emergency conditions exist in Glades County, which warrants the banning of all outdoor burning as a result of extreme drought and other weather conditions.

The suspended/banned outdoor burning includes burning yard waste, the private use and discharge of fireworks and sparklers, and the use of any other outdoor ignition source.

This burn ban is in effect until cancelled by the Glades County Board of County Commissioners. One is allowed to barbecue in a grill or container and have small recreational or camp fires if it is in a container as well.

Please be aware of surroundings and environmental factors (wind, dry ground, brush, etc.) and use caution at all times.

The Division of Forestry number for burn permits is 863-462-5160. If you have any questions about burning or what one can burn please call Glades County Public Safety at 863-946-0566.

### Free services help elders

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

Contact Tera or Linda at the Center for Independent Living at 941-766-8333 in Charlotte

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# Fishing on Lake 'O'

BY MARK KING

As the water level on Lake Okeechobee creeps up slowly, the fishing has remained fairly steady for the last month and should be good going into next month. The water level is at 10.26 feet above sea level, a far cry from what it should be but it is a lot better than what it was a month ago. The water that is coming into the lake is mostly agricultural water and is very dirty. I'm sure it is full of things that the lake doesn't need but it is at least some water.

I have been fishing both here on Lake Okeechobee and in the Florida Keys and it hasn't been hard to catch fish at either location this summer. The bass seem to be sticking closer to deep water if that is what you can call it here on Okeechobee.

I have been catching fish in the dynamite holes and out the main Clewiston channel for the past few weeks and the size of the bass have really surprised me for summer time fishing. I have had a good number of bass from five to eight pounds the past month and those are some really nice bass to catch in the summer time heat. I have been fishing a couple different techniques this summer with the one being my favorite: a shakey head rig and the other being a Carolina rig.

For the Carolina rig I use either a Gambler Ace stick bait or a Gambler Super Stud minnow style bait. The Ace will work best on most days and you only need junebug colored ones to get the job done. My shakey head rig is the same that I have been using for over three years now and it is a Gambler Giggy Head jig in 1/4 ounce size with a Sweebo worm in either junebug or black. The only other lure that has been producing for me has been a lipless crankbait in the sexy shad color. Yes, the color really does seem to matter. I have also been using a stop and go retrieve and the bass have been hitting it when you stop reeling the bait. Fishing with the wild shiners for bass has been a little slow and I find this to be the case during the hot summer months.

I have been trying to get my clients out as early in the morning as possible to get the best bite before the sun gets up to high in the sky and the mid afternoon heat slows the bite down. August will be a hot month here on Lake Okeechobee but, as we head into September, the bass should start heading in toward shallow water like they did last year. We enjoyed an awesome September last year catching a lot of big bass in the shallow water grassy areas.

I am also hoping for some really good storms to help fill the lake back up before this winter and it may even take a tropical storm to do this so lets all keep are fingers crossed that we get a lot of rainfall before winter. The bluegill fishing is still pretty good on the lake, try fishing dynamite holes and along the rim canal in clean water areas. A cricket fished under a cork seams to be the best method to catch them.

I am booking lobster trips for the months of August and September to do some night time bully netting in the Keys. Just give me a call and we can get a trip set up. Until next week, good luck, tight lines and hope to see each and every one of you on the water soon. And remember to drink lots of fluids and use plenty of sunscreen as the summers are hot here in South Florida.

**Capt. Mark King is a full time guide out of world famous Roland Martin's Marina and Resort in Clewiston Florida. Give him a call at 863-677-0983 or go to [www.mark-kingfishing.com](http://www.mark-kingfishing.com).**



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Summertime Bass.

## ANNIVERSARY

### CAROLINE ROBISON KEEN & MELVIN KEEN

Melvin and Caroline Keen celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on July 13, 2011. They were married on Friday July 13, 1951 at First Baptist Church in Clewiston, FL. They have two children, Donna Keen of Atlanta, GA and Cecil Keen [Debbie] of Clewiston, FL. They have two granddaughters, Tara Childress [Jeff] and Tammy Acevedo [David]. They also have six great grandchildren, Chelsa, Jacob, Emily, and Chance Childress. Hayley and Alexis Acevedo. Caroline has one brother, Ronnie Robison [Jane]. Melvin has one sister who is deceased Kitty West. They have numerous nieces and nephews. Caroline retired after 35 years as manager of Clewiston High School lunchroom. Melvin retired from South Florida Conservative District after over 30 years of service. They are taking life easy and enjoying their family.



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**Sunday:**  
A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly sunny, with a high near 92.



**Thursday Night:**  
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**Saturday:**  
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# Synthetic Marijuana Manufacturers Big Problem for DEA

## Narconon addiction specialists urge parents to stay alert to synthetic pot and its risks

Until this year the U.S. Food and Drug Administration has been blocked from shutting down vendors selling aromatic incense that comes in packages marked "not for human consumption." This meant that anyone, including minors, could walk into shops, convenience stores and even gas stations, pay between \$18 and \$30 and walk out with legal synthetic marijuana.

On March 1, the DEA took steps to change this. They evoked emergency powers to put a year-long ban pending testing on five lab-manufactured chemicals contained in these products, JWH-018, JWH-073, CP-47,497, JWH-200, and cannabicyclohexanol. Each substance is a designer drug that mimics the primary psychoactive ingredient, THC, found in marijuana. The chemicals are sprayed onto herbal plant matter that is packaged and sold as aromatic incense. But did this ban solve the problem?



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### Synthetic pot.

"Unfortunately, the DEA can only ban specific psychoactive chemicals," explains Bobby Wiggins Drug Prevention Specialist of Narconon International. "As soon as the banned compounds are no longer found in the product, vendors are right back in business. The problem is manu-

facturing labs are able to make tiny alterations in the molecular structure of the THC-like derivative compounds used, which allows them to replace banned chemicals with new ones that have similar, but possibly more potent properties that are outside DEA jurisdiction."

Case in point, even as 30 states work to block the sale of K2, an incense product that led to psychosis severe enough to prompt a healthy 18-year-old athlete to shoot himself in the head, K3 arrived on the scene boasting that it was 100% free of banned chemicals and legal in all 50 states. Of course, the new product's packaging also reads, "not for human consumption."

Synthetic marijuana has been around for almost two decades but it was largely ignored as few people were impressed by its properties. But in late 2008, herbal incense products started showing up from Europe containing traces of a psychoactive chemical known as HU-210. The

compound is a Schedule I controlled substance that can be from 100 to 800 times as potent as THC.

In 2009, Germany banned the sale of another herbal incense-type product, "spice," because tests revealed it contained JWH-018 and another potent chemical, CP-47 497, developed by a drug company in the 1980s for research purposes. Its effects are three to 28 times more potent than THC. According to the U.S. Department of Justice, between March 2010 and December 2010, U.S. poison control centers received over 2,700 synthetic cannabinoid related calls from 49 states. It's too soon to say if long-term use of THC derivatives cause permanent harm, but so far there is evidence of damage to the lungs, brain, heart, and other vital organs. Attributed deaths in 2010 were nine.

"With authorities hampered, the burden falls heavily on parents to keep this drug out of kids' hands," says Wiggins. "Kids might reason that it is okay because they aren't breaking any laws, but they are messing with very potent and addictive drugs. If you suspect your son or daughter could be using synthetic marijuana or other drugs, get help." For more information on marijuana and other drugs, visit [www.narconon.org](http://www.narconon.org).

# Money Saving Tips for Rough Season

BY STATEPOINT

## How to Save Money on Home Energy Costs

Your home may be your castle, but it can also be your money pit if you're not careful. Between home repairs and the rising cost of fuel, food, and electricity, many Americans are feeling the pinch.

But you can do something about it.

"Americans have a lot more power than they think when it comes to reducing their energy costs," says Dave Llorens, CEO of One Block Off the Grid, a start-up that negotiates group deals on big-ticket green home improvements like solar panels.

"State level incentives can go a long way toward reducing the cost of money-saving items like solar panels and electric cars. Call your local government office to find out if incentives are available to you," adds Llorens. "You may be surprised how much you can save."

Here are some ways you can reduce your home energy costs:

- **Small Things Add Up.** There are lots of little things you can do that, when taken together, can reduce your energy costs significantly. For example, setting your air conditioner to 78 degrees (or the warmest setting you can tolerate) saves money because many homeowners forget to adjust it down when the weather cools.

- Also, the lowly microwave is one of your household's most energy efficient appliances, so use it instead of an oven to reduce your bill and keep your home cooler in summer months. The washer and dryer are two of a household's biggest energy hogs, so doing your washing at night

when electricity rates are lower and line drying during the day can save a bundle.

- **Install Solar Panels.** In summer months, solar panels can take the burn out of electric bills that spike with air conditioning use. It used to take a long time for solar panels to show a positive return on investment, but new green companies are finding ways to reduce that payback period. One Block Off the Grid, for example, organizes group deals on solar panels based on how many residents in the area are interested, then connects them with reliable local installers for free. This lets consumers buy solar panels at an average of 15 percent below market rate. Take a quick estimate at [www.1bog.org](http://www.1bog.org).

- **Consider an Electric Car.** If you spend a lot of money on gas every month, you should run the numbers and see how much money going electric would save in the long run. It usually costs \$25 to \$40 a month to charge electric cars. Plus, you can use solar panels in conjunction with electric cars to reduce your monthly fuel costs to zero!

For more ideas on how you can save money on energy, visit [www.1bog.org](http://www.1bog.org).

Then get started on reclaiming your castle with some energy- and money-saving ideas!

## Hate tracking your finances?

Only 40 percent of Americans use monthly budgets and less than half have ever ordered a copy of their credit report, according to a study by Princeton Survey Research Associates International.

"Turning a blind eye when it comes to your finances is not only costly, but dangerous," says Aaron Patzer, vice president and general manager

of Intuit Personal Finance Group. "Luckily, there are easy tools and techniques that can help you track your money."

Here are some money tips to help you save more and spend less.

**To Budget Or Not Budget**

Budgeting is to personal finance what dieting is to health -- a dreaded word that's often misunderstood. But just like food gives you fuel to live well, so does your money support your life by helping you meet your needs and live your dreams.

If you are budget-a-phobic, consider creating a spending plan, which can be a little more flexible than a stuffy budget. Spending plans allow you to consider how this month's earnings can support your needs and wants.

**Manage On The Go**

The key to budgets and spending plans is to know your numbers in real time. By tracking your daily spending, you become more conscious of your spending habits.

You can make number tracking fun by using tools you enjoy that work with your life. For example, Mint.com now offers iPhone and Android phone apps that let users get a snapshot of their finances and manage their money anytime,

anywhere. Consumers can also receive alerts for suspicious activities or overdrafts right on their smartphones.

**Automate Savings**

Whether you're an online banking fanatic or someone who likes to balance electronic statements with paper checks, most experts advise automating your savings. It's also helpful if you have a savings goal -- whether it's for new car, vacation, or emergency fund.

Most experts recommend stashing away 15 to 20 percent of your income into a high-yield savings account. And online banks often offer better rates than bricks-and-mortar locations. By having your savings account automatically withdraw the funds, even if it's only \$50 a month, you're more likely to stick to your savings goals.

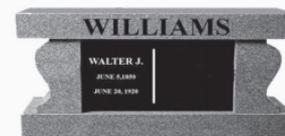
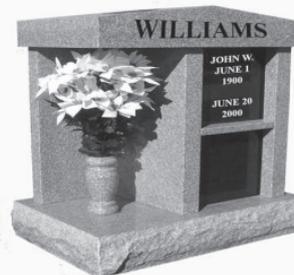
**30-Day Wait**

Smart shoppers know the wisdom of delayed gratification. By committing to a 30-day wait before getting something you want but don't need, you create a buffer where you can reconsider and be swayed by reason, not advertising.

For more tips on budgeting, saving and tracking your money on the go, visit [www.mint.com](http://www.mint.com).

Then get started on hand-picking the tools and techniques that let your money work for you.

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**NOTICE OF TAX FOR SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY**

The **Hendry County School District** will soon consider a measure to continue to impose a **0.750** mill property tax for the capital outlay projects listed herein.

This tax is in addition to the school board's proposed tax of **6.993** mills for operating expenses and is proposed solely at the discretion of the school board.

The Capital Outlay tax will generate approximately **\$1,291,058** to be used for the following projects:

**CONSTRUCTION AND REMODELING**

Construction of one (1) Modular Classroom

**MAINTENANCE, RENOVATIONS AND REPAIRS**

District Wide Repair and Maintenance

**MOTOR VEHICLE PURCHASES**

Purchase of up to two (2) School Buses

Purchase of ESE and/or Maintenance Vehicles

**NEW AND REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT**

School Furniture and Equipment

**PAYMENTS FOR EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AND SITES DUE UNDER A LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

Qualified Zone Academy Bond (QZAB) for District Wide Maintenance

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing to be held on **August 2, 2011, at 5:30 P.M.**, at the **Hendry County School Board meeting room, Old Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, Labelle, Florida.**

A DECISION on the proposed CAPITAL OUTLAY TAXES will be made at this hearing.

# NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Hendry County School District will soon consider a budget for 2011-2012. A public hearing to make a DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on **August 2, 2011, at 5:30 P.M.** at the **School Board Meeting Room, 2ND Floor, Old Courthouse, HWY 80 & 29, Labelle, Florida.**

**BUDGET SUMMARY**  
**THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF THE DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF HENDR COUNTY ARE 7.2% MORE THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES**  
**FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012**

**PROPOSED MILLAGE LEVIES SUBJECT TO 10-MILL CAP:**

Required Local Effort (including Prior Period Funding Adjustment Millage)	5.495
Local Capital Improvement (Capital Outlay)	0.750
Discretionary Operating	0.748
Discretionary Capital Improvement	0.000
Discretionary Critical Needs (Operating or Capital)	0.000
Additional Millage Not to exceed 4 Years (Operating)	0.750

**PROPOSED MILLAGE LEVIES NOT SUBJECT TO 10-MILL CAP:**

Operating or Capital Not to Exceed 2 Years	0.000
Debt Service	0.000
<b>TOTAL MILLAGE</b>	<b>7.743</b>

**BUDGET**

<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>	<b>GENERAL</b>	<b>SPECIAL REVENUE</b>	<b>DEBT SERVICE</b>	<b>CAPITAL PROJECTS</b>	<b>INTERNAL SERVICE</b>	<b>TRUST AND AGENCY</b>	<b>TOTAL ALL FUNDS</b>
Federal Sources	160,000.00	8,507,444.08	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	8,667,444.08
State Sources	32,320,247.00	73,700.00	373,900.00	42,160.00	0.00	0.00	32,810,007.00
Local Sources	11,415,369.50	642,820.00	10,350.00	1,297,082.04	435,000.00	0.00	13,800,621.54
Internal Funds Receipts	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,450,000.00	1,450,000.00
<b>TOTAL SOURCES</b>	<b>43,895,616.50</b>	<b>9,223,964.08</b>	<b>384,250.00</b>	<b>1,339,242.04</b>	<b>435,000.00</b>	<b>1,450,000.00</b>	<b>56,728,072.62</b>
Transfers In	0.00	0.00	158,053.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	158,053.00
Nonrevenue Sources	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	350.00	0.00	350.00
<b>FUND BALANCES/RESERVES/NET ASSETS</b>	<b>9,776,341.91</b>	<b>740,159.58</b>	<b>1,248,494.27</b>	<b>4,563,169.73</b>	<b>733,209.81</b>	<b>692,510.11</b>	<b>17,753,885.41</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES, TRANSFERS &amp; BALANCES</b>	<b>53,671,958.41</b>	<b>9,964,123.66</b>	<b>1,790,797.27</b>	<b>5,902,411.77</b>	<b>1,168,559.81</b>	<b>2,142,510.11</b>	<b>74,640,361.03</b>

**EXPENDITURES**

Instruction	29,907,905.20	3,484,466.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,392,371.74
Pupil Personnel Services	1,317,700.51	723,453.58	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,041,154.09
Instructional Media Services	450,263.92	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	450,263.92
Instructional & Curriculum	203,440.60	623,317.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	826,758.10
Instructional Staff Training	50,700.00	746,369.10	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	797,069.10
Instruction Related Technology	140,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	140,000.00
Board of Education	1,023,775.71	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,023,775.71
General Administration	706,903.98	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	706,903.98
School Administration	2,894,161.45	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,894,161.45
Facilities Acquisition Construction	200.00	0.00	0.00	3,349,099.62	0.00	0.00	3,349,299.62
Fiscal Services	710,745.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	710,745.31
Food Services	0.00	3,937,628.13	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,937,628.13
Central Services	400,635.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	400,635.32
Pupil Transportation Services	2,865,440.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,865,440.64
Operation of Plant	4,427,232.61	49,837.36	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,477,069.97
Maintenance of Plant	1,364,515.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,364,515.69
Administrative Technology	1,032,673.06	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,032,673.06
Community Services	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Debt Service	28,000.00	0.00	353,988.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	381,988.75
Internal Funds Disbursement	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	572,527.63	1,500,000.00	2,072,527.63
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>47,524,294.00</b>	<b>9,565,072.21</b>	<b>353,988.75</b>	<b>3,349,099.62</b>	<b>572,527.63</b>	<b>1,500,000.00</b>	<b>62,864,982.21</b>
Transfers Out	0.00	0.00	0.00	158,053.00	0.00	0.00	158,053.00
<b>FUND BALANCES/RESERVES/NET ASSETS</b>	<b>6,147,664.41</b>	<b>399,051.45</b>	<b>1,436,808.52</b>	<b>2,395,259.15</b>	<b>596,032.18</b>	<b>642,510.11</b>	<b>11,617,325.82</b>
<b>TOTAL APPROPRIATED EXPENDITURES TRANSFERS, RESERVES, &amp; BALANCES</b>	<b>53,671,958.41</b>	<b>9,964,123.66</b>	<b>1,790,797.27</b>	<b>5,902,411.77</b>	<b>1,168,559.81</b>	<b>2,142,510.11</b>	<b>74,640,361.03</b>

THE TENTATIVE ADOPTED AND/OR FINAL BUDGETS ARE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED TAXING AUTHORITY AS A PUBLIC RECORD

# District-Wide Conditions for July 25

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is issuing the following briefing

Frequent rain over the last few weeks of the wet season has improved drought conditions, but significant time and rainfall are necessary for this short-term relief to bring long-term recovery. The District is saving as much water as possible, but the system has limited storage so not all rainfall can be retained while still providing adequate flood protection.

## Golf Courses

• Modified Phase I restrictions, effective March 26, require a 15-percent cutback for golf course irrigation in Broward, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Martin, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Okeechobee, Palm Beach and St. Lucie counties.

## Lake Okeechobee Service Area (LOSA)

• Modified Phase III restrictions, effective May 19, require a 45-percent reduction in surface water withdrawals for all agricultural, nursery and diversion and impoundment users within LOSA, which includes portions of Okeechobee, Glades, Hendry, Lee, Martin, Palm Beach and St. Lucie counties and the Everglades Agricultural Area.

## Permitted Water Users in Broward and Palm Beach Counties

• A water shortage order, effective March 26, places Phase I restrictions on agricultural, nursery and diversion and impoundment permittees that use or divert surface and ground water in these

counties.

-Withdrawals from surface waters by specific users are reduced 15 percent.

-Agricultural and nursery operations shall limit the hours of irrigation.

## Other Actions

Information about water shortage orders and warnings, current weather and water conditions and water-saving tips can be found at [www.sfwmd.gov/waterwatch](http://www.sfwmd.gov/waterwatch).

## Navigation

• The S-65E navigation lock between the Kissimmee River and Lake Okeechobee is closed with no locktender on duty due to declining water levels.

• These locks on the north shore of Lake Okeechobee remain closed:

- S-135 at J&S Fish Camp in Martin County
- S-193 at Taylor Creek in Okeechobee County
- G-36 at Henry Creek in Okeechobee County
- S-127 at Buckhead Ridge in Glades County
- S-131 at Lakeport in Glades County

## Recreation

• Due to recent rains, the District is once again allowing the careful building of campfires in designated areas on certain District lands open for recreation.

Hurricane Season

• In preparation for storms, residents are encouraged to check swales and drainage systems to ensure that there are no blockages that impede water flow. Land adjacent to canal embankments must be clear of shrubs and other encroaching objects.

## NOTICE OF TAX FOR SCHOOL CAPITAL OUTLAY

The Glades County School District will soon consider a measure to impose a 1.000 mill property tax for the capital outlay projects listed herein.

This tax is in addition to the school board's proposed tax of 6.873 mills for operating expenses and is proposed solely at the discretion of the school board.

The capital outlay tax will generate approximately \$566,400.00 to be used for the following projects:

**MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR** - District Wide

**NEW AND REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT AND ENTERPRISE SOFTWARE**

Furniture and Equipment - District Wide

Enterprise Software - District Wide

**PAYMENT OF PREMIUMS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE NECESSARY TO INSURE THE EDUCATIONAL AND ANCILLARY PLANTS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT**

All concerned citizens are invited to a public hearing to be held on Monday, August 2, 2011 at 6:00 P.M. in the administrative building of the Glades County School District, 400 10th Street, Moore Haven, Florida 33471.

A DECISION on the proposed CAPITAL OUTLAY TAXES will be made at this hearing.

## NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Glades County School District will soon consider a budget for 2011-2012.

A public hearing to make a DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on:

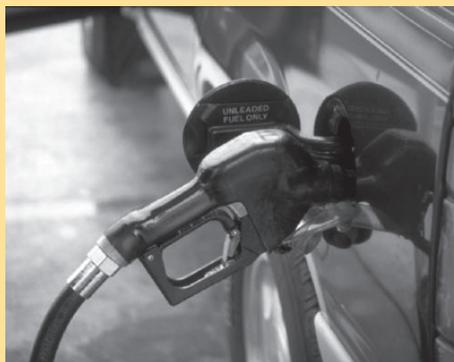
Tuesday, August 2, 2011  
6:00 P.M.

At  
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Administrative Building  
400 10th Street  
Moore Haven, Florida 33471

## Gas Price Average Rises

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 2.5 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.69/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has increased 2.0 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.69/g, according to gasoline price website FloridaStateGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were \$1.04/g higher than the same day one year ago and are 17.0 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has increased 9.9 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 94.4 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.



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## GLADES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD BUDGET SUMMARY

**THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET EXPENDITURES OF GLADES COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD  
ARE 2% LESS THAN LAST YEAR'S TOTAL OPERATING EXPENDITURES.**

LOCAL EFFORT	5.125				
DISCRETIONARY	0.748				
DISCRETIONARY CRITICAL NEEDS	0.000				
ADDITIONAL OPERATING	1.000				
CAPITAL OUTLAY	1.000				
<b>TOTAL MILLAGE:</b>	<b>7.873</b>				
		<b>GENERAL</b>	<b>SPECIAL</b>	<b>CAPITAL</b>	<b>TOTAL ALL</b>
<b>ESTIMATED REVENUES:</b>		<b>FUND</b>	<b>REVENUE</b>	<b>PROJECTS</b>	<b>FUNDS</b>
FEDERAL SOURCES		208,230.00	1,603,891.00		
STATE SOURCES		7,400,422.00	16,255.00	43,500.00	
LOCAL SOURCES		3,145,010.00	131,508.94	586,985.00	
<b>TOTAL REVENUE SOURCES:</b>		<b>10,753,662.00</b>	<b>1,751,654.94</b>	<b>630,485.00</b>	<b>13,135,801.94</b>
TRANSFERS IN:					
NONREVENUE SOURCES		163,570.86			
<b>FUND BALANCE (JULY 1, 2011)</b>		<b>2,753,438.51</b>	<b>49,976.71</b>	<b>336,780.62</b>	<b>3,140,195.84</b>
<b>TOTAL REVENUES &amp; BALANCES:</b>		<b>13,670,671.37</b>	<b>1,801,631.65</b>	<b>967,265.62</b>	<b>16,275,997.78</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES:</b>					
INSTRUCTION		6,816,896.23	592,786.44		
PUPIL PERSONNEL SERVICES		409,743.00	121,362.66		
INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA SERVICES		215,087.00	0.00		
INSTRUCTION & CURRICULUM SERVICES		224,107.00	149,495.40		
INSTRUCTIONAL STAFF TRAINING		33,580.00	156,483.44		
INSTRUCTIONAL RELATED TECHNOLOGY		0.00	0.00		
BOARD OF EDUCATION		329,389.00	0.00		
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION		169,112.00	33,717.06		
SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION		670,606.00	0.00		
FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCTION		0.00	0.00	175,521.00	
FISCAL SERVICES		169,457.00	0.00		
CENTRAL SERVICES		30,035.00	0.00		
FOOD SERVICES		0.00	664,615.00		
PUPIL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES		544,343.00	19,926.00		
OPERATION OF PLANT		983,627.00	0.00		
MAINTENANCE OF PLANT		342,140.86	0.00		
ADMIN. TECHNOLOGY SERVICES		101,738.75	0.00		
DEBT SERVICE		0.00	0.00		
<b>* - TOTAL EXPENDITURES:</b>		<b>11,039,861.84</b>	<b>1,738,386.00</b>	<b>175,521.00</b>	<b>12,953,768.84</b>
TRANSFERS OUT:					
<b>FUND BALANCE (JUNE 30, 2012)</b>		<b>2,630,809.53</b>	<b>63,245.65</b>	<b>791,744.62</b>	<b>3,485,799.80</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES, TRANSFERS &amp; BALANCES</b>		<b>13,670,671.37</b>	<b>1,801,631.65</b>	<b>967,265.62</b>	<b>16,439,568.64</b>

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# RELIGION COLUMNS

## Life's Simple Pleasures

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS  
First United Methodist Church

When the dog bites, when the bee stings, when I'm feeling sad, I simply remember my favorite things and then I don't feel so bad. (Sound of Music memories!)

Life is filled with simple pleasures, the little satisfying effects you never really anticipate, but always take great pleasure in. They are the gifts of life that we celebrate each in our own way.

I believe life is in the details. Ongoing small gestures can mean so much more than one grand display of love.

Simple pleasures throughout the day can be far more gratifying that



Pastor John Hicks

one amazing weekend. When you connect the dots between all these little joys, life seems fuller and more satisfying.

It's the simple things and the simple pleasures, like sleeping in, an ice-cold Coca Cola on a hot day, a good hair day, a tender kiss, a comforting smile, a good hug, a kind word or a few words of encouragement that can really bless us in our day.

And when the dog does bite, and when the bee does sting, and in those times when I'm feeling sad, I have found that these simple things and pleasures become God blessings that I can use to make my day more pleasant.

They're not big things, but each simple pleasure can translate to a great day if you use them right. Here are some more simple pleasures that I have on my list and give thanks to God for:

- + My dog excitedly greeting me when I come home.
- + Smelling rain.
- + Finding money I didn't know I had.
- + Clean, fresh linens on my bed.
- + The smell of fresh baked cookies.
- + A child's smile or laugh.
- + Looking at old pictures.
- + Helping someone in need.
- + When I find exactly the right Bible verse.
- + A sermon or program coming together.
- + Finishing a project.
- + Creative baking.
- + A small gesture of kindness from someone who cares for me.
- + Free stuff
- + Swapping stories with friends.
- + Spending quite time with my wife.
- + My dog curled up at my feet sleeping while I type this.

I have found that my list grows as I think of all

the simple things that make life enjoyable. God is good! What are some of the simple pleasures you've been enjoying lately?

## Choosing Who I Really Am

BY REV. SAM S. THOMAS, PH. D.+  
Saint Martin's Church

I was asked one day where I'd like to retire. My answer was "Somewhere where my blood pressure doesn't change with each election!" The person asking the question smiled.

I was being facetious; there may be no such place! In reality, it isn't the place that will make the difference, it will boil down to my outlook and attitude.

How many times have I heard "He (or she) makes me mad!" or "I won't be pleased if this or that happens!" as if others had control over how we feel. In reality they may not have any such control at all.

Who is responsible for our happiness or unhappiness? It is, when all is said and done, ourselves. How many people believe that we're always supposed to be happy with our loved ones, or schooling is supposed to be fun and interesting, or their job is not supposed to be boring or hard, or Church is supposed to be something to be "enjoyed?"

One young man, who was angry on a Sunday morning, told me "You know why I am here? Because my mother made me go, that's why!" I asked him if he thought I always felt like getting up on Sunday morning and going to church. That question never crossed his mind: I was "supposed" to like it. Oh?

Then I explained to him that we're supposed to be here; with all of the highs and lows about it, and all of the good days and the bad ones; if we are here, something may come and maybe not; but if we are not here, nothing can possibly come. His face and attitude changed.

An essay written in 1902 by James Allen is considered the source for "As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he." Allen paraphrased Proverbs 23:7, telling us as we consider the cost of something, that's how we are.

The implications are far-reaching; do I have some control over my blood pressure? Yes. Can I learn to like something (someone) even if I think I don't like it (them)? Yes.

Can I keep my eyes on the reason I am in school or where my job fits into the larger part of our industry/society/community/world; and change my feelings about it? Yes.

Do I let others or circumstances change my



Rev. Sam S. Thomas

feelings, attitudes and beliefs about things or people? I try to listen carefully and attentively to what is out there; and choose how I am to be. If I spend time with good influences, reflect positively, look for the best possible side of others, learn to keep things in perspective, I may get to be a little more like that person all of us seek to be.

Years back, the medical sciences discovered the "placebo effect" – if you believed a medication was going to work, it might well work! Spiritually, the writer of Proverbs knew about it all along; only it's not an imaginary thing, it's for real and really works in our lives!

## Our Heritage

BY JACKIE MILLER, EVANGELIST  
First Christian Church

We as Americans have a very rich heritage and this is the month that we hear about it. The awareness of the significance of our heritage has always taken place among the American people. We all should be proud and thankful to be Americans.

As one studies American history, it quickly becomes evident that Christianity played a very significant role in the formation of our nation. Many of those who exerted a great deal of influence in setting forth the ideals upon which our nation was founded were Christian men.

The church played an important role in the formation of the frontier which was constantly expanding and ever spreading westward.

It played a significant role during the slave issue and always voiced its opinion when it came to vital issues which affected the American people. Yes, the church has been very much involved in the formation of this great nation.

However, I can't help but believe that far too often one's patriotism was placed on the same level as one's Christianity.

We as Christians must always remember that our true citizenship is in Heaven. We are members of the family of God and should always remember that our first love is the Heavenly Father and His Son, Jesus Christ.

For too long Christianity has been placed on the same level with loyalty to country and Mom's apple pie -- to be a Christian is the American thing to do.

Let us always remember that Christ's Church has been around a lot longer than America and that the founding of America was based on religious convictions.

We are Christians because we recognized our need for the Lord Jesus Christ and have accepted the free gift of forgiveness of sins and eternal life offered because of His sacrifice, not because it is the patriotic or American thing to do. We must seek the Kingdom of God first and then serve our country to the best of our ability.

Once this is accomplished in the life of an individual, then will come true the saying, "He who serves the Lord best serves His nation best."

As we remember our great American heritage, let us not forget the far greater heritage which we have in Christ and the great future which He offers us.

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-Jackie Miller

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tokpoga have risen by nearly a foot during that time.

Mr. Turner urged the district to start construction on the C-43 reservoir in Hendry County because the land is overgrown with invasive plants and has sat idle. He said public access should be allowed on this property for activities like horse back riding and ATV use.

Ms. Meeker said the district needs to get something done in the Caloosahatchee basin to increase water storage and improve water quality.

Colonel Al Pantano of the US Army Corps of Engineers announced \$50 million had been awarded from Congress for the C-44 project phase one.

Col. Pantano said the Kissimmee River project should be complete by 2014. Contracts for the reach 2 and 3 Oxbow excavation, the S-65 boat ramp and the S-69 weir will all be awarded in the next three months.

Approximately 7.2 miles of The Herbert Hoover dike wall rehabilitation between Port Mayaca and Belle Glade have been completed. Another 13.2 miles are under construction.

The Corps awarded two contracts to remove culverts around the dike. Fourteen culverts are already under construction and contracts to remove four more will be awarded this fall. He also defended the Corps decision to remove water out of Lake Okeechobee in April, 2010.

He said he had no other choice due to the threat of water to lakeside communities. He said a philosophical discussion is needed to determine the future role of Lake Okeechobee because it can't be everything to everyone.

"If you want it to be a very deep reservoir it can be, but you will make sacrifices (to the environment)," he noted.

There is an argument to make it more of a reservoir but that is a philosophical change from where we are headed since we have tried to repair the dike, he added.

Col. Pantano said the ecology of the lake is healthy when the lake levels are between 12.5 and 15.5 feet. "It is not as simple as fixing the dike, raising the lake to 20 feet and say there it is," he added.

The dike belongs to the federal government and the water belongs to the state. That is where the friction is, he explained to the coalition. He said many people don't like the fact that the federal government makes decisions about Florida water.

There hasn't been a serious incident where people have lost their life because of how the lake has been managed, Col Pantano said. He explained the dike was built in 1930 to standards that would not be accepted today.

"We are trying to fix it and it is a tough task. It is a big dike, it's massive," he said.

Commissioner Echols criticized the Corps because his county hasn't gotten permits to dredge the Harney Pond canal. He said businesses depend on the lake and lake access and levels of the lake should remain higher.

"You have more of an ability to say 'we can't' than any agency I have ever dealt with," he noted.

Palm Beach County Commissioner Paulette Burdick said it is imperative that farmers in the Glades receive enough water to provide produce to the nation, a \$2 billion industry.

Tommy Stroud of the SFWMD reported that July rainfall has helped raise the levels of the Lake. He predicted the drought conditions would improve during the wet season.

"It is a relatively low possibility that we will be hit by a Tropical Storm that raises the lake to high levels," he added.

He said there is a 65 percent chance that the lake levels will not leave water shortage levels by the end of the wet season.

Biologist Don Fox of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission said the lake is in great shape. He praised the lake regulation schedule because it allows agencies to make good, common sense decisions. Aquatic vegetation has thrived in the lake.

Mr. Fox agreed that fishing has never been better on Lake Okeechobee.

"It is fabulous. Bass fishermen can catch 100 fish per day and that is not out of the ordinary," he said.

Black crappie have not recovered as well as bass. According to a FWC study, fishermen could catch 30 black crappie per minute in 1997. That rate is three crappie per minute in 2011.

He said they are building up the black crappie population.

The coalition will meet again on Sept. 30, at 10 a.m. at the Okeechobee County Courthouse.

# Roadwatch for the Week of July 24

## Glades County

•Vance Whidden (Shared Use Path): From north of Curry Island Road to south of Curry Island Road: Construction project--This project consists of minor drainage improvements, stabilization subgrade, base, and asphalt structure and performance turf.

Construction is scheduled for day time only. Motorists are advised to use caution. Work will commence early in August 2011 and continue for a period of 40 calendar days.

The contractor is Lynch Paving and Contracting Co, Inc.

•CR 74: from the Charlotte County Line to SR 29: Construction project--This project consists of pavement markings and signage. Motorists are advised to use caution while traveling in this area.

Slow moving vehicles and intermittent lane closures can be expected. The project is to commence in early August 2011 and be completed a 2 week period, weather permitting.

The contractor is Ameriseal Highway Striping.

•US 27: From Industrial Canal to Lewis Boulevard (in the city of Clewiston): Maintenance project --- Crews will be cleaning the drainage pipes.

No lane closures are expected, but motorists should be aware of equipment and workers in the area.

•US 27: From the Hendry County Line to Old Highway 27: Construction project--The project consists of milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements, signing and pavement.

Motorists should expect single lanes in each direction during milling and paving operations, slow moving traffic and possible minor delays. Flagmen will be on site to assist with traffic.

Construction is expected to be completed in late summer 2011. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

## Hendry County

•US 27: From Stitt Ranch entrance in Hendry County to Old US 27 in Glades County (8 miles): Construction project --- Work continues to resurface eight miles of roadway.

One lane in each direction will be maintained during final sod installation operations.

Lane closures are also permitted only during the hours of working operations. The 65 mph speed limit will be maintained.

During this project, motorists should expect construction trucks and vehicles to be entering and exiting the roadway.

Driving times also may be longer than usual, so planning extra travel time is important.

Motorists also should anticipate changes in routine travel patterns and always drive with

care. Project completion is expected at the end of summer 2011. Ajax Paving, Industries is the contractor.

•SR 80: From SR 80 to Collingswood Parkway: Construction project --- This project consists of adding a right turn lane, widening, base work and signing and pavement marking on SR 80 approximately 400 feet west of Collingswood Parkway.

Motorists should expect eastbound lane closures from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. weather permitting, Monday through Friday.

Please use caution while traveling through this work zone. The contractor is Better Roads, Inc.

•SR 80: From Cowboy Way to Clark Street: Maintenance permit project --- Contractor crews will be replacing their cable in this area, no lane closures expected, but motorist should be aware of equipment and workers in this area.

•SR 80: At Palomino Drive and Indian Hills Drive intersection: Construction project --- This project will add turn lanes.

Crews are working on the travel lanes and outside shoulders along with side drain installation.

Motorists should expect lane closures from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. Please use caution while traveling through this work zone.

The project is estimated for completion in late fall 2011. The contractor is Better Roads, Inc.

•SR 29: From SR 80 to Cowboy Way: Maintenance permit project --- Sidewalk repairs are underway in this area. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures while crews work on the concrete pour.

Trucks are entering and exiting the work area, please use caution. This project will be completed by mid-June.

•SR 29: South from A Road to F Road: Maintenance project --- Crews will be reworking the shoulders from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday for the next three weeks.

Motorists should expect a lane closure and flagmen will be on hand to assist with traffic.

•SR 29: From Helms Road to E Road: Maintenance permit project --- Crews will be replacing power poles in this area.

Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures with flagmen on site to assist with traffic.

•SR 29: South from A Road to Helms Road: Maintenance permit project --- Crews will be replacing power poles in this area.

Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting with flagmen on site to assist with traffic.



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An aerial shot of the Harvey Pond canal, where dredging has not begun due to the delay with permits.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Adequate Yearly Progress

Glades County district and school grades and Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) reports are available at the district and school offices or online at: <http://schoolgrades.fldoe.org>.

Moore Haven Elementary, West Glades School

and the Glades County School District have all earned a grade of A.

As required under No Child Left Behind (NCLB) the District has sent home letters explaining what AYP is, how it is achieved, and what we are doing to improve student achievement.

# From Glades to Palm Beach County: Sports Page



PHOTO / AMY MCKOWN

Clewiston Gamecocks catcher Brock Ramer jumps up to catch a pitch during a double header on Saturday. The Gamecocks made the 18 and under playoffs. The team's first playoff game is tonight against Archbishop Curley at 5 p.m. at Notre Dame High School, 4949 N.E. Ave., Miami

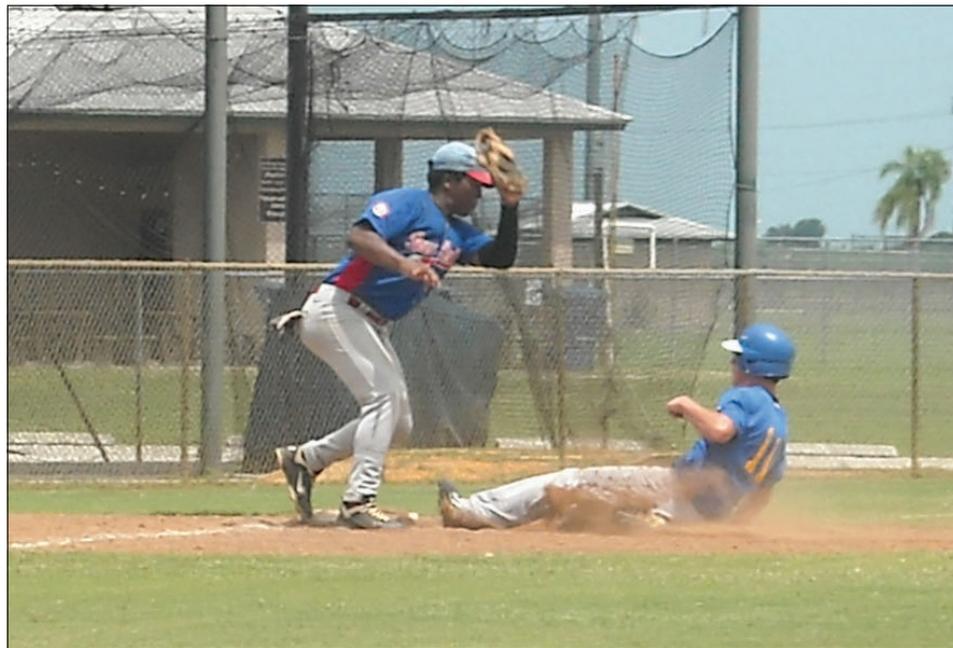


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Steven McKown slides safely into third base during a big play during Saturday's games at Stalls Field in Clewiston.



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Trey Pruitt has a long stride during his pitch.



PHOTO / AMY MCKOWN

Cody "Red" Thomas aims a good fast ball.

## NOTICE

The Glades County School Board  
Will Hold The Following Public  
Hearings On August 11, 2011  
In The Glades County School Board  
Meeting Room

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7:00 p.m. Consider Proposed Changes To  
The Student Progression Plan

7:15 p.m. Consider Proposed Changes To  
The Student Code of Conduct

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# Compensation for USDA Discrimination

## Female and Hispanic farmers and ranchers affected

If you are a female farmer or rancher or a Hispanic farmer or rancher and you believe that the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) improperly denied farm loan benefits to you for certain time periods between 1981 and 2000 because you are a female, or because you are Hispanic, you may be eligible to apply for compensation, the USDA State Food & Agriculture Council (SFAC) in Florida announced in joint news release issued today.

### You might be eligible if:

- You sought a farm loan or farm-loan servicing from USDA during that period; and
- The loan was denied, provided late, approved for a lesser amount than requested, approved with restrictive conditions, or USDA failed to provide an appropriate loan service; and
- You believe these actions occurred because you are female or Hispanic.

"We want all producers who may be eligible to be aware of this claims process for female and Hispanic farmers and ranchers, as well as the recent settlements with Native American and African American farmers and ranchers, so they can come forward and participate in these processes," said Richard Macheck, State Director of Rural Development (RD) in Florida, who serves as this year's chair of the SFAC. The SFAC is comprised of State-level agency heads of the three USDA partner agencies - RD State Director Richard Macheck, Farm Service Agency (FSA) State Executive Director, Tim Manning and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) State Conservationist Carlos Suarez- with membership from other USDA agencies in Florida. If you want to register your name to receive a claims package in the female and Hispanic farmers claims process, you can call the Farmer and Rancher Call Center at 1-888-508-4429 or access the Website: [www.farmerclaims.gov](http://www.farmerclaims.gov). In 2011, a Class Administrator will begin mailing claims packages to those who have requested one through the Call Center or Website. The claims package will have detailed information about the eligibility and claims process. In order to participate, you must submit a claim to the Claims Administrator by the end of the claims period.

The claims process offers a streamlined alternative to litigation and provides at least \$1.33 billion in compensation, plus up to \$160 million in farm debt relief, to eligible Hispanic and women farmers and ranchers.

The claims process provides up to \$50,000 for each woman or Hispanic farmer who can show that USDA denied them a loan or loan servicing for discriminatory reasons for certain time periods between 1981 and 2000. Hispanic or female farmers who provide additional proof and meet other requirements can receive \$50,000. Successful claimants may also be eligible for funds to pay the taxes on their awards and for forgiveness of certain existing USDA loans. There are no filing fees or other costs to claimants to participate in the program. Participation is voluntary, and individuals who opt not to participate are not precluded by the program from filing a complaint in court. If you are currently represented by counsel regarding allegations of discrimination against USDA or in a lawsuit claiming discrimination by USDA, you should contact your counsel regarding your claims process. USDA cannot provide legal advice to you. You are not required to hire an attorney to file a claim, but you may contact

a lawyer or other legal services provider in your community for additional guidance.

## Background for USDA Officials

• Since the first days of the Obama Administration, we have worked to write a new chapter for civil rights at USDA. We have taken comprehensive, definitive actions to move the Department into a new era as a model employer and premier service provider.

• We believe that every farmer and rancher should be treated equally and fairly and we are committed to resolving all cases involving allegations of past discrimination by individuals, including Hispanic and women farmers.

• As part of our work towards this new era we announced a settlement with black farmers to address pending claims, and finalized a historic settlement agreement with Native American farmers who claim to have faced discrimination by USDA in past decades.

• And the claims process we announced on February 25, 2011, will turn the page on allegations of discrimination made against the Department by Hispanic and women farmers and provide compensation to a final group of individuals who faced discrimination.

• Together with the Department of Justice, we are providing Hispanic, Latino and women farmers and ranchers who allege discrimination an option for a streamlined process to resolve their claims simply.

• As we move through this claims process, we will continue our work so that fairness and inclusion serve as the foundation of everything we do at USDA, and that each employee and customer is treated fairly and equitably, with dignity and respect.

• Never again should hard-working Americans be forced off a farm their family has tilled for generations because they can't get the help they deserve to make it through a bad harvest, or are denied a loan to repair a broken tractor. The American people deserve no less.

## Background on Unified Claims Process

• In recent years, Federal courts decided not to certify the lawsuits brought by Hispanic and women farmers as class actions. This means that the individual farmers were left with one option: to take their claims individually through the federal court system.

• Having to rely on the courts might discourage many farmers from seeking redress because of the significant financial and time resources required for an individual lawsuit. The process we announced will help folks resolve their claims more simply.

• If you believe that USDA improperly denied you farm loan benefits between 1981 and 2000 because you are Hispanic, Latino, or female you can find information about the claims process at [www.farmerclaims.gov](http://www.farmerclaims.gov) or by calling 1-888-508-4429.

• Claimants will have 180 days from the opening date of the Claims Period, to be announced by the USDA, within which to file a complete Claims Package.

• As part of this claims process, USDA will conduct extensive outreach and notice efforts to Hispanic and/or women farmer communities so that all eligible farmers and ranchers learn about this option and are provided an opportunity to participate.



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## Commissioners

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Board approved Road Sup't Avant Brown's request to solicit bids to resurface Arbor Lane, Riverview Drive, Helm Lane, Dolphin Lane, Rudder Lane, Anchor Lane, Shady Lane, Canopy Lane, Aqua Lane and Schooner Drive and to pave Thatcher Blvd and North Avenue.

8. Approve SHIP/CDBG Foreclosure (Erica Villafuerte)

Board authorized foreclosure proceedings on defaulted mortgage of home at 10500 Red Barn Road financed by SHIP and/or CDBG public housing assistance funding. The home is vacant (has actually been abandoned), the homeowner's insurance policy canceled, and property taxes unpaid.

9. Approve Resolution and Interlocal Agreement concerning the HOME Consortium and

Authorize the chairman to sign. (Erica Villafuerte)

Board approved renewal of participation in the Heartland Rural HOME Consortium concerning the HUD Investment Partnership Act through 2014, along with the counties of DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands, Okeechobee, and Hendry County as administrator of the joint effort for purposes of implementing housing assistance planning and activities.

10. Glades Ordinance No. 2010-15 (Commissioner Long)

Commissioner Storter commented the topic was requested to be "Signage at Curry Island," but the ordinance is relevant. She stated she was unaware that Attorney Pringle would be absent for this discussion and wanted his input.

She displayed copies of signs posted at the entrance to Vance Whidden Park on Curry Island, one "no camping" and the other "no discharging of firearms except during state regulated hunting season".

Storter stated that LOHA (Lake Okeechobee Habitat Alliance), who has leased 2,700 acres north, east and south of the county's property on Curry Island) had no part in the signage, but both signs are authorized by the subject ordinance, and had in fact been placed by Glades County.

Storter commented that this Board has repeatedly promoted the idea that the Curry Island leased area was to remain open with access for public historical and traditional uses which have included hunting of wildlife and predator animals, fishing, birding, camping, archery, black powder, target shooting, air-boating and swamp-buggy riding and other recreational activities.

She pointed out that the county's management plan approved January 2003 by DEP for the 157 acres leased on Curry Island, specifically lists two projected uses and they are 1) birding walkway and 2) primitive boy scout camp as well as "single use" as defined below in Florida Statute.

Storter stated that in accordance with Ordinance 2010-15 for safeguarding of life and property, current signage should be replaced with language warning park visitors of the possibility of the discharge of firearms because the hunting of feral hogs is allowed year-round by state regulations, and, the county's property adjoins LOHA's much larger parcel which will allow access 365 days a year for hunting. She also stated that it may be necessary at times to limit the use of rifles and that most of LOHA's current interest seems to promote restoration of habitat for water fowl, and duck hunting allows shotguns rather than rifles.

She also commented that DEP, who provided her the copies of the executed lease and management agreement and plan, is looking favorably at

the county's request to annex another 60 acres parcel south of and adjacent to the existing 157 acres, but it's inclusion will then place the county over the 160-acre threshold for short-form management plan and the county then must engage professional services to develop a management plan which will be costly and requires multiple surveys by other state agencies including (but not limited to) state historical, archeological, and endangered species assessments.

Commissioner Echols stated he has met with LOHA's Management Advisory Group and a preliminary management plan for LOHA's 2700-acre parcel has been drafted. He indicated LOHA is facing funding limitations and would like to anticipate joint effort with Glades County for developing a management plan and sharing the costs. He further stated Glades County has no such funding and is currently facing budget cutbacks.

Storter commented that we need to carefully review the acceptance of any additional acreage in our lease which will increase our management plan costs, and noted she was informed by DEP staff that mapping of the proposed parcel does not appear to include the Parker Place which was one purpose for Glades County attempting the annex.

Board moved to continue the discussion at the next meeting when Attorney Pringle would be available to advise the Board concerning signage liability and other matters relative to the lease.

## County Manager And Department Heads

County Manager Wendell Taylor informed the Board he had been notified by Rep. Denise Grimsley's office that the Glades County Legislation Delegation meeting will be held with the City and School Board October 14 at 10:30 AM at the School Board meeting room.

Lobbyist Dale Milita, President of CAS Governmental Services LLC, will host a luncheon for officials following the meeting.

Mr. Taylor said we should receive insurance data by August 9; he said Attorney Pringle has taken two weeks leave.

Taylor stated he had been contacted by Hendry County concerning scheduling a joint meeting with both commission boards. Chair Echols stated he would prefer an agenda of topics to be prepared and reviewed before committing to the meeting.

## Public Input On Non-Agenda Items

Buckhead Ridge resident Tom Vallee expressed displeasure with rumors reported to him that he had been accused of poisoning the new plants at the Buckhead Ridge Community Park. He said the plants died because they were not properly planted in that they were dropped in the holes with no watering-in, and later watering was discontinued by the fire department. He stated he has re-set some of his sprinklers to water those near his property and they seemed to be recovering.

## Commissioners Items And Comments

Commissioner Storter thanked Public Safety Director Bob Jones for meeting with concerned Muse residents in an effort to coalesce endeavors for citizens to assist the Muse Volunteer Fire Dept. She stated Muse Community Association President Jimmy Cianfrani had hosted the vent and chaired it well.

## Mike Martin FSU Baseball Camp

Lance Bell and Tanner Mathis of Moore Haven and Ryan Nesbitt and Weston Rayburn attended the Mike Martin Baseball Camp from July 17 - 22 at Florida State Uni-



PHOTO / LAURA MATHIS

Lance Bell running fielding drills during camp.



PHOTO / LAURA MATHIS

Lance Bell and Tanner Mathis of Moore Haven and Ryan Nesbitt and Weston Rayburn pose for a quick photo during baseball camp.

Commissioner Storter invited all to attend the BBQ fundraiser hosted by the Children's Program of Ortona Community Association Saturday July 30 from 10-2PM. The summer recreation program has finished with 10 sessions and the parents of the children are raising funds for a summer's end field trip. Please come and enjoy BBQ pork dinner and visit/enjoy our lovely tree-covered park at 1086 Ortona Road, just past the firehouse before you get to Ortona Church.

Commissioner Giesler again thanked Bob Jones and the BHR Fire Dept. for helping with the BHR park project.

Commissioner Echols stated he had recently been elected chair of the 10-County Coalition, and Hendry County Commissioner Karson

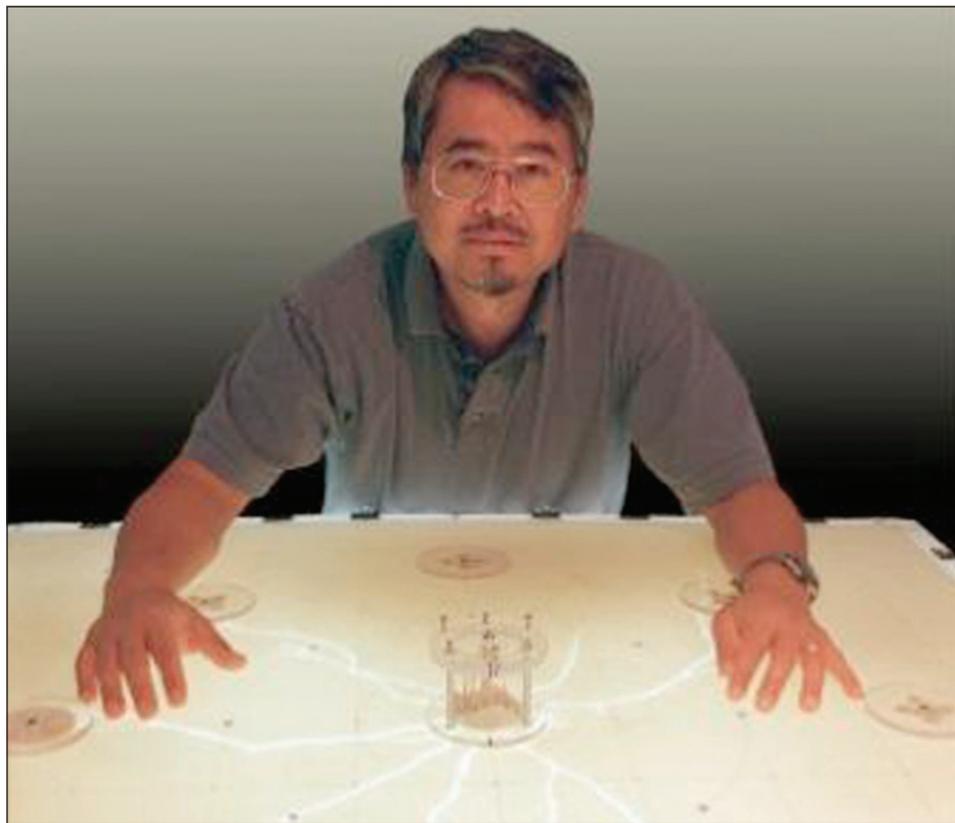
Turner was elected vice-chair, the first time representatives of the two counties had held officer position on the coalition.

Echols stated he has been informed that the Corps of Engineers will soon complete their review/approval of the Harney Pond dredging project.

When Commissioner Storter inquired if the 10-County Coalition had taken a position to urge the Corps to delay lake discharges, Echols stated they had discussed the matter, and that water rights belong to the states not federal, and it is being reviewed if the Corps (federal agency) has the right to determine the lake levels and ultimate discharges.

ADJOURN

# New Approaches Needed if Biological Control of Termites to Succeed



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Nan-Yao Su, a termite expert with the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences, poses with a tabletop model of a subterranean termite nest in this file photo. Su and colleague Thomas Chouvenc recently authored a review paper that suggests previous efforts to develop biological control methods for subterranean termites have been hampered by inadequate studies. The review, published in the journal *Biological Control*, looked at 227 studies conducted at numerous universities over a 50-year period. Many of the studies simply examined whether a natural enemy could kill subterranean termites under laboratory conditions, and did not involve experiments with actual termite nests.

It sounds like a pest control technician's dream come true—eradicating hard-to-reach underground termite colonies by introducing small quantities of a pathogen or parasite, a practice called biological control.

But after 50 years of research, scientists have yet to deliver a successful method. Researchers' efforts have been hindered by flawed experiments and lack of field testing, according to experts with the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

Their findings appear in a review article published online this week by the journal *Biological Control*.

Subterranean termites account for 80 percent of the nation's annual \$4.1 billion in termite control expenses. Colonies can hold anywhere from 100,000 to 1 million of the wood-destroying insects, and miles of pencil-sized tunnels.

In past studies conducted at many institutions, researchers have experimented with fungi, bacteria, nematodes and viruses thought to be promising biological control agents, said Thomas Chouvenc, a postdoctoral associate with UF's Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center and the review's lead author. In a typical study, termites in a confined space are exposed to an enemy organism, often at concentrations impossible to achieve in the wild.

"We can kill a bug in a jar, but the vast majority of these studies don't describe any way to implement that approach in the real world," Chouvenc said.

Distributing a pathogen or parasite in a ter-

mite colony is no easy task, said Nan-Yao Su, a UF entomology professor at the center and another author of the study. He developed a baiting system widely used to control subterranean termites.

The insects detect and avoid some fungal pathogens, and will close tunnels to confine threats. Other behaviors, such as constant grooming and removal of dead individuals, reduce the likelihood of pathogen transmission.

Among the 227 studies analyzed, many were authored by scientists who were not termite experts and probably had little understanding of the insects' behavior, Su said.

Biological control of subterranean termites may be possible, he said, but researchers should learn from past mistakes—notably, the focus on soil-dwelling fungi as potential control agents.

"Termites have lived in the soil with those fungi for millions of years, and they have evolved a wide range of mechanisms to prevent the pathogens from spreading within the colony," Su said. "You need something that has not co-evolved with termites."

The key to success, Chouvenc said, might be finding a pathogen that can spread to other termites before its host dies, not after.

Both researchers say journals are often biased toward publishing studies that show positive results, meaning that scientists may not learn about unsuccessful experiments.

"We need to encourage negative reporting so we don't replicate the same mistakes," Su said.



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# Inland Birdwatching Fun: Common Nighthawk

BY MARGARET ENGLAND  
Hendry-Glades Audubon

Citizen scientists, birdwatchers and photographers of all skills and ages, in inland Florida are participating and submitting their observations to numerous bird monitoring projects being conducted by government and non-profit agencies. A few include the North American Migration Counts in the fall and spring, Christmas Bird Count, Great Backyard Bird Count, Bluebird Blitz, Eagle Watch, Avian Center for Birds of Prey (Swallow-tailed Kite), and



Margaret England

Project Feeder Watch. The data submitted by volunteers is used to help monitor the frequency and abundance of various bird species.

On September 17, birders and photographers will be joining teams at assigned areas or working solo at home to help tally the species and number of birds in the inland counties and Lake Okeechobee during the Fall North American Migration Count. The data for Hendry, Glades and Okeechobee County will be compiled by Hendry-Glades Audubon and submitted to the Florida Ontological Society. Contact Margaret England for information or a bird checklist for the Fall North American Migration Count. One bird that usually migrates to South America before the annual Fall

North American Migration Count is the Common Nighthawk.

The Common Nighthawk, is a common summer resident throughout inland Florida. This medium-sized bird of "least concern" has a large head with a tiny bill and is well camouflaged with brown, black and gray feathers and barring on the chest. In flight, long pointed bent wings with a white patch are observed during diving displays which makes them look like a big bat with headlights. It is known in some areas as the "bullbat". During courtship the male can create a booming sound from air rushing through its wingtips during a steep dive.

Their call is a short "peet". They are most active during early daylight and later afternoon. Common nighthawks can be seen resting on horizontal tree limbs, fences and utility wires during the midday hours. Their diet consists mainly of flying insects that are caught on the wing, near dawn and dusk or sometimes at night with a full moon or near street lights.

Common Nighthawks do not build nests, but will lay two eggs directly on bare ground, in raised locations such as stumps or gravel roofs. The female is largely responsible for the 20 day incubation. Young fledge at 20 days of age.

Common Nighthawks are being observed throughout inland Florida, flying at dawn and dusk near roadways and power lines. They will begin migration to their wintering ground in South America soon.

You are invited to join Hendry-Glades Audubon volunteers on the Aug. 20 birdwatching trip to STA5, located 20 miles south of Clewiston. Meet at the Clewiston McDonalds at 7:15 a.m. or STA5 gate at 8:30 a.m. Reservations are required.



PHOTO / MARGARET ENGLAND

Common Nighthawk resting on a power line.

To sign up for the trip, send an e-mail to Margaret England, at sta5birding@embarqmail.com with your name and contact information including an emergency cell number for the trip day, the date you want to go, and the number in your party. You may also leave this information at 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202. Bring water, snacks, and lunch. For a schedule of STA5 trips through De-

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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. 26-2010-CA-000747

FORECLOSURE ADVISORS, LLC  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
VICTOR HIEBER, SR.; KATHY A. HIEBER; FORECLOSURE ADVISORS, LLC; FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION d/b/a CARL L. BROWN AND COMPANY; 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 July 21, 2011, and entered in Case No. 262010-CA-000747, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida. FORECLOSURE ADVISORS, LLC is Plaintiff and VICTOR HIEBER, SR.; KATHY A. HIEBER; UNKNOWN PERSON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; FORECLOSURE ADVISORS, LLC; FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION F/K/A CARL L. BROWN AND COMPANY; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY IN FRONT OF OFFICE OF CLERK OF COURTS, ADMINISTRATION BLDG, HENDRY CO. COURTHOUSE, AT 25 EAST HICK-POCHEE, LABELLE IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, at 11:00 a.m., on the 24th day of August, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

**LOTS 232, 233 AND 234, KELL TERRACE SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK I, PAGE 11, IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, LYING AND BEING IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

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Dated this 22nd day of July, 2011.

BARBARA S. BUTLER  
As Clerk of said Court  
By: /s/ Julie Braddock  
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 33975. Phone No. (941) 335-2299 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (via Florida Relay Services).

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393380 CN 7/28;8/4/2011

## NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

You are hereby notified that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will be held on Wednesday, August 10, 2011, at 7 pm at the Central County Conference Room located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm St. Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing herein referred to he or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.  
391731 CN 7/28/2011

## Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO. 22-2009-CA-000286

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.,  
Plaintiff,

vs.  
MAIRELIS PEREZ A/K/A MAIRELIS PEREZ, et al,  
Defendant(s).

#### NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated May 10, 2011 and entered in Case No. 22-2009-CA-000286 of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for GLADES County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA is the Plaintiff and MAIRELIS PEREZ A/K/A MAIRELIS PEREZ; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MAIRELIS PEREZ A/K/A MAIRELIS PEREZ N/K/A MAIRELIS PEREZ N/K/A MAIRELIS PEREZ; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at STEPS OF THE GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00AM, on the 11th day of August, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

**LOT 2, BLOCK 27, PORT LABELLE UNIT 102, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGES(S) 66, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

**A/K/A 16801 INWOOD ROAD 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 May 12, 2011.

Joe Flint  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ Julie Braddock  
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387815 CN 7/21,28/2011

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Susan Hoopes  
DATE: 7/21/2011  
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393279 CN 7/28/2011

## Public Notice

#### NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2011 - 42 TERMINATING THE MORATORIUM ON UNREGULATED FIRES WITHIN HENDRY COUNTY

PURSUANT TO SECTION 1-9-22 of the Hendry County Code of Ordinances, Hendry County gives notice that the moratorium on unregulated fires within Hendry County has been terminated as of July 12, 2011.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
Darrell Harris, Chairman  
393480 CN/CB 7/28/11

## Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
PROBATE DIVISION  
File No. 2011-058-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF  
ARMADE M. DEVARNEY  
Deceased.

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Armade M. Devarney, deceased, whose date of death was February 4, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is PO Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is July 28, 2011.

Personal Representative:  
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Leominster, Massachusetts 01453  
Attorney for Personal Representative:  
Ralph Elver

Attorney for Arthur J. Devarney  
Florida Bar Number: 215848  
P.O. Drawer 2280  
LaBelle, FL 33975

Telephone: (863) 675-5800  
Fax: (863) 675-4998  
393214 CB 7/28;8/4/2011

#### NOTICE OF SALE

TO: Lane Pool  
You are hereby notified that with Randy Coyle & Rena Blissett, located at 1801 Red Road, Clewiston, FL 33440. The items are believed to be household and miscellaneous items and will be sold to the highest bidder for cash at the above address on July 29th, 2011 at 11:00 A.M., along with advertising costs. We reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.  
392775 CN 7/21,28/2011

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourist Development Council will hold a regular meeting Thursday, Aug. 4th, 2011, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the Hendry County EDC Office, 110 Broward Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935. If a quorum is not established, the alternative date is Thursday, Aug. 11th, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. This meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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

Hendry County  
Tourist Development Council  
Karson Turner, Chairman  
393351 CN/CB 7/28/2011

## Public Notice

## Public Notice

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**  
Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the District One Office until 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, August 18, 2011, for the following Proposals:  
E1K37- A Certification of Qualification is not required for I-4 Roadside Mowing & Litter Removal. Budget Estimate: \$360,000.00  
E1K38- A Certification of Qualification is not required for North Polk County Roadside Mowing & Litter Removal in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$530,000.00  
E1K39- A Certification of Qualification is not required for South Polk County Roadside Mowing & Litter Removal. Budget Estimate: \$330,000.00  
E1K40- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Storm Water Pond Mowing & Litter Removal in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$52,802.00  
Complete letting advertisement information for this project is available on our website at <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministration/district1/> or by calling (863) 519-2559.  
393103 CN/CB 7/28;8/4/2011

## Public Notice

#### HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Special Board Meeting on August 3, 2011, at 4:00 p.m., in the Commission Room, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee, LaBelle, Florida, to discuss 2011-2012 County Budget issues. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Commission with respect to any matter discussed at such meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

#### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Darrell R. Harris, Chairman  
393460 CB/CN 7/28/11

#### NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Miami-Dade County, Florida, Case number: 11-1705-05 on May 9th, 2011 in the matter of First Union National Bank of Florida as plaintiff, and Eirleyds R. Zaballa a/k/a Eirleyds Zaballa and Diego Rodriguez a/k/a Diego R. Rodriguez as defendant(s), I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant(s), to-wit:

2005 MAZDA 6, vehicle identification number:1YVF80C05M36642, title number: 92588406 issued 07/19/2007.

and on August 18, 2011, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution. The above described property may be viewed up to 30 minutes prior to the scheduled sale time by contacting Lt. Andy Lewis at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office. In accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-9-800-955-87671 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

Steve Whidden As Sheriff  
Of Hendry County, Florida  
By: Lt. Andy Lewis  
392454 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

#### NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

Kevin C. Briggs, 495 Marjan Ave. LaBelle, FL 33935  
Bruce W. Medina, 270 S. Grant St., Clewiston, FL 33440  
John D. Rourks, 7100 Bowen Blvd., Clewiston, FL 33440

You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Hendry County, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this published notice to receive the information regarding the basis for your potential ineligibility and the procedure to resolve this matter. Failure to respond may result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor, and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system. Call 863-983-5230 or 863-983-1592.

#### El Aviso se da por Este Medio:

Este aviso es para usted que su elegibilidad de votar esta en cuestion. Usted tiene que comunicarse con el Supervisor de Elecciones, del condado de Hendry, Florida, antes de 30 dias despues de la fecha de este anuncio publicado para recibir la informacion al respecto de su ineligibilidad potencial y el procedimiento de resolver este caso. Si no responde, puede dar lugar a una determinacion de la ineligibilidad por el Supervisor, y su nombre sera quitado del sistema estatal del registro de votantes. telephone 863-983-5230 or 863-983-1592.

Lucretia A. Strickland  
Supervisor of Elections  
PO Box 174  
LaBelle, FL 33975  
Hendry County, Florida  
F.S. 98.075  
392882 CN/CB 7/28/2011

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

##### Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1844	2007	1354432-A0001900100	Gary Scott Miller

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 3841, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fourth Thursday in the month of August, 2011, which is the 25th day of August, 2011.  
Dated this 20th day of July, 2011.

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Hendry County, Florida  
392540 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Winder VI, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Verona A, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT John & Ilene Klasfeld Co Tr, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT John & Ilene Klasfeld Co Tr, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

REQUEST FOR BID (RFB) NO. 600000390 FUEL TANK PLATFORMS NORTH REGION, MARTIN, OKEECHOBEE AND GLADES COUNTIES, FL... The Procurement Bureau of the South Florida Water Management District, B-1 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406, will receive sealed bids up to 2:30 p.m. opening time on AUGUST 26, 2011 for the FUEL TANK PLATFORMS NORTH REGION, MARTIN, OKEECHOBEE AND GLADES COUNTIES, FL.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

SIDEWALK REPAIR ALONG FRANCISCO STREET AND W.C. OWEN AVENUE, CLEWISTON, FL 33440 BID NO. 2011-15 OPENING DATE AND TIME: August 11, 2011 @ 2:00 p.m. Sealed bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida for repair of sidewalks along Francisco St. and W.C. Owen Ave., Clewiston, FL.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Tarpon IV LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3188	2007	4104329-06023460120	Travis Daniels

Lot 12, Block 2346, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 110, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fourth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **25th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **13th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

392556 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

Public Notice

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3181	2007	4104329-06023430100	Lloyd W. Hulcolm

Lot 10, Block 2343, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fourth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **25th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **13th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

392547 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

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**PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE**  
**GLADES UTILITY AUTHORITY**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Glades Utility Authority ("Authority") is scheduled to be held on **Wednesday, August 3, 2011, from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** in the City of Belle Glade Commission Chambers, 110 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., Belle Glade, Florida 33430.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider approval of the regular meeting minutes, to request Board direction to proceed with the process of acquiring Legal Services, and any other business that may come before the Board. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with Florida law. A copy of the meeting agenda may be obtained at the meeting or, prior to the meeting, by contacting Jocelyn Colon at **561-493-6127**. The meeting, or consideration of any individual agenda items, may be continued to a date and time certain to be announced at the meeting and noticed.

Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact: Jocelyn Colon at **(561) 493-6127** or **JColon@pbwater.com** at least forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting.

If anyone chooses to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and should accordingly ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made that includes the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

**Jocelyn Colon, GUA Clerk**  
 393451 BG 7/28/11

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3231	2007	4104329-07022150020	Luis Fernando Correa

Lot 2, Block 2215 of Port LaBelle Unit 7, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 116, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fourth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **25th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **13th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

392553 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

Public Notice

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3164	2007	4104329-06023370050	Deanos Full Service Inc

Lot 5, Block 2337, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof Recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **11th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **29th** day of **June, 2011**.

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

391638 CN 7/7,14,21,28/2011

Public Notice

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3621	2007	4104329-10023750470	Herman E. Scott

Lot 47, Block 2375, Port LaBelle Unit 10, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 17, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **18th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

391864 CN 7/14,21,28 & 8/4/2011

Public Notice

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2091	2007	1314433-A0003950000	Gary Scott Miller

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 5983, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fourth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **25th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **20th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

392535 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

Public Notice

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1908	2007	1364432-A0001910000	Gary Scott Miller

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 4086, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fourth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **25th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **20th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

392536 CN 7/21,28;8/4,11/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3616	2007	4104329-10023730130	Daphne D. Leiba And Janette S. Brown

Lot 13, Block 2373, of Port La Belle Unit 10, a subdivision according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 17, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **18th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

391863 CN 7/14,21,28 & 8/4/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1324	2007	1224432-01000380040	Pilar Home Developers, Inc

Lot 4, Block 38, Montura Ranch Estates, first Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **18th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

391862 CN 7/14,21,28 & 8/4/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3168	2007	4104329-06023370200	Bradley Residential LLC % Deanos Full Service Inc

Lot 20, Block 2337, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof Recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **15th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **29th** day of **June, 2011**.

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

391647 CN 7/7,14,21,28/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Ilene Klasfeld d/b/a TCPA Properties**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4055	2002	4104329-03021280050	Debra D. Storms % Debra Christensen Kessler

Lot 5, Block 2128, Port LaBelle Unit 3, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **18th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

391809 CN 7/14,21,28 & 8/4/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3642	2007	4104329-10023940020	Hugo E. Tona and Hugo A. Tona

Lot 2, Block 2394, of Port La Belle Unit 10, a subdivision according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 14, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **18th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

391868 CN 7/14,21,28 & 8/4/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
990	2007	1134432-A0000270000	Leon Sacco and Corina Sacco

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 5632, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **August, 2011**, which is the **18th day of August, 2011**.

Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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

391855 CN 7/14,21,28 & 8/4/2011

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
989	2007	1134432-A000260000	Leon Sacco and Corina Sacco

The North one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 5649, Montura Ranch Estates, unrecorded.

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

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

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Dated this **6th** day of **July, 2011**.

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 Clerk of Circuit Court  
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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
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# Tips For Safe Swimming

BY STATEPOINT

New research from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) on “swimmer’s ear” underscores the need for the public to play an active role in ensuring healthy pools.

The study indicates “swimmer’s ear” accounts for 2.4 million doctor visits and nearly \$500 million in health care costs annually. The CDC is encouraging swimmers to test pool water for proper chemistry.

To help keep swimming fun and healthy this summer, the Water Quality & Health Council is once again making free pool test kits available so swimmers can check pH and chlorine readings.

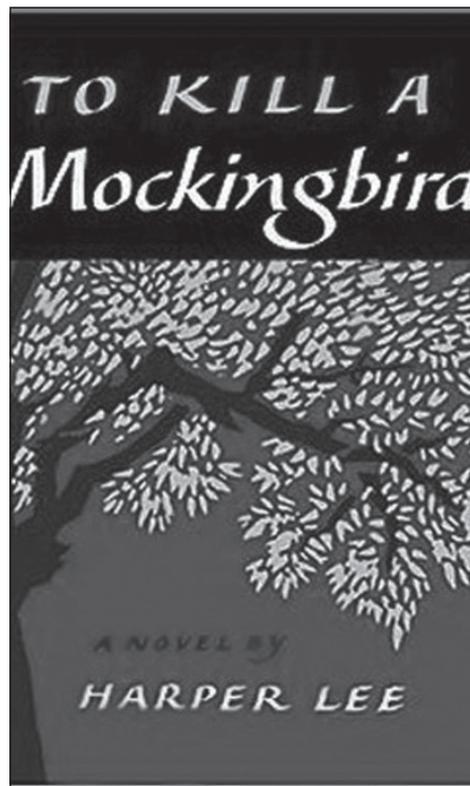
According to the CDC, pools with proper pH and chlorine readings are less likely to harbor bacteria that cause “swimmer’s ear” and germs that cause other recreational water illnesses, including diarrhea and athlete’s foot. Free pool test kits are available at [www.healthypools.org/freeteststrips](http://www.healthypools.org/freeteststrips).

Last summer, the council provided more than 43,000 free pool test kits. Data submitted by swimmers who requested kits found that 40 percent of pools had unacceptable levels of chlorine or pH readings.

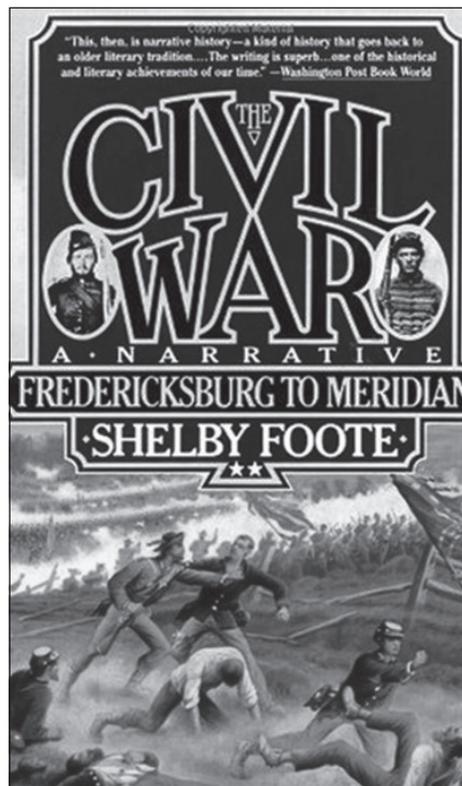
When testing pool water, the pH should register between 7.2 and 7.8 and the free chlorine level should be between 1.0 and 4.0 parts per million. If readings are outside these ranges, pool staff should be notified immediately. Pool operators should check disinfectant levels and pH at least twice daily. Swimmers requesting test kits are encouraged to upload readings to the Healthy Pools website, which even offers a smart-phone application so swimmers can upload data poolside.

In a recent survey by the Water Quality & Health Council, nearly one in five adults admitted to urinating in pools and one in three said they don’t shower before swimming. In addition to using pool test kits, swimmers can use their senses to check for signs of healthy pools.

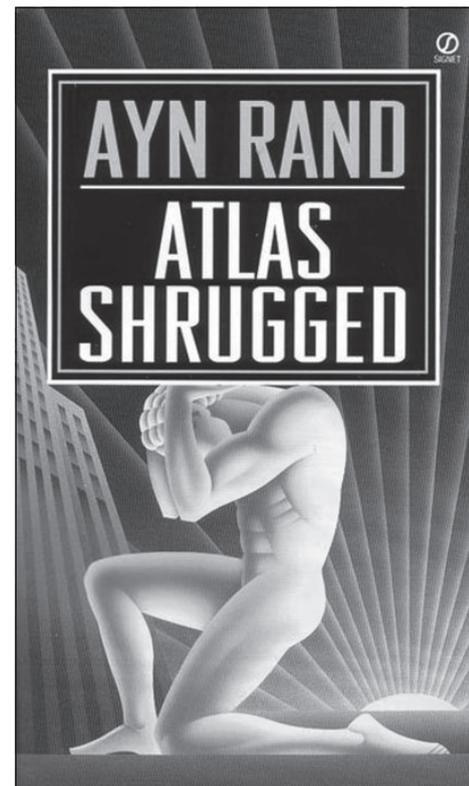
# Great Summer Reads To Beat Those Dog Days



**To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee**



**The Civil War by Shelby Foote**



**Atlas Shrugged by Ayn Rand**

BY STATEPOINT

Looking for some great summer reading to help get you through the dog days of the season? Why not catch up on American classics you might have missed in your youth.

The long sunny days are great for lounging and meandering through some American classics, many of which enjoy a controversial history that makes them all the more worth exploring.

## The Civil War

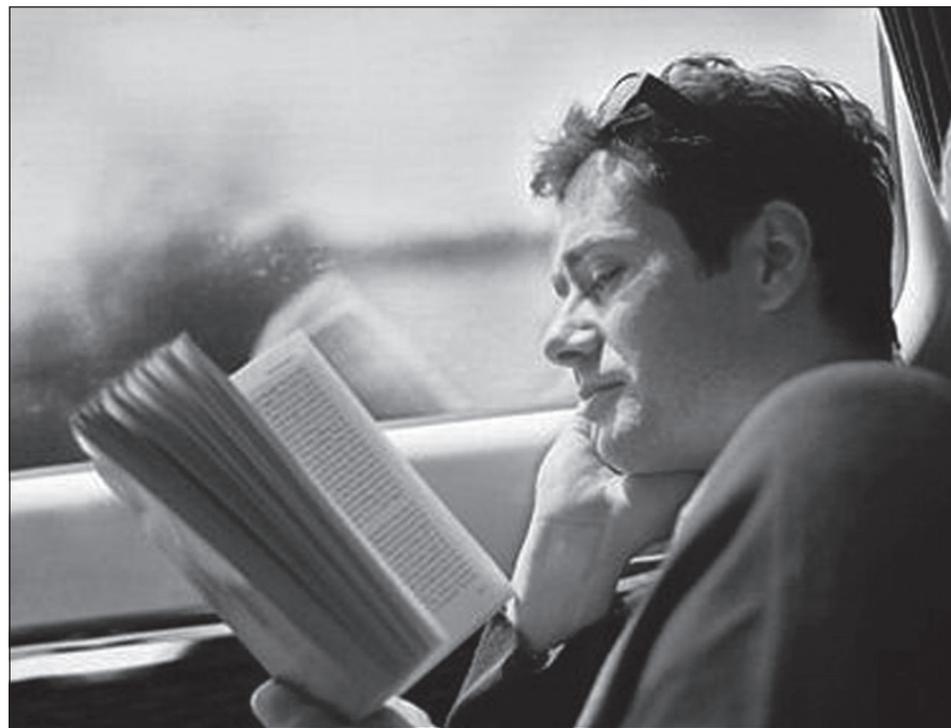
Historic and huge, Shelby Foote’s three-volume history of the Civil War is a must for American history buffs. Focused on the military campaigns, “The Civil War: A Narrative” was published between 1958 and 1974. Yet, it has been criticized in recent years for its neglect of political and social factors in the war, particularly slavery.

This year, in honor of the 150th anniversary of the start of the Civil War, the complete set has been reissued with commentary by Jon Meacham, a Pulitzer-prize winning author himself. But if any amount of reading about the Civil War seems dry, check out Ken Burns’s PBS documentary, The Civil War, which relies heavily on Foote’s research.

## Atlas Shrugged

More than 50 years after “Atlas Shrugged” debuted as a New York Times bestselling novel, it has made the bestseller lists again this year, bringing total sales to over seven million copies. And with the recent release of a movie of the same name, conservative and liberals across the country are engaging in spirited debates over the writings of Ayn Rand, a controversial philosopher who espoused individualism over collective interest.

“Atlas Shrugged” is an interesting and compelling story today,” says David Kelley, president and founder of The Atlas Society, a nonprofit organization based on Rand’s teachings about Objectivism and capitalism. “It provides incredible paral-



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els with our current state of affairs.”

Whether you agree or disagree with Rand’s worldview, her work is a must-read for anyone interested in the political and economic history and future of America. Her books have sold a cumulative 25 million copies and even sparked a social movement focused on the championing of personal liberty and entrepreneurialism. For more information, visit [www.atlassociety.org](http://www.atlassociety.org).

## To Kill A Mockingbird

Celebrated and banned, Harper Lee’s only published novel is celebrating its 50th anniversary. Loosely based on an event in Lee’s own

hometown of Monroeville, Alabama, the book is a coming-of-age novel narrated by a young white girl named Scout as she watches the trial of a falsely accused African American man, defended by her father Atticus.

The novel won the Pulitzer Prize in 1961, but has also been banned by schools for use of profanity and frank discussion of race. Yet the 1962 film starring Gregory Peck and Robert Duvall met with critical acclaim.

Through controversy and poetry, history and plot, these works continue to influence public debate in America. Isn’t it time you got in on the conversation?



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# Glades County 4-H Archery Club

The Glades County 4-H Archery Club started up last year and placed in the top 10 of every competition. They have been practicing again for an upcoming competition in Newberry, FL on Aug. 6. They are finalizing plans for a 3-D Archery Tournament on Sept. 17. Anyone who is interested in helping or participating, please call Glades County Extension Office at 863-946-0244.



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Tyler Miller and Raif Prevatt setting up their targets.



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Tanner Mathis and Archery Club Leader, Scott Bass



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