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Teen loses arm in gator attack

By Eric Kopp

Special to the Glades County Democrat

A Moore Haven teen is recovering in a Fort Myers hospital after losing the lower part of his right arm in an alligator attack earlier this week.

The teen, 17-year-old Kaleb Langdale, was

swimming Monday, July 9, with friends in the Caloosahatchee River when the gator attacked. The incident occurred just south of U.S. 27 and along River Road.

"It's my understanding they were swimming across the river to the other bank," said Glades County Sheriff Stuart Whiddon. "The

other three were lagging and decided to turn around and swim back. Kaleb was not far from the other side when the gator popped up and bit his right arm off right below the elbow."

Jorge Pino, a spokesman for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

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Grants help fund school safety projects

Areas near Moore Haven schools to add sidewalks, turn lanes off U.S. 27

By Katrina Elsken

Glades County Democrat

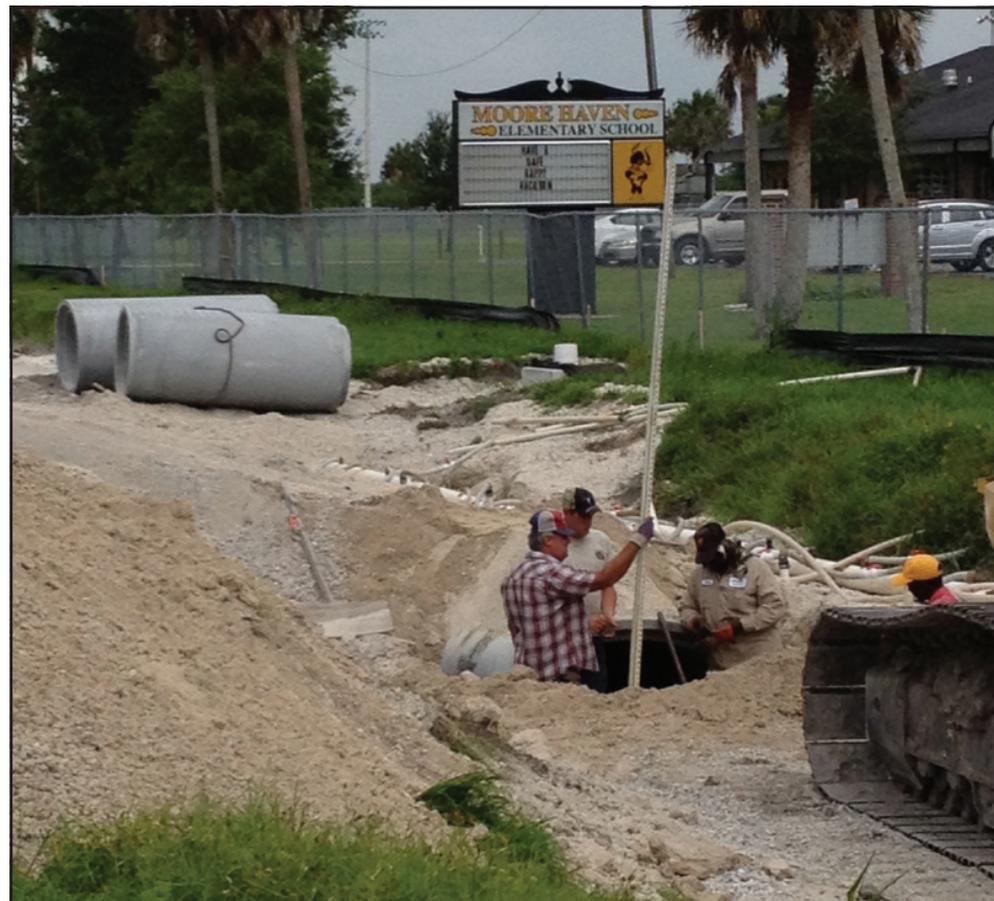
Thanks to two grants from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Moore Haven students will have a safer place to walk between U.S. Highway 27 and Moore Haven Elementary School. In addition, the project is expected to improve drainage in the area and reduce flooding problems in the Moore Haven Junior/Senior High School parking lot.

In addition to the \$918,000 grant for improvements to the canal, the school system has also obtained an FDOT grant for another \$750,000 for a series of turn lanes on US 27 in the area near the schools.

"For years there has been a problem with the canal in front of Moore Haven Elementary School," said Scott Bass, director of administrative services. "The kids had to walk past the canal and there were no sidewalks there," he said. In addition, there were no barriers to keep the kids out of the canal, which was about six feet deep. While the water in the canal was usually low, it did sometimes attract snakes and even an alligator, which also brought concerns regarding student safety. Over the years, due to erosion, the canal continued to widen, Mr. Bass added.

"It collected trash," he said. "It was not a very attractive piece of the school campus."

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Culverts have been placed in a ditch that is part of the city's stormwater runoff system so the area can be filled in, making the area near Moore Haven Elementary School safer and more attractive. Sidewalks included in the project will also make the area safer for children to walk.

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Inland Birding Fun: Snowy Egret (SNEG)

BY MARGARET ENGLAND
Hendry-Glades Audubon

One of the most common wading birds in the Southern United States is the Snowy Egret. This species's range includes the continental United States from northern California to Maine, south to Florida, the Gulf of Mexico, and most of South America.



Margaret England

Large numbers of Snowy Egrets from northern states winter in Florida. Florida's resident population lives and breeds mainly in the central and the southern peninsula of the state.

Snowy Egrets were nearly decimated by plume hunters in the early twentieth century and are listed in Florida as a "Species of Special Concern."

This medium-sized all-white heron is about

two feet tall. They are smaller than a Great Egret and larger than a Cattle Egret. It has a long thin neck that it usually holds in an "S" curve in flight. Adults have a long thin bill and long black legs with vivid yellow feet.

The upper bill in front of the eyes is normally yellow, but turns red during the breeding season when they grow thin wispy plumes on their neck, breast, and back. The Snowy Egret's call is a loud nasal squawk when they're defending their territory.

Juveniles look similar to the adults, but their bill is paler, they have yellow feet, and their legs are yellow with a black front edge. Snowy Egrets can be confused with the white immature Little Blue Herons. Immature Little Blue Herons are slightly thinner and they have greenish legs and feet.

Snowy Egrets forage for food in freshwater or saltwater habitats. They stir their bright yellow feet to startle prey while they are feeding. Other foraging behaviors include walking slowly in shallow water, chasing prey, or standing in order to capture small fish, shrimp, or small vertebrates.

These birds breed in Florida from January

through August. They usually build nests in colonies with other wading bird species in swamps, mangroves, or in vegetation above water.

Their nest is a platform of sticks in trees or bushes less than 30 feet above the ground or water. They lay three to five blue-green eggs that hatch in about 18 days with the young fledging when they are about 25 days old.

During the Breeding Bird Atlas 1 Survey 25 years ago Snowy Egrets were confirmed breeding birds in inland Florida west of Lake Okeechobee and a few other locations near Lake Okeechobee.

The Breeding Bird Atlas Survey (2012-2016) is underway. To help document the breeding birds or to participate in a morning survey during July or August in Hendry or Glades County contact Margaret England.

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Glades at a Glance

Energy Fair planned July 13

The Agricultural and Labor Program Inc. will host an Energy Fair with information about the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP) on Friday, July 13, at the Glades County Doyle Conner Building, 900 U.S. Highway 27 S.W. in Moore Haven from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Those who wish to apply for energy assistance must bring:

- Photocopy of photo ID for everyone in the household over the age of 18;
- Photocopy of Social Security Cards for all household members;
- Photocopy of all household members current income statements;
- Photocopy of Food Stamp Benefit Approval Letter (if applicable);
- Photocopy of Section 8 or HUC Housing Rental Form 50059 (if applicable).

All photocopies will remain with your application.

Football camp scheduled

Muck Area Christian Football Camp will be held July 28 at Moore Haven Jr-Sr High School Field for Grades 7-12. Cost is \$10. The camp will feature former and current pro and college players, along with high school coaches. Recruiters from various colleges are also expected to attend. To reserve a spot or for more information call Rod @561-809-8300 or email rfelt10@aol.com.

Political rallies planned

Glades County political rallies are planned for:

- July 19 at 7 p.m. at the Muse Community Center;
- July 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the Brighton Seminole Veterans Building;
- July 26 at 7 p.m. at the Buckhead Ridge Community Center;
- July 2 at 11 a.m. at Birchwood Pkwy and SR 80 in Port LaBelle;
- Aug. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Lakeport Community Center.

Other political rallies or forums are still in the planning stages.

Lakeport Community news

- 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 will resume again in the fall (after school starts). Please watch for the Lakeport Gatorz Back to School Kick-Off! 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 Aug. 9. Volunteers are needed to help with the program. For more information, please call 608-345-1324.

Road closed for construction

Avenue K from Terrier Price Drive through Ninth Street will be closed for construction until further notice according to the Glades County Public Safety Office.

Muse Community Center plans events

The Muse Community Center will host the following events in July:

- July 14, County Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner at 6 p.m.
- July 19, Meet and greet the candidates. All of the candidates who will be on the November ballot will be invited to speak and answer questions. There will be a social hour with refreshments immediately following the speeches. The event will begin at 7 p.m.
- July 28, Country Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner at 6 p.m.

All of the events are open to the public and will be held at the Muse Community Center Building on Loblolly Bay Road (Hwy. 720). Come out for a fun evening and meeting your neighbors.

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 please call 239-939-3112 or 1-888-956-7273.



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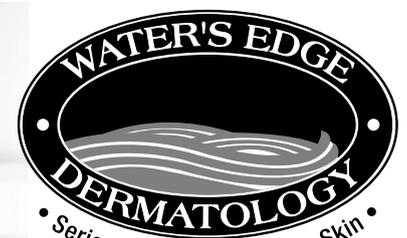
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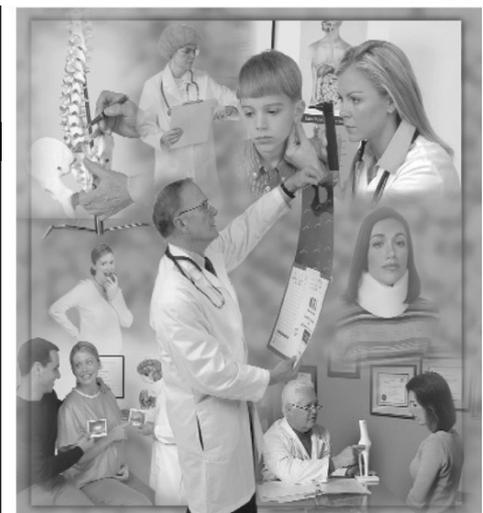
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Importance of Immunization

BY PAT DOBBINS
Hendry/Glades Health Departments

Hendry and Glades counties: It's never too early to think about vaccinations for your child. Every child entering the Hendry and Glades County School systems for the first time this fall must present documentation of a school-entry health physical examination performed within one year prior to enrollment in school.

In addition, the child's immunization status must be current and in compliance with the Florida Immunization requirements.

Florida Immunization requirements for 2012-2013 school year are as follows:

Kindergarten through Fourth Grade

Two doses of Varicella

- (5) DTaP
- (4) IPV
- (3) Hep-B
- (2) MMR

Fifth through Eleventh Grade

One dose of Varicella

- (5) DTaP
- (4) IPV
- (3) Hep-B
- (2) MMR

Seventh Grade

Tetanus containing booster

TDaP, instead of Td

- (5) DTaP
- (4) IPV
- (3) Hep-B
- (2) MMR

Visit your health care provider or your local health department to ensure your child is adequately vaccinated for school entry this fall.

It's important to protect children from vaccine-preventable diseases. Please ensure that children are fully immunized against 14 vaccine-preventable diseases. Vaccination is one of the most important ways a parent can protect a child's health.

Today, children can be protected from more vaccine-preventable diseases than ever before. Immunizations are a safe, simple, and inexpensive way to protect children from potentially deadly infectious diseases. Babies need many immunizations before two years of age to protect against serious childhood diseases like polio, measles, whooping cough, and diphtheria. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) offers the following tips for parents and caregivers:

- Take your children to the health department, a family doctor or a clinic for their recommended shots. Immunizations start at birth and continue throughout the child's life and into adulthood.

- At each visit, discuss immunizations with a health care provider. Ask if the child is up-to-date on shots.

- Keep the immunization record in a safe place and bring it to every healthcare visit.

- Ask the doctor when to return for the child's next shots. Make an appointment and write it down.

For more information about the importance of infant immunization, visit www.cdc.gov/vaccines.

Gas Price Update

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 8.9 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.25/g on Sunday.

This compares with the national average that has increased 3.8 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.41/g.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 33.7 cents per gallon lower than the same day one year ago and are 9.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago.

The national average has decreased 15.2 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 21.4 cents per gallon lower than this day one year ago.

After a dramatic decline in gasoline prices in virtually every region in the past month, gasoline prices have started to rise," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

"While I don't necessarily believe that the recent uptick in crude prices will stick, I also don't see prices falling considerably lower until after the conclusion of the summer driving season, when demand declines, and more expensive blends are phased out," DeHaan said.

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Health department working to maintain services

By Charles M. Murphy

Special to the Glades County Democrat

The state wants to stop primary care at the Glades County Health Department, according to a report given at the Glades County Commission meeting on July 10. Director Pat Dobbins has been working with private and other agencies to try and provide this service.

Her plan would include five days per week for primary care and a pediatrician. Family planning services would be provided daily. Chronic disease prevention and other services would continue.

Florida Governor Rick Scott has mandated that health departments get out of the primary care business, she explained. Without a full-time doctor located in the county, Glades County citizens depend mightily on the local health department. Ms. Dobbins worked with the Florida community health center in Clewiston to continue to provide services. The catch is the health department will no longer provide a free clinic.

Dobbins asked the Glades County Commission to support her plan at their meeting Tuesday.

"I'm excited about this proposal. My greatest concern is the co-pay that will be required of \$20," she added.

Commissioner Donna Storter Long suggested the county pay the \$20 for the indigent. The fee is not mandatory and patients will not be turned away due to a lack of ability to pay.

Ms. Dobbins said the new system should be evaluated annually to discuss ways to im-

prove it. The new provider will have more comprehensive services. The transition could take place around August 1.

"We should work within the system because health care does cost us all," Ms. Dobbins said. "I try to propose what is best for the community and present it to the board."

"We have a positive mindset and a vision for our future. This is an opportunity to see what we can do. There is a shift in health care which tends to emphasize wellness and prevention," she added.

Commissioner Paul Beck said he felt this proposal would improve the health care services provided to the community. "We're out in the middle of nowhere without services. It seems like a no-brainer for us."

The Commission by consensus supported the proposal and asked for a written contract they can approve later this year.

South Florida Water Management Director Gary Ritter reported that the levels in Lake Okeechobee have declined in recent weeks. Some rainfall from Tropical Storm Debby has come down the Kissimmee Chain of Lakes to help the lake level. The district opened all of the north shore locks last week but could shut them down if the lake continues to recede under 12 feet.

In other actions the Board agreed to replace an Administrative Support position for the Cooperative Extension office. The salary is up to \$10.50 per hour.

Commissioners last month rejected bids for the Washington Park Community Center Building because they were well above budget. The plan is to have the county itself act

"There is a shift in health care which tends to emphasize wellness and prevention,"

— Pat Dobbins, Glades County Health Department

as the contractor and hire subcontractors to build the complex. The original budget was \$140,000. Site work began on Monday, July 9, according to Road Department Director Avant Brown. The County would consider hiring temporary staff with construction skills to build this complex, handle renovations of the old health department, build restrooms at Harney Pond Canal and other projects.

The Ortona Community Association requested a new building for the community Tuesday. President Hugo Geistman suggested the building plan for the Washington Park building be increased by 20 feet and used for Ortona. The building could be used as a shelter. His building plan would not include windows.

"We're not trying to get ahead of Washington Park. We think they should be first," he added.

The Association has 150 members and holds several large events each year. The building is also used by the Ortona Volunteer Fire Department.

The commission tabled the request until July 23, at 6 p.m.

The commission considered a resolution to keep water levels in the Buckhead

Ridge canal over 13 feet. Commissioner Bob Giesler said it would help the residents there and serve as a holding area for water. Seawalls have suffered damage due to low water levels.

"Were asking them to study the idea and see if they can help us out," he added.

Water managers said they try to keep levels up in the rim canal where possible. They note without rainfall, levels in these canals will recede when the locks are closed.

"We cut the lock operation when the lake gets below 12 feet. That's about all we can do," Ritter added.

Some projects to store water between Buckhead Ridge and the Indian Prairie Canal have been considered.

"The dry season causes silt in the back ends of these finger canals and when levels dip below 13 feet, some folks are on mud. These canals are not our responsibility. They are the responsibility of the mosquito control district and the homeowners' association. Our main responsibility is the Rim Canal," Mr. Ritter explained.

Paradise Run is another area that could provide water storage for Buckhead Ridge in the future. Mr. Ritter said he would get an update on that project and inform the board.

A resolution should be ready for review and a vote on July 23.

A surplus auction will be held this Saturday, July 14, at 9 a.m. at the Glades County Road Department. The items will be available for public view at 8 a.m.

United Way has new chair and new board members

FORT MYERS—At the recent United Way Annual Meeting, a new United Way Board Chair was elected, along with eight new Board Members. Patricia O'Donnell, of O'Donnell Landscapes was elected as the Board Chair of the United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades.

The new United Way Board Members

include: Patricia Bell of CenturyLink; Joseph Burke, Superintendent of the Lee County School District; Jeffrey Carter of Chase; Joe Coleman of Fowler, White & Boggs, Ben O'Bryan of the Pelican Landing Community; Nikki Tonnessen of Target; Mark Webb of Lykes Insurance; Kevin Winter of Johnson Engineering;

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Patricia O'Donnell

and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaborations among agencies and initiatives, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives. For more information please call United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades at 239-433-2000 or visit www.unitedwaylee.org.

NOTICE TERMINATION OF SERVICES AT GLADES COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

- The Glades County Health Department has entered into an agreement with Florida Community Health Centers to provide Primary Health Care and Dental services.
- The effective date of this action is expected to be August 1, 2012.
- Copies of your medical and/or dental records can be requested.
- Florida Community Health Centers will serve clients at the Glades County Health Department building located at 1021 Health Park Drive in Moore Haven
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New United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades board members include: from the left are: Joseph Burke, Pat Bell, Jeff Carter, Nikki Tonnessen, Kevin Winter, Mark Webb and Joe Coleman. Not pictured is Ben O'Bryan.



Ben O'Bryan

Crossword Puzzle

- ACROSS**
- 1 "Chicago" Tony winner Neuwirth
 - 5 Sentence component
 - 11 Romney's religious gp.
 - 14 Bell-ringing fragrance giant
 - 15 Put gas in
 - 16 Suffer from allergies, say
 - 17 Prime minister, e.g.
 - 19 "Fat chance, laddie!"
 - 20 City protected by Batman and Robin
 - 21 Inactive
 - 22 Lion of Narnia
 - 25 Fender-fixing facility
 - 28 Burglar's headwear
 - 31 Funeral speech
 - 32 Little fella
 - 33 Tropical straw hats
 - 36 Affirmative vote
 - 37 Pencil-and-paper diversion where the starts of 17-, 25-, 48- and 57-Across denote incorrect guesses
 - 38 Light switch setting
 - 41 Disney creation
 - 42 Red-carpet party
 - 43 Follower of Ignatius of Loyola
 - 46 Inane
 - 48 Superpowers' weapons escalation
 - 51 West, to Juan
 - 52 Chicken's home
 - 53 Makes fit
 - 56 Wine-and-cassis apéritif
 - 57 Prohibition era gangster
 - 62 Crackerjack pitcher
 - 63 Gentle wind
 - 64 Gave the boot
 - 65 ___ Palmas: Canary Islands port
 - 66 Lots and lots
 - 67 Lavish affection (on)

- 2 Motherless mother
- 3 Amazon squeezer
- 4 Final stage of a chess match
- 5 Fizzling-out sound
- 6 "Pipe down!"
- 7 Adjust paragraph indents and such
- 8 Memorable Texas mission
- 9 Tennis division
- 10 Central Dutch city
- 11 Crow's-nest cry
- 12 Most of a screenplay
- 13 Ready for bed
- 18 Eugene O'Neill's daughter
- 21 Cuba and Aruba: Abbr.
- 22 Movie terrier
- 23 Blue-bottled vodka
- 24 Facebook button
- 26 Claim as a right
- 27 Currency of China
- 29 Ancient Greek military power
- 30 German philosopher Immanuel
- 34 IHOP '___': takeout food program

- 35 Mine, to Monet
- 37 Bad ___ day
- 38 Quaker product
- 39 Move lightly through the air
- 40 Meet head-on
- 41 Zodiacal border
- 42 Loses one's mind
- 43 Wild canine scavenger
- 44 Beethoven's Third
- 45 Campfire treats
- 47 Greek "I"
- 49 Like pet parakeets
- 50 '50s Ford failure
- 54 Woodworking tool
- 55 Pumpkin desserts
- 57 Debt-heavy corp. deal
- 58 Suffix with ranch
- 59 Good Grips kitchenware brand
- 60 Butterfly snare
- 61 Five-star gen. of WWII

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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- DOWN**
- 1 "Harrumph!"

Did You Receive Your New Voter Information Card?

All voters have been sent a new voter information card by mail with important information regarding their new precinct and polling place due to redistricting. If you did not receive your voter information card in the mail, the Supervisor of Elections does not have your correct information on file. Please contact the Supervisor of Elections office to update your address.

Contact the Supervisor of Elections Office at 863-675-5230, 863-902-3393, or visit one of the Supervisor of Elections Offices at 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle or 100 E. El Paso Ave., Clewiston.

Prior to Early Voting the Supervisor of Elections will be sending Sample ballots with important information on the August 14, Primary Election.

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Clewiston Youth Center, 106
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Political affiliation laws affect primary election

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Voters, make sure you are registered with the proper party affiliation to vote for the candidates of your choice. The number of local candidates and the party affiliations of candidates in different races have complicated things this year.

Florida is a closed political primary state. That means that only registered party members may vote in their party's primary. However, there is an exception which comes into play in this year's elections. If all candidates for an office have the same party affiliation and the office will be determined by the primary election, all qualified voters, regardless of party affiliation, may vote in the primary election for that office.

In the Superintendent of Schools race, both Scott Bass and Janice Brown are registered Democrats. Since there is no Republican candidate, this race will be decided in the primary and all registered voters will be allowed to vote, regardless of party affiliation.

It's the same case with the Clerk of Court election. Both candidates, Sandra Brown and George Humphries, are Democrats and there is no Republican candidate. So the race will be decided in the primary and all voters can participate.

In the Property Appraiser election, there are two Democrat and one Republican. Democrats will choose between Lorie Ward and Michelle Brunetto. Only registered Democrats will vote in that primary. The winner

of the primary election will face Republican Robin Knight McLean in the general election.

In the sheriff's election, incumbent Stuart Whiddon is a Democrat. He will face Republican Robert Wilson in the general election.

In the County Commission District 1 race, all of the candidates are Democrats. Incumbent K.S. "Butch" Jones will face Weston Pryor and Dennis Griffin in the Aug. 14 primary. All registered voters will be allowed to participate in this election.

In the County Commission District 3 race, incumbent Paul Beck, a Democrat, is challenged by Republican Cannon Eley. This will be on the ballot in the general election in November.

In the County Commission District 5 race, incumbent Bob Giesler is challenged by Tim

Stanely. Both candidates are Democrats, so this race will be decided in the Aug. 14 primary. All registered voters will be allowed to participate.

School board elections are non-partisan, so Robbie Ahern and Jenny Allen, candidates for the District 2 School Board seat, will face off in the Aug. 14 primary and all registered voters may vote in this race.

Tax Collector Gail Jones, County Judge Jack Lundy, Supervisor of Elections Holly Whiddon and School Board District 3 Representative Geraldine Wilson are all unopposed.

Voter registration

To register to vote, you must fill out a voter registration application. Registration applications may be obtained at any of the fol-

lowing locations: the Supervisor of Elections Office, all U.S. Post Offices in Glades County, Driver's License Offices, Public Libraries, Social Service Agencies, Veterans Affairs Offices, Public Assistance Agencies, Armed Forces Recruiting Offices, Vocational Rehabilitation locations, Workers Compensation Offices, & WIC locations. You may also call the Supervisor of Elections at 863-946-6005 to have a voter registration form mailed to you. After completing and signing the voter registration application, it can be mailed or delivered to the Supervisor of Elections Office.

The last day to register to vote or to change your party affiliation in order to vote in the Aug. 14 primary election is by midnight July 16.

Jobless rate remains stable in May

By Charles M. Murphy

Special to the Glades County Democrat

Glades County had a jobless rate of 9 percent in May which was an increase from the April rate of 8.3 percent. The report said 458 residents collected benefits in May.

One year ago, Glades County had 9.5 percent unemployment in May.

There was little change in the jobless rate in Okeechobee during May as the rate

remained at 9 percent. Around the region, Highlands County had 8.1 percent, Osceola County 9.1 percent, Palm Beach County 8.6 percent, Martin County 8.2 percent, Hendry County 11.7 percent, and St. Lucie County

10.9 percent in May. The state level was 8.5 percent an increase from 8.3 percent in April.

The National level stood at 7.9 percent an increase from 7.7 percent in April.

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Woman injured in crash; teen driver cited

By Eric Kopp

Special to the Glades County Democrat

HIGHLANDS COUNTY—An Okeechobee teen was critically injured in a weekend accident in which the car was reportedly being driven by an unlicensed, 15-year-old girl.

An accident report by Florida Highway Patrol Trooper M. Hathcock stated that Angelina Ruth Cardenas, 19, was critically injured in the 3:35 a.m. crash. The Saturday, July 7, accident occurred on County Road 721—7 miles south of S.R. 70 in Highlands County.

The underage driver of the vehicle was southbound on C.R. 721 when she apparently lost control of the 2008 Chevrolet she

was operating and struck a tree on the passenger side of the four-door vehicle, stated the report. The driver, who is from Hollywood, was not injured.

Ms. Cardenas was airlifted to Lawnwood Regional Medical Center in Fort Pierce with unspecified injuries.

The report indicated that the driver was issued traffic citations for careless driving and operating a motor vehicle without a license. She was released into the custody of her legal guardian at the scene.

According to the trooper's report the accident was not alcohol related and both occupants of the vehicle were wearing their seat belts.

Arrest Report

The following individuals were arrested on felony or driving under the influence (DUI) charges by the Glades County Sheriff's Office (GCSO), the Seminole Police Department (SPD), the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) or the Department of Corrections (DOC).

- Randall Lee Mosely, 56, Meadow Brooke, Moore Haven, was arrested June 30 by the GCSO on felony charges of burglary of an occupied structure and exploitation of the elderly. He was also charged with the misdemeanor of resisting a law enforcement officer without violence. His bond was set at \$16,000.

- Milton E. Thomas, 46, S.W. Fifth Ave., Cape Coral, was arrested July 2 by the GCSO on a felony charge of violation of probation - possession of marijuana with intent to sell. He is being held without bond.

- Justin Warren Platt, 20, Lake June Road, Lake Placid, was arrested July 4 by the GCSO on a felony charge of possession of a controlled substance without a prescription, and a misdemeanor charge of possession of drug paraphernalia. His bond was set at \$11,000.

- Kardaro Calvin Johnson, 23, Seventh Court, Clewiston, was arrested July 4 by the GCSO on a Hendry County warrant charging him with the felonies of violation of proba-

tion - assault and violation of probation - improper exhibition of a dangerous weapon. His bond was set at \$8,000.

- Cody Abram Lagrange, 23, N.E. 13th Way, Okeechobee, was arrested July 5 by the GCSO on felony charges of violation of probation - grand theft and violation of probation - criminal mischief. He is being held without bond.

- Samantha Yvonne Banks, 42, N.W. Hendricks St., Moore Haven, was arrested July 5 by the GCSO on a Palm Beach County warrant charging her with grand theft. Her bond was set at \$4,500.

- James Michael Summers, 21, San Gabriel St., Clewiston, was arrested July 10 by the GCSO on a Glades County warrant charging him with the misdemeanor of failure to appear - possession of marijuana under 20 grams. His bond was set at \$2,500. He was also arrested on Hendry County warrants charging him with failure to appear, violation of probation and contempt of court. His bond on those charges was set at \$6,495.

This column lists arrests and not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Anyone listed here who is later found innocent or has had the charges against them dropped is welcome to inform this newspaper. The information will be confirmed and printed.



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GRANTS

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Thanks to the grant, the school system culverted in the canal, which is part of the city's stormwater drainage system, and is covering it with fill dirt.

"We will make a sidewalk from U.S. Highway 27 all the way the length of that canal," Mr. Bass explained. "Now the kids will have a safe way to walk from U.S. 27 to the elementary school."

He said the South Florida Water Management District, Army Corps of Engineers and FDOT all agreed on the plan and FDOT approved the grant.

Mr. Bass said the project will also improve the drainage in the area and reduce the flooding problems at Moore Haven Junior/Senior High School.

"Right now, the school gets all of the runoff from the grocery store rooftop, the parking lot and the road," he explained. "Right now after a good rainstorm, if you park your car in front of Moore Haven Junior/Senior High School and get out, you may find yourself in 3 inches of water."

The school board has already selected a civil engineer firm and a construction firm for the canal project, he said. The canal project should be finished by October.

The second FDOT grant, for \$750,000, will add and improve turn lanes from U.S. 27 in the area of the schools.

"While I was writing the canal grant, I was wondering where else we could use some funds," said Mr. Bass. "When you write a grant,

you ask for as much as you can."

He said he noticed traffic problems that could be addressed with turn lanes.

"When you are going south on U.S. 27 and make a right-hand turn onto Sixth Street to go to the football field or gymnasium, there is a little bit of a paved shoulder," he said. "A lot of drivers try to use that shoulder as a turn lane."

Mr. Bass said he witnessed some "near misses" caused by drivers trying to use that shoulder as a turn lane. If the problem wasn't resolved, he concluded, it was likely someone would be hit.

"There was grant money available and you never know until you try," he explained. So he wrote a grant to pay for additional turn lanes and after doing some traffic studies, FDOT approved it.

The turn-lane grant will include the turn lane onto Sixth Street as well as improving and lengthening the turn lanes on the northbound U.S. 27 at Sixth Street, the south bound lane that turns to the left at Sixth Street, the lane in front of the grocery store and at Seventh Street.

"The grant reviewers did a traffic study and agreed there is a need there," said Mr. Bass.

He said plans are being drawn up by the civil engineer firm the school board selected. Each step of the process has to be approved by FDOT and when the school board selects a contractor, that contractor has to be approved by FDOT.

"Right now plans are about 60 percent completed," said Mr. Bass. "We expect to put it out for bid in August or September."

Watching traffic at that intersection, with pedestrian traffic and school buses, these turn lanes are only going to make it safer, he said.

there are several pavilions and cooking areas along this portion of the river that are frequently used by residents.

Despite the presence of humans, continued the sheriff, his agency hasn't had many reports of alligator attacks.

"We'll have a report of a dog being eaten every now and then -- a barking dog is a dinner bell for an alligator," Sheriff Whiddon said. "But you never hear about the near misses. There are a lot of gators in Lake Okeechobee."

And while alligators attacks on the big lake are rare, two Okeechobee men have survived attacks in recent years.

In 2008 Kasey Edwards, of Okeechobee, was trying to swim across Nubbin Slough during the nighttime when a gator grabbed him and pulled him under several times. The animal finally released its grip after Mr. Edwards struck it in the eye.

Mr. Edwards lost his arm in the attack.

A year later, another Okeechobee man was attacked in the same area of the lake while standing in 2- to 3-feet of water and throwing a cast net to catch fish.

While throwing the net a 10-foot, 11-inch, gator grabbed Antonio Prado, 47, across the arm and chest and began to drag him into the black water of the big lake. At this point Mr. Prado's son, Jonatan, 24, ran into the water and threw a pair of pliers at the gator's head. The reptile then released its grip on the man.

The gator responsible for attacking Mr. Prado was killed. An FWC spokesperson said trappers knew they had the right alligator because "there were eyewitnesses at the scene and the gator stayed in the area."

Mr. Prado, who underwent emergency surgery at Lawnwood Regional Medical Center in Fort Pierce, had injuries to one shoulder and a puncture wound to his chest but he did not lose any of his extremities.

Humphries is candidate for County Clerk of Court

By George Humphries

Special to the Glades County Democrat

My name is George Humphries, and I am eager to be the new Glades County Clerk of Court. I graduated from Moore Haven High School in 1975 and then received an AS degree from Nashville Auto Diesel College. My wife, Tammy Lucas Humphries, and I have been married for 23 years. Our daughter, Teale, 19, is attending college to be a large animal veterinarian. Shelley, 37, my oldest daughter, teaches 3rd grade at Moore Haven Elementary School. I have owned and operated Humphries Construction Co., Inc. for the past 25 years.

Some people may think because I have never worked in the Clerk's Office that I'm not qualified to manage it. Well, I am here to dispel that myth. Overseeing the county budget is one of the Clerk's main responsibilities. Making sure there is a sound system of checks and balances is not a job to be taken lightly. The Clerk should be someone who is fiscally responsible personally and professionally. Because I have run a business for the past 25 years successfully and frugally, I was able to weather the recent economic downfall. Being a fiscally responsible individual is one of the most important assets I can bring to the office of the Clerk. I have extensive experience in negotiating contracts with large budgets all while managing up to 40 employees efficiently. I am a very "hands on" boss when managing my various projects, which brings me to my next point.

As the Clerk, I will be present and available in the office on a daily basis. No one can manage an office and the employees if they're not there. Period. I have a very strong work ethic, and I expect the same of my employees. Currently, the employees in the Clerk's Office are not cross-trained. I plan to change that. This is a huge problem for our county. It not only affects customer service, but can also cost taxpayers money if work is left undone. Not only will employees know how to do their coworker's job, myself and the deputy clerk will also be cross trained. Never, and I will repeat, never, should business go undone because someone was sick, or just not there. There should always be someone in the office, including myself, or the deputy clerk, who can step up and fill in.

Area woman killed in July 4 crash

By Eric Kopp

Special to the Glades County Democrat

An Okeechobee woman was killed July 4 in a single vehicle crash on S.R. 721 in Glades County.

Miranda Steve, 28, S.W. Ninth Lane, was killed when she failed to negotiate a curve and struck a tree on the west side of the highway near its intersection with Bull Head Road shortly after 10 p.m.

A report by Florida Highway Patrol Troop-



Special to the Glades County Democrat
George Humphries

A lot of the documents that come through the Clerk's Office are time sensitive and cannot wait to be taken care of. I know this will take the stress off of some of the employees because of the pressure they feel when they have to be gone.

A lot of personal and private documents pass through the Clerk's office on a daily basis. Therefore, all employees including myself, and the deputy clerk, must maintain a strict level of confidentiality. I can assure you that when I am your Clerk, no one will ever have to worry about a breach in confidence from my office. I will consider it my personal responsibility to make sure my office is run in a professional manner.

I am extremely energetic and motivated. This energy will allow me to bring a fresh approach to the Clerk's Office and motivate others to want things to be better! I look forward to working cooperatively with the other county officials and employees. Cooperation and availability are imperative for any office to run smoothly. I will gladly achieve all certifications necessary to run an efficient office just as my predecessors have had to do. I need YOUR vote on August 14, 2012! Let's make our Clerk's Office a great place to work and visit for not only the citizens of Glades County but for everyone. Please call feel free to call me anytime at 863-946-0201 or 863-673-1117.

er James Mulhern said, Ms. Steve was northbound in a 2012 Chevrolet Equinox and was driving "... at an excessive speed" The report went on to indicate that she was not wearing her seat belt.

The woman's vehicle overturned after hitting the tree. The SUV suffered an estimated \$25,000 in damage, stated the report.

Ms. Steve was pronounced dead at the scene.

The accident is still under investigation.

GATOR

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(FWC), said Kaleb yelled to his companions to call for help because his "arm had been ripped off."

Kaleb was rushed to Lee Memorial Hospital but the arm, which had been retrieved from the alligator's stomach, could not be re-attached.

Sheriff Whiddon said his agency was the first on the scene and contacted FWC. He said two gators were killed by trappers.

The first alligator killed measured 12-feet, 7-inches, added the sheriff, but it was not the one responsible for the attack. Trappers then killed a second gator and found the teen's arm in its stomach. That gator was over 10 feet in length.

"That was the biggest gator I've seen in a long time," Sheriff Whiddon said of the first reptile killed.

Sheriff Whiddon said he knows Kaleb and his family well, and described the teen as "a good kid."

"This was just a terrible accident," he continued. "Kaleb wasn't doing anything wrong. The alligator thought it was dinner."

The sheriff said when an alligator hears splashing in the water "they're going to come check it out."

When asked, the sheriff said this area of the river is often used by swimmers trying to beat the heat and no signs are posted that warn humans to use caution due to alligators in the area. He did say, however, that if his agency thinks there is any sort of problem with alligators in the river deputies will stop and bring it to the attention of people swimming or skiing there. The sheriff said the alligator population in this particular area is not that bad, and that

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 26-2012-CA-000260

M & T BANK, Plaintiff,
VS.
RUTH S. HERRING A/K/A RUTH SUZANNE HERRING; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RUTH S. HERRING A/K/A RUTH SUZANNE HERRING; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); BASS CAPITAL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., WHETHER DISSOLVED OR PRESENTLY EXISTING, TOGETHER WITH ANY GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, OR TRUSTEES OF SAID DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: RUTH S. HERRING A/K/A RUTH SUZANNE HERRING Whose residence(s) is/are unknown.

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

Unit 912, in the COURTYARDS OF CLEWISTON, a subdivision located within the corporate limits of the City of Clewiston, in Section 10, Township 43 South, Range 34 East, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 6, pages 113 and 114, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

If you fail to file your response or answer, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Drive, Tampa, Florida 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile (813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

DATED AT HENDRY County this 2nd day of July, 2012.
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Sheila Mann, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, and whose telephone number is (239) 533-1700, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. 421307 CN 7/12,19/2012

LEGAL NOTICE

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction on July 23, 2012 at 10:00 AM at Clewiston Towing 600 E Sugarland Hwy Clewiston FL 33440: 1999 Chevrolet, VIN: 1G1NES2M1X6151532 ***We have the right to refuse any and all bids**** 421646 CN 7/12/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4071	2008	4104329-06021970130	Anthony A. Marino

Lot 13, Block 2197, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2012**, which is the **2nd day of August, 2012**.

Dated this 20th day of **June, 2012**.

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

420448 CN 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4073	2008	4104329-06021980020	Efren & Carlita Tambio

Lot 2, Block 2198, 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
537	2009	1174329-03000000190	JPDF Investment Corporation

The North 66 feet of Lot 27 and the South 33 feet of the right-of-way of the street running East and West which lies between Lots 27 and 30, Favore Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 27, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Dated this 20th day of **June, 2012**.

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Hendry County, Florida

420455 CN 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1046	2009	1274331-010000Q0160	Ralph B. Seymour & Gail Seymour

The Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 16, Block Q, Pioneer Plantation, 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 20th day of **June, 2012**.

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

420468 CN 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF SURPLUS SALE

GLADES COUNTY

The Glades County Board of County Commissioners will hold a sale on surplus properties on Saturday, July 14, 2012, beginning at 9:00 AM at the Glades County Road Department, on 4883 East State Road 78, (towards Lakeport) Moore Haven, Florida 33471.

The following is a list of some of the items being offered for sale:

2001 GMC Yukon #3628
Xerox Copier #3581
3 - Grasshopper Mowers #2476, 2152, 2477
Paint Stripper #1991
Tire Machine - No Number
1985 Ford F 8000 Dump Truck #1044
1997 Ford F150 4X4 Super Cab Pickup #2109
1997 Ford Tractor #2219
1996 Ford 150 Truck #2105

Equipment items may be examined beginning at 8:00 AM on the date of the sale.

All sales are sold "As Is, Where Is". Bidders must take possession by noon on Monday, July 16, 2012 or the item sold will revert back to Glades County.

ALL SALES ARE FINAL. TERMS: Cash or Approved Checks.

If you have any questions, please contact Sandra Brown at 863-946-6002. 421589 GCD 7/12/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1055	2009	1284331-A0000260000	Ketty Cherubin

The Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 363, Pioneer Plantation, 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 20th day of **June, 2012**.

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

420728 CN 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2507	2008	1314433-A0000310000	Eileen J. Otano

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 6028, 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 20th day of **June, 2012**.

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

420446 CN 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1021	2009	1274331-010000D0010	Raul Martinez & Katia Caballero

The Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 1, Block D, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 30.00 feet thereof.

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Dated this 20th day of **June, 2012**.

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

420459 CN 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Luesal Brown, Petitioner and Dorothy Brown, Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Dorothy Brown Address Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Luesal Brown, whose address is 710 S. Lopez Street, Clewiston, FL 33440 or before, and file the original with the clerk of this Court at 25 E. Hick-pochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33935, before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided: N/A

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. Dated: 6/22/2012

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT BY: R. DeLaCruz Deputy Clerk 421048 CN 7/5,12,19,26/2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA

ELIZABETH MAJOR, Petitioner/Mother, and MICHAEL D. PATRICK, Respondent/Father

NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

TO: MICHAEL D. PATRICK Addresses Unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that a Dissolution of Marriage action has been filed and commenced in this court.

You are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any to it, on the Petitioner/Wife's attorney, whose name and address is GLENN J. SNEIDER, ESQUIRE, 200 S.W. 9th Street, Okeechobee, Florida 34974, and file the original with the clerk of the above-styled Court on or before June 10, 2011; otherwise default will be entered against you for the relief prayed for in the complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once each week for four consecutive weeks in The Glades County Democrat.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court at Moore Haven, Florida on this 21st day of April, 2011.

JOE FLINT As Clerk of Said Court BY: /S/ Julie Braddock As Deputy Clerk 420360 GCD 6/28;7/5,12,19/2012

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

You are hereby notified that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will be held on Wednesday, July 25, 2012, at 7 pm at the Central County Conference Room located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm St. Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing here-in 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. 420250 CN 7/12,19/2012

Public Notice

Notice of Intended Agency Action

The South Florida Water Management District gives notice of its intent to issue renewals of the following Everglades Works of the District Permits (Chapter 40E-63 Fla. Admin. Code) with conditions within the Everglades Agricultural Area, Florida. The permits approve the implementation of Best Management Plan (BMP) Plan(s) and water quality Discharge Monitoring Plan(s). The BMP implementation requirements, performance measures, and compliance methodology established in the permits pertain to phosphorus only. "Permittee" within the permit(s) refers to all landowners, lessees, and operators responsible for compliance with the terms and conditions of the permit(s) and are listed under the Administrative Information section of the Staff Report(s):

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Permit 26-00011-E (Application 120326-1), issued on June 19, 2012 to Triple A Enterprises, P.O. Box 70, Clewiston, Florida 33440 and other named owner/operators for a project called Triple A Enterprises - Farm 20 for 777.78 acres in Sections 16 and 2 1/746/R34 Hendry County discharging to the Miami Canal.

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Lot 5, Block 2198, 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.

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HENDRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

SUBMITTED BY: C. Gordon Swaggerty, Jr. DATE: 7/31/12

SUBJECT AREA: 547 Depository Accounts

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF PURPOSE: The proposed rule establishes the policy for depository accounts.

CITATION OF LEGAL AUTHORITY: 120.536(1), 120.54, 120.81, 1001.41, 1011.18, 1001.42 F.S. and 6A-1.0012 SBR.

CITATION OF SPECIFIC LEGAL REFERENCE: 120.536(1), 120.54, 120.81, 1001.41, 1011.18, 1001.42 F.S. and 6A-1.0012 SBR.

FULL TEXT: A copy of the full text of the proposed rule may be obtained, without cost, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The proposed rule establishes the policy for requirements for depository accounts.

STATEMENT OF REGULATORY COSTS: The proposed policy revision will create no additional district economic impact in excess of \$100.00 except for the costs of printing and distributions.

LOCATION OF MEETING, TIME AND DATE: Hendry County School Board Meeting Room, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard on July 31, 2012.

Notice: Any person who wishes to provide the School Board with information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory cost, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

Notice: If requested in writing and not deemed unnecessary by the Agency Head, a Rule Development Workshop will be held at a time and date to be advertised in the future.

Notice: The procedure for obtaining a public hearing on this proposed rule is to request, in writing, a hearing. The request shall be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools, in writing, within 21 days after publication of this notice. The request shall specify how the person requesting the public hearing would be affected by the proposed rule. The School Board, upon appropriate request, shall give affected persons an opportunity to present evidence and argument on the issues under consideration.

Notice: Inspection and copying of all written materials constituting public records submitted to the agency regarding draft rules may be obtained by request, in writing, to the Superintendent of Schools.

Notice: The School Board may recognize any material which may be judicially noticed and to incorporate them into the record of the rule making proceeding. The School Board may incorporate material by reference into the proposed rule.

Notice: If you need an accommodation in order to participate in this process, please notify the Superintendent of Schools at (863) 674-4642 or at the Hendry County Courthouse, LaBelle, Florida 33935 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or workshop.

Notice: If the School Board adopts the proposed rule, one certified copy of the proposed rule shall be filed in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools pursuant to 120.54(3)(e), F.S.
420163 CN 6/28/7/5,12 CB 7/12/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
4072	2008	4104329-06021970190	Filbert & Annette Durlous

Lot 19, Block 2197, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2012**, which is the **2nd** day of **August, 2012**.
Dated this **20th** day of **June, 2012**.

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

420449 CN 6/28/7/5,12,19/2012

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
968	2009	1224331-010000F0040	Raul Martinez and Katia Caballero

The Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 22, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 4, Block F, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision.

The Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 22, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the South 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 5, Block F, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision.

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1045	2009	1274331-010000Q0150	Ralph B. Seymour & Gail Seymour

The Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 15, Block Q, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision.

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420467 CN 6/28/7/5,12,19/2012

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430	2009	1324229-02000120011	Alta S. Baker

Lots 3, 4 and 5, Block 12, North LaBelle Subdivision, in Section 32, Township 42 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 83, Public Records of DeSoto County, Florida, lying and being in Hendry County, Florida and the South one-half of vacated Bonanza Avenue along the North side of said lots and the North one-half of vacated alley abutting the South side of said lots.

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Growers Should Monitor for Tomato Thrips Carefully



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South Florida vegetable growers worried about the invasive tomato thrips should make certain they're looking for the pest in the right places, say University of Florida researchers.

Also known as common blossom thrips, the species is native to South America and attacks a variety of crops.

A major pest of tomatoes and cucumbers in its home range, the thrips has been detected regularly in South Florida since 2008.

A team from UF's Tropical Research and Education Center in Homestead recently published a study outlining their efforts to assess the abundance and distribution of tomato thrips in cucumber fields.

Their findings appear in the June 2012 issue of the journal *Bulletin of Entomological Research*.

The study was conducted on commercial fields in the Homestead area. Once established, the vines were treated with *Bacillus thuringiensis*-based insecticides.

For three growing seasons, the researchers assessed thrips distribution in the fields and on individual plants. They found that the insects first appeared on the blossoms of cucumbers planted at the edges of the fields, apparently arriving from nearby weed patches. The insects remained on the margins initially, then began moving into the fields.

By the eighth week after planting, fields had developed "hot spots" of high thrips density.

On individual plants, the pests congregated around blossoms – not surprising, because they're members of the flower thrips family.

Garima Kakkar, a graduate research assistant at UF's Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center and one of the paper's authors, said producers concerned about the pest should inspect blossoms rather than leaves, and continue inspections for several weeks after blossoms appear.

The study results also indicate that growers who seek to control tomato thrips might not need to apply pesticide uniformly throughout their fields.

If inspections show that tomato thrips are clumped together, it may be worth considering a spatially explicit treatment approach, with pesticides applied only where thrips are most likely to be present.

There's also a lesson for home gardeners, Kakkar says: Keep weeds away from your garden, because they can harbor thrips.

For more information on tomato thrips, see <http://goo.gl/hOCy1>

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 22-2010-CA-000194

AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC Plaintiff, vs. SHERRY CHANDLER; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SHERRY CHANDLER; JOHN DOE AND; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION; Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated June 21, 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; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash AT THE FRONT STEPS OF THE COURT-HOUSE, at 5 AVENUE J, MOORE HAVEN IN GLADES County, FLORIDA, at 11:00 a.m., on the 26th day of July, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 28, INDIAN HILLS SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 39, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

Dated this 25th day of June, 2012.
JOE FLINT
As Clerk of said Court
By: /s/ Julie Braddock
As Deputy Clerk

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 500 Avenue J, Rm. 102, Moore Haven, FL 33471, Phone No. (941)335-2299 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).
420961 GCD 7/5,12/2012

NOTICE OF SALE

TO: Phyllis Wilkinson

You are hereby notified that the property stored by you with Randy Coyle & Rena Blissett, located at 1801 Red Road, Clewiston, FL 33440. The items are believed to be household and miscellaneous items and will be sold to the highest bidder for cash at the above address on Friday, July 13, 2012 at 11:00 A.M., along with advertising costs. We reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.
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The Staff Report setting forth the staff recommendation regarding the permit, issued on the date listed above, including permit conditions to provide reasonable assurances that the project meets SFWMD statutes and rules, can be obtained by contacting the Regulatory Records Management Section, during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406, Regulation Division, by telephone at 561-682-6911, by e-mail at permits@sfwmd.gov, or by accessing the Staff Report directly from the District's website www.sfwmd.gov, using the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page.

The District's proposed agency action as set forth in the Staff Report shall become final unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statutes before the deadline for filing a petition.

As required by Sections 120.569(1), and 120.60(3), Fla. Stat., following is notice of the opportunities which may be available for administrative hearing or judicial review when the substantial interests of a party are determined by an agency. Please note that this Notice of Rights is not intended to provide legal advice. Not all the legal proceedings detailed below may be an applicable or appropriate remedy. You may wish to consult your attorney regarding your legal rights. A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected by the above listed South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD or District) action has the right to request an administrative hearing on that action pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Fla. Stat. Persons seeking a hearing on a District decision which does or may determine their substantial interests shall file a petition for hearing with the District Clerk within 21 days of receipt of written notice of the decision, unless one of the following shorter time periods apply: 1) within 14 days of the notice of consolidated intent to grant or deny concurrently reviewed applications for environmental resource permits and use of sovereign submerged lands pursuant to Section 373.427, Fla. Stat.; or 2) within 14 days of service of an Administrative Order pursuant to Subsection 373.119(1), Fla. Stat. "Receipt of written notice of agency decision" means receipt of either written notice through mail, or electronic mail, or posting that the District has or intends to take final agency action, or publication of notice that the District has or intends to take final agency action. Any person who receives written notice of a SFWMD decision and fails to file a written request for hearing within the time-frame described above waives the right to request a hearing on that decision.

Filing Instructions

The petition must be filed with the Office of the Clerk of the SFWMD. Filings with the District Clerk may be made by mail, hand-delivery or facsimile. **Filings by e-mail will not be accepted.** Any person wishing to receive a clerked copy with the date and time stamped must provide an additional copy. A petition for administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt during normal business hours by the District Clerk at SFWMD headquarters in West Palm Beach, Florida. Any document received by the office of the SFWMD Clerk after 5:00 p.m. shall be filed as of 8:00 a.m. on the next regular business day. Additional filing instructions are as follows:

- Filings by mail must be addressed to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk, P.O. Box 24680, West Palm Beach, Florida 33416.
- Filings by hand-delivery must be delivered to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk. Delivery of a petition to the SFWMD's security desk does not constitute filing. To ensure proper filing, it will be necessary to request the SFWMD's security officer to contact the Clerk's office. An employee of the SFWMD's Clerk's office will receive and file the petition.
- Filings by facsimile must be transmitted to the SFWMD Clerk's Office at (561) 682-6010. Pursuant to Subsections 28-106.104(7), (8) and (9), Fla. Admin. Code, a party who files a document by facsimile represents that the original physically signed document will be retained by that party for the duration of that proceeding and of any subsequent appeal or subsequent proceeding in that cause. Any party who elects to file any document by facsimile shall be responsible for any delay, disruption, or interruption of the electronic signals and accepts the full risk that the document may not be properly filed with the clerk as a result. The filing date for a document filed by facsimile shall be the date the SFWMD Clerk receives the complete document.

Initiation of an Administrative Hearing

Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, Fla. Admin. Code, initiation of an administrative hearing shall be made by written petition to the SFWMD in legible form and on 8 and 1/2 by 11 inch white paper. All petitions shall contain:

1. Identification of the action being contested, including the permit number, application number, District file number or any other SFWMD identification number, if known.
2. The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner's representative, if any.
3. An explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination.
4. A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the SFWMD's decision.
5. A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate.
6. A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
7. A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
8. If disputed issues of material fact exist, the statement must also include an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes.
9. A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the SFWMD to take with respect to the SFWMD's proposed action.

A person may file a request for an extension of time for filing a petition. The SFWMD may, for good cause, grant the request. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the SFWMD prior to the deadline for filing a petition for hearing. Such requests for extension shall contain a certificate that the moving party has consulted with all other parties concerning the extension and that the SFWMD and any other parties agree to or oppose the extension. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

If the District takes action with substantially different impacts on water resources from the notice of intended agency decision, the persons who may be substantially affected shall have an additional point of entry pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Fla. Admin. Code, unless otherwise provided by law.

Mediation

The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., and Rules 28-106.111 and 28-106.401-405, Fla. Admin. Code. The SFWMD is not proposing mediation for this agency action under Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., at this time.

Right To Seek Judicial Review

Pursuant to Sections 120.60(3) and 120.68, Fla. Stat., a party who is adversely affected by final SFWMD action may seek judicial review of the SFWMD's final decision by filing a notice of appeal pursuant to Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.110 in the Fourth District Court of Appeal or in the appellate district where a party resides and filing a second copy of the notice with the SFWMD Clerk within 30 days of rendering of the final SFWMD action.
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Call FWC for Issues with Alligators

Alligators are active during the warm-weather months, and there's a good chance that people who live around water will encounter these native creatures.

Alligators are deceptively quick, both in and out of the water. If someone is bitten by an alligator, he or she should seek medical attention as soon as possible.

Alligator bites can result in serious infections requiring specific antibiotic treatment, according to Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) officials.

Avoid the risk of an alligator bite by not taking matters into your own hands or putting yourself in harm's way. Call the FWC's Nuisance Alligator Hotline at 866-FWC-GATOR (392-4286) to report any alligator you believe poses a threat to people, pets or property.

"If there's an issue with an alligator, call the FWC and let the experts take care of it," said FWC Lt. Scott Lee, Taylor County watch supervisor. "We certainly don't want anyone getting hurt attempting to capture, kill or subdue an alligator."

Taking an alligator without a permit is a violation of FWC rules, and anyone intentionally killing an alligator could be cited, Lee explained.

The Statewide Nuisance Alligator Program (SNAP) uses contracted nuisance alligator trappers throughout the state to remove alligators that have become a problem. If an alligator is 4 feet or larger and the complaint meets other qualifying criteria, SNAP will issue a permit to a contracted nuisance alligator trapper authorizing

the removal of the animal.

In 2010, SNAP received 13,047 nuisance alligator complaints, resulting in the removal of 5,856 nuisance alligators.

Here are some tips people can use to stay safer around alligators:

Be aware of the possibility of alligators when you are in or near fresh or brackish water. Bites may occur when people do not pay close enough attention to their surroundings when working or recreating near water.

Do not swim outside of posted swimming areas or in waters that might be inhabited by large alligators.

Alligators are most active between dusk and dawn. Therefore, avoid swimming at night.

Dogs and cats are similar in size to the natural prey of alligators. Don't allow pets to swim, exercise or drink in or near waters that may contain alligators.

Never feed alligators – it's dangerous and illegal.

Dispose of fish scraps in garbage cans at boat ramps and fish camps. Do not throw them into the water. Although you are not intentionally feeding alligators when you do this, the result can be the same.

Observe and photograph alligators only from a distance.

Leave alligators alone. Handling even small alligators can result in injury. State law prohibits killing, harassing or possessing alligators.

For more information on alligators, visit [My-FWC.com/Alligator](http://FWC.com/Alligator).

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Going Out: A Guide to Area Entertainment & Attractions

Beat the summer heat at area water attractions

Cool off at state parks and public beaches

Splash into summer fun with cash prizes at Brighton Casino

Plans under way for annual Day of the Cowboy



Pools and water parks help area residents beat the heat

The best way to beat the heat under the Florida sun? Dive into one of the area's many swimming pools and water attractions. South Florida offers a wide variety of swimming choices, from county public swimming pools to the fast paced water slides featured in water parks.

- The Okeechobee Sports Complex Pool, 640 Northwest 27th Lane in Okeechobee, (shown in the cover photo) is open Tuesdays through Saturdays from 1 to 5 p.m. through Aug. 19. The L-shaped pool has a shallow area for the little ones as well as lanes for more serious swimmers. There are two waterslides which are supervised by lifeguards. On Thursday nights, the pool is open for Family Swim Night from 6 to 8 p.m. From Aug. 25-Sept. 2, the pool will be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 1 to 5 p.m. The pool offers senior water exercise classes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9:30 to 10:15 a.m. Regular admission is \$3 per person. Discount rates are available for groups. Family swim night admission is \$2. Senior water exercise fee is \$2 per day. The pool is also available for rent for private parties. For more information, call 863-467-7667.

- Clewiston's public swimming pool at 113 W. Osceola Avenue in Clewiston, has both a water slide and a diving board. The pool is open on Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is \$3 per person.

State Road 715, in Belle Glade, is the perfect place to cool off on those scorching, hot days. The center features a public swimming pool with three waterslides and tipping buckets in the shallow end. The pool is open Tuesday through Friday from noon to 6 p.m. and on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission fee is \$1. Swimming lessons are also available. Pioneer Park also has a Splash Park; this area has no admission fee and is open daily from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- The Immokalee Sports Complex is a large fitness and activity center located at 505 Escambia St. in Immokalee. The Immokalee Sports Complex has many amenities including an aquatic facility with a 25-yard by 25-meter pool (heated), 1 one-meter springboard, slide and children's activity pool (heated). Summer pool hours (through September) are Monday-Friday, from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturdays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. Winter pool hours are Monday-Friday from 3 to 6 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 5 p.m. If the temperature is 59 degrees or below, the park may close water facilities. For more information, call 239-657-1951.

- Lion Country Safari, 2003 Lion Country Safari Road, Loxahatchee, a drive-through safari and walk-through amusement park, has a 4,000 square-foot water

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Pioneer Park Aquatic Center in Belle Glade features a public swimming pool with three waterslides.



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A young participant in a Clewiston summer camp program prepares to dive into the Clewiston City Swimming Pool.

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spray ground with 23 interactive water features located in the walk-through, "Safari World." Tickets are \$27.50 for adults; \$24.50 for seniors; \$20.50 for children. Discounts are available if tickets are purchased online.

- Sun-N-Fun Lagoon, 15000 Livingston Road in Naples, is Collier County's only water park. Sun-N-Fun Lagoon includes four pools, a long lazy river, a lit splash playground or interactive water feature, five exciting water slides, a concession stand other typical amenities such as restrooms and lockers. The park is open 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day during the summer and weekends, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the school year. Operating hours are subject to change during inclement weather. Children under age 3 are admitted free. Those less than 48 inches tall pay \$5.50. Those 48 inches tall or taller pay \$12. There is a \$2 discount for Collier County residents (with driver's license.) Those over the age of 60 qualify for a senior discount and pay \$8 per person. Groups of 20 or more persons may qualify for a group rate. For more information call 239-252-4021.

- Devils Garden Mud Club, 23525 County Road 835, just south of U.S. 27 near Clewiston, has swimming holes in addition to mud holes, airboat track, mud flats, circle track, mud sand track, truck pull and miles of trails. For more information online go to <http://www.devilsgardenmudclub.com/>.

- Sunsplash Family Waterpark, 400 Santa Barbara Blvd. in Cape Coral is a 12-acre waterpark with more than two



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Children cool off under the 'rainfall' at Sunsplash Family Waterpark.

dozen wet and dry attractions, including a tube ride, waterslides, and a tot spot. Cost is \$15.95 for children and seniors; \$17.95 for adults. Season passes are also available. Hours of operation through Aug. 7 are Monday-Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aqua Theater night is July 27 from 6 to 10 p.m. Family fun night is July 14 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Aug. 8-Sept. 30 the park will only be open on Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. On Labor Day, the park will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Family Fun Nights are planned for Aug. 11 and Sept. 8 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. For more information online, go to www.sunsplashwaterpark.com.

- Rapids Water Park, 6566 North Military Trail in West Palm Beach, is open daily from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. through Sept. 30. Entry fee is \$36.95 plus tax Monday-Friday; \$40.95 plus tax on Saturdays and Sundays. Parking is \$10 per vehicle. For more information online, go to www.rapidswaterpark.com. Rapids Water Park offers 29 water slides. The park includes a

25,000 square-foot wave pool, lazy river, body and tube slides, activity pools and a children's water play area. The park also has some unique water rides. Big Thunder is a four-person Tornado tube ride. Black Thunder is another four-person Tornado tube ride in total darkness. In addition there are two raft rides.

- Disney's Typhoon Lagoon Water Park features attractions for the whole family—from fast waterslides to a children's area with pint-sized raft rides. Catch 6-foot waves in the Surf Pool and snorkel Shark Reef—with real sharks! In addition to great waterslides, visitors enjoy the lazy river, wave pool and children's play area. Disney's Typhoon Lagoon features attractions for the entire family—including thrill rides, chill rides, family-style raft rides, areas for little squirts and plenty of tropical lounging for grownups. For more information online go to <http://disneyworld.disney.go.com/parks/typhoon-lagoon/>. Single day water park tickets are \$55.38 for adults, \$46.68 for children. Some discounts are available online or when combined with other attractions.

- Disney's Blizzard Beach, 1534 West Buena Vista Drive in Lake Buena Vista, features one of the world's tallest and fastest free-falling waterslides, as well as slides and rides for the whole family—like a kid-sized, snow-castle fountain play area with scaled-down versions of the more thrilling attractions. While the park looks like a frosty ski resort—complete with a functioning chair lift, it's actually an action-packed water wonderland with exciting waterslides and attractions for the whole family. Race on Toboggan Racers, float down Cross Country Creek, plunge down raft rides like Runoff Rapids, discover the Tike's Peak children's play area, play in a one-acre wave pool and experience the thrill of one of the tallest and fastest waterslides in the country, Summit Plummet. Single day water park tickets are \$55.38 for adults, \$46.68 for children. Some discounts are available online or when combined with other attractions. Disney also offers annual water park passes for Florida residents.

- Wet 'N Wild, 6200 International Drive, in Orlando, includes a variety of multi-person tube and raft rides, single-person tube rides, water ski rides, a lazy river tube attraction and the newest BlastAway Beach family play area with a sandcastle that towers 60-feet over 15 slides, two splash pools and more than a 160 soakers, water jets, cannons and waterfalls. For more information, call 407-351-1800. Tickets are \$34 per day for Florida residents (a savings of \$15.99 over regular admission price.) Annual passes and other special tickets are also available.

- Aquatica, 5800 Water Play Way in Orlando, is just across the street from Sea World. The park includes side-by-

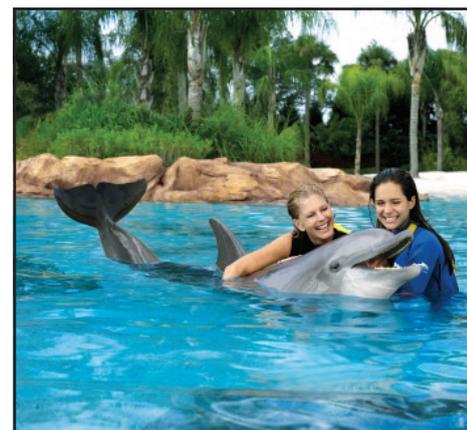


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Sunny's River at Sun and Fun Lagoon in Naples is great on a hot, lazy day.

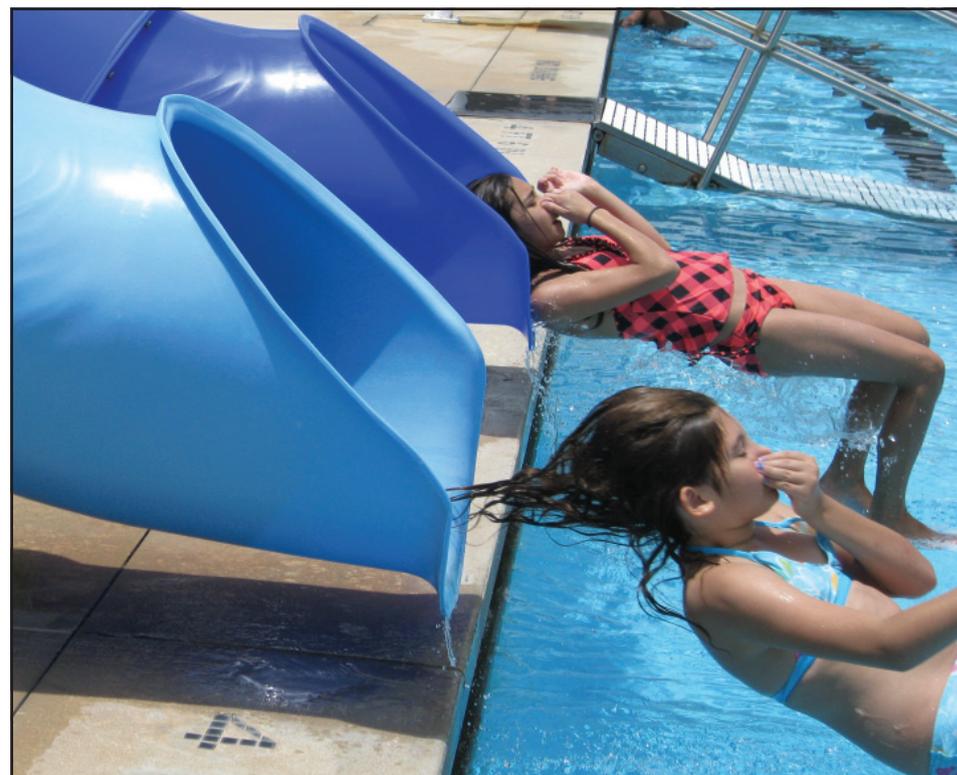
side wave pools, tube rides, a children's play area, a lazy river tube ride, high-speed mat rides and multi-person raft rides. Aquatica visitors will see dolphins, exotic fish, tortoises, exotic birds and other exotic animals. Some of the rides take the visitors through the animal habitat. On the Dolphin Plunge Ride, two side-by-side enclosed tube slides send visitors racing through an underwater world that is home to a playful pod of beautiful black-and-white Commerson's Dolphins. Daily admission is \$49.99 for adults and \$44.99 for children when purchased at the gate. Discounts for Florida residents are available if you purchase tickets online in advance. Annual and weekday passes are also available.

- Discovery Cove in Orlando, open daily from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., is an all-inclusive adventure in which guests enjoy a one-of-a-kind opportunity to swim with dolphins, rays, and tropical fish and hand-feed exotic birds. At Discovery Cove, guests experience the most exciting animal encounters the world has to offer in a 30-acre tropical oasis. Discovery Cove is a paradise of rocky lagoons surrounded by lush landscaping, tropical reefs, winding rivers, a resort-style pool complete with waterfalls, and pristine white-sand beaches. Seasonal rates start at \$199 for adults, \$129 for children. Reservations are required. For more information, call at 1-877-434-7268.



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Visitors meet the dolphins at Discovery Cove in Orlando.



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Swimmers slide into the water at the Okeechobee Sports Complex.,

Area special events and celebrations planned ...

Day of the Cowboy celebration

OKEECHOBEE—The celebration of the National Day of the American Cowboy will be on Friday, July 27 and Saturday, July 28, in Okeechobee. At the center of the activities will be the Cattlemen's Ranch Rodeo and the Cattle Drive through the streets of Okeechobee. In addition to these events, a local Barbecue Competition will be hosted by the Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office, with a "People's Choice" award and Barbecue Rib Dinner available for purchase. Local talent will demonstrate various cowboy trades and western goods including hats, jewelry and clothing, which will be sold by the many vendors. Local cowboy artists and authors will be on exhibit and, with several children's activities, will round out the event.

On Friday, July 27, this event will open at 5 p.m. and the rodeo will begin at 7 p.m. On Saturday, July 28, the gates will open to the public at 3 p.m., the cattle drive will leave at 4 p.m., the rodeo will take place at 6 p.m. and the event will close following a performance by the local band, "Burnt Biscuit." Admission is \$5 per person; children under 12 are free. The Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center is located at 4601 State Road 710, Okeechobee. Okeechobee Main Street and the Okeechobee Cattlemen's Association are co-sponsors of this unique event. If you have any questions, please contact the Okeechobee Main Street office at 863-357-6246.

Clewiston Museum has Historical Eco Tours

CLEWISTON—The Clewiston Museum offers a Historical Eco-Tour. The trip starts with a morning at South Florida Water Management District's fabulous "Stormwater Treatment Area 5," a popular birding destination in Florida. The wonderful morning of birding is followed by a relaxing lunch at the scenic, Roland Martin Marina in Clewiston.

After lunch, the tour will travel on top of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's "Herbert Hoover Dike" for eight miles. Along the way, the tour guide will give an historical interpretation of Lake Okeechobee. The trip ends with a visit to the Clewiston Museum, which provides great exhibits on the area's history. For information, call 863-983-2870 or clewistonmuseum@embarqmail.com

IRSC Art Gallery open

FORT PIERCE—Inch River State College's Art Gallery, L Building, Room 117, 3209 Virginia Avenue, Fort Pierce, is open Monday-Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The gallery promotes understanding the Visual Arts through a diverse schedule and workshops by professional artists. This allows students to gain practical experience from those contemporary artists who are successful in their profession. The Gallery seeks to showcase a breadth of artworks from student work to the most innovative artists working in today's environment. Currently each year IRSC's gallery has four professional shows, one national level competitive show, two student shows and a very popular all IRSC faculty show. For more information, call the gallery manager at 772-462-7824.

Party like a Rockstar

STUART—Terry Barber, executive director of Artists for a Cause (A4AC), has announced a four-part fundraising series called "Party Like A Rockstar" which will be held at the StarStruck Performing Arts Center, 2101 S. Kanner Highway, in Stuart. This series is the first-ever fundraiser benefiting the non-profit organization. The premiere event of the series, on Saturday, July 14, is Beatles night featuring McCartney Mania, a Beatles cover band, plus as many as ten of A4AC's best registered artists singing their favorite Beatles number. The theatre at StarStruck will be transformed into a concert venue with room to mingle and dance, stadium seating, and multiple bar stations—Rockstar style! Additional shows scheduled in the series are Around the World on a Beer and a Song in October 2012, Folk Rock and Acoustic Soul and Teen Rock!, dates to be advised. Another feature of the July 14 event is a Chinese and Silent auction coordinated by A4AC volunteer, Sandy Rucks. Items from A4AC registered artists and local merchants will be the auction items. Chinese auction tickets will be available in advance at the A4AC office, 2688 SE Willoughby Blvd, Suite B in Stuart or at the event. For additional information call 772-419-8778 or email bonnie@a4ac.org. Funds raised at this series will support A4AC and its programs—Dance for Food, Therapeutic Music Day, A4AC Scholarships and Benefit Concerts—all of which improve communities through artistic endeavors.

Immokalee casino hosts concert and festival

IMMOKALEE—Put on your favorite bell bottoms and platforms and head on over to Seminole Casino Immokalee's "Fantasy of Funk" festival on Saturday, July 21. The outdoor event features performances by George Clinton and the Parliament Funkadelic, Nouveaux Honkies, Bonerama and Glen David Andrews Band. Gourmet food trucks will also serve delectable treats throughout the festival.

To kick off the day of funk, Seminole Casino Immokalee will host a free party at its Zig Zag Lounge on Friday, July 20, at 7 p.m. Party-goers with the funkiest outfits will be rewarded with great prizes. They'll also groove to live tunes from blues and R&B group Nouveaux Honkies. The band's sounds have been compared to that of the Rolling Stones, with hints of Dire Straits, Curtis Mayfield, Jimmy Hendrix and Howlin' Wolf. The group's second album, "Where Do I Go," reached number 3 on the roots country chart.

The "Fantasy of Funk" festival begins at 1 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, just outside of the casino. More than 10 food trucks from across the state will be on hand.

At sundown, George Clinton and the Parliament Funkadelic will top off the music festival with an electrifying performance of generation-spanning jams.

For festival tickets call 1-800-218-0007. No coolers and no pets. Bring your own chairs. Rain or shine.

Okeechobee summer games

OKEECHOBEE—Feel the excitement of the 2012 Summer Olympics by participating in Okeechobee's 'Olympic-style' Summer Games. Register teams of 4-15 people to compete in Olympic-style events: Day 1 - Aug. 4; and Day 2 - Aug. 11. Tentative list of events



include: free-style relay swim, inner tube sprint, basketball shoot-out, synchronized swimming, table tennis, and field events. Junior Division 14-17; Adult Division 18 & up. Call the Parks & Recreation Department for more details at 863-763-6950.

PERFORMING ARTS

Plays, concerts and dancing ...

Jazz Jams

FORT PIERCE—The beautifully restored, 1,200-seat Sunrise Theatre, located in historic downtown Fort Pierce at 117 South Second Street, presents national touring musical and comedy acts, Broadway shows, ballet and opera companies with full orchestras. Also located within the theatre complex is the 220-seat Black Box Theatre, a state-of-the-art venue offering a variety of national, regional and local programming. The Black Box is home to the Ft. Pierce Jazz and Blues Society's Jazz Jams every Tuesday night. For more information, call the box office at 772-461-4775.

Divorce Party, the Musical

WEST PALM BEACH—The Kravis Center, 701 Okeechobee Boulevard in West Palm Beach will present "Divorce Party, the Musical" July 10-Aug. 19. Still reeling from her divorce, Linda is rescued by her three friends who have come to turn her despair into a weekend of hilarity. Using popular songs with clever new lyrics, the ladies sing and dance their way through the wildest divorce party ever. From the producer who brought you the off-Broadway hit Menopause the Musical, it's the ultimate Girls' Night Out, coupled with a healthy dose of comic mayhem and a touch of "naughty." For more information, call the box office at 561-832-7469 or 800-572-8471.

Showtune

BOCA RATON—Florida Atlantic University's University Theatre will present "Showtune," June 22-July 21. Showtune is a popular Off-Broadway musical revue celebrating the words and music of Broadway composer Jerry Herman. Songs featured in Showtune come from the Herman Broadway musicals: Milk and Honey (1961), Hello, Dolly! (1964), Mame (1966), Dear World (1969), Mack & Mabel (1974), The Grand Tour (1979), A Day in Hollywood/A Night in the Ukraine (1980) and La Cage Aux Folles (1983). For more information, call 1-800-564-9539.

Splash into summer fun at Seminole Casino Brighton

July 28 giveaway of a 2012 Nitro Bass Boat

BRIGHTON SEMINOLE RESERVATION—Seminole Casino Brighton is splashing into summer fun by giving away more than \$100,000 in cash and prizes! One lucky player will take bass fishing to a whole new level with a 2012 Nitro Bass Boat. More casino play during July means more chances to win the sleek and sporty beauty. The casino will award the boat on Saturday, July 28.

Every Thursday, you can win your share of \$20,000 free play during the Lucky Puck Hot Seats. Just play your favorite slots with your Player's Club card inserted and you could be a Lucky Puck Hot Seat winner!

On Friday, July 13 through Sunday, July 15, guests will also enjoy a special Italian menu at Josiah. The Italiano weekend features the finest delicacies, freshly made to order. Choose from Italian Chicken Parmesan, Lobster Penne Alfredo, Zuppa Toscani, Quattro Baked Ziti, Seafood Fra Diabolo, Chicken Piccata and more. Josiah's Seminole Pasta Shoppe menu features a build your own combination meal. Pick your pasta, gravy and meat or seafood.

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

On Wednesdays, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m., visitors 55 and older will get a free breakfast, while supplies last. The free bag lunch and breakfast offers are open

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, in Glades County. From State Road 78, take SR 721 north, or from State Road 70, take SR 721 south. For more information, call toll-free 800-360-9875 or 863-467-9998. Or visit www.seminolebrightoncasino.com.



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South Florida area offers variety of public beaches

For those who enjoy swimming in the ocean, south Florida's coastline offers plenty of choices in public beaches.

Swimming at state parks

• **Avalon State Park**, State Road A1A North, Fort Pierce, has more than a mile of increasingly rare undeveloped beachfront. The park provides habitat for many species of wildlife. Threatened and endangered sea turtles such as the loggerhead, Atlantic green and leatherback nest on the beach during the spring and summer. Dune crossovers protect the fragile dune ecosystem. The park is ideal for swimmers, snorkelers, fishermen and sunbathers for beach recreation. Swimmers and snorkelers are advised to be cautious of underwater obstacles left behind by amphibious warfare exercises during World War II. Visitors can enjoy a meal at sheltered picnic tables overlooking the beach. Admission fee is \$2 per vehicle (for up to 8 people). For information, call 772-468-3985.

• **Fort Pierce Inlet State Park**, 905 Shorewinds Drive in Fort Pierce, features a breathtakingly beautiful half-mile beach perfect for swimming, snorkeling, surfing, and scuba diving. Beachcombing, picnicking, or just relaxing on the sand are also popular activities. Dynamite Point was once the training site for WWII Navy Frogmen, but is now a haven for birdwatchers. Along the south end of the park, Fort Pierce Inlet is a popular place for anglers to catch their dinners. Jack Island Preserve, located one mile north of the park, has trails for hiking, bicycling, and nature study. At the west end of the Marsh Rabbit Run Trail, visitors can climb an observation tower to get a bird's-eye view of Indian River and the island. A primitive youth/group campground is available on a reservation basis; please call the park. Admission fee is \$6 per vehicle (for up to 8 people). For more information, call 772-468-3985.

• **John D. MacArthur State Beach Park**, 10900 Jack Nicklaus Drive in North Palm Beach, offers a unique mixture of coastal



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Avalon State Park is off State Road A1A North in Fort Pierce.

and tropical hammock and mangrove forest. This barrier island provides a haven for several rare or endangered native tropical and coastal plant species. The park's Nature Center shows visitors why the park is a biological treasure. Visitors can swim, picnic, and surf at the beach; scuba diving and snorkeling are also popular activities. Birdwatchers can see herons, brown pelicans, terns, sandpipers, and gulls. Anglers can fish in the lagoon by wading, kayaking, or canoeing. They can also fish from non-swimming areas of the beach. Admission is \$5 per vehicle (for up to 8 people). For more information, call 561-624-6950.

• **St. Lucie Inlet Preserve State Park**, 4810 S.E. Cove Road in Stuart, is accessible only by boat, but it is worth the ride. A boardwalk takes visitors across

mangrove forests and hammocks of live oaks, cabbage palms, paradise trees, and wild limes to a neatly preserved Atlantic beach. During the summer months, the island is an important nesting area for loggerhead, leatherback, and green turtles. They come ashore at night to dig holes in the beach sand where they lay their eggs. The preserve is a favorite for nature students interested in learning about the native flora and fauna of Florida barrier islands. Visitors come to swim, sunbathe, or picnic at the pavilion on the quiet beach. Others make the trip for the great surf fishing. Snorkeling and scuba diving are also popular activities. Admission is \$3 per boat. For more information, call 772-219-1880.

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Some visitors to John D. MacArthur State Beach Park enjoy kayaking in the Lake Worth Inlet.



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Fort Pierce Inlet State Park is off Shorewinds Drive in Fort Pierce.



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John D. MacArthur State Beach Park is off Jack Nicklaus Drive in North Palm Beach.

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- **Lovers Key State Park**, 8700 Estero Boulevard in Fort Myers Beach, is one of four barrier islands that make up this state park. A haven for wildlife, the islands and their waters are home to West Indian manatees, bottlenose dolphins, roseate spoonbills, marsh rabbits, and bald eagles. The two-mile long beach is accessible by boardwalk or tram and is popular for shelling, swimming, picnicking, and sunbathing. Black Island has over five miles of multiuse trails for hiking and bicycling. Anglers and boaters can launch their vessels from the park's boat ramp. The park's concession offers kayak tours, as well as bicycle, canoe and kayak rentals. For tour reservations and rentals of bicycles, canoes and kayaks, call 239-765-7788. Admission is \$8 per

vehicle (for up to 8 persons). For more information, call 239-463-4588.

- **Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park**, 11135 Gulfshore Dr. in Naples, features a mile-long stretch of white sugar sand. The 166-acre park is a tropical paradise for beach lovers, boaters and divers. The beach is a popular spot to sunbathe, swim, beachcomb, snorkel and picnic. At the beach along Wiggins Pass, where swimming is not allowed, fishing is a popular activity. Boaters can launch their vessels into Water Turkey Bay and travel to the Gulf or up the Cocohatchee River for both saltwater and freshwater fishing. Kayakers can enjoy paddling through estuaries and scuba divers can explore the hard bottom reef in the Gulf. At the north end of the island, a tower gives visitors a bird's-eye view of Wiggins Pass and the surrounding coastal habitat. Admission fee is \$6 per vehicle (for up to 8 people). For information, call 239-597-6196.



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Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park is near Naples.

Other public beaches, Atlantic Coast

- **Alex's Beach**, one mile south of Jensen Beach on Highway A1A, in Jensen Beach is open for swimming, shelling, and dune walkovers. The beach is pet friendly and ample parking make this beach a favorite.

- **Bathtub Reef Beach**, 1585 SE MacArthur Blvd, Stuart, on the south end of Hutchinson Island, is one of the most popular sunning and swimming beaches. Scuba diving is also available offshore in the shallow waters around the reef.

- **Chastain Beach**, 1213 SE McArthur Blvd, Stuart, is between House of Refuge and Bathtub Reef along Highway A1A. The beach is not guarded year round, so check to make sure a lifeguard is on duty. (The historic House of Refuge was originally built and manned to help shipwreck survivors.)

- **Frederick Douglass Park**, 3500 S A1A, Fort Pierce, St. Lucie County, is on South Hutchinson Island. The beach covers 13.7 acres. Lifeguards are on duty during summer months only.

- **Glasscock Beach**, 4775 NE Ocean Blvd, Stuart, Martin County, is off Highway A1A north of Jensen Beach Causeway. This beach is perfect for surfing and shelling.

- **House of Refuge Beach**, one mile south of Stuart Beach on Highway A1A in Hobe Sound is a good spot for snorkeling.

- **Jensen Beach**, 4191 NE Ocean Blvd, Jensen Beach, at intersection of Highway A1A and State Route 732, is a popular spot for visitors. The park area has volleyball courts as well as bathrooms and

showers.

- **Kimberly Bergalis Beach**, off South A1A on South Hutchinson Island, has lifeguards on duty during summer months only. There are covered picnic areas, restrooms and showers.

- **Pepper Park Beach Park**, 3375 N A1A, Fort Pierce, on North Hutchinson Island includes 52.4 acres and is guarded year round. The beach has a large pavilion, picnic tables with grills, restrooms, showers, playground, volleyball, basketball, tennis courts, ample parking. This beach is next to the Navy UDT-SEAL Museum.

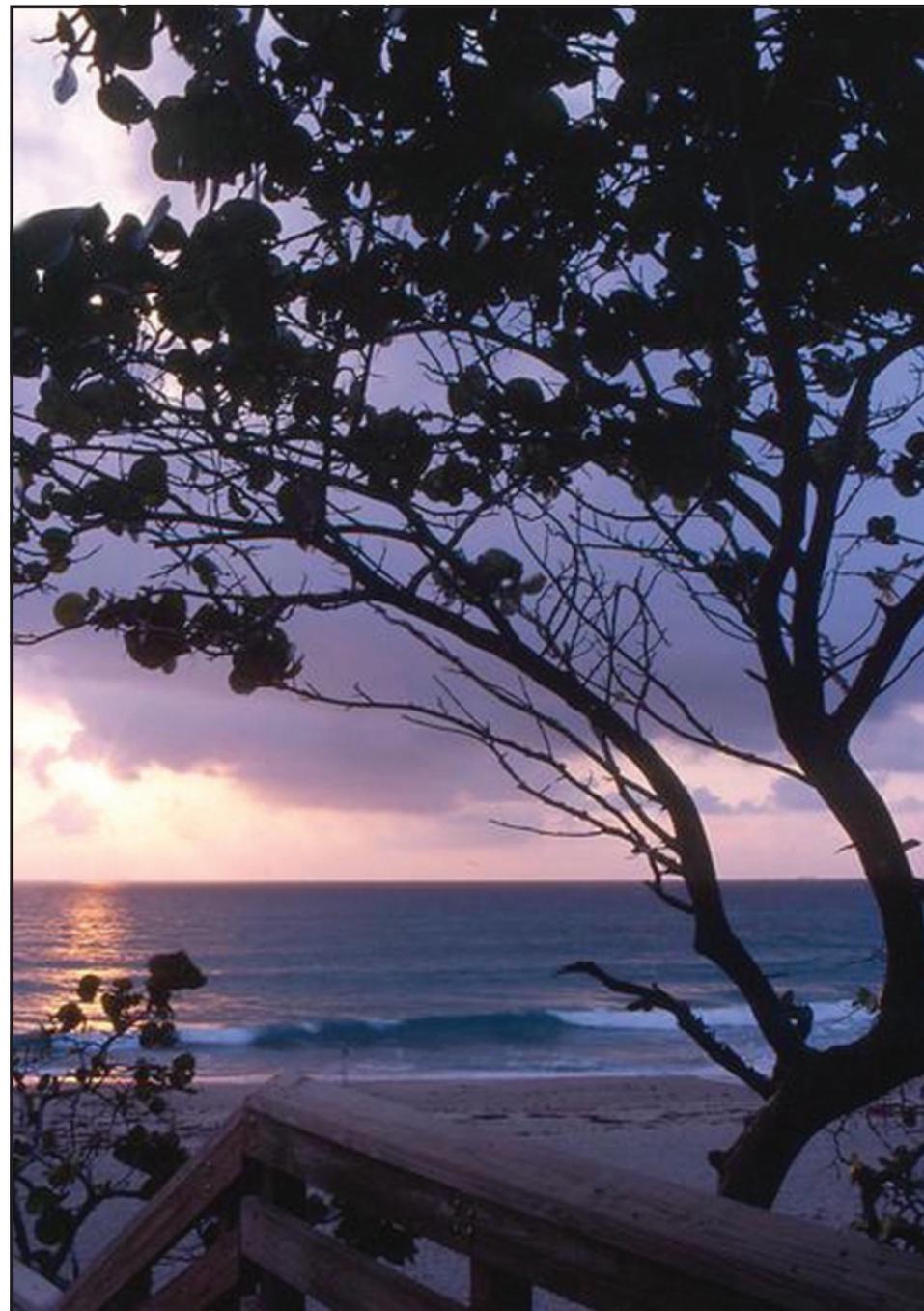
- **Stokes Beach** off Highway A1A in Jensen Beach offers opportunities for swimming, surfing and snorkeling.

- **Waveland Beach**, 10350 S A1A, on South Hutchinson Island, includes 3.6 acres. The beach is guarded year round and has bathrooms & showers.

Gulf Coast beaches

- **Fort Myers Beach**, off Estero Boulevard in the City of Fort Myers Beach, is on San Carlos Bay, which is wide open to the Gulf of Mexico, although not actually on the gulf. It is billed as the safest beach on the Gulf Coast because of its calm and shallow waters. There are more than 30 beach access points. The beaches are open from sunrise to half an hour past sunset.

- **Sanibel Island** is a barrier island just offshore from Fort Myers, accessible by the Sanibel Causeway. The island has sandy beaches that are well known for shelling. The beaches have public restrooms. Beach parking is \$2 per hour. Captiva Island, also known for its beaches, is accessible over a bridge which crosses at Turner Beach.



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Sunrise at John D. MacArthur State Beach Park.



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The boardwalk over the Lake Worth Lagoon offers a scenic view.

Memories are made on vacations: Tips for the road

Don't worry about record-breaking gas prices – the U.S. Energy Information Administration estimates prices to be \$3.79 a gallon this summer, less than in 2008.

That's good news for families considering reviving the tradition of a road trip vacation, one of the best experiences parents and kids can share, says Michael DiLorenzo, author of "Adventures with Jonny: Road Trip to the Parks!"

"This is a shared experience, and one that will be talked about during family gatherings for years to come," says DiLorenzo, a father of three. "For busy parents, this is a time to savor their children's youth. As moms and dads eventually find out, they grow up fast."

It's also a chance to get children outside and away from their computers, he says. Children today already have a deep-rooted interest in technology, which is

why a road trip to a natural, outdoor destination is an opportunity to "give your child the gift of the outdoors, which is a gift for life," says DiLorenzo.

The journey to a national park in the United States or Canada – perhaps Yellowstone in Wyoming or Banff in Alberta – is as bonding an experience as whatever happens at the destination.

"And there are parks in every state," he notes. "If you don't have the time or money to go cross country, pick a park closer to home."

DiLorenzo offers these helpful tips for the road:

- **Games, games, games!:** Yes, there is ample entertainment for both drivers and riders in cars these days. BUT, the goal is to bond with the family, so consider a fun, albeit off-color game like "Road Kill Round-Up." A point system might break down like this: two points

for the first to spot a poor critter; three for whoever first correctly identifies the species; two points subtracted for a false road-kill call; three points subtracted for misidentifying the kind.

- **Beware of dairy drinks (and other smelly snacks):** A spill in the backseat can eventually create quite a stink during a summer road trip. But do pack plenty of healthy snacks to save on pricey pit stops and avoid all the sugar and salt in junk food.

- **Avoid big-city rush hours:** When traveling through metropolitan areas, consider the busiest traffic periods. Whether you plan to stop and check out the city or simply zip through it, bumper-to-bumper traffic is something to avoid. A bit of consideration can save your family hours of grid-locked misery.

- **Tech help:** Various apps and websites can help drivers find the cheapest

gas prices, food options, hotel rates and travel routes. Also, don't forget a music mix that appeals to the entire family on one of these devices. (Remember, leave work at home – forget about work-related calls, texts and emails! Use a non-work-related smartphone, if needed.)

- **Schedule pit stops:** Being in a hurry should be left for the morning commute; vacation should be different. When traveling across states and provinces, consider local culture. For example, barbecue in South Carolina is very different from Missouri's version. Enjoy diners and unique attractions, and don't be afraid to take notes.

"The greatest family memories are created in shared adventure," DiLorenzo says. "Outdoor recreation is filled with these memories just looking for a family to bring them home."

Looking for a summer family activity? Go on a beach safari!

By Jessica Basham Therriault
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Not everyone has a green backyard with bushes and trees. Florida is a peninsula, with the longest coastline of all states in the continental United States. Most of Florida's nearly 19 million residents live less than 60 miles from the Atlantic Ocean or the Gulf of Mexico, making the beach, sand and salt water their "backyards."

So let's go on a summer backyard beach safari!

Begin your treasure hunt by shelling. Take a walk along the water's edge, and you'll discover hundreds of varieties of shells hurled onto the beach by waves that roll or crash onto the shore.

Seashells were once living organisms. The shell is the hard, protective outer part of an animal, usually a mollusk. Mollusks are animals like scallops, snails, clams and oysters. These creatures make their own shell. When the animal dies or gets eaten by another creature, the empty shell stays empty or becomes a home to other sea critters like

hermit crabs.

Shelling provides hours of fun while looking for that one-of-a-kind, colorful treasure. Before you keep a shell, make sure there is nothing living in it. Otherwise you need a special license to keep it.

Another activity is digging in the sand for coquinas ("Ko-KEE-nahs") and mole crabs. It's easy to spend hours getting lost in the color and movement of coquinas and the squirms of mole crabs. Coquinas are tiny clams that live just below the surface of the sand where the waves roll in. Tides carry and deposit them along the shoreline, where they feed on microscopic organisms in the sand. They are a dazzling sight with wonderful colors, like tiny jewels. Sometimes you don't need to dig because incoming waves will unearth them. Watch as they furiously dig, seeking cover and food as each wave rolls back out to sea.

Mole crabs are small and do not look like a typical crab, nor do they look like a mole. They are fast and will bury themselves quickly in an effort to hide. To find one, dig

gently in sand near the water, just as if you are looking for coquinas. As you dig, they may bury deeper into the sand but if you can get underneath one, then you can scoop it up. They may tickle you but don't worry; they do not bite. Be gentle, because they are soft and fragile. When you are finished observing the crab gently place it back into the soft, wet sand.

Bird-watching is another fun activity. Gulls live on the beach and are known to swoop in to steal your food! Pesky as they might be, they are still fun to watch. Other birds to watch at the beach are pelicans. Pelicans glide just above the water's surface, and then SPLOOSH! They dive into the water head-first to grab a fishy meal.

It's also fun to look for bird tracks in the wet sand.

Can you identify the tracks you find? Do not chase the birds to make them fly. Simply watch and admire their behavior.

While on your safari, be sure to wear sunscreen so you can avoid sunburn, and have fun this summer!



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A pelican guides in to land at Lovers Key State Park.



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Parents and caregivers should always be alert when children are in or near water.

Stay safe when swimming

Swimming, one of the most popular activities in the country, is a fun, active, and healthy way to spend leisure time. Every year, millions of people visit recreational water sites, such as swimming pools, water parks, hot tubs, lakes, rivers, or the ocean.

The Florida Department of Health (DOH) encourages all parents and child care givers to be more careful in their everyday responsibilities including swimming. DOH supports the work of Safe Kids Florida, a member of Safe Kids Worldwide and supports the following

tips:

- **NEVER LEAVE CHILDREN ALONE NEAR WATER.**

- Tell children never to run, push, or jump on others near water.

- Learn infant and child CPR.

- Children should always wear U.S. Coast Guard approved life jackets.

- Inflatable inner tubes and "water wings" are not safety devices.

- Teach children to swim after age 4.

- Make sure children swim within designated swimming areas of rivers, lakes and oceans.