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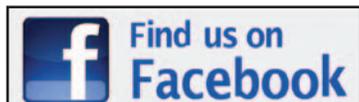
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Prescott named FL Teacher of the Year



Fourth-grade math teacher Joy Prescott (center) is presented with the \$20,000 check for becoming the 2019 Florida Teacher of the Year by Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart (left) and First Lady Ann Scott (right). Special to the Glades County Democrat

By Richard Marion
Glades County Democrat

Pemayev Emahakv Charter School (PECS) fourth grade math teacher Joy Prescott was named the 2019 Florida Teacher of the Year at Florida Department of Education (FDOE) awards gala held in Orlando on July 13.

Mrs. Prescott was awarded \$20,000 from the FDOE and will now spend the next year traveling the state to work with other teachers as the 'Christa McAuliffe Ambassador for Education'.

PECS principal Brain Greseth, who has known Mrs. Prescott since she was a student in kindergarten, is pleased with the way she represented both PECS and

Glades County.

"We are extremely proud of Joy," said Mr. Greseth. "She is an amazing teacher. Joy will be an asset to the state as she travels next year and shares her incredible teaching skills with others."

In an interview shortly after she was named a finalist for teacher of the year, Mrs. Prescott singled out two individuals for making an impact on her life.

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Special to the Glades County Democrat
First Lady Ann Scott embraces Joy Prescott shortly after she was announced as the 2019 Florida Teacher of the Year.



County to demolish the Muse fire station

By Chris Felker
Glades County Democrat

The fire station at Muse is to be at least partly demolished after Glades County Board action July 10, and then officials will put out a request for proposals to rebuild it.

Public Safety Director Bob Jones told the county commissioners: "At the last board meeting, I was asked to go out and do an evaluation of the Muse firehouse, and so we went out there and took a bunch of pictures.

David (Mercer), the building inspector, went with us. The building was built back in 1982. As you can see in some of the pictures, the roof is open 8 to 10 feet wide clear across the back, and we never tarped it due to the fact that the whole sheeting up there was so soft, we were scared we would fall through the thing. You know, it's in multiple stages of rot through the sheeting, even in the rafter. There's no hurricane straps, but there's one heck of a tie beam in that thing."

Mr. Jones said he was pretty sure the rafters would not be salvageable. "My impression, if we were to reconfigure that building, is it would need totally a new roof from the tie beam up," he stated, adding that inside the building, where in the bay area there is quarter-inch plywood, "there's different stages of rot and mold in that area, same way as throughout the day rooms ... it's been leaking

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Fire tax talks eclipsed by county manager's exit

By Chris Felker
Glades County Democrat

Consideration of possibly imposing a special assessment to finance a full-time fire department in Glades County has been put off for the present because county commissioners first must expedite their hiring of a new manager.

Interim county manager Joseph Helfenberger announced at their regular meeting Tuesday, July 10, that he has accepted the position of city manager in Lake City and must leave Glades' employ much earlier than previously planned. Mr. Helfenberger has been working closely with Public Safety Director Bob Jones to, first, gauge whether the county firehouse at Muse could be salvaged, and then to provide the county board with the information and hard financial cost figures it needs to decide whether to institute a fire tax.

The board voted unanimously after a separate discussion to have county road department workers gingerly dismantle the Muse fire station to see whether any parts, particularly its concrete block walls and the concrete pad the building sits on, can be re-used (despite apparent widespread mold) and a new building erected on it. The building was severely damaged during Hurricane Irma in September 2017.

Having already narrowed a field of over 20 candidates for county manager to about a dozen and then selecting their top picks for interviews, now the commissioners will have a closed meet-and-greet morning

session on Monday, July 30, followed by a special public meeting/hearing in the early afternoon to decide how they'll proceed.

Ironically, Mr. Helfenberger had been the first choice of each of the five Glades county commissioners.

But, he informed them: "I met with Lake City last night ... and didn't even have five minutes to talk to you before the commission meeting today. They pretty much approved to hire me, so ... my decision would be to go with that."

Mr. Helfenberger said, however, that it was a bittersweet moment for him. "I very much enjoyed working with the commission here, and with the staff. You've got just excellent people. We've made some progress; the county has done a lot of great things, and I see them just continuing that."

He then removed himself from further consideration for the position, and all of the commissioners expressed some degree of disappointment but wished him well in his new endeavors.

County Board Chairman John Ahern then directed a discussion of how the commissioners should complete their selection process after hearing from County Attorney Richard Pringle about legal procedures. He told them they should each initial their ranking sheets to make them part of the public record, then create a short list, describe the steps they would follow and set a date for meetings to which their top choices would be invited.

Human Resources Director Gabrielle

lbiatorremendia was directed to contact the top five choices as ranked by commissioners, proceeding past them to the next-highest-ranked picks if any of the candidates were to remove themselves from consideration.

The board passed motions accepting the individual commissioners' rankings for creating their short list; setting a special meeting for Monday, July 30, with the specific sched-

ule to be worked out later; instructing Ms. lbiatorremendia to invite the top five or six candidates and authorizing her to check their employment status; and denying any compensation to the candidates for travel or accommodations for the meet-and-greet. They also put the matter on the agenda for their next meeting, Monday, July 23, in case any further decisions need to be made.

MUSE

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for probably a very, very long time."

Further, he said, in upgrading this building, the septic tank would have to be moved farther away but, due to lack of any filter system, probably would not meet code anyway. Mr. Jones said the kitchen and bathrooms also were in bad shape, but that "the block wall appears to be in fairly decent shape. There are some cracks in it, but they're probably mortar-line cracks. The bay doors are in fair condition, but other than that there's probably nothing else that would be salvageable."

He suggested the best course might be to just gut the whole building out. Interim county manager Joe Helfenberger said the first order of business probably should be to condemn the building. But after some discussion, commissioners leaned more toward salvaging whatever portions of the structure could be saved.

Mr. Jones went on: "So we called three contractors, and we only had one that actually called us back. We gave him these pic-

tures to give us a rough idea what it would take to tear all that thing back to the tie beam and to bring it back to some state with a new roof and what air conditioning we wanted to build in the interior with it, and it was roughly \$100,000 to \$150,000." The county did receive an insurance payment of roughly \$48,000 for damage done during Irma last year, and staff said more money might be available from its claim.

Mold mitigation also will be required, though, as the inside was painted 10 years ago and Mr. Jones said it's obvious that mold was painted over that long ago. "So mold mitigation would be roughly \$20,000, and (the contractor) cannot guarantee that he can get it out of the block walls or the concrete floor."

After an explanation by County Attorney Richard Pringle of how it should move forward, the county board voted unanimously, first, to have county workers do a partial demolition, let Mr. Jones and staff assess what can be saved, and do an asbestos survey if necessary; then, to have staff advertise a request for proposals on construction of a 50- by 60-foot steel building with two 12- by 14-foot bay doors and a restroom.

TEACHER

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"The biggest teachers to have an impact on me were my mom and dad," Mrs. Prescott explained. "They inspired me completely. They were hard-working, and always wanted a better life for me. I was the first in my family to graduate college and they pushed me to be who I am today. I also think Pemayevt Emahakv Charter School is the best of the best. I feel like any of the teachers there could be in my position now. They push me and make me want to do better for my students."

Glades County Superintendent Scott Bass congratulated Mrs. Prescott on her accomplishment.

"She brings great enthusiasm to her classroom and promotes a wonderful environment that leads to the social and emotional growth of her students," said Mr. Bass.

First Lady Ann Scott and Commissioner of Education Pam Stewart were in attendance to present the award to Mrs. Prescott, who was chosen from more than 198,700 public school teachers throughout the state.

"I am proud to join the Florida Department of Education to announce Joy Prescott as Florida's Teacher of the Year for her excellence in teaching our Florida students," First Lady Ann Scott said. "Educators have an incredible impact on the lives of the students in our state. On behalf of all Floridians, we are glad to show our appreciation for Flori-

da's outstanding teachers."

The remaining four finalists were presented with a \$15,000 check from the Florida Department of Education - Kyle Dencker from Timber Creek High School in Orange County; Molly Winters Diallo from Alonzo and Tracy Mourning Senior High School in Miami-Dade County; Patrick Farley from Crystal Lake Elementary School in Martin County; and Samantha Neff from Idyllwilde Elementary School in Seminole County.

Also during the gala event, the remaining 69 district winners from around the state were also recognized for their achievements and excellence in teaching. Each of the district winners were presented with \$10,000 from the Department of Education.

Governor Rick Scott has prioritized the 2019 Teacher of the Year program, and as a result, the State of Florida has allocated significant funding to honor Florida's top educators.

"Congratulations to Joy Prescott on being named the 2019 Teacher of the Year," said Governor Scott. "Florida's teachers and educators are ensuring that our students are developing the knowledge and skills they need to be successful and live the American Dream. As Governor, I've been glad to champion record funding for our K-12 schools so every student can get a world-class education in Florida."

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Meet-up explores how state can aid County

By Chris Felker
Glades County Democrat

Glades and Hendry counties are among those included in Gov. Rick Scott's 12 Counties Initiative, meant to address the challenges of economic development in a dozen of the state's most rural, least developed counties and build on the strengths that exist in each. Last week, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity and officials from several other state departments and agencies conducted roundtable meetings for "stakeholders" in both counties.

The Glades County Roundtable took place the afternoon of Tuesday, July 10, at the Glades County Regional Training Facility.

DEO Director Cissy Proctor gave an introductory address to kick off the meeting at 2, then the state agency officials and community stakeholders present were introduced. There followed a short community overview for the benefit of unfamiliar officials. The next hour or more was taken up with various speakers highlighting the community's major goals. After a short break, they all discussed what they were taking away from the conference and what would happen next, then officials wrapped up the afternoon's activities around 5 p.m.

DEO officials had circulated a checklist before the meeting showing "opportunities for improved economic outcomes" and listed these categories of difficulties that the counties might be facing: high unemployment; minimal labor force growth; low labor force participation; annual wages below the state average; rate of individuals with disabilities above the state average; low population growth; few job opportunities; recipients of TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) aid from the Depart-

ment of Children and Families above the state average; half of workforce commute to another county; poverty rate above the state average; number of food stamp recipients above the state average; and low educational attainment.

Glades County was declared to be challenged in all those categories except for population growth and the proportion of TANF and food stamp recipients.

The goal of the three-hour meeting was for the more than 20 state agency representatives who attended to actually visit the community, listen to local residents and officials themselves list the community's needs and to help them brainstorm about solutions.

After each of the dozen Florida counties have had their local stakeholder roundtable meeting, the DEO, working with the other agencies represented, is to develop action plans specific to each county for presentation to their governing bodies. Those plans are to contain specifics about how the state can assist in alleviating poor economic conditions.

Glades County Board Chairman John Ahern said the main topic of discussion was the county's infrastructure needs, specifically wastewater/sewer service in the U.S. 27 corridor south of Moore Haven especially.

"We had an opportunity to show the DEO and the other agencies that were there the work that we're doing on the wastewater study on the south side of Moore Haven, on the south side of the bridge," he said, explaining that a study is in progress on the feasibility of extending sewer service to that area and how it could be accomplished, which is necessary for future development.

Researchers from Florida Gulf Coast University are utilizing state grant money to con-

duct the study, in conjunction with Waldrop Engineering of Bonita Springs.

"We let them know that when we get the study done, we would be looking for some grant funding to help (with) the sewer, but we've got a long ways to go. We have to determine whether we'll have a line that comes under the river and attaches to the plant that we have now or whether we have to build a new plant on the south side of the river," Mr. Ahern said.

Other concerns raised, he said, included a serious lack of affordable housing ("That was one of the main things"), extension of natural-gas service into Glades County and spotty internet access in outlying areas.

"They're all going to be involved in doing an assessment of what they found and what our concerns were," he said of the state officials who were present. Mr. Ahern said that, "really, the little window that we had to do everything, it was small to maybe get into a lot of detail. But it was good, and we really appreciated them coming and helping us out and, you know, getting us started. We know that ... we have a lot of needs, but they're there and they're willing to work with us."

NOAA imagery shows lake algal bloom decreasing

By Katrina Elsen
Glades County Democrat

The latest images from space show the blue-green algal bloom on Lake Okeechobee is decreasing.

Imagery from July 2 showed signs of cyanobacteria in 90 percent of Lake Okeechobee.

Since the satellite images are only available at set intervals, NOAA was unable to get usable photos July 6-13 due to cloud cover.

The July 14 image shows algae in less of the lake, and more importantly, that the concentrations have decreased in areas where there is cyanobacteria.

The NOAA imagery does not indicate what kind of cyanobacteria is present. There are thousands of types of cyanobacteria, although only about a dozen have been documented in Lake Okeechobee. Some — not all — of the types of cyanobacteria known to live in the lake can produce toxins under certain conditions. However, even cyanobacteria that can produce toxins does not always do so.

The NOAA image does not show what the human eye sees. It's computer-generated imagery using data the satellite collects to locate concentrations of cyanobacteria in the water. Different colors on the imagery show areas of varying cyanobacteria concentration. The NOAA image does not show how many different types of cyanobacteria are present, or which types of cyanobacteria are present. It does not show whether or not toxins are present.

Glades at a Glance

Back to School Bash

A Back to School Bash will be held for Glades County students on Wednesday, Aug. 8, from 4-6 p.m. at the Doyle Conner Building, 900 N U.S. Hwy 27 in Moore Haven. Students must be present to receive free school supplies. The event includes food, fun, games, music prizes and more. For information, call Stephanie or Traci at 863-946-0405.

Meals served at Legion Post

Moore Haven American Legion Post 299, 600 River Road in Moore Haven, is sponsoring dinners in the Post Hall on each Friday and Saturday evening starting at 6 p.m. The Post is sponsoring breakfast each Sunday from 8 a.m. to noon. Both events are open to the public and there is a small charge. Preparation and serving are under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sparks. For information, call 863-946-2556.

BHR VFW serves dinner

The Buckhead Ridge VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East in Buckhead Ridge, will serve dinner on Friday, July 20, from 5:30 - 7 p.m. Grilled boneless rib eye steak, grilled pork tenderloin, fried fish and

shrimp, baked and french fried potatoes, baked sweet potatoes, onion rings, salad and desert. Live music by Cowboy. Proceeds benefits homeless veterans. For information, call 863-467-2882.

BHR Moose serves catfish

The Buckhead Ridge Moose, 1016 Linda Road offers AUCE fillets or Sharpies on Friday, July 20, from 5 - 7 p.m. for a donation of \$10. Steak and shrimp dinners are available. Live entertainment. The public is welcome.

BHR VFW Riders serves ham

The Buckhead Ridge VFW Riders will serve a full breakfast from 8:30 - 11 a.m. and a baked ham dinner at 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 21 at the Buckhead Ridge VFW Post 9528, 29012 State Road 78 East in Buckhead Ridge to benefit veterans' services. For information, call 863-467-2882.

BHR Moose serves spaghetti

The Buckhead Ridge Moose, 1016 Linda Road will serve spaghetti dinners with garlic bread and salad on Monday, July 23, from 5 - 7 p.m. for a donation of \$7. The public is welcome.

Saw palmetto berry harvest now requires state permit

By Chris Felker

Glades County Democrat

As of Tuesday, July 17, anyone harvesting saw palmetto berries in Florida will be required to have a "Native Plant Harvesting Permit" issued through the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (DACS), its Division of Plant Industry has announced.

Extract derived from the saw palmetto plant's berries has been the subject of research as a possible treatment for men with prostate cancer. The American Cancer Society says, however, that "available scientific studies do not support claims that saw palmetto can prevent or treat prostate cancer in humans."

But that has not stopped makers of nutritional supplements from producing one that they claim "may help prevent prostate cancer." As long as the manufacturers don't say the saw palmetto supplement "does" prevent cancer, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration cannot regulate its production and distribution. Thus, saw palmetto has become a popular supplement in recent years, raising global public demand for the product.

As a result — and after receiving comments from private and public landowners, conservation groups and other interested parties — the Florida Endangered Plant Advisory Council recently unanimously recommended that the state DACS put the saw palmetto on the department's list of commercially exploited plants and to require the permit for harvest.

Any person wishing to take and sell the berries must submit their application for a Native Plant Harvesting Permit a full two weeks, or 14 days, before they intend to conduct the harvest.

Violators may be prosecuted on a misdemeanor charge if caught transporting saw

palmetto berries for sale without the permit. In addition, any illegally harvested berries will be confiscated and returned to the owner. If the owner cannot be identified or located, the berries will be destroyed, according to the DACS news release.

Gene McAvoy, Hendry County director of the University of Florida/Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Extension Service, said this prohibition of harvesting without a permit means that "it is unlawful for any person to willfully destroy or harvest such plant without first obtaining written permission from the landowner and a permit from the state."

Furthermore, he said, anyone transporting saw palmetto berries "for the purpose of sale, selling or offering for sale such plant must have a permit in his/her immediate possession." He added, "It is unlawful for any person to falsify any paperwork/document that permits another person to destroy or harvest such plant."

The native plant harvesting permit requirement also will apply to anyone transporting the berries via any public road or highway, who will be subject to a first-degree misdemeanor charge and may be arrested.

UF/IFAS Extension and the Florida DACS are advising that any landowners who are having problems with trespassers harvesting the berries should contact their local sheriff's office or call the Florida DACS at 800-342-5869.

Information on how to obtain a permit is available at www.freshfromflorida.com/Divisions-Offices/Plant-Industry/Business-Services/Plant-Pest-Permits/Native-Plant-Harvesting-Permit.

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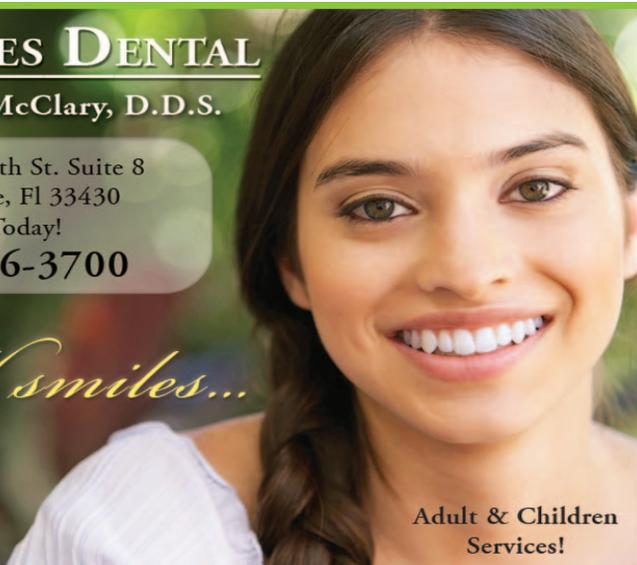
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Glades County recognized as 'Healthy Community Champion'

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The Florida Department of Health is proud to recognize 46 communities as 2018 Healthy Community Champions. Florida's county and municipal governments play an important role in improving the health of all communities and people. Local governments have implemented a variety of policies that have been shown to increase physical activity and improve nutrition. Between February and April 2018, local governments were invited to submit best practices to demonstrate how they met the Healthy Community Champion criteria.

"I am pleased to recognize local communities who have shown a special commitment to improving the health of their residents" said State Surgeon General and Secretary Dr. Celeste Philip. "Their efforts to implement policies that empower residents and visitors to improve their health are an important part of creating healthy environments throughout Florida."

The Healthy Community Champions provides an opportunity to highlight local governments that have focused on improving the built environment. The department defines the Built Environment as the places where people live, work and play (e.g., homes, buildings, streets, open spaces and infrastructure), food environments (e.g., supermarkets, corner stores, farmer's markets and food pantries), and other environmental

influences (e.g., indoor/outdoor air and water quality, noise pollution and environmental toxins).

The built environment can influence residents' physical, nutritional, and mental health within their community through policies designed to provide adequate access to physical activity opportunities, adequate access to healthy, affordable, and culturally appropriate foods, access to health care and a reduction or elimination of environmental health risks to the community. Through communities working to implement policies within the built environment, a greater level of social connectedness can be experienced. As defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, social connectedness is achieved through strong formal relationships between organizations and support services designed to help better ensure that services are delivered and promote a person's sense of well-being.

Glades County is one of the 46 communities recognized as the 2018 Healthy Community Champions.

About Healthy Community Champions To learn more about Healthy Community Champions and for a list of the 2018 Champion Communities and best practices, please visit the Healthy Community Champions 2018 Recognition Program website.

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Some toxic blooms unrelated to lake

The summer heat continues to contribute to conditions ripe for algal blooms in South Florida. While the media has widely publicized the cyanobacteria (commonly called blue-green algae) concentrations in Lake Okeechobee, cyanobacteria blooms in waterways that do not receive any water from Lake Okeechobee have tested positive for toxins this summer.

On July 16, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection confirmed reports of blue-green algae in St. Lucie County on the C-25 canal near 25th Street. The C-25 canal has no connection to Lake Okeechobee. Samples of the surface bloom taken on July 9 indicated the dominant toxin is Microcystis wessenbergii. Microcystin toxin levels were low at 0.33 micrograms per liter. According to the World Health Organization, microcystin levels of less than 10 micrograms per liter are safe for recreational contact.

Algae sampled in the North Fork of the St. Lucie River near Bessy Creek on July 2 was mixed algae with no dominant species. Total microcystin was low at 0.74 micrograms per liter.



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Robert Stevens Cockram, 56

MOORE HAVEN — Robert Stevens Cockram passed away July 14, 2018 in Alva.

He was born Mar. 12, 1962 in Fort Myers to Paul and Sylvia (Thomas) Cockram. Robert worked for Air Engineering for many years as a DOT Inspector. He attended First Christian Church in LaBelle. He enjoyed traveling to Georgia and spending time in the woods. Robert was a loving father, grandfather and brother to his entire family, he will be missed by all who knew and loved him.

Survivors include three sons, Daniel Cockram of Moore Haven, Caleb Cockram of Lakeland and Josh Wooten of Lakeland; and two daughters, Brittany Herring of Clewiston and Valerie Howell of Okeechobee; four brothers, Gerald (Susan) Herndon, Darrell Herndon, Richard Cockram and Michael Herndon; and three sisters, Cheryl Dix, Joyce (Bradley) Goode and Janet Hill; grandchildren, Mackenzie Cockram, Emma Cockram, Sophia Cockram, Alaina Herring, Sara Howell, Dylan Howell.

Celebration of Robert's life will be 10 a.m. Thursday, July 19, 2018 at First Christian Church in LaBelle, with Pastor W. T. Maddox, Jr. officiating, visitation will be one hour prior to service. Burial is in Ortona Cemetery, Moore Haven. Family has requested casual attire for the service.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.



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TO: PADGETT INVESTIGATIONS & SECURITY INC.
Case No. :CD20180223/B 2600172

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273833 CLEW 7/19, 26, 8/2, 8/9/2018

Public Notice

Public Notice

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT NOTICE OF QUALIFYING PERIOD FOR CANDIDATES FOR SEATS #1 AND #5 OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Notice is hereby given that the Central County Water Control District (the "District") seeks qualified candidates to serve on its Board of Supervisors (the "Board"). The District has two Seats up for election: Seats #1 and 5. Each Seat carries a four-year term of office. Elections are nonpartisan and will occur at the annual Landowners Meeting, in October 2018. If selected, members of the Board must submit standard financial disclosures and other information as required by Florida Statutes to the Florida Department of Elections and Hendry County Supervisor of Elections.

Qualified candidates for Seats #1 and 5 of the District Board of Supervisors (the "Board") wishing to have their names appear on the printed ballot should deliver written notice of their intent to run for election to the District Office, 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, Florida 33470. Said notice shall include the name of the candidate, the seat that the candidate is running for election to, and contact information, including the address of any land in the District that is owned by the candidate, and telephone number. The District Office will receive candidates' notice of intent to run from NINE O'CLOCK A.M. on JULY 16, 2018 until NOON on AUGUST 17, 2018, at which time the qualifying period shall close.

Interested parties should contact the District at (863) 983-5797 PRIOR to August 17, 2018 for additional information.
272949 CN 7/12,19/2018

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE, HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE RFP NUMBER: 2018-18

OPENING DATE AND TIME: August 7, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

Sealed Proposals will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for "Elevator Maintenance Services at the Hendry County Courthouse". 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 August 7, 2018 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 RFP Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Maintenance Department, located at 3309 Utility Drive, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address), by calling Judith McElhane at (863) 675-5260, or e-mailing jmcelhane@hendryfla.net.

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

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer and Drug/Smoke Free Work Place.
2725040 CN/CS 7/19/2018

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ENACTMENT OF ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN the Clewiston City Commission will conduct a PUBLIC HEARING on August 6, 2018 at 5:30 p.m., or as soon as practical thereafter, in the City Hall Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida. During the Public Hearing, the City Commission proposes to enact second reading of an ordinance which is set forth as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, PROVIDING FOR REZONING OF A PARCEL OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 815 E. SAGAMORE AVE., CLEWISTON, (PCN: 3-34-43-01-010-0285-003.0); PROVIDING FOR UPDATE OF THE CLEWISTON OFFICIAL ZONING MAP; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

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

Mary K. Compass, Interim City Clerk
City of Clewiston, FL
273943 CN 7/19/2018

Public Notice

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case No: 18-CA-347

TAMMIE GARZA
Plaintiff,

vs.
PEDRO MURILLO MARTINEZ,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE/PROPERTY

TO: Pedro Murillo Martinez
Current address unknown

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title on the following property in Lee County, Florida:

Lot 4, Block 2150, PORT LABELLE, UNIT 4, according to plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 86 through 102, inclusive, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to or on Jacqueline J. Peregrin, Esq., of Peregrin Law Firm, PA, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 6621 Willow Park Drive, Suite 1, Naples, Florida 34109, on or before July 20, 2018, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on the Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

DATED on June 14, 2018.

Clerk of the Court
By: J. Bevis
As Deputy Clerk

PEREGRIN LAW FIRM, PA.
Jacqueline J. Peregrin, Esq.
Florida Bar No. 0085264
6621 Willow Park Drive, Suite 1
Naples, Florida 34109
(239) 349-2628 or Fax (239) 631-2304
273497 CN 7/12,19,26;8/2/2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION Case No.: 18-CA-131

U.S. BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR MID-STATE TRUST VII,
Plaintiff,

vs.
HAROLD M. JOHNSON, et al
Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION - MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE

TO: GLORIA KORNEGAY

Whose Residence is Unknown
Whose Last Known Mailing Address is: 190 SW 16th Street Belle Glade, FL 33430; 190 N. State Rd 715 Lot 209, Belle Glade, FL 33430; 220 Blessed Lane Blakey, GA 39823

UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF MARY L. JOHNSON, DECEASED AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY AND THROUGH, UNDER, AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT MARY L. JOHNSON
Whose Residence is Unknown
Whose Last Known Mailing Address is: 703 Harlem Academy Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in Hendry County, Florida:

LOT 8, BLOCK C, SOUTH RIDGE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 98 & 99 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to or on GEORGI ANGELOV, Esquire, of Gibbons Neuman, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 3321 Henderson Boulevard, Tampa, Florida 33609, within thirty (30) days of the date of the first publication of this notice, or before August 10, 2018, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. DATED this 2nd day of July, 2018.

Christine Pratt
CLERK CIRCUIT COURT
By: J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Dawn Oliver, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida 33935, and whose telephone number is (863) 675-5374, 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.
272948 CN 7/12,19/2018

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 17000569CAAXMX

DITECH FINANCIAL LLC Plaintiff(s), vs. THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS AND LIENORS OF ARTURO T. DE LAMERENS, DECEASED; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF JOSE ARTURO DE LAMERENS, DECEASED; AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANTS; MARY BEARDLEY AKA MARY FRANCES FERGUSSON; PAUL DE LAMERENS; AKA PAULA DE LAMERENS; Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES OF JOSE ARTURO DE LAMERENS, DECEASED, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANTS.

Last Known Address-UNKNOWN Previous Address- 4850 Pioneer 17th Street, Clewiston, FL 33440 Previous Address- 2120 Keats Dr., Pensacola, FL 32503

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a civil action has been filed against you in the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, to foreclose certain real property described as follows:

THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER, SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR ACCESS OF THE EAST 30.00 FEET THEREOF, IN SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS TRACT 67 OF PIONEER PLANTATION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION.

PARCEL IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 1-33-43-31-A00-0051-0000 AND THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER, SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR ACCESS OF THE WEST 30.00 FEET THEREOF, IN SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS TRACT 78 OF PIONEER PLANTATION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION.

PROPERTY ADDRESS: 4850 Pioneer 17th Street, Clewiston, FL 33440 YOU are required to file a written response with the Court and serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Padgett Law Group, whose address is 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, FL 32312, at least thirty (30) days from the date of first publication, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. DATED this 9th day of July, 2018.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT As Clerk of the Court By: J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

273938 CN 7/19,26/2018

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS HENDRY COUNTY, CITY OF CLEWISTON & CITY OF LABELLE DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL SERVICES

RFP No. 2018-17

Opening Date and Time: August 9, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners, the City of Clewiston and the City of LaBelle are seeking proposals to obtain the services of qualified firms to remove, process, and lawfully dispose of disaster generated debris (other than hazardous materials and household putrescible garbage) from public property, public rights-of-way, publicly maintained canals, publicly maintained waterways, natural waterways, and private roadways in unincorporated Hendry County, the City of Clewiston and the City of LaBelle, in response to an emergency event such as, but not limited to, hurricane(s) or other natural or manmade disaster(s). Vendors must have the capability and ability to rapidly respond to wide scale debris volumes typically produced in hurricanes, tornados, and other disaster types as well as small scale debris volumes.

The Vendor must handle debris management activities in Hendry County, Florida in accordance with applicable regulations of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida Department of Health (FDH), Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS), South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) in conjunction with the local government's needs. The Vendor shall have an excellent understanding of the documentation involved for the reimbursement from FEMA, FHWA, or other Federal Agencies, and the State relief programs to make the process of cost recovery efficient and accurate. The processes and documentation required will be in strict compliance with FEMA, FHWA, or other Federal Agencies, and other State relief program regulations regarding eligibility. Contracts must meet rules for Federal grants, as provided for in Title 2 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200 in order to be eligible for reimbursement under the Public Assistance Program.

In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerks Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by August 9, 2018, at 2:00 p.m., at which time all proposals will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Request for Proposal documents can be obtained by visiting the County's website located at www.hendryfla.net under the public information tab, or by calling Kelly O'Nan at (863) 612-4727, or e-mailing Ms. O'Nan at konan@hendryfla.net.

Non-mandatory pre-bid meetings will be held on Wednesday August 1, 2018 at 2:00 PM at the Hendry County Engineering Department located at 99 E Cowboy Way, LaBelle, FL 33935 and Thursday, August 2, 2018 at 2:00 PM at the Janet B. Taylor Auditorium located at 1100 S. Olympia Street, Clewiston, FL 33440.

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County, the City of Clewiston or the City of LaBelle to award any contracts or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this solicitation. The County reserves the right to cancel this procurement or reject any and all responses for any reason set forth in Hendry County Code Section 1-2-185(c)(3)a and may choose to re-procure at the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Provider and Employer. 275086 CN/CB 7/19,26,8/2/2018

Public Notice

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 2016 CA 88

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, f/k/a Farmers Home Administration, a/k/a Rural Housing Service, Plaintiff,

vs. LUIS GUTIERREZ, et. al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF HENDRY

TO: LUIS GUTIERREZ A/K/A LUIS GUTIERREZHERNANDEZA/A/LUIS HERNANDEZ A/K/A LUIS G. HERNANDEZ, whose last known address is unknown and who is not known to be dead or alive.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage regarding the following property in Hendry County, Florida:

Lot 4, Block 2151, Port LaBelle Unit 4, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 86 through 102, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on: FREDERICK J. MURPHY, JR., Esquire, Attorney for Plaintiff, Boswell & Dunlap LLP, 245 South Central Avenue, Post Office Drawer 30, Bartow, FL 33831, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. DATED on this 10th day of July, 2018.

REQUESTS FOR ACCOMMODATIONS BY PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Dawn Oliver, Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33935, and whose telephone number is (863)675- 5374, 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.

BARBARA S. BUTLER Clerk of the Circuit Court PO Box 1760 LaBelle, Florida By: J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

274215 CN 7/19,26/2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 18000403CAAXMX

CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, Plaintiff,

vs. THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ALL THE TAXPAYERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, INCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS OWNING PROPERTY OR SUBJECT TO TAXATION THEREIN AND OTHERS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$252,700 CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BOND OR TO BE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY THEREBY, Defendants.

NOTICE AND ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE

TO: THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND ALL THE TAXPAYERS, PROPERTY OWNERS AND CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, INCLUDING NON-RESIDENTS OWNING PROPERTY OR SUBJECT TO TAXATION THEREIN AND OTHERS HAVING OR CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN PROPERTY TO BE AFFECTED BY THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$252,700 CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REVENUE BOND TO BE ISSUED IN ONE OR MORE SERIES OR TO BE AFFECTED IN ANY WAY THEREBY.

All capitalized terms not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning in the Complaint (hereinafter defined). The above cause is before the Court upon the Complaint filed on June 26, 2018 the "Complaint", by the CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA (the "City") for the purpose of: (i) determining the power of the City to undertake the Projects, to apply proceeds of the Bonds to finance and the Cost of the Projects, to covenant to budget and appropriate the Legally Available Non-Ad Valorem Revenues to pay the Bonds, and to pay the Bonds from such Legally Available Non-Ad Valorem Revenues as set forth in the Complaint; (ii) determining the power and authority of the City to issue the Bond as set forth in the Complaint; (iii) determining that the adoption of the Bond Resolution, the issuance of the Bond, and the provisions, covenants and agreements contained in the Bond Resolution are valid, legal and binding, and all said proceedings, and the Bond is validated and confirmed; and (iv) determining that, upon the issuance of the Bond pursuant to the Bond Resolution, the Bond will constitute a valid and binding special obligation of the City and will be enforceable against the City in accordance with their terms, as such terms are set forth in the Bonds and the Bond Resolution, and (v) seeking a judgment of this Court validating the Bond.

WHEREFORE, the Court being fully advised in the premises: IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the State of Florida, through the State Attorney of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit of Florida, and all the taxpayers, property owners and citizens of the City of LaBelle, Florida, including non-residents owning property or subject to taxation therein and others having or claiming any right, title or interest in property to be affected by the issuance of not to exceed \$252,700 City of LaBelle, Florida Capital Improvement Revenue Bond or to be affected in any way thereby, are each hereby required to appear and show cause, if any there be, before this Court on the 14th day of August, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the chambers of the undersigned Judge at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, in the City of LaBelle, Florida, why the prayers of said Complaint should not be granted and why the proceedings for the Bond Resolution and the Bond, the application of proceeds of the Bond for the purposes set forth in the Bond Resolution, and said Bond when issued pursuant to the Bond Resolution should not be validated and confirmed as therein prayed.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that the Clerk of this Court or Plaintiff be and is hereby required to give notice of such hearing by publishing this Notice and Order to Show Cause in the manner required by Section 75.06, Florida Statutes in the Caloosa Belle, a newspaper of general circulation published in the City of LaBelle, the territory to be affected by the issuance of the Bond, in Hendry County, Florida, once each week for two (2) consecutive weeks prior to said hearing, the first publication to be at least twenty (20) days prior to said hearing date. AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that by such publication of this

Order, the State of Florida and all the taxpayers, property owners and citizens of the City of LaBelle, Florida, including non-residents owning property or subject to taxation therein and others having or claiming any right, title or interest in property to be affected by the issuance of not to exceed \$252,700 City of LaBelle, Florida Capital Improvement Revenue Bond or to be affected in any way thereby, shall be and they are made parties defendant to this proceeding, and that this Court shall have jurisdiction of them to the same extent as if specifically and personally named as defendants in said Complaint and personally served with process in this cause.

DONE AND ORDERED in Chambers at Hendry County, Florida, this 6th day of July, 2018.

JAMES D. SLOAN CIRCUIT COURT JUDGE

273443 CB 7/19,26/2018

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NOTICE

Independent Newspapers will never accept any advertisement that is illegal or considered fraudulent. In all cases of questionable value, such as promises of guaranteed income from work-at-home programs - if it sounds too good to be true, chances are that it is. If you have questions or doubts about any ad on these pages, we advise that before responding or sending money ahead of time, you check with the Better Business Bureau at 772-878-2010 for previous complaints.

Some 800 and 900 telephone numbers may require an extra charge, as well as long distance toll costs. We will do our best to alert our reader of these charges in the ads, but occasionally we may not be aware of the charges. Therefore, if you call a number out of your area, use caution.

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Public Notice

REQUEST FOR BID (RFB) NO. 6000000909 C-43 RESERVOIR GROUNDWATER MONITORING INSTALLATION

The Procurement Bureau of the South Florida Water Management District, B-1 Building, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida 33406, will receive sealed bids up to the 2:30 p.m. opening time on **August 14, 2018**, for **C-43 Reservoir Groundwater Monitoring Installation**.

All bids must conform to the instructions in the RFB. Interested respondents may obtain a copy of the complete RFB (1) at the above address; (2) by downloading the solicitation from our website at www.sfwmd.gov/procurement; (3) by calling 561-682-2510, or (4) by calling the 24-hour BID HOTLINE 800-472-5290. The public is invited to attend the bid opening. Further information on the status of this solicitation can be obtained on our website - www.sfwmd.gov. 274979 CN 7/19/2018

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE COMPLAINT

TO: PADGETT INVESTIGATIONS & SECURITY INC. Case No. :CD20180222/A 2600297

An Administrative Complaint to impose an administrative fine and eligibility for licensure has been filed against you. You have the right to request a hearing pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, by mailing a request for the same to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Licensing, Post Office Box 5708 Tallahassee, Florida 32314-5708. If a request for hearing is not received by 21 days from the date of the last publication, the right in this matter will be waived and the Department will dispose of this cause in accordance with law.

273827 CLEW 7/19, 26, 8/2, 8/9/2018

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE CLEWISTON TOWING & AUTO SALVAGE gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 07/30/2018 10:00 a.m. at 600 E. SUGARLAND HWY. Clewiston, FL 33440-3213, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. CLEWISTON TOWING & AUTO SALVAGE reserves the right to accept

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NOTICE: AUCTION on Friday, July 20th, 2018 At 9:00 am at 1225 N.W. Avenue L, Belle Glade, Florida

Property of: Cynthia Moreno: Washer & Dryer, Livingroom Suite, Microwave, Bedroom Suite, Boxes, Bins, Toys.

Property of: Quashell Mc Donald: A/C, Desk Chair, 2 bikes Miscellaneous Boxes and Bings. 274211 SUN 7/12,19/2018

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 08/03/2018, 10:00 am at 74 S INDUSTRIAL LOOP LABELLE, FL 33935, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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Administration of Estates

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 18-75-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF CAROL MAE THORMAN, Deceased.

Public Notice

Administration of Estates

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of CAROL MAE THORMAN, deceased, whose date of death was May 10, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division; File Number 18-75-CP; the address of which is P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, Florida 33975. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons, who have claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, and who have been served a copy of this notice, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CREDITOR 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: July 19, 2018.

NANCY STEUBER, Personal Representative 980 Ivan Boulevard LaBelle, FL 33935

/s/ Kenneth E. Kemp II KENNETH E. KEMP II, Esquire Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Ba No. 0607401 12661 New Brittany Boulevard Fort Myers, Florida 33907 273718 CN 7/19,26/2018

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Public Notice

South Florida Water Management District 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406 permits@sfwmd.gov NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, that the application(s) for permit described below has been received for project(s) in Hendry County. The application(s) and future additional application documents can be obtained by any of the following methods: 1) Accessing the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) and clicking on Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page; 2) Submitting a written request to the South Florida Water Management District, Attn: Regulation Division, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406; or 3) Submitting an electronic request at permits@sfwmd.gov.

Sacyr Construction SA Inc. (SR-82) 5201 Blue Lagoon Drive, Suite 832, Miami, FL 33126, has submitted Application 180625-7 for a new Water Use Permit 36-09011-W to dewater on undeveloped lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Water Table Aquifer and the project is located in Sections 18-20-27-29,31,34-36, Township 45 South, Ranges 27,28 East.

Holland Farms (EG Holland Farms) PO Box 321, LaBelle, FL 33406, has submitted Application 180625-7 for modification of Water Use Permit 26-00552-W to irrigate 402 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Floridan Aquifer and the project is located in Sections 25,26,35,36, Township 43 South, Range 29 East.

Rijk Zwaan, USA Inc. (Felda Farm) 701 La Guardia Street, Suite A, Salinas, CA 93905, has submitted Application 180703-8 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-01046-W to irrigate 41 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Lower Tamiami and Sandstone Aquifers and the project is located in Section 26, Township 45 South, Range 29 East. 274206 CN 7/19/2018

Administration of Estates

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 18-75-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF CAROL MAE THORMAN, Deceased.

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION (Intestate)

The administration of the estate of CAROL MAE THORMAN, deceased, File Number 18-75-CP is pending in the Circuit Court for Lee County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. 1760 LaBelle, FL 33975. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representatives' attorney are set forth below.

All interested persons on whom this Notice of Administration is served must file any objections that challenge the qualifications of the personal representative, venue, or jurisdiction of this Court, by filing a petition or other pleading requesting relief with this Court, in accordance with the Florida Probate Rules, WITHIN THREE MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

ALL OBJECTIONS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE IS: July 19, 2018.

NANCY STEUBER, Personal Representative 980 Ivan Boulevard LaBelle, FL 33935

/s/ Kenneth E. Kemp II KENNETH E. KEMP II, Esquire Attorney for Personal Representative Florida Ba No. 0607401 12661 New Brittany Boulevard Fort Myers, Florida 33907 273730 CN 7/19,26/2018

Fictitious Name

NOTICE OF Registration of FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

In accordance with Section 865.09, Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of:

"MedExpress Urgent Care – Clewiston, W Sugarland Hwy"

mailing address of 960 W. Sugarland Highway, Clewiston, FL 33440, located in Hendry County, Florida Owner will register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

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Public Notice

Rural Democrats engage state party conference

Special to the Glades County Democrat

MOORE HAVEN — Glades and Hendry County Democrats traveled to Broward County last weekend to advocate local interests at the Florida Democratic Party's annual Leadership Blue conference. Representing the Glades County Democratic Party was chairwoman Mary Giddens. Mary delivered a report to the Democratic Small County Coalition on restructuring the coalition to better address the economic, health and education issues crucial to smaller counties.

Speaking before the entire Florida Democratic Party Central and Executive Committees was Glades Democrats vice chair John Capece. He reported on actions of the Legislative Liaison Committee, a group assigned to help communicate key priorities of the issue caucuses to Democratic members of the state legislature.

Mr. Capece explained, "The Florida Democratic Party has 18 separate caucuses, where we deal with the concerns of veterans, seniors, business owners, Hispanic and

other groups. Right now a new caucus is being assembled to focus on agriculture. It represents an effort by Florida Democrats to help bridge the ever widening, false perceptions divide between urban and rural voters."

Representing Hendry County at the weekend working meetings was first time delegate Ramon Rodriguez. His involvement brings Clewiston, LaBelle, and other small communities back into active engagement with Democrats statewide. Ramon will be leading work on a new organizing grant project for Hendry Democrats.

"As a regular working man from LaBelle,

I was a little nervous about attending this meeting, but then I was surprised to see how other Democrats wanted to hear from me about our needs and issues. It showed me that we all want the same things - good jobs, quality schools, and affordable health care," said Mr. Rodriguez.

The Hendry and Glades Democratic delegations will help plan the upcoming Florida gubernatorial debate scheduled for July 18, at 7 p.m. at the Florida Gulf Coast University. Issues critical to rural communities will be part of the questions posed to the five candidates - Gwen Graham, Chris King, Andrew Gillum, Jeff Green and Philip Levine.



Special to The Clewiston News/Courtesy photo

Philip Levine, candidate for Florida Governor and former Miami Beach Mayor, speaks with Wendy Williams of the Democratic Small County Coalition Chair, Raymond Rodriguez of the Hendry County Democrats and Mary Giddens of the Glades County Democrats..

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