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Gov. Scott meets with local leaders

By Pete Gawda

Special to the Glades County Democrat

There was standing room only in the conference room at the Glades County Courthouse on Thursday afternoon, June 7. Glades County was one of the stops on Governor Rick Scott's tour of several area counties, as part of his overall plan to visit all 67 Florida counties. The governor was taking his show on the road and meeting with local business and government leaders to discuss the economy, education and Medicaid.

The governor said it was his purpose to listen to people and get their ideas. He pledged to spend the people's money in a responsible manner. The governor was accompanied by Pam Stewart,

Chancellor of the Florida Department of Education and Sherri Martin of the Department of Economic Opportunity.

The governor said he realizes the new legislation requiring counties to pay disputed Medicaid bills could cause hardships to some counties.

"We are not going to certify any bills people aren't comfortable they owe," he asserted. "If you have any problems, call me directly."

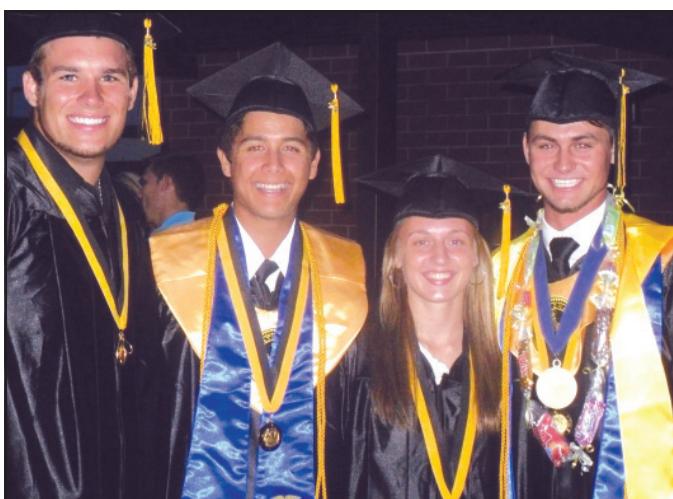
"We have to be make government responsible, so we'll be responsive to complaints," Gov. Scott said.

He noted that since he took office, unemployment in Florida went from 11.1 per cent to 8.7 per cent and the number of unemployed people dropped from 516,000 to 340,000. He

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Special to the Glades Democrat/Charles Murphy
Rick Scott meets Glades County Commissioner Paul Beck (center) and County Manager Wendell Taylor.



Special to the Glades County Democrat

Graduation day!

Moore Haven High School's Class of 2012 participated in graduation ceremonies on Friday, June 8. Above: Marshall Britt, 2012 Senior Class President Dustin Chapman, Ashley Wright and Valedictorian Warner Ward celebrate their graduation on June 8, at Moore Haven High School. At right, graduates celebrate as the ceremony concludes. For more photos, see page 10.



Inland Birding Fun: Burrowing Owl (BUOW)



PHOTO / MARGARET ENGLAND

Florida Burrowing Owls.

BY MARGARET ENGLAND
Hendry-Glades Audubon

Burrowing Owls are known locally as "Howdy Owls." They will bob their heads up and down as if saying "howdy" as a sign of distress, when excited, or for judging distance.

It is estimated that there are about 3,000 of these birds in Florida. This "species of special concern" is the only North American Owl that nests underground.

They use burrows year-round for roosting during the winter and raising young during the breeding season.

The Florida Burrowing Owl is a small owl about nine inches in height with long legs and a short tail. Both sexes are about the same size. They lack ear tufts of the more familiar woodland owls. Adults have dark brown plumage with extensive barring on the belly and heavily streaked foreheads. Juveniles have paler markings than the adults.

The owl's song is a two-note "coo cooo" with the call being a series of rattles, clucks and chatters. The longest living banded wild Burrowing Owl on record was about 8.5 years old.

These birds are attracted to elevated areas along canal bank and road berms, as well as dry open native prairies, pastures, recreational lands



Margaret England

and residential areas where there are cleared areas with short ground cover. Burrowing Owls usually dig their own burrows, but will use gopher tortoise and armadillo burrows.

These burrows, extending four to eight feet underground, are lined with various materials such as grass clippings, feathers, paper, and manure.

Burrowing Owls forage for food throughout the day, but are most active in the morning and evening. They hunt by catching food with their feet while walking, hopping or running on the ground or flying from a perch.

Their diet includes a variety of insects and vertebrates including crickets, beetles, lizards, frog and road-killed animals.

Burrowing Owls will nest colonially with just a few feet separating each burrow. Eggs are laid from early October to early May with the peak being mid-March. Three to ten white eggs are incubated for about 30 days and the young fledge in about 40 days after hatching.

You are invited to join Hendry-Glades Audubon volunteers for free birding trips to STA5 located 20 miles south of Clewiston on July 14 or Aug. 18.

For reservations for these trips contact Margaret England at sta5birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202.

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Glades at a Glance

BHR VFW to host Fathers Day breakfast

VFW Post 9528, US Highway 78 Buckhead Ridge will host a Fathers Day Breakfast on Sunday, June 17, 9 a.m.-11 a.m. Fathers eat free, all others \$6 donation.

Community Icons Association plans tournament

Community Icons Association will present their first softball tournament at the City Softball Complex in Moore Haven on June 30 starting at 8:30 a.m. Entry fee is \$175 per team. The tournament will be limited to 10 teams. Trophies will be awarded for first and second place. Fee must be paid by June 23. There will be a one-hour time limit per game. Each team must provide a game ball. The event will follow ASA guidelines. Please contact JB at 863-254-7088; Tony at 863-227-1141; or King at 863-227-3081 for reservations. All proceeds benefit the Community Icons Association.

Citizen's Observer Patrol Academy open

Citizen's Observer Patrol Academy is a comprehensive course geared towards educating interested citizens about the Sheriff's Office day-to-day operations and functions and to educate them about Florida law and their public rights. For information, call Marion Schramm at 863-946-1600 ext. 2139.

Legion Post 299 in Moore Haven has full-service bar

American Legion Post 299 in Moore Haven has been recently issued a full-service bar license, and will be open for business at 2 p.m. on June 22. They will serve drinks only, and all the popular beer and wines. All American Legion members in the area are invited to stop in and check us out. Well drinks are priced at \$2.50 for beer. Hours of operation are yet to be defined, but they will be open at 2 p.m. every day. Call 863-763-5901 with questions.

FOE plans upcoming events

Fraternal Order of Eagles #4523, 101 Avenue J, Moore Haven plans the following June activities for members and friends.

- Tuesday: Bingo at 7 p.m. (open to the public);
- Wednesday: Pool tournament 7 p.m.;
- Friday: Steak Dinners 5 – 8 p.m. (open to the public);
- Saturday: Free pool and Juke box 7-10 p.m.;
- Sunday: Breakfast served on the first and third Sunday of each month from 8-11 a.m. (open to the public).

Meetings are as follows:

- Men Aerie second and fourth Thursdays at 7 p.m.
- Lady Auxiliary first and third Thursdays at 7 p.m.
- Installations class last Sunday of month at 2 p.m.

VFW Post #9528 in BHR plans activities

Located at 29012 E Hwy. 78, Buckhead Ridge invites area residents to their activities. The post opens at 11 a.m. daily. They are accepting applications for new members for the VFW, Ladies Auxiliary, Male Auxiliary, AMVETS and AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary. The VFW meets every second and fourth Saturday at 10 a.m., VFW Male Auxiliary meets every third Saturday at 10 a.m., VFW Ladies Auxiliary and AMVET Ladies meet every second Tuesday at 10 a.m. and AMVETS meet every first Saturday at 10 a.m. For more information, contact Commander Gordon Bruens at 863-467-2882.

Candidate forum scheduled for June 28

The first of the summer series of forums for candidates for political office in Glades County will be hosted by the Ortona Community Association on Thursday, June 28, at 7 p.m. The forum will be held at the Ortona community hall on Hwy 78A (Ortona Locks Road) Each candidate will be invited to speak for five minutes. If time allows following the presentations, questions will be taken from the audience. All are welcome. For further information, contact: Fran Way, 863-675-7880, or franwayrn@aol.com.

Muse Community Center activities planned

The Muse Community Association has planned the following events for June:

- June 9, Country Jam Session and pot luck dinner at 6 p.m.
- June 21, regular monthly meeting at 7 p.m.

All events will be held at the Muse Community Center Building on Loblolly Road (Highway 720) in Muse.

Narcotics Anonymous meets at BHR Christian Church

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

Lakeport Community plans events and meetings

• Lakeport Community Center Bible Study on Wednesdays at 10 a.m. For more information, call George at 863-946-1222.

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

• Lakeport Gatorz meet every Friday at 6 p.m. Come out and enjoy food, games, and crafts. For more information, contact Ms. Brenda at 863-532-8314.

• The Lakeport Community Center will be a site for the Kid's Summer Lunch Program from June 18 until August 9. Volunteers are needed to help with the program. For more information, please call 608-345-1324.

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Protect Yourself From Heat Exhaustion

**Summer brings
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BY PAT DOBBINS
Hendry/Glades Health Departments

The temperatures keep rising as we slowly head into the summer.

The Hendry and Glades County Health Departments are urging folks to be aware of the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and heat stroke.

Warning signs of heat exhaustion vary but may include the following:

- Heavy sweating
- Paleness
- Muscle cramps
- Tiredness
- Weakness
- Dizziness
- Headache
- Nausea or vomiting
- Fainting

- Skin: may be cool and moist
 - Pulse rate: fast and weak
 - Breathing: fast and shallow
- If heat exhaustion is untreated, it may progress to heat stroke.

Help the person to cool off and seek medical attention if symptoms worsen or last longer than one hour.

What to do if heat exhaustion is suspected:

- Drinking cool, nonalcoholic beverages, as directed by your physician
 - Resting in an air-conditioned environment
 - Taking a cool shower, bath or sponge bath
 - Wearing lightweight clothing
- Heat exhaustion/heat stroke prevention tips
- Drink lots of water or drink cool, non-alcoholic beverages
 - Get lots of rest
 - Take a cool shower or bath
 - Seek an air-conditioned location when possible
 - Wear lightweight and light-colored clothing
 - Do not engage in strenuous activities when

you know temperatures are at high levels.

Heat exhaustion and heat stroke become more common in very humid environments. High humidity reduces the effectiveness of sweating and cooling the body.

Heat stroke is the most serious heat-related illness. It occurs when the body becomes unable to control its temperature.

Heat exhaustion is a milder form of heat-related illness that can develop after days of exposure to high temperatures and inadequate or unbalanced replacement of fluids.

To avoid becoming dehydrated, it is important to drink plenty of fluids, especially water, even if you don't feel thirsty. This is particularly true on days when temperatures reach 90 degrees Fahrenheit (F) and higher.

Depending upon your physical activity and heat exposure during hot weather, it's a good idea to drink more water.

Health experts have found that fluid requirements vary from person to person.

Persons who have medical conditions such as kidney and heart disease, who require a fluid restricted diet, or who have problems with fluid

retention should consult a physician before increasing their consumption of fluids.

Knowing the signs of dehydration and knowing what to do is very important. Signs of dehydration include thirst, weakness, nausea, muscle cramps, feeling dizzy and light headed, decreased urine levels and/or urine that has a strong odor or is darker than normal, tiredness, sluggishness, irritability and headaches.

All, some or none of these signs may be present so the best way to avoid dehydration is to monitor water or fluid intake and modify activity or reduce the length of activity according to weather conditions.

Don't wait for the dry mouth, flushed skin, headaches, light-headedness or fatigue. You should prevent dehydration by drinking fluids throughout the day.

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22 New FWC Officers Ready to Protect State's People, Natural Resources

"Patrol, protect, preserve."

The motto for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) Division of Law Enforcement was on the minds of 22 new officers Friday when they graduated as the FWC's 18th officer class.

At a ceremony at the Florida Public Safety Institute, near Tallahassee, they pledged their efforts to patrol Florida's lands and waters and protect and preserve its people and resources.

Col. Jim Brown, director of the FWC's Division of Law Enforcement, mentioned how FWC officers are the first point of contact most people have with the agency.

"This privilege carries great responsibility," Brown said. "As they interact with the public, I know these new officers will uphold our values: integrity, professionalism, dedication and adaptability."

As FWC officers, they will patrol Florida's

lands — nearly 54,000 square miles of it — as well as more than 12,000 square miles of water.

Due to their jurisdiction and specialized training and equipment, they are often the first to be able to respond to boating accidents, missing boaters and lost campers, hikers and hunters. In 2011, FWC officers saved nearly 900 people during search-and-rescue missions.

"These officers will be protecting the 'Fishing Capital of the World' and one of the largest public hunting systems in the country," said FWC Chairman Kathy Barco, the guest speaker at the ceremony.

The new officers began their training in December. The beginning part of each FWC academy teaches recruits basic law enforcement



techniques and skills.

"During the final eight weeks of each academy, we focus on the unique information and skills it takes to be an FWC officer," Brown said.

The specialized training involves firearms proficiency, wildlife identification, vessel operation, defensive tactics, all-terrain vehicle operation, detection for boating and driving under the influence and a focus on state and federal wildlife, fisheries and environmental laws.

The new officers will spend the next three months with a field-training officer and are assigned to the following counties:

- Oliver Adams – Monroe
- Justin W. Miller – Glades
- Megan Aswall – Martin

- Domingo Montalvo-Diaz – Miami-Dade
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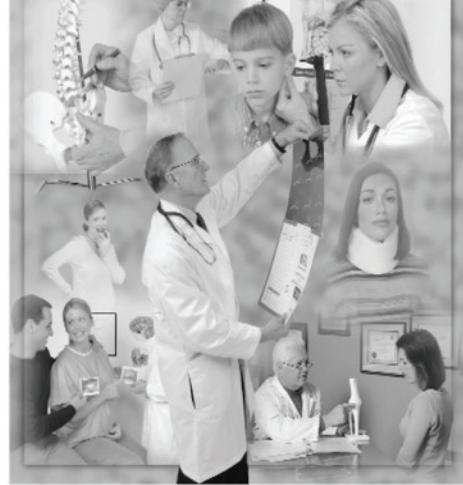
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Mary R. Rackstraw, 99

FORT MYERS — Mary R. Rackstraw, passed away on Sunday, June 10th, 2012.

Mary was the beloved wife of the late Andrew L. Rackstraw of Clewiston, Fla. {d. 1988}. She was born on January 14, 1913, in Marshalltown, Iowa.

Mrs. Rackstraw was a woman of many talents. After her graduation from Marshalltown High School she went to work in a clothing store by the name of LynMar Frocks and quickly rose to the position of manager. Following her marriage to Byron DeLoss Chamness, in 1936, they moved to Sacramento, Calif. in 1940, and then to Mobile, Ala. in 1942. She had a great love for reading and worked for the Mobile Press Register as "Miss Mary" the Children's Editor and did a weekly radio show reading stories that children had submitted to her. She loved performing in plays for the Mobile Theater Guild and the Joe Jefferson Players.

While in Mobile, Mary also worked at Brookley Air Force base until it closed and then went to work for the United States Customs Service where she met Mr. Rackstraw. After their marriage she moved to his home in Miami. After their retirement they moved to Clewiston.

Mary is survived by her son, Corey Chamness, Sr. and daughter-in-law, Pat Chamness of Fort Myers; her daughter, Pamela Jane Chamness and her son-in-law Thomas Beiter of LeRoy, N.Y.; she has Stepsons, Frank Rackstraw and his wife, Patsy of Dothan, Ala., and Andrew L. Rackstraw, Jr. and his wife Peggy of Ocala, Fla.; Stepdaughter, Peggy Schuberth and her husband Joseph of Cromwell, Conn.; Mary is also the beloved grandmother of 12 grandchildren, Corey Chamness, Jr., Noelle Chamness, Kevin Chamness, Jenevieve Stepanik-Heaney, Kathryn Stepanik, Frank Rackstraw, Jr., Lori Ann Rackstraw, Jennifer H. Rackstraw, James Rackstraw, Jeremy Schuberth, Joseph Schuberth and Jason Schuberth; and 13 great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 23, 2012, at Iona-Hope Episcopal Church, 9650 Gladiolus Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33908. Internment will be at Arlington National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Iona-Hope Episcopal Church. Friends are invited to send condolences via the on-line guest book which can be found at www.MullinsMemorial.com. Mullins Memorial Funeral Home & Cremation Service has been entrusted with final care.

Gas Price Update

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have fallen in the past week, averaging \$3.35/g on Sunday. This compares with the national average that has fallen in the last week to \$3.56/g..

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were lower than the same day one year ago and are 27.3 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased during the last month and stands lower than this day one year ago.

Jorge E. Soto, Sr., 93

CLEWISTON — Jorge E. Soto, Sr., passed away Friday, June 8, 2012, in Lakeland, Fla.

Jorge was born June 28, 1918, in Bayamo, Cuba. He is the son of the late Francisco Soto and the late Eugenia Figueredo Vega.

He came to this country in 1962 escaping Communism to provide a free life for his family. He worked in the sugar industry at Moore Haven Mill and Okeelanta Mill until his retirement at the age of 72. He graduated from the School of Commerce in Bayamo, Cuba with a degree in Accounting.

He was a proud member of the Hendry County Republican Party and assisted in numerous campaigns for many Republicans in the area. He was an avid fan of the Miami Dolphins and his beloved N.Y. Yankees.

He is survived by his wife, Maria J. Soto; six children, Jorge Jr. (Adriana), Maria Eugenia (Julio), Esperanza, Juan (Cindi), Mali (Terry) and Maria 'Chuchi' (Rich); sister, Luciola Soto Landrove of Elizabeth, N.J.; he leaves behind 14 grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren in which he imbued a legacy of life, freedom and love of family. He was preceded in death by ten siblings.

The family mourns his peaceful passing and rejoices in the sure knowledge that he is in a better place. He led a full life and with his wife of 64 years, raised a strong and loving family.

A funeral mass was held Wednesday, June 13, 2012, at 11 a.m. at St. Margaret's Catholic Church. Interment was in the Ridgelawn Cemetery. Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home, Clewiston.

Charles Edgar Elliott, 76

LABELLE — Charles Edgar Elliott, age 76, of LaBelle, passed away Wednesday, June 6, 2012 in Lehigh Acres. Charles was born January 2, 1936 in West Palm Beach. He was a former resident of Pahokee.

Survivors include his mother, Christine W. Elliott; brother, Jess P. (Sharon) Elliott of Atlanta, Ga. and Michael J. (Sherry) Elliott of LaBelle; nephews and nieces, Joseph (Mette) Elliott, Susan (Michael) Lilley, Mary Lynn (Kent) Mathis, Jennifer Evans and Mandy (Tom) Bird. He was preceded in death by his father, Jess M. Elliott.

A memorial service was Saturday, June 9, 2012 at Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church in LaBelle with Rev. John Bennett officiating.

Cremation Arrangements by: Akin-Davis Funeral Home-LaBelle

Ann E. Coverdale, 82

BELLE GLADE — Ann E. Coverdale, 82, died Thursday, June 7, 2012 at Good Samaritan Hospital in West Palm Beach.

Born in Tennessee, the daughter of John and Marie Payne, Mrs. Coverdale had lived in the Glades since 1939.

She had worked in the circulation department for the Clewiston News and the Glades County Democrat for several years.

Survivors include her daughter, Zandra Bell and her husband Donald of Marathon; daughter, Vivian Crawford and her husband Dennis of Clewiston; son, Ronnie Page of Fort Pierce; son, Richard Coverdale of Belle Glade; grandchildren, Erik, Kurt, Jason, Kendra, Zondra, and Tony; great grandchildren, Joey, Kristian, Chloe, Emma, Brock, Noah, Zachary, Zane, and Jade Elizabeth; great great grandchildren, Ethan, Emily, Kyleigh, and Karleigh.

Mrs. Coverdale was predeceased by her husband, Arthur Donald Coverdale; her sisters, Jenny, Katherine, and Vivian; and her brother, Lewis.

Visitation was 4 to 6 p.m., Sunday, June 10, 2012 at Aycock Funeral Home in Stuart, Florida. Funeral service was 11 a.m., Monday, June 11, 2012 at Aycock Funeral Home with interment to follow at Port Mayaca Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made in Mrs. Coverdale's honor to the Debbie Howell Trust at the First Bank of Clewiston, in care of Deborah VanSickle.

Please visit www.aycockfuneralhome.net to sign her online guestbook.

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Lake Okeechobee Angler Dies in Lightning Strike

BY ERIC KOPP

A Miami angler was killed on Lake Okeechobee Friday when he was apparently struck by lightning. Lorenzo Magdaleno, 51, Miami, was pronounced dead at the Indian Prairie Canal boat ramp Friday, June 8, by emergency medical personnel from Glades County, said a spokeswoman for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). In the same bass boat was David M. Hardin, 37, of Pleasantview, Tenn. He was taken to Raulerson Hospital in Okeechobee, where he was treated and released. Carli Segelson, public information coordinator for FWC, said the incident happened around 1:30 p.m. while the two men were fishing in Glades County. They were competing in the TBF Federation Division Championship bass tournament being fished out of Okeechobee. Ms. Segelson said FWC personnel escorted the men in the 21-foot Triton bass boat back to the Indian Prairie Canal boat ramp where Mr. Magdaleno was pronounced dead.

The freak incident caught most by surprise.

"I've been in the federation for more than three decades and nothing like this has ever happened before," said Robert Cartlidge, TBF president and CEO. "We've had other tragedies, such as heart attacks," he continued. "But we never had an accident fatality and certainly not a lightning strike."

The three-day division championship tournament included 84 anglers from seven states.

Mr. Magdaleno, 51, was a veteran angler and

a member of the Florida Bass Federation and the Homestead Hawg Hunters club for more than a decade. Preliminary reports outlined a quickly moving afternoon storm that passed over part of the lake. Other parts of the lake remained clear and sunny, while some were cloudy with "drizzle." Mr. Magdaleno and his partner were fishing approximately 45 minutes away from the tournament launch area, the Scott Driver Boat Ramp in Okeechobee County. Mr. Magdaleno was in the front of the boat running the trolling motor as it was "his half of the day." (TBF division championships are draw events where both anglers get control of the boat and choose the water for one half of each tournament day.) Mr. Magdaleno's partner, Mike Hardin who was the boat's owner, caught a limit during the first half of the day and was fishing off the back deck to allow Mr. Magdaleno his best chance to finish off his limit. Mr. Hardin was knocked off his feet by the strike and awoke after an undetermined amount of time on the back deck of the boat not knowing what had exactly happened. Mr. Hardin was examined at Raulerson Hospital in Okeechobee and released.

"Our thoughts and prayers go out to Lorenzo's extended list of family and friends, the Florida Bass Federation, as well as, Lorenzo's partner for the day, Mike Hardin, who was in the boat with him during this tragedy," Mr. Cartlidge, stated.

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

Date of Publication – June 14, 2012

Name of Responsible Entity – City of Clewiston

Address- 115 West Ventura Avenue

City, State, Zip Code – Clewiston, Florida 33440

Telephone Number – 863-984-1484

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about June 25, 2012, the City of Clewiston will submit a request to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) for the release of Community Development Block Grant funds under Title I of the Housing and Community Development (HCD) Act of 1974, as amended, to undertake a project to rehabilitate ten (10) single family housing units that are owned by low-to-moderate income persons. The City received \$700,000 in CDBG funds through CDBG Grant 12DB-H02 for this project. All housing units will be located within the City Limits of Clewiston.

The City of Clewiston has determined that the activities proposed are categorically excluded under HUD regulations at 24 CFR Part 58 from the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) requirements. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at the City Clerk's Office, City of Clewiston, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the Environmental Review Record (ERR) to Marilyn McCorvey, City Clerk. Additional project information is contained in the ERR on file at Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440 and may be examined or copied weekdays 9:00 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. All comments must be received by June 22, 2012. Comments will be considered prior to the City of Clewiston requesting a release of funds.

RELEASE OF FUNDS

The City of Clewiston certifies to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and HUD that Richard Miller in his capacity as Mayor consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. The State's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the City of Clewiston to use the CDBG funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

DEO will accept objections to its release of fund and the City of Clewiston certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Clewiston; (b) the City of Clewiston has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient has committed funds or incurred costs not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by the State; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, CDBG Program, MSC-400, 107 East Madison Street, Tallahassee, FL 32399-6508. Potential objectors should contact the City of Clewiston to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Richard Miller, Mayor

Name and Title of Local Government's Certifying Officer

Summer lunch program starts June 18

Glades County children can visit sites across the county for fun activities and nutritionally balanced meals four days a week this summer.

The Glades County School District summer Food Service Program will provide meals Monday-Thursday from June 18 through August 9.

Meals will be provided to all children regardless of race, color, sex, disability, age or national origin during summer vacation when regular school breakfasts and lunches

are not available.

All children 18 years old and younger are eligible for meals and activities at no charge. No pre-registration or paperwork is required.

Many of the sites will also offer special activities such as storytellers, craft projects and special visitors such as firemen and police.

The following sites will participate in the Summer Food Service Program:

- Lakeport Community Center, 10245 Red Barn Road, Lakeport, 11 a.m. - noon;

• Palmdale Baptist Church, 510 Seminole, Palmdale, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

• Ortona Community Park Children's Building, off State Road 78 in Ortona, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.;

• St. Joseph's Catholic Church, 24065 U.S. Highway 27, Moore Haven, 11 a.m.-noon;

• St. Theresa's Catholic Church, 1027 Chobe Loop (off SR 78), Buckhead Ridge, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.;

• First Missionary Baptist Church, 111 Green Street, Washington Park, noon - 1 p.m.;

• Moore Haven Elementary School Cafeteria, 401 Terrier Price Dr., Moore Haven, 11 a.m. noon;

• West Glades School, 2500 S. County Road 731 S.W., Muse, 11 a.m.- noon;

No meals will be served on July 4, 2012 in observance of the Holiday. Sites are open Monday through Thursday.

"Summertime should not be a hungry time for kids," stated Kevin Concannon, USDA Under Secretary for Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services. "The USDA Summer Food Services Program fills that gap. Healthy food gives kids energy so they can enjoy all the summertime fun, but also maintains their nutrition so they feel well and do well once they're back in school."

"At USDA, we're committed to ensuring that all students have access to 'food that's in while school is out.' We are here to help parents and communities make that a reality this summer."

Moore Haven Elementary students on honor roll

Students on the honor roll for the fourth nine weeks of the 2011-2012 school year included:

Kindergarten all A's:

Gabby Murphy
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Maxine Lacey
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Aida Jose-Ramirez
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Calia White
Richard Williams
Chaz Brown
Ava Griner
D'Mari Hallback
Keegan Pearce
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Bodie Whidden
Kendall Woodward
Emily Woznick
Caydence Cisneros
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Elissa Herrera
Kathrine Washam
Colton Porter

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First grade all A's:
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Sean Miner
Abby Williams
Andy Garcia-Ambrosio
Lillian Everett
Riley Mullens
Stephen Phillips
Cristina Toledo

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Amiryah Ford
Jo'Hon Hughes

Elyssa Pardo
Christopher Filomeno

Frank Perez
Ladd Thomas
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Second grade all A's:

Reese Davis
Sierra Hart
Ryan Cowen
Jose Mirabal
Rosmary Rubio
Reyna Clift
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Audilia Gallo
Bryant Williams

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Samantha Langdale
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Annalisa Martinez
Tilman Sims
Collin Ahern
Madison Williams
Hannah Moss
Camden Rhymes
Ny'Teria Blackmon
William Hunter

Third grade all A's:

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Luis Gomez
Soraya Villafuerte
Katelynn Barnes
Jorden Perez
Lizbeth Ruiz

Third grade all A's & B's:

Brice Prowant
Karla Hunter
Briann Woodham
Julio Escobar
Daniela Navarrethe
Bailey Raulerson
Derriyah Coney

Fourth grade all A's:

Colton Brown
John Eaton
Zahn Cunningham

Fourth grade all A's & B's:

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Rieonna Eley
Ashley Lopez

Makayla Strenth
Destiny Town
Jasey Ward
Madison Corwin
Larry Casella
Alanis Allen

Joe Perry
A'trelle Thomas
Tyler Urban
Christopher Eaton
Kasey Estes
Derrick Rednour

Fifth grade all A's:
Austin Lee
Cheyenne Osborne
Jacey Ridgill
Autumn Lee

Fifth grade all A's & B's:

Stephanie Gamez
Jaime Hingson
Logen Redus
Benjamin Toledo
Austyn Kellogg
Abigail Hogan
Sidoro Olivares

Sixth grade all A's:

Devyn Arnold
Alexis Stoppielo
Skye Schlueter
Sidney Platt
Amery Bass

Sixth grade all A's & B's:

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Kaleigh Sparkman
Kira Beck
Cristina Maria
Brooks Bass
John Cox

Nathan Harris
Gaven Rednour
Brianna Burress
Rylee Palladino
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners proposes to adopt the following by ordinance. Public hearing on the ordinance will be held by the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners on June 26, 2012, at 5:05 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider adoption of remedial amendments to the Future Land Use Element Text and Maps and the Traffic Circulation Element of the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan, in accordance with a previously approved Stipulated Settlement Agreement pertaining to the County's Evaluation and Appraisal Report.

ORDINANCE 2012-____

AN ORDINANCE OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE 91-05, AS AMENDED, BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING THE TEXT AND MAPS IN THE TRAFFIC CIRCULATION ELEMENT AND THE FELDA COMMUNITY OVERLAY AND TRANSITION LAND USE CATEGORIES (INCLUDING CHANGING DESIGNATION FROM TRANSITION TO MULTI-USE) OF THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; SEVERABILITY; CODIFICATION; SCRIVENERS ERRORS; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All interested parties are invited to appear and be heard. Oral and written comments will be accepted. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners' office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., La Belle, FL between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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

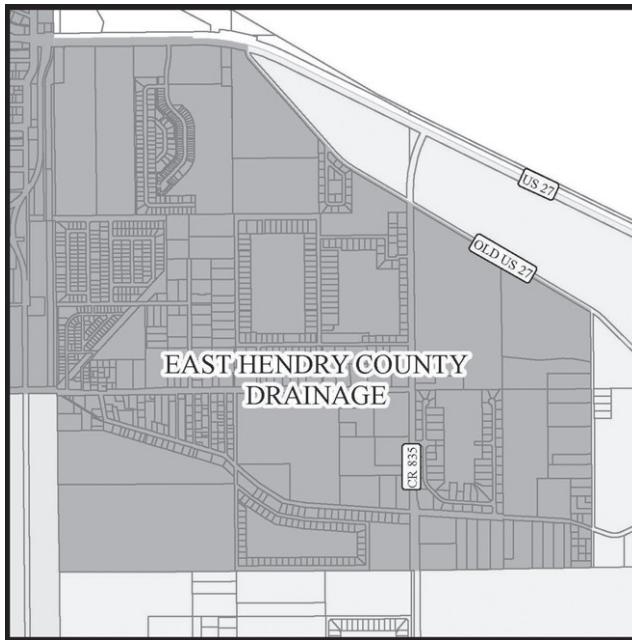
Any questions pertaining to these documents should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department, either by phone (863-675-5240), email (scatala@hendryfla.net), U. S. mail (P. O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863-674-4194).

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Hendry County Board of County Commissioners



HENDRY COUNTY SPECIAL DISTRICTS

DID YOU KNOW...



East Hendry County Drainage District (EHCDD) maintains the canals, ditches, and storm water treatment areas in the area shown on the left. As part of the Federal Clean Water Act, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) determined that EHCDD needed a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Municipal Separate Storm Sewer Systems (MS4) permit. The NPDES permit is a reporting tool that FDEP and EPA use to ensure that municipalities and special districts are properly implementing storm water pollution prevention programs. These programs utilize Best Management Practices or BMPs which are storm water pollution prevention activities or storm water pollution controls. These can take the form of structural components, like the pump station in the area operating at the proper stages or silt fences around construction sites. They can also take the form of community clean ups and education.

This flier is a reminder that everyone plays a part in keeping our water resources clean. The storm water from the EHCDD flows north to Lake Okeechobee via the Clewiston Canal. The lake replenishes water storage areas, helps to irrigate agricultural lands, provides backup water for urban areas, and plays a major role in supplying water for the Everglades.

Illicit discharge or illicit storm water discharge means any discharge into the MS4 and/or waters of the United States that is not composed entirely of storm water, except discharges made in accordance with a county issued development order consistent with the MS4 permit, an independent NPDES permit, or as a result of fire fighting activities.

Many seemingly harmless household activities, such as dumping yard waste, draining swimming pools, or household waste water from washing machines, dishwashers or water softening devices into ditches, storm drains and canals are also classified as illicit discharges.

These activities can and do cause severe problems in our waterways. Ditches and storm drains are not connected to the sanitary sewer system. They flow directly into streams, lakes, rivers, estuaries, bays and eventually the Gulf of Mexico.

All residents of Hendry County can do their part by properly disposing of wastes and reporting any illicit discharges or illegal dumping to the Hendry County Waste Management office at 863-675-5252.



ILLEGAL DUMPING ORDINANCE NUMBER 88-9

"No person shall throw, place or deposit, or cause to be thrown, placed, or deposited any solid waste of any kind into or on any of the public streets, roads, highways, bridges, lands, or upon the premises of any other person within the unincorporated area of the County except as specifically authorized by the Board for the disposal of such solid waste. It is unlawful for any person to collect or transport solid waste for hire or remuneration or other consideration in any form without first having a County franchise agreement or securing permission from the franchise hauler. All disposal required by this Ordinance shall be done only at a County designated or approved Solid Waste facility."

NUMBERS/ADDRESSES

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- Oven & Drain Cleaners
- Metal Polish & Rust Removers
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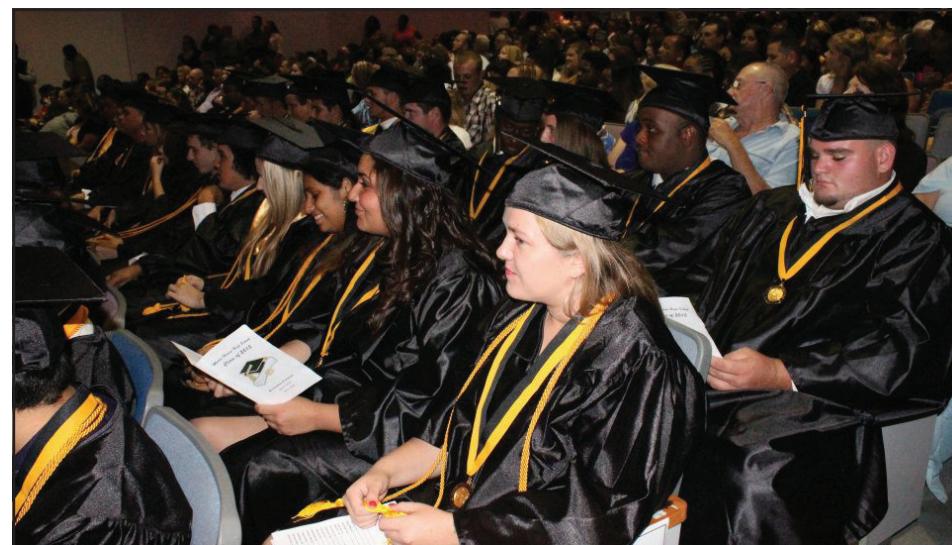
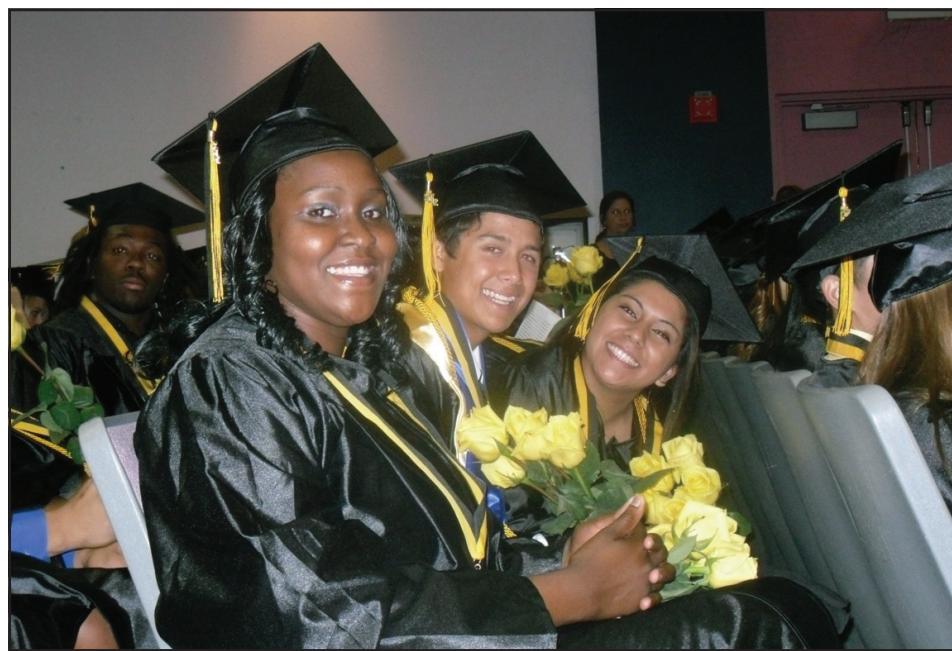
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Special to the Glades County Democrat/
Laura Mathis

Moore Haven High School Class of 2012 Graduation



Moore Haven High School's Class of 2012 graduated on June 8. Above, Valedictorian Warner Ward is congratulated by his aunt Noel Goodwin and her children, Gracie and Ellie. Below Salutatorian Ivette De Santiago (center) poses with Joshua Longwell and Kevin Longwell (right). Both Longwell brothers have already received AA degrees from Edison State College.



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Moore Haven's Got Talent!

Moore Haven Elementary School Safety Patrol hosted a talent show on June 5 in the Richie Building at the elementary school. Students from kindergarten through sixth grades participated. They had a total of ten entries from singing to dance and they all were amazing. At left, this year's winner for kindergarten through third grade was Savannah Palmer singing her ABC backwards. The first place winner for fourth through sixth grade was Lacy Green singing, "Suds in the bucket" and second place was Karla Hunter singing, Tim McGraw. Congratulations!

Muse kids invited to Ortona program

Ortona Community Association president Hugo Geistman has announced that the OCA board of directors voted to invite children from the Muse area to enroll in the Ortona's kids summer recreation program. The program will run from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, beginning on June 18 and ending Aug. 9.

Ortona's recreation program has been expanded to match the summer food service program sponsored by the Glades County School District. Meals will be prepared at the Moore Haven school and delivered to eight sites throughout the county, including Ortona. The meals are free of charge to all Glades County children 18 years and young-

er. Lunch hour will be 11:30 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

Geistman commented, "Our Association considers the children in our community our highest priority. OCA has had a kids' summer recreation program since 1993. This year we made a special appeal for funds to expand the program from 12 to 32 days. Our beautiful new community park, playground and children's building make an ideal site. We are excited to be part of this new effort to bring healthy meals to all Glades County children. This is important because during the summer school breakfasts and lunches are not available to them. We feel strongly that children's minds should also be nour-

ished during the summer. We have planned a stimulating and fun program for them."

While registration is not required to participate in the free meal program, parents interested in enrolling their children in the full recreation program should contact children's coordinator Amanda Billings 863-234-4288 or Fran Way 883-675-7880.

ACT offers counseling and related services

Abuse Counseling and Treatment, Inc. is a non-profit agency serving victims of sexual assault and domestic violence in Hendry, Glades and Lee Counties. ACT offers individual and group counseling, safe emergency shelter, 24-hour hotline, and forensic examinations for survivors of rape. For more information call 239-939-3112 or 1-888-956-7273.

Newspaper welcomes community submissions

The Glades County Democrat welcomes news from local clubs, organizations, businesses and individuals. Email your news to gcdnews@newzap.com.

Free Summer VPK Program under way

If your child is entering kindergarten in the fall and did not attend the VPK program during the 2011-2012 school year, he/she is entitled to the 300 hour summer VPK program.

This full day summer VPK program is available at Moore Haven Elementary School. Summer VPK began on June 13 and will end on Aug. 2.

For more information, please contact: Sara Everett at 863-946-0737 or Wanda Huggins at 863-946-2083.



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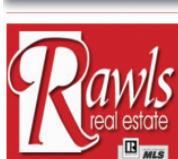
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourist Development Council will hold a regular meeting Thursday, June 21st, 2012, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the LaBelle Chamber of Commerce, 125 E. Hickopache Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935 If a quorum is not established, the alternative date is Thursday, June 28th, 2012 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.

Karson Turner, Chairman
Hendry County
Tourism Development Council
419275 CN 6/14/2012

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 10:30 A.M. in the offices of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida, for the purpose of:

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 herein referred, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the District Administrator at (239) 226-2000 at least five (5) days prior to the date of the proceeding.

DATED this 16th day of May 2012.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
417994 CN 6/14/2012

NOTICE OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 11:30 A.M. in the offices of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida, for the purpose of:

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 herein referred, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

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DATED this 16th day of May 2012.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
418014 CN 6/14/2012

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. CP12 11 Division Probate

IN RE: ESTATE OF
BJORN LUSTH
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Bjorn Lusth, deceased, whose date of death was February 26, 2012, file number CP12 11, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Rt 27, 500 Avenue "J", Moore Haven, Florida 33471. 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 must file their claims with this court **WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OF 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 June 14, 2012.

Personal Representative
Enid P. Howell
411 NE 11th Avenue
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Attorney for Personal Representative
Donald B. Medale
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419442 GCD 6/14,21/2012

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Invitation to Bid
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Bid No. 2012-02

The City of Clewiston will receive sealed bids until 2:00 p.m., local time, June 27, 2012, at City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida. At this time and place, the bids will be opened and read aloud.

The bids submitted are for One New Four-Wheel Drive Backhoe Combination.

All bids should be in accordance with the specifications pertaining thereto, which may be examined at the Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440, telephone (863) 983-1484, on the City's web site, www.clewiston-fl.gov, or contact Public Works Director, Sean Scheffer, 1300 S. Olympia Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440 telephone (863) 983-1471 for more information. Each bid must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked Backhoe Bid. Bids may be mailed to Marilyn McCorvey, City Clerk, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440, or hand delivered to the same address. No responsibility shall be attached to any officers for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed and identified.

The City of Clewiston reserves the right to hold all bids for sixty days and to reject any and all bids, with or without cause, to waive technical errors and informalities, or to accept the bid that in its judgment best serves the City.

419324 CN 6/14/2012

NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING OF DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all owners of lands located within the boundaries of DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, that pursuant to applicable laws, a Meeting of the Landowners' of DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 10:00 A.M. at the offices of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida, for the purpose of:

1. Electing Supervisors;
2. Receiving Annual Reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the Landowners may determine; and
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting herein referred, 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.

Pursuant to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the District at (239) 226-2000 at least five (5) days prior to the date of proceeding.

DATED this 16th day of May, 2012.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
417989 CN 6/14/2012

NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING OF COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all owners of lands located within the boundaries of COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT that pursuant to applicable laws, a Meeting of the Landowners' of COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT will be held on Wednesday, June 27, 2012 at 11:00 A.M. at the offices of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida, for the purpose of:

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DATED this 16th day of May 2012.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF
COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
418013 CN 6/14/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO. 2431 YEAR 2008 DESCRIPTION 4470443-03000010290 NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED Danny Robert Cook

Lot 29, Block 1, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights 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 June, 2012, which is the 28th day of June, 2012.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
417964 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2493	2008	1074433-03000220110	Jose A. Olivera

Lot 11, Block 22, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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 June, 2012**, which is the 28th day of June, 2012.

Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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Hendry County, Florida

417968 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3151	2008	2024329-670000D0031	Shermyia D. Benson

Lot 11, Block D, Sunset Park Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of July, 2012**, which is the 19th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419563 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3134	2008	2024329-670000B0222	John A. Mathis

Lot 34, Block B, Sunset Park Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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419665 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4034	2008	4104329-06021870020	Affordable Lehigh Builders, Inc.

Lot 2, Block 2187, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4049	2008	4104329-06021910130	Affordable Lehigh Builders, Inc.

Lot 13, Block 2191, 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 June, 2012**, which is the 28th day of June, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419663 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2844	2008	1214334-03000070090	Lewis Allen, Jr.

Lot 9, Block 7, Harlem Addition No. 7 to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 80 and 81, 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 July, 2012**, which is the 19th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419664 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2469	2008	1074433-03000160110	Francisco Ramos

Lot 11, Block 16, The Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417967 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2793	2008	1214334-010000X0050	Blondina L. Cassell

Lot 9, Block X, Harlem Addition No. 3, to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 7, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419661 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2826	2008	1214334-03000010070	Douglas E. Molloy

Lot 7, Block 1, Harlem Addition No. 7, to Clewiston, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded Plat Book 4, Pages 80 and 81, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419557CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2867	2008	1214334-051000D0010	Everald Richards

Lot 1, Block D, Harlem Addition No. 9, Phase Two, a subdivision in the City of Clewiston, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 172, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419629 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3144	2008	2024329-670000C0050	Thelma L. McLymont And Pearl Darling, Estate

Lot 10, Block C, Sunset Park Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419558 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2617	2008	1144334-01000000060	Ramon & Janie Navarro

Lot 6, Twin Lakes Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 91 and 92, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4070	2008	4104329-06021950040	James C. Hunnicutt and Patrice K. Hunnicutt

Lot 4, Block 2195, 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 Third Thursday in the month of July, 2012**, which is the 19th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419627 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3153	2008	2024329-670000D0090	The Land Doctor Investments, Inc.

Lots 21 and 22, Block D, Sunset Park, LaBelle, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat 2, Page 1, 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 July, 2012**, which is the 19th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419630 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2540	2008	1314433-A001830000	Alejandro Fernandez Cabreira

The North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for a drainage canal of the North 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5724, 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 July, 2012**, which is the 19th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419556 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2559	2008	1314433-A002980000	Giselaire Joseph & Lue Jaques Eyssallene

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for a drainage canal of the South 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5754, 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.

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419560 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2264	2008	1354432-A0002000100	Jean Marcelus

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3928, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417966 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2516	2008	1314433-A0000760000	Elvin Cruz & Carmen J. Cruz

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5950, 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.

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417970 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2256	2008	1354432-A0001790100	Edward S. & Emilie T. Palkowski

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3824, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417959 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2311	2008	1364432-A0001100100	David H. Wan

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4727, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner.

Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

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

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417961 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2309	2008	1364432-A0001020000	Ana Maria Marzan

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4691, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner.

Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

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

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417958 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2189	2008	1344432-A0000690100	Jesula Tossaint and Marie R. St. Phard

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 34, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4255, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner.

Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.

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

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417960 CN 5/24,

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CERT.	NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4050	2008	4104329-06021920080	Pierre A. Reme and Feloure Reme	

Lot 8, Block 2192, 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.

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Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

419666 CN 6/14,21,28 & 7/2/2012

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

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CERT.	NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1591	2008	1154432-A0001970000	Euclizel Muniz and Juana Rosado	

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 15, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known at Tract 2580, 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.

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Dated this 16th day of May, 2012.

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

417965 CN 5/24,31 & 6/7,14/2012

REQUEST FOR BIDS
PAVING FOUR STREETS IN PIONEER PLANTATION
IN HENDRY COUNTY
BID NUMBER: 2012-21**OPENING DATE AND TIME: JUNE 21, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.**

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for "Paving Four Streets in Pioneer Plantation in Hendry County". In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, by June 21, 2012 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida 33935 (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220 or (863) 983-1585.

Bidders are encouraged to attend the **Pre-Bid Conference on June 7, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.** at the Engineering Department, 99 E. Cowby Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

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

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

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
417974 CB/CN 5/24,31;6/7,14/2012

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 95-268DR on November 30th, 2011 in the matter of Zenoria T. McKinney, as petitioner and Shep Harris, as respondent, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the respondent, to-wit:

Lot 28, Block "K", HARLEN ADDITION TO CLEWISTON, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida, including the 1986 Fleetwood 14x52 Mobile Home, Vin No.:FLSP1AG257011902, and Title No.: 43345287. Also known as 1011 Della Tobias Avenue, Clewiston, Florida.

and on July 19th, 2012, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street LaBelle, Florida 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.

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
Hendry County, Florida
By: Lt. Andy Lewis
CN/CB 6/14,21,28 and 7/5/2012

Public Notice**Public Notice****REQUEST FOR BIDS****MOWING ROADWAYS AND THE****SKY VALLEY M.S.B.U. IN HENDRY COUNTY****BID NUMBER: 2012-22****OPENING DATE AND TIME: JULY 6, 2012 at 2:00 p.m.**

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, "Mowing Roadways and the Sky Valley M.S.B.U. in Hendry County". In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by July 6, 2012 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida 33935 (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220.

A **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference** will be held on **June 28, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.** at the Engineering Department, 99 E. Cowby Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

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

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Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
CB/GS 419392 6/14,21,28/2012

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

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

CERT.	NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2880	2008	1234334-0100000101	Rigoberto Guillermo Hernandez, Maria Elena Hernandez and Ameria Mortgage Corporation	

A parcel of land in fractional Section 23, Township 43 South, Range 34 East, Hendry County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows:
Beginning at the Northwest corner of said Section 23; thence North 89 degrees 29'24" East a distance of 67.89 feet; thence North 89 degrees 29'24" East a distance of 560.16 feet; thence South 10 degrees 42'36" East along the Westerly right-of-way line of a county road a distance of 329.92 feet to the point-of-beginning; thence continue a distance of 71.22 feet; thence North 58 degrees 29'06" West a distance of 128.53 feet; thence North 88 degrees 20'17" East a distance of 96.37 feet to the point-of-beginning.
Also known as part of Lot 19, Hookers Subdivision, 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.

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 July, 2012**, which is the 19th day of July, 2012.

Dated this 6th day of June, 2012.

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

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Public Notice**Public Notice****PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE AIR PERMIT**

Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Air Resource Section, South District Office
Draft Air Construction Permit 0510015-025-AC
Southern Gardens Citrus Processing Corporation, Clewiston Facility
Hendry County, Florida

Applicant: The applicant for this project is Southern Gardens Citrus Processing Corporation. The applicant's responsible official and mailing address are: Mr. Tristan Chapman, Vice President, General Manager, Southern Gardens Citrus Processing Corporation, Clewiston Facility, 1820 County Road 833, Clewiston, Florida 33440.

Facility Location: Southern Gardens Citrus Processing Corporation operates the existing Clewiston Facility, which is located in Hendry County at 1820 County Road 833, Clewiston, Florida 33440.

Project: This project modifies the authorized fuels burned by the boilers (emission units (EU) 001, 002, 008 and 010) and the peel dryers (EU003 and EU019). The boilers and peel dryer No. 1 (EU003) are proposed to burn natural gas as the primary fuel. Peel dryer no. 2 will only burn No. 2 (with a maximum 0.1% sulfur content by weight). The boilers will also be authorized to burn fuel oil No. 2 (with a maximum 0.1% sulfur content by weight), unleaded kerosene, cold pressed oil, and ethanol or blends of these fuels only during periods of loss of natural gas supply or during periods of natural gas curtailment. This project also increases the heat input of peel dryer no. 1 (EU003). The heat input limit of peel dryer no. 1 will increase from 99 mmBtu/hr to 110 mmBtu/hr. As a result of the fuel change for the peel dryers, the Department's previously imposed continuous monitoring for SO2 and annual testing requirements will no longer be required for the peel dryers. The SO2 emissions as a result of this project are projected to decrease by 33.5 tons per year. Emissions are projected to increase for nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, particulate matter and volatile organic matter. The facility is major for prevention significant deterioration (PSD). A PSD applicability review indicated that this project did not trigger a PSD review. These emission units are subject to Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 60 Subpart A (General Provisions) and Subpart DC (Standards of Performance for Small Industrial-Commercial-Institutional Steam Generating Units).

Permitting Authority: Applications for air construction permits are subject to review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62-4, 62-210 and 62-212 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The proposed project is not exempt from air permitting requirements and an air permit is required to perform the proposed work. The Permitting Authority responsible for making a permit determination for this project is the Department of Environmental Protection's Air Resource Section in the South District Office. The Permitting Authority's physical address is: 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Fort Myers, Florida 33902. The Permitting Authority's mailing address is: P.O. Box 2549, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-2549. The Permitting Authority's telephone number is 239-344-5600.

Project File: A complete project file is available for public inspection during the normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays), at the physical address indicated above for the Permitting Authority. The complete project file includes the Draft Permit, the Technical Evaluation and Preliminary Determination, the application and information submitted by the applicant (exclusive of confidential records under Section 403.111, F.S.). Interested persons may contact the Permitting Authority's project engineer for additional information at the address and phone number listed above. In addition, electronic copies of these documents are available on the following web site: <http://www.dep.state.fl.us/air/emission/apds/default.asp>.

Notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit: The Permitting Authority gives notice of its intent to issue an air construction permit to the applicant for the project described above. The applicant has provided reasonable assurance that operation of proposed equipment will not adversely impact air quality and that the project will comply with all appropriate provisions of Chapters 62-4, 62-204, 62-210, 62-212, 62-296 and 62-297, F.A.C. The Permitting Authority will issue a Final Permit in accordance with the conditions of the proposed Draft Permit unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. or unless public comment received in accordance with this notice results in a different decision or a significant change of terms or conditions.

Comments: The Permitting Authority will accept written comments concerning the proposed Draft Permit for a period of 14 days from the date of publication of this Public Notice. Written comments must be received by the Permitting Authority by close of business (5:00 p.m.) or before the end of the 14-day period. If written comments received result in a significant change to the Draft Permit, the Permitting Authority shall revise the Draft Permit and require, if applicable, another Public Notice. All comments filed will be made available for public inspection.

Petitions: A person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative hearing in accordance with Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed with (received by) the Department's Agency Clerk in the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Environmental Protection at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mall Station #35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 (Telephone: 850/245-2241). Petitions filed by any persons other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of this Public Notice or receipt of a written notice, whichever occurs first. Under Section 120.60(3), F.S., however, any person who asked the Permitting Authority for notice of agency action may file a petition within 14 days of receipt of that notice, regardless of the date of publication. A petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above, at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the approval of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Permitting Authority's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial rights will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency action or proposed decision; (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so state; (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and, (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action. A petition that does not dispute the material facts upon which the Permitting Authority's action is based shall state that no such facts are in dispute and otherwise shall contain the same information as set forth above, as required by Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the Permitting Authority's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this Public Notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the Permitting Authority on the application have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

Mediation: Mediation is not available for this proceeding.

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 2011-CA-000651

SUNCOAST SCHOOLS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Whose address is: P.O. Box 11904, Tampa, FL 33680 Plaintiff,
vs.

DON EUGENE ROSS JR. A/K/A DON E. ROSS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHERRY CHANDLER; JOHN DOE AND; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION; DEFENDANTS.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 5-16-2012, and entered in Case No. 22-2010-CA-000194, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for GLADES County, Florida. AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC is Plaintiff and SHERRY CHANDLER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHERRY CHANDLER; JOHN DOE AND; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION; Defendants.

FIRST AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause, in the Circuit Court of HENDRY County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida described as:

LOT 2, BLOCK G, FORT DENAUD ACRES, UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 69, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as 4065 Ft. Adams Avenue, LaBelle, Florida 33935, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the second floor lobby Clerk of Courts Office, C.E. Hall Building, Administration Area LaBelle Court House Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935, on June 27, 2012, at 11:00 A.M.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

DISABILITY LANGUAGE: IF YOU ARE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS AN ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN A COURT PROCEEDING OR OTHER COURT SERVICE, PROGRAM, OR ACTIVITY, YOU ARE ENTITLED TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT SHEILA MANN, COURT OPERATIONS MANAGER, PHONE: (239) 533-1723, FAX: (239) 485-1014, smann@ca.cjfs20.org AT LEAST SEVEN (7) DAYS BEFORE YOUR SCHEDULED COURT APPEARANCE OR OTHER COURT ACTIVITY, OR IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIVING THIS NOTIFICATION IF THE TIME BEFORE THE SCHEDULED APPEARANCE IS LESS THAN 7 DAYS; IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED, CALL 1-800-955-8770 (TDD); IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND
FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.
62011CA00846CAXXX

SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK,
Plaintiff,
v.
MICHAEL F. KNOTEK; UNKNOWN
SPOUSE OF MICHAEL F. KNOTEK;
and JOHN DOE(S) and JANE DOE(S)
AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSES-
SION, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 3 1, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 262011CA00846CA XXXX of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein MICHAEL F. KNOTEK, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL F. KNOTEK, and JOHN DOE(S) and JANE DOE(S) AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION, et al, are Defendants.

The Clerk of Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Street, 2nd Floor Lobby, LaBelle, Florida, (Telephone 863-675-5204), Circuit Civil Division, Hendry County, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on th 27th day of June, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 22 and 23, GOODNOS SUBDIVISION of Block 89 of the Town of LaBelle, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 67, Public Records of Lee County, Florida, lying and being in, Hendry County, Florida.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST OR RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT NO LATER THAN SIXTY (60) DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS AFTER SIXTY (60) DAYS, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

DATED this 4th day of June, 2012.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
BY: /S/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

Attorney for Plaintiff:
Andrew A. Pineiro, Esq.
Pineiro Byrd PLLC
4600 Military Trail, Suite 212
Jupiter, FL 33458
(561) 799-9280 (telephone)
(561) 799-9287 (facsimile)
NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
In accordance with the ADA, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, 1700 Monroe Street, Suite 1213, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, 239-533-1521 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. 419247 CN 6/14/2012

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA,
IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2008-CA-17

JPMorgan Chase Bank,
National Association
Plaintiff,
-vs-

Luis M. Calvo and Nicoleta F. Calvo, His Wife; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order rescheduling foreclosure sale dated May 7, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-17 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, Plaintiff and Luis M. Calvo and Nicoleta F. Calvo, His Wife are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MOOREHAVEN, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., June 28, 2012, the following property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 19, BLOCK 1, MOORE HAVEN RIVER GARDENS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 130, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

DATED AT MOORE HAVEN, Florida, this 29th day of May, 2012.

/S/ Julie Braddock
JOE FLINT
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Glades County, Florida
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High performance boats built in Moore Haven

Storm Performance Boats Grand Opening planned for Saturday, June 16

By Patty Brant

Special to the Glades County Democrat

Lake Okeechobee, the Caloosahatchee River - fishing and boating have been a natural part of this area for longer than anyone can remember. In fact, it's a big draw for fishermen from all over.

So, it's a natural place for Storm High Performance Boats to find a home.

Owners Steve Ellyson and Sander Entus have done just that.

Local fishermen know about Storm boats - custom bass and bay boats now manufactured right here in Moore Haven.

The company began in 1978 and moved to Fort Myers several years ago. That's where Mr. Ellyson said he really got involved in the business. He and Mr. Entus, both Storm boat "groupies," spent lots of their free time just hanging around the operation, soaking it all in. When they got a chance, they bought the business and moved it to Moore Haven.

Mr. Ellyson brings to the operation some

14 years experience in custom fiberglass work and admits to being great at troubleshooting wiring problems.

The company employs three full time veteran boat manufacturing workers and will be looking for two part timers to do fiberglass work and general boat rigging.

In addition to manufacturing custom boats, Storm also provides repairs on all makes and models of boats and has an awesome retail store packed with boating accessories like trailers, power poles, upholstery, custom lighting - even apparel and tackle. By the way, they will also customize aluminum boats.

Mr. Ellyson said their two-year goal is to expand the operation to include 22-24' bay boats, 18-18.5' bass and flats boats and air-boats.

He is proud that Storm provides hand-built boats, one at a time, for each individual customer. They can modify the standard layout in any number of ways, all from scratch using raw materials.

Storm is also working with a group to manufacture custom boats for veterans and other fishermen who need wheelchairs, who have prosthetics or other special requirements.

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population around Lake Okeechobee, Mr. Ellyson commented. He said Storm Boats has a reputation among the locals and that's where he wants to be - "back with the core boat owners."

He also said Storm is planning to sponsor four tournaments per year: two open tournaments; one for Storm owners and their guests and a kids tournament.

This Saturday, June 16, from 4-8 p.m., Storm High Performance Boats will have a grand opening with information, raffles and lots more. The facility is located at 213 Florida Ave. in Moore Haven, at the foot of the bridge, two blocks directly behind the new fire station.

However you want your boat - "from mild to wild" - Storm Boats is aiming to get you into your custom boat and out on the water.

County commission denies comp plan amendment

By Charles Murphy

Special to the Glades County Democrat

The Glades County Commission voted Tuesday (3-2) to deny a large scale comprehensive plan amendment for the residential section of a controversial race track community Tuesday.

Chairman Butch Jones and Commissioners Bob Giesler and Donna Storter Long rejected a motion to approve made by Commissioner Russell Echols and seconded by Commissioner Paul Beck.

The Southwest Florida Nature Conservancy spoke against the housing project proposed by the Southland Group for near Port Labelle. Seventy-four acres of agriculture land would be changed into residential use and possibly the Port Labelle Driving Club. The first step would have been approval of a large scale comprehensive plan amendment for the residential portion of the project.

Noise, traffic congestion and traffic hazards were among the concerns raised by residents who live near the proposed development site.

Resident Jack Zorn complained about the density of the project which would allow 518 residences. He complained the county lacked water, sewer and police services to handle this project. "You don't have the environmental and other facts," he said. "It is not compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods."

Elaine Young said the project is near a Florida Panther habitat and would disrupt the endangered species.

Merlin Bryner said a project like this would be detrimental to a residential area and might even hurt the real estate market. He supported single family homes but not

high density housing.

Commission Chairman Butch Jones said he wasn't opposed to the idea of this project just the location. He said it would be a perfect project for a rural location like Route 74 west of Palmdale.

Planning Director Larry Hilton said the project would allow four units per acre. He said this is not the rezoning stage where the factors involved in the driving club should be discussed.

"It is compatible with the neighborhood," he said. "It is residential next to agriculture right now. How would these neighbors feel if they lived next to a hog farm?"

Commissioner Donna Storter Long asked to postpone the proposal until more study is done on the traffic and environmental impacts. She said 518 new homes would impact Glades County Schools.

The applicants said they planned to meet with concerned residents. They hired a sound expert to try and find ways to buffer the sound that might be created from the race track project.

The rejection puts the project back at square one. Mr. Zorn said he would not predict whether another proposal is presented on this project.

In other business, the Commission honored several long time employees for many years of service. The list included Cassie Cohens, 30 years, Eddie Perkins 25 years, David Longwell 25 years, Teresa Summerville 18 years, Cedrick Tulloch 18 years, Lisa Watson 18 years, Robert Jones 17 years, Timothy Jones 17 years, John Biggs 16 years, Angela Colegrove 16 years, Michelle Lanier 15 years, Melvin Cohens 14 years, Philip Martin 13 years, Peggy Higginbotham 13 years, Rick Brown 12 years, Mary Ann Dotson 11 years, and Steven Arthur 11 years.

Amateur Radio Emergency drills every Thursday

The Amateur Radio Emergency Service (ARES) and the Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service (RACES) for Glades County under the support and control of the Glades County Emergency Management EOC. The ARES-RACES Network was established to provide emergency communications during civil emergencies such as floods, hurricanes, tornadoes or any other civil emergency. All licensed Amateur Radio Operators in or near the Glades County area are invited and encouraged to participate in the ARES-RACES Net test drills held every Thursday evening at 8 p.m. on the two-meter frequency of 147.300 Hz on the Glades County Repeater W4TEJ 147.300 + 600 PL 100.00 Hz. Interested parties please contact Angela Snow Colegrove at the Emergency Management Operations Center 863-946-6020 or Austin Moorhouse at 683-946-0697.

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"I can only imagine their grief and emotion surrounding all of this. It is a shocking turn of events that reminds us all just how precious every single day is."

"To say that the final day weigh-in Friday was a somber experience would be a tremendous understatement, as all anglers and families there were impacted by the loss. TBF staff on site told me there was not a dry eye anywhere at the weigh-in as one after another every single state federation President in the southern division, every single angler, and even the angler who won the Ranger Cup bonus money; everyone who came up on stage pledged to donate their en-

tire prize check, every single dollar, to Lorenzo's family's needs. That is what our federation is about. We also want to thank all the emergency response personal, the TBF staff on site and all the state presidents and community volunteers who were pitching in to help our anglers during a time of crisis. I am honored to know these people and to call them friends. This exemplifies what it means to be a member of the federation "family" and it makes me very proud."

The Bass Federation Inc., (TBF) is the oldest and largest grassroots fishing organization in America. TBF is owned by those it serves and is dedicated to the sport of fishing. TBF annually conducts over 20,000 fishing, youth, and conservation events and has provided the foundation for the bass fishing industry for over 40 years.

Some information for this story was provided by a press release from The Bass Federation Inc.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- "As you wish"
- Plot that's "pulled"
- British racecourse
- Sooner than thou thinketh
- Glassade garb
- Yawning fissure
- "Soylent Green" shocker
- Like some pains
- tai: rum drink
- In the know about
- Attempt
- Put on the market
- "The Sixth Sense" shocker
- Campaign staffer
- Really irritate
- Reinspire, as troops
- Auto dealer datum: Abbr.
- It's read at registers
- Struggle
- Amazon's milieu
- Barcelona gold
- Headliner
- "Psycho" shocker
- Partner of if
- Burglar's haul
- Toll lane choice
- Eloped, say
- It's not heard by other characters
- "The Empire Strikes Back" shocker
- Gussy up
- Pound using feet
- Meas. of how high you are
- Western Union transmissions
- Break in the music
- "Calm down!"

DOWN

- Ferris wheel locale
- Division preposition
- Showing unwelcome interest
- As a group

5 Time zone word: Abbr.

6 Prompt to enter

7 Basic unit of matter

8 Simba's father in "The Lion King"

9 Powerful club

10 Slangy word of regret

11 Abner drawer

12 1952 Olympics city

13 Feds who caught Capone

18 Utah ski resort

19 Like calico cats

24 The "A." on many a patent

25 Rabbit's title

27 Instrument played with a plectrum

28 In the know about

29 Award named for a mystery writer

30 Former pen pal?

31 Middle-earth residents

32 John Smith may be one

33 Turned blue, maybe

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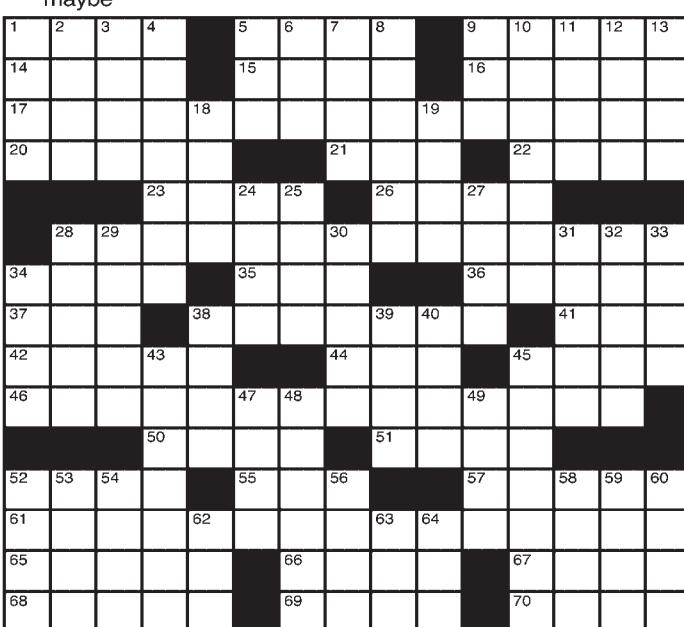
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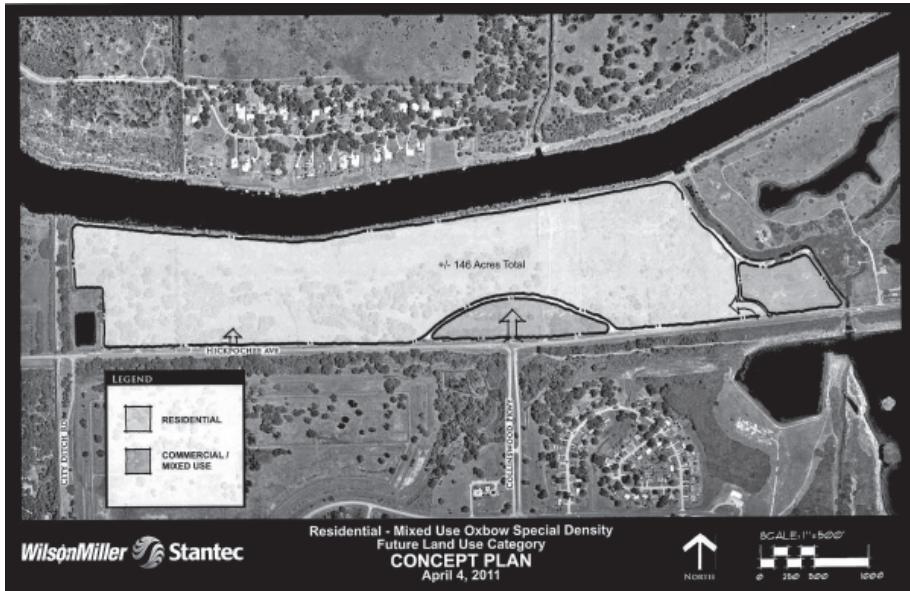
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR ADOPTION OF LARGE SCALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners proposes to adopt the following by ordinance. Public hearing on the ordinance will be held by the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners on **June 26, 2012, 5:05 p.m.**, at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider adoption of the Western Oxbow amendment to the Future Land Use Element and Map of the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan.

ORDINANCE 2012-

AN ORDINANCE OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE 91-05, AS AMENDED, BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP, MORE SPECIFICALLY BY CHANGING APPROXIMATELY 146+- ACRES OF LAND DESIGNATED AS RESIDENTIAL/SPECIAL DENSITY AND USE TO A NEW MIXED USE DISTRICT TO BE KNOWN AS THE WESTERN OXBOW MIXED USE DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; SEVERABILITY; CODIFICATION; SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.



All interested parties are invited to appear and be heard. Oral and written comments will be accepted. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners' office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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

Any questions pertaining to these documents should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department, either by phone (863-675-5240), email (scatalla@hendryfla.net), U. S. mail (P. O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863-674-4194).

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Hendry County Board of County Commissioners

Moore Haven, a community of 1200 folks, preserves history

By Anne L. Coffey

Glades County Historical Society

"Preserve one building and you preserve one building. Preserve the setting and the larger environment and you keep open a thousand doors and opportunities for a better life for the entire community." This quote was taken from Grandy Clay's "Townscape and Landscape: The Coming Battleground," Historic Preservation, January-March, 1973.

In 1994 a group of concerned citizens in Moore Haven met to discuss ways and means to help preserve 80 buildings found to be eligible for historic preservation in Moore Haven. Out of this meeting came the Glades County Historical Society, formed to preserve as many of the buildings and per-

sonal histories connected within them. Luck was with them though a few were dubious, because very soon after this non-profit society held their first meeting, a former resident donated a six-room house to them. This weathered, rundown dwelling was constructed around 1920 by Pieter Westergaard, Glades County's first pharmacist. Little is known of the Westergaard family although a few newspaper articles mentioned that they had entertained friends at their home.

Their home, well-built of Florida pine clad in cedar shingles was quite luxurious compared to other homes in the tiny, slowly-developing town of Moore Haven. Bungalow-styled homes became popular at the beginning of the 20th century. They

allowed people of modest means to have a home, designed with simplicity and style. They were constructed of natural materials with open floor plans. Their affordability and easy construction made them attractive all over America. Yards were usually small with garden areas.

The new GCHS, however, didn't quite know what to do with their first gift because it obviously wasn't going to be affordable in any way and needed thousands of dollars worth of restoration. The dilemma was solved when Mikki Hartig, administrator and coordinator of the earlier historical survey paid for by the City of Moore Haven and the Florida Department of State and Division of Historical Resources, suggested that the GCHS write a grant request for funding. Information in that request included the character of the buildings, the amount and nature of the city's older buildings, structures and districts within the city limits. There were a few pre-1945 residences, and fewer commercial buildings. Many Bungalow-style houses were constructed between 1916 and 1926. Ranch style and 1960 buildings were also noted as having historical significance.

Three grants were submitted and two were approved.

The building is now restored on the outside and has been remodeled on the inside. It has become an asset to the community and is used regularly by non-profit groups at no charge for meetings, and to citizens for get-togethers such as showers, birthdays



Special to the Glades County Democrat
The Westergaard House is used by local non-profit groups and is available for local residents to rent for special occasions.

and other family celebrations for a mere \$25. Plans are under way to write a grant to complete the interior and to open a gift and souvenir shop that will help with the building's maintenance expenses. For a tour or to reserve the Pieter Westergaard House, phone 863-801-5199 or 863-946-2060. We may seem to fight progress here in peaceful Glades County but we do have a website.

For more about buildings of historic interest in the Lake Okeechobee area, see the June edition of "Going Out" which is distributed with the Glades County Democrat.



Special to the Glades County Democrat

The Moore Haven Hotel is one of Moore Haven's historic building. For more on this and other local historic sites, see the June edition of "Going Out."

SCOTT

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listed some of his accomplishments including reducing taxes.

"We're headed in the right direction," the governor said, "but there is still a lot of work to be done."

Businessman Joseph Scott, who is involved in Glades County tourism, noted that state sponsored television ads promoting tourism showed white sandy beaches and did not mention rural areas.

"This is your money," the governor responded. "They can't just spend it on beaches." He promised to set up a conference call between state tourism officials and people involved in Glades County tourism.

Glades County Commissioner Paul Beck stated the county is losing jobs. "We need to create businesses other businesses will support," he said.

Mark Morton, general manager of American Gateway, gave a lengthy presentation on his organization's proposed logistics center in Glades County.

"The best business climate in the state of Florida is in Glades County," he said. The proposed logistics center would make use

of the ideal location of Glades County. The county is served by a rail system and highways that put 80 million consumers and several seaports and airports within two hours of Glades County. Plans call for a 4,700 acre integrated logistics center with the ability to store and stage outbound and inbound cargo. One of the goals of the logistics center would be to fill ships that would otherwise return to South American ports empty after delivering their cargos to south Florida seaports.

"You have an unbelievable opportunity," the governor said of the proposed logistics center.

Tracy Whirls, of the Glades County Economic Development Council, suggested an enterprise zone task force that would make the enterprise zone concept more responsive to rural areas of Florida. She also suggested a dedicated funding stream for economic development for rural areas.

Mike Presley, chairman of the Glades County School Board, complained of old school buildings. "We need a new revenue source," he said. "We painted ourselves into a corner by not being able to fund our own schools."

The governor admitted that some state money had been misspent. "We've spent a lot of money in the last few years we haven't gotten a return on," he said.

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On Tuesdays, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, visitors 55 and older will get a free bag lunch, while supplies last.

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to new or returning Player's Club members. Not a member? It's free to join, so sign up today.

As always, there is free bus transportation from the Hampton Inn in Okeechobee at 1200 State Road 70. On Tuesdays and Fridays, the bus picks up at 10:30 a.m. It departs the casino at 5:30 p.m. On Wednesdays and Thursdays, the bus picks up at 2:15 p.m. and departs at 7:30 p.m.

See the Player's Club for promotion details.

About Seminole Casino Brighton

Seminole Casino Brighton is a 27,000-square-foot casino with 405, slot and gaming machines, a seven-table poker room, high-stakes bingo seats, a full service restaurant and lounge. Its warm and friendly staff, ultra-modern air-conditioning system, clean atmosphere and rewarding casino promotions are a welcome alternative to big-city gaming. The casino also recently opened a new area with 30 slots for those who prefer to play slot machines in a smoke-free environment.

The Seminole Casino Brighton is located on the Brighton Seminole Reservation, 17735 Reservation Road (SR 721) in Glades County. For more information, call toll-free 800-360-9875 or 863-467-9998. Or visit www.seminolebrightoncasino.com.

Hotel important to Glades County history

By Anne Coffey

MOORE HAVEN—The old Moore Haven Hotel, built in 1916, overlooking the Three Mile Canal, now known as the Caloosahatchee River at Ave. K and Riverside Drive, has always been known as one of the most significant buildings in Moore Haven's history. One of the town's founders, James Moore, commissioned it hiring Frederick Gram's business partner, Marion F. George as the general contractor. The original design was quite elaborate but no one knows whether economic conditions or a desire to stay within the somewhat established vernacular convinced them to keep it simple.

The spacious building constructed of all wood took up one city block. It consisted of a central block covered by a front gable roof, flanked by two wings with low-pitched roofs. It was built as a wide, two-story frame structure with horizontal wood siding and imposing twin stunted turrets.

Traveling by packet boat and steamers, scores of travelers returned many times to view the meandering river and enjoy the hospitality of three separate

owners, Mr. and Mrs. E.E. Edwards, Mrs. Katie King and her daughter, Mrs. Alberta Stroup. In 1919 it was sold to South Florida Farms and next leased to Mrs. M.I. Brassell and her daughter, Mrs. Olin Dayton, until 1919 when it was bought by J.R. Randle, owner of the posh Leon Hotel in Tallahassee. A 27-room annex was built onto the hotel and the newspaper, Jacksonville Times Union reported that it had 24 rooms with private baths.

Historic photos show much damage to the building after the 1926 hurricane. Older local folks swear that the building moved 15 ft. from its original location during this tragic event. The two turrets that served as markers for the hotel collapsed in 1938 during a party and were never replaced.

Although the hotel has been altered too many times and is now 40 ft. shorter than it started, it remains an imposing structure. The interior has been beautifully remodeled and the second floor has four comfortable apartments. On the exterior the full-width front porch remains, with a modern swimming pool and an elegant fountain graces the front lawn.



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Historic places are plentiful in Lake Okeechobee area

Florida's south central areas such as Okeechobee, Glades, Hendry and western Palm Beach counties played an important role in Florida's pioneer past. Many of these old buildings are still in use. For those interested in local history, there is plenty to see.

Okeechobee County

- Okeechobee County Courthouse, 304 Northwest 2nd Street, Okeechobee, was constructed in 1926. This Mediterranean-Revival style Courthouse now holds county offices. It was designed by architect George Gaynor Hyde of Miami. Due to the collapse of the Florida Land Boom during its construction, a central dome that was originally planned was never built. After the 1928 Okeechobee hurricane, its hallways were used as a temporary morgue. In 1989, the Okeechobee County Courthouse was listed in *A Guide to Florida's Historic Architecture*, published by the University of Florida Press.

- Okeechobee City Hall, 55 S.E. 3rd Ave., was built in 1926 at the height of the Florida Real Estate boom. It continues to house Okeechobee City offices.

- The Freedman-Raulerson House, 600 S. Parrott Avenue (photo below) is a two-story, eight-room house built in 1923 as a family home by Abraham and Maud Freedman.



It was later owned by the Raulerson family. This mission / Spanish revival building was added to the National Historic Register in 1985.

- The Battle of Okeechobee Battlefield site, four miles southwest of Okeechobee on U.S. 441 is being developed as part of the Florida Parks System. Currently, the battlefield is only open to the public during the annual Battle of Okeechobee Re-Enactment, which is held every February. The battlefield was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1966.

- Okeechobee Livestock Market, (photo below) 1055 Hwy. 98 N., was built in 1937. As Florida's largest livestock market, it reflects the importance of the cattle industry to the region.



Glades County



- The Red Barn, (photo above) three miles west of County Road 721 on County Road 721 A. The Red Barn was built 1941 with help from the Civilian Conservation Corps to serve the Seminole cattle business. It has a dirt floor and rests on a concrete block foundation. Its roof was replaced in 2005 as a result of a hurricane. In 2008 it was added to the National Register of Historic Places.

- The Westergaard House, 270 Avenue L, Moore Haven (photo at right), was the home of Glades County's first pharmacist, Pieter Westergaard. It has been preserved by the Glades County Historical Society.



- The Glades County Court House, 500 Avenue J. in Moore Haven, was built in 1938 in the classical revival style. It was designed by Georgia-born American architect Edward Columbus Hosford, who is noted for the courthouses and other buildings that he designed in Florida, Georgia and Texas. In 1989, the Glades County Courthouse was listed in *A Guide to Florida's Historic Architecture*, published by the University of Florida Press.

- The Donnie Lundy Hardware Store is part of the historic downtown business district.



- The old Moore Haven Hotel, (photo above) overlooking the Caloosahatchee River, was built in 1916. James A. Moore who founded the town of Moore Haven that same year, was a prominent hotel owner.

- Ortona Indian Mound Park, 1800 Chiaha Road S.W. in Ortona, contains prehistoric Indian canals and the remnants of historic Indian mounds. The area was once called Chiaha, which means "high ground."

Hendry County

- The Caldwell Home, also known as the Myer General Store, 160 Curry St. in LaBelle, was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 2003.

- The Forrey Building and Annex, (photo at right) 280 N. Bridge Street in LaBelle, was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1995. A downtown historic marker explains: "In 1895, prominent landowner and cattleman Captain Francis A. Hendry (1833-1917) platted a townsite at LaBelle, which was first settled as a center for cattle and citrus industries. A post office, general store, school, and a church were eventually built, and LaBelle became the first town and commercial center in what became Hendry County. Although Hendry is credited with settling LaBelle, E.E. Goodno (1858-1936), who purchased Hendry's former land holdings in 1903 and financed many of the town's first improvements, is recognized as the "Father of LaBelle." LaBelle's historic business district extends along and near Bridge Street from the Caloosahatchee River south to Hickpochee Avenue. At one time, both sides of the street were lined with commercial estab-



- The Hendry County Courthouse, at the junction of Bridge Street and Hickpochee Avenue in LaBelle, was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1990. The courthouse was built in 1926. It was designed in the Mediterranean Revival-Mission Revival styles by architect Edward Columbus Hosford.

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- The Captain Francis A. Hendry House, (photo above) 512 Fraser St. in LaBelle, was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1998. Built in 1914 by Captain Hendry, who platted LaBelle in 1895 and for whom Hendry County is named, it is an excellent and wonderfully preserved piece of old Florida history and architecture of its period.



- The Historic Fort Denaud Bridge, (photo above by Waddy Thompson) SR 78 and Fort Denaud Road near LaBelle, is one of the few remaining swing bridges in Florida. The existing bridge, moved to its current location in 1963, replaced a bridge that had been condemned and removed in the early 1960s. It is named for Pierre Denaud, a French Canadian trapper who trapped, hunted and traded in the area during the 1830s.



- The Clewiston Inn, 108 Royal Palm Avenue (U.S. 27) in Clewiston, (photo above) was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1991. The Inn was constructed in 1938. It was built in the Colonial-Revival style. The Inn is also famous for the Everglades Lounge with its unique wrap-around original mural completed in 1945, showcasing the unique ecology of the Everglades.

- The Dixie Crystal Theatre, also known as the Clewiston Theater, (photo at right) 100 E. Sugarland Highway in Clewiston, was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1998. The building is an example of the Art Deco architectural style that was popular in the 1930s.



- The Captain E. Deane Duff House, 151 W. Del Monte Avenue in Clewiston, (photo above) was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1998.



- The Executive House, 125 W. Del Monte Avenue in Clewiston (photo above) was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1998.



- The Scharnberg House, 325 Del Monte Avenue in Clewiston, (photo above) was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1999.

- Clewiston Historic Schools, (photo at right) 325 E. Circle Drive and 4765 E. Osceola Avenue in Clewiston, were added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1997.

Western Palm Beach County

• Big Mound City, a prehistoric burial mound, in Canal Point was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1973.

• Pahokee High School, 360 Main Street, Pahokee, was added to the National Register of Historic Places in 1996.

• Pahokee Women's Club, S. Lake Drive in Pahokee, was built around 1939. It is on the National Register of Historic Places.



• St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1200 E. Main Street in Pahokee, (photo above) was built in 1933 as a mission church of St. Ann's in West Palm Beach. The church contains 100-year-old pews and stained glass donated from St. Ann's during the depression. It is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



- The Hurricane Memorial in front of the Belle Glade Library, 530 South Main Street in Belle Glade (photo above), was sculpted by Ferenc Varga in memory of the nearly 2,000 people who lost their lives in the Sept. 16, 1928 hurricane, when the dike on the souther end of Lake Okeechobee gave way. The inscription on the base reads: "Belle Glade 1928 This statue is to honor the early Glades pioneers and the more than two thousand persons who lost their lives in the disasterous 1928 Hurricane."

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Okeechobee County murals honor area history

A series of murals in downtown Okeechobee celebrate art as well as local history.

The first historic mural in Okeechobee was spearheaded by the Okeechobee Historical Society and was painted on the north side of what is now the Okeechobee Freshman Campus Gymnasium. This mural was created in 1996 on the centennial anniversary of the first permanent settlers in what is now Okeechobee, Florida. The mural, painted by John Gutcher, depicts the arrival in 1896 of the Peter and Louisiana Chandler Raulerson family from the Basinger area. The center cameo of the mural shows their log house built three years later. Also depicted is a typical Seminole village of the time including pictures of the eight Seminole clan symbols: toad, snake, otter, bear, deer, panther, bird, and wind.

Following the success and popularity of this historic mural project, another Okeechobee community organization, Okeechobee Main Street, decided to sponsor more murals in the Okeechobee area. In 2006, Okeechobee Main Street organized their first mural project which depicts a cattle drive from 1937. This mural is on the Williams Building, which currently houses the Sprint store, 204 N. Parrott Avenue (U.S. 441 N) in Okeechobee.

Before work started on the mural, OKMS hosted an art contest and invited young artists to compete for a chance to help paint the mural, supervised by professional artists. These young people also served as the models for the crowd of youngsters who are shown in the mural.

The mural depicts young Haynes Williams riding his pony on the cattle drive through the town of Okeechobee. Nine year old Haynes was allowed to accompany his father, Zibe King Williams, and grandfather, Fitz Williams, on a three week long trip starting from Highlands County, passing through Okeechobee and ending at Allapattah Flats (now Palm City). The mural is a collage of images showing this memorable trip. A storm lights up the sky to reveal a representation of the City of Okeechobee. The cattle appear to jump out of the storm.

The large lasso draws the viewer's attention to the figures standing in front of a movie theater. This theater was in the center of downtown and spectators could emerge from the theater and watch the cattle drive.

These faces represent the young artists and their art director, who all painted the mural. These artists painted more than a building, they painted history and in doing so became history themselves as the artists who painted the first Okeechobee Main Street Mural.

Peek around the east corner of the mural and you will see Fitz Williams,

smoking his favorite pipe, and looking over the cattle on his land, 101 Ranch.

The mural was sponsored by Haynes & Susan Williams.

Bridgette Waldau designed the mural and was art director for the project.

Artists were Bridgette Waldau, Fawn McNeil Barr, Maureen Burroughs, T.J. Condon and Jillian Warren.

Junior artists included Lindsay Crum, Rocky Huddleston, Taneisha Mitchell, Rachel Muros, Brianna Skye Nunez, Jack Radebaugh, Hannah Sadler, Donny Sheldon, Nick Valcaniant, & Gabrielle Velie.

In 2007, the second mural in the OKMS project was completed, honoring the arrival of the railroad.

The Florida East Coast Railway was completed and the first train arrived in Okeechobee in 1915. With the completion of the ice plant in 1918, shipment of perishable goods to the northern markets was now possible and Okeechobee flourished. The major products were catfish from Lake Okeechobee, turpentine and timber from the pine woods, and fresh produce including citrus. In addition, cattle could now be marketed to distant points with ease and were loaded from holding pens just west of town.

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Courtesy photo

This historical mural was sponsored by Okeechobee Historical Society and major contributors Barnett Bank of Lake Okeechobee, Big Lake National Bank, Florida Power and Light Corporation, Okeechobee County School Board, Seminole Tribe of Florida, SunTrust Bank of Okeechobee.



A young Haynes Williams is shown riding his pony in the cattle drive mural on the Sprint store on Parrott Avenue in Okeechobee. The young artists who helped paint the mural were the subjects for the portion of the mural depicting a group of children.

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This mural in downtown Okeechobee celebrates the arrival of the railway in 1915.

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The mural is located on the S.W. corner of SE Park Street and S. Parrott Avenue in Okeechobee. Katy Scott was the artist.

In 2008, OKMS hosted a third mural project, this time honoring Okeechobee's first telephone company.

Shown in the mural are the first telephone installer T.A. Sizemore and the first telephone operator, Byrd Sizemore. The mural was created by Matt Budjinski.

The mural can be found at 115 S. Parrott Avenue in Okeechobee.

OKMS latest mural project is planned to be unveiled this month.

Old bank building mural dedication is planned for June 21 at 5:30 p.m. The bank

building will feature a series of murals on the areas where the building's windows and doors should be. Viewers will have the impression of looking through the windows or glass doors to see the history inside.

Originally constructed in 1923, the Bank Building has sat vacant for many years on the north side of State Road 70, with worn plywood covering its once shining glass windows. On June 21, the old Bank Building will shine again. With murals in each window and door, the building will again look alive and vibrant as images from 1930 through the 1950s can be seen from across the street and down the road. The dedication will begin at 5:30 p.m. and end at approximately 6:30 p.m. while guests and visitors are treated with remembrances from the past. Gil and Marie Culbreth are the project sponsors. The artist is Joseph Steiert.



This mural honors Okeechobee's first telephone company.

State parks plan special events

Conch Stomp Band

Come listen to the Conch Stomp Band play a variety of bluegrass songs at the John D. MacArthur Beach State Park, located 2.8 miles south of the intersection of U.S.1 and PGA Blvd. on A1A in North Palm Beach, on July 8 from 2 to 4 p.m. The concert is free with park admission. For more information, call 561-624-6950.

untold Riches Bluegrass

John D. MacArthur Beach State Park, located 2.8 miles south of the intersection of U.S.1 and PGA Blvd. on A1A in North Palm Beach, will host Nathan Rich and Untold Riches Bluegrass at the park's amphitheater on July 15 from 1 to 4 p.m. The concert is free with park admission. For more information, call 561-624-6950.

A Photographer's View

Learn about perspectives on photography through the eyes of locally renowned artists Bruce Bain and Durga Garcia in a special photography class

at Jonathan Dickinson State Park, July 14 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The program costs \$25 and includes park entry, class instruction, a guided tour and refreshments. The park is on U.S. 1. From I95-take Exit 96 and go east on Bridge Road to US 1. Turn right (south) on US 1. Jonathan Dickinson is 3 miles on your right. To register for the class, or for more information, call 561-745-5551.

4th of July Firecracker 5K

Highlands Hammock State Park will host the 18th annual 4th of July Firecracker 5K race on Wednesday, July 4, at 7:30 a.m. Plaques will be awarded for overall, master and grand master male and female winners. There will be age group awards in 5 year age divisions, technical T shirts and ice-cold watermelon for runners. Shirts guaranteed only to the first 200 entrants. Highlands Hammock State Park is located off US 27 on SR 634 (also known as Hammock Road), four miles west of Sebring. For information, call 863-385-4736 or email cbrojek@comcast.net.



Around the corner from the mural depicting a cattle drive through downtown Okeechobee, visitors can find a ranch scene with Fitz Williams, smoking his favorite pipe, and looking overseeing the cattle on his land, 101 Ranch.



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Museums use historical buildings to bring the past alive

Communities surrounding Lake Okeechobee are rich in the area's pioneer history. This is evident in the many museums and historic buildings. In some cases, the museums are historic buildings.

LaBelle Heritage Museum's new location, 360 N. Bridge Street, is itself a LaBelle historical treasure, the old Poole Store, built in 1911.

The museum focuses attention on the people and the times that built LaBelle.

One of the museum's prize artifacts is the historic Warren Steam Engine from the commuter boat Navette, once owned by J.P. Morgan and eventually sunk from disrepair into an old section of the Caloosahatchee River.

Also on the first floor, take in the fossil and nature area, featuring ancient bones, many of which were discovered in the LaBelle area. Partway encircling the fossil room, local artist Meredith Marcum is gradually completing a mural depicting scenes from a prehistoric LaBelle.

An ADA ramp makes it easy for anyone to move from the parking lot into the building and plans are being made to put in an elevator to the second floor.

Upstairs, the visitor will soon be able to enjoy traveling history exhibits as well as do research on local history using historical documents and old newspapers such as the Caloohathee Current and the Henry County News.

An activity room for kids will help ensure that the importance of LaBelle's past remains part of the younger generation's consciousness.

The newly relocated LaBelle Heritage Museum is the repository for the community's collective history, offering a unique and fascinating look into the past in a charming new setting. It's the place to go for a new perspective on old LaBelle.

The Okeechobee Historical Society Museum is also housed in a building that is of historical value. It resides in the historic Tantie Schoolhouse, built in 1909.

The Tantie School was built in 1909,



The old "Tantie School" now houses the Okeechobee Historical Society Museum.

eight years before Okeechobee County was formed. It was originally located at what is now the corner of Southwest 5th Street and South Parrott Ave. and was designated School #14 by St. Lucie County. This area was first called "The Bend." In 1902, the settlement was named Tantie for teacher Tantie Huckabee. Tantie was renamed Okeechobee in 1911. By the fall of 1915, the school became so crowded, a tent had to be set up for the over-flow.

In 1916, construction began on the new two-story brick school. The old school became a private residence and was occupied until 1976, when the Watts family sold it to the Okeechobee Historical Society. The building was moved to its current location, 1850 U.S. Hwy. 98.

The school house and museum are open to visitors on Thursdays from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. and other times upon request. For more information, call 863)763-4344. Guided tours are available by appointment.

The Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki museum, 34725 West Boundary Road, Clewiston, is located on the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation.

Four main galleries explore various aspects of Seminole life and tradition and showcase many items from the museum's permanent collection.

A mile-long raised boardwalk through the cypress swamp, features over 67 types of indigenous Everglades flora and fauna.

The museum also includes a living village. Experience firsthand an authentic Seminole Indian Village, where Tribal Elders create sweet grass baskets, beaded necklaces and wood carvings.

The Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum's various collections exist to serve as the repository for all archival and artificial items related to the Tribe. The museum collects, preserves, protects and interprets Seminole culture and history inspiring

an appreciation and understanding of the Seminole people.

For more information, call 863-902-1113.

The Clewiston Museum is located along U.S. Hwy. 27, in the heart of Clewiston, "America's Sweetest Town." The green vintage building dates back to 1928. The building originally housed the Clewiston News.

Tours start with the popular fossil collections that reminisce back to the days when prehistoric animals roamed Florida. These tours continue with exhibits of the early Native Americans that inhabited the Lake Okeechobee area and the Seminole people, who came later.

The heritage tour of the museum reflects the town's growth and history through educational videos and an array of displays that include the sugar cane industry, destructive hurricanes of 1926 and 1928 and Riddle Field, a training base for British cadets during World War II.

In October, the Clewiston Museum will present "Journey Stories," a Smithsonian traveling exhibit, through a Florida Humanities Council grant. The exhibit will be on display at the museum starting October 22 thru December. The museum will also be presenting programs



The Clewiston Museum on U.S. 27, is in a building that dates back to 1928. Part of the museum is the old newspaper building, the original home of the Clewiston News.

on various Florida subjects through our speaker series, which entails five speakers this year. Seminole Heritage Day will be celebrated on April 20th with guest speakers to commemorate the Seminole people and their culture.

The Museum Archives provide information to persons researching the past or wishing to take a stroll down memory lane. It also provides a "Historical Eco Tour" for those who wish to bird and learn about the area's local flora, fauna and history. The museum is open Monday thru Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 863-983-2870 or go to the website, clewistonmuseum.



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The old Poole dry goods store is now the home of the LaBelle Heritage museum.



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