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## Man killed in car crash on S.R. 78 E

**By Eric Kopp**  
Special to the Glades County Democrat

The Florida Highway Patrol is actively searching for family members of a man killed in a two-car accident early Saturday morning on S.R. 78 E. at Banana Grove Road in Glades County.

An FHP report by Trooper Y.D. Valle indicated the man's name has not been released

pending notification of next of kin.

Several Okeechobee residents were also involved, and two of them were transported to Raulerson Hospital in Okeechobee.

A third vehicle that apparently came along immediately after the wreck reportedly hit some debris in the road, but left the scene before the troopers had arrived. That driver and the type of vehicle being driven are unknown at this time.

Trooper Valle stated in his report that vehicle one—described as a 2008 Jeep Patriot—was traveling south on S.R. 78 E. around 4:58 a.m. when it crossed the center lane and struck an oncoming 2003 Chevrolet Suburban being driven by Alejandro Sanchez Ruiz, 20, of Okeechobee.

The trooper's report stated the left front of  
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## Family Fun Day

First United Methodist Church of Moore Haven recently hosted the annual Family Fun Day. For more on the event, see page 11.

## Lock leader honored with Steel de Fleury

**By Erica Skolte**  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Forty years ago, career choices for women were generally not as diverse as they are today. Pam Peralta never let that stand in her way. Her choices leaned toward the non-traditional and resulted

in several historic firsts.

In 1973, Ms. Peralta served in the Women's Army Corps (WAC), the women's branch of the United States Army. The same year, she graduated from the Southeastern Signal School in Fort Gordon, Ga.

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Adam Morrison (left), Jacksonville District Equal Employment Opportunity Office, visited lock leader Pam Peralta (right) and lock operator Robert Holmes (center) at Moore Haven Lock and Dam on the Okeechobee Waterway.

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# Burning Yard Trash in Light of Hurricane Season

As residents prepare for Hurricane Season, they are urged to trim trees and remove yard trash BEFORE a storm threatens. This tip is to prevent objects from becoming danger-

ous projectiles during

a hurricane. In rural communities, tree and shrub trimmings, grass clippings, palm fronds, trees and tree stumps start to accumulate. Some rural residents do not have access to county or commercial solid waste collection service for yard trash. Rural residents have two options: self-hauling yard trash to the neighborhood trash and recycling centers or burning yard trash. Yard trash burning might be a cost effective solution to hauling the debris away.

Burning small amounts of yard waste does not require an authorization from the Florida Forest Service, but you should check with your local city, county, or Florida Forest Service officials to see if there are any restrictions in your area.

Many people do not know or are not aware of Florida's outdoor burning regulations. Familiarize yourself with the

burning regulations in your area. If you are going to burn anything, here a few tips to keep in mind. Never leave a fire unattended, and make sure it is out before you leave.

Keep a shovel and water hose handy. Don't burn on windy days or when the humidity is below 35 percent. The yard trash material intended to be burned must be generated on the premises of the burn site.

The fires must not cause smoke, soot, odors, visible emissions, heat, flame, radiation, or other conditions to the degree that they become a nuisance or safety hazard.

The fire must be started after 9 a.m. and be out by one hour after sunset. Your fire must be contained to an eight-foot diameter pile or non-combustible barrel, and must be at least 25 feet from forests, 25 feet from your house, 50 feet from a paved, public road, and 150 feet from other occupied buildings.

If your fire escapes, you may be held liable for suppression costs and damage to the property of others. Wildfires can occur all year round in Florida. During the summer months, wildfires typically are smaller in size due to the wet season.



## How to Protect Your Family from Cyber Threats

Technology has swept the heartland of America, providing families new, more efficient ways to use their home computers to manage household finances, maintain personal histories and records and store precious digital photographs.

But what happens when a computer virus or invader attacks a family's computer? Worse still, what happens when an Internet interloper misuses technology and gains access to a family's bank account, personal passwords and other sensitive information?

"I know a lot of people think, 'That won't happen to me,'" says Kelly Morgan, Vice President and General Manager for Frontier Secure, which offers computer cyber security and identity protection to residential and commercial customers nationwide. "Sadly, many people learn the hard way that cyber thefts and intrusions are real threats that can create untold difficulties for families."

Luckily, there are easy steps you can take to mitigate cyber threats and also limit children's access to undesirable Internet content. Look for a protection package that offers the following:

Computer security that protects against viruses, spyware, rootkits and other malware for Windows and Mac computers, and offers e-mail filters, firewall protection, URL blocking, parental controls and real-time protection against new

threats.

Backup and sharing services that automatically, silently back up unlimited computer information and provide remote access to files and documents from other Internet-enabled devices.

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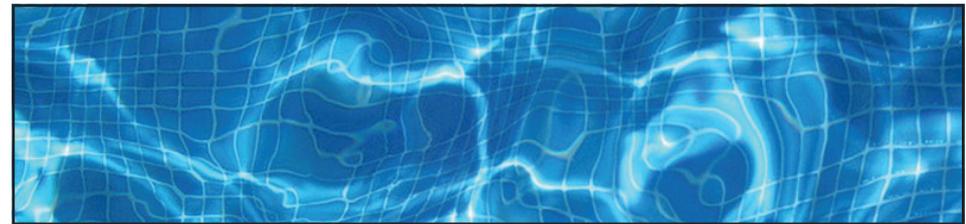
"The need for digital protection will only grow in the coming decade as information becomes more accessible and advanced security threats are created," says Morgan.

More information about protecting your digital life can be found at [www.Frontier.com/secure](http://www.Frontier.com/secure). Don't take your cyber security for granted. By taking measures now, you can save yourself from heartache and headache in the future.



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## The ABCDs of Water Safety



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With all the aquatic recreational activity that occurs during the Memorial Day weekend, fun can easily turn tragic.

In Palm Beach County, children ages one to four have had the highest drowning rate based on population in the last five years, and 22 percent of all drowning deaths occurred in swimming pools. Such sobering statistics should serve as a reminder to caregivers to be water smart and follow the ABCD's of water safety this holiday weekend.

### A – Adult supervision

Whenever infants and toddlers are in or around water, an adult should supervise within an arm's length of the children. In addition to parental supervision, designate an adult "water watcher" (using a distinguishable item such as a lanyard or funny hat) whose sole responsibility is to watch the pool area for 15 minutes and not read, talk on the phone, or be influenced by other distractions. After 15 minutes, the distinguishable item should be given to another adult for 15 minutes, and so forth. Ensure that the water watcher is a sober adult who knows CPR and has basic swimming skills.

Do not use flotation devices as a substitute for supervision. "Water wings" or "floaties"

(inflatable water rings) and other pool toys are NOT safety devices. Only life jackets approved by the U.S. Coast Guard are designed and tested for safety.

### B – Barriers, beach safety and boating safety

Have a properly working physical barrier around, on, or in the pool (i.e., isolation fence, pool safety cover, pool alarm) that meets code requirements. Have window and door alarms that sound when breached. Always swim at a lifeguarded beach and pay attention to the beach flags. Wear properly fitted life jackets approved by the U.S. Coast Guard while on a boat.

### C – Classes

Take a water safety course at a local aquatic facility to learn the skills necessary to survive in the water. Take CPR classes.

### D – Drain Safety

Have a pool professional check residential drain covers to determine whether or not they are safe. Encourage children to stay away from drains. Noncompliant drain covers can cause suction entrapment injuries and possible death. Those using a pool or spa should know where the cut off switch is for the pump, in case a suction entrapment incident occurs.

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## Glades at a Glance

### Free HIV testing available

National HIV Testing Day (NHTD), held annually on June 27, encourages people to get tested for HIV. Early HIV diagnosis is crucial so that people who are infected can fully benefit from life-saving treatments and also take extra precaution to prevent transmission to others. Currently, almost 40 percent of people newly diagnosed with HIV in the USA have already progressed to AIDS which means that they were probably first infected years before and didn't know it. In observance of NHTD, Hendry and Glades County Health Departments will offer free HIV testing for anyone on Thursday, June 27, from 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. at three health department clinic sites: 1021 Health Park Drive, Moore Haven; 1100 Olympia St, Clewiston; and 1040 Pratt Blvd, LaBelle. Please "Take the HIV Test, Take Control."

### Job Fair to be rescheduled

The Job Fair sponsored by the Glades County Economic Development Council has been cancelled. An alternative date will be announced later. For more information, phone 863-946-0300. We regret any inconvenience.

### Mini Health Fair planned

A Mini Health Fair will be held Monday, June 24, starting at 11:30 a.m. at Hope Connections, 691 U.S. 27 in Moore Haven. It will be open to the public. The event will include free blood pressure, weight, pulse and oxygen checks. For more information, call Tabitha Yebba with Ace Homecare Outreach at 863-233-1305.

### Football Camp planned

The Muck Area Football Camp for players in grades 7-12 will be held Saturday, June 29, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Moore Haven Jr-Sr High School Field. Cost is \$10. The camp will include coaching from former pro and college players, along with area high school coaches. For more information, contact Rod at 561-809-8300 or email rfelt10@aol.com.

### First responder classes

Glades County and Firefighter 1 will start in July and run through the end of September at the Glades County Sheriff's Office on State Road 78. Firefighter 1 class will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 10 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, contact Neal Chapman, Chief, Operations/Training at 863-946-3282.

### B.R.A.T. Club hosts party

OKEECHOBEE—The B.R.A.T. Club will host a Summer Splash Party on Saturday, June 29, at the Okeechobee Freshmen Campus from 5 - 9 p.m. There will be a bubble tent, Slip and Slide, cotton candy, pizza, soda and chips with games, music, prizes, dunk tank and a small kids area (parents are welcome). Admission is \$7 and appropriate dress is required. Parents must sign consent forms upon arrival. Everyone is welcome! For more information, please contact Teresa Chandler at 863-801-4996 or Matt Buxton at 863-634-3706.

### 4-H Sewing Camp planned

Interested in learning to sew or quilt or to improve your sewing skills? Sign up for Sewing Camp for July. Classes will be two-hour sessions and a flexible schedule for you to enjoy your summer and still learn something new. The classes will begin on July 8 and run through July 31. Space is limited. This is for students ages 8-18. The cost will be \$15 plus the material for a garment. On Wednesday, July 10, the class will go on a field trip as a group to Wal-Mart in Okeechobee to purchase project material. Sign up at the Doyle Conner 4-H office for eight, two-hour instruction sessions. Classes will be available on Monday from 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m. Wednesday 1-3 p.m. and Friday 10 a.m. to noon and 1-3 p.m.

### Historical Society has T-shirts for sale

Glades County Historical Society (GCHS) has T-shirts for sale displaying the organization's logo of the 200-year-old Cypress Tree located on the banks of the Caloosahatchee River. These shirts can be purchased for \$5 each at 805 U.S. 27 in the Moore Haven Mall. The GCHS will feature a summer luncheon in July. A meeting will be held late in June for the planning. Dates will soon be announced. For more information, phone 863-946-2060 or 863-801-5199. Memberships are \$15 per year.

### Veterans outreach program available to Glades County

The VA Medical Center in West Palm Beach has started an outreach program to assist Veterans being treated by the Medical Center in West Palm Beach, to become enrolled in the VA Health Care System. Their purpose is to come out to the Glades on a regular basis to enroll those who are interested. They will also assist those who have lost/misplaced their DD214 certificates. You do not have to be a combat Veteran to qualify, or if you have been previously denied, you may be eligible under the newer relaxed rules. For those that are interested or for any questions, please contact James Harrington, at the Glades County Veterans' Affairs Service office 863-946-1281. Please watch this newspaper for future information.

### Mobile Mammogram visits planned

The Glades County Health Department encourages women to be proactive and schedule regular mammograms. The Mobile Mammogram bus will be in Moore Haven at 1021 Health Park Dr., from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Aug. 21, Oct. 16 and Dec. 18. Call 239-936-2316 for appointments or more information.

### Narcotics Anonymous meets

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

### FCAT scores available for pickup at Jr./Sr. High School

Parents and/or students may come to the school office to pick up their 2013 FCAT Scores for Moore Haven Jr-Sr High School. The Office Hours during the summer are Monday - Thursday, 7 a.m. until 4:15pm. Closed on Fridays. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 946-0811 for assistance

### Register for Special Needs Shelter before storms hit

The Glades County Special Needs Program is a SPACE LIMITED shelter program, created for people in the community that have special needs.

The Special Needs shelter is defined as a structure that has auxiliary power and is capable of providing a safe refuge for people who require assistance with management of a health condition or supervision of a condition by a health professional. Those who require skilled care on a 24-hour basis, should contact their medical professional to make arrangements, if hospital admission is required.

The Special Needs Shelter cannot provide 24-hour skilled care. Special Needs Shelters are truly identified as facilities of last refuge for those persons in the community with health and medical conditions. For more information or to apply for the Special Needs Program, please visit [www.myglades.com](http://www.myglades.com) or contact Glades County Emergency Management at 863-946-6020 for an application.

### Mortgage Assistance available through federal program

The federal government has allocated funding to help qualified Florida families pay the first mortgage on their homes through the Hardest Hit Help program. Assistance may be given for 12 months, and/or to reinstate a delinquent first mortgage. Loans will be "forgiven" in 5.5 years after completing the program. The program is open to residents of Okeechobee, Glades and Hendry counties. You can register by calling Okeechobee Non-Profit Housing at 863-467-5525. You may also visit the HHF web site at [www.FLHardestHitHelp.org](http://www.FLHardestHitHelp.org) and use the referral code 85087 so you can be assisted by ONPH.

### Historic Westergaard House available for events

Glades County Historical Society reminds community members that you can use the historic Pieter Westergaard House for your meetings, showers, parties, political party get-togethers seven days a week. Non-profit organizations are all free; all residents are charged \$25 for each event.

You are welcomed to use the inside or the lawn areas. The address is 270 Ave. L, Moore Haven near the Methodist Church.

Phone Anne Coffey at 863-801-5199 or Julie Wigton at 946-2060 or Donald Miles at 239-560-8448 for more information.

# Returning Home After a Hurricane or Flood

## Returning home after a storm may be just as deadly as the storm itself

Preparing to return home after evacuating will keep you safer while inspecting and cleaning up the damage to your home. Before traveling, ensure local officials have declared that it's safe to enter your community and you have the supplies you will need.

Follow the suggestions below for returning to, inspecting, and cleaning your home. Items to take when returning home include, government-issued photo ID and proof of address; important phone numbers; bottled water and non-perishable foods; first aid kit; cleanser/hand cleaning gel for personal use; hygiene products and toilet paper; insect repellent and sunscreen; long sleeved shirts, long pants, sturdy, waterproof boots and work gloves; flashlight, portable radio and extra batteries; and cameras for photos of damage for insurance claims.

### Before Returning

Find out if it is safe to enter your community or neighborhood. Follow the advice of your local authorities. Carry plenty of cash. ATMs may not work and stores may not be able to accept credit or debit cards. Bring supplies such as flashlights, batteries, bottled water, and non-perishable foods, in case utilities are out.

Create back-up communication plans with family and friends, in case you are unable to call from affected areas. Plan for delays when traveling. Bring extra food, water, pillows, blankets and other items that will make the trip more comfortable.

Keep the fuel tank of your vehicle as full as possible, in case gas stations are crowded, out of fuel, or closed. Carry a map to help you route around heavy traffic or impassable roads.

Find out if local medical facilities are open and if emergency services are functioning again. Do NOT call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number to do this. Understand that recovery takes time. Focus on the positive and have patience; others will have similar frustrations.

### First Inspection

If possible, leave children and pets with a relative or friend. If not, keep them away from hazards and floodwater.

Beware of rodents, snakes, insects and other animals that may be on your property or in your home. Before entering your home, look outside for damaged power lines, gas lines, foundation cracks, and other exterior damage. It may be too dangerous to enter the home.

Smell for gas. If you smell natural gas or propane, or hear a hissing noise, leave immediately and contact the fire department. If your home was flooded, assume it is contaminated with mold. Mold increases health risks for those with asthma, allergies or other breathing conditions. Open doors and windows.

Let the house air out before staying inside for any length of time if the house was closed for more than 48 hours. Turn the main electrical power and water systems off until you or a professional can ensure they are safe.

NEVER turn the power on or off, or use an electrical tool or appliance, while standing in water. Check the ceiling and floor for signs of sagging; water may be trapped in the ceiling, and floors may be unsafe to walk on.

### Cleaning Your Home

Wear protective clothing, including rubber gloves and rubber boots. Be careful when moving furnishings or debris since they may be water logged and heavier.

Throw out all food, beverages, and medicine exposed to flood waters and mud, including canned goods and containers with food or liquid that have been sealed shut. When in doubt,

throw it out. Some cleaning solutions can cause toxic fumes and other hazards if mixed together. If you smell a strong odor or your eyes water from the fumes or mixed chemicals, open a window and get out of your home.

Throw out items that absorb water and cannot be cleaned or disinfected (i.e., mattresses, carpeting, cosmetics, stuffed animals, and baby toys).

Remove all drywall and insulation that has been in contact with flood waters. Clean hard surfaces (i.e., flooring, countertops, and appliances) thoroughly with hot water and soap or a detergent. Return to as many personal and family routines as possible.

### Using Generators Safely

When using a portable generator, connect the equipment you want to power directly to the outlets on the generator. Do not connect a portable generator to a home's electrical system.

If you are considering getting a generator, get

advice from a professional, such as an electrician. Make sure the generator you purchase is rated for the power you think you will need.

### Caution: Carbon Monoxide Kills

Never use a generator, grill, camp stove, or other gasoline, propane, natural gas, or charcoal-burning device inside a home, garage, basement, crawlspace, or any partially enclosed area.

Locate unit away from doors, windows, and vents that could allow carbon monoxide to come indoors. The primary hazards to avoid when using alternate sources for electricity, heating, and cooking are carbon monoxide poisoning, electric shock, and fire.

### Let Your Family Know You're Safe

If your community has experienced a flood, or any disaster, register on the American Red Cross Safe and Well website, available through RedCross.org, to let your family and friends know about your welfare. You may also call 1-866-GET-INFO to register yourself and your family.

## Gas Price Update

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 5.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.51/g on Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 8,237 gas outlets in Florida. This compares with the national average that has fallen 2.1 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.61/g, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 20.3 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 5.6 cents per gallon higher than a month ago. The national average has decreased 5.0 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 8.0 cents per gallon higher

than this day one year ago.

"The national average has continued its downward decline in the last week, likely being helped by relief in the Great Lakes, a region that had been plagued with refining issues that have seemingly been resolved," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan. "While the national average stands higher than it did a year ago, we likely will see the average decline, and for motorists in the Great Lakes, the downward trend should mean well-needed relief at the pump. Areas of California may see prices rising slightly in the days ahead, but at this time we aren't seeing any short-term price spikes across the United States," DeHaan said.

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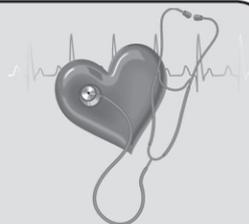
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# Religion Column

## Are You Ready to Change a Life?

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS  
First United Methodist Church

Are you ready to change a life? Within each of us is the power to impart a legacy of love and acceptance to our children, our spouses, our parents, our families, our friends, our neighbors, and those we meet. It's called the blessing.

By choosing to live and give blessings, we can make a difference and change the lives of those special someones in our lives, as well as those we meet and greet every day. Not only that, in the process of blessing others, we will even find blessings for ourselves!

Throughout the Scriptures, we have been given a guideline on effective ways to share the blessings we can bestow on others. Basically, there are five elements of the blessing. We can live out the blessing every day by incorporating these elements as we reach out to bless those around us.

First, giving the blessing involves appropriate meaningful touch. Whether it is laying on of hands, a hug, a pat on the shoulder, placing a hand on a young child's head, or holding them in your arms, appropriate meaningful touch is a way

to say "I love you" or to express care, concern, or friendship even before a word is spoken.

The second element of the blessing involves the spoken (or written) word along with appropriate meaningful touch.

Too many people have missed out on hearing their fathers, mothers, or spouses tell them they are loved or appreciated. The same is true for friends.

The third element of the blessing involves affixing spoken or written words to someone, letting them know that you value them.

It involves affirming their worth, uplifting them as a person of worth and a child of God. If a waiter or waitress is having a bad day, a word of encouragement or a note of thanks can lift them up. The same with those closest to us!

In Scripture, the blessing was also a time for a parent (grand parent or loved one) to assure a child or person of God's blessing on their future. It helped a child or

loved one envision positive things in their life and future. The fourth element of blessing is helping impart the picture of a positive future. Too many people are bombarded with the negative and rarely hear the positive.

People (especially children) carry the words we speak to them into their future, positive or negative. A harsh word begets a harsh word and

attitude, but a smile or kind word brings forth a smile and more positive outlook.

The fifth element of the blessing involves commitment. In Scripture, the choice to bless was usually linked to a special day or occasion; but it wasn't just a one-time event, it was an ongoing relationship.

We might want to create a special, intentional, purposeful event for blessing a child, spouse, or friend, but true blessings come from an ongoing commitment to continuously live and give blessings each day.

For instance, we can choose to hug our child

before they head out the door (appropriate meaningful touch), or write them a note to put in their lunch box letting them know we are thinking of them and praying for a good day (spoken message and attaching high value and picturing a positive future).

Life gets crazy, challenging, difficult, and sometimes beyond painful. Within each of us is an amazingly simple, life-changing gift that can help us plant

God's love in the center of someone's heart and future. Let's all share this gift of blessing and change lives!



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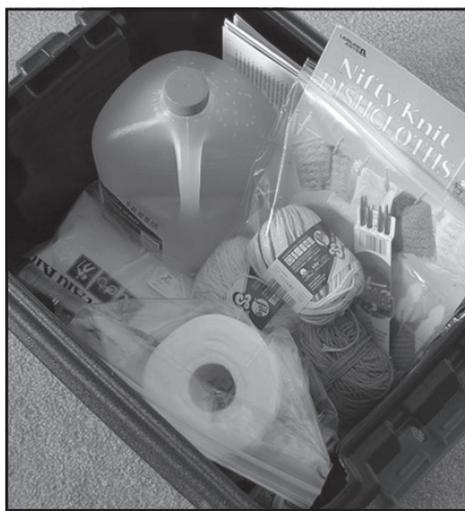
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## Prepare With an Emergency Kit

Being prepared means being equipped with the proper supplies you may need in the event of an emergency.

Keep your supplies in an easy-to-carry emergency preparedness kit that you can use at home or take with you in case you must evacuate.

At a minimum, you should have these basic supplies: water (one gallon per person, per day -- three-day supply for evacuation, two-week supply for home); food (non-perishable, easy-to-prepare items -- three-day supply for evacuation, two-week supply for home); flashlight; battery-



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powered or hand-crank radio (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration weather radio, if possible); extra batteries; first aid kit; medications (seven-day supply) and medical items; multi-purpose tool; sanitation and personal hygiene items; copies of personal documents (medication list and pertinent medical information, proof of address, deed/lease to home, passports, birth

certificates, insurance policies); cell phone with chargers; family and emergency contact information; extra cash; emergency blanket; and map(s) of the area.

Consider the needs of all family members and add supplies to your kit. Suggested items to help meet additional needs are: medical supplies (hearing aids with extra batteries, glasses, contact lenses, syringes, etc); baby supplies (bottles, formula, baby food, diapers); games and activities for children; pet supplies (collar, leash, ID, food, carrier, bowl); two-way radios; extra set of car keys and house keys; and manual can opener.

Additional supplies to keep at home or in your kit based on the types of disasters common to your area: whistle; N95 or surgical masks; matches; rain gear; towels; work gloves; tools/supplies for securing your home; extra clothing, hat and sturdy shoes; plastic sheeting; duct tape; scissors; household liquid bleach; entertainment items; blankets or sleeping bags.



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# Teach All Children How To Swim and Put a Fence Around All Pools



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## Data shows that most child drownings occur in pools

A new report released today from the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) reveals that children younger than age five represent more than 75 percent of all pool and spa submersion deaths, and 78 percent of pool and spa submersion injuries in the United States involve children younger than 15 years of age. Government data also show that African-American and Hispanic children between the ages of five and 14 are at a higher risk of drowning.

"Drowning is the leading cause of unintentional death for children between the ages of one and four, and minority children drown in pools at an alarming rate," said CPSC Chairman Inez Tenenbaum.

"The lives of countless children can be saved this summer. Take simple safety steps today -- teach all children to swim, put a fence around all pools, and always watch children in and around the water."

CPSC's Pool Safely campaign is focusing its attention on populations most at risk of drowning: Children between the ages of one and three represented 67 percent of reported fatalities and 64 percent of injuries, and African-American children between the ages of five and 19 are six times more likely to drown in pools than white and Hispanic children of the same age, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Data from USA Swimming indicate that 70 percent of African-American children and 62 per-

cent of Hispanic children cannot swim, making them more likely to drown.

The new CPSC Pool or Spa Submersions: Estimated Injuries and Reported Fatalities, 2013 Report shows annual averages of 390 pool- or spa-related drownings for children younger than 15, with 76 percent (296) of the victims being younger than five; 5,100 pool- or spa-related, emergency-department-treated submersion injuries for children younger than 15, with 78 percent (4,000) of the injured being younger than five.

CPSC Chairman Tenenbaum presented the annual Submersion and Entrapment reports for 2013 at an event today at the William H. Rumsey Aquatic Center in Washington, D.C.'s Capitol Hill neighborhood.

Chairman Tenenbaum was joined by U.S. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (Fla.-23); Suzy DeFrancis, Red Cross chief public affairs officer, and Katey Taylor, mother of entrapment victim, Abbey Taylor.

Jesus Aguirre, director of the D.C. Department of Parks and Recreation, welcomed the group to the popular neighborhood pool.

"As we head into summer and families across the country are getting ready to take their kids to the pool, we must remind everyone how important it is to keep a careful watch on our children as they swim, and ensure that their pools and spas have proper safety equipment," said Rep. Wasserman Schultz.

"Working together, we can improve the safety of all pools and spas by increasing the use of layers of protection and promoting uninterrupted supervision to prevent child drowning and entrapment. With government programs like

the CPSC's Pool Safely, people can learn simple steps to take to save lives."

"Learning how to swim saves lives," said Suzy DeFrancis, chief public affairs officer for the American Red Cross. "The American Red Cross encourages all families to enroll in Learn-to-Swim programs by contacting your local pool." Families can learn about Red Cross programs and find water safety tips by going to [redcross.org](http://redcross.org).

New data from CPSC's 2013 Submersion Report compile information on reported pool- or spa-related drownings between 2008 and 2010 and estimated pool- or spa-related injuries from 2010 through 2012 for children younger than 15. The estimated averages for the three-year periods represented show that residential locations dominated incidents involving victims younger than five years of age; 85 percent of the fatalities occurred at residential pools or spas.

About 50 percent of the injuries and 73 percent of the fatalities involving children younger than 15 years occurred at a residence. Of the reported pool fatalities for children younger than age 15, about 60 percent (231) occurred in in-ground pools; 15 percent (59) in above-ground pools, and nearly 10 percent (37) in portable pools. There were no reported entrapment fatalities for 2012.

The last recorded fatality of a child due to suction entrapment was in 2007. CPSC received seven reports of entrapment-injury incidents during 2012.

## Obituaries

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### Joy T. Roberts, 64

MOORE HAVEN — Joy T. Roberts passed away June 7, 2013 in Lehigh Acres.

She was born Mar. 25, 1949 in Clewiston, Fla. to the late Raymond D. Thielen, Sr. and Margie Nell (Cook) Thielen.

Survivors include two daughters Ranae Roberts Harrington, Jerri Lynn Schlueter (Barry); mother Margie Nell (Cook) Thielen; brother Donnie Thielen (Marge); sisters Regina Brown (Donald), Theresa Prescott (Doyle); grandchildren, Shelby Schlueter, Savanna Schlueter, Skye Schlueter, Andrew Harrington and Madison Harrington.

She was preceded in death by husband, Jerome W. Roberts; father, Raymond D. Thielen, Sr. and brother, Michael Thielen.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, June 12, 2013 at 10 a.m. at Saint Joseph the Worker Catholic Church, Moore Haven with Father Lorenzo Gonzalez officiating.

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# FWC Permanently Waives License Requirement for Lionfish Harvest

Temporary changes making it easier for divers to help control the lionfish population will be put into Florida rule soon.

At its June 12 meeting in Lakeland, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) adopted changes that will waive the recreational license requirement for divers harvesting lionfish using certain gear, and exclude lionfish from the commercial and recreational bag limits, allowing people to take as many of the invasive fish as they can.

Prior to the change, recreational anglers

could not catch more than 100 pounds of lionfish without being required to have a commercial license. Specific gear that can be used to target lionfish without the requirement of a recreational license includes hand-held nets, pole spears, Hawai-



ian slings, or any other spearing devices designed and marketed exclusively for lionfish.

An identical executive order was put into place in August 2012 and is set to expire August 3. The newly adopted rule

will take effect before the executive order expires, so there will be no lapse in the expanded permissions.

Lionfish are a non-native, invasive species that negatively impact Florida's native saltwater fish and wildlife.

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kerri Hines  
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Evan Navarro  
Joe Perry  
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## Corps increases lake releases

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District announced plans June 13 to increase the water releases from Lake Okeechobee as part of efforts to manage the rising lake level.

The release is being conducted in accordance with the 2008 Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS), the master plan for water management of the lake. Friday, the lake stage was 13.92 feet, which is within the Low Operational Sub-Band. Runoff from heavy rains in the area has prevented any discharges from the lake since June 6. As runoff subsides, lake water will gradually be

released until target flows are achieved. The corps has developed a release schedule for seven days that began on Monday, June 17.

The average target flow for the Caloosahatchee Estuary over the seven-day period has been increased to 2,500 cubic feet per second (cfs) as measured at W.P. Franklin Lock (S-79) near Fort Myers.

The new target flow for the St. Lucie Estuary is 950 cfs, as measured at the St. Lucie Lock near Stuart. The target flows will include lake water, and any runoff that might be collected in the Caloosahatchee River and St. Lucie canal.

# Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

- ACROSS**
- 1 Stately shade trees
  - 5 Like tails in the dog park
  - 9 Cupfuls after OJ and cereal
  - 14 In \_\_\_ of: replacing
  - 15 No \_\_\_ traffic
  - 16 Tequila plant
  - 17 \*Sensitive spot on the elbow
  - 19 Contradict
  - 20 Hindu teachers
  - 21 \_\_\_ eclipse
  - 22 Distinct feature
  - 25 Immigrants' night sch. class
  - 27 Microscope part
  - 28 Mazda sports car
  - 29 Like days when hats fly
  - 31 Gets it wrong
  - 32 Lime-garnished Mexican beer
  - 35 In good shape
  - 38 Ping-Pong barrier
  - 39 \*Conceal
  - 40 Tokyo-born Yoko
  - 41 Susan of "L.A. Law"
  - 42 Smart \_\_\_: wise guys
  - 43 Study feverishly
  - 44 Work hard
  - 46 Actor's nickname that sounds like a golf term
  - 47 Fruity drinks
  - 49 Johannesburg's land: Abbr.
  - 51 Lawn cutters
  - 52 Not entirely: Pref.
  - 54 Foist (upon)
  - 56 Below
  - 57 Like many a teen boy ... and like the starts of the answers to starred clues?
  - 61 End of \_\_\_
  - 62 Be mindful of
  - 63 Crossed (out)
  - 64 Puts mail in boxes, say
  - 65 Baker's amts.
  - 66 Cub Scout groups
- DOWN**
- 1 Arctic toymaker
  - 2 Lucy of "Charlie's Angels"
  - 3 "That's just like a guy!"
  - 4 Events before evening twilight
  - 5 Facing the pitcher
  - 6 "To \_\_\_ it may concern"
  - 7 Golfer Palmer, to fans
  - 8 Conjecture
  - 9 Short punches
  - 10 From way back when
  - 11 \*1777-78 Continental Army campsite
  - 12 Birdlike
  - 13 Clairvoyants
  - 18 Female advocacy org. since the 1850s
  - 22 Make changes to
  - 23 "Yes \_\_, Bob!"
  - 24 \*Political head honcho
  - 26 "Peanuts" boy with a blanket
  - 30 Not a deep sleep
  - 32 Red, white or blue
  - 33 Inadvertent omission
  - 34 \_\_\_ hall: campus hangout
  - 36 "... bombs bursting \_\_\_"
  - 37 Big books
  - 39 Hailed car
  - 43 Crouched in fear
  - 45 State with confidence
  - 46 Pear variety
  - 47 Greenish blues
  - 48 "Ain't got a clue!"
  - 50 Pierre's female friends
  - 51 Gelatin shapers
  - 53 Some nest eggs: Abbr.
  - 55 Get ready, briefly
  - 58 Lumberjack's tool
  - 59 Meditative practice
  - 60 Golf course meas.

**ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:**

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# Volunteers plant trees and shrubs in big lake area

By Erica Skolte  
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Like anything worthwhile, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District's observance of Take Pride in America Day took a lot of planning, preparation and hard work. For the corps employees and volunteers who participated in the May 4 event, the results were well worth the effort again this year. It was a win-win for everyone involved.

The annual Take Pride in America Day is part of a long-standing tradition around Lake Okeechobee and the Okeechobee Waterway. The first events took place at the South Florida Operations Office in Clewiston, beginning in 1986. Later, volunteer coordinator and park ranger Phil Hart, who works at the W.P. Franklin Lock & Dam in Alva, Fla. coordinated the event for five years, from 1999 through 2003. Hart then passed the torch to park ranger Richard Bailey, who has taken the lead for the past 10 years. Bailey has worked with many organizations, including church groups, Boys Scouts and Girl Scouts, and Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps (JROTC) units. The event provided an opportunity for the park ranger to do two of the things that he really enjoys.

"I like working with people and I like working out in the field," Mr. Bailey said.

Mr. Bailey has a background in wildlife biology and understands the principles such as diversity that drive a healthy ecosystem.

"I don't just plant Live Oaks; I always use a variety of plants and I try to replace exotic plants with something else. I try to integrate native plants into the landscape whenever I can," he said.

The small but beautiful Atala Hairstreak Butterfly is dependent upon Coontie as its host plant. The Florida subspecies of this butterfly was at one time believed to have become extinct due to over-harvest of its host plant, and it was not collected in Florida from 1937 until 1959. The Atala is now common locally in southeast Florida, rebounding to some extent thanks to people like Mr. Bailey, who use native plants such as Coontie for landscaping purposes.

During one of his earlier efforts, Mr. Bailey provided plants such as Blue Porter Weed, Red Tropical Sage and Blanket Flower to volunteers to create a butterfly garden at W. P. Franklin Lock and Dam. He has spruced up visitor cen-

ters, locks and dams, campgrounds, volunteer camping sites and recreation areas. He uses plants for beautification and wildlife and to make camping areas more pleasant, providing shade and screening for more privacy.

Several corps employees and volunteers worked hard for days ahead of the Take Pride event, digging holes wide enough to allow for healthy root expansion for newly planted trees and surrounding each hole with caution tape for safety purposes. Each plant with a one-foot by one-foot root ball required a three-foot by three-foot hole and most of the trees to be planted had seven to 15-gallon root balls. Trees, shrubs and mulch were set in place on site, and equipment such as shovels and rakes were assembled.

Over the years, Mr. Bailey has built relationships and worked with a variety of organizations. Command Sergeant Major (retired) Bill Lansberry, senior Army instructor at North Fort Myers High School, contacted Mr. Bailey, seeking a community project for his unit. The corps provided the pavilions and other facilities for the campers, and for the fourth year in a row, the JROTC from the North Fort Myers High School volunteered to participate in Take Pride in America Day.

The JROTC is a federal program sponsored by the United States Armed Forces in high schools across the United States. The purpose of JROTC is to instill in students the values of citizenship, service to the United States, personal responsibility and a sense of accomplishment. Community projects are one way to accomplish this goal.

On Friday afternoon, "Tootsie" one of the volunteer park hosts, welcomed the JROTC volunteers to the Ortona North Recreation Area, where they set up tents and camped out for the weekend.

Waking up on site made it easier for everyone to be up bright and early to begin Take Pride in America Day in the cool of the morning on Saturday, May 4. The volunteers planted native trees and bushes at Ortona North Recreation Area on the Caloosahatchee River and at the entrance to the Port Mayaca Lock and Dam on the west side of Lake Okeechobee.

At the Ortona North Recreation Area on the Caloosahatchee River in Alva, volunteers learned how to plant correctly, to give the plants the best possible chance for success. They planted, watered and mulched 10 new

native trees, shrubs and flowers. Some of the plants include the Pigeon-Plum, an evergreen tree that has purple fruit that attracts birds; 'Little Gem' Southern Magnolia, with fragrant white flowers and bright red seeds used by a variety of wildlife; Gumbo-Limbo, a large tree with attractive shiny, coppery bark; shade-loving Myrsine that attracts butterflies; Red Maple for shade and fall color and Dahoon Holly, which has brilliant red berries that serve as an excellent food source for wildlife. Firebush, with its tubular red-orange flowers and berries is another valuable addition to native plant, butterfly and hummingbird gardens. The Firebush is not just beautiful—modern researchers have found that extracts of the plant contain several active phytochemicals that have anti-

bacterial and antifungal properties. In addition to the planting, volunteers also learned how to do much-needed maintenance by pruning many of the existing trees and removing moss growth.

The group then traveled to the Moore Haven Lock and Dam on the west side of Lake Okeechobee, where they planted, watered and mulched 12 Royal Palm trees along the entrance road. These beautiful and stately palms, which are native to Florida, will provide shade.

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Members of the JROTC unit from North Fort Myers High School plant native shrubs at Ortona North Recreation Area as part of Take Pride in America Day.

## PERALTA

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After serving a year as a telecommunication specialist at Fort McPherson in Atlanta, Peralta received orders to serve overseas at the Army Security Agency in Okinawa. Peralta was one of only 12 women in a class of 125 to graduate from the Korean-based non-commissioned officer academy. She served for a total of five years in Okinawa, first as a telecommunications shift chief and later as the communications security chief.

Ms. Peralta returned to the United States when she was assigned to the White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico, where she served until her honorable discharge in 1979. In total, she served nearly seven years in the U.S. Army and earned several awards, including the National Defense Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal (second award) and the M16 Rifle Expert Qualification Badge.

Ms. Peralta began her federal civilian career in a six-month temporary position with the Corps' Huntington District, as a lock and dam operator at Racine Lock and Dam, West Virginia. She was later hired permanently at Marmet Lock and Dam, also in Huntington District.

In 1984, Ms. Peralta accepted a lock and dam operator position with Jacksonville District, at Moore Haven Lock and Dam on the west side of Lake Okeechobee in Florida. Her selection was historic – Peralta was the Corps' first female lock and dam operator in Florida. After nine years, she filled a critical vacancy at the Ortona Lock and Dam on the Caloosahatchee River for one year, before returning to Moore Haven.

In 1997, Ms. Peralta was promoted to lock and dam leader at the Moore Haven Lock and Dam. Her promotion was another historic first for a woman in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in the state of Florida. Peralta served in that position with a reliable, steady dedication for 16 years.

Ms. Peralta's responsibilities as the Moore Haven lock and dam leader included scheduling, coordination and execution of work projects for three lock operators manning a year-round 12-hour daily mission for navigation of vessels and spillway operations to balance water levels from Lake Okeechobee into the Caloosahatchee River.

"Pam has always found ways and means to be successful," said Steven Dunham, chief of the South Florida Operations Office in Clewiston, Fla. "Despite the maintenance challenges of working on a lock built in the 1930s, she has worked steadily and responsibly to keep the mission going, even through times of great adversity. She was an expert in the abilities of the hydraulic machinery, gate operations, gear systems and spillway capabilities and she ensured any discrepancies were addressed and resolved."

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District recognized Peralta's 40 years of outstanding federal service by awarding her the Steel de Fleury Medal April 29 at the Moore Haven Lock.

"Pam's four decades of outstanding service to the nation is exceptional and exemplifies the selfless service of those in our workforce," said Lt. Col. Thomas Greco, deputy district commander for south Florida.

Greco described the significance of the award as he presented the medal and a certificate signed by the Chief of Engineers.

"The engineer regiment adopted the de Fleury medal as an award because of the values demonstrated by the man for whom it was struck – values of special meaning to Engineer Soldiers," he said. "The de Fleury Medal was the first congressional medal struck. This prestigious award recognizes both civilian and military personnel for outstanding contributions to the United States and to Army engineering."

"Pam was the first female hired by the division, and she maintained the position until her retirement. She kept up with all of the regulations, always made sure her people followed the standard operating procedures, and safety was always on her mind," said Jack Pasch, her supervisor and acting chief of navigation operations. "Pam made sure that her people were doing the right thing and then she always backed them up."

"Pam was gifted in leading others and did her job very well during many storm events," said Dunham. "Her quiet confidence and resolute abilities on the job are her hallmark traits. She has earned this distinguished award given her 40 years of military and federal service."

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## FATALITY

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the Jeep struck the left front of the Chevrolet SUV.

Mr. Ruiz was transported to St. Mary's Hospital in West Palm Beach. Two passengers in that vehicle—Erika Alvallana, 36, of Okeechobee, and Ramon Martinez, 16, also of Okeechobee—were taken to Raulerson. Three other Okeechobee residents in the SUV—Jose Luis Hernandez, 23, Ruben Chana, 23, and Lucrecia Hernandez, 17—were not taken to a hospital.

All of those in the Suburban were wearing seat belts, stated the trooper.

While it's unclear at this time just what caused the fatality crash, the trooper's report indicated the driver of the Jeep may have

been trying to pass a white vehicle towing a boat trailer.

After colliding with the Suburban, stated the report, the Jeep began spinning counterclockwise until it struck a concrete barrier then overturned onto it finally came to rest on its roof.

The vehicle driven by Mr. Ruiz also spun counterclockwise, the trooper stated, then struck a concrete wall and guardrail with the left rear of the vehicle. The SUV did not flip over, according to the report.

Besides trying to find the next of kin for the driver of the Jeep, FHP is also searching for the third vehicle that left the scene.

FHP asks anyone with information about this crash to contact Trooper Corporal J. Rongish at 239-344-1730, ext. 1192; or, call CrimeStoppers at 1-800-780-TIPS.



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## First United Methodist Church of Moore Haven Family Fun Day 2013

The First United Methodist Church of Moore Haven hosted the annual Family Fun Day on June 1. The day was filled with food, fun, and fellowship. The winner of the third annual Rib Cook Off was Gail Williams. She beat last year's winner, Wade Hingson, by a half point. After the rib judging a table was set with hotdogs, ribs, hamburgers, sausage, coleslaw, chips and drinks. Two giant water slides were enjoyed by the children. The most fun was watching the adults try to race tricycles. Another highlight was Bingo during which 33 prizes were given away. The prizes included rods and reels, coolers, candles, gift cards, etc. Keep looking for future family events at the First United Methodist Church where everyone is welcome and where we are helping to build strong families.



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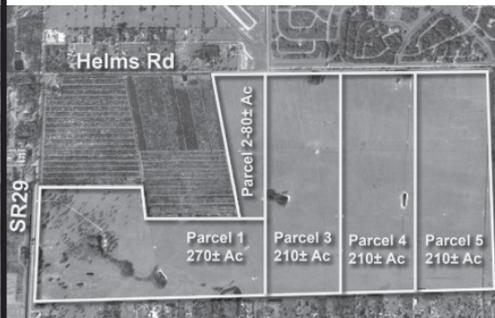
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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CASE NO. 2009CA001227

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,  
v.  
NORAIIDA QUINTANA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NORAIIDA QUINTANA; JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION; JANE DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT IN POSSESSION; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**  
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 03, 2013, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida, described as:

**THE WEST 1/2 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 30, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, a/k/a 7896 5TH PLACE, LEHIGH ACRES, FL 33972**

at public sale on July 10, 2013, at eleven o'clock a.m., in front of the office of the Clerk of Circuit Court being on the second floor of the administration building of the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Ave., 2nd Floor, Labelle, FL 33935, to the highest bidder for cash, except as prescribed in paragraph 4, in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner of the date of the Lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated at Labelle, Florida, this 5th day of June, 2013.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

DOUGLAS C. ZAHM, P.A. 12425 28th Street North, Suite 200 St. Petersburg, FL 33716 (727) 536-4911 phone (727) 539-1094 fax  
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DATED at Labelle, Florida, on June 7, 2013.

BARBARA BUTLER As Clerk, Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis As Deputy Clerk

SHD Legal Group P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff PO BOX 11438 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33339-11438 Telephone: (954) 564-0071 Service E-mail: answers@shdlegalgroup.com 445619 CN 6/13,20/2013

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TMS TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 07/12/2013, 10:00 am at 74 S. INDUSTRIAL LOOP, LABELLE, FL 33935, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TMS TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

The Hendry County Hospital Authority Board of Trustees will conduct their monthly Board meeting on Monday, June 24th, 2013 at 1:00 pm in the Conference Room at Hendry Regional Medical Center, 524 W. Sagamore Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440. The public is invited to attend. 445767 CN/CB 6/20/2013

**Public Notice**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL DIVISION**  
CASE NO. 262012CA000695XXXXXX

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff,  
vs.  
VICTORIA MARROQUIN AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JUAN GRANADOS A/K/A JUAN GRANADOS REYES, DECEASED; et al, Defendants,

**RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated 03/12/2013 and an Order Resetting Sale dated May 23, 2013, and entered in Case No. 262012CA000695XXXXXX of the Circuit Court in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A. is Plaintiff and VICTORIA MARROQUIN AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF JUAN GRANADOS REYES, DECEASED; RICHARD GRANADOS GOMEZ, A MINOR; YESENIA GRANADOS, A MINOR; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY THEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the Second Floor in front of the Main Clerk's Office at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, Labelle, FL 33935 County, Florida, 11:00 a.m. on the 17th day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

**LOT 2, BLOCK C, BRIDLEWOOD SUBDIVISION, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1990 LIBERTY HOMES MOBILE HOME VIN #S 10L21780X/10L21780U.**

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in 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 Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, FL 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.  
DATED at Labelle, Florida, on June 7, 2013.

BARBARA BUTLER As Clerk, Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis As Deputy Clerk

SHD Legal Group P.A. Attorneys for Plaintiff PO BOX 11438 Fort Lauderdale, FL 33339-11438 Telephone: (954) 564-0071 Service E-mail: answers@shdlegalgroup.com 445619 CN 6/13,20/2013

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**Public Notice**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS INSURANCE & RISK MANAGEMENT RFP NUMBER: 2013-04 OPENING DATE AND TIME: JULY 11, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.**

City of Clewiston is seeking firms interested in providing property & casualty insurance for the City of Clewiston Board of City Commissioners. Firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their proposal for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFP will be reviewed by a City Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received at Clewiston City Hall 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida by July 11, 2013 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses. Any proposals received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.

A copy of the RFP can be obtained from the City of Clewiston Finance Department, located at 115 W. Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440, or by calling (863) 983-1484 or by locating it on our web site at [www.clewiston-fl.gov](http://www.clewiston-fl.gov).

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

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**Public Notice**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 26-2011-CA-000732

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
CONSUELO TARIN, et al, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated June 03, 2013 and entered in Case No. 26-2011-CA-000732 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA is the Plaintiff and CONSUELO TARIN; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CONSUELO TARIN N/K/A EDDIE LOPEZ; S. YVONNE B. DOLL A/K/A YVONNE B. DOLL A/K/A S. YVONNE DOLL; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF S. YVONNE B. DOLL A/K/A YVONNE B. DOLL A/K/A S. YVONNE DOLL N/K/A LAGES DOLL; COUNTRYWIDE VILLAGE PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.; FIRST BANK; TENANT #1 N/K/A JENNIFER RODRIGUEZ; and TENANT #2 N/K/A JOE SANCHEZ are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 17th day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

**LOT 7, BLOCK 1, PORT LABELLE HOLIDAY PARK UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 3, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, A/K/A 2018 MAINSTAY STREET, LABELLE, FL 33935-5305**

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on June 4, 2013.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L. P.O. Box 25018 Tampa, Florida 33622-5018 F11031138 WELLSPLS-SPECHLMC-R-marquez-Team 1 - F11031138 \*\*See Americans with Disabilities Act

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding. 445248 CN 6/13,20/2013

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**Public Notice**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, PROBATE DIVISION**

IN RE: ESTATE OF CHARLES MANUEL MARTINEZ, Deceased

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

The administration of the estate of CHARLES MANUEL MARTINEZ, deceased, whose date of death was July 29, 2012 and social security number is \*\*\*-\*\*-1872, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1760, Labelle, Florida 33375. The name and address of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is June 20, 2013.

OWETA GAYLE DAVIS Personal Representative 135 Taft Blvd. Clewiston, FL 33440

STEVEN J. POLHEMUS, ESQ Attorney for Personal Representative Post Office Drawer 2188 Labelle, Florida 33975 Telephone: 863-675-0087 Florida Bar No.: 182657 446099 CN 6/20,27/2013

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CIVIL ACTION  
CASE NO.: 26-2011-CA-000537

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP, Plaintiff,  
vs.  
ELMIRA L. JOHNSON, et al, Defendant(s).

**AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Amended Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated June 10, 2013, and entered in Case No. 26-2011-CA-000537 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP is the Plaintiff and ELMIRA L. JOHNSON; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ELMIRA L. JOHNSON N/K/A NORMAN JOHNSON; JOSE A. DIAZ; and the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 31st day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

**A PARCEL OF LAND IN SECTION 8, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, FORMERLY KNOWN AS THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE LOT 8 AND ALL OF LOT 9, BLOCK 16, OF BELMONT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 9, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 15, BLOCK 16, OF SAID PLAT OF BELMONT, THENCE SOUTH 130 FEET, THENCE WEST 250 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THENCE WEST 75 FEET, THENCE NORTH 130 FEET, THENCE EAST 75 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 130 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING A/K/A 330 3RD AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935**

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on June 10, 2013.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L. P.O. Box 25018, Tampa, Florida 33622-5018 F1106207 COUNTRY-CONV B/C-R-jbonin-Team 2 - F1 0106207 \*\*See Americans with Disabilities Act  
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding. 445723 CN 6/20,27/2013

**Public Notice**

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
CASE NO.: 2012-207 CA

U.S. BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE ON BEHALF OF MANUFACTURED HOUSING CONTRACT SENIOR/SUBORDINATE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATE TRUST 1995-8, acting by and through GREEN TREE SERVICING LLC, as Servicing Agent 7360 S. Kyrene Road Tempe, AZ 85283, Plaintiff,  
v.  
ROBERT MEZA, MARY MEZA, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, pursuant to Plaintiffs Final Summary of Foreclosure entered in the above-captioned action, I will sell the property situated in Glades County, Florida, described as follows, to-wit:

**LOT 8, COUNTRY MEADOWS, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 3 AND 4, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA; TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1995 BROOKHOLLOW 40 x 24 MOBILE HOME, SERIAL NUMBER 146H9185A. Commonly known as: 1265 SEMINOLE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935**

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash on the at the First Steps Clerk of Courts Office, Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, at 11:00 AM (EST), on the 11th day of July, 2013.

If you are a subordinate lienholder claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the Clerk of Court no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim, you will not be entitled to any remaining funds.

**WITH 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 the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Dawn Oliver, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, Labelle, Florida 33935, and whose telephone number is (863) 675-5229, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2012-CA-000707

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

v. DENNIS HOLLINGSWORTH; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF DENNIS HILLINGSWORTH; AMANDA HILLINGSWORTH; ACCESS INFUSION PARTNERS, LLP; PORT LABELLE VILLAS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; TENANT #1; TENANT #2, Defendants.

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

LOT 16, BLOCK 2137, PORT LABELLE UNIT 3, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 73, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

and commonly known as: 5071 Wild Goose Circle, Labelle, FL 33935, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in the second floor lobby Clerk of Courts Office, C.E. Hall Building, Administration Area, Labelle Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpockee Ave., Labelle, FL 33935, on July 10, 2013, at 11:00 A.M.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. 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. For Please contact Dawn Oliver, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpockee Avenue, Labelle, Florida 33935, and whose telephone number is (863) 675-5229, 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, dial 711.

Dated this June 3, 2013. BARBARA S. BUTLER Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

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Public Notice

EVERGLADES AGRICULTURAL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DISTRICT NOTICE OF 2013 ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING & BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all owners of lands located within the boundaries of the EVERGLADES AGRICULTURAL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DISTRICT that pursuant to applicable laws, a meeting of the landowners of the EVERGLADES AGRICULTURAL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DISTRICT will be held on Friday, July 12, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in University of Florida IFAS- Everglades Education Center, 3200 E. Palm Beach Road, Belle Glade, FL 33430, for the following purposes:

- 1. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine;
2. Election of Supervisors; and
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
The Board of Supervisors meeting will commence immediately thereafter and the purpose of this meeting is to adopt a budget for fiscal year 2013-2014 and to transact any and all business that may come before the Board.
If any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at these meetings he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting, because of a disability or physical impairment, should contact the District's Attorney, Charles F. Schoech, at 561-655-0620 at least five (5) calendar days prior to the Meeting.
DATED this Friday, the 14th day of June, 2013.
By: Charles F. Schoech, Asst. Secretary and Counsel to the District
446095 CN/CB 6/20,27/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO: 262010-CA-000068

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff,

VS. NIURKA QUINTANA et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated June 03, 2013 and entered in Case No. 26-2010-CA-000068 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC. is the Plaintiff and NIURKA QUINTANA; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE T-TERENT NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 31st day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 1, BLOCK 2257, OF PORT LABELLE, UNIT 8, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3 PAGE 131, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 9002 E BROAD CIRCLE, PORT LA BELLE, FL 33935

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of June 5, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L. P.O. Box 25018 Tampa, Florida 33622-5018 F10003466 WELLSPS-SPECFHLMC-Team 1-F10003466

See Americans with Disabilities Act in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding. 445368 CN 6/13,20,27/2013

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STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF APPLICATION

The Department announces receipt of an application to modify an environmental resource permit (ERP) from Cemex Construction Materials Florida, LLC, File No. 0277994-005, for an existing sand mine. The applicant is requesting approval to use synthetic gypsum to flocculate suspended solids from the mine lakes at the Palmdale Sand Mine. The proposed gypsum storage area will be approximately 1.0 acre. Groundwater monitoring for the presence of various metals is proposed. A bench scale test conducted by Cemex has been done. In this modification, the area to be mined is not changing, the size of the mine boundary is not changing, additional wetland impacts are not proposed, the depth of mining is not changing, and the post-mining land use is not be changing. The mine is located southeast of Palmdale, directly northeast of US Highway 27 in Sections 7 and 18, Township 41 North, Range 31 East; and in Sections 12 and 13, Township 41 South, Range 30 East, Glades Co un ty, Florida.

The ERP application is being processed and is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Mining and Mitigation Program, 2600 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2400. 445968 GCD 6/20/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT TC 10L, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 897, 2010, 1284329-01000000070, Joe Lopez & Manuel Pizana Est

Lot 7, LAKESIDE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 173, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, Labelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of July, 2013, which is the 18th day of July, 2013. Dated this 5th day of June, 2013

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court 445539 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

Public Notice

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, the following application(s) for permit have been received for project(s) in Glades County:

US Army Corps of Engineers (Herbert Hoover Dike Culvert) P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, FL 32237, has submitted Application 130510-19 for a Water Use Permit to dewater on undeveloped lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Water Table Aquifer and the project is located in Section 14, Township 42 South, Range 33 East.

Interested persons may comment upon the application or submit a written request for a copy of the staff report containing proposed agency action regarding the application by writing to the South Florida Water Management District, Attn: Regulation Division, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680, but such comments or requests must be received by 5:00 PM within 21 days from the date of publication.

No further public notice will be provided regarding this application. A copy of the staff report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Application status and associated documents can also be obtained by accessing the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) and selecting the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an administrative hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request after reviewing the staff report. 446194 GCD 6/20/2013

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR MISCELLANEOUS UTILITY ENGINEERING AND/OR INSPECTION SERVICES RFQ # 2013-22

Opening Date and Time: July 11, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is requesting submittals from qualified engineering individuals or firms interested in providing miscellaneous utility engineering and/or inspection services.

Firms submitting must have expertise in planning, design, permitting and inspection of water, sewer and reuse facilities, knowledge of water and sewer treatment plant processes, flow analysis, and expertise in review of utility assessments and rates. Individuals and firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submissions Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C. E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpockee Avenue, Labelle Florida by 2:00 p.m., July 11, 2013, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and RFQ Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Office, by calling (863) 675-5220 or by email, jmcaltaney@hendryfla.net. Instructions and RFQ documents will be emailed upon request.

The solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFQ, or to contract for any services. There may be awards to multiple firms for various services and there is no guarantee for any particular level of work. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this RFQ, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively seeks Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation. Karson Turner, Chairman Board of County Commissioners 445570 CN/CB 6/13,20,27,7/4/2013

Public Notice

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, the following application(s) for permit have been received for project(s) in Hendry County:

Magnum Seeds, Inc (Magnum Seeds - Felda) c/o Genica Research Corporation, 5825 Sievers Road, Dixon, CA 95620, has submitted Application 130603-14 for modification of Water Use Permit 26-00520-W to irrigate 77.50 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Sandstone Aquifer and the project is located in Section 33, Township 45 South, Range 29 East.

Interested persons may comment upon the application or submit a written request for a copy of the staff report containing proposed agency action regarding the application by writing to the South Florida Water Management District, Attn: Regulation Division, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680, but such comments or requests must be received by 5:00 PM within 21 days from the date of publication.

No further public notice will be provided regarding this application. A copy of the staff report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Application status and associated documents can also be obtained by accessing the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) and selecting the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an administrative hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request after reviewing the staff report. 446195 CN 6/20/2013

Public Notice

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the Circuit Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 2008-832CA on February 11, 2013 in the matter of Crop Production Services, Inc. F/K/A UAP Distribution, Inc., as plaintiff and D & G Farming, Inc., and David Herrera a/k/a David Herrera, Sr. as defendant, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, to-wit:

2004 Beige Chevrolet Tahoe, vehicle identification number: 1GNEK13264R166936.

and on July 11, 2013, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street Labelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution. The above described property may be viewed up to 30 minutes prior to the scheduled sale time by contacting Lt. Andy Lewis at the Hendry County Sheriff's office. In accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-900-955-87671 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

Steve Whidden as Sheriff Hendry County, Florida By: Lt. Andy Lewis 444767 CN 6/13,20,27/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 2009CA001151

BANK OF AMERICA, Plaintiff, VS. ROBERT HERNANDEZ A/K/A ROBERT HERNANDEZ RODRIGUEZ, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated May 9, 2013 and entered in Case NO- 2009CA001151 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., is the Plaintiff and ROBERT HERNANDEZ A/K/A ROBERT HERNANDEZ RODRIGUEZ; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 17th day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE N 02 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 07 SECONDS ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAM SOUTHWEST ONE QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER, A DISTANCE OF 609.16 FEET TO THE POINT-OF-BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE N 02 DEGREES 34 MINUTES 07 SECONDS E, A DISTANCE OF 609.17 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF "A" ROAD (60' WIDE); THENCE S 84 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 15 SECONDS W ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE A DISTANCE OF 338.41 FEET TO THE WEST LINE OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF SAID SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER; THENCE S 03 DEGREES 07 MINUTES 32 SECONDS W, ALONG SAID WEST LINE A DISTANCE OF 607.90 FEET; THENCE N 85 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 58 SECONDS E, A DISTANCE OF 344.10 FEET TO THE POINT-OF-BEGINNING. ALSO KNOWN AS THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF AND RESERVING AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITIES OVER AND ACROSS THE WEST 200.00 FEET OF THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF SAID TRACT 82. A/K/A 1225 A ROAD (VACANT LOT), LABELLE, FL 33935

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within sixty (60) days after the sale. WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on June 10, 2013.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /s/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

Ronald P. Wolfe & Associates, P.L. P.O. Box 25018, Tampa, Florida 33622-5018 F10109806 COUNTRY-Conv-R-ibonin-Team 2 - F101109806 See Americans with Disabilities Act In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding. 445726 CN 6/20,27/2013

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Paul Mastrella, 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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2875, 2009, 2024329-26000020150, David T. Esquivel

Lot 15, Block 2, ENGLEWOOD TERRACE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 40, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, Labelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of July, 2013, which is the 18th day of July, 2013. Dated this 5th day of June, 2013

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court 445537 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT County of Hendry, 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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2083, 2009, 1354432-A0001690100, Rafael M Santi Quinones

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30.00 feet thereof. ALSO known as Lot No. 3758, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, Labelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of July, 2013, which is the 18th day of July, 2013. Dated this 5th day of June, 2013

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court 445525 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1567, 2008, 1154432-A0000900000, Jose A Carrasco Rossier & Aurora Guillot De Rossier

The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 15, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 80 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3155, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, Labelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of July, 2013, which is the 18th day of July, 2013. Dated this 5th day of June, 2013

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court 445522 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 716, 2009, 1274329-01000010020, DDLIS INC

Beginning as a point 625.1 feet West of the Northeast corner of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida; thence East 625.1 feet; thence South 1274.5 feet; thence West 521.2 feet; thence North 1278 feet to the Point-of-Beginning, excepting therefrom the East 30 feet for use as a perpetual road right-of-way. More commonly known as PARCEL A-2, LABELLE RANCHETTES, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, Labelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of July, 2013, which is the 18th day of July, 2013. Dated this 5th day of June, 2013

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court 445523 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

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
803	2007	1274331-0100000071	FL Hendry Land Inc.

The Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida, lying East of the West boundary of the 42 foot canal.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445518 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

**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
804	2007	1274331-0100000100	FL Hendry Land Inc.

The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter, Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida, excluding that portion lying West of the 42 foot canal. Also known as part of Lots 10 and 15, Block N.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445519 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

**REQUEST FOR BIDS**

**MOWING IN HENDRY COUNTY**

**BID NUMBER: 2013-23**

**OPENING DATE AND TIME: July 1, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.**

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for "Mowing in Hendry County". In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by July 1, 2013 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, by calling (863) 675-5220 or by email to [jmcelhane@hendryfla.net](mailto:jmcelhane@hendryfla.net).

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this Bid, or to contract for any services. There may be awards to multiple firms, possibly one per service area. The County reserves the right to reject any or all submittals received as a result of this solicitation, or to cancel in part or in its entirety this Bid, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

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

Karson Turner, Chairman  
Board of County Commissioners  
446108 CN/CB 6/20,27/2013

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **TC 10L, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
770	2010	1264329-02000020031	Tonie Marie Tolar

The East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter, less the North 25 feet and the East 20 feet for the road right-of-way, Section 26, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida. ALSO known as Lot B-4, LABELLE ACRES NO.2, an unrecorded plot

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445538 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

Public Notice

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry**, 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
2342	2009	1314433-A0000250000	Ismael Fernandez C/O Omar Fernandez

The East one-half of the Northeast 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 North 40 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 6027, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445529 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry**, 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
2192	2009	1364432-A0002460000	Lou's Properties Inc

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 4202, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445527 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

**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
802	2007	1274331-0100000021	FL Hendry Land Inc.

The Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter lying East of West boundary of 42 foot canal, Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445517 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

**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
800	2007	1274331-0100000101	FL Hendry Land Inc.

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter lying East of the right-of-way of the 42 foot canal, Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Part of Lot 10, Block M.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445516 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

Public Notice

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF AERIAL ADULT MOSQUITO TREATMENTS**

Hendry County will be conducting aerial adult mosquito control operations over the county as mosquito population levels warrant. These operations will continue throughout the remainder of the year. The treatments will be performed during evening hours, weather permitting. The insecticide to treat for adult mosquitoes is approved for application by the Environmental Protection Agency and the State of Florida. This operation will be conducted by Clarke.

If you have questions concerning this operation, please call Clarke at 800-443-2034 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm Monday through Friday.  
445727 CN 6/20/2013

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **TC 10L, LLC**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1133	2010	1224331-0100000110	Saul Medina

The Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 22, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 11, Block K, PIONEER PLANTATION, an unrecorded subdivision.

And

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 22, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 12, Block K, PIONEER SUBDIVISION, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 2013**, which is the **18th day of July, 2013**.

Dated this **5th day of June, 2013**

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court

445542 CN 6/13,20,27 & 7/4/2013

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**CASE NO: 2013-000088-CA**

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
JOSE RAFAEL SIBELLO A/K/A JOSE R. SIBELLO; NORMA SIBELLO A/K/A NORMA MARIBEL ORTEGA A/K/A NORMA E. SIBELLO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE RAFAEL SIBELLO A/K/A JOSE R. SIBELLO; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NORMA SIBELLO A/K/A NORMA MARIBEL ORTEGA A/K/A NORMA E. SIBELLO; UNKNOWN TENANT I; UNKNOWN TENANT II, and any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors, and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under any of the above-named Defendants,  
Defendants.

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: **JOSE RAFAEL SIBELLO A/K/A JOSE R. SIBELLO**  
1274 HOOKERS POINT ROAD  
CLEWISTON, FL 33440  
OR  
POE: TAMPA TANK  
5205 ADAMO DRIVE, TAMPA, FL 33619  
**UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE RAFAEL SIBELLO**  
**A/K/A JOSE R. SIBELLO** 1274 HOOKERS POINT ROAD  
CLEWISTON, FL 33440  
OR  
POE: TAMPA TANK  
5205 ADAMO DRIVE, TAMPA, FL 33619  
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS STATED, CURRENT RESIDENCE UNKNOWN  
And any unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, creditors and other unknown persons or unknown spouses claiming by, through and under the above-named Defendant(s), if deceased or whose last known addresses are unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose Mortgage covering the following real and personal property described as follows, to-wit: **A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATE PARTIALLY WITHIN THE SURVEYED, AND PARTIALLY WITHIN THE UNSURVEYED PORTION OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 34 EAST, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS FROM THE RAILROAD RAIL MONUMENT MARKING THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 23, RUN S. 58 DEGREES 29'06" E ALONG THE MEANDER LINE OF SAID SECTION 23, A DISTANCE OF 879.02 FEET TO A RAILROAD RAIL MONUMENT MARKING POINT 20 OF SAID MEANDER LINE; THENCE RUN S 73 DEGREES OF 23'24" E ALONG SAID MEANDER LINE A DISTANCE OF 765 FEET TO A POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM THIS POINT OF BEGINNING RUN S 16 DEGREES OF 36'36" W AT A RIGHT ANGLE TO SAID MEANDER LINE A DISTANCE OF 105 FEET; THENCE RUN S 73 DEGREES OF 23'24" E A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET; THENCE RUN N 16 DEGREES OF 36'36" E A DISTANCE OF 105 FEET TO THE MEANDER LINE; THENCE CONTINUE N 16 DEGREES OF 36'36" E A DISTANCE OF 26.35 FEET TO THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY OF STATE ROAD 83 RIGHT OF WAY; THENCE RUN ALONG SAID RIGHT OF WAY N 73 DEGREES OF 23'24" W A DISTANCE OF 100 FEET; THENCE RUN S 16 DEGREES OF 36'36" W A DISTANCE OF 25.97 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.**

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Alexander J. Fumagalli, Butler & Hosch, P.A., 3185 South Conway Road, Suite E, Orlando, Florida 32812 and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court on or before 30 days from the first publication, otherwise a Judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court on the 11th day of June, 2013.

**AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Dawn Oliver, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida 33935, and whose telephone number is (863) 675-5229, 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.**

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: /s/ J. J. Bevis  
Deputy Clerk

445835 CN 6/20,27/2013

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA**  
**Case No. 22-2011-CA-000107**

WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A.;  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF HOSEA GIRTMAN OWNER; UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION OF THE PROPERTY, IF ANY, JOHN JAY WATKINS, ESQUIRE, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OF HOSEA GIRTMAN DECEASED; JOSHUA A. GIRTMAN  
Defendants

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

To the following Defendant(s):

**UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, UNKNOWN SPOUSE, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF HOSEA GIRTMAN OWNER**  
**Last Known Address**  
**17660 RESERVATION RD, NE, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974-2785**

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

TRACT B, BUCKHEAD RIDGE PARK, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 28 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, LESS AND EXCEPT THOSE PORTIONS THEREOF AS CONVEYED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 184, PAGE 278 AND OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 227, PAGE 102, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA. LEGAL RECORDED IN OFFICIAL RECORDS BOOK 227, PAGE 102; COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID CORNER TRACT B, THENCE N 89°34'54" E, ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID TRACT B A DISTANCE OF 131.38 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION; THENCE CONTINUE ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID TRACT B, N 89°34'54" E, A DISTANCE OF 167.93 FEET; THENCE N 00°25'06" W A DISTANCE OF 100.00 FEET TO AN INTERSECTION WITH THE RIGHT OF WAY OF PALM STREET; THENCE ALONG AN ARC OF A CURVE OF SAID RIGHT OF WAY BEING CONCAVE IN THE NORTHEASTERLY SIDE HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.00 FEET. A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 46°20'03" AND A LONG CHORD BEARING OF N 67°11'44" W FOR A DISTANCE OF 47.21 FEET; THENCE S 45°58'17" W DISTANCE OF 172.02 FEET TO THE SAID POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION. LEGAL RECORDED IN O.R. BOOK 184, PAGE 278 IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID TRACT "B" THENCE N 60°25'06" W ALONG THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID TRACT "B" A DISTANCE OF 56.27 FEET; THENCE N 60°35'38" E A DISTANCE OF 280.38 FEET TO AN INTERSECTION WITH THE RIGHT OF WAY OF PALM STREET; THENCE ALONG AN ARC OF CURVE OF SAID RIGHT OF WAY, BEING CONCAVE IN THE WESTERLY SIDE HAVING A RADIUS OF 50.00 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 15°58'43" AN A LONG CHORD BEARING S 9°28'42" W FOR DISTANCE OF 13.90 FEET TO A POINT OF REVERSE CURVE; THENCE CONTINUING ALONG AN ARC OF A CURVE OF SAID RIGHT OF WAY BEING CONCAVE IN THE EASTERLY SIDE HAVING A RADIUS OF 5000 FEET, A CENTRAL ANGLE 61°29'47" AND A LONG CHORD BEARING OF S 13°16'49" E FOR A DISTANCE OF 61.35 FEET; THENCE S 45°58'17" W A DISTANCE OF 172.02 FEET TO AN INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID TRACT "B"; THENCE S 89°34'54" W ALONG SAID SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID TRACT "B" A DISTANCE OF 131.38 FEET TO THE SAID POINT OF BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION.  
**A/K/A 1147 LISA LANE, OKEECHOBEE, FL 34974**

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Marinosci Law Group, P.C., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 100 W. Cypress Creek Road, Suite 1045, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309 on or before July 8, 2013, a date which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the GLADES COUNTY DEMOCRAT, file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter, otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demand in the complaint.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, It is the intent of the 19th Judicial Circuit to provide reasonable accommodations when requested by qualified persons with disabilities. If you are a person with a disability who needs an accommodation to participate in a court proceeding or access to a court facility, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact: Court Administration, 250 NW County Club Drive, Suite 217, Port Saint Lucie, FL 34986; (772) 807-4370; 1-800-955-8771, if you are hearing or voice impaired.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court this 30 day of May, 2013.

SANDRA BROWN  
As Clerk of the Court  
By Tina Espinosa  
As Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:  
Marinosci Law Group, P.C.  
100 West Cypress Creek Road, Suite 1045  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309  
Telephone: (954) 643-8704  
Telefacsimile: (954) 772-9601  
444877 GCD 6/13,20/2013

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING OF EVERGLADES AGRICULTURAL AREA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION DISTRICT FOR THE ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013 - 2014**

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a public hearing by the Board of Supervisors of the Everglades Agricultural Area Environmental Protection District will be held on **Friday, July 12, 2013**, at approximately 10:00 a.m. during the Annual Landowners' Meeting, which begins at 9:00 a.m. in the University of Florida/IFAS - Everglades Research and Education Center, 3200 E. Palm Beach Road, Belle Glade, FL 33430.

The purpose of this public hearing is to hear all objections to the budget as proposed, to make such changes to the proposed budget as the Board of Supervisors deems necessary and to adopt the budget as finally approved by the Board of Supervisors for the District.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting, because of a disability or physical impairment, should contact the District's Attorney, Charles F. Schoech, at 561-655-0620 at least five (5) calendar days prior to the Meeting.

DATED this Friday, the 14th day of June, 2013  
By: Charles F. Schoech, Asst. Secretary and Counsel to the District  
446096 CN/CB 6/20,27/2013

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION  
HENDRY COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on July 10, 2013 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, La Belle, Florida, to consider the Preliminary Plat Application of River Landings (PL13-0001), a subdivision of a portion of Sections 21 and 28, Township 43 South, Range 28 East. The subdivision is located north of SR 80, south of the Caloosahatchee River, and is adjacent to the west side of the Riverbend Motorcoach RV Resort.

Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, Florida, and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

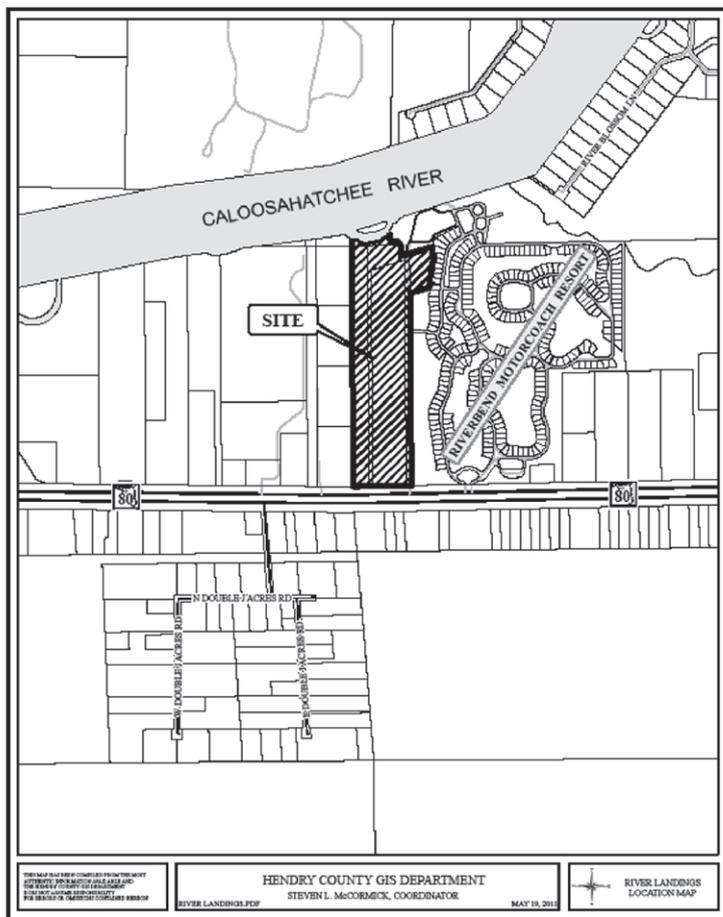
Petition Number: PL13-0001

Applicant: Tice Street, LLC, represented by Davidson Engineering

Location: 5992, 5970, 5942 West SR 80, LaBelle, FL

Property size: 30.20 acres +/-

Request: The applicant is seeking approval of a preliminary plat for a RV motorcoach development in accordance with RZ12-0007.



Orvell Howard, Chair  
Hendry County Local Planning Agency

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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
FINAL PLAT  
HENDRY COUNTY**

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a public hearing on the following petition on July 9, 2013, at 5:05 p.m., at the City of Clewiston, Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Ave, Clewiston, Florida. The Board of County Commissioners will consider whether or not to authorize the execution of the Rialto Pointe Subdivision Final Plat, a subdivision of a portion of Section 04, Township 43 South, Range 98 East. The subdivision is located on Riverbend Drive, north of the Caloosahatchee River, and is to the west of the Riverbend residential subdivision.

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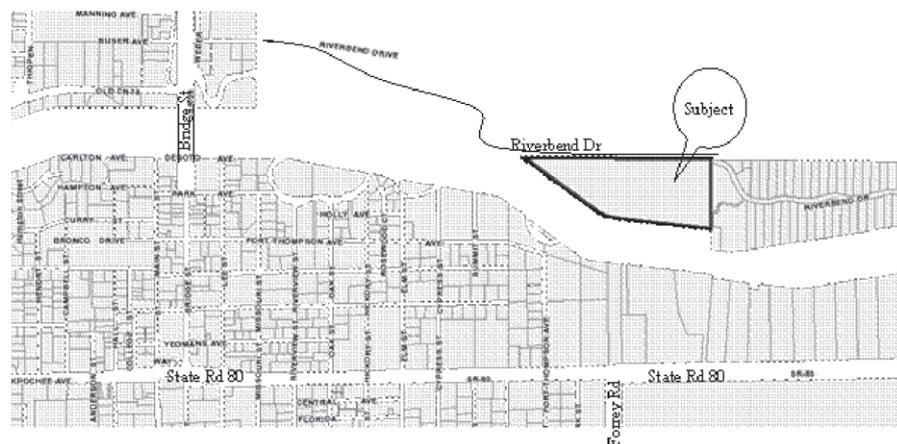
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Petition Number: PL13-0002

Applicant/Agent: TK Enterprises, LLP and Harold/Jeffrey Lazar, represented by H.L. Bennett, P.E., P.L.S. and Ms. Sherri Denning, Southern Heritage Real Estate and Investments

Location: Riverbend Drive, Labelle, FL

Property size: 29.82 +/- acres



Karson Turner, Chairman  
Hendry County Board  
of County Commissioners

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# Glades County Commission Meeting Notes

*Editor's note: The following notes on the June 11 meeting of the Glades County Commission were provided by Commissioner Donna Storter-Long.*

Glades County Board Of County Commissioners

Regular Meeting  
Tuesday, June 11, 2013 - 9 a.m.  
Call To Order / Prayer / Pledge

## Agenda Amendments

Note: Unanimous Board Action is required to amend agenda for official vote.

Agenda amended to place "Presentation by Century Link – Communications and IT capabilities" under Presentations/Awards, and add #4 Appoint Commissioner Storter to Small County Coalition

Presentations / Awards

John McGowan of Century Link presented to the Board an outline of services provided and/or available for updating the county's telephone data and voice lines. Board consensus was to allow him to assess the current equipment and come back with recommendations.

## Public Input On Agenda Items

### Public Hearings

1. Local Bidder Preference. (Richard Pringle)  
Board moved to continue the Public Hearing on Local Bidder Preference Ordinance until the June 24 meeting because Commissioner Beck's agenda packet provided in preparation of the meeting did not contain a copy of the proposed ordinance. Discussion covered the definitions/qualifications of "local" vendors, the board's exclusive decision making ability on when the preference would apply, and an explanation of how it would be calculated.

Supporting documents may be viewed at [www.myglades.com](http://www.myglades.com) BoCC Agenda "current" click on pdf icon for #1.

Consent Agenda Approved

2A. County Warrants.

2B. Approve minutes of the May 8, 2013 Special Meeting.

2C. Approve minutes of the May 28, 2013 Regular Meeting.

2D. Authorize #3210-Printer and 3626-Dell Laptop be deleted from the Property Records and declared surplus. (County Clerk Sandra Brown)

2E. First Amendment to FDOT SCOP Agreement. (County Manager)

## Business Agenda

3. Procurement Procedure Policy. (Commissioner Griffin)

Board discussed a draft procurement procedure policy that was provided to the commission before the meeting but was not in the agenda packet.

Commissioner Griffin requested the creation of a vendor list with full contact information to include both local and out-of-county vendors, said list to be provided to all departments.

County Manager said most of the purchasing was for administrative items that are not provided by any local vendor. He said he used the local vendor preference in a recent service needed for an air-conditioner repair.

Vice Chairman Storter noted some minor typo errors and suggested inserting language that placed more responsibility and authority with the county manager; she also suggested 1) restricting purchasers from restructuring a project into phases in order to allow purchases in lower limit categories and 2) insert language prohibiting county employees from accepting any gift from any vendor within the business relationship of County/Purchaser and Vendor/Seller.

Vice Chairman Storter questioned the "category" of spending authority from \$10,000 to \$50,000 in that the board has this year changed the spending authority limit from \$50,000 to \$25,000 and

any purchase over \$25,000 would require direct board involvement, approval and sealed bids.

County Manager Corbitt stated he thought the purchasing limit was \$50,000 with no specific change for the new county manager. He stated putting this out in draft form was to draw comments and also Commissioner Stanley (who was not able to be in attendance today) had emailed him some suggestions.

Chairman Echols stated he didn't want to "handcuff" the county manager and he thought his spending limit should be \$50,000. Commissioner Griffin commented that the committee that had worked on the procurement policy had agreed up to \$50,000 limit because they didn't want to "hamstring" the county.

Commissioner Beck suggested a review of prior meeting minutes to determine the spending authority change and he agreed with including Vice Chairman Storter's suggestions.

Vice Chairman Storter stated she would research and provide the language from the minutes concerning board action lowering the county manager's spending limit from \$25,000 to \$50,000. {\*\*See note at end.}

County Manager Corbitt was directed to incorporate the suggestions and corrections and to email the new draft to the commissioners, and to create an updated vendor list.

4. Appoint commissioner to Small County Coalition (Chairman Echols)

Board moved to approve Chairman Echols appointment of Commissioner Storter to the Small County Coalition [SCC] to work on the PLOt [payment in lieu of taxes] issue. Commissioners Beck and Stanley's assignment to the SCC will not change. Chairman requested a monthly update from the commissioners on the PLOt item. Vice Chairman Storter asked the county manager to include as a standing agenda item the report on the PLOt matter.

## Constitutional Officers

### County Attorney

Mr. Pringle reported on the Property Management Agreements and informed the board that two communities (Ortona and Lakeport) had signed their agreements, two (Muse and Buckhead Ridge) had conferred with him and supplied him with expected changes so he can prepare the revised agreement for signature; he said he has not heard back from Washington Park but when he last talked with Mr. Brown of Washington Park, he understood Mr. Brown was going to have to go back to his board; Pringle stated two (Indian Hills and Palmdale) had not responded at all. He said he has talked briefly with Judge Lundy about getting together with him to review the proposed agreement for the management of the Doyle Conner Building by Glades County Youth Livestock. He stated these agreements would be termed to expire Sept. 30 and then could renew maybe with revisions for the next fiscal year.

Mr. Pringle stated he has been trading language with SFWMD's Gary Ritter on the deed for the Curry Island property that Water Management has declared surplus and will be conveying to the county and he expects the deed to be signed soon.

Mr. Pringle informed the board that the foreclosure sale of the Sanford property was scheduled for July 9. He said the court had given final judgment to include our code enforcement violations lien covering our clean-up costs, accrued fines and court costs.

Mr. Pringle stated he will finish getting the Ajax (construction manager of the new Emergency Operations Center EOC) contract ready today for bidding of subcontractors and other information to come back to board with list of low bidders that they recommend, plus info on all bidders and the county will evaluate and pick the subcontractors, and ultimately amend the contract to sign with guaranteed max price.

Vice Chairman Storter stated she and Mr.

Pringle had discussed on Friday the "probable cause" hearing by the Commission on Ethics and the two complaints, one from Mr. Rutherford, and one filed for the Board by Mr. Pringle, had been combined into one. She said the investigation had been done, the Attorney General's office was notified and their advocate recommended to the Commission on Ethics that they find that there was "probable cause" that a violation of the Florida statute had occurred, which the commission voted to accept. The alleged violation issue was raised when Storter ranked and voted last September in the RFQ process for an architect to design the EOC unaware that voting for the architect was a violation for her because her son's employer may have been working with the architect.

Vice Chairman Storter stated, "This is very embarrassing to me as you know, very hard to deal with. The next step is the Commission on Ethics turns it over to the Department of Administrative Hearings." She said she was told that prior to the scheduling of a hearing, she could expect an offer of a negotiated settlement from the Attorney General Advocate; she said she did not know what that would be, but probably a fine which could be up to \$10,000 each for the ranking and voting. She again apologized to the board for her lack of knowledge when this happened and stated she was ready to put it behind her.

Mr. Pringle said he had not planned to mention it as it has not yet been released as public record. Storter told the board she would prefer to tell them herself rather than for them to hear it from someone else.

Mr. Pringle stated she had described the next steps in the process, the complaint filed for an administrative hearing or a proposed settlement agreement.

She thanked Mr. Pringle for calling the Attorney General Advocate representing the county and informing the AGA that he expected and did not want any action on the matter, that it had been taken care of, so "no harm no foul."

Commissioner Beck told Mr. Pringle that shortly after the meeting he would find out the situation with the Palmdale community group concerning the property management agreement on the community center and get back with him on it.

### County Manager

Mr. Corbitt informed the board of following up on the task of preparing the County's Industrial Park for the new training center, and said St. Onge is ready to sign the lease of five acres in the park; he said he will be meeting with Aim Engineering Wednesday to look at what they were doing-they were the initial project engineers for installation of roads and utilities.

Mr. Corbitt stated he had determined there is approximately \$121k left in the existing sewer grant that has to be encumbered and spent this year, and we are to receive additional appropriations this year in the amount of \$350k; he stated he is preparing a "first run" back by the board by the night meeting.

Chairman Echols stated at the last City County Public Works Authority (CCPWA) meeting they were informed that the money had to be encumbered by August; he said we need to work with the CCPWA to ensure that the new appropriations could be spent on utility infrastructure in the Park and there is funding in our Transportation Trust for the new roads and engineering, and then we would need to fund getting electricity in.

Corbitt stated he is working with Dale and Connie (CSA Governmental Services) to determine the exact date the funding has to be remitted for an encumbrance, and Dale had also told him there may be some funds in the city's excess funds as well.

Chairman Echols stated in his mind he thought the city had obligated themselves for \$50k for this project. Corbitt stated he has asked Dale to organize a meeting with the city and the Smith Engineering staff to get everyone on the "same page"

on the status of completion of projects and funds still encumbered. Echols stated we need to know exactly what St. Onge is planning and expecting from us.

Mr. Corbitt asked the board to select date for the budget workshop and July 11 at 9 a.m. was chosen for the first session.

Mr. Corbitt informed the board that he, Commissioner Griffin and Mary Ann Whitney (Human Resources Director) plan to attend PRM's (our insurance provider) board meeting June 20, 21 in Marco Island. He said he has not seen the agenda so he does not know if there any critical decision points at the meeting but will keep the board informed.

Vice Chairman Storter inquired of Mr. Corbitt his plans for providing custodial service for the courthouse since Shorty Garcia had tendered his contract termination. Mr. Corbitt stated he had talked with Shorty who will be taking off the month of July but had agreed to continue the service when he gets back.

## Public Input On Non-Agenda Items

Steve Dobbs thanked the board for providing funding for installation of fire hydrants in Buckhead Ridge. He said that he had learned in a recent meeting that Okeechobee Utilities Authority has not received such from Okeechobee County or City of Okeechobee. {The August 12, 2008 Minutes reflect that the BoCC authorized expending \$60,000 from the \$191,000 Buckhead Ridge Utilities fund for 10 fire hydrants and 2500 additional feet of 6-inch lines in Buckhead Ridge upon request of Public Safety Director Bob Jones, and Commissioner Giesler who stated the utility fund is designated for BHR infrastructure including fire hydrants, lights and roads. Revenue is collected by OUA in the form of a 2% franchise fee paid by BHR utility customers then remitted to the County for its discretion in pre-authorized disbursements.}

Raoul Bataller of Hendry Glades Sunday news expressed his thoughts on the local bidder's preference ordinance cautioning the board to consider demographics and proximity of Glades and Hendry Counties.

## Commissioners Items and Comments

Vice Chairman Storter stated she frequently checks the construction site of the new Ortona Community Center and with the roof on it, it looks very big; she said the community is excited about the facility and would hope to be in it in time for OCA's annual ice-cream social the end of July.

Chairman Echols commented on the fishing tournaments frequently held at Harney Pond Park and that the third boat ramp is quite rocky; he said these tournaments draw fishermen who spend more than the pros, and they need a place to weigh in their fish. He said we need to remove the rocks, smooth it out, and make sure the ramps stay in tip-top shape as Harney Pond is the most used ramp in the county for bass tournaments.

Commissioner Beck updated the board on the Harney Pond Park project stating that Larry Hilton has plans for a pavilion and construction on it could be started when the paving is finished...the state is paving the road and enlarging the parking area. Beck stated when it's finished it would be more user friendly for the tournament fishermen to get their boats in and out.

Adjourn

\*\*Review of the Minutes revealed that the board had previously voted to limit the spending authority of the County Manager to \$25,000 based on the DeSoto County spending authority list.

# Inland Birding Fun: Red-winged Blackbird (RWBL)

BY MARGARET ENGLAND  
Hendry Glades Audubon

Red-winged Blackbirds are one of the most abundant and boldly colored birds in North America. They breed in wetlands in most of the continent south of the tundra. Four of the 14 rec-

ognized North American subspecies of this bird breed in Florida.

five short “chit” or “check” notes. They make a “check” call when feeding and an intense, fast scolding “chak chak chak” when alarmed.

In inland Florida, Red-winged Blackbirds are found around freshwater ponds and marshes in rural and urban areas. Their diet consists of weed and grass seeds, grains, insects and other invertebrates. They will eat in a flock with other blackbirds, grackles, or starlings.

Males fiercely defend their territories more than a quarter of the day during breeding season. They are often seen chasing other birds, large animals, and even people. Females will also defend the nests from intruders or predators. During the breeding season, five or more females will crowd their nests into one male’s territory.

These nests are made by winding stringy plant material around stems of cattails, marsh plants, or small shrubs. The female adds wet leaves or decayed wood to the woven nest, then she plasters the inside with mud. When finished, the nest is four to seven inches across and three to seven inches deep. Three to four pale blue-green to gray eggs with black or brown markings are laid during the breeding season from March to July. In about 12 days, the blind, naked, poorly coordinated young are born, with the young fledging in nine to 10 days.

For information about the free trip to STA5 (Stormwater Treatment Area 5) July 20, go to: [www.hendrygladesaudubon.org](http://www.hendrygladesaudubon.org). Reservations are required.



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Pictured above is a Red-winged Blackbird female and chicks.

ognized North American subspecies of this bird breed in Florida.

The male is a stocky, broad, glossy blackbird with red and yellow shoulder badges. This stocky bird has a conical bill and medium-length tail. Males often show a humpback silhouette while they are perched with their tale slightly flared. Females are streaky brown with a pale breast and often have a white-ish eyebrow. Young birds resemble the female, but are paler below and have buff feather fringes. The oldest recorded Red-winged Blackbird was almost 16 years old. The Red-winged Blackbird’s song is a high whistle, with the male’s song a scratchy “conk-la-ree” and the female’s song a series of three to



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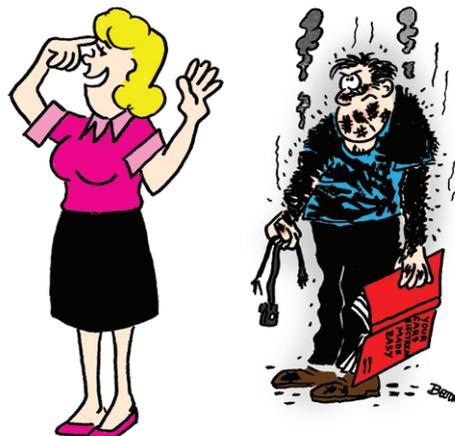
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For over 60 years, AT&T and the AT&T Foundation have been strong supporters of the United Way both at the national and local levels. On June 17, AT&T continues this legacy of support through a contribution of \$4900 to United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades. In 2013 alone, AT&T gave \$5.49 million to 562 United Ways across the country.

United Way of Lee, Hendry and Glades will use the contribution to support pro-

grams that create long-lasting change in the local community. The United Way is dedicated to improving lives by mobilizing the caring power of communities to advance the common good, as is evident from the work the United Way is doing in Southwest Florida. For example, in the past year, the organization funded summer mobile feeding at nine sites in Lee, Hendry, and Glades Counties; the We Care program that helps uninsured patients obtain vitally needed specialty medical care free of charge; The

Bridges Program to help homeless school age children get their lives back on track, and many more.

"AT&T's support helps 70 United Way Partner Agencies meet the needs of thousands of our friends and neighbors in Lee, Hendry, and Glades. Because of this gift, seniors are assisted so they can stay in their homes, the abused are given safe haven and assistance and the unemployed can receive job training and placement help. Thank you AT&T," said Cliff Smith, President of the United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades.

In addition to this contribution, each year AT&T employees take part in an employee giving campaign that provides millions of

dollars to the United Way. In 2012, AT&T employees, including employee members of the Communication Workers of America, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers and the Telecommunications International Union, pledged \$33.7 million through this campaign.

All money raised in the United Way campaign stays in the local community to help support the local human service network. The United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades has been "the way the community cares" since it was established in 1957. For more information, please call United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades at 239-433-2000 or visit [www.unitedwaylee.org](http://www.unitedwaylee.org).



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From the left are Cliff Smith, President of the United Way of Lee, Hendry, and Glades; Jennylyn Mitchell, United Way Director of Employee Campaigns; and, Matt Mucci, Regional Director External Affairs, AT&T Services, Inc.

## Arrest Report

The following individuals were arrested on felony or driving under the influence (DUI) charges by the Glades County Sheriff's Office (GCSO).

- Jodi Renee King, 36, Village St., Okeechobee, was arrested June 13 by the GCSO on a felony charge of possession of a weapon/ammunition by a convicted felon. Her bond was set at \$10,000.

- Kenneth Ray Hendry, 57, Waymen Road, Moore Haven, was arrested June 17 by the GCSO on a misdemeanor charge of driving under the influence. His bond was set at \$3,500.

- Marilyn Michele Parker, 42, Gamble St., Moore Haven, was arrested June 19 by the GCSO on a felony charge of criminal mischief. Her bond was set at \$5,000.

- Tamika Ann Green, 31, Ave. B, Moore Haven, was arrested June 19 by the GCSO on a felony charge of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon. Her bond was set at \$5,000.

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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