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School Give-A-Way

There will be a "Back-to-School Give-A-Way" on Saturday, Aug. 15 at Turning Point Church of God from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. School supplies will be free to all Falgout residents. Proof of residency is required. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information please call 863-983-7555 or 863-228-0454.

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Local explorers program produces fine citizens

Group continues to meet, fostering citizenship

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza
Clewiston News

CLEWISTON -- When they're not out on the field getting the bad guys off the streets, Sgt. Justin Spence and Detective David Colburn can be found teaching teenage members of their explorers program what being good citizens really means.

The two are responsible for kick-starting the Clewiston Police Department's explorers program in 2006 after years of inactivity, and giving local children another avenue for success.

For many of these children, the program offers a window into the world of officers patrolling their local streets. Some have aspirations of becoming officers themselves, and find the program a great way of learning the ins and outs of law enforcement; while others simply better themselves through the lessons and the discipline that are instilled in them.

"Sometimes kids don't have a big family structure to learn they need to do the right thing," said Detective Colburn. "These are great kids."

In total, three law enforcement officials, Detective Colburn, Officer Holley and Officer Green, mentor 14 active members of the explorers program.

Explorers are taught a lot about policing, and only until they are sufficiently knowledgeable are they allowed to go on ride-alongs during patrols. Even then, they are kept away from harm's way and are allowed to observe how officers interact with their communities.

A very visible group, the kids can be seen proudly leading parades, and participating in most major local events.

Recently, two of the members of the program, Jose Torres and Jeanette Herrera, completed a mini police academy program at Tanahkeeta Camp in Tequesta. The two spent a week at the site, before graduating.

They are just two examples
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Fugitives facing attempted murder charges caught

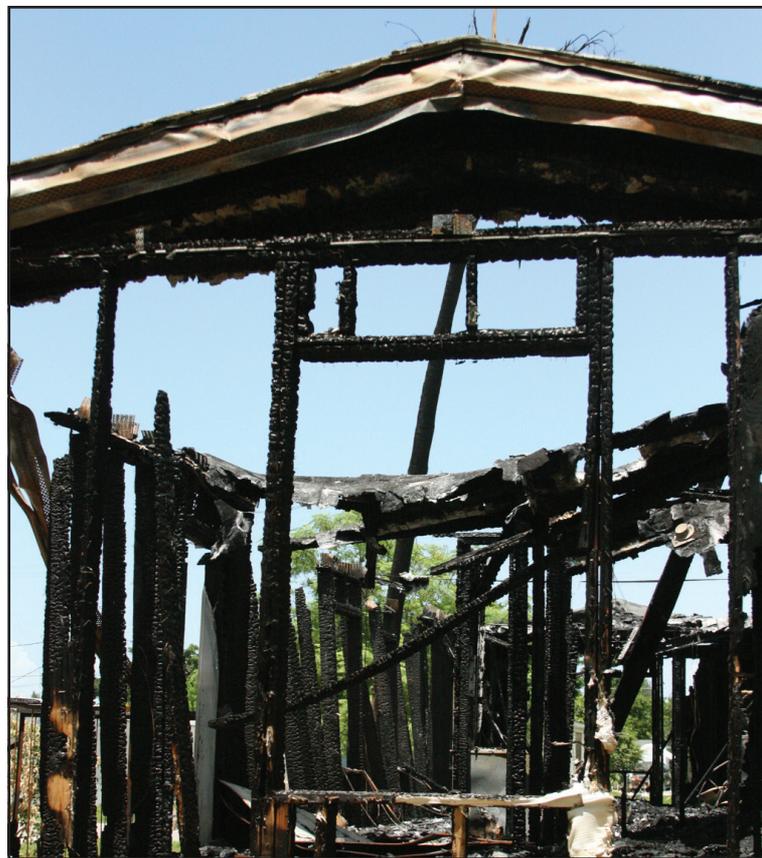
Out-of-state fugitives also accused of aggravated robbery and theft

After receiving information from the Aurora Police Department

in Colorado, Deputies arrested 25-year-old Enrique Coreano and 22-year-old Julie Karina Sanchez, both of Colorado.

Both Coreano and Sanchez were charged as suspects in an attempted murder, aggravated robbery and theft at a business in

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Staff Photographer/Ashley Smith

Fire destroys home

A fire tore through this home over the weekend near the corner of Old U.S. 27 and Evercane Road in western Hendry County. According to Bo Pelham, the local fire marshal, the home was not occupied at the time and no injuries were reported. The department continues looking into what caused the fire.

H.C.S.O.: Crime stats plunge

According to recently released crime reports, violent crime in Hendry County has plunged 39.2 percent and nonviolent crime is down 22 percent in the first half of 2009.

According to reported statistics, residential burglaries are up 7 percent but thefts are down 43 percent.

This is a significant drop from the same period of time last year

when overall crime was up 6.3 percent.

So far this year, 2009 crime is down 25.5 percent.

In 2004, crime was reported down 11.8 percent over 2003, but increased 42.8 percent in 2005.

In 2006 it dropped 17.4 percent only to rocket 26.08 percent again in 2007.

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Local Weather

Weather Forecast for Hendry County from the National Weather Service.

Clewiston and surrounding areas:

Thursday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms after 11am. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. Heat index values as high as 101. Southeast wind around 8 mph. Chance of precipitation is 50%. 

Thursday Night: Scattered showers and thunderstorms before 11pm. Partly cloudy, with a low around 75. East wind around 9 mph. Chance of precipitation is 30%. 

Extended Forecast:

Friday: Scattered showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. East wind around 9 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40%. 

Friday Night: Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 75. East wind around 9 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%. 

Saturday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 92. East wind around 10 mph. 

Saturday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 75. South wind around 14 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph. 

Sunday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. 

Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 75. 

Monday: A 40 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. 

Clubs and organizations

Hendry County Cattle 4-H Club

The first meeting of the Hendry County Cattle 4-H Club will be held on Sunday, August 16, at 2 p.m. at the Hendry County Fairgrounds. For more information, please contact 863-983-1598.

Project H.O.P.E.

Sometimes when a disaster is over and you are just beginning to get back on your feet, you discover you still do not have the ability to repair or rebuild your home without some help.

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If you would like to talk with one of the team members, please contact Diego at 239-200-7454. They are here to help and would love to hear how you are doing!

Bird-Watching Tours in Hendry County

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 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. Schedule: Great Backyard Bird Count Fun Weekend: Sept. 19 (North American Migration Count: Teams), Oct. 17.

A.A. and N.A. Meetings

A.A. and N.A. meetings are being held regularly on Mondays and Thursdays beginning at 7 p.m. These meetings will be held at the Clewiston Gospel Ministries on 6800 Flaghole Rd. For further information please contact Gene at 863-983-4437.



Submitted photo

Luis Maisonet Taekwondo

On Saturday, August 1, 2009, 13 students passed the promotional belt testing at Luis Maisonet Taekwondo in Clewiston. The parents and staff are very proud of the accomplishment and achievements of those who participated in the testing. Students needed to perform techniques learned in the class cycle. In the front row is Jesse Lyvers from Red to Senior Red, Brandon Calvo from Purple to Senior Purple, Emily and Brandon Shamsundar from Senior Purple to Blue Belt, Jose Rios Ffrom Brown to Senior Brown, Joshua Valdez from Senior Purple to Blue Belt, and Mr. Maisonet Chief Instructor. In the back row is Abel Alvarez from Senior Blue to Brown Belt, Faustino Cruz from White to Yellow Belt, Manny Del Llano and Yamir Valdez from senior Purple to Blue Belt, Yandy and Hector Calero from Purple to Senior Purple and Mr. Zachary Dykes from Senior Red to First Probationary Black Belt. Congratulations to all students who participated in the testing.

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Terriers break several records at Big Dog testing

Two Moore Haven linemen lay claim to Big Dog status

By Naji Tobias

INI Florida

MOORE HAVEN - Jason Bond's expectations were met last week, as several of his players either tied or set Big Dog testing records.

He came away impressed with two players in particular - Terrier juniors Jermaine Augustine and Jaime Juarez.

It was a battle right to the finish for these two standouts, as both, in actuality, broke the team's squat lifting record, set by Anthony Holley in 2007 (455 lbs.)

Juarez, who may emerge as Moore Haven's most highly regarded football player this season, was the first to overtake Holley's record, squatting 475 lbs.

As his teammates and coaches watched, it looked as if Juarez would end up making a successful lift of at least 500 pounds.

But it was not to be, as Augustine, a line-backer listed at 5-8, 188 lbs., overtook Juarez, maxing out at a whopping 505 lbs.

"It was really surprising that Jermaine was able to squat that much," Bond said of Augustine.

"He has a really strong lower body for someone of his stature. For him to do that, it's pretty amazing."

Juarez couldn't agree more with Bond's assessment of Augustine, who squatted close to three times his actual weight (2.686 times to be exact).

"Jermaine's got real strong legs, I'll give him that," Juarez conceded.

"I told him I wouldn't believe it unless I actually see it. He proved me wrong."

Which takes away absolutely nothing from Juarez, who firmly broke three records of his own.

The junior offensive/defensive lineman, listed at 5-10 and 233 lbs., broke the military press record at 200 lbs.

Juarez, who broke his won military press record by 35 lbs. (165 lbs. in 2008), maxed out on the bench at 295 lbs.

That record was previously set by Holley in 2007 (275 lbs.)

In addition, the standout peaked at 225 lbs. in the power clean - 20 lbs. more than Aaron Lopez, last year's record holder.



Moore Haven's Jaime Juarez broke the Big Dog power clean mark at 225 lbs. The Big Dog testing took place at Moore Haven High School on Monday, Aug. 3 and Wednesday, Aug. 5.

INI/Naji Tobias

Juarez said in order for him to accomplish those feats, he had to push himself in the weight room since the beginning of the summer.

"This summer, Jaime has proven himself to be a leader and an example for a lot of our kids," Bond said of Juarez.

Bond was also proud to announce that Juarez and Augustine were the two Terriers who made Big Dog Status this year.

Interestingly, however, Juarez qualified on a stipulation rule, while Augustine was the only one who made it outright.

To become a Big Dog, you must score 80 overall points in the eight combined lifting and field events (power clean, bench, military press, squat, vertical leap, 40-yard dash, 20-yard backpedal and 400 meter run).

Augustine (82 points) cleared the thresh-

old, while Juarez scored 78 points - just two points off the mark.

The stipulation Juarez qualified under was that in the four lifting exercises, he maxed out at an astounding 1,215 pounds.

To qualify, if you didn't score at least 80 points, you must lift at least 1,000 pounds in the combined tests.

"It's pretty hard to get," Bond said.

"You got to be a well-rounded athlete. You have to be physically strong and fast."

Lascelle Humphrey, a senior, tied his own vertical leap record, leading the team with a jump of 28 inches - he also did that in 2008.

Fellow senior Fred Hall tied Keonte White's 20-yard backpedal record at 3.4 seconds.

White, the team's junior quarterback/defensive back, set that mark last year.

Interestingly, the 5-10 150 lb. speedster finished with 73 overall points - one behind incoming freshman quarterback Dinton Willis (74 points).

"The Big Dog testing was successful to the kids who dedicated themselves throughout the summer," Bond said.

"You could tell who was focused just based on how they did last week."

Now, the attention shifts to the football field, where Moore Haven began its fall practices Monday afternoon.

The fall classic is tentatively scheduled for Friday, Aug. 28, with the regular season slated to begin on Friday, Sep. 4.

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Administrator showcases Lakeside Medical Center



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Liz Cayson, Community Relations Specialist, Health Care District of Palm Beach County, Marian Sampson, M.D., Brian P. Gibbons, Jr., Hospital Administrator, Donia Roberts, Attorney-at-Law and Pahokee Rotary Club member.



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Lakeside Medical Center will offer modern technology and all private patient rooms for the communities bordering the southeastern shores of Lake Okeechobee.

New staff physician introduced

Belle Glade, FL – Glades General Hospital and the soon-to-open Lakeside Medical

Center are expanding women's healthcare services for the community.

Brian P. Gibbons, Jr., Administrator, is introducing the newest physician to join the hospital's medical staff: Marian Sampson, M.D., OB/GYN.

Mr. Gibbons and Dr. Sampson were the featured guests at the Pahokee Rotary Club meeting on Thursday, July 30.

Both presented an update on Lakeside Medical Center, the new 70-bed hospital scheduled to open this fall.

"We are excited to have Dr. Sampson on board," said Gibbons. "She will be an integral part of the care Lakeside Medical Center provides to women in our community, es-

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Hospital

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Marian Sampson, M.D., OBGYN

pecially as we move later this year into the county's newest hospital.

The modern facility will feature all private patient rooms, efficient Emergency Room care, and large and comfortable labor and delivery rooms for mothers, newborns and their families."

Mr. Gibbons detailed some of the technological advances Lakeside Medical Center will bring to the region.

A new digital mammography machine, funded in part by a generous grant from National City Bank, along with a Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Community Development Block Grant, will enable the early detection of breast cancer so it can be treated more effectively.

Enhancements in the telemetry unit will allow patients recovering from an illness or surgery to be monitored in the hospital at all times, even if they are away from their bed.

Other state-of-the-art initiatives will bring the patient to the doctor, such as telemedicine, online x-rays and charting—some of which are already in place.

These features will enable doctors to remotely monitor a patient's status and communicate instructions to clinical staff from almost any location.

"The next few years at this hospital will be very exciting. We have some great opportunities to bring specialized services into Lakeside Medical Center," said Gibbons.

Mr. Gibbons asked Pahokee Rotary Club members to welcome Dr. Marian Sampson, who is in practice with Sherida Williams, M.D., OB/GYN, at Lakeside Medical Center OB-GYN located in the Glades Medical Plaza.

The women's healthcare practice offers primary care, maternal and women's health services to the more than 35,000 residents in the region.

The practice will relocate to Lakeside Medical Center when the new hospital opens.

"Patients in our community are very glad to have female obstetricians/gynecologists," Dr. Sampson told the group.

"Women are telling their family and friends about our practice. I look forward

to meeting many of them to help promote healthy living and healthy pregnancies."

Dr. Sampson earned her medical degree from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee and completed residency in obstetrics and gynecology at Bayfront Medical Center in St. Petersburg, Florida.

She is a recipient of the National Health Service Corps scholarship, a program that helps fund the education of doctors who upon graduation practice in underserved communities.

Prior to joining Glades General Hospital, she served as Education Chief Resident at Bayfront Medical Center in St. Petersburg, Florida.

"We are pleased that Dr. Sampson is on staff and is so committed to serving our community," said Bryan Cross, chair of the Glades Rural Area Support Board.

"This is just the beginning of our efforts to recruit talented new physicians to join the medical staff at Lakeside Medical Center."

Dr. Sampson shared her philosophy that educating patients in an environment of respect and trust is a top priority in a community confronted with complex and chronic medical issues.

"When I sit with patients, I try to establish a level of comfort and trust so I can educate them," she said.

Dr. Sampson and Mr. Gibbons stressed their commitment to serve the rural communities in western

Palm Beach County in the years to come, and both said they look forward to improving the healthcare delivery system with the

opening of Lakeside Medical Center.

Local attorney and Pahokee Rotary Club member Donia Roberts addressed Dr. Sampson directly at the end of the meeting.

"We are so glad to have you here in our community serving women's health care needs," she said.

"We are very excited about the upcoming opening of the new hospital."

In 2006, the Health Care District of Palm Beach County began constructing Lakeside Medical Center, which is located at the intersection of Hooker Highway and Main Street in Belle Glade.

The hospital is centrally located in the region to serve all communities bordering the southeastern shores of Lake Okeechobee.

When it opens later this year, the staff and

technology of Glades General Hospital will be moved to the new hospital, and Glades General Hospital will be retired.

About the Health Care District:

The Health Care District of Palm Beach County provides health coverage programs for uninsured residents, a nationally recognized Trauma System, dedicated nurses in more than 170 public schools, a pharmacy, a long-term skilled nursing and rehabilitation center, and acute care hospital services at Glades General Hospital, the county's only public hospital, serving the rural western Palm Beach County communities along the southeastern shore of Lake Okeechobee.

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Faye Katheryn Bailey, 76

OKEECHOBEE — Faye Katheryn Bailey, age 76, of Okeechobee, died Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2009, in the Hamrick Home.

Born April 20, 1933, in Punta Gorda, she had been a resident of Lakeport since 2002 and was a member of the Lakeport Christian Church.

She is survived by her loving husband of 54 years, Clyde Bailey of Lakeport; daughters, Roblyn Lyn Walters (Bradley) of White, Ga., Kimberly Chalfant (Robert) of Brighton; son, Clyde Edward "Bud" Bailey, Jr. (Anna) of Lakeport; nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. In addition, she is survived by sisters, Irene Austin (Carl) of Zolfo Springs, and Lillian Luetlich of Ft. Myers.

A memorial service was held on Monday, Aug. 10th, at the Lakeport Christian Church, 1650 E St. Road 78 W, with Pastor Larry Frogge officiating. Interment followed in Ortona Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Okeechobee, P.O. Box 1548, Okeechobee, Florida. On line condolences may be made at www.buxtonfuneralhome.com.

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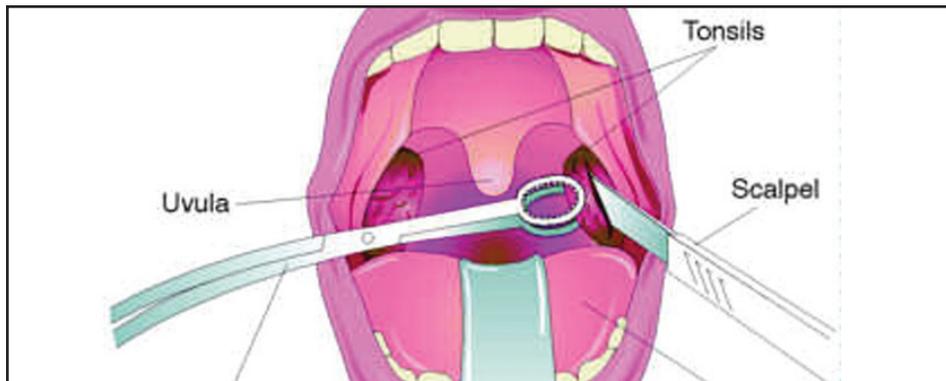
Tonsils and Adenoids – When to take them out

By: Dr. Leonard Carroll
Board Certified General Surgeon

Each person has two tonsils, one on each side of the back of the throat. They look like reddish oval-shaped masses and are easy to see. The adenoids are high in the throat behind the nose and roof of the mouth and cannot be seen without special equipment. The tonsils and adenoids help the body fight respiratory infections such as colds; however, when they begin to cause health problems, tonsils and adenoids can be removed without changing the body's ability to fight infection. The procedure is relatively a simple one.

Why would I need to have my tonsils and/or adenoids removed?

- Trouble breathing at night because of swelling
- Snoring
- Frequent infections of the tonsils (more than seven serious infections of the tonsils in a year or four infections each year for two consecutive years)
- An abscess (build-up of pus) around one or both tonsils
- At the strep carrier state – meaning that strep bacteria are living in the tonsils and adenoids, and the bacteria are causing repeated infections or spreading infection to other people
- Difficulty in swallowing
- Continued ear problems in children after the first set of tubes



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When should you have your tonsils removed? Be sure you understand exactly what is involved in the process by consulting with your local doctor.

• Fever of 101 degrees (F) or higher associated with symptoms above

How do you prepare for the tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy?

Prior to any surgery, the doctor will give a complete medical exam and evaluate your overall health. You may be required to have lab tests or x-rays. Your doctor will also review the potential risks and benefits of the operation. It is important that you ask questions and fully understand the reason for surgery. Your physician will also provide specific instructions on how to prepare for the surgery, including guidelines on eating, drinking, smoking or avoiding certain medications.

What are the benefits of this procedure?

The procedure helps prevent repeated sore throats, and breathing or swallowing problems will get better. There is relief from ongoing ear infections in children.

What are the risks associated with this type of surgery?

Complications are rare and usually minor. However, you could experience the following:

- Problems with general anesthesia – Your surgeon will discuss your prior history with general anesthesia.
- Bleeding - As your throat heals, the scab comes off, and your throat could bleed. If this happens, spit the blood out.
- Soreness in tongue area - The device used to keep your mouth open during sur-

gery could cause some temporary numbness or soreness in your tongue.

• Dehydration - You might become dehydrated if you are unable to swallow.

What happens during the procedure?

The surgery is usually an outpatient procedure. Before the operation starts, you will be given a general anesthetic. This drug will relax your muscles and cause a deep sleep. It will prevent you from feeling any pain during the surgery.

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What happens afterwards?

More than likely, you will go home on the day of your surgery; however, depending on your condition, an overnight hospital stay could be required. You will have a sore throat and be uncomfortable for about seven to ten days. It will hurt to swallow. You may want to avoid strenuous activity for about a week.

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The Sale of Florida

How the United States claimed Florida for its own, despite overseas protests and political maneuvering

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum

The southern towns in Georgia were alive with activity.

Farmers gathered in groups and talked excitedly about the Florida land purchase, while their wives huddled together and spoke of an easier life they hoped awaited them in the new territory.

Shady land speculators, like cruising sharks, moved from town to town scheming and planning on how to sale the new government acquired lands and get rich quick, while plantation owners dreamed of the riches they would make off the vast tracts of farmland in Florida.

In Florida, the black village stirred to life when news reached them that an old foe, the United States, had purchased their homeland.

A foreboding cloud of anxieties filled each household as fathers cursed and mothers wept.

Each parent knew that their lives and the lives of their children might soon belong to the highest bidder.

The black's only savior was the Florida Indian, who was now paralyzed by the same anxieties that his black brother had.

The Florida Indian knew his land and culture were threatened and that the American settlers would soon fill the horizon like an insatiable swarm of land hungry locust.

The purchase of Florida is likened to the multimillion dollar transactions that take place across America today.

Some folks benefit big time, while others lose all.

It is time to take "A Walk in The Past" and read about the events that lead to the sale of Florida.

From the day the United States gained independence from England, it had started looking at Spanish Florida with covetous eyes.

The young nation's philosophical concept of westward advancement (Manifest Destiny) and Spain's waning power in Florida only whetted the United States appetite for the rich lands of La Florida.

A land dispute between the two nations occurred when territories claimed by the United States in the Louisiana Purchase of 1803 were contested.

Spain maintained that the strip of land extending east from the Mississippi River along the Gulf Coast to the Perdido River (located in present day West Florida) was still a Spanish procession.

The Louisiana Purchase dispute was just the first in a chain of events that would eventually forced Spain to sell La Florida to the United States.

In 1804, the Kempers brothers attempted to expel the Spanish from West Florida, which at that time extended to the Mississippi River.

The rebellion failed, but it caught the attention of President Thomas Jefferson, who urged Congress to pass the Mobile Act.

In 1804, Congress passed the Mobile Act, which recognized West Florida as part of the Louisiana Purchase, hence part of the United States.

Spain was enraged and refused to accept such political heresy.

Prior to this diplomatic crisis, white settlers had been moving into West Florida, including land speculators, who had questionable character and intentions.

By 1810, many of the white Americans who had settled in Spanish West Florida wanted independence from Spain.

On December 10, 1810, rebels raised a flag over Baton Rouge and declared a free and independent nation called the Republic of West Florida.

The republic passed into history just 74 days after it came into existence because the United States wanted the territory.

Months later, President Madison issued a proclamation directing the American governor of the Territory of Orleans (later the state of Louisiana) to take possession of West Florida.

Spain contested, but to no avail. In 1811, Congress with the support of President Madison, passed a secret act to acquisition East Florida.

Madison appointed former Georgia governor, General George Mathews, who originally concocted the plan, to lead an American force of Georgia frontiersmen into East Florida and declare it a new republic.

The United States planned to annex the new republic.

Its excuse for invading was to protect East Florida rebellions against Spanish oppression.

There was never justification for the invasion because no revolts or oppressions were taking place in Florida.

The revolts were only a ploy for the United States to have cause to invade Florida.

The invasion became known as the Patriots War.

The Georgia force with the aid of the U.S. Navy, took possession of Fernandina and Amelia Island, but failed to take St. Augustine.

The invasion wasn't popular in the northern states, so President Madison received an unhappy outcry from the American public.

He publicly "repudiated the seizure of East Florida" to protect his political career, while secretly replacing General George Mathews with Georgia Governor David Byrdie Mitchell, who later became the Creek Indian Agent.

In 1812, the United States declared war on England.

The War of 1812 ushered in a strongly needed ally for Spain because England wanted the Florida territories as a staging ground for military operations against the United States.

An unofficial partnership was formed behind closed doors by nations that had fought on and off for the last century.

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The money collected from these fees is primarily used to fund the Department of Education, The Department of Transportation and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles.

According to the Dept. of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles, the majority of the fees have not been adjusted in many years and are now comparable to other State's fees. For example, original and renewal driver license costs have not increased since 1989; the majority of motor vehicle registration fees have not increased since 1983; and most title fees have not increased since 1985.

Customers will be advised of the new fees at the time they receive their motor vehicle or driver license renewal notices or when they visit the Tax Collector's Office. Registrations may be renewed up to 90 days prior to your birth month. Driver's licenses may be renewed up to 18 months prior to your birth month.

If your license expires in November or earlier, you can renew before September 1st at the current prices. You may also choose to renew for 2 years, doubling the current rate, but bypassing the higher rate for the next year.

Peggy S. Hampton
Hendry Co. Tax Collector

History

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later grew to the Creek War (1813 to 1814), gave additional support to English plans in Florida because England promised Indian nations protection from encroaching American settlers, if they agreed to fight against the United States.

Indians from Canada down to Spanish Florida joined the British with hopes of preserving their lands and culture from the American settler's ever westward invasion.

The British also promised black slaves freedom, if they joined the British army.

Many black slaves living in the South, fled to Florida for freedom and joined the British army.

England hoped to build a black army of 5,000 in Florida, plus a strong force of hostile Indians.

The combined forces would invade the South and spread terror to its white inhabitants.

Such a plan would spread revolt among the South's enslaved blacks and help bring an earlier closure to the war for England.

The black invasion never came to pass because Andrew Jackson defeated hostile Creek Indians at Horseshoe Bend, captured the city of Pensacola and defeated the English in the Battle of New Orleans.

The Treaty of Ghent ended the War of 1812, and by 1815 had removed England, Spain's powerful ally from Florida.

Like an old and worn lion, Spain now faced its challenger, the United States, a vigorous young lion that longed to sink its ivory-ribs into East Florida.

The United States wanted La Florida for its land, but also to dispel the breeding and brewing political ideologies that were not conducive to Southern culture.

Spanish Florida had become a haven for runaway slaves, black militia and hostile Indians, so the people living in the South weren't happy.

A black fort, militia and town 60 miles from Georgia territory, was more than southern slaveholders could handle.

It was the proverbial straw that broke the camel's back because the Negro Fort and its inhabitants were seen as a conspiracy to the institution of slavery.

The fort represented a ripe revolution that must be quelled before a tempest arose and ran rampant in the South.

A growing black populace and hostile Indians sympathetic to the black's cause gave the United States the justification it needed to invade Spanish Florida.

The destruction of the Negro Fort on the Apalachicola River was incurred by the South's fear of a slave uprising and the slaveholder's loss of runaway slaves that sought refuge at the fort.

Further confrontations with the Indians and blacks would lead to another invasion that became known as the First Seminole

Indian War.

It started in 1817 and ended in 1819, with the United States as victor.

General Andrew Jackson set and achieved military objectives in the Seminole War that left a bewildered Spain and England in his wake.

Jackson's military exploits put Spain in a dilemma because not only had the United States acted as an aggressor and invaded Spanish territory, but it had installed a governor over East Florida.

The handwriting was on the wall, and Spain succumbed to the inevitable.

In 1819, the Adams-Onis Treaty was drawn up by Spain and the United States.

In the agreement the United States relinquished claims to parts of Texas and agreed to pay Spain \$5 million, for the territorial rights to Spanish Florida.

Spain ratified the treaty in 1820 and the United States ratified it in 1821.

The United States now owned the long sought prize, La Florida

The nation was happy as it once again expanded its national boundaries.

Georgia was especially pleased with the annexation of Florida because its citizens needed more elbow room and La Florida was next door.

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The blacks knew that the liberties they had enjoyed under the Spanish and British were gone and that they were threatened with a life of slavery.

The Indian plight was also gloomy.

They faced a foe that had recently flexed its muscles in a show of arms and soundly defeated them.

What future did they face with the Georgia citizenry stampeding into Florida?

I hope you have enjoyed this story.

Please 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.

The museum provides an interesting fossil display of prehistoric animals that once roamed the Glades thousands of years ago and artifacts that reflect the heritage of Clewiston.

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Local 4-H'ers win big at Florida 4-H Congress

By Sonja Crawford

More than 300 4-H youth ages 14-18 were able to get a taste of college life by participating in the 2009 Florida 4-H Congress held at the University of Florida on July 27-July 31.

This fabulous week enabled many 4-H members to learn and share with other 4-H'ers across Florida.

Congress is divided into competitive and non-competitive sessions.

The non-competitive portion is devoted to educational/leadership workshops addressing the interest of Florida's youth including animal science, individual and family resources, plant science, environmental education, citizenship and leadership, communication arts as well as science and technology.

The competitive portion of Congress is where the first place senior District winners compete against other county District winners in a variety of events, such as fashion revue, demonstrations/illustrated talks, and public speaking.

County 4-H Judging teams participate with other teams across the state in various

judging contests.

Furthermore, interviews for state recognition and scholarships are also conducted during this event.

Ten 4-H members from Hendry County participated in this week long program. The attendees were: Josie Boykin, Chynna Bryant, Kelsie Hansen, Jaydee Hull, Andy McAvoy, Mavis Plamondon, Matthew Ruch, Ashley White, Britney Woosley, and Steven Woosley. Ashley, Chynna, Jaydee,

Josie, Kelsie and Mavis were contestants in the State 4-H Fashion Revue Competition. Jaydee and Mavis participated in the construction division with Jaydee modeling her constructed sundress in the School Wear category and Mavis modeling her constructed colonial style dress in the My Choice category.

Ashley, Chynna, Josie and Kelsie participated in the selection division with Ashley modeling her business outfit in the Dress for Work category.

Chynna modeled a strapless salmon formal in the Special Occasion category with Josie modeling cowboy western attire in the My Choice category.

Last but not least, modeling is Kelsie. Kelsie modeled a summer beach outfit in the Active Sports Wear Category.

Josie, Jaydee, Kelsie, and Mavis achieved first place in their category.

In addition to the category awards, Jaydee captured the Skill-a-thon High Point award for scoring the highest in the construction skill-a-thon.

Britney, Matthew and Steven presented a demonstration during the competitive portion at Congress.

Britney and Steven presented a team demonstration in the Health and Safety category titled "Hunter Safety" and Matthew presented a demonstration in the Civic and

Leadership Development category titled "Bad Guys Doing Good Work."

Britney, Matthew and Steven received blue ribbon certificates for their effort with Britney and Steven capturing the third place award in their category.

In addition, Matthew served as one of the emcees for the State 4-H Fashion Revue and Share-the-Fun event. Mavis and Andy attended the State 4-H Council Meetings as Hendry County 4-H voting delegates.

All of the members had an opportunity to learn, grow and test their abilities as they participated in the educational programs and competitive events throughout the week.



Submitted photo/Sonja Crews

Pictured from left: Britney Woosley, Jaydee Hull, Andy McAvoy, Chynna Bryant, Matthew Ruch, Josie Boykin, Kelsie Hansen, Stephen Woosley, Mavis Plamondon and Ashley White.



Submitted photo

Chapman appointed to NACo Agriculture Rural Affairs Committee

Hendry County Commissioner Tris Chapman was appointed to the National Association of Counties (NACo) Agriculture Rural Affairs Committee at the recent NACo Annual Conference held in Nashville, TN on July 24 - 28, 2009. The Committee considers matters pertaining to legislation affecting the economy of agricultural counties; rural development programs; and conservation and environmental programs affecting agriculture. In addition, the committee is responsible for oversight of platform amendments and resolutions from other steering committees that have a significant impact on rural counties. For additional information please call 863-675-5264.

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This summer, a group of thirteen FFA members from Clewiston High attended the 81st Florida FFA State Convention and Leadership Conference from June 8th to June 13. Along with them were their Agriculture teacher/FFA Advisor, Mr. Swindle, and gracious chaperon, Rita Thompson. They represented their Clewiston Chapter with pride and dignity.

Wanting to make the most of their experience, they took advantage of the multiple leadership sessions and workshops. They gained valuable information from running more efficient meetings to helping save the environment. At one session there was a special guest speaker, Jeff Yalden, known by MTV's MADE. He was an instant inspiration as he told his life story. Listeners were captivated by the emotion he expressed while telling of his struggles and awed by his efforts to turn those struggles into a positive learning experience for FFA's youth.

Also, the Clewiston FFA Chapter received the National Chapter Award. The National

Chapter Award is awarded to FFA chapters who actively implement the mission and strategies of the organization, which is dedicated to making a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education. In the state of Florida, only 19 chapters receive this reward of roughly 400 chapters. Also, Richard Howell, graduating senior, was recognized for being a State Finalist for his SAE in Metal Fabrication. Clewiston was also honored to have five members receive State FFA Degree which is the highest degree that can be awarded on the state level. The five recipients were Richard Howell, Katie Whidden, Michelle Langston, Marla Teixeira, and Rachelle Spry.

As the week progressed, the members met new students from many different chapters across the state of Florida and continued in expanding their horizons.

Aside from their own meetings throughout the summer, the Clewiston FFA Chapter attended the School Board meeting July 14. The School Board members took time from their busy schedule to recognize Clewiston FFA Chapter for their hard work and accomplishments for the 2008-2009 school year.



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The FFA officers were honored that the School Board took the time to publicly acknowledge their hard work and accomplishments.



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The thirteen members that attended State Convention left with new memories and a rekindled passion for FFA.

School Happenings

Clewiston High School

Freshman Orientation

Freshman orientation will be held on Thursday, August 20 at 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the CHS Auditorium. Please plan on participating this event with your child. During the orientation administrators, guidance counselors, teachers and students will be discussing what it means to be a Freshman at Clewiston High School. The junior and senior leaders will be available to assist students on their tour of CHS. Students will be exposed to some of the clubs/extracurricular

activities offered at CHS. All great things have a clearly defined beginning, middle and end. Come and get off to a great beginning with us!

Clewiston Christian School

Upcoming events:

- Aug. 13 - First day of school for grades K - Eighth.
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School briefs

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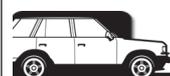
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY FLORIDA
Case No.: 22-2008-CA-277

AMERICAN GENERAL HOME EQUITY, INC.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
ELMER FELLERS, DECEASED, et al,
Defendant.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated June 29, 2009, entered in Case No.: 22-2008-CA-277 in the Circuit Court in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein, ELMER FELLERS, DECEASED, et al., are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Front Door Steps, South Door of Courthouse, Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, FL 33471 at 11:00 a.m., on the 27th day of August, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure, to wit:

THE SOUTH 77.67 FEET OF LOT 81, FIFTH ADDITION, UNIT NO. 2 BUCKHEAD RIDGE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 43 SAID LANDS SITUATED, LYING AND BEING IN GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

If you are a person claiming a right to funds remaining after the sale, you must file a claim with the clerk no later than 60 days after the sale. If you fail to file a claim you will not be entitled to any remaining funds. After 60 days, only the owner of record as of the date of the lis pendens may claim the surplus.
Dated this 28th day of July, 2009.

Joe Flint
As Clerk, Circuit Court
By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
As Deputy Clerk
Kenneth L. Salomone, Esq.
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328910 CGS 8/6, 13/09

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.
262008CA000214XXXXXX

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2006-HE5, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-HE5,
Plaintiff,
vs.
DON J. RUSSELL, et al
Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated September 8, 2008 and an Order Resetting Sale dated July 22, 2009, and entered in Case No. 262008CA000214XXXXXX of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, where DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE FOR MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I INC. TRUST 2006-HE5, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-HE5 is Plaintiff and DON J. RUSSELL; BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash on the Second Floor in front of the Main Clerk's Office at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33935 in Hendry County, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the August 19, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 11, AND THE WEST 1/2 OF LOT 10, PALMDALE SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 13, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of the Court not later than five business days prior to the proceeding at the Hendry County Courthouse. Telephone 941-675-5217 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

DATED at LaBelle, Florida, on July 24, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ D. Hammond
As Deputy Clerk
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Attorneys for Plaintiff
PO Box 11438
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF BOARD MEETINGS BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HENDRY COUNTY

The Board's regularly scheduled meeting of August 25, 2009, will be held at 5:00 p.m., at Clewiston City Hall, Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida. The Board will also hold its tentative budget hearing on September 3, 2009, at 5:15 p.m. at the Clewiston City Hall, Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida. The Board's regular September meetings will be held on September 8, 2009, at Clewiston City Hall at 5:00 p.m., and on September 22, 2009, at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

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.

Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida
Janet B. Taylor, Chair
329897 CN/8/13/09

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING

The Florida Governmental Utility Authority ("FGUA") announces a public meeting and public hearing 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; Pasco County, Florida; Polk County, Florida; Lee County, Florida, and the Town of Dundee, Florida. **The meeting and public hearing will be held at 1:00 p.m. on September 17, 2009 in the Golden Gate Community Center, Room A/B, 4701 Golden Gate Pkwy, Naples, Florida 34116.** The FGUA Board will address general operating issues of the FGUA. The meeting will also include a public hearing to consider adoption of the annual budgets and capital improvement programs and proposed rate increases for the FGUA Pasco Utility Systems, Golden Gate Utility System and Lehigh Acres Utility System. All customers of the FGUA, affected property owners, tenants or occupants, and all other interested persons, shall have an opportunity to be heard concerning the proposed annual budget and capital improvement programs and proposed rate increases 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 hearing, 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 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. 329584 CN 8/13, 20/09

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, Case #: 2008-CA-001327

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Trust 2006-1 Plaintiff,
-vs-
Lissette Casanova; Filberto Casanova; JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association;
Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order rescheduling foreclosure sale dated July 28, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-001327 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Long Beach Mortgage Trust 2006-1, Plaintiff and Lissette Casanova are defendant, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR, HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on August 26, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

THE NORTH 479 FEET OF THE EAST 333 FEET OF THE NORTH-EAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 32 TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. LESS ROAD RIGHT OF WAY ON THE NORTH END.

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

DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 5th day of August, 2009.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Hendry County, Florida
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
DEPUTY CLERK
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP
10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy,
Suite 112
Tampa, Florida 33618
(813) 880-8888
324705 CN 6/25; 7/2/09

Public Notice

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
FLORIDA RECREATION DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FRDAP) GRANT FUNDS

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2008 at 5:00 pm in the Hendry-Labelle Recreation Board Office Building, 310 Cowboy Way, LaBelle, FL to discuss the proposed use of Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program (FRDAP) grant funds. This meeting is for the sole purpose of discussing the proposed Hendry LaBelle Regional Sport Park (Phase II.) Questions can be directed to the Hendry County Grants & Special Projects Office at 863-675-5264. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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Ron Zimmerly, Director
Grants & Special Projects
Hendry County
330193 CB/CN 8/13/09

HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Special Public Meeting on August 18, 2009, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission Room, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee, LaBelle, Florida, to discuss contracts and related issues concerning the State Road 29 sidewalk construction project.

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.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that Hendry County will hold a review/ranking meeting for RFP 2009-26, Hendry County Sustainable Biofuels Center, at 9:00 am Monday, August 17, 2009, at the Hendry County Administrative Office Conference Room located at 165 S. Lee Street, LaBelle, FL. Questions can be directed to the Hendry County Grants & Special Projects Office at 863-675-5264. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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Ron Zimmerly, Director
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Case No.: 09-832-DR

Ana J. Colon
Petitioner
and
Angel M. Colon
Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE

TO: Angel M. Colon,
333 Kennel Dr.,
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YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Ana J. Colon, whose address is 409 Horse Club Ave., Clewiston, FL 33440 on or before August 31, 2009, and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court at P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33995 before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

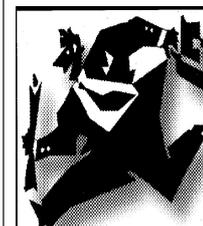
Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

DATED: 7/23/09

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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Public Notice

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

RBC BANK (USA), a foreign profit corporation authorized to do business in the State of Florida f/k/a RBC Centura Bank f/k/a Community Bank of Naples, NA,
Plaintiff,

vs.
CASE NO. 09-5681-CA
RICHARD SAWICKI a/k/a RICHARD J. SAWICKI, RAIN TREE VILLAGE UNIT SIX PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida non-profit corporation, ROYAL PALM GOLF ESTATES HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not-for-profit corporation, and JOHN DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT and JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT AND ANY AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, OR UNDER SAID DEFENDANTS,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: JOHN DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT, and JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT, and ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, OR UNDER SAID DEFENDANTS (Addresses Unknown)

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed by Plaintiff, RBC BANK (USA), a foreign profit corporation authorized to do business in the State of Florida f/k/a RBC Centura Bank f/k/a Community Bank of Naples, NA, seeking foreclosure of the following real property:

COLLIER COUNTY:
Parcel H, REPLAT OF ROYAL PALM GOLF ESTATES, UNIT ONE, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 12, Page 72, of the Public Records of Collier County, Florida.
AND

The East 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 26, LESS the East 1/3 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 and LESS the West 1/3 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 and LESS the South 30 feet thereof reserved for road purposes; ALSO LESS the East 1/3 and the West 1/3 thereof, lying and being in Township 47 South, Range 27 East, Collier County, Florida.

HENDRY COUNTY:
Lot 3, Block 2191, PORT LABELLE UNIT 6, a Subdivision according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 109 through 115, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
AND

A parcel of land lying in Section 4, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, City of LaBelle, Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

BEGINNING at the Southwest corner of the North 100 feet of Block 8, CITY OF LABELLE, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 47, of the Public Records of Lee County, Florida; thence South 89°57'47" East, 184.56 feet, parallel with the North line of said Block 8; thence South 00°03'10" West, along the centerline of said Block 8, 83.00 feet; thence North 89°57'47" West, 184.51 feet to the West line of said Block 8 and the East right-of-way line of Missouri Avenue; thence North 00°01'01" East, 83.00 feet, along said West line and right-of-way line to the POINT OF BEGINNING.
AND

A parcel of land lying in Section 4, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, City of LaBelle, Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

Commencing at the Southwest corner of the North 100 feet of Block 8, CITY OF LABELLE, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 47, of the Public Records of Lee County, Florida; thence South 00°10'00" West, 83.00 feet, along the West line of said Block 8 to the POINT OF BEGINNING; thence South 89°57'47" East, 184.51 feet, parallel with the North line of said Block 8; thence South 00°03'10" West, along the centerline of said Block 8, 130.83 feet; thence North 89°21'11" West, 184.43 feet to the West line of said Block 8 and the East right-of-way line of Missouri Avenue; thence North 00°01'00" East, 128.87 feet, along said West line and right-of-way line to the POINT OF BEGINNING. Subject to ditch easement.
AND

LEE COUNTY:
Lot 17, Block 81, Unit 14, Section 25, Township 45 South, Range 27 East, LEHIGH ACRES, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 18, Pages 106 through 122, inclusive, of the Public Records of Lee County, Florida.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of a written defense, if any, to L. Geoffrey Young, Esquire, Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 150 Second Avenue North, 17th Floor, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701, within 30 days from the first publication of this Notice, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court, either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in Plaintiff's Complaint.
Dated this 28th day of July, 2009.

DWIGHT E. BROCK, CLERK
CLERK OF COURT
COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attorneys for Plaintiff:
L. Geoffrey Young, Esquire
Florida Bar No. 188763
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Public Notice **Public Notice** **Public Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 08 CA 242

PET INVESTMENTS, LLC A Florida Limited Liability Company, Plaintiff, VS. GLADES RIVERFRONT ESTATES, LLC, TRINITY LENDERS, LLC, CP DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC, CARVAJAL PROPERTY INVESTMENTS, LLC and FERNANDO CARVAJAL, Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45, FLORIDA STATUTES.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the agreed amended final summary judgment of foreclosure dated February 23, 2009, and entered in, Case No. 08 CA 242, in the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein PET INVESTMENTS, LLC is the plaintiff and GLADES RIVERFRONT ESTATES, LLC, TRINITY LENDERS, LLC, CP DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT, LLC, CARVAJAL, PROPERTY INVESTMENTS, LLC, and FERNANDO CARVAJAL are the defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, at the Courthouse steps of the Glades County Courthouse, located at 500 Avenue J, Moorehaven, FL 33471 at 11 am, on August 20, 2009, the following described property as set forth in the Final Judgment: **See Exhibit "A."**

PROPERTY #1
ALL OF GOLFWIEV ISLES NO. 1 SUBDIVISION, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 51, 52 of the Public Records of GLADES County, Florida, LESS AND EXCEPT TRACT "B"

PROPERTY #2

Parcel #1
Commence at the Southeast corner of Section 29, Township 42 South, Range 31 East, Glades County, Florida and run N 89°55'21" W, along the South line of Section 29, a distance of 1554.93 feet, thence N 0°49'34" W, a distance of 1403.42 feet to a point on the Northerly curved right-of-way line for "MAIN CANAL" and Point-of-Beginning of the parcel of land herein described; thence Easterly, along said curved canal view line (said curved being concave to the North with a radius of 253.74 feet and having a long chord of 265.72 feet with a long chord bearing of N 68°55'21" E, a distance of 279.66 feet to the end of the curve; thence Easterly along the curved canal r/w line, a distance of 190.00 feet to the beginning of curve to the right; thence Easterly along the curved canal r/w line (said curve being concave to the South with a radius of 223.27 feet having a long chord of 329.22 feet with a long chord bearing of N 84°47'54" E), a distance of 370.20 feet; thence N 01°30'48" W, a distance of 823.00 feet more or less, to the South edge of the Caloosahatchee River Canal thence Southwesterly along said river's edge, a distance of 752.00 feet, more or less, to a point which bears N 0°49'34" W, from the Point-of-Beginning; thence S 0°49'34" E, a distance of 780.00 feet, more or less to the Point-of-Beginning.

Parcel #2
Commence at the Southeast corner of Section 29, Township 42 South, Range 31 East, Glades County Florida, and run N 89°55'21" W, along the South line of Section 29, a distance of 2019.51 feet; thence run N 0°49'34" W, 1312.62 feet to the Point-of-Beginning of the parcel of land herein described; thence Northeastly, along the arc of a curve (said curve being concave to the Northwest, having a radius of 512.95 feet, a central angle of 06°31'04", a chord bearing of N 58°31'06" E and a chord length of 58.32 feet (a distance of 68.35 feet; thence Northeastly along the arc of a curve to the right) said curve being concave to the Southeast, having a radius of 463.48 feet, a central angle of 50°33'35", a chord bearing of N 80°32'06" E and a chord length of 395.85 feet) a distance of 408.99 feet; thence Southeastly along the arc of a curve to the left, (said curve being concave to the Northeast, having a radius of 253.74 feet, a central angle of 05°21'05", a chord bearing S 75°51'37" E, and a chord length of 23.69 feet) a distance of 23.70 feet; thence N 0°49'34" W, 780.00 feet, more or less, to the S edge of the Caloosahatchee River Canal; thence Southwesterly along said river's edge, 498.00 feet more or less, to a point which bears N 0°49'34" W from the Point of Beginning; thence S 0°49'34" E 685.00 feet, more or less, to the Point of Beginning.

Subject to an easement for ingress and egress over and across a strip of land 30.00 feet wide in Sections 28, 29, and 32, Township 42 South, Range 31 East, Glades County, Florida and lying 15.00 feet each side of the 3 following described center lines.

No. 1
Commence at the Southeast corner of Section 20, Township 42 South, Range 31 East and run N 89°55'21" W, along the S line of Section 29 a distance of 2,178.01 feet; thence run N 0°49'34" W, 1,258.45 feet to the Southeast corner of the 4.16 acre "Fisher Tract" thence run N 0°49'34" W 258.96 feet to the Point of Beginning of the center line herein described; thence N 89°10'28" E 158.57 feet; thence S 89°43'21" E 34.37 feet thence N 71°47'03" E 42.00 feet; thence N 65°55'24" E 106.13 feet; thence N 73°04'01" E 45.54 feet; thence S 53°43'14" E 91.46 feet; thence S 73°31'40" E 97.96 feet; thence N 82°18'45" E 70.99 feet; thence N 74°50'16" E 0.78 feet; thence 215.13 feet along a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 375.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 58°24'11" E and is 212.19 feet long; thence N 41°58'06" E 54.22 feet; thence 115.04 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 170.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 61°21'14" E and is 112.85 feet long; thence N 80°44'21" E 28.58 feet; thence 99.02 feet along a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 210.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 89°13'52" E and is 38.10 feet long; thence N 53°43'23" E 38.14 feet; thence 51.94 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 72.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 74°23'18" E and is 50.82 feet long; thence S 84°58'47" E 127.36 feet; thence N 89°30'18" E 170.17 feet; thence 78.46 feet along a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 385.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 83°40'00" E and is 78.32 feet long; thence N 77°49'43" E 45.08 feet; thence 105.33 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 205.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 87°27'10" E and is 104.17 feet long; thence S 72°44'02" E 368.02 feet; thence 83.25 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 150.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 56°50'02" E, and is 82.19 feet long; thence S 40°56'02" E 179.69 feet; thence 43.38 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 120.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 30°34'42" E and is 43.14 feet long; thence S 20°13'22" E 324.62 feet; thence 78.58 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 250.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 11°33'52" E and is 78.28 feet long; thence S 02°54'22" E 85.16 feet; thence 85.37 feet along a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 135.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 21°01'20" E and is 83.95 feet long; thence S 30°08'77" E 270.97 feet; thence 175.42 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 247.32 feet and whose long chord bears S 18°49'10" E and is 171.75 feet long; thence 166.88 feet along a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 163.03 feet and whose long chord bears S 27°49'30" E and is 159.69 feet long; thence S 57°08'57" E 240.08 feet to a point on a curb; thence 152.61 feet said curve which is concave to the East with a radius of 130.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 75°03'34" W and is 144.00 feet long; thence 702.49 feet along a curve which is concave to the N with a radius of 818.51 feet and whose long chord bears S 80°05'13" W and is 681.13 feet long; thence N 67°55'21" W 141.12 feet to the Easterly end of Hendry Boulevard as shown on the Plat of Golfview Isles No. 1 Subdivision LESS however, the W 158.57 feet thereof.

No. 2
Commence at the Northeast corner of Lot 21 in Block "F" of Horseshoe Acres Subdivision and run N 70°11'39" E 30.00 feet to the N end of the center line of Palomino Drive and Point-of-Beginning of the center line herein described; thence N 22°05'26" W 306.66 feet; thence 329.01 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 170.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 33°21'15" E and is 280.02 feet long; thence N 88°47'55" E 845.35 feet; thence 522.15 feet long a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 260.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 31°15'56" E and is 438.72 feet long; thence N 26°16'03" W 789.12 feet; thence 761.58 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 660.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 06°47'22" E and is 720.02 feet long; thence 307.88 feet along a tangent curve to the left with a radius of 610.00 feet and whose long chord bears N 25°23'17" E and is 304.60 feet long; thence N 10°55'47" E 71.68 feet to the South side of Hendry Boulevard as shown on Plat of Golfview Isles No. 1 Subdivision.

No. 3
Commence at the Southeast corner of Lot 21 in Block "A" of Horseshoe Acres Subdivision and run S 69°51'09" E 30.00 feet to the South end of the center line of Palomino Drive and Point-of-Beginning of the center line herein described; thence S 16°28'00" W 141.52 feet; thence S 20°37'45" W 229.23 feet; thence 165.62 feet along tangent curve to the left with a radius of 495.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 11°02'37" W and is 164.86 feet long; thence S 19°27'30" W 70.83 feet; thence S 33°13'30" E 181.00 feet; thence 131.39 feet along a tangent curve to the right with a radius of 310.00 feet and whose long chord bears S 21°45'58.5" E and is 130.41 feet long; thence S 08°56'25" E 109.50 feet to the North Edge of State Road No. 80 Pavement LESS however, that part thereof lying within the right-of-way for State Road No. 80.

Dated at Moorehaven, Glades County, Florida, this 4th day of August, 2009.

Joe Flint
as Clerk & Comptroller Glades County, Florida
By: Jennifer Bevis As Deputy Clerk

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Public Notice **Public Notice**

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, the following application(s) for permit have been received for project(s) in Glades County:
D L Pearce (L Cross Ranch) Rt 6, Box 995, Okeechobee, FL 34974, has submitted Application 090529-19 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00350-W to irrigate 724 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from the L-59 Canal and the project is located in Sections 6,7,18, Township 39 South, Range 34 East.

Miller Couse (River Groves III) 227 E Crescent Dr, Clewiston, FL 33440, has submitted Application 090701-7 for modification of Surface Water Management Permit 22-00208-S for 246 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be discharged to the Caloosahatchee River and the project is located in Sections 27,34, Township 42 South, Range 31 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 33416-6880, 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.
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RFP FOR SECURITY SERVICES FOR THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE RFP NUMBER: 2009-16

OPENING DATE AND TIME: September 3, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking firms interested in providing security services for the Hendry County Courthouse. Firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their proposal for consideration. All submittals (see Part IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFP 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 September 3, 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. Any proposals received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.

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

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

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Religion briefs

Belle Glade

Harvest Fest Revival in South Bay

The Greater Union Missionary Baptist Church will host its annual Harvest Fest Revival on Aug. 17 through Aug. 21.

Rev. David Reese of Henning, Tenn. will be speaker for the week.

Services will begin at 7:30 p.m. nightly.

The church is located at 249 N.W. 9th Avenue in South Bay.

Elder Dr. Charlie Reese is the Pastor.

Back to School Jam

New Millennium Youth Ministries will be hosting a Back to School Jam at Mt. Calvary Missionary Baptist Church, with giveaways, refreshments, singing and praise dancers on Saturday, Aug. 15 beginning at 7 p.m.

The theme will be "The Old Skool to the New Skool."

Come celebrate with us as we celebrate gospel music from the past to the present!

Moore Haven

Cowboy Church food and fellowship

On Thursday, Aug. 14 Cowboy Church of Palmdale will have food and fellowship at 6 p.m.

Gospel music and the word will be followed at 7 p.m. brought to you this month by Frank Woodham of Okeechobee, Church of God of Prophecy of Moore Haven.

Please come and listen to this fine Paster at Cowboy Church on the corner of 5th and main at the Palmdale Community Center.

Homecoming Celebration at Palmdale Baptist

Palmdale Baptist Church will be having their Homecoming Celebration on Sunday, Aug. 30. Special Music by The Gulf State Quartet will begin at 10:30 a.m.

Pastor Jimmy Snell will be the guest speaker.

Dinner on the Grounds will follow the service.

Fall Festival asks for donations, clothing and toys

New Hope Baptist Church will hosts its 2nd Annual Fall Festival on Saturday, Nov. 7.

Live Music, Blood Mobile plus many other activities.

We are asking for donations such as clothing, toys, school supplies and etc to be given away the day of our festival.

If you have items you would like to donate or need any other information, please don't hesitate to contact Brenda at newhopebaptistchurch33471@yahoo.com.

First Indian Baptist Church

holds 50th Golden Anniversary

The community is invited to attend the 50th Golden Anniversary (1959 - 2009) with the First Indian Baptist Church of Brighton on Sunday, Aug. 23 beginning at 10:45 a.m. Celebration dinner to follow.

Please come, bring your family and friends to an exciting reunion with old memories, Creek songs, Bluegrass music, delicious food and great fellowship!

The First Indian Baptist Church is located at 20060 Reservation Rd (Hwy 721 South) in Okeechobee, Fla.

For further information please contact Pastor Wonder Johns at 863-634-1639 or 863-357-0013.

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

Food Bank at Iglesia Vida Nueva

Everyone hits hard times at some point.

To ease the crisis a small food bank is open at Iglesia Vida Nueva on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Restrictions apply. Iglesia Vida Nueva is located at 217 East Aztec Ave in Clewiston. For more information please call 863-983-1070.

Services Times at Iglesia Vida Nueva

Sunday services will be 11 a.m. V.I.D.A Kids 4-10; V.I.D.A Teens 12-18 celebration services will begin at 6 p.m. Monday services begin at 7 p.m.

C4 Youth Group for ages 12-18.

Wednesday prayer and bible study services will begin at 7 p.m., Friday prayer and bible study will also begin at 7 p.m.

ADVERTISE and Get Results

First Christian's has a new associate minister



Submitted photo

First Christian Church welcomes Artie Carnes and wife, Dora, to the area.

First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco, has an Associate Minister coming on board this month.

Artie Carnes, of Freedom, Indiana will start serving as the church's Associate Minister on Aug. 23.

Artie is coming to work with "The Glades Resort" on highway 80 between U. S. 27 and Labelle.

He will be serving as Youth Minister and his wife, Dora, will be serving in the area of Women's Ministry and Music.

Artie is Executive Director of Christian Contender Ministries and will continue in that position.

Dora has been working with the Department of Children & Families for the State of Indiana.

Artie is also Evangelist of Mt. Pleasant Community Church, Spencer, Indiana.

He also is Director of Rock Haven Christian Ranch, developed Weekday Christian Education for several public schools and directs the Summer Food Service Program for the USDA.

The couple's son, Arthur, and daughter, Anthea Hillis, will be coming to work with "The Glades" as well.

Dora will be Business Manager and Artie will be Director of Development at the Resort.

The church will be having a Reception Dinner for The Carnes on Wednesday, Aug. 19, 6 p.m.

The public is cordially invited to join in the Pot-Luck Dinner affair.

Local FWC academy graduate sworn in

David Lilley of Hendry County graduated from the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) academy in Tallahassee, and was sworn in on Aug. 7.

Lilley received six months of training, which included accuracy with firearms, vessel operation, defensive tactics, all-terrain vehicle operation and BUI/DUI identification.

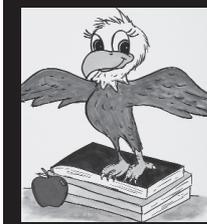
The FWC's Division of Law Enforcement protects and manages more than 575 spe-

cies of wildlife and more than 700 species of fish.

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HENDRY COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Announces its policy for Free and Reduced Price Meals for students under the **NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH AND BREAKFAST PROGRAMS.**

Any interested person may review a copy of the policy by contacting

Food Service Administrator • P.O. Box 1980 • LaBelle, Florida 33975 • (863) 674-4113

Household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility. These criteria can be found on the second page of this document. Children from families whose income is at or below the levels shown may be eligible for Free or Reduced Price Meals. An application can not be approved unless it contains complete eligibility information. Once approved, meal benefits are good for an entire year. You need not notify the organization of changes in income and household size.

Application forms are being sent to all homes with a letter to parents or guardians. To apply for Free or Reduced Price Meals, households must complete the application and return it to the school. Additional copies are available at the principal's office in each school. The information provided on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and may be verified at any time during the school year. Applications may be submitted at any time during the year. Households that receive Food Stamps or TANF (Temporary Assistance to Needy Families) are required to list on the application only the child's name, Food Stamp / TANF case number, and signature of adult household member.

Foster children will receive benefits (i.e., free, reduced-price, or paid) based on the child's personal income regardless of the income of the household.

Household with children who are considered migrants, homeless, or runaway should contact the district liaison, **JODI BELL AT (863) 674-4108.**

For the purpose of determining household size, deployed service members are considered a part of the household. Families should include the names of the deployed service members on their application. Report only that portion of the deployed service member's income made available to them or on their behalf to the family. Additionally, a housing allowance that is part of the Military Housing Privatization Initiative is not to be included as income.

All other households must provide the following information listed on the application:

- Total household income listed by gross amount received, type of income (e.g., wages, child support, etc.) and how often the income is received by each household member;
- Names of all household members;
- Signature of an adult household member certifying the information provided is correct; and
- Social security number of the adult signing the application or the word "NONE" for this household member if he or she does not have a social security number.

If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size changes, the school should be contacted. Children of parents or guardians who become unemployed should also contact the school. Such changes may make the student eligible for reduced price or free meals if the household income falls at or below the levels shown below.

Under the provisions of the Free and Reduced Price meal policy

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Free Meal Scale is 130% of Federal Poverty Level					
Household size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	14,079	1,174	587	542	271
2	18,941	1,579	790	729	365
3	23,803	1,984	992	916	458
4	28,665	2,389	1,195	1,103	552
5	33,527	2,794	1,397	1,290	645
6	38,389	3,200	1,600	1,477	739
7	43,251	3,605	1,803	1,664	832
8	48,113	4,010	2,005	1,851	926
Each additional family member, add	4,862	406	203	187	94
Reduced Meal Scale is 185% of Federal Poverty Level					
Household size	Annual	Monthly	Twice Per Month	Every Two Weeks	Weekly
1	20,036	1,670	835	771	386
2	26,955	2,247	1,124	1,037	519
3	33,874	2,823	1,412	1,303	652
4	40,793	3,400	1,700	1,569	785
5	47,712	3,976	1,988	1,836	918
6	54,631	4,553	2,277	2,102	1,051
7	61,550	5,130	2,565	2,368	1,184
8	68,469	5,706	2,853	2,634	1,317
Each additional family member, add	6,919	577	289	267	134

To determine monthly income:

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- If you receive the income every two weeks, multiply the total gross income by 26.
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Religious columns

Those who have ears

By Pastor John Hicks

First United Methodist Church

Throughout His teachings, Jesus commented numerous times, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

In Mark 18, Jesus got even more specific when He asked, "Do you have eyes but fail to see, and ears but fail to hear?"

It's a good question for all of us to consider.

Steven Morris was a special needs blind child in Mrs. Bernaducci's class.

His handicap negatively impacted his self-esteem.

However, over a period of time, the teacher realized that Steven had exceptional hearing.

One day she put the class mascot, a mouse, into the trash can.

The scratching noise created a minor panic until Steven located the mouse.

Mrs. Bernaducci exclaimed: "Steven, you are truly a wonder."

The nickname caught on.

The next year little Stevie Wonder, full of a sense of his own value, began playing the piano.

Stevie 'Wonder' would go on to influence and change American music in part because of Mrs. Bernaducci's faith and encouragement for him to use his ability to listen and apply it.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

An American Indian was in downtown

New York, walking with his friend who lived in New York City.

Suddenly he said, "I hear a cricket."

"Oh, you're crazy," his friend replied.

"No, I hear a cricket. I do! I'm sure of it."

"It's the noon hour. There are people bustling around, cars honking, taxis squealing, noises from the city. I'm sure you can't hear it."

"I'm sure I do," came the reply.

The Cherokee listened attentively and then walked to the corner, across the street, and looked around.

Finally on the corner he found a shrub in a large cement planter.

He dug beneath the leaves and found a cricket.

His friend was astounded.

But the Cherokee said, "No. My ears are no different than yours. It simply depends on what you are listening to. Here let me show you."

He reached into his pocket and pulled out a handful of change—a few quarters, some nickels, and pennies.

Then he dropped them on the concrete.

Every head within a block turned.

"You see what I mean?" he said as he began picking up his coins.

"It all depends on what you are listening for."

Not only must we as Christians have "ears to hear" (Matt. 13:9), but we must learn what to listen for.

Those who have ears, let them hear.

A person of conviction

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist

First Christian Church

God's people have always been people of conviction.

Abraham believed God, though he lived in the midst of an idolatrous and wealthy people.

He left his home and old time friends because of his convictions that God promises in Genesis 12:4 was true.

Joseph was a man of conviction even in Potiphar's house (Genesis 12:4).

His boss was a heathen, and he was surrounded by Egyptians who were wealthy and unbelievers in his God, but to the man of conviction, it did not matter.

In jail, his faith and convictions did not waver (Gen. 39:20-23).

And when he became Secretary of State, his convictions did not waver (Gen. 41:38).

Moses resisted slavery single-handed (Exodus 2:11-18) believing in the God who had foretold that they should be given their freedom.

He fled across trackless and wasted desert because of his conviction.

Then, when God called, he came back to the land where he was a fugitive to face Pharaoh, all because he was a man of conviction (Exodus 5:10).

Only a man of deepest convictions would be willing to take the thousands of slaves and lead them for forty years in a wilderness,

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be conducted by the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners on August 25, 2009, 5:05 p.m., at the City of Clewiston, Commission Chambers, 115 W Ventura Ave, Clewiston, Florida.

The purpose of the hearing is to consider amendments to the Environmental Services Element, Capital Improvements Element, Concurrency Management System, and Conservation Element of the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan, more specifically changes to the goals, objectives, and policies for the adoption of a 10-year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan and identification of specific water supply projects that meet projected future demands.

The Ordinance title is as follows:

ORDINANCE 09-_____

AN ORDINANCE OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE 99-13, AS AMENDED, BY SPECIFICALLY AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT, THE POTABLE WATER SUB-ELEMENT, AND THE CONCURRENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AND BY ADOPTING A NEW SUB-ELEMENT OF THE CONSERVATION ELEMENT TO BE KNOWN AS THE 10-YEAR WATER SUPPLY FACILITIES WORK PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Oral and written comments will be accepted. A copy of the proposed amendment is available for inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 165 S. Lee St., La Belle, FL between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners' office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

All persons wishing to be heard on this issue may appear at said meeting. If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he or 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.

Any questions pertaining to these documents should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department, either by phone (863-675-5240), email (vcautero@hendryfla.net), U. S. mail (P. O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863- 675-5317).

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ABE	9900004-111	Mon-Fri	08/24/09	12/11/09	8:00am-11:30am	None	Mr. Bolan	Day Lab
ABE	9900004-112	Mon-Fri	08/24/09	12/11/09	12:30pm-3:30pm	None	Mr. Bolan	Day Lab
GED Preparation	9900026-111	Mon-Fri	08/24/09	12/11/09	8:00am-11:30am	None	Mr. Bolan	Day Lab
GED Preparation	9900026-112	Mon-Fri	08/24/09	12/11/09	12:30pm-3:30pm	None	Mr. Bolan	Day Lab
ESOL	9900040-111	Mon-Fri	08/24/09	12/11/09	8:00am-11:30am	None	Mr. Bolan	C.A.S.

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ABE	9900004-114	Tues/Thur	09/15/09	12/10/09	6:30pm-9:30pm	None	Mr. Griffith	Day Lab
GED Preparation	9900026-113	Mon/Wed	09/14/09	12/09/09	6:30pm-9:30pm	None	Mr. Bolan	Day Lab
GED Preparation	9900026-114	Tues/Thur	09/15/09	12/10/09	6:30pm-9:30pm	None	Mr. Griffith	Day Lab
ESOL	9900040-112	Mon/Wed	09/14/09	12/09/09	6:30pm-9:30pm	None	Mrs. Jean	C.A.S.

Continuing Workforce Education Classes								
Course	Course Number	Days	Begin Date	End Date	Time	Tuition	Teacher	Bldg/Rm
Sub Teacher	E91010P-111	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	6:30pm-9:30pm	\$63.50	Mrs. Way	C.A.S.
Basic Computer	E91010B-111	Mon.	09/14/09	12/07/09	6:30pm-9:30pm	\$63.50	Mr. Griffith	C.A.S.
Converstaional Span.	E91010P-112	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	6:30pm-9:30pm	\$63.50	T.B.A.	C.A.S.

Other Classes Offered								
Course	Course Number	Days	Begin Date	End Date	Time	Tuition	Teacher	Bldg/Rm
CPR Class		T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	Mr. Gardner	T.B.A.
Art Class		T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.

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facing troubles, trials, fightings, and evil public sentiment.

Moses believed God; he had convictions! The faith had not died, but rose to great heights in the life of Joshua (Joshua 24:14-15).

Others might fail, but for Joshua and his house, they would serve Jehovah.

That is conviction!

The Judges were men of conviction as seen in Othneil, Ehud, Shamgar, Barak and Deborah, Gideon, Jephthah, Elon, Abdon, Samson, and the great Samuel.

They fought battles against great odds and came through the fray victorious because of their faith- genuine conviction.

David stood against Saul and the whole northern ten tribes because of his conviction until he became king as God had ordained.

Elijah, in the midst of idolatry and rotten politicians who had taken over his beloved Israel, stood for God and faithfully called the people back to repentance because he was a man of conviction.

Jesus "steadfastly set his face toward Jerusalem."

Conviction!

Peter, because of his convictions, we are told, was crucified upside down.

Paul, the grizzled old warrior, said, "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit ye like men, be strong."

These men were the forerunners of martyrs who died, numbering in the millions.

Great People of Conviction!

It has never been popular to have convictions and to stand by them.

Let's pray that God will raise up in these troubled times people of rock-ribbed conviction.

People who know what they believe and why they believe it and live as people of conviction!

The image and the reality of it all; Reality is better!

By The Reverend Samuel S. Thomas, Ph. D. +

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

In the midst of their turmoil and fighting, I would meet with a couple that had recently

re-married.

The husband told me one day "This is harder than I imagined, different than I planned."

I concurred; "Yes, it is different than you imagined but the blessings can be better than you have imagined or experienced before, too."

A mother told me about her daughter who always dreamed of becoming a nurse.

She imagined herself in a white uniform, going about doing good things, and helping people get better.

Two weeks into nursing school and she came home; it was not all white uniforms and people weren't always grateful for what you did.

Reality was different than imagined and she found herself a new career.

Those who "stuck it out" found that the images were different than imagined; but by staying with it, they could do something meaningful and wonderful in people's lives at times when it made a real difference.

A ministerial student that I mentored had "ducked" taking a clinical training program.

I insisted he complete it as a part of his preparation and told him that it would be beneficial in his future ministry.

It was a real challenge for him, and at one point he got up and left the program - walking around the city streets for several hours before returning to complete it.

Later, the training provided by that program gave him a direction and he specialized in a ministry among people with serious problems.

Ministry was different than he originally perceived it to be; and by returning after almost quitting, a newer, deeper and more meaningful vocation came out of it.

The Lord is surrounded by followers who have an image of His feeding them, or healing their infirmities, or doing what they wished.

He fed the five thousand (John 6:1ff) and then left the crowd to go off by Himself but they follow Him (v.24).

The people are surprised and ask Him "When did you get here?"

His answer has stood for eternity; "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me not because you saw miraculous signs, but because you ate loaves and had your fill."

Jesus is telling them that it is different than they imagined; He did not come to set up a welfare program or to provide their every need.

The image they had of His ministry is different than the reality, joy and blessings of believing.

The gifts of God are more subtle, more demanding of us at times, but they are more lasting and better than ever imagined.

Jesus tells the crowds "Do not work for food that spoils but for food that endures to eternal life (v. 27).

That's it - the gifts of God require work on our part, but they last and are more satisfying in the long run.

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Steve McKown new Clewiston city manager

Reade dropped from city manager selection

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza
Clewiston News

CLEWISTON -- Richard Reade was formally dropped from consideration for the city manager position last week. The decision was made after city officials were unable to come to an agreement with him regarding his contract.

Commissioners expressed some frustration at a number of requests on Mr. Reade's part, specifically an indemnity clause which the city attorney felt strongly in opposition of.

The city has now signed a contract with the next finalist, Steve McKown, of Georgia,

for the position. Mr. McKown is expected to begin his job on Aug. 31.

Despite saying that he was excited about the opportunity of leading the city during a July 20 meeting -- adding that he did not think anything existed that could stop the contract negotiations -- Mr. Reade and the city were unable to reach an agreement on the clause and at least one additional matter.

According to the minutes of the July 30 city meeting, Don Gutshall, interim city manager, informed commissioners that the city and Mr. Reade had reached an impasse, despite the city making a favorable contract offer.

Charles Shoech, city attorney, said that seven issues were highlighted by Mr. Reade in his contract as needing clarification or changes made to.

Mr. Reade had requested a three-year, 6-month severance package, while the city was only prepared to offer a one-year, three-month severance package.

According to the minutes of the meeting, "Mr. Reade has asked for an indemnification provision to be put in the contract, and Mr. Shoech strongly suggest that this should not be done."

Mali Chamness, Clewiston mayor, participated in the contract negotiations and agreed that the indemnification clause should not be included in the contract.

She said she did not want to move forward with Mr. Reade.

"We felt that, at this point, we should have been able to handle the differences," said Ms. Chamness. "We had been dealing with him for several weeks, and knew that,

for him, contract negotiations were difficult. We were hoping that would not be the case for us," she said.

Julio Rodriguez, city commissioner, said he would not feel comfortable with continuing talks with Mr. Reade. His concern was echoed by the other members of the board.

The vote was unanimous in rescinding the offer of employment to Mr. Reade.

Mr. McKown and Mr. Reade were almost equally regarded for their background in municipal government, with Mr. Reade having gotten the offer first for his familiarity with Florida.

With relatively little effort, the city and Mr. McKown agreed on a contract during a special meeting held Aug. 7. Mr. McKown's salary will be \$92,500 per year.

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We experienced another increase at 6.3 percent in 2008.

Sheriff Whidden stated, "I am very encouraged by these statistics and I can only contribute this accomplishment to the hard work and dedication of our officers and support personnel.

Each day we battle budgetary shortfalls,

lack of sufficient manpower and equipment; but our personnel persevere. I am very proud of them.

"I would also like to credit the citizens of Hendry County with their help, watchful eyes and willingness to protect their community.

It is because of this proactive partnership that we are able to solve many crimes.

It is my intention and pledge, to you, to continue to work hard to protect everyone who either lives in or visits Hendry County."

Briefs cont.

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Explorers

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of the great work being done with the program.

Sgt. Spence, who is no longer an advisor to the explorers, but remains affiliated with the program, said he benefited much from having participated in his local explorers program in Ft. Myers as a high school student.

"It's a program where you learn by doing. Kids receive positive motivation and their required to keep their grades up in school," he said.

Unlike other programs around the state, Sgt. Spence said his program -- whether unfortunately or fortunately -- does not draw funding from the police department. Because each member wears a uniform that

closely resembles what an officer would wear, and to support trips and other costs, the explorers rely on fundraisers to pay for the program.

One example is the upcoming Co-Ed Softball Tournament. Community members can participate in the tournament, and feel good about where the money is going.

While both Spence and Colburn remain proud of their explorers' accomplishments, they nevertheless encourage any high school-aged student with an interest in the field to join. Members as young as 14 and as old as 21 fill the ranks of the explorer's program, and at one point as many as 25 kids participated.

"They're an inspiration," Detective Colburn said of his students. "I enjoy working with them."

For more information about the softball tournament, call 634-0735.



Submitted photo

The members of the Clewiston Police Department's Explorer's Program spends countless hours with local officers, training and learning more about the field.

Fugitives

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Aurora.

It was believed by authorities that Coreano and Sanchez fled Aurora and were en-route to Coreano's brother's home, located

on South Fronda Street in Montura.

When Sheriffs Office personnel arrived on scene, they were able to positively identify Coreano and Sanchez; both subjects were taken into custody by Deputies and transported to the Hendry County Jail, where they are currently being held for Colorado authorities.



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