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 "Gator Fred" Langdale (front of boat) enjoyed an airboat ride with Billy Walker, Felinda Langdale, Linda Peeples Martin and airboat driver Hans during his visit to the Big Cypress Seminole Reservation.

'Gator Fred' enjoys a new adventure

By Linda Peeples Martin and Melissa Sherman
 Special to the Glades County Democrat

It has almost been a year since Kaleb "Fred" Langdale took a swim in the Caloosahatchee River where he almost lost his life to an 11-foot gator. He survived the incident but did lose his right arm in the attack.

He has become a local celebrity now better known as "Gator Fred" because of his quick reaction and survival skills.

"Gator Fred" has never let his loss of limb detour him from being an outdoorsman. He still does everything he loves: fishing, hunting,

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Fourth of July fireworks shows planned in area

By Katrina Elsken
 Special to the Glades County Democrat

Glades County residents won't have to go far to find a fireworks show this Fourth of July.

The City of Moore Haven and Glades County will host a community fireworks show at the Alvin Ward Boat Docks at dark on Independence Day. The event can also be viewed from the city boat docks or from the park.

Those who live in the Muse or North LaBelle area can find nearby fireworks over the Ca-

loosahatchee River. The show will begin Thursday, July 4, courtesy of the City of LaBelle, at dark at Barron Park, located at SR 29 N and the Caloosahatchee River.

Glades County residents in the Buckhead Ridge area can view a fireworks show nearby at the Okee-Tantie Recreation Area, on State Road 78 at the Kissimmee River. The Okeechobee Fraternal Order of Police will host an Independence Day Celebration at Okee-Tantie

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 Glades County residents can find Fourth of July fireworks shows around Moore Haven, LaBelle or Buckhead Ridge

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UF Targeting Malaria-Carrying Mosquitoes



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Pictured above is the Entomologist Jeff Bloomquist, a professor at the University of Florida, in his laboratory on the UF main campus. Bloomquist is part of a research team developing insecticides that kill mosquitoes but are harmless to other organisms.

BY TOM NORDLIE
IFAS News

In malaria-ridden parts of Africa, mosquito netting protects people from being infected while they sleep. Now, a University of Florida entomologist wants to improve the netting by coating it with insecticide toxic only to mosquitoes.

The insecticide would work by interfering with an enzyme found in the nervous systems of mosquitoes and many other organisms called acetylcholinesterase. Existing insecticides target the enzyme but affect a broad range of species, said entomologist Jeff Bloomquist, a professor in UF's Emerging Pathogens Institute and its Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

Acetylcholinesterase helps regulate nervous system activity by stopping electrical signaling in nerve cells. If the enzyme can't do its job, the mosquito begins convulsing and dies. The research team's goal is to develop compounds perfectly matched to the acetylcholinesterase molecules in malaria-transmitting mosquitoes, he said.

"A simple analogy would be that we're trying to make a key that fits perfectly into a lock," Bloomquist said. "We want to shut down the enzyme, but only in target species."

Malaria is spread by mosquitoes in the Anopheles genus, notably *Anopheles gambiae*, native to Africa. The disease is common in poor communities where homes may not have adequate screens to keep flying insects out.

Malaria is caused by microscopic organisms called protists, which are present in the saliva of infected female mosquitoes and transmitted when the mosquitoes bite.

Initial symptoms of the disease can include fever, chills, convulsions, headaches, and nausea. In severe cases, malaria can cause kidney failure, coma, and death. Worldwide, malaria infected about 219 million people in 2010 and killed about 660,000, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. About 90

percent of those infected lived in Africa.

Bloomquist and colleagues at Virginia Tech, where the project is based, are trying to perfect mosquito-specific compounds that can be manufactured on a large scale and applied to mosquito netting and surfaces where the pests might land.

It will take at least four to five years before the team has developed and tested a compound enough that it's ready to be submitted for federal approval, Bloomquist said.

The team recently published a study in the journal *Pesticide Biochemistry and Physiology* comparing eight experimental compounds with commercially available insecticides that target the enzyme.

Though they were less toxic to mosquitoes than commercial products, the experimental compounds were far more selective, indicating researchers are on the right track, he said.

"The compounds we're using are not very toxic to honeybees, fish, and mammals, but we need to refine them further, make them more toxic to mosquitoes and safer for nontarget organisms," he said.

In the project, Bloomquist tests experimental compounds on *Anopheles gambiae* mosquitoes, held in a quarantine facility on the UF campus. He worked at Virginia Tech for 20 years and came to UF in 2009. Bloomquist joined the project at the behest of lead investigator Paul Carlier, a professor of organic and medicinal chemistry in Virginia Tech's College of Science.

Funding for the project came from a five-year, \$3.6 million grant from the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, part of the National Institutes of Health.

In Florida, malaria was a significant problem in the early 20th century, transmitted by native *Anopheles* mosquitoes. The disease has been greatly curtailed via mosquito-control practices, but even today, cases are occasionally reported in the Sunshine State.



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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."

Glades 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.

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.

Fourth of July Fireworks planned

The City of Moore Haven and Glades County will once again host a community Fourth of July fireworks show at the Alvin Ward boat ramps on July 4 at dark. Fireworks may be viewed from the boat ramp area or from the city dock or the city park.

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 4:15p.m. Closed on Fridays. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 946-0811 for assistance

First responder classes set

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.

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 Calusahatchee River. These shirts can be purchased for \$5 each at 805 US 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.

Outreach program available to Glades County veterans

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.

Register for Special Needs Shelter in advance of storms

The Glades County Special Needs Program is a SPACE LIMITED shelter program, created for people in the community that have special needs. The PSN 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 PSN 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 or contact Glades County Emergency Management at 863-946-6020 for an application.

Mortgage Assistance program available in Glades County

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 and use the referral code 85087 so you can be assisted by ONPH.

Church invites all to services

Buckhead Ridge Baptist Church, 1731 Hunter Road, would like to announce they now have a full-time Pastor, Pastor Arlen Cook. They invite everyone to attend services: Sunday School 9:45 a.m., worship service 11 a.m. and Sunday evening at 6 p.m.; Wednesday evening service at 7 p.m., with supper starting at 6 p.m. Everyone is welcome to join in worship.

Westergaard House available for club and private 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.

ACT offers counseling and related services

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

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.

Red Cross needs volunteers

The American Red Cross needs volunteers in Glades County to help provide services to county residents. American Red Cross services include Disaster Services, Service to the Armed Forces, Health and Safety Services, International and Diversity Services. Your community needs you! The Glades County Emergency Management Office is working with the American Red Cross to recruit volunteers for shelter operations and disaster services. If you are interested, please contact John Cain at 239-278-3401.

Protect Yourself from Dehydration, Heat Exhaustion or Heat Stroke

BY PATRICIA DOBBINS

Hendry County Department of Health

As we head into the summer, temperatures will continue to rise. The Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties want you to be aware of the signs and symptoms of heat exhaustion and heat stroke. Heat exhaustion and heat stroke become more common in very humid environments. High humidity reduces the

effectiveness of sweating and cooling the body. To avoid becoming dehydrated, it is important to drink plenty of fluids -- especially water -- even if you don't feel thirsty. Signs of dehydration include thirst, weakness, nausea, muscle cramps, headache, and feeling dizzy or light-headed.

Warning signs of heat exhaustion can vary, but may include the following: heavy sweating, paleness, muscle cramps, tiredness or weakness, dizziness and/or fainting, headache, nausea or

vomiting, your skin may be cool and moist, your pulse rate may be fast and weak, and/or your breathing may be fast and shallow.

When heat exhaustion is untreated, it may progress to heat stroke. Try to cool off and seek medical attention if symptoms get worse or if the symptoms last longer than one hour.

Here are some ways to help prevent heat exhaustion or heat stroke: drink lots of water or drink cool, non-alcoholic beverages, wear

lightweight and light-colored clothing, seek an air-conditioned location when possible, take a cool shower or bath, do not engage in strenuous activities when you know temperatures are at high levels.

Plan ahead. If you know that you will be outside for extended periods of time, please be sure to have water available. Get into the habit of drinking water throughout the day -- not just when you feel like you have a dry mouth.

Retirement Plan Tips for Conservative Savers

Whether you're a risk taker or a more conservative saver, retirement planning should be a top priority. Taking charge of your savings, regardless of your life stage or savings style, can help to ensure you get "to" and "through" retirement and live the lifestyle you think is right for you.

If you have an employer-sponsored retirement plan, experts say that you can benefit by taking a closer look at your account to explore ways to combat risk and protect savings for the future.

"No matter what kind of saver you are, connecting with a retirement consultant or financial professional can help restore confidence in your retirement plan," says Chuck Cornelio, President of Retirement Plan Services at Lincoln Financial Group. "These individuals will review your risk preferences, as well as what's available within your plan to help you map out a path to retirement that is right for you."

Consider the following five tips that can help you manage risk and volatility within an employer-sponsored account, like a 401(k) or 403(b):

Know your plan: Many options within an employer-sponsored plan are designed to offer capital protection and volatility management.

Some can accommodate changing market conditions, seeking to protect growth as the market fluctuates and defend against losses.

Knowing what investment options are available to you is the first step to protecting your savings.

Consider lifestyle options: Your risk tolerance may change over time based on how many years away you are from retirement.

For example, investments known as target date funds are designed to manage risk over time without moving assets out of a retirement portfolio, so participants always stay invested. The flexibility of these funds can cover a broad range of risk tolerance.

Explore in-plan guarantee options: Some features in today's retirement plans include guaranteed income options that can provide savers with a steady income stream in retirement, while also offering protection against

downturns in the market.

Review your investments: Ask your employer about retirement planning education, online tools or one-on-one support to get a better handle on whether your investment strategy is in line with your overall retirement goals, as well as your risk tolerance. Take advantage of all the resources available to you.

Stay the course: A common mistake people make is letting their emotions lead to actions.

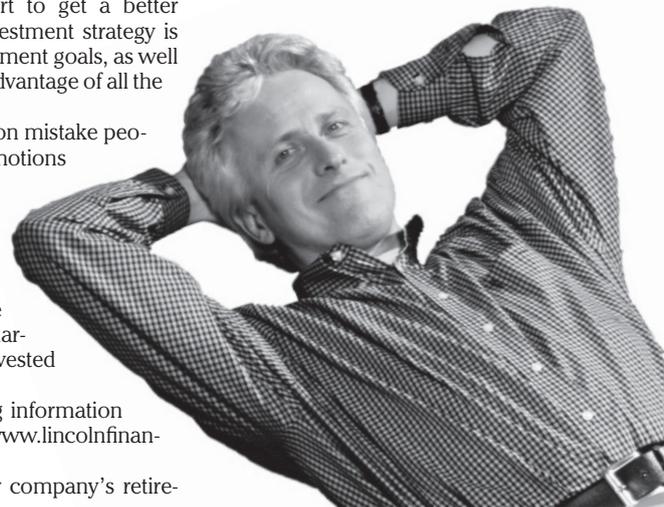
Resist the temptation to move out of your investments into areas you think are more stable.

The best way to prepare for retirement is to ride the market's waves and remain invested for the long-term.

More retirement planning information and tools can be found at www.lincolffinancial.com.

If you're enrolled in your company's retire-

ment plan, remember to stay on track to be better prepared for the years ahead.



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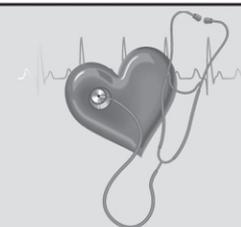
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Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

ACROSS

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- 4 Like a male lion
- 9 Sits for a portrait
- 14 Popeye's Olive
- 15 Clamorous
- 16 Posthaste
- 17 Longtime Elton John label
- 18 Eschew punishment, in an old saw
- 20 With, in France
- 22 Movie-rating org.
- 23 Santa __ winds
- 24 Positive particle
- 26 Carson's sidekick
- 29 Really puzzling
- 32 Currency-stabilizing org.
- 33 Geography suffix
- 34 Part of Columbus's fleet
- 37 "Toy Story" space ranger
- 42 What there oughta be
- 43 Luau souvenir
- 44 "I hate it!"
- 46 Athletics group for kids
- 51 Not as tidy
- 54 Shaving aid
- 55 Refugees' subj.
- 56 Key __ pie
- 59 Tornado-riding dog
- 60 From afar, and how 18-, 29-, 37- and 46-Across literally end
- 64 " __ Got a Secret"
- 66 "Rosemary's Baby" author Ira
- 67 Perfumer's compound
- 68 Yet, poetically
- 69 Amens
- 70 Unfeeling
- 71 Monopoly quartet: Abbr.

DOWN

- 1 Half a tuba sound
- 2 Bart Simpson's "Holy cow!"
- 3 Likely to evoke yums
- 4 The Phillie Phanatic, e.g.
- 5 Alsatian dadaist

- 6 Linguist
- 7 O.K. Corral gunfighter
- 8 Imagined
- 9 The other half of a tuba sound
- 10 Uncover, poetically
- 11 "Adia" singer
- 12 Prefix appealing to frugality
- 13 Car buyer's choice
- 19 Dial on a dash
- 21 Takeoff approx.
- 24 21st Greek letter
- 25 "Joy to the World," e.g.
- 27 When repeated, a 1987 #1 hit for Billy Idol
- 28 Lille lady friend
- 30 "F" that most school kids look forward to: Abbr.
- 31 It's measured in degrees
- 35 Less deserving of a Christmas present?

- 36 Have a debate about
- 38 Microwaves
- 39 Düsseldorf duo
- 40 Giggle in an IM
- 41 Cash drawer
- 45 Seagoing pronoun
- 47 Skinny swimmers
- 48 Puts pen to paper
- 49 Place to grab a bite
- 50 From __ Z
- 51 __-mouthed: indirect
- 52 Lauder of lipstick
- 53 Some Balkan natives
- 57 Sail support
- 58 Opposite of ecto-
- 61 Backgammon cube
- 62 "I know people" people
- 63 100 yrs.
- 65 USNA grad

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Religion Column

Puppy Biscuits, Robin Hood, Ananias and Sapphira

BY REVEREND SAMUEL S. THOMAS, PH.
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Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

Sometimes our dog is reluctant to eat her dinner. She is accustomed to eating it in the living room from her bowl near the television. If another dog appears on the TV screen, she'll bark and eat all that has been set before her.

I've concluded that she feels the TV is a large window. She'll even smell behind it looking for that other dog from time to time. We've asked her if she'd like to share her dinner with those other dogs; apparently, and emphatically, not!

There have been times when she didn't particularly like what was set before her. I'll flip through channels to see if I can find a dog in an advertisement to "motivate" her and it usually works. The thought of sharing doesn't fit well with her canine instincts. Apparently, that's so with humans, as well. I've seen kindergarten children being chided by a teacher to share toys or share their cookies; they never seem to be overjoyed at the prospect of parting with something for the benefit of another.

Adults also do not seem to look at sharing as an opportunity to help for the most part. This is a learned act of charity that does not seem to be ours just from our natural instincts. Nevertheless, the human instinct to be compassionate when we see someone who is hurting or defenseless has moved all of us from time to time. It's harder when people are not in our presence, unknown to us personally, or maybe even thought to be unworthy of our help. My ministry is an attempt to be "wise as serpents and innocent as doves" when it comes to using the resources entrusted to me to share.

There is a call to be a "cheerful giver" – God loves them (2 Corinthians 9:7) and that we should give something we decide on giving without reluctance or compulsion (ibid). A more drastic account is reported in Acts 4 and 5: Things were going well for the "believers" and they shared what they had; nobody claiming possessions for their own (Acts 4:32ff).

Then there were no needy persons among them (v.34), but all did not live happily ever after. One couple, Ananias and his wife Sapphira sold a piece of land but decided to keep some of the money for themselves (Acts 5:1ff). Historians report that this kind of sharing was practiced for a short time and this kind of "communitistic" system only in limited places.

What seemed to be the problem was not the "holding back," but the deceit. Ananias might have said "We're saving for our children's education" or "We're putting aside something for our old age," followed by "...but here's the rest." But they did not; apparently, being able to share more but saying to themselves "too bad for the needy!"

The message: "Share what you have to share, but don't be greedy or deceitful about it." Somewhere between Robin Hood (who stole -- that's right, stole -- from the rich and distributed) and Ananias and Sapphira, comes a message of sharing; being a joyful giver. After all, sharing means you do keep something for yourself too. The question is "How much?" and the answer is "Let your conscience be your guide."

Now, every once and awhile, my dog will bring me one of her puppy biscuits. She doesn't have to do that; it's an act of pure charity on her part. Apparently, she doesn't recognize that I don't need any more food, or that I may not really want it.

I pretend to eat it, then give it back. Affection and sharing are closely linked -- I'm grateful at that moment that I'm not one of the dogs on TV or I'd be out of luck. At any rate, she has shown me something about sharing what I have. If she can do it, so can I. So can we all.



SAMUEL S. THOMAS

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Patricia Ann Bickers

McQueen, 83

CLEWISTON — Patricia Ann Bickers McQueen was born March 26, 1930 in Indianapolis and passed away at home on Sunday June 23, 2013 surrounded by her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Herman and Cleste Seamon Bickers; her husband of 57 years, Robert D. McQueen Sr; her grandson, Thomas Q. McQueen; her brothers, Wesley Bickers Sr., Charles Bickers, and her sister, Gertrude Day.

She is survived by her loving sister, Betty Husson; seven precious children, Carolyn Sharp, Robert (Lynette) McQueen, Donald (Monika) McQueen, Nancy (Ronald) Butler, John (Maryann) McQueen, Larry (Robin) McQueen and Patricia L. McQueen; 20 grandchildren; 23 great grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

During her working life, Pat was employed at the Circle Theater where she met her future husband. She also worked at Western Electric (until she went to lunch). Pat was the school bus driver at St. Roch School, for the Roncalli High School band, and extra school activities. She retired after working at the Indianapolis International Airport as a transit security agent. Pat was a member of St. Roch Catholic Church for more than 45 years and was a winter member of St. Joseph the Worker Catholic Church in Moore Haven, Florida for over 20 years. She was a devoted mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and a selfless volunteer as evidenced by her contributions to mercy meals, cleaning the church, volunteering at St. Roch School and Roncalli High School, democratic precinct committee chair person for Perry Township, working at bingo and serving as a Eucharistic Minister.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday June 27, 2013 at 10 a.m. in St. Roch Church. Friends may call on Wednesday from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at Daniel F. O' Riley Funeral Home where morning prayers will be said on Thursday at 9:30 a.m. prior to Mass.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Roch Church Memorial Fund. Online condolences may be shared with the family at orileyfuneralhome.com.

Julie Pinter, 82

MOORE HAVEN — Julie Pinter passed away June 22, 2013 in Lehigh Acres.

She was the daughter of Vincent and Lena Csi-ti.

She married Joseph J. Pinter; he preceded her in death.

She was a real estate manager for many years. She is survived by her son Joseph and his wife Sylvia; her daughter Susan Karkowski and her husband Jack; grandchildren Joseph Jr and his wife Ana, Donna, William, Julianne, Sarah; along with her many great grandchildren; nieces; nephews and many local, national and international friends.

We would like to thank her dear friends and neighbors for all their help throughout her illness.

We will miss her dearly.

Cremation arrangements are incomplete with Akin-Davis Funeral Home.

Calixto Garcia-Iniguez, 88

BELLE GLADE — Our dear father, born April 5, 1925 in Havana, Cuba, passed away on Monday, June 17, 2013.

He was pre-deceased by his wife of 54 years, Lucia Garcia-Iniguez.

Calixto is survived by his daughters, Lucy (Monte) Marshall of St. Louis, Mo., Rose (Rodi) Bowen of Tampa, Fla and Mercedes (Mark) Motzer of Tampa, Fla. He leaves behind six grandchildren Heather (Dave) Andrews, Christine (Andy) Steiner, Cindy Marshall, Kyle Marshall, Blake Motzer, and Andrew Motzer and one great-grandchild Conrad Steiner. He is also survived by his three beloved brothers Carlos Garcia-Iniguez of Miami, Fla and Justo Garcia-Iniguez of Pembroke Pines, Fla, and Rafael Garcia-Iniguez of Houston, Texas.

He was an agronomist who contributed greatly to the Glades sugarcane community and enjoyed spending time outdoors. Our father also leaves many friends and co-workers from the Belle Glade & West Palm Beach area – too many to mention but very dear to us. He will be greatly missed by all. He was an inspiration to all who met him and because of him, the world is a better place.

A visitation will be held on Friday, June 21, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Palms West Funeral Home. The Funeral Mass will follow at 2 p.m. at St. Rita Catholic Church in Wellington, Fla.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that contributions can either be made to the LifePath Hospice or Alzheimers Association.

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"Syngenta is committed to investing in the future of agriculture in Florida. We believe that encouraging our best and brightest to pursue agricultural degrees is the key to finding solutions for the challenges facing modern agriculture," said Mary DeMers, Syngenta vegetables portfolio communications lead. "We're excited to read about the innovative, new marketing strategies that scholarship applicants envision for the produce industry."

The \$5,000 scholarship opportunity is available to students who meet one of these requirements: any high-school senior participating in Florida 4-H or FFA programs who will attend either the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at the University of Florida; the College of Engineering Sciences, Technology and Agriculture at Florida A&M University; or the Horticultural Science program at Florida Southern College in the fall.

Any student (graduate or undergraduate) enrolled in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences at the University of Florida; the College of Engineering Sciences, Technology and Agriculture at Florida A&M University; or the Horticultural Science program at Florida Southern College are also eligible to apply.

As part of the application, students will be asked to submit a marketing plan (750 words or less) demonstrating how to drive demand and sales of Florida fruit and vegetables to tech-savvy consumers.

Applications are due by August 16, 2013, and can be submitted online at www.SyngentaFFV-AScholarship.com or sent to:

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Please feel free to contact Bonnie Thomas directly if you have any questions about the scholarship information included below or you would like additional details.

The winner will be announced in September and presented with the scholarship during the FFVA 70th Annual Convention at The Ritz-Carlton in Amelia Island, Fla., Sept. 24.

Avoiding Student Loan Debts

With college costs skyrocketing, more college students are waking to the realization that they are trapped under massive debt. It doesn't have to be this way, say experts.

The numbers are staggering, as 65 percent of student loan borrowers misunderstand or are surprised by aspects of their student loans, according to studies. And student loans account are the most common form of increasing debt among ages 18-24, with 60 percent of students graduating with an average of \$24,572.45 in student loan debt.

Students are not being taught enough financial responsibility, say experts at Lexington Law,

a leading provider of consumer credit correction services. Only four states require a class in financial education. As such, many educators are urging greater financial education requirements.

In the meantime, there are things students can do to avoid getting buried under debt. A recent survey revealed that one in three graduates would have pursued one of the following, if they could do it all again: scholarships, financial aid, start saving earlier, pursue higher paying major, and working while in college.

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Survey Reveals Floridians Conflicted about Immigrants

BY MICKIE ANDERSON
IFAS News

Floridians have negative feelings about undocumented immigrants, but an overwhelming majority favor policy that would allow such immigrants a path to U.S. citizenship, a new University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences survey suggests.

The survey of 507 Floridians found that although many see undocumented immigrants as threats to their economic well-being and personal safety, they still had "pockets" of sympathetic views toward those trying to establish themselves as U.S. residents, said Tracy Irani, director of the UF/IFAS Center for Public Issues Education, or PIE Center, the research group that led the study.

"They definitely have some concerns and some less favorable perceptions about undocumented immigrants, but despite that, still, the majority feels positively about there being some pathway toward citizenship for undocumented immigrants," Irani said. "To me, that's the big takeaway."

Jack Payne, UF's senior vice president for agriculture and natural resources, said the immigration survey results point out precisely why the university must take a leading role in studying immigration and educating the public about the pros and cons of immigration reform.

"To solve an issue, you must understand that issue," Payne said. "Immigration is a critical issue for Floridians – it's affecting agriculture, which is a key economic driver in our state, it affects our public schools, and our health care system ... we can't separate ourselves from it."

Irani said the study found significant knowledge gaps about current and pending immigration policy.

Among those gaps, many respondents knew that undocumented immigrants often work in agriculture or outdoor industries, such as construction or roofing, but only six percent of respondents knew that many work in the hospital-ity industry.

About 58 percent of respondents did not know that babies born in the U.S. to undocumented immigrants are automatically granted U.S. citizenship.

And more than half of the survey's respondents were unaware of the E-Verify system being considered as a mandatory check to see if potential employees are authorized to work in the United States, she said.

73 percent of survey respondents said they believe undocumented immigrants are a burden on the economy more than an asset, and 58 percent of respondents agreed with the statement "undocumented immigrants reduce the number of good jobs for Americans."

Despite those negative feelings, 85 percent said the government should either allow undocumented immigrants to remain in the U.S. and eventually become citizens or require them to leave and return and become citizens only if they meet specific requirements.

Only 15 percent said they would prefer the government to force undocumented immigrants out of the U.S. permanently.

The survey showed that 44 percent of respondents reported knowing someone who came to the U.S. in the last 10 years, either documented



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or undocumented. 39 percent of those said they consider that person a friend.

Survey respondents were asked to assign levels of importance to a number of topics, and immigration was not among their chief concerns.

Only 70 percent of respondents reported it as extremely or highly important, dead last behind the economy, health care, water, the federal budget deficit, housing, K-12 education and higher education.

The survey respondents were selected as a demographically representative sample of adult Florida residents. This is the second of four surveys PIE Center officials hope to conduct every year to track public sentiment over time. Besides immigration, the other topics include water, endangered species, and perceptions about organic and non-organic foods and agricultural practices used to grow them.



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Petition Number: VC13-0001

Resolution Number: RES2013-31

NOTICE is hereby given that on the 28th day of May, 2013, the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida adopted Resolution No. 2013-31. The effect of this Resolution is to vacate the public's interest in the right-of-way or portion of right-of-way legally described as follows:

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

- The entire un-vacated portion of Maple Street, as depicted in the subdivision known as LaBelle Estates which is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 32 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
- The portion of Washington Avenue which extends from the westerly right-of-way of Maple Street to the southerly extension of the east line of Lot 22, Block 2, as depicted in the subdivision known as LaBelle Estates which is recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 32 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Karson Turner, Chairman

Hendry County Board of County Commissioners

Corps helps make Florida panther corridor a reality

By Erica Skolte
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Sometimes it really does take a village to accomplish an important goal. Numerous partner agencies, non-governmental organizations and ranchers came together in La-Belle recently to celebrate the acquisition of the American Prime property one year ago, and to chart the path forward. The purchase of this "keystone tract," now known as the Lone Ranger Forge, preserved a vital corridor for natural expansion of the endangered Florida panthers. The movement of the animals northward is considered to be one of the keys to the continued recovery of the species.

Panther scientists estimate that there are only 100 to 140 Florida panthers remaining in the wild, and the last remaining breeding population of Florida panthers is in south Florida, south of the Caloosahatchee River.

Though their home ranges are fairly large, female panthers tend to stay close to where they were born. When males mature, they naturally disperse. Historically, this was

a wonderful natural strategy for maintaining genetic diversity, as males could introduce fresh genetic material as they bred with small pockets of related females throughout the southeastern part of the country. With breeding populations in more than one area, there is less competition for prey, mates and territory, and intra-specific aggression, a leading cause of death second only to vehicle collisions, is reduced. And if there are separate populations in different locations, it is easier for the species to recover from the effects of a natural disaster or a disease outbreak.

Though there have been numerous stories of panthers with kittens north of the Caloosahatchee, none have been confirmed by panther scientists. However, maintaining a path for panthers to migrate to other areas is of the utmost importance.

The areas east and west of Lake Okeechobee were not previously connected; today, one may cross the state from the Atlantic Ocean to the Gulf of Mexico on the Okeechobee Waterway. In the late 1800s, the headwaters of the Caloosahatchee River

were connected to the west side of Lake Okeechobee via a three-mile canal at the Moore Haven Lock and Dam. On the east side of Lake Okeechobee, the St. Lucie canal was cut at the Port Mayaca Lock and Dam, connecting the lake to the St. Lucie River. This presented a problem for the northward movement of panthers, in that they had to cross a wide body of water and climb steep banks caused by channelization.

Still, panther biologists have tracked the movement of male panthers with radio collars across the Caloosahatchee River in one key area. Animals don't move randomly through the wild; even creatures of different species tend to move through certain areas more frequently than others, sometimes even creating trails. The panthers coming out of south Florida seemed to be traveling along the edges of a natural waterway, and then following an agricultural ditch to a narrow spot along the Caloosahatchee River. It was this area that was identified as most important to preserve and protect, so that panthers could continue to move northward in the future.

Just how special is this spot? During the meeting, neighboring ranchers Chris Asplundh and Dwayne House, provided some perspective on just how important this area is – though few people have been lucky enough to get a glimpse of a Florida panther in the wild, Mr. House and Mr. Asplundh say they see panthers in the area almost every week.

The 1,278-acre Lone Ranger Forge property where the ditch is located, fronts a narrow section of the Caloosahatchee River that is about 92 feet wide, only a few miles west of the Ortona Lock and Dam. The complex purchase of this key property last year, with an incredible number of moving parts, extraordinarily tight deadlines, and multiple legal and funding issues, was brought to a successful conclusion at the eleventh hour, due only to dedication and combined efforts of many individuals and groups working together to achieve a common goal.

Larry Williams, field supervisor for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, South Florida Ecological Services office in Vero Beach, explained "We have a lot of momentum right now, and we want to keep that momentum going," he said. Williams also announced the formation of a new panther recovery implementation team.

There were several other presentations during a recent celebratory meeting to highlight everything that had gone on behind the scenes to make this important acquisition a reality, and to illustrate the work that

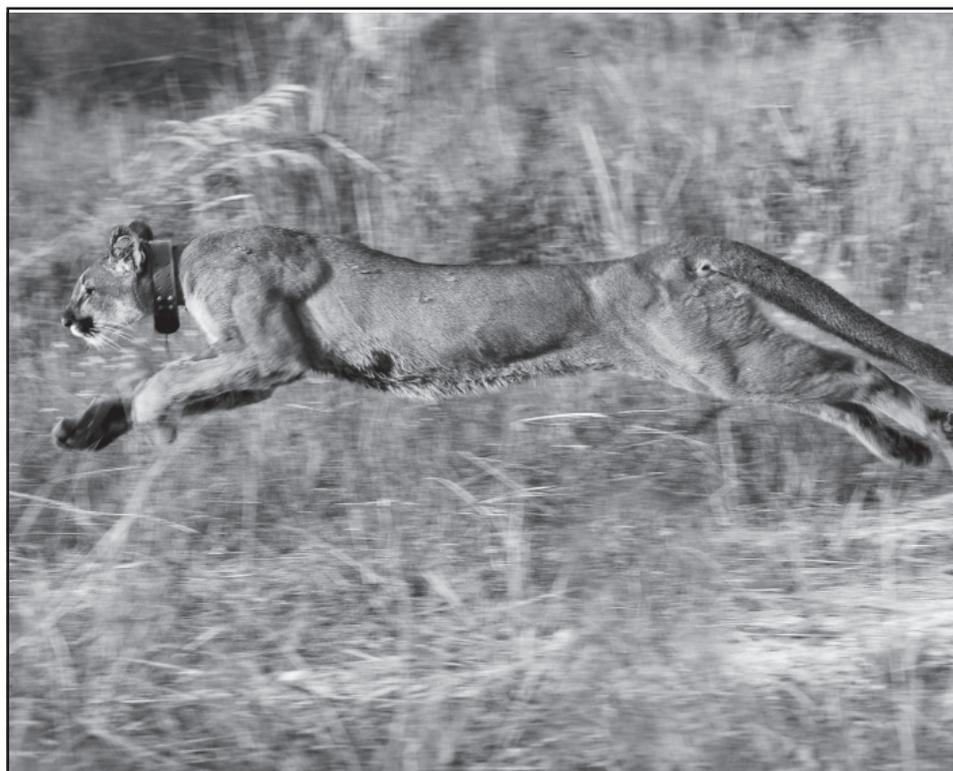
must still be done to restore and manage the property. Part of the meeting was dedicated to recognizing the many individuals at multiple organizations and agencies that played a part in the eventual success of what often seemed a near-impossible undertaking.

Tunis McElwain, Fort Myers regulatory section chief, represented the corps team members at all levels who collectively prepared the necessary documents to facilitate the easement exchange required to set the stage for the purchase.

Susan Waichulis, regulatory project manager in the Fort Myers office, was the Corps' first "boots on the ground" representative at the beginning of the project. She accepted an award for her contribution to moving the project forward.

"This is very exciting," said Ms. Waichulis. "I was privileged to represent the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and meet everyone for the site visit, and then complete the jurisdictional determination in June 2011."

"The Corps values our partnerships with other federal and state agencies," said McElwain. "Establishment of the panther corridor shows just how important these partnerships are and underscores the fact that innovative problem solving can make a tremendous difference to the south Florida ecosystem. The employees recognized today represent a broad cross-section of the corps team who worked to make the corridor a reality."



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Glades County Arrest Report

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

• Raul Ramirez Benavidez, 47, Ave. E, Moore Haven, was arrested June 12 by the GCSO on a felony charge of failure to regis-

ter as a sex offender. He is being held without bond.

• Albert Lewis Hester, 20, Tridad Apartments, Clewiston, was arrested June 13 by the GCSO on felony charges of possession of a weapon by a convicted felon and aggravated assault with a weapon. His bond was set at \$45,000.

• Arthur Tishion Harrington, 18, Georgia Ave., Clewiston, was arrested June 13 by the GCSO on a felony charge of possession of a weapon/ammunition by a convicted felon.

His bond was set at \$10,000.

• Jodi Renee King, 36, E. 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.

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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Keep Pets, Livestock Away from False Parasol Mushrooms

BY TOM NORDLIE
IFAS News

Dogs are notorious for eating just about anything, and the nastier, the better -- which is why a University of Florida expert is advising canine owners to keep an eye out for poisonous mushrooms as summer approaches.

One particularly common species is known scientifically as *Chlorophyllum molybdites* and often called the false parasol, said mycologist Matthew E. Smith, an assistant professor with UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences. The large, light-colored fungus grows in grassy areas, such as lawns, throughout the Eastern United States and in California.

"Mushrooms can grow very quickly, so it's important to be observant," Smith said. "If you have a puppy or a dog, you should check the yard before you let the dog out, or supervise it when it goes outside." Though poisoning cases are rare, the false parasol causes intense gastrointestinal distress in people and may be deadly to dogs and horses. Puppies and adult dogs that like to chew are especially at risk for ingesting the fungus.

The false parasol is easy to spot against a grassy background. White or tan, it has a domed or flat cap and a thick stem; at maturity it may be several inches tall. Colonies often grow in circles, called "fairy rings."

Smith suggests that animal owners learn to identify the species, check their property often and destroy the mushrooms if they appear where animals might eat them.

When a veterinarian suspects mushroom poisoning, Smith is sometimes called upon to identify any fungus fragments that have been recovered.

It's not an easy or pleasant task, but Smith said he's glad when he can give owners helpful information. He's been involved in 10 to 15 cases of suspected mushroom poisoning in dogs since arriving at UF about 18 months ago.

Photographs can aid identification, he said, especially if they show intact specimens and the area where the fungus grew.

False parasols are responsible for more human poisonings than any other U.S. mushroom species, but they are seldom cited in animal poisonings, said Michael Beug, a professor emeritus with The Evergreen State College in Olympia, Wash., and a noted mushroom expert.

Hard statistics on dog poisoning cases are kept by the North American Mycological Society, and their records from 1980 to the present include just three cases with the false parasol.

However, Beug noted that when he hears about a case of mushroom poisoning in an animal from Florida, it invariably involves the false parasol.

"*C. molybdites* can be pretty devastating," Beug said. "Especially if it's eaten raw, which is the way dogs eat them." There's generally not much that veterinarians can do for afflicted dogs except provide intravenous fluids and palliative care to reduce distress and discomfort.

Fido isn't the only animal potentially in danger: Livestock are at risk, too.

Grazing animals such as horses may consume wild mushrooms accidentally as they browse on grass and other forages. Horses suspected of consuming false parasols should receive immediate veterinary care.

Smith's overall advice: Discourage dogs from investigating wild mushrooms.

"And don't let your dog eat any mushrooms, even supermarket ones," he said.



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Pictured above are six examples of the mushroom *Chlorophyllum molybdites*, which is toxic to people, dogs and horses.



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Pictured above is expert Matthew E. Smith and his dog Pica encountering a toxic mushroom.



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Students Working Against Tobacco

Glades County fifth graders (photos above and below) enjoyed an end-of-year celebration at West Glades School on June 5 in Ms. Tindall's room courtesy of the SWAT club. SWAT encourages everyone to help beat big tobacco. (Photo at right) Monica Leavy received an award for perfect attendance at the SWAT celebration.



Tips for avoiding heat injury

Beat the heat this summer while having fun in the sun.

With the temperatures rising during the summer months throughout Florida, the Department of Health urges people to take steps to prevent heat-related illnesses such as heat stress, exhaustion and stroke. More than 3,000 people are seen in emergency rooms each year for heat-related illnesses.

Heat exhaustion can develop after exposure to high temperatures and not drinking enough water. Those who are most vulnerable to heat exhaustion are the elderly, infants and small children with medical conditions such as high blood pressure, and individuals working or exercising in a hot environment.

Warning signs of heat exhaustion vary, but may include:

- Heavy sweating;
- Paleness;
- Muscle cramps;
- Tiredness;
- Weakness;
- Dizziness;
- Headache;
- Nausea or vomiting;
- Fainting;
- Moist and cool skin;
- Fast and weak pulse; or
- Fast and shallow breathing.

If heat exhaustion is suspected, cooling measures that may be effective include:

- Drinking cool, non-alcoholic beverages as directed by a physician;
- Resting in an air-conditioned environment;
- Taking a cool shower, bath or sponge bath.

If left untreated, heat exhaustion may progress to heat stroke, which occurs when the body becomes unable to control its temperature. Immediately seek medical attention if any of these symptoms are present:

- Hot, dry skin or profuse sweating;
- Throbbing headache;
- Confusion/dizziness;
- Hallucinations;
- Chills;
- High body temperature; or
- Slurred speech.

Tips for preventing heat related illness include:

- Drink plenty of fluids that don't contain alcohol or large amounts of sugar. Limit sodas because of the added sugar and caffeine. Sweat is 99 percent water, so when you exercise or play, you lose water. Don't wait until you are thirsty to drink fluids and always make sure your water is clean.
- Limit outside activity to morning and evening hours.

Be cautious and stay out of the sun when exercising between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Children and persons with health problems should stay in the coolest available place.

- Rest often in shady areas, or remain inside in an air conditioned space.
- Dress for summer by wearing lightweight, light-colored and loose fitting clothing to reflect heat and sun. Wear wide-brimmed hats to shade the sun.
- Protect your eyes and skin by wearing sunglasses and sunscreen. Use sunscreens with SPF 15 or higher that protect against both UVA and UVB rays.
- Do not leave children or pets in an unattended vehicle because the temperature can reach 135 degrees in less than ten minutes.

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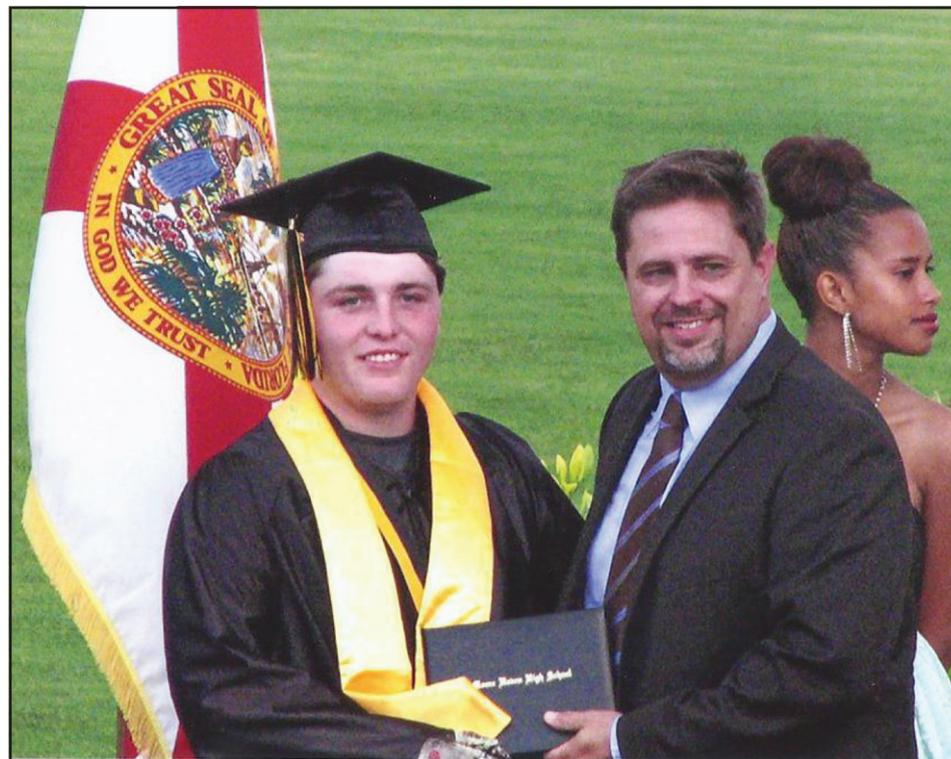
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“Gator Fred” enjoyed a helicopter ride. Fred joked that the last time he was in a helicopter (being taken by Medivac to the hospital) he did not get to see much.



Special to the Glades County Democrat
Losing his right arm to an alligator attack last summer did not stop Fred Langdale from successfully completing his senior year and graduating with his class from Moore Haven High School. At right is Superintendent of Schools Scott Bass.

FRED

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wake boarding and has become a great shot with his firearms. He continues to weld and modified his favorite equipment by making foot steering for his airboat and changed the controls on his 4-wheeler so he can drive it left handed.

He accomplished a lot this year, from getting acquainted with his prosthetic arm and graduating high school.

Seminole Tribe Councilman Manuel “Mondo” Tiger was moved by his unconquered spirit and invited Gator Fred to a Seminole adventure on the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation to celebrate his year of achievements.

The Seminoles have a long history with alligator wrestling, but Fred credits his quick reaction to a popular gator reality show. “When the alligator was a few inches from my face I grabbed the gator under the jaw and pushed up,” he explained. The alligator did get hold of his arm and went into a death roll; Fred held on tight and eventually put his feet on top of the gator’s mouth and was able to break free from the gator’s grasp, unfortunately without his arm. He quickly made it to the bank and used a spider web to stop the bleeding before the paramedics arrived. He was airlifted to the hospital where he stayed for six days.

A year after the alligator attack, when Fred and his Mother Felinda Langdale arrived on the Big Cypress Indian Reservation they thought they were going to just go for a buggy and airboat ride at Billie Swamp Safari. However, they had another adventure waiting for them, but this time it was a fun and safe one. Councilman Tiger revealed his VIP plans to Gator Fred. The first stop was at the Big Cypress Hunting Adventure,

an area rarely visited by the general public, for a tour where they spotted several buffalo and hogs.

Next, they made their way to the Aviation Department where they were given a tour of the hanger, then briefed on helicopter safety for their aerial tour of the reservation and experience zero gravity.

The only other time Fred had ridden in a helicopter was for the trip to the hospital. “I didn’t get to see much the last time,” Fred joked. Once they landed, everyone went to the Swamp Water Café at Billie Swamp Safari for lunch and fun.

After lunch they met Billie Swamp Safari employee Hans who gave them a guided tour on an airboat. After returning to the dock they were greeted by Tribal Member Billy Walker who shared many interesting facts about the Seminole culture and also joined them on the swamp buggy ride.

“This has been one of the best days I have had since my accident,” said Fred. “I want to thank the Seminole Tribe, Councilman ‘Mondo’ Tiger, the staff at Billie Swamp Safari and Hunting Adventure. My Mom and I had a wonderful time.”

Fred has plans to attend Edison State College to get his Associates Degree and then attend St. Petersburg College to pursue his dream of becoming a doctor, specializing in prosthetics and orthotics so he can help others who have lost limbs.

“It makes me feel great to help others who are in similar situations.” Fred added, “I am not bitter, if anything it has made me a stronger person.”

For more information about visiting the Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation please visit www.floridaseminoletourism.com or call 863-902-3200 and get the latest deals and events the Seminoles have to offer.



The group enjoyed a ride in a swamp buggy during their tour of Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation.

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starting at 4 p.m. There will be a “Kids Fun Zone” sponsored by Dairy Queen that will have three giant bounce houses, face painting, a dunk tank, a variety of other children’s games, and of course ice cream.

A Public Safety Educational Expo at the July 4 event will include educational booths, presentations and demonstrations by a large variety of public safety organizations including: Okeechobee County Sheriff’s Office, Okeechobee County Fire/Rescue, Okeechobee Police Department, Okeechobee City Fire Department, Glades County Sheriff Office, Florida Forest Service, Florida Wildlife

Commission, Florida Highway Patrol, military and Veterans of Foreign Wars.

There will be music and a variety of other activities including watermelon, hot dog and ice cream eating contests, frozen t-shirt contest, and a blue ribbon baking contest.

The event grand finale will be an amazing Zambelli fireworks show synchronized to music at 9 p.m. The fireworks will be shot over the river from the dike on the Glades County side. The fireworks show can be viewed from Okee-Tantie Park, Lock 7, Nubbins Slough or any area on the waterways near the Kissimmee River and Lake Okeechobee. Boaters coming out for the fireworks only are encouraged to use C. Scott Driver Park boat ramp access on the north side of State Road 78.

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Corps to increase water releases to Caloosahatchee

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Jacksonville District has increased discharges from Lake Okeechobee to ensure adequate storage capacity is available for the remainder of the wet season.

The releases increased starting June 24. The average target flow for the Caloosahatchee Estuary over the seven-day period will be increased to 3,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) as measured at W.P.

Franklin Lock and Dam (S-79) near Fort Myers. The new target flow for the St. Lucie Estuary will be 1,170 cfs, as measured at the St. Lucie Lock and Dam near Stuart. The target flows will include lake water, and any runoff that might be collected in the Caloosahatchee River and St. Lucie canal.

“Heavy rains over the past month increased the lake level by over half a foot,”

said Lt. Col. Tom Greco, Jacksonville District Deputy Commander for South Florida. “These releases are essential to ensure the lake possesses the capacity to safely handle additional heavy-rain throughout the remainder of the wet season.”

The release is being conducted in accordance with the 2008 Lake Okeechobee Regulation Schedule (LORS), the master plan for water management of the lake.

Today, the lake stage is 13.90 feet, which is within the Low Operational Sub-Band.

Additional increases in the discharge rate may be necessary as conditions change. The corps will continue to monitor and make adjustments as necessary.

For more information on water level and flows data for Lake Okeechobee, visit the Jacksonville District’s water management page.

Lockett Estate property won't be part of wildlife refuge

By Charles M. Murphy
Special to the Glades County Democrat

After months of study, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife has decided they will not take over ownership of the Edna Pearce Lockett Es-

tate in Fort Basinger as a visitor’s center, museum or support complex for the Northern Everglades Wildlife Refuge.

The property is recently been recommended as surplus by the South Florida

Water Management District. They conduct a 2013 Land Assessment of all their properties and recommended the property be disposed of, or exchanged for other surplus lands. The district did recommend the property remain open to the public.

Charlie Pelizza, Manager of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Pelican Island Wildlife Refuge and others has studied the property for over a year after the proposal for the refuge was made. One of the problems came up was

an old barn and other out buildings on the property that might have to be torn down.

The estate measures close to 16 acres and includes the main house, a cemetery and 12 other buildings. It might be worth near \$1 million on the open market. In recent years the district has negotiated with Florida Atlantic University, Highlands County and the Florida State Park Service, to possibly unload the property, with no success.

Students named to honor roll at Moore Haven Jr./Sr. High

Moore Haven Jr-Sr High School students on the honor roll for the 4th Nine Weeks of the 2012-2013 school year included the following.

7th Grade

- All A's & B's
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- Brooks Bass
- Kira Beck
- Nathaniel Harris
- Patrick Heflin
- Bryan Light
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- Maricela Rubio
- Mallory Thomas

8th Grade

- All A's
- Shane Cowen
- Jesse Espinosa

- All A's & B's
- Blanca Aranda
- Shane Arnold
- Olivia Everett
- Nicolas Garcia
- Tori Light
- Taryn McCain
- Glendy Velasquez
- Wyatt Ward

9th Grade

- All A's
- Monica Leavy

10th Grade

- All A's
- Bronson Bass
- Edny Martinez
- Tanner Mathis
- Justin Peterson
- Damien Stover

11th Grade

- All A's
- Mattie Bass
- Nianna Hallback

- All A's B's

- Thomas Barfield
- Kaci Bostick
- Javontae Broughton
- Alyssa Clark
- Jordan Drayton
- Destiny Everett
- Elizabeth Johnson
- Alaina Lee
- Viviana Leon
- Sarah Lyons
- Amy Perry
- Thomas Perry
- Samantha Shearer
- Nathan Simmons

12th Grade

- All A's
- Ashley Lara
- Nila Seales

- All A's & B's
- Kelsey Ahern
- Lance Bell
- Lailoni Caarey
- Denis Chavez
- Darius Cohen
- Aklk;ua Hallback
- Chelso Hough
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2012 Annual Drinking Water Quality Report South Shore Water Association/City of Clewiston

Este informe contiene informacion muy importante sobre agua de beber. Traduzcalo o hable con alguien que lo entienda bien.

We are very pleased to provide you with this year's Annual Quality Water Report. We want to keep you informed about the quality water and services we deliver to you every day. This report is provided pursuant to Federal and State drinking water requirements. We are pleased to report that our drinking water exceeds all federal and state requirements.

Your water source is City of Clewiston Reverse Osmosis (RO) Water Treatment Plant, which draws water from the Floridan Aquifer. After the RO process, the water is disinfected and fluoride is added to the drinking water. If you have any questions about this report or concerning your water utility, or want to obtain a copy of this report, please contact the office at (863) 983-2323.

South Shore Water Association routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal and State laws, rules, and regulations. Except where indicated otherwise, this report is based on the results of our monitoring for the period of January 1 to December 31, 2012. Data obtained before January 1, 2012, and presented in this report are from the most recent testing done in accordance with the laws, rules, and regulations.

The FDEP conducted a SWAPP assessment of this water system in 2012. The assessment found 3 petroleum storage tanks as possible contamination sources. The concern level is moderate. The assessment results are available on the FDEP Source Water Assessment and Protection Program website at www.dep.state.fl.us/swapp.

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally-occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

Contaminants that may be present in source water include:

- Microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, which may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses. Organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can, also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- Radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally-occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations which limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water, which must provide the same protection for public health.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/CDC guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by cryptosporidium and other microbiological contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

In this table you may find unfamiliar terms and abbreviations. To help you better understand these terms we've provided the following definitions:

- Action Level (AL): The concentration of a contaminant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements, which a water system must follow.
- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL): The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG): the level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- Maximum residual disinfectant level or MRDL: The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- Maximum residual disinfectant level goal or MRDLG: The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- Parts per million (ppm) or Milligrams per liter (mg/L): one part by weight of analyte to 1 million parts by weight of the water sample.
- Parts per billion (ppb) or Micrograms per liter (µg/L): one part by weight of analyte to 1 billion parts by weight of the water sample.
- Picocuries per liter (pCi/L): measure of radioactivity in water

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. South Shore is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking. If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline or at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Date of sampling (mo/yr)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Radium 226 + 228 as equivalent radium (pCi/L)	Quantity 08	N	1.7	0 - 1.7	0	5	Erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Date of sampling (mo/yr)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Fluoride (ppm)	3/11	N	0.87	NA	4	4.0	Erosion of natural deposits; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories; water additive which prevents strong tooth when at optimum levels between 0.7 and 1.3 ppm
Nitrate (as Nitrogen) (ppm)	3/11, 7/11	N	0.02	0.04	10	10	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks; sewage; erosion of natural deposits
Sodium (ppm)	3/11	N	73.2	NA	N/A	160	Salt water intrusion; leaching from soil
Arsenic (ppb)	3/11	N	2	NA	N/A	10	Erosion of natural deposits; runoff from orchards; runoff from glass and electronic production wastes
Barium (ppm)	3/11	N	0.0014	NA	2	2	Discharge of drilling water; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Date of sampling (mo/yr)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	MCL	Likely Source of Contamination
Chloroform (ppm)	Monthly 2012	N	2.65	1.76 - 2.95	MRDLG = 4.0	MRDL = 4.0	Water additive used to control microbes
Haloacetic Acids (five) (HAA5) (ppb)	9/11	N	1.72	NA	N/A	MCL = 60	By-product of drinking water disinfection

Contaminant and Unit of Measurement	Date of sampling (mo/yr)	MCL Violation Y/N	Level Detected	Range of Results	MCLG	AL (Action Level)	Likely Source of Contamination
Copper (tap water) (ppm)	9/12	N	0.0233	2	1.3	1.3	Corrosion of residential plumbing; erosion of natural deposits; leaching from wood preservatives
Lead (tap water) (ppb)	9/12	N	3.3	0	0	15	Corrosion of household plumbing system; erosion of natural deposits

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*NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the District One Office until 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, July 18, 2013, for the following Proposals:

E1M34 - Pavement markings on State Road 93 (I-75) and interchange ramps from south of Tucker's Grade northerly approximately 3.451 miles, to south of North Jones Loop Road in Charlotte County Budget Amount: \$149,330.77.

E1N00 - Pavement-core-backfilling, and maintenance of traffic for pavement coring at various locations in Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Lee, Manatee, Okeechobee, Polk, and Sarasota Counties. Budget Estimate: \$141,400.00

E1N02-R0 - Cleaning, Desilting, Pipe Lining and Repair with Video Inspection. Charlotte, Lee, Glades & Hendry Budget Estimate: \$130,045.00
446328 CN 6/27;7/4/2013

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Notice I hereby given that in accordance with chapter 77-562 Florida Acts of 1977, The Board of Supervisors of Sugarland Drainage District has caused to be prepared a budget of the cost of maintaining and operating all of the work and improvements of the District for the period beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014, and that said budget is on file in the office of the district, 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, Florida.

The Board of Supervisors of Sugarland Drainage District will meet in the office of the District on JUNE 27, 2013 at 2:15 p.m. for the purpose of hearing objections and complaints with respect to said budget.

Additionally, this notice advises that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Sugarland Drainage District Board of Supervisors, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
SUGARLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT
JOE MARLIN HILLIARD
PRESIDENT
446297 CN 6/27/2013

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Notice I hereby given that in accordance with chapter 77-562 Florida Acts of 1977, The Board of Supervisors of Hendry Hilliard Water Control District has caused to be prepared a budget of the cost of maintaining and operating all of the work and improvements of the District for the period beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014, and that said budget is on file in the office of the district, 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, Florida.

The Board of Supervisors of Hendry Hilliard Water Control District will meet in the office of the District on June 27, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of hearing objections and complaints with respect to said budget.

Additionally, this notice advises that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry Hilliard Water Control District Board of Supervisors, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
HENDRY HILLIARD WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
JOE MARLIN HILLIARD
PRESIDENT
446299 CN 6/27/2013

NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

Notice I hereby given that in accordance with chapter 77-562 Florida Acts of 1977, The Board of Supervisors of Flaghole Drainage District has caused to be prepared a budget of the cost of maintaining and operating all of the work and improvements of the District for the period beginning October 1, 2013 and ending September 30, 2014, and that said budget is on file in the office of the district, 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, Florida.

The Board of Supervisors of Flaghole Drainage District will meet in the office of the District on June 27, 2013 at 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of hearing objections and complaints with respect to said budget.

Additionally, this notice advises that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Flaghole Drainage District Board of Supervisors, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
FLAGHOLE DRAINAGE DISTRICT
JOE MARLIN HILLIARD
PRESIDENT
446295 CN 6/27/2013

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. Hippocoochee 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. Any proposals received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.

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.

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

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2595	2010	1364432-0100000120	Manuel A Marrero

Lot 12, THE WOODLAND II SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 12, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 1st day of August, 2013.
Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.

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

446364 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

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: 1GNEK13Z6R169936.

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; 1-9-800-955-87671 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

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

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF HENDRY-HILLIARD WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Hendry-Hilliard Water Control District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of Landowners of Hendry-Hilliard Water Control District, for the year 2012, will be held at the office of Hilliard Brothers of Florida, Ltd., 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, Florida on Thursday, June 27, 2013 at 2:00 P.M., for the purpose of:

1. Electing one (1) supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Additionally, this notice advises that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry-Hilliard Water Control District Board of Supervisors, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Board of Supervisors
Hendry-Hilliard Water Control District

By: Joe Marlin Hilliard
President
446298 CN 6/27/2013

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS,

AGENTS/BROKERS, SELF-INSURANCE FUNDS AND

DIRECT WRITING INSURERS FOR PROPERTY

AND CASUALTY INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT

RFP NUMBER: 2013-20

OPENING DATE AND TIME: July 25, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking firms interested in providing property & casualty insurance for the Hendry County Board of County 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 staff for recommendation. 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. Hippocoochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by July 25, 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 Instructions and RFP Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, by email at jmcelhane@hendryfla.net or by calling 863-675-5220.

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County 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 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 RFP, 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
446661 CN/CB 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

Public Notice

Public Notice

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
897	2010	1284329-0100000070	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

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
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

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 Research and 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

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
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 **German American Capital Corp.**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3041	2010	1144334-07000000060	Victor L Perez

Lot 6, MIDSTATE SUBDIVISION, a subdivision in a portion of unsurveyed Section 14, Township 43 South, Range 34 East, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Pages 132 and 133, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446366 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

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	1274331-01000000100	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

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1049	2010	1044430-01000005020	Santos M & Irene Perez

The East 1/3 of Tract 3, Block 5, GERBER GROVES, SECTION ONE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 14-22, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

The West 2/3 of Tract 2, Block 5, GERBER GROVES, SECTION ONE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 14-22, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446356 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

Public Notice

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1823	2008	1224432-01000810030	Celia Rubin + Ruth Czukeberg + Dallah Czukeberg + Vivian Goldkener

Lot 3, Block 81, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, at Pages 37, 38 and 39 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446367 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
615	2010	1174329-07000000020	Agustin Atunex + Eusebia M Sanchez + Humberto Mendoza

Lots 82, 83 and 84, SOUTH LABELLE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 49, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446362 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

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

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
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

Public Notice

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3176	2008	2054329-A0000360200	Ruth W Stevens TR

Begin at the Southwest corner of Government Lot 5; thence N 00 degrees 31' 15" W, 1215.41 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; continue 31.71 feet; thence N 56 degrees 56' 49" W, 42.48 feet; thence S 33 degrees 03' 11" W, 23.32 feet; thence S 43 degrees 30' 32" W, 16.19 feet; thence N 46 degrees 29' 29" W, 44.01 feet; thence S 44 degrees 14' 42" W, 44.55 feet; thence S 79 degrees 51' 08" E, 124.72 feet to the Point-of-Beginning.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st** day of **August, 2013**.

Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446378 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

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
1567	2008	1154432-A0000900000	Jose A Carrazo 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.

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **July, 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 **County of Hendry**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1862	2008	1224432-A0000710000	Juan Perez

The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. ALSO known as Tract 5295, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

44639 CN 6/27;7/4,11,18/2013

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:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
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

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

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

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

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, 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, et al, Defendant(s).

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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.

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

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

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 HERMANDEZ A/K/A ROBERT HERNANDEZ RODRIGUEZ, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY
Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., in the Commission Room, Clewiston City Hall, 1115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, to consider an ordinance relating to disposal of County property entitled as follows:

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the TC 10L, LLC, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 2013-00088-CA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY
Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 9, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., in the Commission Room, Clewiston City Hall, 1115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, to consider an ordinance relating to disposal of County property entitled as follows:

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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.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO: 2013-00088-CA

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 upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are bearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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NOTICE OF PROPOSED ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Clewiston City Commission will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on July 15, 2013 at 5:00 p.m., or as soon as practical thereafter, in the City Hall Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida. During the Public Hearing, the City Commission proposes to enact second reading of an ordinance which is set forth as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2013-04
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, DESIGNATING THE CITY'S CODE ENFORCEMENT SPECIAL MAGISTRATE TO SERVE AS THE LOCAL HEARING OFFICER PURSUANT TO SECTION 316.003 (91) FLORIDA STATUTES; AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO UTILIZE CODE ENFORCEMENT STAFF TO IMPLEMENT SECTION 316.0083, ET. SEQ. FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available in the City Clerk's office, City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, for the inspection of any interested parties and interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinances. If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting or public hearing, such person may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and any evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

City Hall is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Accommodation requests or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please contact the City Clerk's office at (863) 983-1484, extension 227, or FAX (863) 983-4055 for information or assistance.

Marilyn McCorvey, City Clerk
City of Clewiston, FL
446343 CN 6/27/2013

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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 800, 2007, 1274331-010000M0101, 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

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF WORK PLAN

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to "The Water Rights Compact Among the Seminole Tribe of Florida, The State of Florida, and The South Florida Water Management District", the 27th Annual Work Plan of the Seminole Tribe of Florida has been submitted to the South Florida Water Management District (District).

The Seminole Tribe of Florida (Tribe), 6073 Stirling Road, Hollywood, FL 33024, has submitted, on June 17, 2013, the 27th Annual Work Plan. The Work Plan describes existing and proposed activities on Seminole land. The Brighton Reservation is located in Glades County, Township 40 South, Range 32 East; Township 39 South, Range 32 East; Township 39 South, Range 33 East; Township 38 South, Range 33 East. The Immokalee Reservation is located in Collier County, Section 11, Township 47 South, Range 29 East. The Big Cypress Reservation is located in Broward County, Township 48 South, Range 35 East, and, in Hendry County, Township 47 South, Ranges 32-34 East. The Hollywood Reservation is located in Broward County, Townships 50-51 South, Range 41 East. Coconut Creek Tribal Trust Land is located in Broward County, Section 18, Township 48 South, Range 42 East.

Interested persons may comment upon the Work Plan or submit a written request for a copy of the Staff Report containing proposed agency action regarding the Work Plan by writing to: Regulation Division, South Florida Water Management District, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680; such comments or requests must be received within 30 days from the date of publication.

No further public notice will be provided regarding this Work Plan. A copy of the Staff Report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an Administrative Hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request thereafter after reviewing the Staff Report. 446293 CN/GCD 6/27/2013

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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 146M9185AB. Commonly known as: 1265 SEMIWOLE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash on the at the Front 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 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 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: Tina Espinosa
Deputy Clerk

Albertelli Law
Attorney for Plaintiff
P.O. Box 23028, Tampa, FL 33623
(813)221-4743
09-16198
If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at Charlotte County Justice Center, 350 Marion Ave, Punta Gorda, FL 33950 and whose telephone number is (941)637-2281, within two (2) working days of receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-4771. To file response please contact Glades County Clerk of Court, P.O. Box 10, Moore Haven, FL 33471. 445838 CN 6/27/7/4/2013

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE FLAGHOLE DRAINAGE DISTRICT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2013 AT 2:00 PM. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT HILLIARD BROTHERS OFFICE ON 5500 FLAGHOLE ROAD, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
JOE MARLIN HILLIARD
SUPERVISOR
FLAGHOLE DRAINAGE DISTRICT
446296 CN 6/27/2013

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE REGULARLY SCHEDULED MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE SUGARLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 27, 2013, 2:15PM. THE MEETING WILL BE HELD AT HILLIARD BROTHERS OFFICE ON 5500 FLAGHOLE ROAD, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
JOE MARLIN HILLIARD
SUPERVISOR
SUGARLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT
446302 CN 6/27/2013

Public Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The School Board of Hendry County will be accepting sealed bids on n t i July 8, 2013 for Bid #Q13-0008, Welding Equipment, Specifications will be available at the board's finance office at 111 Curry Street in LaBelle. Call (863) 674-4100 to have the specs faxed or mailed.
Hendry County School Board
Ray Clinard, Chairman
446640 CN/CB 6/27/2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF 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.: 182567
446099 CN 6/20,27/2013

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RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated June 20, 2013, and entered in Case No. 09-213-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida. COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is Plaintiff and RICHARD J. MARQUITH A/K/A RICHARD MARQUITH; PATSY A. MARQUITH A/K/A PATSY MARQUITH; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY, IN FRONT OF OFFICE OP CLERK OF COURTS, ADMINISTRATION BLDG, HENDRY CO. COURT SE, AT 25 E. HICKPOCHEE, LABELLE IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA 33935, at 11:00 A.M., on the 31st day of July, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 57,TANGLEWOOD OAKS UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 176, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

Dated this 21 day of June, 2013.
BARBARA S. BUTLER
As Clerk of said Court
By: /S/ J. Bevis
As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in Order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact 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, Kahane & Associates, P.A. 8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000 Plantation, FL 33324 Telephone: (954) 382-3486 Telefacsimile: (954) 382-5380 Designated service email: notice@kahaneandassociates.com FILE NO.: 10-110913 BOA 446595 CN 6/27/7/4/2013

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Waste Management offers tips for a safe holiday

Special to the Glades County Democrat

Just as family barbecues, fireworks and parties are being planned for Independence Day, Waste Management asks its customers to keep a few safety and environmental tips in mind.

For a greener barbecue, Waste Management urges consumers to consider using lump coal made from invasive tree species or harvested from sustainable managed forests. Additionally, petroleum-free charcoal starter is available for purchase at many household discount and hardware stores.

Properly disposing of those coals from your Independence Day barbecue can also make your holiday safer for yourself and your local trash-hauling crews.

“Just as those coals helped to get the fire started in your barbecue, they can also start a fire in your trash container or, once emptied into the back of one of our trucks, ignite the materials around it,” said Teresa Chandler of Waste Management of Glades. “Coals that appear to be cooled can create an unsafe situation for you, your neighbors and our employees. Remember that coals can stay hot for hours, or even days, after you have finished using them.”

Coals or ashes fresh from the barbecue

should never be disposed directly into your collection container or in your green waste container. Coals should be cooled for several days, and then placed in a metal container with a tight lid for proper disposal in your waste container. To speed up the cooling process, you can carefully place coals in a metal container full of water to “drown” them like you would a campfire. Remember: never place coals – even if you think they’re cool – in plastic, paper or wood containers.

Proper disposal of fireworks debris

Fireworks also require special handling when the celebration is over. The National Council on Fireworks Safety advises soaking used fireworks in water and letting them sit for 15 minutes before disposal. Dispose of all firework debris, used matches, wrappers, etc. in your trash can to prevent littering and water contamination from gunpowder residue.

Furthermore, fireworks spew gunpowder, heavy metals and accelerants into our air. To help improve air quality and still enjoy the fireworks festivities, avoid setting off personal displays, and check out your local

area’s show. You can also encourage your city officials to start using more environmentally friendly fireworks methods.

Greening that red, white and blue party

Fourth of July parties are another great opportunity to show your patriotism for the planet. Here are some eco-friendly party tips to help you go red, white, and green:

- Each year, Americans toss out enough paper and plastic cups, forks and spoons to circle the equator 300 times. Using reusable dishware is always best, but if that’s not practical, try to buy environmentally friendly, disposable tableware instead. Look for products made out of renewable and biodegradable materials like sugar cane and bamboo, or ones made from 100 percent recycled materials.

- When entertaining, be sure to provide a convenient, clearly marked receptacle for recycling next to any trash cans. To be even greener, add a bin for food scraps that you can compost later.

- Think locally when planning your menu. Shipping ingredients from another part of the world requires a tremendous

amount of fuel. Look to your nearest farmers’ market for in-season fruits and vegetables, as well as meat, eggs, and dairy products. They’re fresher, taste better, and are oftentimes priced the lowest.

- Use aluminum foil instead of plastic wrap to cover and store food. Clean foil can be crumpled up and tossed into the recycling bin, making it the better option.

- Scrap your traditional paper party invitations and go digital. Online invites are often free, and help cut back on the four billion trees forested each year for paper products.

- Encourage guests to car pool; it helps save time, money and the environment. Let guests know who else is coming from their area, and offer to put them in contact with someone who might be able to give them a ride, or might appreciate getting a ride from them.

“With just a little extra effort, local area residents can have a safe, fun and eco-friendly 4th of July,” said Ms. Chandler. “We know summer is a fun and busy time, and hope these simple tips will help keep thinking green a priority.”

This week is National Mosquito Control Awareness Week 2013

By Austin Moorhouse

Special to the Glades County Democrat

Each year the week of June 26 is declared National Mosquito Control Awareness Week by the American Mosquito Control Association. AMCA’s “Mosquito Week” educates the general public about the significance of mosquitoes in their daily lives and the important services provided by mosquito control workers through out the United States and worldwide.

There are approximately 3,500 species of mosquitoes in our world, however only about 176 species are in the United States. Out of the 3,500 species, only a couple hundred feast on human blood. Mosquitoes have very poor eyesight; however, they can still detect movement.

They are attracted to the carbon dioxide, lactic acid and octenol found in our breath and sweat and they also sense the heat and humidity that surrounds our bodies. They may also have a preference for beer drinkers. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention lists only four chemicals as being effective for repelling mosquitoes: DEET, Picaridin, Oil of Lemon Eucalyptus (or its synthetic version, called PMD), and IR3535.

Mosquitoes will be more attracted to you if you are wearing the color blue. Dark-

er colored clothing attracts mosquitoes more. They prefer children over adults as children are bitten more frequently. They prefer blond hair to brunette and darker hair colors and they prefer people who have stinky feet.

Different species have different feeding habits. In South Florida, mosquitoes become more active at dusk and at dawn, particularly after a rain or heavy dew fall, however, some species feed during the day. The best time to avoid mosquitoes is in the afternoon when temperatures are the hottest and the insects are resting in cooler spots.

Don’t let their tiny size fool you. Adult mosquitoes weigh only two milligrams. Because they are so small, they are hard to see. Nevertheless, their tiny wings allow them to fly between 1 to 1.5 miles per hour and that means that they can easily fly a wide distance to find warm-blooded humans and animals.

Female mosquitoes don’t “bite.” They sting by inserting their proboscis into their victim and injecting them with saliva that contains an anti-coagulant that helps them suck in the blood. To avoid becoming a victim, use one of the effective repellents on exposed areas if the skin and wear light colored clothing.

Think, eat, save: Reduce your ‘food footprint’

Simple actions by consumers and food retailers can dramatically cut the 1.3 billion tons of food lost or wasted each year and help shape a sustainable future, according to a new global campaign to cut food waste launched last week by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and partners.

Many people think of food waste as a benign substance. It rots down in the landfill anyway, so no problem, right?

Wrong! For food to compost properly, it needs light and air. In the landfill, it has neither. Instead, food devoid of light and air produces methane gas, which contributes to global warming. It is estimated that we throw away a third of the food we buy each week!

Through poor portion control or buying too much fresh food that goes off before we use it we create a lot of waste.

Follow these top ten tips to reduce your “foodprint” and food bill:

- Shop Smart—plan meals, use shopping lists and avoid impulse buys. Don’t succumb to marketing tricks that lead you to buy more food than you need, particularly for perishable items. Though these may be less expensive per ounce, they can be more expensive overall if much of that food is discarded.

- Buy “funny” or “ugly” fruit—many fruits and vegetables are thrown out because their size, shape, or color are not “right.” Buying these perfectly good funny fruit, at the farmer’s market or elsewhere, utilizes food that might otherwise go to waste.

- Understand expiration dates— in the U.S., “sell-by” and “use-by” dates are not federally regulated and do not indicate safety, except on certain baby foods. Rather, they are manufacturer suggestions for peak quality.

Most foods can be safely consumed well after their use-by dates.

- Zero down your fridge—eat food that is already in your fridge before buying more or making something new, which will save time and money. Follow storage guidance to keep food at its best. Websites such as www.love-foodhatewaste.com can help you get creative with recipes to use up anything that might go bad soon.

- Use your freezer—frozen foods remain safe indefinitely. Freeze fresh produce and leftovers if you won’t have the chance to eat them before they go bad. You can also do this with take-away or delivered food, if you know you will not feel like eating it the next day.

- Compost—composting (uncooked) food scraps can reduce climate impact while also recycling nutrients.

- Use FIFO (First in First Out) as a kitchen rule. Check your pantry. Cook and eat first what you bought first. Store newly bought canned goods at the back of the cabinet. Keep older ones in front for easy access.

- Love leftovers—tonight’s leftover chicken roast can be part of tomorrow’s sandwich. Diced older bread can become croutons. Be creative! Ask your restaurant to pack up your extras so you can eat them later. Freeze them if you don’t want to eat immediately. Very few of us take leftovers home from restaurants. Don’t be embarrassed to do so!

- Donate—non-perishable and unspoiled perishable food can be donated to local food banks, soup kitchens, pantries and shelters. Local and national programs frequently offer free pick-up and provide reusable containers to donors.

Inland Birding Fun: Eastern Screech-Owl (EASO)

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Eastern Screech-Owls are common east of the Rockies in woods, suburbs, and parks, particularly near water where there is a fairly open understory.

They breed from southern Canada to central Mexico and in the eastern United States to the Florida Keys.

Nesting usually occurs from March through May, but fledglings were reported in June, July, November and December during the first Breeding Bird Atlas Survey (1987).

An Eastern Screech-Owl is a short, stocky bird about the size of a pint jar, with a large head, yellow eyes, and almost no neck.

An adult is an inch shorter and has an inch less wingspread than a Burrowing Owl. This Screech-Owl can be gray or mostly reddish-brown, but the red and brown morphs are more common in Florida.

These birds are patterned with complex bands and spots that provide excellent camouflage against tree bark.

Males are smaller and more agile flyers and hunters than the females.

Eastern Screech-Owls are more often heard than seen. Both males and females sing, with the most common sound being an even-pitched trill that is often called a "bounce song" or tremolo; and a shrill descending whinny.

Pairs and families use the three to six second long "bounce song" to keep in touch.

Mated pairs may sing to each other day or night, but the male has a deeper voice than the female.

The one-half to two second whinny is used to defend territories.

These owls have many calls which range from soft low hoots to loud sharp screeches, which indicate alarm or agitation.

They also make a three to four note chuckle or rattle when they are being mobbed by other birds.

Eastern Screech-Owls are most active at night, but they often hunt at dawn or dusk, and occasionally in daylight.

These small owls tend to pounce from perches or make short flights to capture their prey.

Their diet consists mainly of bats, fish, tadpoles, invertebrates, birds, small birds, and mammals, including rats, mice, squirrels, and rabbits.

They will cache extra food in tree holes for as long as four days. The ground below the owl's roost is often littered with oval pellets made up of bones, fur, and feathers of their prey.

This owl species nests in hole and cavities that they never dig themselves.

They depend on tree



holes opened or enlarged by woodpeckers, rot, fungus, or squirrels. Eastern Screech-Owls readily accept nest boxes and sometimes nest in woodpiles, crates, or mailboxes.

The female lays two to four all-white eggs on the debris at the bottom of the nesting cavity.

She incubates the eggs for 26 days. When nesting, the female stays in the hole except for brief dawn and dusk excursions.

The male brings his mate and the young food. The young fledge when they are about 26 to 30 days old, but the parents continue to feed the young for eight to 10 weeks after fledging.

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

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Pictured left is an Eastern Screech-Owl in a nest box.

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