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Bondholders hope to keep jail open

Cutback in ICE arrests means facility may close

By Eric Kopp

Special to the Glades County Democrat

MOORE HAVEN — As of now, the jail facility in Glades County will remain open and Sheriff Stuart Whiddon will not be forced to lay off any personnel.

Sheriff Whiddon said Thursday, April 10,

he and the Glades Correctional Development Corporation (GCDC) are in negotiations with bondholders to figure out their options.

"They (bondholders) don't want to close it. We're trying to come up with something, financially, that will work," he said, in a telephone interview.

Earlier this week at a meeting of the Glades County Board of County Commissioners the outlook for the jail and personnel at the Glades County Sheriff's Office (GCSO) was, frankly, bleak.

At that meeting Sheriff Whiddon told the board he may have to close the new jail and move it and the entire sheriff's office back into their old facility. He went on to say he has lost \$1 million the last two months due to declining numbers of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) detainees.

Because of those declining numbers, Sheriff Whiddon told the board he would have to lay off 80 to 90 members of his corrections staff, as well as some road patrol staff. There

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Class of 2014 Honor Students

The Class of 2014 Honor Students were recognized April 8 by the Glades County Commissioners. The students honored include (ladies, left to right) Niannia Hallback, Alyssa Clark, Jordan Drayton, Bailey Browning, Kaitlyn Heflin, Amy Perry, Kaley Pagan, Sarah Lyons, Elizabeth Johnson, Dorinda Morton, Erica Brickel (valedictorian), Samantha Shearer, Skyler Burke, Alaina Lee, Viviana Leon, Natalie Leavy and Destiny Everett. (Gentlemen, left to right) Tom Perry, Domingo Lopez, Luis Martinez, Isaac Cisneros, Blake Ridgdill, Matthew Baker and Nathan Simmon. Also honored but not pictured are: Tom Barfield, Mattie Bass (salutatorian) and Haley Palladino.



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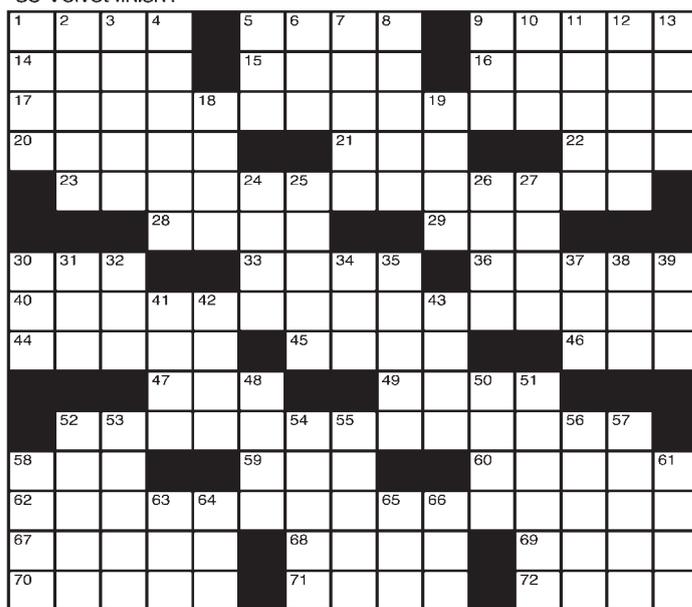
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By Marti DuGuay-Carpenter
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April is Child Abuse Prevention Month

BY PAT DOBBINS
 Florida Department of Health

April is recognized as National Child Abuse Prevention Month to raise awareness about child abuse and neglect and to create strong communities that support children and their families. April was first declared Child Abuse Prevention Month by presidential proclamation in 1983.

Every 11 minutes, a child in Florida is neglected or abused. Every 45 hours, a child in Florida dies from neglect or abuse. One goal of Public Health is getting to the root of the cause of neglect and abuse through education, changing behaviors and changing attitudes. But the main goals are to love and nurture the community's children and to stop the neglect and abuse before it ever starts, creating happy and healthy children and keeping children safe. The Healthy Families Program at the Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties offers in-home parenting education and support. Anyone interested in the program or would like more information should call the Florida Department of Health in Hendry County at 863-674-4041 xt.116

Research has identified factors known to prevent and reduce child abuse and neglect. These factors include parental resilience, nurturing, attachment, social connections, knowledge about parenting, knowledge about child development and support systems for parents. Anything done to support children and their parents can help reduce the stress which often leads to abuse and

neglect.

Being a parent isn't easy. Here are some tips that may help:

- Be a nurturing parent. Children need to know they are special, loved and capable of achieving their goals and dreams.

- Help yourself. When the problems of your everyday life build up and make you feel overwhelmed and out of control, take time out. Don't take it out on your children.

- Be a friend to a parent you know. Ask how their children are doing. If a parent seems to be struggling, offer to babysit or run errands, or just lend a friendly ear.

- Talk to your neighbors about looking out for one another's children. Encourage a support system among parents in your community. Show that you are involved.

- Give your used clothing, furniture and toys to another family. This can help relieve the stress of financial burdens that parents sometimes take out on their kids.

- Volunteer your time and money for programs in your community that support children and families (like parent support groups or day-care centers)

A child's health and well-being starts with you. Children deserve a healthy and safe home. Report suspected cases of abuse or neglect. If you have reason to believe a child has been or could potentially be harmed, call the Department of Children and Family Services, the Department of Health or the Sheriff's Office.



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Glades at a Glance

End summer reading loss

Moore Haven Elementary is taking steps to help prevent this summer reading loss. Plans are in place to host a Buy One, Get One Free, Scholastic Book Fair during the last couple of weeks of school. The goal is to place books in the hands of students for summer reading. They are asking for donations of gently used children's books for students to swap out and renew their bookshelves at home. Students will be able to exchange their own books or purchase a used book for 25 cents. The goal is help squash summer reading loss by sending our students home with plenty of books to read over the summer. If you have books that are appropriate for children 5 to 12 years old, please consider donating them to Moore Haven Elementary School. For more information, contact Reading Coach, Kristi Hingson at the school at 863-946-0737.

Legion building available

The American Legion Building in Moore Haven is available for rent. Please call 863-946-1616, or 863-946-1313 for information and details.

City Council meets

The Moore Haven City Council meets regularly on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7 p.m. at the Moore Haven City Hall. Come and be a part in making decisions about the future of your city.

Moore Haven Lions Club plans Easter breakfast

Join Moore Haven Lions members as they prepare their annual Easter sausage and pancake breakfast! Celebrate this Easter Sunday by joining with friends and family in the Moore Haven Elementary School cafeteria from 7:30 to 9:30 a.m. on April 20. Members of the Moore Haven Lions' Club have provided this fun event for many years. It is also a great way to change your daily routine! There is no charge but donations are always welcome. Proceeds go for the support of Ronald McDonald houses always located near hospitals. These warm and welcoming homes are for the families of critically ill children as they are being treated for serious and/or long-term illnesses.

Church invites all to services

Buckhead Ridge Baptist church Hunter Rd would like to invite everyone to our worship services. Sunday School 9:45 am, morning worship 11:00 a.m., and evening service 6 p.m. Wednesday services, supper at 6 p.m. and prayer service 7 p.m. Pastor Arlen Cook giving the message.

Westergaard House available for events

Glades County Historical Society reminds community members that you can use the historic Pieter Westergaard House for your meetings, showers, parties, political party get-togethers seven days a week. Non-profit organizations are all free; all residents are charged \$25 for each event. You are welcomed to use the inside or the lawn areas. The address is 270 Ave. L, Moore Haven near the Methodist Church. Phone Anne Coffey at 863-801-5199 or Julie Wigton at 863-946-2060 or Donald Miles at 239-560-8448 for more information.

Local United Way campaign raises \$223,249

Special to the Glades County Democrat

On April 8 The United Way of Hendry and Glades 2013-2014 Campaign has surpassed its goal, raising \$223,249 for the United Way Partner Agencies in Hendry and Glades Counties. Tommy Perry, of Johnson-Prewitt and United Way of Hendry and Glades Campaign Chair made the announcement at the celebration on March 27.

"A huge 'Thank you' to all of the individuals and companies who gave to the United Way Campaign this year and helped us reach our goal! Some 34 local United Way Partner Agencies will be able to provide food, emergency assistance, counseling and many other services right here in our community because of your gifts."

Perry went on to say, "United Way is reaching more individuals and families who are struggling because of our partnership efforts. The three United Way Neighborhood Houses in Hendry and Glades Counties provide office space for many agencies to meet with clients, making it much easier for those in need to get services. Last year over 18,000 people were assisted at the Hendry & Glades United Way Houses. Your generosity has made this possible." United Way Neighborhood Houses are located in LaBelle, Clewiston and Moore Haven.

Many individuals and companies gave to the United Way of Hendry and Glades Campaign. The top ten company contributors were:

- Hilliard Brothers - \$42,782;
- Alico, Inc. - \$23,463;
- Hendry County School District - \$15,818;
- United Way of Lee, Hendry & Glades (employees) - \$12,500;
- SunCoast Credit Union - \$10,000;
- Pavese Law Firm - \$9,620;
- Monsanto Imagine - \$6,605;



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Celebration of surpassing the United Way goal with Tommy Perry the United Way Campaign Chair.

- Southern Garden Citrus - \$6,400;
- Hope Hospice - \$5,800; and
- Johnson-Prewitt - \$5,445.

Of the funds raised in Hendry and Glades Counties, 100% stays in the county to fund local agency programs. None of the funds are used for administration or fundraising costs.

"The good work of the United Way partner agencies has been phenomenal," said Cliff Smith, president of the United Way commented. "We are working together to feed the hungry and improve the quality of life in the community."

A local network of thirty-four agencies and programs will receive funds from the 2013-2014 United Way of Hendry and Glades fundraising campaign. These agencies include: The Salvation Army, Goodwill,

Lighthouse (formerly VIP), Harry Chapin Food Bank, the Children's Advocacy Center, Healthy Start and many others. This network serves a diverse range of needs: nurturing children and youth, strengthening families, meeting critical needs such as helping the elderly and disabled live independently, and empowering communities by bringing health and human services to neighborhoods.

In addition to raising funds for human service organizations in our community, the United Way promotes partnerships and collaboration among agencies, helping them to work together focusing on issues and solutions that continue to improve lives.

For more information or to volunteer, please call United Way of Hendry and Glades Counties at 800-887-9234.

RELIGION NEWS AND INFORMATION

Easter: Tragedy to Triumph and the Gift to Us All

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

There was a young lady on TV recently who was featured for her wedding. One of the wedding organizers provided her with a special wedding in an elaborate setting for her and her fiancé after hearing her story. She was a victim of the terrorist bombing at the Boston Marathon and both she and her fiancé suffered extensively and permanently. The marriage took place with her father supporting her as she walked down the aisle and she told of the longing and separation from her beloved while recuperating, as he was also recuperating and was prevented from flying.

So he drove 1,700 miles to support her in the coping of the trauma following her injuries, in spite of his own injuries and recuperation. She would face an amputation, but said she would not let it define her as a person, and she is relishing her new life as a wife and mother.

As we are coming to Easter, it has caused me to reflect. It is a story of someone who went through a tragedy and travesty; then going from the ordinary to something very special and sacred. It is about a life redefined, overcoming evil and finding something precious about the life to follow.

I have noted that those persons who go through such moments come out changed, are stronger and more aware of the preciousness of our God-given time here on earth. This is the Easter story, a story of resurrection and fullness. It is about life changed, beginning with those followers who lived in fear to a group of apostles that, literally, changed the world. Easter is about death from a travesty of justice going to a life of victory and defeat of the worst the world could do. The young bride is not the same now; she has found a new life; celebrating and relishing every moment that is to come.

The Easter story (John 20:1-18, Matthew 28:1-10) is about people going to a tomb and expecting to find a dead body but instead find a living Lord. Their world is changed and so is that of all who came afterward. The tomb is not a repository for a dead body; it becomes proof that life goes on and is changed.

The Boston Marathon brought a new life, literally, to the young couple, that is a foretaste of the new life that is to come each time tragedy is the path to victory and joy. In my life, in those moments when things seemed to be at their worst, there came a realization that it was not ended but that the days to come bring a healing along the way, strengthening and sensitizing me to the wonderful gifts that God gives us all. Those who have shared such special moments also have spoken to me about "out of the depths" and the joy that follows.

The scriptural account tells of those women who expect an end has come and to pay respect for someone they loved and thought had been lost. That's not what happened. Arriving at the tomb, there was an angel who told them, "Do not be afraid; I know you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. He is not here, He has been raised as He said. Come, and see the place where He lay. Then go quickly and tell His disciples..." (Matthew 28:5-7)." The tragedy and loss are not the end, there is no need to be afraid. Those who go on find a new and greater life, those moments are our witnesses that God has given us a greatest of gifts. In these moments of hardships, losses, fear and turmoil, the message of the angel and life of a Risen Lord are always with us.

The promise that Jesus gives to His disciples, "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world (John 16:33)." Easter is a new day, a brighter and more wonderful day. He is risen, He is risen indeed!

If you would like to contact Rev. Thomas about this column or have an idea for one, please send an email to fatherthomas@saintmartins-clewiston.org.

Trust Quartet: May 3

CLEWISTON — Community Christian Church welcomes the Trust Quartet on May 3 at 7 p.m. All are welcome, you are only a visitor once. For more information, please call 863-254-5184. The Church is located at 201 North Francisco St.

Resurrection Party and Easter Egg Grab

CLEWISTON — On Saturday, April 19 at 10 a.m., First United Methodist Church of Clewiston invites toddlers through fifth grade to join them for a morning of crafts, story time, egg dyeing and an Easter Egg hunt. A hot dog lunch will follow. Egg hunters will need baskets or containers for the egg hunt. There is no charge. Call 863-983-5269 with questions. First United is located at 331 W. Osceola Ave.

Community Easter Sunrise Service

CLEWISTON — First Baptist Church will be the host church this year for the annual Community Sunrise Service sponsored by the Clewiston Ministerial Association.

Join First Baptist at 6 a.m. on Easter Sunday, April 20, for a special celebration featuring special music and sharing from a number of churches in the community. Following the service will be the traditional Easter breakfast. Call 863-983-5555 for questions or directions.

Special Easter Services and Butterfly Release

CLEWISTON — First United Methodist Church of Clewiston, 331 W. Osceola Ave., invites the community to join them for special Easter Week activities and worship. There will be a Monday to Thursday communion service on Thursday, April 17 at 7 p.m. The church will be open for prayer on Good Friday, April 18, from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m.

The Resurrection Party and Easter Egg grab for toddlers through fifth grade will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, April 19. On Easter Sunday, First United will have a contemporary service at 9:30 a.m. and a traditional service at 11 a.m. with a butterfly release afterwards. All children will have the opportunity to release a butterfly. Call 863-983-5269 for more information.

Presbyterian Church Fundraiser

CLEWISTON — Please join the Presbyterian Church for a great time at the fundraiser lunch with pulled pork or grilled chicken. There will be live music from Sugarland Grass and a silent auction. This event will take place on May 3 from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the Community Presbyterian Church fellowship hall, located on 407 Royal Palm Ave., Clewiston. All proceeds to go to Bathroom Remodel Fund.

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Glades Academy Charter K8 School announces an open house. Glades Academy Charter K8 School will have an open house for parents who are searching for a safe, nurturing and developmentally appropriate educational experience for their kindergartener through eighth grade children. Glades Academy is located at 7368 State Road 15 in Pahokee Florida on the grounds of New Hope Charities.

The open house will take place on April 24th, 2014 from 5 pm-7 pm. During the open house, parents will take a tour of the school, meet administrators and teaching staff and register their children for the upcoming 2014-2015 school year.

Completing a Challenging 2014 Harvest Season

The widely reported record wet season that impacted the entire South Florida region also affected the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) last summer, setting the tone for what became a challenging 2014 harvest season for the Florida sugar industry. The deluge experienced over the agricultural area (46 percent above average rainfall) flooded farms and hampered the crops' important summer growth cycle.

As a result, Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida experienced a reduced sugarcane yield and volume of raw sugar produced. Production was down approximately nine percent as compared to the prior year. The Cooperative's 136-day crop commenced on October 22, 2013, and was completed after a week of rain delays on March 6, 2014. The 45 grower-members of the Cooperative produced 2,843,329 tons of sugarcane grown on 69,536 acres primarily in Palm Beach County, yielding 332,154 short tons raw

value (STRV) sugar and 16 million gallons of blackstrap molasses.

"These losses were somewhat mitigated, however, through the excellent performance of our sugar mill and agricultural operations," said Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative President Tony Contreras. "Glades Sugar House set new records for energy efficiency and for the quality of the raw sugar produced. We applaud the teamwork of our growers and our workforce who achieved these results despite the obstacles delivered by Mother Nature and in the marketplace."

Florida's agricultural industry supports 1.4 million jobs and generates \$100 billion in economic activity for the state. It is responsible for \$3 billion in tax revenue for local and state governments. Florida's sugar industry provides 12,800 jobs as part of 142,500 nationwide jobs and generates \$3.3 billion in economic activity for the state each year.

April is Autism Awareness Month

BY PAT DOBBINS
Florida Department of Health

Since the 1980s, April has been recognized as Autism Awareness Month as a special opportunity to educate the public about autism.

Autism spectrum disorder (ASD) affects the lives of millions of people every day. A recent report by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) estimates that one in 68 children in the United States have been identified ASD.

Autism is a developmental disability which can be characterized by persistent difficulties in social communication, and restrictive and repetitive behaviors, interests or activities.

Research has shown that early screening and intervention at younger ages can help children get the most effective treatments. Unfortunately, the CDC found that most children with autism are diagnosed after four years of age, even though autism can be diagnosed as early as age two.

There is no known single cause for autism, but many researchers believe that it is caused by abnormalities in brain structure or function. The characteristic behaviors of autism may or may not be clearly noticeable during the child's first 18 months, but they usually become more obvious during early childhood from ages 24 months to six years.

As part of a well-baby/well-child visit, your child's healthcare provider should do a "developmental screening," and they may ask specific questions about your baby's progress. According to the National Institute of Child Health and

Human Development (NICHD) these five behaviors may give signals that further evaluation is warranted:

- If the child does not babble or coo by 12 months of age
- If the child does not make gestures by 12 months of age (point, wave, grasp)
- If the child does not say single words by 16 months of age
- If the child does not say two-word phrases on their own by 24 months of age
- If the child has any loss of any language or social skill at any age

Having any of these five "red flags" does not mean your child has autism, but because the characteristics of the disorder vary so much, a child showing these behaviors should have further evaluations by an expert who is knowledgeable about autism.

There is no known cure for autism, however, there are treatment and education approaches that may reduce some of the challenges associated with the condition, such as ways to help lessen disruptive behaviors and education that can teach self-help skills which allow for greater independence.

There is no one symptom or behavior that identifies individuals with autism, and there is no single treatment that will be effective for all people on the spectrum. Treatment should begin as early as possible and be tailored to the child's unique strengths, weaknesses and needs.

Take time to get educated about autism. Additional information about autism is available at: <http://www.cdc.gov/autism>.

Corps Closes Portions of Lake 'O' Scenic Trail and Boat Ramp

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will close additional portions of the Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail (LOST) as rehabilitation continues on the Herbert Hoover Dike, the earthen structure surrounding the lake. The Corps will close about 10 miles of the trail between Belle Glade and Pahokee. The Corps will also close access to the boat ramp at Paul Rardin Park southwest of Pahokee. The closures are necessary for public safety while replacement of a nearby water control structure (Culvert 12) takes place. Additionally, the Corps will close another 10 miles of the trail between Lakeport and Moore Haven. This is to facilitate replacement of other water control structures (Culverts 5 and 5A).

"We recognize the inconvenience caused by these closures," said Steve Dunham, chief of the Corps' South Florida Operations Office (SFOO) in Clewiston. "However, public safety is our top priority. We want to keep people out of harm's

way, given the amount of equipment that will be in the area." Contractors are using heavy construction vehicles and large equipment within all of these areas. Truck traffic on the roads is a constant flow, and any additional traffic on the narrow trail or dike crest poses a safety hazard for recreationists and equipment operators. The trail and boat ramp are expected to be closed for the duration of construction, currently estimated to last about 18 months.

In addition to these new closures, the trail remains closed in various locations between Moore Haven and South Bay on the south side of the lake, and between Canal Point and Port Mayaca on the east side.

More information on the Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail and a map of current closures can be found at the following website: <http://www.saj.usace.army.mil/Missions/CivilWorks/Recreation/LakeOkeechobeeScenicTrail.aspx>.

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Mazie Agnes Tullier Whitaker

BELLE GLADE — Mazie Agnes Tullier Whitaker was born in Plaquemine, Louisiana on March 19, 1922 and went to be with her Lord on April 7, 2014. She was married to Thomas A. Whitaker (deceased). She lived 60 years in Belle Glade and had many friends through the Belle Glade Baptist Church and the Bell Telephone Company where she worked and retired after 38 years.

Mazie leaves a daughter Jeanette Long and son-in-law Raymond Long; two grandchildren, Deborah Provincher (Pete), Mark Long (Connie); five great grandchildren, Erica (James), Alexander (Gina), Joseph, Caitlyn, Taylor; and one great great grandchild, Madison. She also leaves a sister in Texas, Teta Schooley.

Pastor Alan Forbus officiated a private graveside service.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to AVOW Hospice, 1095 Whipoorwill Lane, Naples, Florida 34105.

Arrangements entrusted to Naples Funeral Home, www.NaplesFuneralHome.com

Victor Newland Allison, 68

LAKEPORT — Victor Newland Allison died April 14, 2014. He was born August 14, 1945 in Warren, Michigan. A resident of Lakeport for 25 years, he was a member of Maple Grove Baptist Church and Elks Lodge of Clewiston. He enjoyed laughing, fishing, hunting, frog gigging, spending time with his family and watching the Florida Gators.

Mr. Allison is survived by his wife of 25 years, Diana Allison of Lakeport; two daughters, Jessica Lynn Durning (Christian) of Virginia and Melissa Anne Hodge of Lakeport; two grandchildren, Reagan and Lincoln; five brothers, Milus Allison (Diane) of Michigan, Don Allison (Bernie) of California, Sam Allison (Jane) of Clewiston, Biff Allison of Clewiston and Steve Allison (Emily) of California; four sisters, June Jinkins of Tennessee, Irene Crystal (Rodney) of Stark, Brenda McGahee (Mickey) of Clewiston and Rosella Beeman (Larry) of North Port.

Visitation will be 10 a.m. until services at 11 a.m. Friday, April 18, 2014 at Maple Grove Baptist Church. Burial will follow at Ortona Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial may be made to Maple Grove Baptist Church.

Those wishing to leave a message of condolence may sign the register book at, www.OkeechobeeFuneralHome.com

All arrangements are entrusted to the direction and care of the Buxton, Bass and Conway families of the Buxton & Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home, 400 North Parrott Avenue, Okeechobee, Florida, 34972.

Timothy Jerrold Weaver, 65

CLEWISTON — Timothy Jerrold Weaver left his earthly home and entered the Kingdom of Heaven on April 2, 2014, in Gulf Coast Medical Center, Fort Myers.

Tim was born Oct. 4, 1948, in Pahokee, Fla., to Dilburn Florice and Helen Mae (Rich) Weaver. Tim met and married the love of his life, Connie Weaver. He was a business partner in Best Electric Company.

Survivors include his wife, Connie (Hester) Weaver; three daughters, Penny Ezell and husband Mark, Rhonda Lowman and husband Tim, and Wendy Kurtz and Ray Burgis; one brother, Doc Weaver; and one sister, Flora Mae Bash; grandchildren, Kristyn, Heather, Bradley, TJ, Nicholas, Rachel, James, Marshall, Wyatt and Aubrey; great-grandchildren, Payton, Noah, Kadence, and Emma.

Tim was preceded in death by his parents and one brother, Sam Weaver.

Celebration of Tim's life took place on Saturday, April 5, 2014 at 11:00 a.m. in Evangel Assembly of God Church in Clewiston with Rev. Jim Yates and Pastor Troy Ezell officiating. Burial was immediately after the celebration in Ridgelawn Cemetery. You may view the online obituary and leave your condolences for the family of Tim at www.akin-davis.com

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.



Springtime sparks activity for Florida black bears

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) reminds the public to be aware that bears are now on the move as they are leaving their winter dens. There are important things people can do over the next few months to reduce negative interactions with Florida's largest land mammal.

According to FWC estimates, about 3,000 wild bears live in Florida, including about 175 that roam Highlands and Glades counties.

"Now is the time to expect bears to show up looking for food," said Dave Telesco, who directs the FWC's bear management program. "If they can't find food in your neighborhood, they'll move on."

Female bears that gave birth to cubs that were only 12 ounces in January are beginning to move around with their babies, which are now around 5 pounds. As the cubs continue to grow, the family unit will roam farther and could be more visible to people.

While black bears generally are not aggressive, a mother bear may try to defend her cubs. Never intentionally approach a bear. Do not assume when you see a lone adult bear that there are no cubs, because the cubs may be hidden nearby. When walking dogs, keep them close and be aware of your surroundings. Dogs can trigger defensive behaviors from bears.

Keep human sources of food, like garbage, birdseed and pet food, secure from bears so they won't wander into your neighborhood this spring looking for an easy meal. Use a bear-resistant trash can, build a bear-resistant trash can shed or modify your existing trash can with hardware to make it more resistant. Instructions for these methods, plus a video on how to use an electric fence to deter bears can be found at www.pinterest.com/myfwc/bear-necessities/.

If you do not have a bear-resistant garbage can, consider building a bear-resistant trash can shed. In Collier County today, the FWC is partnering with local Boy Scout volunteers to build sheds that will deter bears from accessing garbage. The FWC received a grant from the Wildlife Foundation of Florida, using proceeds from the Conserve Wildlife license plate, to build and install 70 bear-resistant wooden trash can sheds for residents of two East Naples mobile home parks, who have no other way to keep their garbage away from bears.

As females and cubs increase their movements this time of year, they also increase the number of roads they cross. For the safety of yourself and bears, remember to slow down when driving, particularly on rural highways at dawn or dusk. Watch for road signs identifying bear crossing areas. Over 200 Florida

bears were killed after being hit by vehicles in 2013.

Having conflicts with bears? Call one of the FWC's five regional offices. Go to MyFWC.com/Contact, and click on Regional Offices to find the phone number for your region. Need to report someone harming bears or intentionally feeding them? Call the FWC's Wildlife Alert Hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922).

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NOTICE

The Glades County School Board Will Hold A Public Hearing On May 8, 2014 At 6:30p.m., Or As Soon Thereafter As It May Be Heard, To Consider Approval Of Proposed Changes To The Code of Student Conduct And Parent Guide For The 2014-2015 School Year. The Meeting Will Be Held In The Glades County School Board Meeting Room

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Copies Of The Proposed Policy Are Available By Contacting The Glades County School District Superintendent's Office 400 10th Street, SW, P. O. Box 459 Moore Haven, Florida 33471

Easter Bunny at Speedway

HENDRY COUNTY—Saturday, April 19, at 8 p.m. Hendry County Motorsports Park will play host to the Easter Bunny. There will be candy and prizes on hand for the kids and there will also be two separate Easter Egg hunts, divided by age groups. All kids up to 12 years old will be admitted free of charge.

Gates for this event open at 4 p.m. and the event will start at 7 p.m. There will also be plenty of racing action featuring street stocks, thunder stocks, mini stocks, open wheel modifieds and limited late models. There will be plenty of good food on hand.

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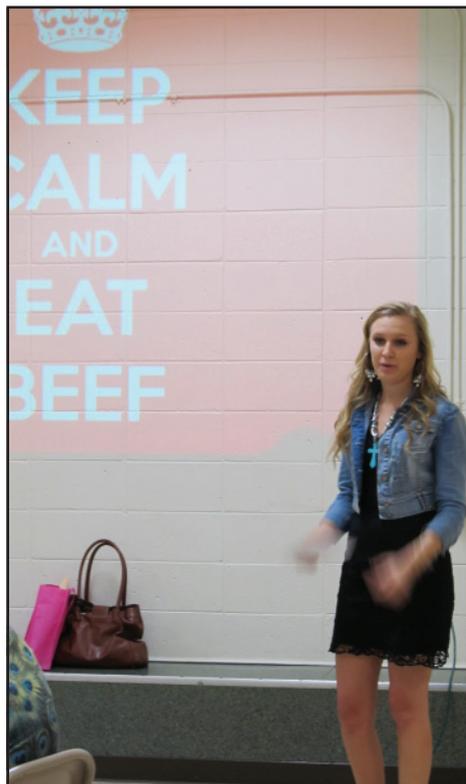
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Glades County Woman's Club holds April meeting



By Barbara Brown

Special to the Glades County Democrat

At the April meeting of Glades County Woman's Club, Lindsey Wiggins, representing Hendry County Cattlemen's Association, introduced Cassidy Lee, Sweetheart of Hendry County Cattlemen's Association.

Miss Lee will be competing for the title of Sweetheart of Florida Cattlemen's Association at their annual convention later this year.

Denise Lee, Cassidy's mother, encouraged members of Woman's Club to ask any questions reference beef following Cassidy's presentation in order to prepare her to be able to give spontaneous answers. The motto for her presentation is "Keep Calm, Eat Beef," and following a question and answer session, not only had Cassidy done well with her answers, but we all learned a lot about the beef industry.

Glades County Woman's Club certainly has our vote for this lovely young lady as our next local Florida Cattleman's Sweetheart.

Following a lengthy discussion, the club voted to give four scholarships — three of which will be honorariums, and one at Class Night. The scholarship committee will choose the recipients of these scholarships.

Our president has done such a fantastic job this year, but it's that time of year again: Election of new officers, and the following members will be installed: President, Dawn Garrison; Vice President, Dee Dee Beck; Treasurer, Bonita Drayton; Recording Secretary, Dianne Tillery and Corresponding Secretary.

The final business meeting will be held at the regular time of 6 p.m. on the second Thursday in May—May 8. Due to so many things happening in Glades County in May, it was unanimously decided to have the instal-

lation of officers on Saturday, June 14, at a catered brunch in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church beginning at 11 a.m. This is strictly a fun meeting, and no business will be presented unless there is an emergency that GCWC must handle. President, Kim Clement, appointed Tina Heflin to contact local caterers, and report back at the final club yearly May meeting.

If you have not served as a refreshment hostess, please call Bobbi Brown, 863-946-3356, and volunteer—so that she won't have to "volunteer you" for the May meeting.

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Cassidy Lee was presented at a recent Glades County Women's Club meeting as Sweetheart of Hendry County Cattlemen's Association.

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The celebration is open to the public. Proceeds will go to various veterans charities. For more information, call the Buckhead Ridge VFW at 863-427-2882.

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Hendry Regional Medical Center welcomes new Pharmacy Director

Hendry Regional Medical Center is proud to announce the arrival of its new Pharmacy Director, Dr. Iman Saghir.

Iman Saghir graduated as Valedictorian of her high school class in 2001. At a very young age, she felt a burning desire to help mankind; to fulfill this passion, she chose to enter the pharmacy profession. In 2007, Iman graduated from WSU Eugene Applebaum College of Pharmacy and Allied Health Professions in Detroit, Michigan, with a doctorate in Pharmacy. She began practicing at Oakwood Hospital and Medical Center, a 650-bed hospital in Dearborn, Michigan, as a Clinical Pharmacist. In November 2012, Iman became a Board-Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist.

During the fall of 2013, Iman relocated from Michigan to Florida. She accepted the role of Pharmacy Director in February and comes to Hendry Regional Medical Center with six years of acute care, long-term hospital pharmacy experience. "I'm passionate about ensuring the best treatment for patients at Hendry Regional Medical Center and look forward to serving this community," she says.

R.D. Williams, Hendry Regional's CEO, expressed his pleasure in welcoming Iman to her new position, "Iman Saghir brings insight, experience, and expertise to a key leadership position at our hospital. I'm certain she will strive to provide excellent pharmaceutical care."



Dr. Iman Saghir



Lady Terriers get 3-1 softball win over Cowgirls



Special to the Glades County Democrat/Laura Gonzalez Mathis
Jessi Osceola, Alaina Kay Lee, Skyler Burke, Destiny Everett and Samantha Shearer enjoyed Moore Haven Lady Terriers Senior Night.

Special to the Glades County Democrat

The Moore Haven Lady Terriers ended their regular season last Thursday with a 3-1 win against the LaBelle Cowgirls. They celebrated "senior night" on Thursday and will say goodbye to five seniors this year.

The senior girls include Destiny Everett, #12, at third base, Jessi Osceola, #18, at first base, Skyler Burke, #10, at short stop, Alaina Lee, #00, at center field, and Samantha Shearer, #7, in right field. The night was bittersweet watching the girls play their last regular season game on the field. The girls had a great night, giving presents to each other, hugs, and letting huge balloons go signifying the retiring of their numbers. Olivia Everett #1, pitched a fantastic game and went 2 for 3 at the bat with two

doubles. The team went into playoffs as the first seat in their district, with a 6-0 record in districts. Their season record was 13-4-1.

Coach Pedro Navarro is very proud of his team, and said, "They are on their way to winning the District Championship for the third year in a row."

On Tuesday, April 15, the Lady Terriers won 13-3 against Evangelical Christian School (10 run rule in the 5th inning). #27 Catcher Lexi Story hit the winning RBI, with #1 Olivia Everett scoring the winning run. The team will travel to Naples on Thursday, April 17, to play the winner of the St. John Neumann vs. Community School Naples game for the District Championship. Good Luck Terriers!



Darla Cypress, #11, slides into third base while making a great steal against the LaBelle Cowgirls. The Moore Haven Lady Terriers went on to win the game, 3-1.



Special to the Glades County Democrat
Sydney Garrett, #2, second baseman, goes after a ground ball against the LaBelle Cowgirls.



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Olivia Everett, #1, slides into second base. Olivia was 2 for 3, with two doubles against the LaBelle Cowgirls.



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Destiny Everett, #12, covers third base.



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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv 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
1196	2010	1274331-01000000140	Steven Hurst and Carol Loranger

The Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 14, Block 0, PIONEER PLANTATION, 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 **www.hendry.realforeclose.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Second Thursday** in the month of **May, 2014**, which is the **8th day of May, 2014**. Dated this **26th** day of **March, 2014**.

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

464656 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

Employment Part Time

Public Notice

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

PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 2013 CP 74

IN RE: ESTATE OF MICHAEL JOSEPH STOPPLELLO, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of MICHAEL JOSEPH STOPPLELLO, Deceased, whose date of death was February 13, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida 33935. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is April 17, 2014.

Personal Representative
 Misty Gore

Scott R. Bugay, Esquire
 Attorney for Personal Representative
 Florida Bar No. 5207
 Citicenter, Suite P600
 290 NW 165th Street
 Miami FL 33169
 Telephone: (305) 956-9040
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 26-2012-CA-000244

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION Plaintiff,

ADRIAN SANCHEZ; JENNIFER MARTINEZ A/K/A JENNIFER H. MARTINEZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ADRIAN SANCHEZ; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JENNIFER MARTINEZ A/K/A JENNIFER H. MARTINEZ; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; HENDRY COUNTY, A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; PORT LABELLE UNIT FOUR PROPERTY HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC. Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on February 06, 2014, and the Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale entered on March 11, 2014 in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Hendry County, Florida, described as:

LOT 12, BLOCK 2170, PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. a/k/a 4010 BISHOP CIRCLE, LABELLE, FL 33935

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, online at www.hendry.realforeclose.com, Hendry County, Florida, at eleven o'clock a.m. on May 7, 2014.

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

Dated at LaBelle, Florida, this 4th day of April, 2014.

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

If you are a person with 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.

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Florida Comm Bank NA CTRLRASSG, Magnolia TC3 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
566	2011	1324229-A0000550200	Oscar L Luckey c/o Albert Luckey

The South one-half of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter AND the South one-half of the East 12.50 feet of the West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter. Subject to and together with an easement for ingress and egress described as follows: The East 12.50 feet of the West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter AND the West 12.50 feet of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter AND the North 25.00 feet of the East 55.00 feet of the West 67.50 feet of the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter; all lying and being in Section 32, Township 42 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel Identification Number: 1-29-42-32-A00-0055.0200
 Property Address: 820 Ross Road, LaBelle, FL 33935

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

464652 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

Public Notice

EXTENSION OF EXISTING LEASE TERM CITRUS FARMING GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA

The South Florida Water Management District, B-1 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406, will be extending the term of citrus farming lease number 4600001301 for approximately 847.29 acres more or less, located in:

Section 25, 26, 35, 36, Township 42 South, Range 30 East, Glades County, Florida

Further information on this extension can be obtained by contacting **Sharon Rose, Sr. Contract Specialist, Procurement Bureau at: (561) 682-2167.** 464863 GCD 4/17,24,5/1/2014

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURISM DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourism Development Council will hold a meeting at 4:00PM, Thursday, April 24th, 2014, in the conference room located at the Clewiston Museum and Clewiston Chamber of Commerce Building, located at 109 Central Ave, Clewiston Florida. This meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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

Hendry County
 Tourism Development Council
 Darrell Harris, Chair
 464912 CN/CB 4/17/2014

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council will hold a meeting on April 25, 2014, at 11:30 a.m., at the Dallas B. Townsend Agricultural Extension Office, 1085 Pratt Boulevard, LaBelle, Florida. Members of the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, may attend and speak at this meeting. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. Please note that matters may be discussed at the meeting which are not on the prepared agenda for the meeting.

Si necesita la asistencia de un interprete que hable español para participar en esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Myra Johnson al (863) 675-5240.

Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council
 464910 CN 4/17/2014

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
180	2007	1074428-A0000260000	Fred & Lisa Elliott

The East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 7, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

464873 CN 4/17,24,5/1,8/2014

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

464873 CN 4/17,24,5/1,8/2014

AVISO DE ELECCIONES GENERALES

Yo, Ken Detzner, Secretario de Estado del Estado de la Florida, por el presente notifico que se llevarán a cabo ELECCIONES GENERALES en el Condado de OKEECHOBEE, Estado de la Florida, el día CUATRO de NOVIEMBRE de 2014 d. C., para determinar la ocupación o la retención de los siguientes cargos:

Representante ante el Congreso: distrito 17
 Gabinete de la Florida - Gobernador
 Gabinete de la Florida - Vicegobernador
 Gabinete de la Florida - Procurador General
 Gabinete de la Florida - Funcionario Principal de Finanzas
 Gabinete de la Florida - Comisionado de Agricultura
 Representante Estatal: distrito 55
 Tribunal de Apelaciones del 4.º Distrito: retención de 4 jueces
 Juez del Circuito, 19.º Circuito Judicial: grupos 4, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 y 18
 Junta Escolar: distritos 1, 3 y 5
 Comisionado del Condado: distritos 2 y 4
 Distrito de Conservación de Tierra y Agua de Okeechobee: grupos 1, 3 y 5
 463920 CN 4/3,17/2014

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION **OFFICIAL**

I, Ken Detzner, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby give notice that a GENERAL ELECTION will be held in OKEECHOBEE County, State of Florida, on the FOURTH day of NOVEMBER, 2014, A.D., to fill or retain the following offices:

Representative in Congress: District 17
 Florida Cabinet - Governor
 Florida Cabinet - Lieutenant Governor
 Florida Cabinet - Attorney General
 Florida Cabinet - Chief Financial Officer
 Florida Cabinet - Commissioner of Agriculture
 State Representative: District 55
 Fourth District Court of Appeal: Retention of Four Judges
 Circuit Judge, Nineteenth Judicial Circuit: Groups 4, 7, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18
 School Board: Districts 1, 3 and 5
 County Commissioner: Districts 2 and 4
 Okeechobee Soil and Water Conservation District: Groups 1, 3 and 5
 463922 CN 4/3,17/2014

Glades County Commission meeting notes

By Glades County Commission Chair Donna Storter-Long

Glades County Board Of County Commissioners Regular Meeting, Tuesday, April 8, 2014 - 9 a.m.

In attendance: District 2 Commissioner Chairman Donna Storter, District 4 Commissioner Russell Echols, District 5 Commissioner Vice Chairman Tim Stanley, County Manager Paul Carlisle, County Attorney Richard Pringle, Recording Clerk Julie Braddock, Public Safety Director Bob Jones, Road Sup't Avant Brown, 911 Coordinator Terri Anascavage, Emergency Management Tasha Reiss, Finance Director Tiffany Patterson, and Sheriff Stuart Whiddon.

Presentations / Awards

1. Recognition of the Moore Haven Teacher of the Year, Nicole Davis, and 27 Moore Haven High School seniors who achieved honor student status. Congratulations and certificate of honor was given the students by Chairman Storter and upon receipt, each stated the college they planned to attend after graduation. Students included Matthew Baker, Thomas Barfield, Mattie Bass (Salutatorian, Erica Brickel (Valedictorian), Bailey Browning, Skyler Burke, Isaac Cisneros, Alyssa Clark, Jordan Drayton, Destiny Everett, Niannia Hallback, Kaitlyn Heflin, Elizabeth Johnson, Natalie Leavy, Alaina Lee, Viviana Leon, Domingo Lopez, Sarah Lyons, Luis Martinez, Dorinda Morton, Kaley Pagan, Haley Palladino, Amy Perry, Thomas Perry, Blake Ridgill, Samantha Shearer, Nathan Simmons. Mrs. Davis noted several of these honor students were her first grade students when she taught in elementary.

Public Hearings

2. Second Public Hearing for the State of Florida Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) Application

Opportunity for Public Input was offered in the second Public Hearing concerning the county's application for \$1,154,957 for engineering, water lines, sewer facilities, street improvements, and administration in grant funding for infrastructure for the County's Industrial Park. The Citizens' Advisory Task Force has approved the application for economic development. No public input was offered.

Consent Agenda Approved

3. Approve payment of county warrants
4. Approve the minutes of the March 24, 2014 regular meeting
5. Florida Sheriff's Self Insured Fund Business Agenda
6. Resolution Proclaiming May 18 through May 24, 2014 as National

Public Works Week

Board adopted proclamation honoring Public Works Directors and staff for their professional labor and dedication contributing to the quality of life for citizens through planning, building, managing and operating infrastructure and systems for water, sewer, streets, highways, public buildings, solid waste collection, parks and canal maintenance.

County Manager Carlisle commended Road Sup't Avant Brown for his Public Works services to the county. Chairman Storter commented that too often we didn't notice public works until they were out of order and that Mr. Brown (and staff) have kept operations going and that meant citizens were not constantly calling the commissioners because of problems.

7. 1990 Ford Truck

Board formally accepted donation of a 1990 Ford truck from International Firefighter Association, Cape Coral.

8. List of Lands Available for Taxes

Board was officially informed of three parcels on the List of Lands Available which escheated to the county, March 29.

9. Extension of Grant Close Out

Board approved application for extension of grant to finalize the installation of handicap accessible doors at the library and courthouse.

10. Phone System and Internet

County Manager Carlisle informed the board (again) that the courthouse phone system is antiquated at end of life and a recent power surge had the system down two days. Board approved negotiation of a contract with CenturyLink to replace current phone system and dedicated internet access service.

11. LOST Trail Pedestrian Crossover

Part of Florida's Scenic Trails, the 110 miles Lake Okeechobee Scenic Trail (LOST) is missing an element of continuity; Board approved application for FDOT funding to construct a pedestrian crossing bridge over Harney Pond Canal to connect LOST from the Herbert Hoover Dike on the west side with the

dike on the east side.

12. First Amendment of County Manager's Employment Agreement

Board approved amendment of County Manager Carlisle's employment agreement involving insurance coverage, and the county will pay half of the cost of health insurance premiums to Mr. Carlisle as he already has his own coverage.

Constitutional Officers

Sheriff Stuart Whiddon informed the board today that he may be needing to move back into the old jail facility, stating that due to declining numbers of ICE [Immigration and Custom Enforcement] detainees, he has lost \$1 million dollars in the last two months.

He stated that Glades Correctional Development Corp, [GCDC] operators of the facility, have \$3 million in reserves and financial audits have drawn high marks for the operation and further stated the problem is political in federal administration cutting back on enforcement of illegal aliens criminal law, stating last year of 800,000 detained for crime, only 200,000 were deported.

Whiddon said investors in GCDC may choose to infuse money but that probably would only buy a few months' time. He stated he will confer with them on Friday, and will know then if he needs to be able to move from the facility by the end of the month.

He stated some minor repairs need to be done to the old jail facility which was renovated in 2008 with \$1.4million from one-cent discretionary sales tax revenue and leased by GCDC for 15 months at the rate of \$550k per year [which produced approximately \$625,000 to the county] to house up to 100 female and juvenile detainees. The facility has been empty since 2009 except when used for storage of equipment and records.

Whiddon stated he had conferred with County Manager Carlisle about the matter and had recently examined the facility, and said equipment stored there would need to be removed and leaks would have to be fixed; he stated he would need administrative office space for accounting staff and proposed the county remodel the old health department facility for offices.

Whiddon stated he plans to have Federal Marshall detainees/inmates move with the county's inmates as the facility has capacity for about 100 and he could house 20-25 Marshall's charging approximately \$55 per diem and help offset the county's operating costs.

Commissioner Echols, the board's delegate member of GCDC, told the board that it was simply a matter of mathematics, that it takes X amount of dollars for X amount of inmates to break even, and it is not financially feasible to operate the system with under 200 federal detainees — the facility was designed to house more than 400—and with no contracts with the feds.

Chairman Storter inquired of Attorney Pringle concerning emergency status of immediate repairs and readiness preparations for the old jail, and would the board need consensus or official action to proceed. He stated that repairs to the facility could be done without official action. Commissioner Echols stated approximately \$1 million remains unencumbered in the one-cent fund and the spending limit before bids were required is \$50,000. Sheriff Whiddon stated Wright Construction had renovated the building and are currently working with the county on another project and may be able to perform the repairs now.

Storter reminded the board that the jail was the responsibility of the Board of County Commissioners, not the sheriff, and assured the sheriff that the board would work with him expediently.

Along with the immediate need for office space, transfer of the 911 equipment for dispatch will be necessary. 911 Coordinator Terri Anascavage stated she had just applied for a rural county grant for the operation and maintenance of the county's 911 system, and had she known, she could have applied for funding to move the system. The grant deadline was April 1.

Sheriff Whiddon stated he would have to lay off 80-90 corrections staff and some road patrol staff as well. He said if on Friday GCDC does not provide more funding, he will immediately dismiss staff. He says he does not need an office, but would immediately need offices for accounting staff.

Whiddon commented that he has a lot of equipment that will need to be moved that does not belong to GCDC. Echols inquired if the sheriff could make some arrangement with GCDC for the county to keep the mobile fuel system and move it to the Road Dept, stating it would allow volume discounts and gas taxes.

Whiddon said the county had constructed some storage buildings that GCDC may consider and allow the fuel system to go to the county.

Chairman Storter inquired and was informed by Public Safety Director Bob Jones that there is room in the county's storage building at the Fire Dept in Moore Haven, and will have even more room when the clerk's storage building is completed and clerk's records can be relocated there.

Storter commented that office space is available in the Community Development building; County Manager Carlisle stated there is a vacant office in the courthouse; Carlisle will work with Sheriff Whiddon to facility preparations for the move.

County Attorney

County Attorney Pringle stated that Commissioner Beck has excused absence. [Commissioner Beck will be hospitalized for a few days.]

Pringle told the board that in late May he will be bringing a draft flood plain ordinance for adoption by the board which will include new maps that will benefit the citizens by clarifying new zones that require flood insurance. He stated another savings in insurance would be the one-foot freeboard that meant buildings may be required to be constructed an elevation one foot higher than the flood levels.

Attorney Pringle informed the board that he was noticing the board that the board may need to go into executive session pending litigation to discuss the lawsuit recently filed for JJ Wiggins by their attorney Steve Ramunni against the county concerning its ruling on Wiggins' application for zoning change.

He said he has not filed a response but has conferred with Ramunni and will propose the board meet before he does. Commissioner Echols stated that Attorney Ramunni represents the county on another matter for the City-County Public Works Authority and inquired if this matter would be considered a conflict of interest. Mr. Pringle will determine that before the next board meeting.

County Manager Carlisle reported on the trip to Tallahassee he, Commissioner Beck and Commissioner Stanley took to visit our Legislative Delegation while the Legislature was in session. He stated the support the county was seeking to fund the training

center was still there but we won't know until the budget is adopted if we will get any help; he stated the opportunity is there even though it was late to apply.

He stated Johnson Engineering is working on the county's 10-year water plan. Commissioner Echols stated consideration should be given if the prison goes offline.

Chairman Storter told Mr. Carlisle that at the Ortona Community Association [OCA] meeting she was informed that the owners of property adjacent to the Ortona Community Center are not interested in leasing the property to OCA or to the county. She stated parking was an issue and the bollards need to be installed on the surveyed property line to prevent OCA event attendees from parking on the private property.

Public Input On Non-Agenda Items

Commissioner Stanley commented on the Tallahassee trip stating he didn't know they were going up there to beg, but Mr. Carlisle did a great job representing the county. He said we need to get closer to Senator Galvano and Representative Pigman so they won't be strangers. Mr. Carlisle has invited them down for a special event.

Chairman Storter stated that OCA is planning to purchase a storage building that may have electrical wiring; she said they, of course, know they need a building permit, but she said she reminded them they also need permission from the board to allow the placement of the shed at OCA's park/center.

She said OCA asked her to inquire about the driveway into OCA Park from Ortona Locks Road and would it be paved when Ortona Locks Road is repaved; Road Sup't Brown stated it the driveway would be paved but would not extend beyond the road right-of-way.

Chairman Storter requested Finance Director Tiffany Patterson to use the approved amendment to Mr. Carlisle's employment agreement to procure the approved insurance coverage and compensation.

Chairman Storter thanked all volunteers who serve the county noting that Ellen Beers and Jimmy Cianfrani were in attendance and they serve the county on the Local Planning Agency and Mrs. Beers also serves on the Citizens Advisory Task Force for the CDBG grant.



BUSINESSES COMMERCIAL WASTE MANAGEMENT & RECYCLING REQUIREMENTS

County Ordinance 2010-18 requires that Commercial Operations & Businesses have a waste disposal account with County Franchise Contractors.

In addition, efforts to recycle paper, plastic, cardboard, newspaper, telephone books, metal &/or glass is required. You could see a reduction in overall disposal costs just by recycling. Please call us & we'll help you get started or improve your program.

We can also assist with your hazardous waste management needs.



RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE RECYCLING

For those of you who are avid recyclers & consistently have more recycle materials than your recycle containers can hold, please know that you may use a cardboard box for the excess, since it is recyclable as well. Plastic bags are not approved containers, as they are not an accepted material by our end recycler. You may also call for an additional container.

Thank you for your recycling efforts & feel free to let us know your suggestions for improving our program.



Questions: Hendry County Special Districts 863-675-5252
Progressive Waste Hauling 863-675-2481 (WSI)
863-675-7713 (Choice)

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3487, 2007, 4104329-09023080210, CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 21, Block 2308, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 144, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464882 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

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Lot 7, Block 2088, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

464881 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3342, 2007, 4104329-08022520160, CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 16, Block 2252, PORT LABELLE UNIT 8, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 131, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464874 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 4264, 2010, 4104329-05021860120, Ella III LLC

Lot 12, Block 2186, of PORT LABELLE UNIT 5, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 104, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464657 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

CITY OF PAHOKEE INVITATION TO BID 2014 - 03

Sealed bids for SURPLUS REAL PROPERTY will be received by the City of Pahokee at the City Clerk's Office, 207 Begonia Drive, Pahokee, FL on June 2, 2014 at noon. At that time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Contact Anika Sinclair, City Clerk, at e-mail address asinclair@cityof-pahokee.com or obtain a copy of the bid document at www.cityofpahokee.com. The City of Pahokee encourages qualified contractors and vendors to participate in the bidding of this project. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive any technicalities or irregularities therein. 464930 CN 4/17/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2870, 2007, 4104329-02020670080, CHL Home Builders Inc

Lot 8, Block 2067, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in O.R. Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464879 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2881, 2007, 4104329-02020750070, CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 7, Block 2075, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464880 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3480, 2007, 4104329-09023060060, CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 6, Block 2306, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 144, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464875 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2819, 2007, 4104329-02020410160, CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 16, Block 2041, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464877 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

CITY OF PAHOKEE RFP 2014 - 03

Sealed proposals for PURCHASE/DEVELOP SURPLUS CITY PROPERTY will be received by the City of Pahokee at the City Clerk's Office, 207 Begonia Drive, Pahokee, FL on June 2, 2014 at 2 p.m. At that time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Contact Anika Sinclair, City Clerk, at e-mail address asinclair@cityofpahokee.com or obtain a copy of the RFP at www.cityofpahokee.com. The City of Pahokee encourages qualified contractors and vendors to participate in the bidding of this project. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive any technicalities or irregularities therein. 464929 CN 4/17/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2857, 2007, 4104329-02020590090, CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 9, Block 2059, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 60, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464878 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

LEGAL NOTICE

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) gives notice that it proposes to approve a No Further Action Proposal with Engineering and Institutional Controls and issue a Site Rehabilitation Completion Order with controls for a contaminated site. Weekley Three Clewiston, L.L.C. is seeking this order in reference to FDEP Site ID # 26/8520151, Former Sugar Refining Facility located at 3013 County Road 835, Clewiston, Florida, 33440, and intends to restrict exposure to contamination in the following manner: The Site Rehabilitation Completion Order with controls imposes restrictions in the form of impervious surface and direct exposure engineering controls (concrete pavement, building foundation, asphalt pavement, and/or two (2) feet (ft.) of clean fill) within the Groundwater Restriction / Engineering Controls Area of the Property. Excavation and construction deeper than two feet below land surface is not prohibited in the Groundwater Restriction / Engineering Controls Area provided any contaminated soils that are excavated are removed and properly disposed of pursuant to Chapter 62-780, F.A.C. and any other applicable local, state, and federal requirements. Complete copies of the No Further Action Proposal, the draft restrictive covenant, and the FDEP's preliminary evaluation are available for public inspection during normal business hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except legal holidays at FDEP Bureau of Waste Cleanup - South District, 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-2549. Local governments with jurisdiction over the property subject to the Institutional Control, real property owner(s) of any property subject to the Institutional Control, and residents of any property subject to the Institutional Control have 30 days from publication of this notice to provide comments to the FDEP. Such comments must be sent to Mr. Charles A. Masella, FDEP Bureau of Waste Cleanup - South District, 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-2549. 464899 CN 4/17,24;5/1,8/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3322, 2007, 4104329-080000D0140, CHL Home Builders Inc

Tract D14, Block 2255, PORT LABELLE UNIT 8, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 131, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

464658 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Tefla Investments, 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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 4766, 2010, 4104329-09022950310, George & Adassa Morant

Lot 31, Block 2295, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 144, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

464653 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

CITY OF PAHOKEE INVITATION TO BID 2014 - 04

Sealed bids for COMMISSIONER'S PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT will be received by the City of Pahokee at the City Clerk's Office, 207 Begonia Drive, Pahokee, FL on May 7, 2014 at 2 P.M. At that time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Contact Anika Sinclair, City Clerk, at e-mail address asinclair@cityofpahokee.com or obtain a copy of the bid document at www.cityofpahokee.com. The City of Pahokee encourages qualified contractors and vendors to participate in the bidding of this project. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids and to waive any technicalities or irregularities therein. 464931 CN 4/17/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 11-57CC on November 8th, 2013 in the matter of Bertha Sander, as personal representative of the Estate of Annie Lou Moore and Ezekiel Miller, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, to-wit:

1993 Inhouse Spri Mobile Home Vehicle ID number CLF135146 and Title number 63826403 located at 829 Marilyn Avenue, Clewiston, Hendry County Florida

and on May 8, 2014, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street Labelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to all prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution.

IN accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-9-800-955-87671 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

Steve Whidden as Sheriff Hendry County, Florida By: Lt. Andy Lewis 464689 CN/CB 4/3,10,17,24/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3286, 2010, 1234334-06000000490, Jacqueline Pinerio

Lot 49, SUNSHINE LAKE ESTATES, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 175, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

464655 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Tefla Investments, 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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3908, 2011, 4104329-03020930030, Gladys Beadle + Michael S Beadle + Diannia Beadle

Lot 3, Block 2093, PORT LABELLE UNIT 3, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

464654 CN 4/3,10,17,24/2014

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 Seminole Tribe of Florida has submitted an early work request associated with the 27th Annual Work Plan, to the South Florida Water Management District (District).

The Seminole Tribe of Florida (Tribe), 6073 Stirling Road, Hollywood, FL 33024, has submitted, on April 7, 2014, a request for an early work authorization for features associated with the installation of a water level recorder on the tail-water side of the D Pump Station (L-61) located on the Brighton Reservation. The work proposed includes: Brighton Reservation - 1) Construction of a catwalk on the L-61 for the purpose of the installation of a "troll" type instrument. No dewatering is proposed. The Tribe will also include a summary report of all work authorized under the early work order in the 9th Amendment to 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, Range 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. 464917 GCD 4/17/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

SURPLUS STATE LAND
1,100 +/- acres, BID #DS13-009
 12551 Wainwright Drive, Immokalee, FL
 For a complete package call
 Tom Karpenske, Lic. Real Estate Broker (813) 273-8437
 Bid Deadline is June 13, 2014, 10:30 a.m. EDT
 464916 CN 4/17/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE PERMIT

The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) gives notice of its determination of complete application and intent to issue an Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) (File No. 0234604-021), in accordance with Part IV of Chapter 373, Florida Statutes (F.S.), to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) for the Herbert Hoover Dike (HHD) Rehabilitation and Repair - Culverts 2, 12A and HP-2 Replacement Project. The application is available for public inspection during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Ecosystem Projects, 3900 Commonwealth Blvd., M.S. 24, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-3000, telephone number (850) 245-3166.

This permit authorizes construction activities for Culverts 2, 12A and HP-2 Replacement Project, as part of the Herbert Hoover Dike Rehabilitation and Repair Project, in accordance with the documentation submitted to the Department. Activities associated with the HP-2 culvert are only authorized for lands not owned by the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

Culvert HP-2 (S-287) is located in Glades County, in the northeast portion of Levee 50 at Station 175+00 (C-41 stationing), Harney Pond Canal, within Section 12, Township 40 South, Range 32 East. Culvert 2 (S-278) is located in Hendry County, at station 538+40 in Levee D1 within Section 10, Township 43 South, Range 34 East. Culvert 12A (S-274) is located in Palm Beach County, at station 1140+80 in Levee D2 of the Herbert Hoover Dike, within Sections 35 and 36, Township 42 South, Range 36 East.

This action is final and effective on the date filed with the Clerk of the Department unless a petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., before the deadline for filing a petition. On the filing of a timely and sufficient petition, this action will not be final and effective until further order of the Department. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the hearing process may result in a modification of the agency action or even denial of the application.

Petition for Administrative Hearing
 A person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may petition for an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., Pursuant to Rule 28.06(20), F.A.C., a petition for an administrative hearing must contain the following information:

- (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known;
- (b) The name, address, any e-mail address, any facsimile number, and telephone number of the petitioner, if the petitioner is not represented by an attorney or a qualified representative; the name, address, and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the course of the proceeding; and an explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination;
- (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency decision;
- (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate;
- (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action;
- (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action, including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and
- (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action.

The petition must be filed (received by the Clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000. Also, a copy of the petition shall be mailed to the applicant at the address indicated above at the time of filing.

Time Period for Filing a Petition
 In accordance with Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant must be filed within 21 days of receipt of written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 21 days of publication of the notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. Under Section 120.60(3), F.S., however, any person who has asked the Department for notice of agency action may file a petition within 21 days of receipt of such notice, regardless of the date of publication. The failure to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the discretion of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

Extension of Time
 Under Rule 62-110.106(4), F.A.C., a person whose substantial interests are affected by the Department's action may also request an extension of time to file a petition for an administrative hearing. The Department may, for good cause shown, grant the request for an extension of time. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the Office of General Counsel of the Department at 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000, before the applicable deadline for filing a petition for an administrative hearing. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

Mediation
 Mediation is not available in this proceeding.

FLWAC Review
 The applicant, or any party within the meaning of Sections 373.114(1)(a) or 373.4275, F.S., may seek appellate review of this order before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission under Sections 373.114(1) or 373.4275, F.S., to determine if the order is consistent with the provisions and purposes of Chapter 373, F.S. Requests for review before the Land and Water Adjudicatory Commission must be filed in accordance with section 373.114, F.S., and Chapter 42-2, F.A.C., and served on the Department and on any person named in the order within 20 days after the order is filed with the Clerk of the Department.

Judicial Review
 Once this decision becomes final, any party to this action has the right to seek judicial review pursuant to Section 120.68, F.S., by filing a Notice of Appeal pursuant to Rules 9.110 and 9.190, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure, with the Clerk of the Department in the Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, M.S. 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000; and by filing a copy of the Notice of Appeal accompanied by the applicable filing fee with the appropriate District Court of Appeal. The Notice of Appeal must be filed within 30 days from the date this action is filed with the Clerk of the Department.
 464844 GCD 4/17/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

REQUEST FOR BIDS
FOR MISCELLANEOUS PAVING AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS
IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
BID No. 2014-11
OPENING DATE AND TIME: May 1, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida for the miscellaneous repaving of various roads throughout Hendry County, Florida. In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners c/o the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Attn: Barbara Butler, at the C.E. Hall Building, Room A-226, Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, by **May 1, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, located at 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 1607, LaBelle, Florida 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5222.

Bidders are encouraged to attend the **Pre-Bid Conference on Thursday, April 24, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.** at the Engineering Department, 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this Bid, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any or all 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.

Si necesita la asistencia de un interprete que hable espanol para participar un esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Myra Johnson al (863) 675-5240.

Karson Turner, Chairman
 Board of County Commissioners
 464671 CN/CB 4/3,10,17,24/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
HENDRY COUNTY
CLEARING AND REMOVING DISASTER
DEBRIS AND ANCILLARY SERVICES
RFP No. 2014-14
Opening Date and Time: May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking proposals to obtain the services of a qualified firm(s) to provide services to remove, process, and lawfully dispose of disaster generated debris (other than hazardous materials and household garbage) from public property and public rights-of-way in Hendry County, Florida in response to an emergency event such as, but not limited to, hurricane(s) or other natural or manmade disaster(s). In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by **May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Emergency Management Department, by email at ltaylor@hendryfla.net or by calling (863) 674-5400 or the Hendry County Purchasing Department, by email at Mydajah.williams@hendryfla.net or by calling (863) 675-5220.

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Si necesita la asistencia de un interprete que hable espanol para participar un esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Myra Johnson al (863) 675-5240.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
 Board of County Commissioners
 464920 CN/CB 4/17,24/5/1/2014

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
HENDRY COUNTY
EMERGENCY DEBRIS MONITORING
RFP No. 2014-15
Opening Date and Time: May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking proposals from qualified firms to provide Emergency Debris Monitoring Services including collection and debris site monitoring, in accord with all statutes and rules issued by Hendry County, the State of Florida and/or the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). These services will be in response to an emergency event such as, but not limited to, hurricane(s) or other natural or manmade disaster(s). In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by **May 8, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

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 464919 CN/CB 4/17,24/5/1/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
HENDRY COUNTY
LEASE OF SPACE AT THE LABELLE AIRPORT
BID No. 2014-09
RFP No. 2014-09
Opening Date and Time: April 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking proposals to lease the Labelle Airport Mobile Home as office space. In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by **April 24, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, by email at konan@hendryfla.net or by calling (863) 675-5220.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
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 464780 CN/CB 4/9,16/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv 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
874	2010	1274329-01000E10440	Linda Dekle Davis

From the intersection of the South line of Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, with the centerline of SR 29, run North 03 degrees 51' West along the centerline of SR 29, a distance of 2598.3 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; thence run North 86 degrees 17' East, a distance of 450 feet; thence run South 03 degrees 51' East, a distance of 100 feet; thence run South 86 degrees 17' West, a distance of 450 feet; thence run North 03 degrees 51' West, a distance of 100 feet to the Point-of-Beginning. LESS the Westerly 50 feet for the right-of-way of SR 29. Being in Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida and more commonly known as Business Lots 44 through 47, inclusive, Section E-1, LABELLE RANCHETTES, an unrecorded subdivision.

Less and excepting 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 **www.hendryrealfore.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Fourth Thursday** of the month of **May, 2014**, which is the **22nd** day of **May, 2014**.

Dated this **9th** day of **April, 2014**.
 Barbara S. Butler
 Clerk of Circuit Court
 Hendry County, Florida

464872 CN 4/17,24/5/1,8/2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 14-112-CA
Judge: Donald H. Mason

PHARMTECH, INC., a Florida corporation,
 Plaintiff,
 v.
 THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ELMER M. WHITE AND ANY UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
 Defendants.

AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION - PROPERTY
 TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS OF ELMER M. WHITE; ANY UNKNOWN PERSONS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; and ALL OTHERS WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for declaratory relief, to determine beneficiaries, and to quiet title to real property in Hendry County, Florida, commonly known as 2989 County Road 78 West, LaBelle, Florida 33935, and which is legally described as follows:

Lot 18, Block D, Alfred E. Wilson, Unit 1, an unrecorded Subdivision in Section 11, Township 43 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: Commence at the Northwest corner of Government Lot 1, and the Center of Section 11, Township 43 South, Range 28 East; thence South 00°36'53" West along the NS 1/2 line of said Section 11, a distance of 100.00 feet to the South Right-of-way of County Road 78; thence South 89°12'32" East, along said R/W a distance of 736.83 feet; thence continue along said R/W on an arc concave to the Northwest, a distance of 707.02 feet, central angle of 27°19'34", radius of 1482.40 feet to the point of beginning; thence continue along said R/W and said arc, a distance of 81.25 feet, central angle of 3°08'25", radius of 1482.40 feet; thence South 29°40'31" East a distance of 118.72 feet; thence Westerly on an arc concave to the Northwest, a distance of 87.75 feet, central angle of 3°08'25", radius of 1601.12 feet; thence North 26°32'06" West, a distance of 118.72 feet to the Point of Beginning.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on the Plaintiff's attorney, Ryan W. Owen, Esquire, whose address is Adams and Reese LLP, 1515 Ringling Boulevard, Suite 700, Sarasota, Florida 34236 on or before April 21, 2014 or within thirty (30) days after first publication of the notice and file the original with the Clerk of the above-styled Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.
 DATED on March 11, 2014.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
 CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
 BY: R. DeLaCruz
 Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Sheila Mann, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, and whose telephone number is (239) 533-1700, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.
 463809 CN 3/27/4/3,10,17/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

REQUEST FOR BIDS
FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES REGARDING STAFFORD KING AIRPORT HANGAR RETROFIT REPAIR WORK AT LABELLE AIRPORT IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
BID No. 2014-10
OPENING DATE AND TIME: May 15, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida for repair of the Stafford King Airport Hangar at the Labelle Airport in Hendry County, Florida. In order to be considered, bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners c/o the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Attn: Barbara Butler, at the C.E. Hall Building, Room A-226, Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, by **May 15, 2014, at 2:00 p.m.**, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, located at 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 1607, LaBelle, Florida 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5222.

All Bidders **MUST** attend the **Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference on April 30, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.** at the Engineering Department, 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935. An optional site visit after the pre-bid conference will be conducted for all bidders interested.

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Karson Turner, Chairman
 Board of County Commissioners
 464827 CN/CB 4/17,24/5/1,8/2014

Public Notice **Public Notice**

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 **8th Amendment to 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), 6365 Taft Street, Suite 3008, Hollywood, FL 33024, has submitted, on March 21, 2014, the **8th Amendment to the 27th Annual Work Plan**. The Work Plan describes existing and proposed activities on Seminole land. The work proposed by the 8th Amendment to the 27th Annual Work Plan includes: **Hollywood Reservation** - 1) Seminole Estates Circle Phase II - the proposed project is a parking area that drains into Basin B-1. All stormwater runoff from the site will be captured onsite. **Immokalee Reservation** - 1) Raw Water Production Well (S107/475/R29E) - the Tribe is requesting construction of a Lower Tamiami Aquifer drinking water well (10') for redundancy purposes. There will be no changes to the previously permitted allocation or sources. **Brighton Reservation** - 1) Flowing Well Grove (S12/T395/R32E) - The Tribe is requesting installation of two 12" wells for irrigation of three citrus tracts (86-acres, 101-acres, and 90-acres). 2) Knotts Landing Phase II - The Tribe is proposing construction of three townhome facilities within an 18.66 acre tract. Runoff overflow will be routed by culverts from a retention area to the existing "community ditch". 3) Brighton Charter School - this project involves the addition of a gymnasium building, a new media center building, a new parking lot, and an access road. Onsite surface water management is provided for in two adjoining onsite retention basins. 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 10,11, 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.

A copy of the amendment and future additional documents can be obtained by either of the following methods: 1) Submitting a written request to: Regulation Division, South Florida Water Management District, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680; or 2) Submitting an electronic request at permits@sfwmd.gov.
 464809 GCD 4/17/2014

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JAIL

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are currently around 130 employees working in the jail, pointed out the sheriff.

So, why the declining number in ICE detainees?

In 2011 ICE agents and officers were told to curtail the use of detainees, or immigration holds. Detainers give ICE officers the chance to question and take into custody illegal aliens who have been identified after their arrest by local law enforcement agencies.

The federal administration urged ICE agents and officers to exercise "prosecutorial discretion" in their handling of illegal aliens.

According to information contained in published study by Jessica M. Vaughan, the director of policy studies for the Center for Immigration Study, enforcement activity has declined by 40 percent since the prosecutorial discretion policy was put into place. That study was released last month.

That study goes on to point out that in 2013, ICE reported 722,000 encounters with potentially deportable aliens. However, they only followed through with immigration charges on 195,000 of those, or about one-fourth.

Many of the aliens "ignored" by ICE were convicted felons. In 2013, ICE agents released 68,000 aliens with criminal convictions, added the study.

What this means, is fewer potentially deportable aliens are being arrested and incarcerated in jails such as the one in Glades County. With fewer people being locked up, the revenue stream for those jails has dwindled.

Sheriff Whiddon pointed out that nine facilities similar to his have already shut down in the U.S.

Yet, said Alvin Ward, GCDC president and board chairman, his group and Glades County were assured by ICE that they would keep their facility in business.

"They said if you build it, we'll fill it," he said, Wednesday, March 9. "ICE is not holding up their end of the bargain. Glades County and the stockholders have been hung out to dry by ICE.

"If it continues to go south, the stockholders are going to lose a lot of money, and a lot of people will be out of a job," he added.

Simply put, he added, ICE is not picking up illegal aliens.

"Basically, they're not picking up anybody. And when we met with them, they said they don't see anything changing in the near future," added the GCDC head.

Mr. Ward explained that the facility was built after the GCDC was able to secure a 24-year, \$33 million bond. The GCDC makes an interest payment quarterly and a principle payment yearly, he added.

The GCDC board is a volunteer board and members receive no remuneration for their services.

When asked how long the GCDC would keep the jail open, Mr. Ward said he didn't want to go "into the amount of time." But, he said, bondholders have given his group the go-ahead to use some of the money being held in reserves to keep the facility open.

However, at Tuesday's county commis-

sion meeting Sheriff Whiddon said the GCDC currently has \$3 million in reserves. It's not clear how much of that will be used to keep the facility running.

Sheriff Whiddon also pointed out in Thursday's telephone interview the daily cost per inmate is \$88, and that applies to all inmates being held in the jail. As of Thursday, the sheriff said he had just under 200 inmates in the 600-bed facility. About 40 of those are county inmates, while another 20 are being held for the U.S. Marshal's Service. The rest, he said, are being held for ICE.

Locally, Okeechobee County Jail Administrator Ronnie White said Thursday he had 12 inmates that were being held for ICE. Those inmates were not arrested by ICE, but were arrested on local charges and are being held for possible deportation.

Unlike the Glades County facility, the Okeechobee County Jail is not dependent on ICE detainees.

"The only thing (money) we get is the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program (SCAAT)," said Mr. White. "The county gets so much per day for holding illegal aliens then, when we need something, we can use it. Last year we bought a computer software program."

In fiscal year 2013 the county received \$45,583 in SCAAT money.

Okeechobee County Sheriff's Office (OCSO) figures indicated the average per diem rate in 2012 for detainees was \$40.80 per inmate. The problem with that is, Sheriff Paul May's budget for inmates is \$70 per day, per inmate. This means he loses \$29.20 per day, per detainee.

The OCSO submits the number of detainees held, then the government goes over that list and pays only for those who are known to be here illegally. For fiscal year 2011-12, the sheriff's office submitted 119 names of detainees that were held in the county jail.

Regardless of all that has transpired lately, Sheriff Whiddon said he feels the chances of keeping his jail open are "fairly good."

"We're in negotiations with the bondholders to figure out our options," he said. "They don't want to close it. We've just got to put together a lot of operating expenses and give them to the investors and the bank. They'll look at it to see if they can come up with some sort of options."

But if there are no other options, Mr. Ward said the facility would be closed.

"It would go through the closure process according to bond documents and then sold. Bondholders would then get a percentage of the sale," he added. "We need a hair over 400 to break even and keep the jail open. We're running about \$500,000 a month in the hole and that's not a good number."

When asked, Mr. Ward said his group could not sue ICE or the government because there is no contract between them so the GCDC and the bondholders are going to do all they can to keep the facility open.

"We don't want to lose the facility and we don't want to lose the jobs in Glades County," he said. "It worries me every day."

A phone call seeking more information was made to ICE, but it was not returned as of newspaper deadline.

Key findings of 2013 study:

- In 2013, ICE charged only 195,000, or 25 percent, out of 722,000 potentially deportable aliens they encountered. Most of those aliens came to the attention of ICE after incarceration for a local arrest.

- ICE released 68,000 criminal aliens in 2013, or 35 percent of the criminal aliens encountered by officers. The vast majority of these releases occurred because of the Obama administration's prosecutorial discretion policies, not because the aliens were not deportable.

- ICE targeted 28 percent fewer aliens for deportation from the interior in 2013 than in 2012, despite sustained high numbers of encounters in the Criminal Alien and Secure Communities programs.

- Every ICE field office but one reported a decline in interior enforcement activity. In the Miami field office: 74,724 aliens were encountered in 2013; 10,200 of those were charged; and, 64,524 were released. That is a release rate of 86 percent.

- ICE reports there are more than 870,000 aliens on its docket who have been ordered removed, but who remain in defiance of the law.

- Less than 2 percent of ICE's caseload was in detention at the end of fiscal year 2013.

- About three-fourths of the aliens ICE detained in 2013 had criminal and/or immigration convictions so serious that detention was required by statute.

- Under current policies, an alien's family relationships, political considerations, attention from advocacy groups and other factors not related to public safety can trump even serious criminal convictions and result in the termination of a deportation case.

Source: The Center for Immigration Studies publication released March of 2014 entitled 'Catch and Release: Interior immigration enforcement in 2013.'



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Dr. Nune Wins 2014 Ford Focus Win Leads to an Act of Generosity

BY GLENDA WILSON
HRMC

Congratulations to Dr. Udayashree Nune – winner of a 2014 Ford Focus.

At the drawing, held during the Sugar Festival and sponsored by the Hendry Regional Medical Center Foundation, Dr. Nune's winning ticket was randomly picked from more than 600 other entrees.

Dr. Nune gave the car to her nurse, Earlene Pilgram. From the moment she purchased tickets, Dr. Nune's de-

sire was to give this car (if she won) to Earlene, who works at the Forbes Family Care Center alongside Dr. Nune.

Earlene has been driving a 1985 Dodge Spirit, and she was absolutely thrilled and most grateful for Dr. Nune's kindness and generosity.

Barbara Alston and Jennifer Earnest, president and vice president of The Howard E. Hill Foundation, respectively, donated the 2014 Ford Focus to the hospital foundation after winning it this past October from the

hospital foundation's first car raffle.

The Hendry Regional Medical Center Foundation wishes to publicly thank the Howard E. Hill Foundation for their beautiful giving spirits and to also express their appreciation to those from the community who supported this fundraiser.

Proceeds from the ticket sales are going towards the purchase of a digital mammography machine at the Hendry Regional Convenient Care Center in LaBelle.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Earlene Pilgram is featured on the left and Dr. Nune is on the right.

Reminder: Keep Your Eyes on the Road, Hands on the Wheel

April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month

There were nearly 39,000 crashes in Florida last year in which a driver was driving while distracted. Those crashes resulted in 201 deaths and more than 33,000 injuries.

Whether it's texting on a cell phone, eating a hamburger between appointments or tuning in a favorite radio station, any driver who takes their focus off the road for even a second is driving distracted and the end result could be deadly. April is Distracted

Driver Awareness Month in Florida and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles is working to bring awareness to Floridians about the dangers of distracted driving.

"Anything we can do to drive home the message that distracted driving is dangerous and often deadly is crucial to making our highways safer," said Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles Executive Director Julie Jones. "Don't Drive Distracted" is a

message that is especially important for young, inexperienced drivers under the age of 20 who have the highest proportion of distraction-related fatal crashes." Nationally, more than nine people are killed and more than a thousand others are injured each day in the U.S. as the result of a distracted driver. Texting is one of the major causes of distracted driving. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that any given daylight moment,

there are 660,000 people who are texting and driving. Texting while driving was banned last year in Florida.

The message to all drivers is to keep their eyes on the road, hands on the wheel and minds on driving. To learn more about safe driving behaviors, visit www.flhsmv.gov and on Facebook.

The Florida Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles provides highway safety and security

through excellence in service, education and enforcement.

The Department is leading the way to a safer Florida through the efficient and professional execution of its core mission: the issuance of driver licenses, vehicle tags and titles and operation of the Florida Highway Patrol.

To learn more about DHSMV and the services offered, visit www.flhsmv.gov, follow us on Twitter @FLHSMV or find us on Facebook.

Are Some Florida Gas Stations Running on Fumes?

Family and friends arriving in Florida to escape winter weather may find a few gasoline stations without fuel, particularly in Central Florida near Orlando.

"There has been a somewhat imperfect storm of events that have led to wholesale tightness in fuel, and in some cases, closed stations or at least sporadic outages, particularly for the unbranded gasoline c-stores like 7-11 and Circle-K," said Gregg Laskoski, senior petroleum analyst for GasBuddy.com.

Prices, particularly for unbranded gasoline in Florida, have lifted very quickly. Here's why:

Supply: Florida is working with 'hand-to-mouth' gasoline inventories

right now. The state is transitioning to 'summer blend' gasoline and that process still has another 40 days to go. At the same time, there have been reports (unconfirmed) of a few cargoes of gasoline that were delayed moving from Houston or New Orleans to Tampa, due to fog in the Gulf of Mexico.

Imports of gasoline from offshore sources have continued to be very low, and that may continue into the second quarter.

Freight rates for moving Texas/La. gas are still very high thanks to the scarcity of American-flagged Jones' Act vessels.

Ethanol: Supply of ethanol is a problem throughout the East and Gulf Coasts, and the further one goes from

the Midwest, the higher the price and the scarcer the ethanol becomes. The price for ethanol in Florida has been in the neighborhood of \$3.75 per gallon.

That has added six to seven cents per gallon to the price of gasoline, whereas as the year began, ethanol probably helped cheapen the wholesale price by a few pennies.

Trains bring most of the ethanol to Florida and there has been a backlog of trains arriving with ethanol in the state, particularly south of Orlando.

Logistics: Petroleum transports have been moving jet fuel from Cape Canaveral or Jacksonville or Orlando to Tampa.

Some of these trucks are the same trucks normally used to move gasoline

from terminals to stations, so trucking has been a huge issue.

Demand: The country finds a flat demand trend, but this is probably the busiest gasoline demand month in Florida in the last six years due to it being one of the harshest winters in North America in the past 100 years. Strong demand should prevail until the week after Easter.

Unbranded gas availability: Most of the logistics are dominated by major oil companies, so branded stations, such as Chevron, Citgo and ExxonMobil, have generally had supply. Unbranded companies, including Circle K, 7-Eleven and others, have had to scramble to find finished gasoline, or gasoline blendstock and ethanol. Therefore, the

outages may impact the non-brand names for gasoline and the public may see the prices of some major brands at less than the price quotes of big box companies (i.e. Sam's Club) and unbranded chains, (i.e. Raceway).

GasBuddy operates over 250 similar websites that track gasoline prices at over 140,000 gasoline stations in the United States and Canada.

In addition, GasBuddy offers a free smartphone app, which has been downloaded over 25 million times, to help motorists find the lowest gasoline prices in their area.

To download the GasBuddy mobile application for free, go to GasBuddy.com.

Local Healthy Families Program Receives Accreditation

BY BRENDA BARNES
Florida Department of Health

Healthy Families Florida received its third accreditation in 15 years. The Healthy Families Program at the Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties offers in-home parenting education and parenting support, which includes parental resilience, nurturing, attachment, social connections, parenting skills, child development and support systems for parents.

To celebrate this major accomplishment and milestone of Healthy Families Florida, representatives from Healthy Families America and Prevent Child Abuse America will award certificates to each site at the Central Office September Leadership meeting.

Kathleen Strader, national director and quality assurance and accreditation for Healthy Families America (HFA) National Office and Prevent Child Abuse America, gave the following comments: "It should come as no surprise that Healthy Families Florida

is now re-accredited. The work of the Healthy Families team at all sites is truly incredible! There is no doubt that Florida is one of the strongest systems throughout the entire HFA Network!"

Ms. Strader went on to say, "The results of this accreditation paints quite a stellar picture ... in fact, it doesn't get much better. Every site met the threshold for accreditation without having to submit responses to the Accreditation Panel -- that is a first for any state system. Truth be told, I have never seen this level of achievement across an en-

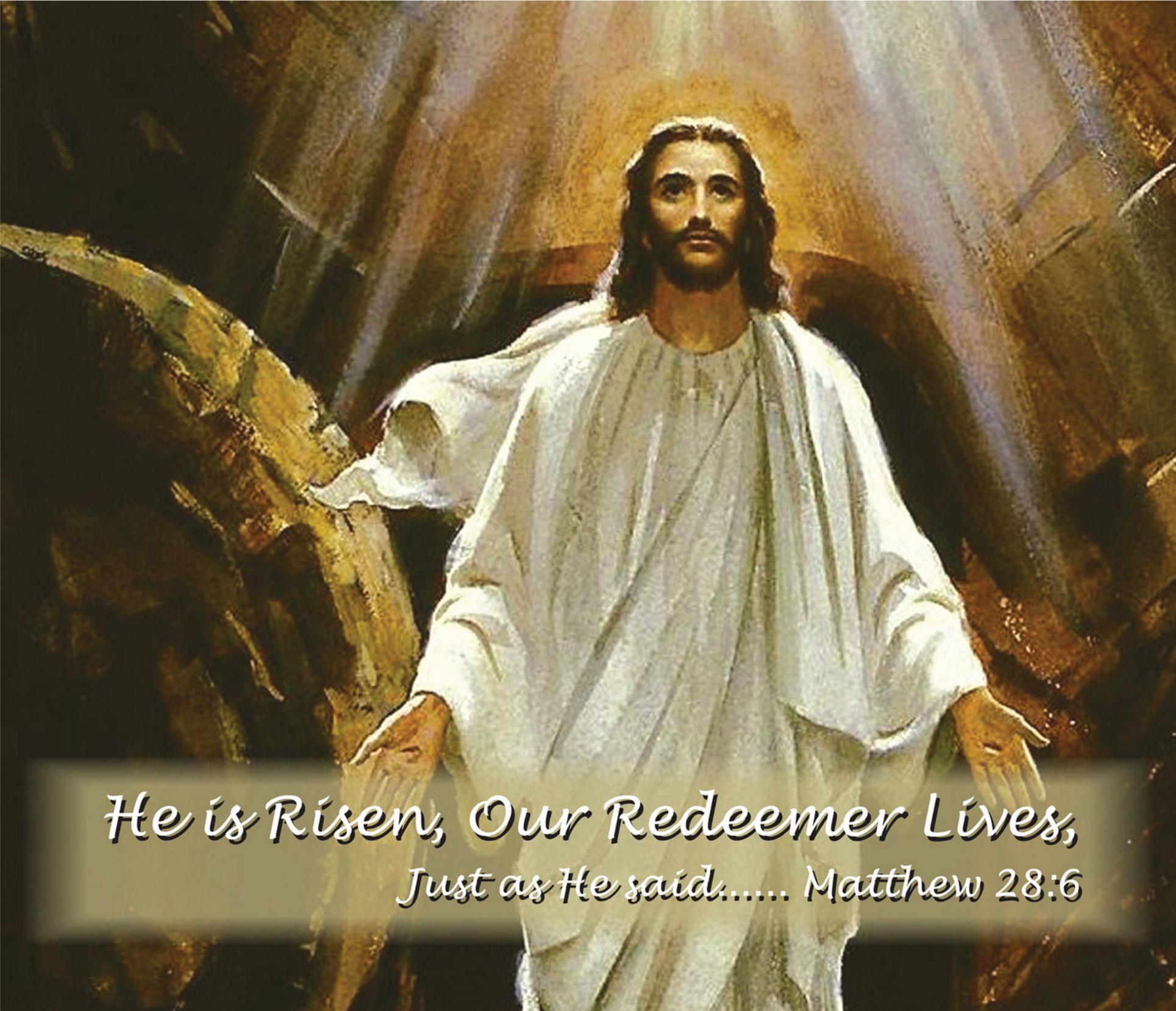
tire system in the 13 years I have had the ability to track data of this type."

Carol McNally, executive director of Healthy Families Florida and Ounce of Prevention Fund of Florida, said, "I am incredibly proud of our Healthy Families Team. It is because of our unwavering commitment and dedication to the fidelity of the Healthy Families model that we have sustained success over the past 15 years and will continue to do so in the years ahead. This accreditation is a true testament of the phenomenal work we are doing to

make a positive change in the lives of thousands and thousands of Florida's most vulnerable families."

Pat Dobbins, administrator and health officer for the Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties, said, "We are so proud to have Healthy Families serve our communities and families through the Department of Health in Hendry and Glades."

The re-accreditation of Healthy Families Florida will remain in effect through June 30, 2019.



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