

# CLEWISTON NEWS



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## News in briefs

### 10th Annual Sugar Festival Bass Tournament

The 10th Annual Sugar Festival Bass Tournament will take place on Sunday, April 26 at the Clewiston public boat ramp.

Sign-ups will begin that morning at 5 a.m. Weigh-in will take place at Roland and Mary Ann Martin's Marina.

Please call Clewiston Bass Anglers for more information about sign-ups or any other concerns at 863-983-0544, 863-677-0162 or 863-885-1684.

### Sugar Recipe Contest is now accepting

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## Lake Level

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above sea level

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This home on Texas Avenue in Harlem is one of nine planned for the area. The homes are affordable, meaning that government grants help residents with the cost of the home, including down payment assistance.

## Affordable housing in Hendry County

### Association helps homebuyers with grants

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza  
Clewiston News

CLEWISTON -- Amanda Pacheco wants you to buy a home.

A director with the Empowerment Alliance of Southwest Florida, Ms. Pacheco showcases her genuine excitement for the affordable homes that her group is helping residents move into in the Clewiston area.

"We need affordable housing

in Clewiston," said Ms. Pacheco. "So many people here are making \$9 and \$10-an-hour."

The empowerment alliance has traditionally worked with prospective homeowners, but given the hard-hit housing market, Ms. Pacheco said it is more important than ever to help residents realize their dreams of owning a home.

Her organization is a one-stop shop, offering everything a resident needs -- from credit counseling, to securing grants, to budget-making -- in order to qualify for a home.

As she gave a tour of the first house constructed through the program, a beige home with a car

garage in Harlem, Ms. Pacheco explained that it is harder to secure financing from lenders for new homeowners. With the amount of help that is being offered through programs through the government, however, owning a home is still very much possible.

SHIP and HOME funding grants make it all possible.

The bottom line is that a family can move in to a three-bedroom, two-bath, one-car garage home for only \$80,000 to \$90,000, with no down payment. The homes are valued at \$150,000, but grants offset much of the cost, including

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## Amnesty week forgives overdue fines

Time to dig up those 'lost' books

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza  
Clewiston News

CLEWISTON -- Overdue books. We all know the story: You checked out a book, and maybe you finished it; maybe you didn't.

Then you set it off somewhere, and forgot about it, or moved away and, after a while, the book blended into all the other things you own.

By the time you noticed it, you could have some hefty fines on your hand.

"They begin to think it's part of their own collection," said Library Director Barbara Oeffner, noting just how easily a book can be misplaced.

Getting the books back then becomes a difficult proposition.

So to keep residents coming back to the library, and to forgive those sudden moments of forgetfulness, Hendry County libraries have set aside one week each year as Amnesty Week.

Residents are asked to comb

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## Local Weather

Weather Forecast for Hendry County from the National Weather Service.

Clewiston and surrounding areas:

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 83. Calm wind becoming southeast between 8 and 11 mph.



**Thursday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 65. Southeast wind around 14 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph.



### Extended Forecast:

**Friday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 86. Breezy, with a southeast wind around 17 mph, with gusts as high as 23 mph.



**Friday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Southeast wind around 14 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph.



**Saturday:** A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 86. Southwest wind between 10 and 14 mph.



**Saturday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 70. Southeast wind between 3 and 11 mph.



**Sunday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 81.



**Sunday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 68.



**Monday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 83.



**Monday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 68.

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### Be a good sport

\* What ever happened to the good ole' sport of Clewiston High School Baseball? I remember when the kids had to go out and compete for their position, and everyone was given a fair shot. Now it seems to be who you know and who your parents are to get you a position on the team. I always thought the object of the game was to play the best players and win the game. The majority of these kids played together for summer baseball and were unbeatable. Why do these same kids play together but for a different coach and have the ridiculous losing record they have. I have sat and watched so many close games the coaches have lost for having players in the wrong position. Things just don't add up logically. And you'd figure with three (now four) coaches they would be able to do the job right and fair. They need to forget about favoritism and trying to satisfy every parent and COACH. No matter how hard a parent tries and convinces a coach to play their child in a certain position, if the child can't perform to those standards, they're only hurting the team, which is happening now, and hurting themselves. Parents look to sports and academics to brighten their child's future. High school athletics should prepare the kids to play at the next level. And Clewiston does nothing! For these reasons I understand why Clewiston hasn't and won't produce a kid to the next level. It's a shame and embarrassing. Why can other towns around the lake produce college ready athletes by the dozens and Clewiston can't? Nobody can say kids from Clewiston have no talent because there are plenty but they get no exposure on the bench. The coaches need to be re looked at and their jobs examined, because in my opinion they do nothing to help further these kids to better and brighter futures.

## Clubs and organizations

### 2009 Sweet Taste of Sugar

Entries are now being taken for this year's Sweet Taste of Sugar competition held at the annual Sugar Festival on Saturday, April 25.

This year we have more opportunities and more prizes! Also this year we are going to have a "Sweet Taste Sampling" at 10:30 a.m., where people can have a chance to taste many of the entries! Every "cook" who submits an entry will get a free ticket to participate in this as well as a free pass to the Clewiston Museum.

To request an entry form, e-mail SweetTaste@embarqmail.com, or pick forms up at the Clewiston Chamber of Commerce or the Clewiston Library. Cooks can enter as many recipes as they choose in the following categories:

- Cakes
- Candies
- Cookies and Brownies
- Pies
- Sweet Breads/Pastries
- Sweet Creations (any recipe that uses sugar!)
- Youth (17 & under)

Recipes are being accepted now through April 15. Entries need to be at the Clewiston Inn by 9 a.m. on April 25. Call 863-983-5269 with questions.

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### Smoking cessation class

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FREE classes held in the conference room at Hendry Regional Hospital, Clewiston. Contact Valarie James at 863-674-4041 to register.

### Bird-Watching Tours

Through a partnership with Hendry-Glades Audubon, the South Florida Water Management District will offer to the public escorted birding tours at the South Florida Birding Trail Stormwater Treatment Area 5 (STA-5) south of Clewiston in eastern Hendry County.

Tours are open to anyone, but participants must register to reserve a space on the trips. Meet at the STA5 gate at 8:30 a.m. To sign up for the STA-5 Birding Tour: Send an e-mail to Margaret England, at: [sta5birding@embarqmail.com](mailto:sta5birding@embarqmail.com) with your name and contact information including an emergency cell number for the tour day, the date you want to go, and the number in your party. You may also leave a message at: 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202.

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# 56 bikers ride for the Red Cross

**Darrell Ferneau, Okeechobee, wins \$500 Cash Prize**

Fifty-six motorcyclists gathered from all over Florida to participate in this year's Ride for the Red Poker Run benefiting the Lakeside Communities and Okeechobee Service Centers of the American Red Cross.

The event, which was held on March 29,

marks the seventh time riders have met to benefit the Lakeside Communities' Service Center, while this year's event was the first time the neighboring Okeechobee Service Center joined in for the fun.

Representing Belle Glade, Clewiston, Hollywood, Lake Worth, Lakeport, Lehigh Acres, Moore Haven, Okeechobee, Tequesta, Palm Bay, and more, the group of motor-

cyclists rallied in rainy conditions for a good cause.

In line with the very nature of the Red Cross, the group of enthusiastic motorcyclists weathered the storm, soaked from head to toe.

The event featured two different scenic routes along Lake Okeechobee and participants chose which route to experience while receiving cards for their poker hands along the way. The Lakeside Communities' Service Center route featured stops at Everglades Adventures Resort in Pahokee, Devon's Bistro in Belle Glade, Roland Martin Marina & Tiki Bar in Clewiston, and Seacoast National Bank in Moore Haven.

The Okeechobee Service Center route included stops at J & S Fish Camp, Good Spirits, Cudaville and Iron Eagle, touring through beautiful Okeechobee.

The motorcyclists reunited for a finale at the Seminole Brighton Casino, the event's Grand Sponsor (17735 Reservation Road, Okeechobee). Debbie Riddle, Branch Manager of the Okeechobee Service Center, said "We are so thankful for the casino's generosity and willingness to help the Red Cross continue to deliver life-saving services to our community."

At the casino, each participant enjoyed entertainment, raffles, contests, food and \$20 in free play.

At the finale, Darrell Ferneau of Okeechobee, a retired school teacher who remembers the Red Cross for its aquatic programs, was awarded \$500 for his winning poker hand.

Never having participated in a poker run, Mr. Ferneau exclaimed "Maybe it was beginner's luck, but I was shocked," adding "The poker run was a lot of fun and I think I'll participate again."

Larry Smith of Clewiston was awarded \$300 for the second best poker hand and Shirley Reynolds of Clewiston was awarded \$100 for the worst poker hand.

In addition to the support of Seminole Brighton Casino, the Red Cross is thankful for the donations of several other sponsors. Betty Ray of Iron Eagle in Okeechobee donated a leather jacket valued at \$700; Cycle Gear of West Palm Beach donated a helmet and leather vest; Scotty's Tiki Bar in Clewiston donated various merchandise; Skull Hill Steel in Okeechobee donated a \$150 gift certificate; and Style Studio Custom Motorcycle Shop in Okeechobee donated \$450 in gift certificates.

Deborah McDuffie, Branch Manager of the Lakeside Communities' Service Center, said "The poker run really showed a spirit of collaboration amongst riders, communities and businesses, each having a hand in ultimately allowing the Red Cross to come to the aid of people who need it most."



Submitted photo/American Red Cross

Darrell Ferneau won first place in the American Red Cross Poker Run held on Saturday, March 28, winning a \$500 cash prize. Red Cross members (left to right) Julie Shook, Okeechobee Service Center Branch Specialist; Debbie Riddle, Okeechobee Service Center Branch Manager; Darrell Ferneau; Michael Lampert, Chapter Chairman of the Greater Palm Beach Area Chapter; Thomas Hernandez, Lakeside Communities' Service Center Branch Specialist; and Deborah McDuffie, Lakeside Communities' Service Center Branch Manager presented him with his prize.



Submitted photo/American Red Cross

Second place in the American Red Cross Poker Run went to Clewiston's Larry Smith who won \$300. Red Cross members presented him with his prize.



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Clewiston's Shirley Reynolds was the recipient of \$100 for the worst poker hand in the American Red Cross Poker Run. Red Cross members presented her with his prize.

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# Mallard ducklings don't make good Easter presents

With Easter approaching, many parents contemplate purchasing mallard ducklings as gifts for their children. The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) suggests buying your child the stuffed-animal version instead.

"Although these ducklings might make nice pets while they're young, they can live 10 years and quickly outgrow the cute-and-fuzzy stage, leaving full-size droppings on your patio and outdoor furniture," FWC waterfowl management coordinator Joe Benedict said. "When this happens, parents and children often grow tired of caring for them and decide to turn them loose into the wild."

They may not realize this is illegal and puts Florida's native wildlife in jeopardy. By law, no one may possess, buy or sell mallards in Florida without a special permit from the FWC, and releasing them is prohibited.

These activities are against the law because domesticated ducks, once released, are capable of transmitting diseases, and they compete with native wildlife for food and habitat. Most importantly, releasing mallards threatens the existence of the Florida

mottled duck, a unique subspecies found only in peninsular Florida.

"These domesticated mallards are interbreeding with the mottled duck, producing hybrid offspring," Benedict said. "This is a serious concern and if not stopped, this hybridization could result in the Florida mottled duck becoming extinct."

Pet mallards will not migrate when they are released. They become established, year-round residents of our state. When they mate with wild mottled ducks, it pushes Florida's mottled ducks toward extinction.

The Florida mottled duck population is relatively small, and already FWC biologists say as many as 12 percent of these ducks show genetic evidence of hybridization.

Today, the future of the mottled duck is uncertain, but its fate is in the hands of Floridians. The solution starts with not buying your child a live duckling for Easter.

For more information on protecting Florida's mottled duck, contact one of the FWC's waterfowl offices at 850-488-5878 or 321-726-2862, or click [MyFWC.com/WildlifeHabitats/Duck\\_modu\\_home.htm](http://MyFWC.com/WildlifeHabitats/Duck_modu_home.htm).

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## Audrey Langdale Ward, 77

MOORE HAVEN — Audrey Langdale Ward, of Moore Haven, passed away March 27, 2009, in Moore Haven. She was 77.

She was born Aug. 15, 1931, in Moore Haven to Noah Langdale and Mamie (McCall) Langdale. She was a lifelong resident of Moore Haven. Audrey owned and operated for many years the Alvin's Bait & Tackle.

Survivors include son, Alvin L. Ward Jr. (Lorie) of Moore Haven; daughters, Brenda Choban (Joe), and Alvina Marie Ward, both of Moore Haven; sisters, Mildred Ford, and Elizabeth Devinnay, both of Moore Haven; 11 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Sunday, March 29, 2009, at First Baptist Church of Moore Haven with Reverend Sherrill Tillery officiating. Interment followed in Ortona Cemetery, Moore Haven.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

## Carolyn Owens Laren, 59

HIGHLANDS, Texas — Carolyn Owens Laren, of Highlands, Texas, passed away on Feb. 2, 2009. She was 59.

Carolyn was born in Clewiston, Fla., on May 23, 1949, to Charles (Tubby) Owens and Mary Lou Lund Owens.

She was preceded in death by her sister, Patricia (Pro) Steadman.

Surviving are her husband, Rick Larsen; two daughters, Artis (Boyd) Martin and Darby (Emmett) Miles; her mother, Mary L. McWhorter; one brother, Cyrus (Sandy) Owens; two grandchildren, Miranda and Justin Martin; and a great number of nieces and nephews.

Carolyn was employed as a customer service agent for many years at Continental Airlines in Houston, Texas. She will be greatly missed by all.

## Lewis Carmon Kelly, 85

CLEWISTON — Lewis Carmon Kelly, of Clewiston, passed away March 29, 2009, in Cape Coral. He was 85.

He was born April 22, 1923, in Mitchell County, N.C., the son of the late Mack and the late Gladys (McKinney) Kelly.

He served during World War II in the Army. He was a Superintendent, employed by U.S.S.C.-AES, until retirement in 1994. He was a Member and former deacon of Evangel Assembly of God Church, American Legion and Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary.

Survivors include his wife, Idella (Greer) Kelly; son, Michael C. Kelly of Huntsville, Ala.; grandchildren, April M. Childers and husband Jeremy, Aaron Kelly, Christen Kelly, Christopher Kelly, all of Huntsville, Ala.; niece, Barbara Mathis of Cle-

wiston; and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Mack and Gladys Kelly; sister, Nina Stanford; and grandson, Jonathan Kelly.

Funeral services were April 3, 2009, at Evangel Assembly Of God, with Pastor Gary Corley officiating. Interment followed in Ridgelawn Cemetery.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

## Russell 'Rusty' Lance England

OKEECHOBEE — Russell "Rusty" Lance England, of Okeechobee, died Monday, March 30, 2009 in Highlands County.

He was born Nov. 11, 1959 in Idalou, Texas, he had been a resident for 26 years.

Rusty is preceded in death by his mother, Winnie B. Frasier (Schmidt) and father, Jimmy Bruce England.

Survivors include his wife of 31 years, Vicky England of Okeechobee; son, Jeffery England of Okeechobee; sisters, Trish Shipley of Dawn, Texas, Tabby Martinez of Phoenix, Ariz.; brothers, Mike Tapley of Yeehaw Junction, Rick England of Albuquerque, N.M., and Bruce England of Bosque Farm, N.M.

Services were Sunday, April 5, 2009, in the Buxton Funeral Home Chapel.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Epilepsy Foundation.

All arrangements are under the direction and care of the Buxton Funeral Home and Crematory, 110 NE 5th St., Okeechobee.

# The Salvation Army readies for Hurricane Season

Salvation Army sends team members from Florida to National Hurricane Conference

As The Salvation Army of Florida gears up for this year's hurricane season, it continues to partner with FEMA, local and state emergency management officials and local non-profits to ensure residents are protected.

Salvation Army Florida team members Dulcinea Cuellar and Kevin Smith are attending this year's hurricane conference in Austin, April 6-10. The conference is a forum which communicates planning and strategy for federal, state and local emergency management officials.

The Salvation Army is committed to partnering with all levels of government to help become more efficient in its disaster relief, providing a collaborative response when no one entity can handle it alone.

"Rumors have it that we may have a less active hurricane season this year," said Kevin Smith, director of Emergency Disaster Services for The Salvation Army's Florida division. "We are planning for the 2009 hurricane season as if it was 2004 coming again."

With a fleet of more than 100 trucks,

mobile kitchens and other vehicles, the Florida division is readying for whatever Mother Nature sends.

The Salvation Army fleet is strategically placed throughout the state of Florida. Along with the trucks and trailers, The Salvation Army also has an army of volunteers ready to help residents and emergency workers at the time of disaster.

In 2008, Salvation Army Florida volunteers and staff were deployed throughout the south. Following Hurricane Ike, The Salvation Army provided more than 5.3 million meals, drinks and snacks to residents and emergency workers in Galveston and the surrounding area. Volunteers and canteens also served flood victims from Tropical Storm Fay, which made four Florida landfalls in August 2008.

"We remain committed to be able to assist whenever disaster strikes," Smith said. "It is vital to our mission as an organization to be prepared and continue testing and training."

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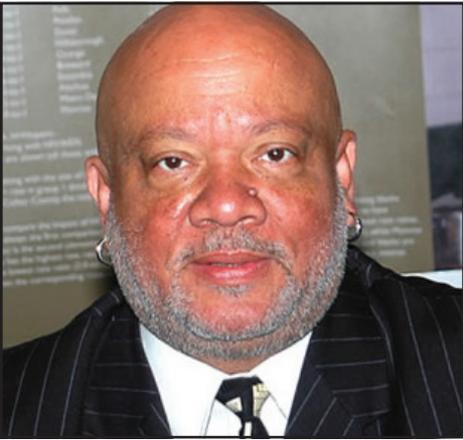
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# Bobo named an Ambassadors for AIDS Awareness



Submitted photo

Robert Bobo.

In honor of Black History Month, which is every February, community leaders and community-based organizations recognize the HIV/AIDS advocates who have contributed to HIV/AIDS Awareness in the State of Florida.

These individuals have given tirelessly of their time to make a difference in the lives of those infected and affected by HIV/AIDS. Black Life is Worth Saving.

Mr. Robert Bobo, Operation Management Consultant I, for the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments was recently recognized for his talents and efforts.

An article recognizing him as one of "Florida's Ambassadors for AIDS Awareness" appeared on the Black PR Wire Web-

site at: [http://www.blackprwire.com/client/fdoh/fdoh\\_bhm/index.html](http://www.blackprwire.com/client/fdoh/fdoh_bhm/index.html)

Robert Bobo secured Ryan White Title III funding for two separate organizations, managed and oversaw the entire operation of the AIDS Resource Council of Southwest Florida, Inc., an HIV specialty Clinic and ASO, and the Hendry County Health Department HIV/AIDS Program.

Throughout his career, he developed policies and procedures for the clinics for purposes of passing administrative audits, developed a Case Management component for the ASO, and negotiated contracts with the Health Planning Council of Southwest Florida for Ryan White Title II funding for medical care and case management.

A man of many talents, Mr. Bobo developed the first public school HIV testing program in the United States.

He also developed an outreach program for the Lee County AIDS Task Force, taught basic and advanced HIV Certification courses, developed a Family Life Center for Lee Mental Health Center, Inc., standardized laboratory procedures and formatted laboratory functions on the Meditech Computer System, and testified before the Food and Drug Administration in Washington, D.C.

# FWC stocking Lake Okeechobee with young bass

By Eric Kopp

INI Florida

Fisheries biologist Don Fox is doing something that's never been tried — stocking largemouth bass in Lake Okeechobee.

Mr. Fox and fellow biologists from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) spent several hours last week putting 22,000 to 25,000 young bass into the lake from Cody's Cove to First Point.

He said the stocking program will continue in the next few weeks with hopes of putting as many as 200,000 fry in the lake.

"If this works, we'll stock Moonshine Bay around the same time next year," he said.

Although fish populations had already started to decline, hurricanes Frances and Jeanne exacerbated the problem.

The 100 mph-plus winds from the 2004 storms not only made life temporarily rough for people around the big lake, it ruined life for fish in the lake.

"The hurricanes decimated the habitat," Mr. Fox stated. Winds and the subsequent wave action ripped up bulrush, cattail, peppergrass, hydrilla and eel grass and took away nearly all the habitat that fish need to live, eat and breed.

But now, many of these native grasses are coming back. Forage such as shad and grass shrimp have exploded which means there is plenty for largemouth bass to eat.

"If it's going to work, it's going to work now," said Mr. Fox, who has spent the last 27 years trying to improve the fishery on Lake Okeechobee.

The idea of beefing up the bass population began a few months ago but until recently, Mr. Fox and his fellow biologists at FWC's Okeechobee office resisted the idea because things weren't right — no forage, little habitat and too many other predators such as gar and bowfin (mudfish).

But, things have changed.

"We batted the idea around for a while, and now there's enough natural forage to support them," he explained. "We've never stocked fish in a system with this type of habitat. Normally, we stock lakes like Apopka or Griffin."

So, in stepped Rick Stout — the director of the Florida Bass Conservation Center



Courtesy photos/FWC

**An estimated 22,000 to 25,000 fry largemouth bass were released into Lake Okeechobee Thursday, March 26, as part of a stocking program aimed at "bumping" up the bass population.**

in Richloam. He had room in his outdoor ponds so the idea of stocking Lake Okeechobee was now 'hatched.'

By electro shocking, Mr. Fox — along with biologists Alyssa Jordan, Corey Lee and Brent Bachelder — took 80 pair of spawning bass from the Rim Canal in the Lakeport area. These brood fish were then taken to Mr. Stout.

"We brought them back to the hatchery, got them acclimated here for a couple of weeks and once they got settled in we took a fin clip from the pectoral fin that's about the size of the fingernail on your little finger," he explained. "We sent those to a genetics lab in St. Petersburg and they checked each one to be sure they were pure Florida strain bass."

He said two of the potential breeder fish had to be removed from the others because they had northern genes. Mr. Stout said northern genes appear, basically, in largemouth from Kentucky northward.

"Back when Florida was an island, those bass became isolated from those in the north. Then, when the ocean receded after the ice age and Florida became reconnected with the U.S., some pure Florida bass began to migrate north and some began to migrate to the south," he explained. "But, pure Florida bass occur from the Suwanee River

south."

He could only surmise that those fish with the northern strains came from private land owners or homeowner associations that stocked their lakes with fish from private businesses whose fish have the northern genes.

Once Mr. Stout had the brood fish, a tag about twice the size of a grain of rice was inserted into their abdomens. This tag, called a passive integrated transponder (PIT), emits a nine-digit number. With this tag, each fish can be identified since each PIT tag emits a different number.

The brood fish were then put into 100-foot x 300-foot brooding ponds and allowed to spawn. Mr. Stout said these brood ponds are stocked at a rate of about 20 to 25 pair per acre.

"We then look for fry about 7 to 8 millimeters in length," he explained. "The male will keep them schooled up and when they rise up we go in with a fine net seine and transport the fry to a fertilized pond. They will be kept there about three to four weeks."

Mr. Stout, Mr. Fox's former Tennessee Tech University roommate, said over a four-week phase he and his crew will harvest about 60 percent of the fry.

"We don't like really big fish, primarily 4 to 7 pounders," he said. "In younger fish (4 to 7 pounds), the egg quality is typically much better. Once they get above that, the quality of the egg begins to diminish somewhat."

With the fry in hand, so to speak, Mr. Stout traveled to Lake Okeechobee where he met up with his old college roommate and the young bass were placed in Lake Okeechobee.

Mr. Fox said the Cody's Cove to First Point area was chosen because there was an exceptional forage base for the bass, good habitat consisting of eel grass, mixed with some peppergrass and hydrilla and the fish will be more confined.

Beginning in a couple of weeks, the local biologists will begin electro-shocking the area to check on the fry.

Now, remember that small fin clipping from the brood fish? When the local biologists shock this area they will take similar small fin clippings from young bass. Each

clipping will then be sent to the Florida Wildlife Institute lab in St. Petersburg, where geneticists will be able to identify the bass as either wild or stocked.

This test will also tell the biologists from which brood pond the fry came, as well as which female.

Mr. Fox said the electro shocking will continue about every two weeks until it gets to the point they stop finding stocked fish because they have migrated out of the area. He went on to say the stocked bass should reach a length of about 5 inches by fall and will likely begin to spawn when they get to about 10 inches.

Since this type of stocking has never been done here before, the FWC biologists have no idea what the mortality rate will be for the fry.

While bass stocking is only aimed at "bumping up" the population in an area, it cannot be done to increase the total bass population simply because the lake is too big. Still, if this initial stocking is successful it will be repeated in different areas of the lake to increase those populations.

Unfortunately, there is little to be done for the badly diminished crappie population. Mr. Fox said there simply isn't the quantity and quality of forage needed. Crappie, or specks, are too selective in what they eat.

"Bass will basically eat anything that doesn't eat them first," said Mr. Fox.

Crappie, however, depend on such as invertebrates as chizzywinks. And, like much of the fish populations, these invertebrates disappeared with the hurricanes.

"There just isn't enough natural forage to support them (crappie)," said Mr. Fox.

But, for the bass, the timing is right for a little help from man. And this help, said Mr. Fox, includes a new lake level schedule and renewed interest in Lake Okeechobee's well being from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

"We have to have water levels that don't impact the ecological process of the lake, and the new lake regulation schedule is more conducive to the ecological process of the lake," Mr. Fox explained.

That new schedules calls for a high of no more than 15.5 feet, and a low of no less than 12.5 feet.

# Religion columns

## Thoughts From an Empty Tomb

By Pastor John Hicks  
First United Methodist Church

The road to Calvary was not what I had envisioned it. It's been twenty-five years, but I still remember experiencing Jerusalem for the first time and traveling along the Via Dolorosa – the “Path of Sorrow”.

It wasn't what I thought it would be. I had imagined a spiritual stroll along the path that Jesus went. Instead I found myself in an upstream struggle against a multitude of shoppers, street vendors, soldiers, and tourists. Every few steps, some vender or shopkeeper would step in front of one of our group and dangle camels, scarves, and various souvenirs. Not only was there no time for reflection, we had to struggle to stay together. Finally we turned the corner and headed for the church of the Holy Sepulcher. I thought it would be better. I was wrong.

I expected something simple. I found something ornate. At the time of Jesus, this was a cemetery. Now it's a cathedral covered with marble and gold and intricate paintings. Forty-three lamps hang above the traditional spot of Jesus' tomb. I tried to picture it as it originally was, but couldn't.

People were lined up to go in. Lots of people. I hate waiting in line, so you could probably guess my mindset. Blocking the way in was a black-robed, black bearded, black chatted priest who kept on saying, “Twenty minutes, twenty minutes”. Those might have been the only words of English he spoke, because the guys in front kept responding, “But that's what you told us fifteen minutes ago”. The crowd mumbled. I mumbled. Someone muttered about the temple needing another cleansing.

Then came the words, “Come this way”. It was James Flemming, our guide. Jim took us behind the crowd and into the back area of the church to a place that didn't look like it was used too often. It was dark. It was musty. It was cold. As my eyes adjusted, I saw a small opening. It was a rock-hewn tomb. I walked over to the opening, and just like the apostle John, I looked in. I was amazed. It was not a large room like I'd imagined, but a small room barely lit with a small oil lamp.

“Go on in”, Jim said. I didn't have to be told twice. Another guy about my size and I squeezed in and sat on the cold floor. Suddenly, the lights went out and a door outside slammed shut. I felt myself in a dark, tight, claustrophobic room that seemed to be sealed shut and closing in on me.

Sharing the experience, my friend whispered, “God put himself in a place like this.” After a few long minutes in the dark tomb, a light came on. With the light came realization.

The Easter story is not just a Sunday School story. The life of Jesus was not just a romantic fable. The Christian experience is not just a somewhere-over-the-rainbow illusion. It's real, and what was true then is true now. I was in a cold tomb, but besides my friend and I, it was empty. It had been empty for over 2000 years. It is still empty.

The God who rolled the stone away then still moves stones for us today. The message of the empty tomb declares that no power on earth could keep Christ down then, and that no power on earth can keep us down when we are in Christ Jesus now.

Christ is risen. And our response, “HE IS RISEN IN-DEED!”

## “The ransom!”

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist  
First Christian Church

Matthew 20:20-28 says, “Then came to Him the mother of the sons of Zebedee with her sons worshipping Him and asking a certain thing of Him. And he said unto her, What wouldest thou? She saith unto Him, Command that, these my two sons may sit, one on Thy right hand, and the other on Thy left hand, in Thy kingdom. But Jesus answered and said, Ye know not what ye ask, Are ye able to drink the cup that I am about to drink? And are ye able to be baptized with the baptism I am baptized with? They say unto Him. We are able. Then Jesus said, The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and give his life A RANSOM for many.”

We hear many times of people who have been shanghaied, and held for ransom. The ransom is the price to buy back the person who was stolen. The price of ransom is usually set at a high price. The human race was shanghaied in the Garden of Eden, and the rest of the story in the Bible is the account of the price that was paid for man's redemption.

Peter gives us the best description for the price that was paid for the redemption when he said in 1st Peter 1:18-19 “Knowing that you were redeemed, not with corruptible things with silver and gold, from the vain manner of your lives handed down from your fathers, but with precious blood, as a lamb without spot, even the blood as a lamb

without blemish and without spot, even the blood of Christ.

No one ever suffered as Jesus on the cross; all the pain and suffering of His body was small indeed compared to the agony of His soul. He tasted death once for every man. Paul tells us in 2nd Corinthians 5:21 “Him who knew no sin was made to be sin that we might become the righteousness of God.” Jesus on the cross felt as though He had committed every sin ever committed. Such a catalogue of sins as mentioned in 1st Corinthians 6:9-12 “Be not deceived, neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with men, not thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, not revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you but ye are washed, but ye were sanctified, but ye were justified in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.”

Then Paul tells of the ransom paid for our souls when he told Timothy in 1 Timothy 2:6 “Christ Jesus who gave Himself a RANSOM for all. Our sins can be compared to the flood in the days of Noah. The waters covered the earth according to Genesis 7:19 “Prevailed exceeding upon the earth; and all the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered. Fifteen cubits did the waters prevail, more than twenty feet, and the mountains were covered.” In like manner the flood of the blood of Jesus poured out on the cross can cover all sins, not matter how great, of every one who has ever lived! Because of the blood of Christ there will be former murderers, drug pushers, whore mongers, rapists, child abusers, who will walk the golden side walks of heaven.

The tragedy of it all can be read in the words of Jesus in John 5:40 “And ye will not come to Me that ye may have life.” But Jesus' invitation persists in Matthew 11:28-30 “Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart; and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

We come to Him by Believing the Gospel, Repenting of sins, Confessing faith in Him and being Immersed in water, in the like figure of His death, burial and resurrection; and then rising to walk in newness of life, ministering even as He did as a part of His church!

## Easter, 2009

By The Reverend Samuel Thomas, Ph. D.  
Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

Once I moved into a new ministry in the middle of a

northern winter. There were piles of snow in my yard that cold January; everything was white. Trees were trunks and branches pointing skyward without any leaves or shoots; no signs of grass or greenery to be seen.

Earlier in life, allergies kept me from enjoying much of the flowers and greenery that was around me; in fact, it often meant a “sneezing jag” and an annoyance instead of sharing in something beautiful. As I settled in, making new friends, starting a new ministry, learning about a new community, the snow gradually melted. There, beneath all, was grass in my yard, and under my front window was a patch of earth. No grass was growing there, and it seemed to be just there. One day, as I was entering, there were tiny sprouts growing from that ground.

I recalled them but didn't think anything special; until, one day, returning home, there was a bright red tulip reaching toward the sky in the midst of that once-barren, once-frozen plot on ground. The petals were unfolding and the stem stood there erect; a silent sentinel of beauty, and - of the promise of new life. It had caught my attention; under the bleak ground, surviving all of the hostile elements, life had prevailed. This creation of beauty was sleeping but not dead and I thought about something that I hadn't seen before - or had seen before thousands of times and taken for granted.

There was a passage I had said many times before; “Life is changed, not ended,” and the witness of God's promise that was in my front yard that day. That promise of resurrection is the story of Easter, the promise for all of God's creatures; you and I. Easter is the story of an empty tomb. The earth did not hold Jesus of Nazareth, He rose from it and brought a new and more glorious life.

What seemed dead, He who seemed dead, was not dead at all but waiting to fulfill His promise, His reason for coming, His witness to us all. Life continued on that warm Spring day in the first century, and every century thereafter. The heart of the Christian message is that we have that promise as our own, too. We, who bear within us, that kernel of life that comes from God and returns to Him one day, inherit that “We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed (1 Corinthians 15:53).”

I saw that promise on a sunny Spring day in my yard, others have seen it in an empty tomb, and it is yours and mine; His signs are all around us; witnesses and sentinels pointing Heavenward and reminders of the eternal message of Easter for us all.

# Religion briefs

## Cowboy Church Hand & Hand Ministries

Will have fellowship at 6 p.m. on Thursday, April 9, food will be served. Gospel music and the word of God, brought this month by Pastor Gena Brim, will begin at 7 p.m.

Come and listen to this fine lady share the word of God, we are located on the corner of Main and 5th at the Palmdale Community Center, all are welcome.

## Easter Egg Grab and Resurrection Party

First United Methodist Church of Clewiston is hosting a community wide Easter Egg Grab and Resurrection Party on Saturday, April 11, starting at 10 a.m. Children up through the fifth-grade are invited to come for crafts, egg coloring, an egg hunt, and Easter story telling, followed by a hot dog lunch. Older children and youth can help with crafts and help hide eggs. Bring baskets and friends! No charge! 331 W. Osceola Ave. For further information please call 863-983-5269.

## Special Easter Service with Butterfly Release

The community is invited to join First United Methodist Church of Clewiston in a special Easter celebration with special music from, “My Chains Are Gone, an Easter Celebration of Freedom,” at 8:30 a.m. or 11 a.m. on Sunday, April 12.

Butterflies will be released at our flower cross following each service, and a free Easter Breakfast will be served starting about 9:45 a.m.

There will be special programs for children, and each child who comes will receive a butterfly to release. For further information please call 863-983-5269.

## Community Easter Sunrise Service

We are rotating churches each year for our Easter sunrise services.

The Community Easter Sunrise service this year will be hosted by Pastor David McClusky and Calvary Baptist Church at 1075 Davidson Road in Hookers Point.

The service will begin at 6:30 a.m. and will

include special music, praise teams, drama, and speakers from churches across our community. Everyone is invited to stay for the traditional Easter breakfast following the service.

All are invited to come and all churches are invited to participate. Please call 863-983-5269 for more information or to become involved!

## Fish Fry Dinners on Fridays

St. Joseph the Worker Church is having Fish Fry Dinners every Friday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Dinners include fried fish, hush puppies, a vegetable, dessert and tea, for a donation of \$7. Eat there or take home.

## Thrift shop open at Church of God of Prophecy

The Church of God of Prophecy, in Moore Haven, will have a thrift shop open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., all things are given for a donation, this is to help for expenses of the church.

We feel in helping the church it is helping you also, with your needs.

All things are nice and clean, these things are supplied by Cowboy Church - Hand & Hand Ministries of Palmdale, if you would like to help us call 863-612-0640, if no answer leave message, God

bless you.

## Clewiston Church of God Service Times announced

The Clewiston Church of Christ would like to announce their regular service times to the public and invite anyone interested in attending. Sunday Bible Class will begin at 10 a.m.; Sunday Worship begins at 11 a.m.; Sunday Evening Worship will start at 6 p.m., and Wednesday Bible Study starts at 7 p.m.

The Clewiston Church of Christ is located at 336 Central Ave in Clewiston.

For further information please call 863-983-8822.

## Reviving the stones conference

Angel Braham Ministries Inc. is hosting a conference on Saturday, April 11 starting at 6 p.m. at 525 East El. Paso Ave. in Clewiston. Registration is free, topics discussed will be as followed: Economic survival during the recovery process; Embarrassed but not ashamed; Using what is left of you and Repositioning yourself from hopeless to hopeful.

For more information please call 863-983-8505 or visit www.angelbraham.com.

# New Mission in La Florida

By Butch Wilson  
Clewiston Museum

The Calusa ceremony grew louder, as the excited crowd danced with an abandonment that inflamed the men and women with recklessness. Their pageantry of debauchery was suddenly interrupted when five priests stepped from the darkness into the firelight, with solemn faces that hid the righteous indignation that burned within their hearts.

A deadly silence fell over the Calusas, who stared at the priests with blackened, grimacing faces that revealed wild, hypnotic eyes, seething with hate. The priests in their pious state failed to realize the perilous predicament they had placed themselves in.

A young priest stepped forward and began to admonish the Calusas about their evil and idolatrous ways in a strong, confident voice that grew louder as religious zeal overcame wisdom and prudence. Soon, a stream of condemning words flowed from his reckless lips, accusing the Calusas of being in league with the Devil.

His sermon did not fall on deaf ears. The Calusas quickly turned into a raging mob, whose chanting voices hummed like an angry hive of bees. They surged toward the priests, howling their protest, while shaking clenched fist. The priests retreated from the advancing danger, but there was no refuge from the maddened crowd. The young priest, whose great oratory voice had moments earlier defiled the Calusa, now shrieked to high, soprano notes as he ran panic stricken to escape the murderous Calusas.

This fictitious yarn reflects men of the cloth comforting a society that practiced barbaric beliefs. It was a clash of theologies that allowed no compromise between the opposing cultures. It is time to take "A Walk in The Past" and read about a new mission in the land of the Calusas.

In 1697, the Council of Indies forced the Franciscans to send volunteers to the Calusas. Five Franciscan priests were selected and sent to south Florida. They sailed from Cuba to present day Key West and then to the province of Calus, near present day Port Charlotte.

The ship's captain anchored several miles outside the harbor and refused to carry the priests to shore for fear of the Indians. The Calusa Casique sent delegates in dugout canoes to the ship, so the fearful captain retired even further out to sea. The priests were eventually ferried to shore by the "friendly" Calusas.

One priest described the village, "The Indians of the settlement and key where I am, it appears, amount to about 400 men, innumerable children and as the women are at home I have not seen them except for those of the house of the cacique, who would be about 20. They tell me there are many people. In all it appears to me that they amount to about one thousand, all idlers, from what I have seen."

The province of Calus was the capital of the Calusa Indian Nation. There were numerous Calusa settlements scattered north toward Tampa Bay and south to the keys, but reportedly not as large. The Calusa Indi-

an Nation was still strong and had not been weakened by European diseases.

It is interesting that the priests accused the Calusa Indians of being idlers, which I think is erroneous. True, they weren't industrious people, but there was no need to be. They lived in one of the richest estuaries in Florida: Clams, Oysters, large schools of Black mullet and a multitude of other fish species lived in great abundance along their shores.

They were a fishing society that thrived from this limitless, marine bounty. The Calusa developed into a sophisticated culture because they had plenty of time to think and become creative. However, the old saying, "An idle mind is the devils workshop" probably has some merit. The Calusa developed an unhealthy religion in their spare time. They practiced incest, polygamy, sodomy and sacrificed adults and children to appease their gods.

The priests were well received, when they first arrived. They started a mission and had a great audience. Attendance and attitudes were good, while the "loaves and fishes" lasted. The limited gifts ran out, and the Indians became hostile because they saw no need for salvation.

The Calusas never had a real interest in Christianity and saw conversion only as a ritual to appease the Spanish and get gifts. The five priests had brought supplies that would last the mission six months, but had failed to bring many gifts for the Calusa Indians. The revival was going to close out early.

The priests started verbally attacking the Calusa's traditional beliefs, which created a fragile truce, especially since there were no gifts. The truce ended, when the priests interrupted a religious ceremony and condemned the dancing Calusa for their idolatry.

Some say timing is everything, and the priests could not have picked a worse time. They did make heads turn, but unfortunately it was their own. The Calusa, intent on murder, attacked the priests and would have killed them, if the old Casique chief hadn't intervened.

The badly beaten priests retired to their huts and suffered at the hands of the Calusa for several days. Finally, the dispirited priests asked to be taken back to Key West, where they hoped to signal a ship and return to Cuba. The priests were returned, but only after all their possessions had been stolen, including their cloths.

They remained at Key West for a month, with little food or water, and almost starved to death. Fortunately, a passing ship stopped and picked them up. They returned to Cuba and later wrote letters describing their ordeals.

There will be more "Tale Tales" in next week's edition "A Walk in The Past," when we investigate the demise of the Native Florida Indians.

I hope you have enjoyed this story. Contact the Clewiston Museum if you have questions, artifacts, pictures, or a "Whale of a Tale" that you would like to share. The Museum's hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Butch Wilson is the Clewiston Museum Director. He can be reached at clewistonmuseum@embarq-mail.com, or by phone at 863-983-2870

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The Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, will hold a workshop to discuss recreation and related issues for the East side of Hendry County at 7:00 p.m. on April 23, 2009, at the Harlem Civic Center, 2000 7th Street, Clewiston, Florida.

All interested persons may appear and be heard at the workshop. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Commission with respect to any matter discussed at such 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.

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**JOSEPH W. EXAMPLE & JANE A. ILLUSTRATION**  
Joseph Wayne Example and Jane Ann Illustration were married on Jan. 1, 2009, in a local church. Your news item was published in the newspaper. The bride, Jane, had a beautiful ceremony with a maid of honor and bridesmaids. The groom, Joseph, had a best man and ushers. The ceremony was officiated by the Rev. Dr. John Smith. The reception was held at the local restaurant. The bride and groom were accompanied by their families. The ceremony was a beautiful and memorable event. The bride and groom were both very happy and enjoyed the day. The ceremony was a beautiful and memorable event. The bride and groom were both very happy and enjoyed the day.

**BIRTH**  
**SUSAN A. EXAMPLE**  
Susan Ann Example was born at 10:30 p.m. on Jan. 1, 2009, in a local hospital. She weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 20 1/2 inches long. Her mother is Jane Example and her father is Joseph Example. The birth was a beautiful and memorable event. The baby is healthy and happy. The birth was a beautiful and memorable event. The baby is healthy and happy.

**ANNIVERSARY**  
**JOSEPH W. EXAMPLE & JANE A. EXAMPLE**  
Joseph W. Example and Jane A. Example celebrated their 10th anniversary on Jan. 1, 2009. The anniversary was a beautiful and memorable event. The couple was very happy and enjoyed the day. The anniversary was a beautiful and memorable event. The couple was very happy and enjoyed the day.

**ENGAGEMENT**  
**JOSEPH W. EXAMPLE & JANE A. EXAMPLE**  
Joseph W. Example and Jane A. Example announced their engagement on Jan. 1, 2009. The engagement was a beautiful and memorable event. The couple was very happy and enjoyed the day. The engagement was a beautiful and memorable event. The couple was very happy and enjoyed the day.

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# Traffic Enforcement on Hendry County Roadways

Due to the increase of traffic, serious accidents and with the addition of the construction area between Clark Street and Birchwood Parkway, the Hendry County Sheriffs office is taking a pro-active approach to reducing the traffic crashes and risky driving behaviors of motorist in Hendry County.

Since January 1, 2009, the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP) has handled over 40 traffic

crashes in Hendry County resulting in five fatalities, while Deputies worked 104 since January.

Thirty-three of these crashes occurred on State Road 80, the listed cause of these accidents range from excessive speed, to careless driving, to failure to yield right of way.

Sheriff Deputies will be utilizing un-marked vehicles to catch speeders; drivers

should be reminded that if cited in a construction zone with workers present, fines are doubled.

Driving too slow causes frustration to drivers and poses a risk for others such as passing in a no passing zone, utilizing turn lanes as passing lanes, or under-estimating the speed of an oncoming vehicle.

Slow drivers impeded the normal (safe flow) of traffic.

Drivers exceeding the speed limit and those driving well below the posted speed may receive a written warning or traffic citation.

State Road 80 is a two-lane, major thorough way between the east coast and west coast and without traffic enforcement... could become a more deadly one.

## Cash-strapped sheriff's office turns to online auction

According to the Washington-based Center on Budget and Policy Priorities as many as 47 states are struggling with mounting deficits; and governments, which are required by law to close budget gaps, are being creative in seeking ways to meet the shortfall.

The Hendry County Sheriffs Office, which relied on old-fashioned auctions conducted in the local parking lot, is taking a sophisticated approach to disposal of surplus equipment; they are turning to the online world of Govdeals ([www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com)).

Govdeals provides its members an opportunity to purchase and sell their surplus equipment utilizing the enormous global reach of the internet.

Not only can members list their properties for sale immediately as they are declared surplus, but they are exposed to a much larger pool of buyers.

According to Sheriff's Office records the last auction held for surplus and/or confiscated items was in February 2002 which netted approximately \$8,270.

Two items that were placed on Govdeals on Thursday, March 27, 2009 and have already brought in over five thousand dollars;



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**The Hendry County Sheriff's Office will be utilizing Govdeals.com to get rid of any surplus vehicles in its fleet.**

these were a 1989 Ford F-150 with over 134,000 miles and a 1998 Pontiac Trans Am that had recorded over 115,000 miles.

Items that will be posted with the on-line

auction are not limited to vehicles, but will also include computer equipment, furniture, tools, bicycles, etc.

Hendry County Sheriff Steve Whidden

says, "Anything that we can dispose of that generates revenue definitely helps to reduce any deficit that we have in the budget. Essentially, we hope auctioning our surplus items on the Internet will cost us less time and money, and create a higher yield." Sheriff Whidden further stated. "The concept of selling surplus items on the internet is based on opening the auction to a much wider audience than if it were done locally. You have more competition for items, and we hope that will drive a higher price".

Just because governmental agencies are the only people who can sell on Govdeals.com, doesn't mean they're the only buyers.

Anyone ranging from other states and municipalities to companies, entrepreneurs and resellers, all of whom are prescreened to ensure they can pay, can purchase items from the Govdeals.com site.

The auctions are open to the public.

To learn more about Govdeals and the process of viewing and bidding on items posted go to [www.govdeals.com](http://www.govdeals.com) or you may contact the Hendry County Sheriffs Office.

## Floridians with disabilities choose: Medicaid or job

### Work incentive program could make both employment and healthcare access a reality

TALLAHASSEE—For many Floridians with disabilities, the choice between competitive work and Medicaid assistance is all too real.

While many of these citizens have a desire to work and contribute to the economic vitality of their communities, Florida law strongly discourages against this.

To qualify for Medicaid assistance, individuals must not exceed a low-income and asset level.

There are exceptions for Supplemental Security Income (SSI) recipients; however, current policy limits their opportunities to work.

The Partnership for Work & Healthcare, a Florida coalition comprised of more than 30 agencies statewide, is encouraging leg-

islators to pass landmark legislation this session that would eliminate the choice between taking a job and having healthcare.

According to the Federal Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Act (TWWIA), individual states have the option to create a program offering employed persons with disabilities a Medicaid "buy-in" option.

"Florida is one of only 9 states not incorporating this work incentive option into their state Medicaid plan," said Olga Golik, a member of the Partnership for Work & Healthcare.

"This legislation, championed by Senator Victor Crist, would provide invaluable support to citizens with disabilities while simultaneously bolstering the workforce, economy and communities across the state."

The proposed Work Incentive Medicaid Coverage initiative would allow persons with disabilities to enter the workforce while retaining access to needed healthcare via the following:

Individual can earn up to \$39,000 or 250 percent of the Federal Poverty level.

Individual can accrue cash assets of \$10,000 (individual) or \$15,000 (married).

Participants could be charged a premium based on a sliding scale once earned income exceeds 100 percent of the Federal Poverty level.

The current version of the bill substitutes a workgroup for implementation in 2010.

This will slow down both the process and cost in tough economic times but will keep the program moving forward.

"Ultimately, this buy-in will enable people with disabilities to keep their healthcare and participate in their communities through meaningful employment," said Margaret J. Hooper, Public Policy Coordinator for Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc.

"These Floridians should not have to choose between work and healthcare access."

Research conducted by The National Disability Institute indicates that a majority of individuals with disabilities surveyed would try to obtain a job if their Medicaid services were not jeopardized as a result.

This would positively impact Florida in the following ways:

- Reduce dependence on tax payer dollars and public assistance programs
- Increase workforce assets
- Increase tax revenues generated
- Increase independence and quality of life for Floridians with disabilities

For more information about the Work Incentive Medicaid Coverage initiative, to become a partner or tell your personal story, visit [www.PartnershipForWork.com](http://www.PartnershipForWork.com).

# Moore Haven Eastern Stars installs officers

## Clewiston residents among those installed

In March of each year, the Moore Haven Chapter No. 116, Order of the Eastern Star, which is composed of members from Moore Haven, Clewiston, Lake Harbor, Belle Glade, Pahokee and LaBelle, installs it's officers.

Sister Jeanne Woodard was elected and installed as the new Worthy Matron and Brother David Veale, New Worthy Patron. Brother Guy Wilson was the outgoing Worthy Patron.

Sister Jean has been appointed as Grand Instructor of District 26 and has served the Chapter in various capacities. Her theme for

her year is "One Nation Under God."

Sister Annie P. Espinosa, outgoing Worthy Patron, will have the honor of serving at Grand Chapter in Jacksonville, as a personal page for Sister Margaret Nathurst, and Sister Margaret Smart will have the honor of serving as a Page at General Grand Chapter being held in Tulsa, Oklahoma and she has been appointed State Chairman of ESTARL in Florida.

The installing officers were Past Grand Matron, and Grand Treasurer, Sister Margaret Nathurst as Installing Chaplain, Past Grand Ruth, Sister Linda Fore as Installing Chaplain, Past Grand Adah Nathalee Summerall as Installing Marshal, all of Fort Myers, and Sister Luella Nordstrom, as Install-

ing Organist.

Rob Morris, a master Mason and Grand Master of Mason in Kentucky, first organized the Order of the Eastern Star in 1850. In 1880, the General Grand Chapter, order of the Eastern Star conferred on Morris the title of "Master Builder of the Order of the Eastern Star." Chapters of the Order of the Eastern Star now encircle the earth.

Moore Haven Chapter No. 116 was instituted in 1921 and has been an active organization for 88 years, contributing to many charities including Heart, Cancer, and others including ESTARL which helps students training for religious leaderships. Affiliated master Masons in good standing who are at least 18 and the wives, daughters, legally ad-

opted daughters, mothers, widows, sisters, half-sisters, granddaughters, step-mothers, step-daughters, stepsisters, daughters-in-law and daughters of sisters or brothers of affiliated masters Matrons in good standing at the time of their death, are eligible to be members.

The Chapter holds its meetings on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Sugarland Masonic Lodge No. 281 Free and Accepted Masons located on Highway 27 in Clewiston. With the new officers installed, Moore Haven Chapter is ready for another productive year.



Moore Haven Eastern Stars installing officers.

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Moore Haven Eastern Stars Chapter No. 116 officers for 2009 - 2010.

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## General News and Information

### 2009 Hendry Plat Directory

The Hendry Soil and Water Conservation District is pleased to announce the availability of the new 2009 Hendry/Glades Plat Directory. The Hendry Soil and Water Conservation District is located at 1085 Pratt Blvd., LaBelle or you may call Barbara at 863-674-4160 ext. 4161. The Cost of the new directory will remain the same unchanged.

### Attention business owners

The City of Clewiston – Community Redevelopment Agency Façade Grant Program. As an outreach to existing business buildings, technical and financial assistance is available for renovations to the exterior of business buildings within Clewiston's Community Redevelopment Area. The objective of the program is to implement the CRA plan and encourage business and property owners, through financial incentives, to improve existing business properties. Policy guides and application forms are available at the Chamber Office, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

### Crossing Guard training

A course for Crossing Guard Trainers will be held Thursday-Friday, May 7-8, at the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 1, 801 North Broadway Avenue, Bartow, FL 33830. To register contact Carol Pulley at carol.pulley@dot.state.fl.us.

### Stop the violence services available

The Hendry and Glades Domestic and Sexual Violence Council's mission is to increase community awareness about domestic and sexual violence and victim safety by providing services, referrals and education relating to the affects of domestic/sexual violence in our community.

The meetings rotate between LaBelle, Clewiston and Moore Haven. To get involved in the council or for information about meeting dates and times, please call Abuse Council and Treatment, Inc.'s Rural Extension (REACT): 863-674-1811, 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. to speak with an advocate.

### Sponsor a pet

People who love pets but cannot adopt one for one reason or another now have another way to help. Caloosa Humane Society has just added a feature to its pet list on Petfinder.com called Sponsor a Pet.

With a simple click of a button, a visitor can make a donation to a pet's care. To see pets available to sponsor, visit [www.dogn-cat.petfinder.com](http://www.dogn-cat.petfinder.com).

### Addiction recovery help

Narconon reminds parents that during the summer months, children are more apt to let boredom set in and drugs and alcohol can work into their lives. To help your child this summer, learn to recognize the signs of drug and alcohol addiction and get the help they need.

If you or someone you know is struggling with an addiction, call Narconon. Narconon offers free addiction counseling, assessments, and referrals to rehabilitation centers nationwide by calling 1-800-468-6933 or logging onto [www.stopaddiction.com](http://www.stopaddiction.com).



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It's a wonderful world. Explore!



MyWonderfulWorld.org  
A National Geographic-led campaign

# CMS Teachers awarded

Mr. Roquett was raised in Broward County, where he earned his bachelors degree and taught at Hollywood Hills High School. He and his wife, Veronica, who is the CMS Media Specialist, moved to Hendry County four years ago. They immediately came to love Clewiston and enjoy its sense of warmth and community. Mr. Roquett teaches eighth-grade Math at CMS.

He recently received his Master's Degree in Educational Leadership from Florida Gulf Coast University and wants to acknowledge the help of his wife, his teammates, the students and administrative and support staff with this accomplishment, as well as being named Teacher of the Year at Clewiston Middle School. Mr. Garry Ensor, Principal, states that Mr. Roquett is an outstanding teacher who has an excellent rapport with students and coworkers.

Erlinda Brown was hired as an ELL paraprofessional at Clewiston Middle School in August of 2005 to work with eight-grade Spanish speaking students. Ms. Brown does the state required assessment for ELL students, attends and translates at the required parent meetings and meets with parents often during the semester to ensure that parental involvement is at a maximum. She works with the classroom teachers so that she is able to translate the key concepts and vocabulary and develop materials for the students to study. She translates instruction in the six classrooms on the students' schedule each day and then teaches students the concepts in small groups, offering additional individual help for those needing extra assistance, from the materials that she has devel-

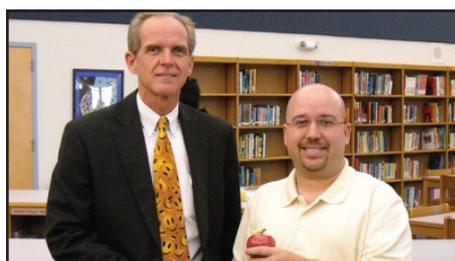
oped, as well as helping them with English language acquisition skills. "The students at CMS have benefited from Ms. Brown's instruction and assistance", reports Mr. Ensor.

Clewiston Middle School congratulates these outstanding educators.



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**Superintendent of Schools, Rick Murphy and Related Employee of the year, Ms. Erlinda Brown.**



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**Superintendent of Schools, Rick Murphy and Teacher of the Year, Mr. Jose Roquett.**

## Westside Elementary Honor Roll

### Third Nine weeks 2008-09

#### Kindergarten

##### "E" Honor Roll

Alexis Acevedo, Devin Autrey, Enrique Ayala, Zaylen Bennett, Annette Blanco, Jessania Blanco, Josue Cabanas, Angelica Contreras, Melody Gallardo, Gabriel Garcia, Ahmad Gary, Danny Hill, Treyvon Holmes, Isaiah Hughes, Morris James, Aniya Johnson, Emalee Kelley, Jose Martinez, Anthony Martinez, Denisya Mata, Nichole New, Edward Padilla, Carlos Padilla, Isaac Perera, Jessica Perez, Eileen Perez, Iraliz Rodriguez, Aliyah Sandoval, Oran Singleton, Marissa Trimble, Andrea Valadez, Juliana Van Tonder, Hadyn Velasquez, Liane Villalonga, Caleb White, Jose Zeferino.

##### "S" Honor Roll

Brandon Abercrombie, Natalie Alvarado, Ariann Anderson, Arielle Anderson, Kaleigh Brown, Rosa Castellanos, Alisa Cochran, A'marie Dukes, Mariah Everett, Byron Gary, Erik Gonzalez, Marco Grimaldo, D'Asia Hall, Dajia Hall, Jayla Hernandez, Julia Hernandez, Oniyah Hunter, Michael Johnson, Kirsten Kilborn, Desiree Martinez, Amber McConniel, Gabriel Mendez, Tyreeq Merit, Bethany Miller, Sandra Morales, Cornijah Odoms, Aaliyah Pagan, Jacee Rivera, Sequoia Robinson, Jacoby Tillman, Alejandro Villareal.

#### First Grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Brianna Aguirre, Kylee Allred, Owen Blount, Michayla Bonilla, Jose Carbajal, Annabella Delafuente, Jamesha Donjoie, Taylor Durance, Jazmine Escorcia, Hailey Etzweiler, Mariah Goodman, Zakyla Hall, Adalmarie Hernandez, Mariah Goodman, Adalmarie Hernandez, Sandra Hernandez, Makayla Hough, Tiera Hughes, Dyniesha Jackson, Nathan Johnson, Jairus Johnson, Jacob Kite, Karlee Lamb, Israel Pagan, Fernanda Paniagua, Sofia Pridgen, Juan Puente, William Rodriguez, Angely Rosas, Aldo Ruiz, Austin Sandoval, Jonathan Suarez, Chamorian Thicklin, Victor Torres, Alexandra Valencia-Torres, Blake Whitlock.

##### "A/B" Honor Roll

Ma'kiya Adderly, Jackson Belcher, Denilson Cruz, Troy Evans, Brelinda Gomez, Tyrese Holmes, Jazspur Ingram, Kaitlynn Lee, Hershel Lewis, Ayanna Luevano, Ivan Martinez, Mariah Muino, Chloe Murphy, Alexander Pilgrim, Perla Ramirez, Cecelia Rico, Gabriel Rico, Lizzy Rivera, Mideyli Romero-Ruiz, Albert Salgado, Amore'a Singleton, Tekyla Turner, Jaylin Thicklin, Alberto Trevino, Johana Venegas, Angel Vera, Kaleigh Williams, Jose Yanes.

#### Second Grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Yasmeen Abuasbeh, Destiny Bonilla, Tiffany Dunham, Ifiok Edemidiong, Shelsy Flores, Vivian Haney, Terrica Hughes, Kalvyn Johnson, Tashana Ligon, Shanecia Miller, Louis Roberts, Francesca Rodriguez, Marco Sanchez, Leticia Villarreal.

## Clewiston Middle School Honor Roll

### Third Grading Period 2008-2009

#### Sixth Grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Megan Blount, Frederick Brooks, Carolina Garcia, Juan Herrera, Anessa Leyva, Ashley Matamoros, Victoria Rice, and Jesus Tovar.

##### A/B Honor Roll

Ashley Adams, Vanessa Barrera, Luke Bradford, Courtney Brown, Roshon Bryant, Carlos Bryant Jr., Ulises Carranza, Gloria Carrazana, Dustin Clemons, Shelia Fleming, Ja'Kerra Gadson, William Gibson, Lane Graham, Francheska Landrum, David Lara, Jennifer Lockmiller, Daniel Martinez, Luis Mederos, Alejandro Mendoza, Kimberly Mesa, Rachel Morrell, Nicholas Pacheco, Alexandra Padron, Jordan Pencarinha, Amado Perez, Xiomara Rangel, Leticia Rico, Julio Rivera, Vanessa Rodriguez, Kayla Rosen, Jacob Rudd, Margarita Salinas, Sebastian Sanchez, Alan Smith, Kashawla Smith, Zachery Smith, Crystal Vera, De'vontae Weekley and Kimberly Zamora.

#### Seventh grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Sade Awe, Terri Baker, Itzia Garcia, and

Crysta Vasiliou.

##### A/B Honor Roll

Jade Bagley, Sydney Connell, Melanie De Las Salas, Francisco Jasso, Estefania Leon, Christina Leyva, Jenny Lopez, Maria Molina, Edwmary Montalvo, Maribellys Morales, Nancy Morales-Velasquez, Leonel Navarrete, Maria Orozco, Mindy Paniagua, Zachary Pencarinha, Jessica Radcliffe, Brock Ramer, Leonel Ramirez, Victor Ramos, Le-

##### "A/B" Honor Roll

Vanessa Aguirre, Estefanie Alpizar, Adriana Anderson, Ivianna Blanco, Marleydis Codesal, Donny Creagh, Brandon Gallardo, Eddie Garcia, Destiny Gallegos, Amber Hanahan, Hector Madrigal, Jaylynn Moreno, Austin O'Neal, Jason Pagan, Armando Perez, Mauricio Perez, Montana Powell, Jasmine Ramirez, Christopher Rodriguez, Monica Rodriguez, Damaris Rojas, Caitlin Ruiz, Braden Rus, Sarai Sanchez, Dakotah Serrott, Hailee Steele, Jesus Tamez, Jashyla Thomas, Maria Torres, Wesley Wetherington, Destiny Williams, Kobe Willis.

#### Third Grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Courtney Berry, Zoie Cotton, Daneisha Germany, Brooke Jarvis, Denise Lindimas, Emmanuel Lopez, Victoria Padilla, Sara Perera, Jose Rivera, Betsy Romero, Demetrius Ross, Janessa Smith, Virginia Villareal.

##### "A/B" Honor Roll

Lauren Adams, Ricardo Ascencio, Keona Battle, Florecita Benitez, Tamynisha Burnett, Jade Castillo, Johanna Colson, Sophia Connolly, Holden Crawford, Tereza Domingo, Lovadis Dominguez, Cierra Dukes, Jesus Fonseca, Alberto Garcia, Pablo Gonzalez, Zarielle Hodges, Mikalah Johnson, Jeriel Matos, William McGlothlin, Savanna Nease, Dylan Nease, Kevin Paniagua, Juan Pena, Lisette Perez, Justin Perez, Lizabeth Ramirez, Olivia Reyes, Victor Rodriguez, Yoel Rodriguez, Alina Sandoval, Mariely Segura, Allie Swan, Julie Valdes, Jacob Wall, Felix Yser.

ticia Raya, Christian Rodriguez, Alan Rudd, Stephen Swan, and Tianna Thomas.

#### Eighth grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Savannah Bowers, Caitlin Jarvis, Cecilia Luna, Sara Perez, Travis Robertson, Adam Rudd, Jessie Wiggins and Stephanie Zamora. In addition, Matthew Slyteris and Ustavros Ramsay made all A's.

##### A/B Honor Roll

Austin Adams, Isabel Aguirre, George Alarcon, Fernando Alvarado, Gibran Azan, Keonte Bailey, Jose Barrueta, Seleny Bartolo, Breann Benitez, Heydi Bonilla, Cedrick Brown, Scarlett Cabrera, Stephanie Camacho, Felipe Carrillo, Darius Cohen, Casey Crawford, Sydney Duckstein, Gisel Fernandez, Brooke Flynn, Leo Garcia, Noel Garcia, Ryan Garcia, Justin Goldberg, Adriana Gomez, Antonio Hernandez, Daniel Holligan, Kimberly Ison, Keith James, Rachel Kelley, Clayton Kline, Jaime Landaverde, Lazaro Lara, Jasmine Leiva, Christian Leon, Carolina Lombardo, Yanervys Lopez, Joshua Martinez, Corrina Meister, Maria Mendoza, Rachel Mendoza, Elizabeth Minero, Jose Molina, Kelsie Moore, Daniel Moreno, Juanisha Norton, Chase Pascher, Joseline Perez, Rosbeli Perez, Mandi Perry, Page Purvis, Bryant Richardson, Vanessa Rivero, Victoria Rodriguez, Luis Rosquete, Izai Sanchez, Brenda Sierra, Fernando Sierra, De'Marcus Terry, Chakayla Thicklin, Michael Thomas, Kimberly Thornton, Katherin Valencia, Adrian Vera, Cynthia Vera, Maria Villarreal, Tyler Westberry, Qwantasha Williams and Julia Woods. Also achieving the A/B Honor Roll was Jennifer Velazquez.

#### Fourth Grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Rebeca Benitez, Guadalupe Duran-Almaras, Brittany Funderburk, Catherine Martinez, Lewis Medina, Tammy Perez.

##### "A/B" Honor Roll

Hayley Acevedo, David Adams, Anthony Aguas-Mejia, Mohammed Alam, Juan Albaranga, Kelsey Allison, Othon Barrueta, Savana Beckett, Juan Cervantes, Derlin Collazo, Shaila Corchado, Javier Del Rosario, Caridad Diaz, Tessa Dunham, Jonathan Etzweiler, Diego Filiponi, Shannon Garrett, J'Traniah Harris, Jordan Jackson, Daniel Kite, Jazzmyn Lumpkin, Courtney McConniel, Tavarius McCray, Xavier Mederos-Crespo, Karina Muino, Jose Orozco, Alexandria Pate, Martin Perez, Nickolas Reyes, Kimberly Sanchez, Nathalie Sanchez, Janihya Thomas, Thaila Valdes, Ki'Ana Vaughn, Amanda Vazquez.

#### Fifth Grade

##### "A" Honor Roll

Alyssa Colson, Angel Lopez, Sinead McManus, Louis Mitta, Javier Pineda, Victoria Shanoski, Tyrin Summers, Jessica Trnka, Abigail Villarreal.

##### "A/B" Honor Roll

Deondre Bailey, Krystal Bright, Cassidy Cochran, Jared Escorcia, Elianis Fonseca, Kenya Fuller, Imani Nedd, Dayanna Paloblanco, Claudia Pereyra, Danyelle Reyes, Jessica Rios, Marilyn Romero.

## Central Elementary School Honor Roll

### "A" Honor Roll

#### KG: (E Honor Roll)

Ms. Berner: Joanna Paredez, Dulcemaria Toledo and Manny Valdes.

Ms. Brown: Lauren Berry.

Ms. Crawford: Marcus Barnes, D'Juan Canty, Ismael Claro, Calixto Delacruz, Michael Johnson, Melina Martinez, Jayleen Rodriguez and Joseph Valdez.

Ms. M. Jones: Asia Horne, Z'Terria Mann, Desirae Minns, Alberto Morales, Patricia Pereyra, Pablo Raymundo-Lopez, Anahi Santiago, Sierra Spitzer and Ezequiel Vane-gas.

Ms. Owens: Christian Gonzalez, Demetris Holligan, Michael Stevens, Brianna Taunton and Makayla Wallace.

#### First-grade

Ms. Gooch: Aracely Hurtado, Daniela Sierra and Aylin Xenex.

Ms. A. Jones: Taiyla Mozoul.

Ms. Morrell: Haile Barraza, Michael Crum, Tommy Darden, Noah McCray, Nicole Roth and Kylie Tarter.

Ms. Pearson: Juan Galvin and Betty Sanchez.

#### Second-grade

Ms. Gary: Cassandra Whitehead.

Ms. Meadows: Alejandro Rodriguez and Donavon Taylor.

Mr. Mountain: Michael Ison and Randy Williams.

Ms. Shelton: Derricka Ingram, Gloria

Salmeron and Jocelyn Soto.

Ms. Walenzik: Jon Basquin, Kale Knaack and Dania Toledo.

#### Third-grade

Ms. Carter: Adamali Dela-Cruz, Marco Figueroa and Soraya Martinez.

Ms. Cool: Khamari Adderley, Jade Bryan, Ramiro De Santiago, Kenny Meija and Amanda Periro.

Ms. Nara: Alisia Millner.

#### Fourth-grade

Ms. Burroughs/Mr. Gay: Devyn Taylor.

Ms. Carlson: Robyn Basquin and Amber Cornelius.

Ms. Rodriguez: Hannah Barraza and Tynlyn Tarter.

#### Fifth-grade

Mr. Backes: Pamela Johnson.

Mr. Burlison: Alyssa Avant, Fernando Guillen, Kyle Knaack, Kyle Mann, Savannah Martinez, Alayna Pereiro, Julio Valdez, Crystal Vazquez and Davis Witt.

### "A/B" Honor Roll

#### KG: (E/S Honor Roll)

Ms. Berner: Cameron Bailey, Julian Phillips, Derrick Robinson and Jesus Vega.

Ms. Brown: Madai Almarez, Anya Brown and Johanna Gonzalez.

Ms. Crawford: Marcos DeSantiago, Carlos Perez and Zoie Robinson.

Ms. M. Jones: Miguel Iaconis and Daniela Martinez.

Ms. Owens: Fabian Bocanegra, Zeus Car-

ranza, Juan Heredia, Mia Mazzina, Ashley Perez, Emilio Rico and Ramsey Witt.

#### First-grade

Ms. Burkhour: Kharee Adderely, Solmari Gonzalez and Christopher Vanegas.

Ms. Gooch: Elizabeth Chavero.

Ms. A. Jones: David Bocanegra, Gustavo Morales, Kalei Peele, Christopher Perez, Roberto Perez and Henry Santiesteban.

Ms. Morrell: Rey Paniagua.

Ms. Pearson: Isai De Leon, Freddie De Santiago, Norma Olvera, Brandon Shamsundar and Carmen Torres.

Ms. Scruggs: Crystal Carmona, Jeisson Crespo, James Davis, Julia Jackson, Jazmin Oliva-Garcia, Isabel Reya and Harlee Whitehead.

#### Second-grade

Ms. Gary: Rene Aguirre, Nagianna Gary, Martin Paredes and Jasmine Ruiz.

Ms. Meadows: Tariana Dhliwayo and William Ramirez.

Mr. Mountain: Breeanna Graham and Isabel Rodriguez.

Ms. Shelton: Norma Chairez, Hector Chavez, Ashana Etzweiler, Kenya Gutierrez, Juan Hernandez, Michael Johnson, Melissa Lopez, Francisco Pardo and Shawna Platt.

Ms. Walenzik: Grayson Brooks, Camryn Curry, Hannah Hayes, Jesus Torres-Loza and Aileen Valdez.

#### Third-grade

Ms. Carter: Adam Atkinson, Jaden Bryan, Vanessa Castaneda, Kevin Escoto, Simon

Hester, Vincent Leiba, J'Rell Pope, Sandra Raya, Carlos Valdez

Ms. Cool: Shaige Brissett, Jarrett Carmo-na, Shakur Gibbons, Tamarian Mixon, Jennifer Ornelas

Ms. Nara: Jay Brooks, Mary Crum, Selena Gonzalez, Edgar Lopez

#### Fourth-grade

Ms. Burroughs/Mr. Gay: Diana Amaya, Javier Hurtado, Jose Juarez, Jennifer Mesa, Silvia Raya, Juan Sanchez and Luzari Valle.

Ms. Carlson: Quintavis Griffin, Carley Morrell, Katherine Mosely, Jah-reece Murphy, Ashley Roth and Jose Velazques-Olvera.

Ms. McCorvey: Jacqueline Carrazana, Joel McCray and Brittney Shelton.

Ms. Rodriguez: Katerin Artoloa, Tamara Carter, Maria Gonzalez, Par'ei Henderson and Jose Rios.

#### Fifth-grade

Mr. Backes: Gerson Diaz, Maurice Murphy, Jamarius Pope, Jenna Powell, Samuel Rivera, Maria Sierra and Linze Valle.

Mr. Burlison: Channycy Curry, Emry Denson, Ana Escobar, Ronald (Buddy) Hedrick and Flavie Thivierge.

Ms. Nicholls: Deryan Baltazar, Anthon-isha Horne and Frank Rojas.

Ms. Richardson: Stannira Butler, Katherine Chang, Randy Paniagua, Austin Pearson, Alaina Rudd and Rosicela Villatoro.

Ms. Vaughan: Maurice Murphy Jr, Jenna Powell, Samuel Rivera, Esmeralda (Maria) Sierra and Flavie Thivierge.

# U.S. Sugar completes sugarcane harvesting season

## Weather-related impacts produce smaller than expected crop

Clewiston, FL – April 6, 2009 – U.S. Sugar Corporation completed its annual sugarcane harvest operations today and the Clewiston Sugar Factory expects to grind out the last cane on Tuesday, bringing to a close the second season of its automated, consolidated sugar manufacturing facility.

The Company harvested 162,725 acres of sugarcane, producing an estimated 5.65 million tons of cane.

The Clewiston Refinery, which continues to operate year-round, will produce an estimated 12.35 million cwt. of refined sugar products.

"We have successfully harvested and ground our whole cane crop a little earlier than we anticipated, and the mill operated very well this year," said Robert Coker, senior vice president, public affairs.

Coker said that like the rest of the Florida

industry, U.S. Sugar's cane crop was almost 700,000 tons smaller than expected due to the combined effects of drought, freeze and lack of irrigation water.

The company's citrus crop is similarly tracking under estimate by the same percentage for the same reasons.

"With the Clewiston Refinery continuing to break production records, we intend to import sugar to feed the Refinery for the second consecutive year," Coker said.

"That's the advantage of our modern, automated and fully-integrated sugar opera-

tion," Coker said.

"The low cost efficiency of our sugar manufacturing operations enables us to import raw sugar and refine it at a profit," Coker said.

Due to the Refinery's record pace last year, U.S. Sugar became the only Florida sugar processing facility to import sugar when it imported 46,000 tons of "estandar" sugar from Mexico to refine and sell.



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U.S. Sugar completed their most recent season with a smaller than anticipated crop.

## School Happenings

### Summer VPK at Central Elementary

Central Elementary School will be hosting the Summer VPK Program for the Hendry County School District this year.

If you have a child that will be 5 before September 1, he/she is eligible for the program. This a wonderful opportunity to prepare your child for Kindergarten. Classes

are taught by caring, certified teachers. The program runs from June 8 until July 30, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch will be provided at no cost.

Transportation will not be provided by the school!

We are now registering students for the program. If you have questions about the VPK Program, please call 863-983-1550 and ask for Linda Mosely or Cecilia Self.

## School briefs

### Central Elementary School

#### Upcoming Events:

**Now to April 13:** Spring Break and Easter Holiday (no school) Students return on Tuesday, April 14.

**April 16 to April 24:** CES Book Fair.

**April 21:** Book Fair Donuts and Muffins from 7:30 a.m. to 9 a.m.

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Lots 1,2,3,4,21,22,23 and 24, Block 150, of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, pages 71 thru 78, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 09-000015CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF JEWELL MINON RHEBERG Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of JEWELL MIXON RHEBERG, deceased, whose date of death was November 12, 2008, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Hendry County Clerk of Courts, P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975 1760.

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 DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

Personal Representative: KAREN L. MILLER Post Office Box 787 Alva, Florida 33920

Attorney for Personal Representative: LANCE M. MCKINNEY, Attorney Osterhout, McKinney & Prather, P.A. 8333 Seago Lane Ft. Myers, FL 33901 Telephone: (239) 939-4888 Fax: (239) 277-0601 316540 CN 4/9,16/09

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IN RE: ESTATE OF VALENTIN GOMEZ, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of VALENTIN GOMEZ, deceased, whose date of death was August 31, 2008, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is Hendry County Clerk of Courts, P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975 1760.

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 DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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

Personal Representative: MARIA INEZ RODRIGUEZ also known as MARIA INEZ GOMEZ 5037 S. Obispo Circle LaBelle, Florida 33935

Attorney for Personal Representative: MICHAEL A. GENNARO, ESQ. Attorney for MARIA INEZ RODRIGUEZ also known as MARIA INEZ GOMEZ Florida Bar No. 237647 P.O. Box 100088 Cape Coral, FL 33910 0088 Telephone: (239) 542 3148 Fax: (239) 542 8953 315037 CGS 4/2,9/09

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 08-01-CA

INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. Plaintiff VS. FRANCISCO FRANCO; CARDINA FRANCO; UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; RAINTREE VILLAGE UNIT NINE PROPERTY OWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, FSB; Defendants

RENOUNCE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated March 23, 2009, and entered in Case No. 08-01-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. is Plaintiff and FRANCISCO FRANCO; CARDINA FRANCO and MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, AS NOMINEE FOR INDYMAC BANK, FSB, are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY, IN FRONT OF OFFICE OF CLERK OF COURTS, ADMINISTRATION BLDG, HENDRY CO. COURTHOUSE AT 25 EAST HICKPOCHEE, LABELLE IN HENDRY COUNTY, FL 33975, at 11:00 a.m., on this 22nd day of April, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 12, BLOCK 2315, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 144, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

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

Dated this 27th day of March, 2009. BARBARA S. BUTLER As Clerk of said Court By: /s/ D. Hammond As Deputy Clerk

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Lot 6, Less the South 7 feet, Block 1, ENGLEWOOD TERRACE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 40, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION

VANDERBILT MORTGAGE AND FINANCE, INC. Plaintiff VS. CASE NO. 08-861-CA BASIL LASHLEY; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF BASIL LASHLEY; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S) AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, OR AGAINST DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2; Defendant(s)

RENOUNCE OF FORECLOSURE SALE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale entered in the above-styled cause, in the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in Hendry County, Florida, described as:

LOT 5, BLOCK E, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 8, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 136 AND 137, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

To include a: 2001 FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISE VIN FLFLY70A28424WC31 82562034 2001 FLEETWOOD ENTERPRISES VIN FLFLY70A28424WC31 82562171 A/K/A 716 ALABAMA AVENUE CLEWISTON, FL 33440

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Clerk of the Circuit Court in the Hendry County Courthouse (being the second floor hallway of the Hendry County Courts Building), LaBelle, FL 33935 at 11:00 AM, on April 22, 2009.

DATED this 20th day of March, 2009. 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.

Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the 20th day of March, 2009. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /s/ D. HAMMOND Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

A Public hearing of the Acquisition and Restoration Council, established pursuant to s. 259.035, F.S., are scheduled to take public testimony on all Florida Forever land acquisition projects and new proposals as follows:

DATE: Thursday, April 30, 2009
TIME: 6:00 P.M.
PLACE: Florida Public Archaeology Network at Brevard Community College (North) 1311 U.S. Hwy 1 N Building 1 Room 214 Titusville, FL 32780

For further information please contact the Office of Environmental Services at (850) 245-2784.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise the clerk at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting the Office of Environmental Services at (850) 245-2784.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000091

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE INC., Plaintiff vs. GARY R. DUBIN, et al, Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF GARY R. DUBIN

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAL OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

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

LOT 43, BLOCK 2291, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 144, IN THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Florida Default Law Group P.L. Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is 9119 Corporate Lake Drive, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with 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 or petition.

This notice shall be published once a week for two consecutive weeks in the Okeechobee News.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of the Court on this 31st day of March, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Court By: /s/ A. HOLSBEEK As Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group P.L. P.O. Box 25018 Tampa, FL 33622-5018 In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.

316669 CN 4/9,16/09

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on 4/18/2009 at 11:00 AM at FORT KNOX SELF STORAGE, 1025 Commerce Drive, LaBelle, FL, 863-675-1025, the undersigned, FORT KNOX SELF STORAGE, will sell at Public Sale by competitive bidding, the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

Gabriel Oatsval - 9 Misc. items Loretta Barraza - 44.45 Misc. items Tom Corbitt - W14 Misc. items Ernest Smith - J53 Misc. items Patricia Stubbs & Tammy Seymour - K29 Misc. items 316945 CGS 4/9,16/09

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 2007-CA-26

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK F/K/A WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A., A FEDERAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff vs. THOMAS S. HALL, JR., et al, Defendant(s)

AMENDED NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Amended Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated March 27, 2009 and entered in Case N, 2007-CA-26 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for GLADES County, Florida wherein WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK F/K/A WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A., A FEDERAL ASSOCIATION, is the Plaintiff and THOMAS S. HALL, JR.; TINA D. HALL; TENANT #1, N/K/A JOHN DOE; TENANT #2 N/K/A JANE DOE are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at STEPS OF THE GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE at 11:00 AM, on the 23rd day of April, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 6, BUCKHEAD RIDGE, 4TH ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 35, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA

PARCEL ID#: 536-38-34-007-0000-0060

A/K/A 6 Canal Way, Okeechobee, FL 34974

Any person or entity claiming an interest in the surplus, if any, resulting from the foreclosure sale, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens, must file a claim on same with the Clerk of Court within 60 days after the foreclosure sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on March 30, 2009.

Joe Flint Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Jennifer Bevis Deputy Clerk

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

316674 CN 4/9,16/09

NOTICE AUCTION ON Friday, April 17, 2009 at 9:00 am. at 1233 N.W. Avenue L, Belle Glade, Florida

\* Property of Angela L. Taylor: Recreational and misc. items 316585 SUN 4/9,16/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PINOT IV, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1496, 2006, 1-36-44-32-A00-0186-0000, MRS. CHARLES S. GAMBY

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida, SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot no. 4053 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315380 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PINOT IV, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1896, 2006, 1-23-43-34-040-0000-0042, Mary B. Wagoner & the heirs, Beneficiaries & Devisees of the Estate of Otto Wagoner.

Lot 7 of OKEELANTA PLANTATION COMPANY'S first plat in Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 57, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida, and lying and being in fractional Section 23, Township 43 South, Range 34 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315395 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PINOT IV, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1590, 2006, 1-31-44-33-A00-0012-0000, MANUEL LOPEZ & FANNY LOPEZ

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road over the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 6091, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 11th day of March, 2009.

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

315399 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SAUTERNES V, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1042, 2006, 1-22-44-32-010-0009-0070, JULIA GONZALEZ

Lot 7, Block 9, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009 .

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 313572 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MALBEC II, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1171, 2006, 1-22-44-32-010-0083-0100, TODD JAMES, LLC

Lot 10, Block 83, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37 through 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009 .

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

313566 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MALBEC II, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1682, 2006, 1-14-43-34-040-000C-0110, BONITA G. FARNER

Lot 11, Block C of SHERWOOD SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 5, Pages 127-128, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY in the month of MAY, which is the 7TH day of MAY, 2009.

Dated this 25TH day of March, 2009.

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

316517 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT VERDOT VI, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2837, 2006, 4-10-43-29-070-2230-0130, AMOS EUGENE & DANIELLE EUGENE

Lot 13, Block 2230, PORT LABELLE UNIT 7, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 116, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY in the month of MAY, which is the 7TH day of MAY, 2009.

Dated this 25TH day of March, 2009.

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

316516 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SAUTERNES V, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 687, 2006, 1-33-43-31-A00-0039-0000, JOSE A. HERNANDEZ

The Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31, East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 163, 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 the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009 .

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

313571 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PINOT IV, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1710, 2006, 1-21-43-34-010-0005-0080, ALICE M. BRITTON

Lot 8, Block 5, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 4 to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida. According to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 32, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY in the month of MAY, which is the 7TH day of MAY, 2009.

Dated this 25TH day of March, 2009.

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

316521 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MERLOT III, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 480, 2006, 1-27-43-29-010-0002-0090, BEN WESLEY NIEDECKEN, III

The East one-half of the West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida; LESS the North 30 feet thereof, previously reserved for perpetual road right-of-way.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of April, which is the 16th day of April, 2009.

Dated this 25th day of February, 2009 .

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

313558 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT MALBEC II, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1722, 2006, 1-21-43-34-010-0009-0100, WILLIE C. BATTLE & MOLLIE MAE BATTLE

Lot 10 in Block 9 of HARLEM ADDITION NO. 5 TO CLEWISTON, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat recorded in Plat book 3, Pages 48 and 49 of the Current Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY in the month of MAY, which is the 7TH day of MAY, 2009.

Dated this 25TH day of March, 2009.

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

316524 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PINOT IV, LLC 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 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2265, 2006, 4-10-43-29-020-2044-0150, Ironstone Bank f/k/a Atlantic States Bank % Porter, Wright, Morris & Arthur

Lots 15 , Block 2044, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, 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.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of April, which is the 30th day of April, 2009.

Public Notice

Public Notice

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, LLC** 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
2199	2006	3-02-43-34-460-000C-0040	LINA NAVARRO, L/E to Ramon H. Navarro & Juanita Janie Navarro

Lot 4, Block C, SEMINOLE MANOR, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 93 and 94, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH** day of **MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

316493 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MALBEC II, LLC** 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
1729	2006	1-21-43-34-010-0001-0090	Daisy Hill Life Estate and Toshih R. Drummond

Lots 9 and 10, Block I, HARLEM ADDITION NO 2 to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida. According to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat book 3, Page 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH** day of **MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

316499 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **CABERNET I, LLC** 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
2976	2006	4-10-43-29-080-2287-0240	RUDOLPH INNOCENT & EDWINE ETIENNE

Lot 24, Block 2287, 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.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH** day of **MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

316520 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MERLOT III, LLC** 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
688	2006	1-33-43-31-A00-0042-0000	JOSE A. HERNANDEZ

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 162, 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 the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313560 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**COUNTY OF HENDRY, STATE OF FLORIDA**  
**RESOLUTION NO. 2009 - 18**  
**RECORDED IN RESOLUTION BOOK XXII, PAGE 46**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FINDING THAT A FIRE EMERGENCY EXISTS WITHIN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON UNREGULATED FIRES WITHIN THE COUNTY.**

WHEREAS, the recent freezes and drought affecting Hendry County has created an extremely high danger of grass, brush and forest fires throughout all of Hendry County, and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has the authority under Ordinance No. 2001-03 to impose a moratorium on all unregulated fires.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA THAT:**

1. A fire emergency exists within Hendry County, Florida, under the definitions and provisions of Hendry County Ordinance No. 2001-03, as amended.
2. The Board hereby imposes a moratorium on all unregulated fires within Hendry County, Florida, as provided in said Ordinance No. 2001-03, Section 2, as amended. An unregulated fire means any outdoor fire other than a cookfire which is not permitted by a governmental agency.
3. The moratorium imposed hereby shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until further action by this Board.

Duly considered and adopted by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, this 24th day of February, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
 OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

Janet B. Taylor, Chair  
 ATTEST:  
 Anita Bischel, Deputy Clerk  
 Barbara S. Butler, Clerk

316627 CB/CN 4/9,16,23,30/09

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**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1041	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0009-0030	JORGE LUIS REYES & FLORENTINA G. REYES

Lot 3, in Block 9, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat 3, Pages 37, 38 & 39, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313556 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MERLOT III, LLC** 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
798	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0023-0000	PAHOKEE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, INC

Parcel 1  
 The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County Florida. Less road dedication of the 25' on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 2  
 The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. less road dedication of 25' on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 3  
 The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel 4  
 The East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25' on the South side of the tract.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

Barbara S. Butler  
 Clerk of Circuit Court

Hendry County, Florida  
 313561 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **SAUTERNES V, LLC** 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
700	2006	1-33-43-31-A00-0234-0000	JOHANNE H. CYR & MATTHEW D. CYR

% JORDYN TAYLOR PROPERTY, INC.

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter. Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. LESS the South 20.00 feet thereof. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 154, 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 the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

Barbara S. Butler  
 Clerk of Circuit Court

Hendry County, Florida  
 313587 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, LLC** 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
2130	2006	3-01-43-34-010-0376-0100	SAGAMORE PLACE, LLC

Lots 19 thru 21, Inclusive, Block 376, of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71 thru 78, Inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **30th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **11th** day of **March, 2009**.

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

315181 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **SAUTERNES V, LLC** 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
801	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0041-0000	PAHOKEE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, INC

The East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313575 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MERLOT III, LLC** 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
802	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0042-0000	PAHOKEE ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, INC

Parcel 1  
 The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25 feet on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 2  
 The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. less road dedication of 25 feet on the North side of the tract.

Parcel 3  
 The East one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less road dedication of 25 feet on the South side of the tract.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313564 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Florida Governmental Utility Authority ("FGUA") announces a public meeting to which all interested persons are invited. The FGUA is a legal entity and public body created pursuant to the provisions of Section 163.01, Florida Statutes, and an Interlocal Agreement among Citrus County, Florida, DeSoto County, Florida, Hendry County, Florida, Lee County, Florida, Pasco County, Florida, Polk County, Florida, and the Town of Dundee, Florida. **The public meeting will be held at 12:00 PM on April 16, 2009 West Pasco Government Center, Commission Chambers, 7530 Little Road, New Port Richey, FL 34645.** At the public meeting the FGUA Board will address general operating issues of the FGUA. All customers of the FGUA, affected property owners, tenants or occupants, and all other interested persons, shall have an opportunity to be heard and to file written comments with the FGUA. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the FGUA with respect to any matter considered at the meeting such person will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodations or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk to the FGUA Board toll free at (877) 552-3482, at least three business days prior to the date of the hearing. If you have any questions, please contact the Clerk to the FGUA Board at (877) 552-FGUA or (407) 629-6900. 316394 CN 4/9/09

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**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **SAUTERNES V, LLC** 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
743	2006	1-35-43-31-010-0003-0020	RENE ALEJANDRO MARTINEZGUERRA

The Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 35, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 2, Block J, 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 the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th** day of **April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313590 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, LLC** 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
1723	2006	1-21-43-34-010-0009-0120	MARY STEWART

Lot 12 in Block 9 of HARLEM ADDITION NO. 5 to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 48 and 49 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH** day of **MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

313526 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

**NOTICE SEMINOLE TRIBAL REGULAR ELECTION MAY 11, 2009**

For Tribal Council Representatives and Board of Directors Representatives in accordance with the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Seminole Tribe of Florida, and the Amended Corporate Charter of the Seminole Tribe of Florida, Inc., a Regular Election is called for the following offices, on Monday, May 11, 2009

SEMINOLE TRIBE OF FLORIDA	SEMOLE TRIBE OF FLORIDA, INC.
TRIBAL COUNCIL:	BOARD OF DIRECTORS:
BIG CYPRESS RESERVATION REPRESENTATIVE (1)	BIG CYPRESS RESERVATION REPRESENTATIVE (1)
BRIGHTON RESERVATION REPRESENTATIVE (1)	BRIGHTON RESERVATION REPRESENTATIVE (1)
HOLLYWOOD RESERVATION REPRESENTATIVE (1)	HOLLYWOOD RESERVATION REPRESENTATIVE (1)

Enrolled members of the Seminole Tribe of Florida who have reached their 18th birthday on or before May 11, 2009, and who have lived on any combination of the reservations ten (10) month out of each year for the past four years, are eligible to vote for the positions mentioned above.

The representatives for Tribal Council and Board of Directors are voted for by residents of their respective reservations.

Eligible members who wish to become candidates may obtain a petition form from one of the Tribal Offices at Brighton, Big Cypress, and Hollywood reservations, beginning April 7, 2009 or can obtain information from the Secretary of the Tribal Council and Board of Directors. The completed petitions from candidates must be in the hands of the Secretary no later than 5:00 p.m. on or before April 14, 2009 so that the announcement of candidates can be announced April 15, 2009.

ALL ELIGIBLE TRIBAL MEMBERS ARE URGED TO VOTE!

PRISCILLA D. SAYEN  
 SECRETARY  
 315695 CN/IB 4/9 ON 4/8/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1073	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0031-0010	ELMER BONILLA & LUIS F. PEREZ

Lot 1, Block 31, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37,38 & 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH day of MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

316497 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

Public Notice

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**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MALBEC II, LLC** 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
1712	2006	1-21-43-34-010-0005-0110	DAISY B. WILLIAMS % LOIS GRAY PROF. BUSINESS SERVICE

Lot 11 Block 5, HARLEM ADDITION NO 4 TO CLEWISTON, Hendry County, Florida. According to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 32 of the Current Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH day of MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

316495 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

**FIRST PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

The City of Clewiston is considering applying to the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) of up to \$700,000 for FY 2009 CDBG funding cycle. These funds must be used for one of the following purposes:

- To benefit low and moderate income persons; or
- To aid in the prevention or elimination of slums or blight; or
- To meet other community development needs of recent origin having a particular urgency because existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health or welfare of the community and where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs.

The categories of activities for which these funds may be used are in the areas of housing, neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, or economic development and include such improvement activities as acquisition of real property, loans to private-for-profit business, purchase of machinery and equipment, construction of infrastructure, rehabilitation of houses and commercial buildings, and energy conservation. Additional information regarding the range of activities that may be undertaken will be provided at the public hearing.

For each activity that is proposed, at least 70% of the funds must benefit low and moderate income persons.

In developing an application for submission to DCA, the City must plan to minimize displacement of persons as a result of planned CDBG activities. In addition, the City is required to develop a plan to assist displaced persons.

The public hearing to receive citizen views concerning the community's economic and community development needs will be at the City Commission meeting held in the City of Clewiston Commission Chambers on Monday, April 20, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Clewiston City Hall, 115 W. Ventura Avenue. For information concerning the public hearing, contact the City Manager's Office or telephone 863-983-1484.

The public hearing is being conducted in a handicapped accessible location. Any handicapped person requiring an interpreter for the hearing impaired or the visually impaired should contact the City Clerk's Office at least five calendar days prior to the meeting and an interpreter will be provided. Any non-English speaking person wishing to attend the public hearing should contact the City Clerk's Office at least five calendar days prior to the meeting and a language interpreter will be provided. To access a Telecommunication Device for Deaf Persons (TDD) please call 1-800-955-8771. Any handicapped person requiring special accommodation at this meeting should contact the City Clerk's Office at least five calendar days prior to the meeting.

316915 CN 4/9/09

Public Notice

Public Notice

**PUBLIC WORKSHOPS FOR COMPREHENSIVE PATHWAY PLAN FOR HENDRY COUNTY FDOT Project #423354-1-18-01**

Hendry County has scheduled public information workshops regarding a Comprehensive Pathway Plan. A study is currently being conducted by Hendry County to determine locations of proposed new pathways in Hendry County.

The public information meetings will be held as follows:

**Harlem Community Meeting**, April 9th, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at Harlem Civic Center located at 2000 7th Street, Clewiston, FL 33440  
**Pioneer Community Meeting**, April 13th 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at Pioneer Community Center located at 910 Panama Ave., Clewiston, FL 33440  
**Port LaBelle Community Meeting**, April 16th at 7:00 p.m. at Grace Baptist Church, located at 4200 NE Eucalyptus Blvd., LaBelle, FL 33935  
**Felda Area Community Meeting**, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. at Felda Community Center, located at 100 CR 830, Felda, FL 33930  
**Montura & Flahole Community Meeting**, April 22, at 7:00 p.m. located at Central County Water Control District, located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, FL 33440  
**Clewiston and Hooker's Point Community Meeting**, April 29th @ 6:00 p.m. at the John Boy Auditorium, Bearsley Room located at 1200 S W C Owens Blvd., Clewiston, FL 33440.  
**LaBelle Area Community Meeting**, April 30th at 7:00 p.m. at the LaBelle Civic Center, located at 481 W. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935  
**School Officials**, May 18, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., Hendry County School Board Room, located at 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935

The workshop will provide interested citizens with the opportunity to ask questions and express their views concerning the location and potential environmental impacts associated with the plan. The workshop will be on the agendas of the various community meetings or boards. Aerial photographs and other project-related information will be on display. County staff will be available to answer questions and discuss the project. Please note that this is not a public hearing. A formal public hearing will be held later in the study process, in keeping with state and federal requirements.

Project documents are available for public review until May 18, 2009 at the Barron Library, 461 N. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida 33935 and at the City of Clewiston Public Library located at 120 West Osceola Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440. Project documents are also available for review Monday -Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Hendry County Engineer's Office located at 99 East Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

If you have any questions regarding the Comprehensive Pathway Plan project, you may contact Mr. Shane Parker, P.E., County Engineer at (864) 675-5222 or by email at sparker@hendryfla.net. Persons with disabilities who may need special accommodations at the workshop, in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, should contact Bonnie Hanshaw at (863) 675-5222.

316002 CB/CN 4/2,9,16,23/09

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
881	2006	1-13-44-32-A00-0242-0000	ANA PEREZ

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida, subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 5518 in Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313557 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
803	2006	1-29-43-32-A00-0089-0100	MARY MAXINE WILLIAMS & DAVID LEE NIEHAUS, JR.

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. LESS road dedication of 25 feet on the West side thereof.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313559 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION

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

Warr Farm LLC (Warr Farm) 2243 River Oak Lane, Ft Myers, FL 33905, has submitted Application 090130-25 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00248-W to irrigate 244 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 15,22, Township 42 South, Range 32 East.

Bexley Brothers Inc (Padgett Ranch) PO Box 10, Sumterville, FL 33585, has submitted Application 090202-15 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00243-W to irrigate 1508 acres of agricultural lands with livestock. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 13,19,20,24,25,29,30, Township 42 South, Ranges 30,31 East.

The Graham Companies (Graham Farms) PO Box 1108, Moore Haven, FL 33741, has submitted Application 090206-9 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00002-W to irrigate 2047 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-19 Canal and the project is located in Sections 5-8,31,32, Townships 41,42 South, Range 32 East.

US Sugar Corporation SBG Farms (Dunwoody Hicochee) 111 Ponce de Leon Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090211-13 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00131-W to irrigate 1168.4 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 4-8,31,32, Townships 42,43 South, Range 32 East.

Lykes Brothers Inc (Dease Pasture Nicodemus) 106 SW County Road 721, Okeechobee, FL 34974, has submitted Application 090217-10 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00041-W to irrigate 7160 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Floridan and Surficial Aquifers and the C-19, L-41, and L-42 Canals and the project is located in Sections 24-26, Township 41 South, Ranges 30-32 East.

Roadrunner (Ft Myers) Asli V LLLP (Rivergrove) 923 N Pennsylvania Ave, Winter Park, FL 32789, has submitted Application 090217-15 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00131-W to irrigate 1315 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from an adjacent canal and the project is located in Sections 25-27,34-36, Township 42 South, Range 31 East.

Byron Storey (Storey Lundyey Cane) 16881 US Highway 27, Moore Haven, FL 33741, has submitted Application 090218-34 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00298-W to irrigate 2684.91 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-19 Canal and the project is located in Sections 1-3,6,7,11-12,31,36, Townships 41,42 South, Ranges 31,32 East.

Dannie and James R Kilpatrick (Kilpatrick Cane) PO Box 1084, Moore Haven, FL 33741, has submitted Application 090219-15 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00024-W to irrigate 1486 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 and C-19 Canals and the project is located in Sections 2,3,27,34,35, Townships 41,42 South, Range 32 East.

James R Kilpatrick (Kilpatrick Farm) PO Box 1084, Moore Haven, FL 33741, has submitted Application 090219-19 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00212-W to irrigate 461 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Section 15, Township 42 South, Range 32 East.

Graham and Cousse Farms, 227 E Crescent Dr, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090219-21 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00208-W to irrigate 135 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Myrtle Slough Canal and the project is located in Sections 27,34, Township 43 South, Range 31 East.

US Sugar Corporation, Lessee, 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440; Alico Inc, PO Box 338, LaBelle, FL 33975; Susan B Williams, PO Box 171, Moore Haven, FL 33471; Sharon B Petti, PO Box 919, Moore Haven, FL 33471; A Duda & Sons Inc, PO Box 1329, Moore Haven, FL 33471; and Walter S Bronson, PO Box 426, Lorida, FL 33857 (Bronson Property) has submitted Application 090223-26 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00222-W to irrigate 1154 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 23,25,26, Township 42 South, Range 31 East.

Prudential Agricultural Investments (Boma LC) 201 S Orange Ave, Ste 795, Orlando, FL 32801, has submitted Application 090223-30 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00280-W to irrigate 1065 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 25,26,35, Township 42 South, Range 30 East.

Cleghorn Farms, 1768 Daniels Rd SE, Moore Haven, FL 33471, has submitted Application 090223-36 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00304-W to irrigate 701 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 27,33,34, Township 42 South, Range 31 East.

Triton VI Inc (Triton VI) 3389 Sheridan St, #558, Hollywood, FL 33021, has submitted Application 090223-39 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00046-W to irrigate 550 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-41 Canal and the project is located in Sections 5-8,12,18, Township 40 South, Ranges 32,33 East.

A Duda & Sons Inc (Duda Moore Haven Main Farm) PO Box 620257, Oviedo, FL 32762, has submitted Application 090224-13 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00062-W to irrigate 2944 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 7,8,11-14,17,18, Township 42 South, Ranges 31,32 East.

A Duda & Sons Inc (Duda Moore Haven Bronson) PO Box 620257, Oviedo, FL 32762, has submitted Application 090224-15 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00061-W to irrigate 772 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-19 Canal and the project is located in Sections 4,9,33, Townships 41,42 South, Range 32 East.

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

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

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**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **SAUTERNES V, LLC** 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
891	2006	1-14-44-32-A00-0017-0000	GONZALEZ INVESTMENTS, LLC

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 14, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 3598, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th** day of **February, 2009**.

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

313579 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

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**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **MALBEC II, LLC** 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
1715	2006	1-21-43-34-010-0006-0010	BRENDA WILLIAMS, PAUL PETERSON, ROBERT PETERSON, JR. & ROSINA TUCKER

Lot 1 in Block 6 of HARLEM ADDITION NO 4 to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 32, of the current Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **MAY**, which is the **7TH day of MAY, 2009**.

Dated this **25TH** day of **March, 2009**.

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

316530 CGS 4/9,16,23,30/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**  
**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, LLC** 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
1162	2006	1-22-44-32-010-0079-0020	MASSINO SAITORI

Lots 2 and 3, Block 79, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38, and 39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **30th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **11th** day of **March, 2009**.

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

315212 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

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**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, LLC** 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
2128	2006	3-01-43-34-010-0376-0090	SAGAMORE PLACE, LLC

Lots 15 & 16, Block 376, of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA. As revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71 thru 78, 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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Dated this **11th** day of **March, 2009**.

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

315227 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

**Public Notice**

**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 Friday, April 17, 2009, at 10:00 A.M., at the Hendry County Staff Conference Room, 1st Floor, 165 S. Lee Street, Room A-118, LaBelle, Florida. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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.

Board of County Commissioners  
Hendry County, Florida

316666 CB/CN 4/9/09

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
COMMUNITY ACTION TASK FORCE  
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG)  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Community Action Task Force will hold a meeting Thursday, April 16, 2009 at 1:30pm at the Hendry County Administration conference room located at Courthouse Square, 165 S. Lee Street, LaBelle. The meeting is open to the public. The site is handicapped accessible.

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

HENDRY COUNTY COMMUNITY ACTION TASK FORCE  
316782 CN/CB 4/9/09

**REQUEST FOR QUOTATIONS  
FELDA MSBU STORMWATER MASTER PLAN  
RFQ NUMBER: 2009-19**

**OPENING DATE AND TIME: APRIL 23, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.**

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services in connection with the development of a Stormwater Master Plan for the Felda MSBU. Proposers must have expertise in designing Stormwater Master Plans and should have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. All submittals (see Part IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. In order to be considered, submittals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by April 23, 2009 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 RFQ Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Engineering Department, located at 99 E. Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 1670, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5222.

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, actively seeks Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation and is a Drug/Smoke Free Work Place.

HENDRY COUNTY  
Janet B. Taylor, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners  
315404 CB/CN 4/2,9,16/09

**REQUEST FOR BIDS  
PHARMACEUTICAL SERVICES FOR  
HENDRY COUNTY JAIL INMATES  
BID NUMBER: 2009-17**

**OPENING DATE AND TIME: APRIL 15, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.**

Sealed Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for "Pharmaceutical Services for Hendry County Jail Inmates". In order to be considered, Bids must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by April 15, 2009 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 165 S. Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220 or (863) 983-1585.

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314480 CB/CN 3/26;4/2,9/09

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION**

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SGB Farms Inc (Mott and Vaughn Farm) c/o US Sugar Corporation, 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090204-10 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00039-W to irrigate 3746.94 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the L-25 Canal and the project is located in Sections 19,24,25,30,31,36, Township 44 South, Ranges 34,35 East.

Southern Gardens Groves Corporation (Knight Land) c/o US Sugar Corporation, 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090204-12 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00074-W to irrigate 3208.64 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the L-24 Canal and the project is located in Sections 3,10,22,27,34, Townships 45,46 South, Range 34 East.

US Sugar Corporation and SBG Farms Inc (Dunwoody Doverspike Annex) c/o US Sugar Corporation, 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090204-18 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00377-W to irrigate 3616.79 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Hendry-Hilliard Water Control District Canal and the project is located in Sections 1-3,26,34,35, Townships 43,44 South, Range 32 East.

US Sugar Corporation (Section 35 Duda) 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090204-27 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00613-W to irrigate 638 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the L-24 Canal and the project is located in Section 35, Township 45 South, Range 34 East.

US Sugar Corporation (Townsite 14 Sections) 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090204-4 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00040-W to irrigate 8400.96 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Industrial Canal and the project is located in Sections 1,3-10,12,31-34,36, Townships 43,44 South, Ranges 33,34 East.

US Sugar Corporation (Griffin Land) 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090204-6 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00034-W to irrigate 1255.05 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the L-25 Canal and the project is located in Sections 23,26, Township 44 South, Range 34 East.

Marlin W Hilliard Revocable Trust and Joe Marlin Hilliard Revocable Trust (Jim's Hammock) 5500 Flaghole Rd, Clewiston, FL 33440 has submitted Application 090205-17 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00495-W for a diversion and impoundment covering 2295 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal via the Hilliard Canal and the project is located in Sections 7,8,17,18,20, Township 43 South, Range 32 East.

Hilliard Brothers of Florida Ltd (Whitehurst East - Tony's Mound) 5500 Flaghole Rd, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090205-19 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00004-W to irrigate 1197.88 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Lower Tamiami Aquifer and the L-2 Canal and the project is located in Sections 4,33, Townships 45,46 South, Range 34 East.

Bolles Drainage District, c/o Lawrence Worth, PO Box 1685, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090206-10 for renewal of Water Use Permit 50-00880-W for a diversion and impoundment covering 12082.2 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Miami Canal and the project is located in Sections 1-4,9-12,15,16,21-23,26-28, Townships 44,45 South, Range 34 East.

Charles Reid or Eddie Reid (Reids Cane) 340 W Crescent Dr, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090206-13 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00032-W to irrigate 40 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Surficial Aquifer and the project is located in Sections 7,8,12,13, Township 43 South, Ranges 33,34 East.

Ritta Drainage District, PO Box 1685, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090206-8 for renewal of Water Use Permit 50-00870-W for a diversion and impoundment covering 9681 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Miami Canal and the project is located in Sections 1,2-14,16-18, Township 44 South, Ranges 34,35 East.

Marlin W Hilliard Revocable Trust & Hilliard Mistletoe Inc (Tony's Mound) 5500 Flaghole Rd, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090211-20 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00072-W to irrigate 1822 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Lower Tamiami Aquifer and the Blumberg Canal and the project is located in Sections 16,21,28, Townships 45,46 South, Range 34 East.

Resource Conservation Properties Inc (Eagle Point Groves) 9990 Coconut Rd, Ste 200, Bonita Springs, FL 34135, has submitted Application 090212-14 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00264-W to irrigate 31 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from an adjacent canal and the project is located in Section 9, Township 43 South, Range 28 East.

Orangebrook Estates LLC (Bowman Farms) 27499 Riverview Center Blvd, Ste 230, Bonita Springs, FL 34134, has submitted Application 090212-15 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00046-W to irrigate 100 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Sandstone Aquifer and the project is located in Section 1, Township 43 South, Range 28 East.

A Duda & Sons Inc (Duda LaBelle Farm) PO Box 620257, Oviedo, FL 32762, has submitted Application 090212-6 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00106-W for a diversion and impoundment covering 2748 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 1-36, Townships 43-45 South, Ranges 28,29 East.

US Sugar Corporation (Hancock Land) 111 Ponce de Leon Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090217-3 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00452-W to irrigate 1894.8 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Manley Canal and the project is located in Sections 15,22, Township 46 South, Range 34 East.

Custom Citrus Care Inc (River Grove) PO Box 3026, LaBelle, FL 33975, has submitted Application 090217-8 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00260-W to irrigate 23 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the C-43 Canal and the project is located in Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 28 East.

Custom Citrus Care Inc (Stafford Citrus Grove) PO Box 3026, LaBelle, FL 33975, has submitted Application 090217-9 for a Water Use Permit to irrigate 23 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from onsite lakes and the project is located in Section 29, Township 43 South, Range 28 East.

Orangebrook Estates LLC (Harrell's Grove) 27499 Riverview Center Blvd, Ste 230, Bonita Springs, FL 34134, has submitted Application 090218-20 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00246-W to irrigate 52.5 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Sandstone Aquifer and adjacent canal and the project is located in Section 6, Township 43 South, Range 29 East.

Hendry Turf (Section 15 Farm) 110 Ridge Wood Ave, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090223-21 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00688-W to irrigate 159.8 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from an onsite ditch/canal and the project is located in Section 15, Township 46 South, Range 34 East.

J & J Ag Products Inc (Siboney Farm) PO Box 70, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090223-31 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00448-W to irrigate 688.4 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Manley Canal and the project is located in Sections 16,21, Township 46 South, Range 34 East.

J and J Ag Products Inc (Farm 19) PO Box 71, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090223-34 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00170-W to irrigate 652 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Manley Canal and the project is located in Section 13, Township 46 South, Range 34 East.

Stitt Ranch Inc (Stitt Ranch) 4513 W US Hwy 27, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090223-35 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00250-W to irrigate 300 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Hendry Hilliard Canal and the project is located in Sections 22,27, Township 43 South, Range 32 East.

East Hendry County Drainage District, PO Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33975, has submitted Application 090223-37 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00042-W to irrigate 480.72 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Industrial Canal and Lake Okeechobee and the project is located in Sections 13,14,23,24, Township 43 South, Range 34 East.

Travis and Lisa Clegghorn (Hendry County Farm) 7780 SR 80, Moore Haven, FL 33471, has submitted Application 090223-38 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00327-W to irrigate 262 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Lower Tamiami Aquifer and Myrtle Slough Canal and the project is located in Sections 3,10, Township 43 South, Range 31 East.

Double Down Express, 4085 Hancock Bridge Pkwy, N Ft Myers, FL 33903, has submitted Application 080627-28 for an Environmental Resource Permit for 33.81 acres of residential lands. The water will be discharged to the Caloosahatchee and the project is located in Sections 11,12, Township 43 South, Range 28 East.

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

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

316608 CGS 4/9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **ANTONIO & COLETTE MARTINEZ** 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
1368	2001	1-14-44-32-A00-0211-0100	STELLA KEVENIDES EST. MONTURA LAND AND CATTLE INC

The North one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 14, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 2837, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **16th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **25th day of February, 2009**.

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

313592 CGS 3/19,26;4/2,9/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

**Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **PINOT IV, LLC** 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
1551	2006	1-07-44-33-030-0008-0060	JOSE DOLORES REYES & EULILDES REYES % JUANITA CARRILLO

Lot 6 in Block 8 of WOODLAND SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 thru 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday** in the month of **April**, which is the **30th day of April, 2009**.

Dated this **11th day of March, 2009**.

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

315388 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED**

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1293	2006	1-26-44-32-A00-0026-0000	JOSE E. DEL CASTILLO

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 26, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 1002, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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Dated this **11th day of March, 2009**.

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

315223 CGS 4/2,9,16,23/09

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING  
HENDRY COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY BOARD**

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Solid Waste Advisory Board will hold a meeting April 16, 2009 at 6:00 pm, at the Special Districts Office - 3300 Utility Drive, LaBelle, Florida.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter discussed at such 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.

Hendry County Solid Waste Advisory Board

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# Amnesty

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through their homes in search of those long, lost books that, for whatever reason, have yet to be turned in; Maybe they're still in the car, or in the garage somewhere.

Bring them in and all those fees will be waived, she said.

If you haven't had a chance to take advantage of it, the offer will be extended until Monday.

Amnesty Week had previously been offered only at one of the library locations. Now, it is offered at the Harlem Community Public Library, Clewiston Public Library and Barron Library in LaBelle.

It is the same general event that is offered in library systems across the country.

Unlike those others, however, Ms. Oeff-

ner isn't expecting to waive \$1 million plus in overdue fees.

She's more interested in getting residents to once again start using their local libraries.

Fines are "preventing children from taking out material," said Ms. Oeffner, adding that the Amnesty Week also is a perfect way to "get some of our books back."

Because it can happen to anyone.

Her mother still tells Ms. Oeffner about the time the future library director took a

book with her to a tent set up in her yard. Perhaps amidst the thrill of the camping, she would lose the book.

"Remember that book you lost'," her mother would still remind her.

"I don't remember," Ms. Oeffner swears.

For more information, or to learn more about the Hendry County Library System, please visit [www.hendrylibraries.org](http://www.hendrylibraries.org).

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# Housing

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the down payment amount for qualified individuals.

Those people who currently rent and have decent credit scores are the best candidates.

Renters are paying very close to what they would on a brand new home. When utility costs are factored in, they are paying more -- sometimes much more, she said.

Brian Sullivan, who partners with the empowerment alliance to construct the homes, said the average electricity bill for one of the homes each month will be about \$86.

The energy savings is chiefly because the homes are manufactured with some of the leading technologies in energy efficiency, which drive utility bills substantially down.

As an incentive for homebuyers, and the agencies issuing the grants, homes are constructed to "green" specifications.

Everything from the insulated concrete forms, to the windows, and the lightbulbs

and fixtures, have been selected to reduce the amount of energy that each of the homes use. The windows reflect negative rays from the sun and are built to withstand stronger-than-hurricane force winds -- a necessity in South Florida.

A special colored material is used to construct the exterior sides of the home, so unless the homeowner gets bored of the color scheme, he or she will never have to paint a home because the color has worn away.

Ms. Pacheco services around 40 clients, with plenty of phone calls constantly coming in.

So why aren't more people taking advantage of the programs?

Some don't know about it, she said. Others are expecting the grants to cover all or the majority of the cost of a home. Still, the largest reason is land.

The home in Harlem is the first of the nine units that are planned to be built in the area. Finding land anywhere else, though, has been difficult.

"It is so hard to get the land and make it affordable," said Ms. Pacheco. "We're constantly looking for land."

She offers encouraging words to those on the market for a home.

"Don't get discouraged," she said.

The group will be holding an open house at the home on 1025 Texas Ave. in Harlem

on April 18. For more information, or to learn more about the program, contact Amanda Pacheco at 863-983-2432.

News Editor Jose Zaragoza can be reached at [jzaragoza@newszap.com](mailto:jzaragoza@newszap.com).



INI/Ashley Smith

This home features no particle board, according to builder Brian Sullivan, who works with a local group to build homes for residents.



INI/Ashley Smith

Showing off the windows, Amanda Pacheco explained how the materials used throughout the homes comply with energy efficient standards and save money in the long run.

# Briefs

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## Recipes from hopefuls

Calling all cooks!

Recipes are now being received for the 2009 Sweet Taste of Sugar contest to be held at the Sugar Festival on Saturday, April 25.

Categories are cakes, candies, cookies/brownies, pies, sweet breads/pastries, sweet

creations, and youth.

New this year: Everyone will get a chance to sample the entries at 10:30 a.m.

More prizes, and no limit on the number of entries! Recipe forms available by request at [Sweettaste@embarqmail.com](mailto:Sweettaste@embarqmail.com), or can be picked up at the Clewiston Library, the Chamber of Commerce, or by downloading from the Events and Festivals listing at [www.Clewiston.org](http://www.Clewiston.org). Call 863-983-5269 for more information.

## Ladies VFW Dinners

The Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW 4185 has Wednesday Night Dinners to eat in or take out, open to the public.

The menu is different each week and dinners are available from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. for a \$7 donation.

You can call the Post at 863-983-9748 to get the menu and to place your order.

The Post is located at 501 S. Francisco St., Clewiston.

## Volunteer's needed for recovery efforts

CREW is still helping Hendry and Glades county residents recover from Hurricane Wilma, Tropical Storm Ernesto and Tropical Storm Faye.

We need skill volunteers to do home repairs. Material donations are also needed. Call Renee at 863-983-2390 to volunteer.

# Vehicle wreck leaves two seriously injured

PBSO report reveals that passengers did not wear seatbelts

By Naji Tobias  
INI Florida

WESTERN PALM BEACH COUNTY - Two Clewiston residents reportedly suffered serious injuries as a result of a vehicular accident near South Bay on Mar. 31.

Paramedics from the Palm Beach County Fire Rescue received a call regarding the incident, which took place at about 12:42 p.m. It was revealed that it was a single vehicle roll-over on U.S. Highway 27, about 10 miles north of South Bay and just four miles south of the Hendry County Line.

According to Curtis Rice, a captain with the county's fire rescue, construction workers in the area, which is currently undergoing road repairs, reported that a vehicle rolled over several times with the two individuals in question being ejected.

A release from the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office (PBSO) revealed the two names of the victims, who were identified as William Joseph Feyos, 20 and Carl Gene Feyos, 62. Both victims, who

were listed in serious and critical condition, respectively, reside on 645 Tammy Road in Clewiston.

Due to the close proximity of the accident being near Hendry County, paramedics from Hendry County and the Clewiston Fire

Department also assisted in the treatment of the victims.

According to the PBSO accident report, the 1997 Jeep Grand Cherokee, driven by the 20-year-old, was traveling southbound on U.S. 27 in the left lane.



Paramedics took shots of a Mar. 31 accident near South Bay, which resulted in a Jeep flipping over on U.S. 27.

Photo courtesy of the Palm Beach County Fire Rescue

While heading toward South Bay, the driver lost control of his vehicle, swerving toward the right lane and then swerving back sharply toward the center of U.S. 27, according to the accident report.

The Jeep subsequently flipped over onto its roof, sliding in a southern direction across the southbound travel lanes, the sheriff's office report said.

Both victims were ejected from the vehicle as the Jeep reportedly traveled into the median, rolling over numerous times in it.

The two individuals, who were treated, immobilized and transported to the landing zone at John Stretch Park in Lake Harbor, were later airlifted via Trauma Hawk to Delray Medical Center for observations.

The passenger remains in critical condition as a result of the crash. The driver's condition has been reported as being serious, though he was admitted to the hospital for standard observation.

Neither victim was wearing a seatbelt prior to the crash, the PBSO accident report revealed.

The accident is still under investigation by the sheriff's office.

# Opportunities to train locally for your perfect job

By Patty Brant  
INI Florida

Wanted: sincere, affected workers in need of assistance.

It's no secret that the economy is unraveling the area's traditional industries, mainly agriculture.

Layoffs are hitting local people hard. Losses in agriculture jobs and fear for the future undercuts the already weak job market locally.

There is a bright spot, however. The Agency for Workforce Innovations has a program for dislocated workers for qualified clients.

Tim Nevarez is the supervisor of the Career and Service Centers of Southwest Florida Immokalee and Clewiston offices. Employment training is what these centers do. Naturally, there are eligibility criteria for programs. Participants must:

- be terminated/laid off or notified of lay-off;
- be eligible for or have exhausted unemployment compensation benefits or have worked long enough to establish an attachment to the Labor market; and
- unlikely to return to his/her previous occupation or job.

Also, included are those laid off due to: plant closures or substantial layoffs at a plant or facility;



With uncertainty in the county's agricultural future, layoffs are hitting local residents hard. The Agency for Workforce Innovations is offering a program to help dislocated workers.

are employed at a facility at which the employer has made a general announcement that it will close within 180 days.

Orientation workshops are held every Tuesday, 11:30 a.m. at the Immokalee One

Stop Center, 750 South Fifth Street; 239-658-3311 and every Monday and Wednesday at the Clewiston Center, at 10 a.m., 215 South Francisco Street. 983-6138. The Immokalee center has 2.5 counselors and there are four

at the Clewiston center. Those interested are encouraged to attend one of these sessions as a first step.

Mr. Nevarez said training programs and on the job training are available to assist both the employee and employer.

The program can also help workers earn certificates necessary to gain employment, continue employment or be promoted in their current job.

The local area covers Immokalee, LaBelle, Clewiston and Moore Haven. Folks in LaBelle and Moore Haven are welcome to use either the Clewiston or Immokalee facility.

Mr. Nevarez said they look at targeted occupation lists for in-demand jobs. A performance-based program, it provides everything necessary for the student to succeed including uniforms, books, tuition, transportation sometimes. All the student needs to bring is their intelligence and persistence.

Centers also provide internet job searches through Employ Florida Marketplace access. The site is user friendly and may be accessed from any computer.

Mr. Nevarez and his program offer the means to become self sufficient to program participants. He said, "No one should say 'I can't do this.' Come by and see us."

INI/Ashley Smith