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News in briefs

Hooker's Point Community meeting

On Thursday, Aug. 20 a community meeting for Hooker's Point will be held at the Hendry County Fairgrounds office beginning at 7 p.m. Community members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Appleseed Shooting

There will be a Appleseed Shooting on Aug. 22 and Aug. 23 at the Hendry County Gun Range.

Learn the skills and techniques necessary to shoot proficiently. Women and children are free, men will be a fee of \$70. For more information visit: www.appleseedinfo.org.

Flaghole Community

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Former Jail administrator jailed

FDLE: Official took \$120,000 by falsifying more than 100 checks

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza and Patty Brant
Clewiston News

LABELLE -- In a strange twist in the life of Susan English, Hendry County's former jail administrator under Ronnie Lee, the 52-year-old was booked into the very facility that, until Tuesday morning, she had the task of overseeing.



The administrator had been responsible for taking care of the

dozens of inmates now housed at the facility, and as a result has the most comprehensive knowledge of the facility's operations than any other inmate at the LaBelle facility.

It was that knowledge, investigators with the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) contend, that may have convinced her that taking \$120,000 out of the sheriff's office budget would be noticed by no one else but her.

English is charged with grand theft and official misconduct for her alleged role in falsifying a total of 107 checks for personal use.

Kristen Perezluha, FDLE spokeswoman, said her agency had been contacted by the local sheriff in March of this year, prompting the investigation.

FDLE looked at the time period between March 2006 and October 2008.

"We opened up an investiga-

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INI/Naji Tobias

Looking for a winning season

The Clewiston Cougars football organization has produced a number of winning teams in the past. They intend on continuing the tradition. See Page 3 for full story.

Higher education: Partnering with EC Campus

By Patty Brant
INI Florida

The Edison State College Hendry-Glades site is poised to usher in a partnership with the surrounding community.

In fact, the collaboration of the school and the community is Dr. Pat Land's top priority. Dr. Land is the Charlotte Campus President. She took over the Hendry/Glades campus last August.

Dr. Land said her ultimate goal is for the community to develop a feeling of ownership of the college. She wants the community to feel at home there, treating it as a

central part of its life. She not only envisions it as a favorite place for meetings and events, but as the center for equipping a qualified workforce.

Dr. Land looks forward to a time when LaBelle will be considered a "college town" with integration between the college and the community as a whole.

The Hendry/Glades campus has two full time instructors - Math and English - along with a number of part time instructors in various classes. Although the Hendry/Glades campus has a limited staff, EC maximizes its teach-

ing resources by sharing expertise between campuses. In addition to LaBelle, students are attracted to this campus from Clewiston, Moore Haven and Immokalee.

For about ten years, the Hendry/Glades site, which until this month was located on the LaBelle High School campus, held night classes with a part-time faculty only. By contrast, when classes begin on August 24, the new campus will provide daytime classes for the first time, in addition to the on-site evening and distance learning classes local EC students have become accustomed to. For small

on-site classes, two-way audio-video hook-ups will provide a link to ongoing main campus classes.

No access to a computer at home no longer bars the way to a higher education. Students who do not have a computer at home may use an open computer lab on campus, affording them access to that important resource.

Hendry-Glades students will also have access to a quiet room for individual study and a group study room for projects and open discussion.

Students may make an ap-

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Weather Forecast for Hendry County from the National Weather Service.

Clewiston and surrounding areas:

Thursday: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after 2pm. Partly cloudy, with a high near 91. Southeast wind between 5 and 8 mph.



Thursday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms before 2am. Partly cloudy, with a low around 79. East wind around 8 mph.



Extended Forecast:

Friday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms after noon. Partly cloudy, with a high near 92. East wind around 8 mph.



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Saturday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93. South wind around 7 mph.



Saturday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 76.



Sunday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 93.



Sunday Night: A 30 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 76.



Monday: A 50 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a high near 89.



Local resident graduates from Naval Academy

Navy Seaman Recruit Johnathan P. Coleman, son of Letha D. Weekley of Clewiston, Fla., recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Coleman completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire-

fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet. "Battle Stations" is designed to galvanize the basic warrior attributes of sacrifice, dedication, teamwork

and endurance in each recruit through the practical application of basic Navy skills and the core values of Honor, Courage and Commitment. Its distinctly "Navy" flavor was designed to take into account what it means to be a Sailor.

Coleman is a 2008 graduate of Clewiston High School of Clewiston, Fla.

Clubs and organizations

Back to School Food for thought

A Back to School Food for Thought event will be held at the People Who Care Park in Harlem on Saturday, Aug. 20 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free hot dogs and drink give-away. Sponsored by Harlem Enrichment Committee.

Men's Softball League

A meeting will be held on Aug. 25 under the pavilion at the Clewiston baseball fields starting at 7 p.m. This meeting is for anyone interested in the starting of a Men's Softball League in September. For more information please call Franky at 863-634-5997.

Hendry County Fair Steer Weigh-In

All youth showing a steer in the Hendry County Fair must attend a mandatory parent/youth meeting prior to weigh-in on Saturday, Aug. 29, at 9 a.m. at the Fairgrounds. The weigh-in will be held on Saturday, Aug. 29, from 11 a.m. to noon. Minimum weight is 550 lbs with a recommended weight of 600 lbs.

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.

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meeting

On Thursday, Aug. 27 a Flaghole community meeting will be held at the Turning Point Church of God located at 207 Pinelane in Flaghole beginning at 6:30 p.m. All community members are encouraged to attend this meeting. Topics discussed will be drainage, trash and mosquitoes problems.

Honoring Reception

The Harlem Academy Alumni Association and Commissioner Janet B. Taylor in conjunction with members of the Harlem Community would like to invite you to a reception honoring Ms. Janice Lee as the new principal of Clewiston High School on Friday, Aug. 21 beginning at 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Clewiston Inn. For additional information please call 863-228-0612.

Back to School Supply Drive

Please bring your donations to any Seacoast National Bank now until Aug. 21 and help local children. Donations will benefit State of Fla - Families at Risk and Hendry Glades Behavioral Health Clinic.

Basket of Love Foundation

The ABM Elite Ladies Society is offering baskets containing hygiene, cleaning supplies and food items to victims of employment loss, foreclosure and financial hardship with the last 30 days.

Baskets are free to anyone who is in need of them, all that is needed is proof of financial hardship at the University & Theological Seminary located at 525 East El Paso Ave in Clewiston. For further information please call 863-983-8505 ext. 0.

General News and Information

No trash pickup on Labor Day

There will be no trash pickup for residents in unincorporated Hendry County on Monday, Sept. 7. Regular trash pickup will resume on the next scheduled day. No Recycle pickup in Felda. Recycle pickup will resume on Monday, Sept. 14. If you have any questions please call 863-675-5252.

On site Sewage Treatment Disposal System meeting

An On-site Sewage Treatment Disposal System (OSTDS) update and workshop will

be held at the Hendry County Department of Health on Aug. 25 at 9 a.m. The Hendry County Department of Health is located at 1140 Pratt Blvd. , LaBelle.

OSTDS contractors, plumbers, and building contractors working in Hendry and Glades counties are welcomed and encouraged to attend. It will be an opportunity to voice concerns or ask questions regarding code requirements, new code changes, and compliance protocols of the program.

For more information you may contact the Hendry County Department of Environmental Health at: 863-674-4047, extension 155 - Diane, or extension 154 - Brian.

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Clewiston's Pop Warner teams aims for bright season

Jamboree Classic is this weekend (Aug. 22-23)

By Naji Tobias
INI Florida

CLEWISTON - Ready, set. Go.

That's what the Clewiston Cougars football program is looking forward to do, with the season beginning this weekend.

The Pop Warner program's six teams are the Tiny Mites, the Mighty Mites, the Junior Pee-Wees, the Pee-Wees, the Jr. Midgets and the Senior Midgets.

As the program looks to build on the success it had from last year, one thing certainly won't change: And that's focusing on the fundamental basics, which have been key to each team finishing with a winning record last season.

Of all the six teams from 2008, it was the Jr. Midgets who looked the strongest in the Cougar program.

The Jr. Midgets (10-2 last season) won the Peace River Conference championship with a victory over the North Fort Myers Knights.

Unfortunately, that team lost the next playoff game, a regional contest held in Tampa.

The Sr. Midgets, who finished with a 6-3 record last season, qualified for the Peace River Conference playoffs.

Meanwhile, the Pee-Wees were 5-4 to finish the 2008 year, with a first round playoff loss to the Englewood Wildcats.

As for the Jr. Pee-Wees, they fared even better, reaching the Peace River Conference championship game.

The Jr. Pee-Wees loss to the North Port

Mustangs in the championship put them at 9-2 to conclude the 2008 season.

Juan Norton, the Jr. Pee-Wees head coach, likes to keep this upcoming year and last in proper perspective.

With 27 players on Norton's team - 12 returning and are 15 newcomers - he knows anything can happen this season.

"Our strength is our defense," Norton said on the Jr. Pee-Wees. "We're very young, but we'll try to do what we did last season, and that's sticking to the basics. It carried us to the playoffs last season."

Cougars fans can expect to see simple running and passing plays from the Jr. Pee-Wees at this weekend's Jamboree Classic.

The offensive line will be a key determinant in how far the Jr. Pee-Wees go this season, with many of them either moving up from the Mighty Mites or playing football for the first time.

Most of the returning players are on defense, so it won't be much to ask the players to stop the opposition's run and passing attacks throughout the year.

The Jr. Pee-Wees, as well as the Pee-Wees, the Jr. Midgets and the Sr. Midgets, will be playing in the Jamboree preseason game Saturday in LaBelle.

First half action will be played against the LaBelle Longhorns, while the second half is slated to see the four Cougars teams and their counterparts from the Naples Hurricanes get into action.

"We won't do anything spectacular this weekend," Norton said.

The same can't exactly be said for the Mighty Mites, as they finished last season with an undefeated 8-0 record.

Incredibly, the Mighty Mites, who field 26 players, haven't lost a game in more than



INI/Naji Tobias

Two of Clewiston's Tiny Mites, Tyreeq Merit and Mike Johnson, engage in a tackling drill during this past Monday's (Aug. 17) afternoon practice, held near the John Boy Auditorium.

three years, according to April White, the Cougars program secretary.

White simple sums up what's expected from this team in 2009.

"For the Mighty Mites to lose a game this season, it would be devastating not only to the kids, but to the coaches as well," she said.

The Tiny Mites, meanwhile, finished last season 6-2, with both of its losses coming to LaBelle.

Neither the Mighty Mites or the Tiny Mites can qualify for the playoffs, as there's no sys-

tem in place for it.

Nevertheless, both teams will grace Cane Field on Sunday when they host the Jamboree Classic.

And that's fine with White, who has been impressed with all six teams thus far.

"All of them are stars," White said of the Cougars players. "They've been practicing real hard and now they're looking forward to the Jamboree."

Here's the 2009 season schedule for the Clewiston Cougars program:

Saturday, 8/29 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars at Riverdale Wildcats (Away)

Saturday, 9/5 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars vs. Lehigh Acres Raiders (Home)

Saturday, 9/12 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars vs. Estero Mustangs (Home)

Saturday, 9/19 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars at Naples Bears (Away)

Saturday, 9/26 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars at Lake Placid Dragon (Away - Roger Scarborough Field)

Saturday, 10/3 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars vs. LaBelle Longhorns (Home)

Saturday, 10/10 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars vs. Fort Myers Junior Firecats (Home)

Saturday, 10/17 @ 10 a.m. - Clewiston Cougars at Cypress Lake Hornets (Away)

Saturday, 10/24 - BYE

The Peace River Conference playoffs will likely begin the week after Clewiston's bye.

For more information, you can visit the Internet at www.google.com and type in Peace River Conference on the toolbar.

Staff Writer Naji Tobias can be reached at ntobias@newszap.com.



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More Swine Flu deaths are confirmed in Florida

Additional laboratory confirmed H1N1 Swine Flu deaths have been verified in that of the following: A 27-year-old female in Osceola County, a 28-year-old female in Hillsborough County, a 25-year-old female in Orange County, a 70-year-old female in Orange County, a 45-year-old female in Dade County, a 53-year-old male in Dade County, a 60-year-old male in Dade County, a 65-year-old male in Dade County, and a 53-year-old male in Lee County.

While most cases of H1N1 Swine Flu are mild, there are exceptions.

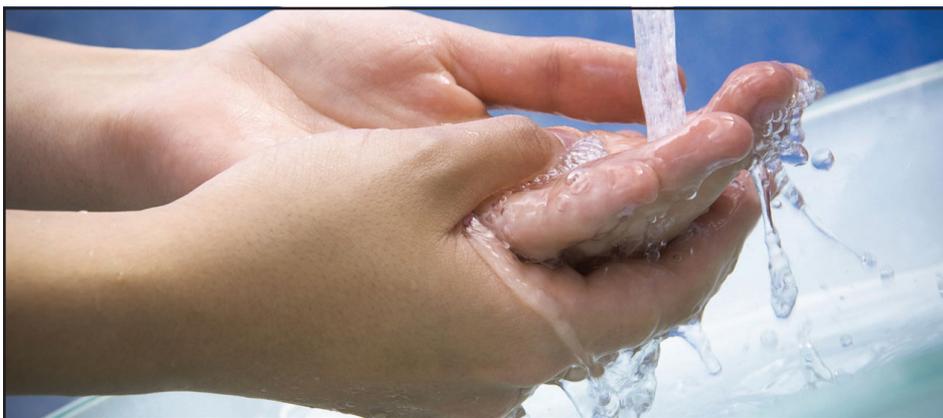
Pre-existing health conditions often play a role in how individuals react to the flu.

To-date, there have been 41 laboratory confirmed H1N1 Swine Flu deaths in Florida.

“Our hearts and prayers go out to the family and friends of these individuals,” said Surgeon General Dr. Ana Viamonte Ros.

“H1N1 Swine Flu, like seasonal flu, can in some circumstances be very serious, therefore, all of us should continue to adhere to good health practices including, stay home if sick, cover cough and sneeze, and wash hands frequently.”

All four Department of Health laboratories have received testing supplies from the Center for Diseases Control and can test samples to confirm H1N1 Swine Flu.



Photo/encntoday.com

Health professionals are encouraging everyone to wash their hands more frequently to lessen the spread of diseases like Swine Flu.

This testing capability allows the Department to expedite results as we no longer need to send probable cases to CDC laboratories.

The Department of Health continues enhanced surveillance and outreach to physicians, hospitals and other health care professionals.

The surveillance system, consisting of sentinel physicians, reporting influenza activity, DOH laboratories receiving specimens from physicians and hospitals and our ability to monitor emergency room cases and over-

the-counter drug sales is fully operational.

We have activated our response plan and are ready to respond if needed.

Department of Health continues its enhanced surveillance with a network of sentinel physician providers.

These providers send selected samples of laboratory specimens to state laboratories for testing if they have patients with influenza-like illness (ILI).

These physicians also continue to report weekly ILI cases to the Department of Health.

The World Health Organization (WHO) alert level is at Phase 6 “pandemic.”

The pandemic (WHO level 6) status is based on geographic distribution and not the severity of swine flu.

In effect the WHO is saying that swine flu H1N1 is now circulating world-wide.

The State Surgeon General provided these recommendations:

People with respiratory illness should stay home from work or school to avoid spreading infections, including influenza, to others in the community.

- Avoid close contact with people who are coughing or otherwise appear ill.

- Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

- Wash hands frequently to lessen the spread of respiratory illness.

People experiencing cough, fever and fatigue, possibly along with diarrhea and vomiting, should contact their physician.

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Adalberto Magana, III, 18

CLEWISTON — Adalberto Magana, III, age 18, of Clewiston, passed away Aug. 17, 2009, in Fort Myers.

He was born Oct. 6, 1990, in Pahokee, the son of Adalberto Magana, Jr. and Soledad Miranda.

He was a Security Officer working for his step-father's security company Padgett Security Company.

Survivors include: mother and stepfather, Soledad Miranda and Ronnie Padgett of Clewiston; father, Adalberto Magana Jr.; siblings, Starr Dowd of Clewiston, Brandon Padgett of Okeechobee, and Brandi Padgett of Jennings.

Mass of Christian Burial was held Wednesday, Aug. 19, in Saint Margaret's Catholic Church, 208 North Deane Duff, Clewiston, with Father Marcial Garcia as presider. Interment was Wednesday, Aug. 19, in Ridgelawn Cemetery, Clewiston. Visitation was Tuesday, Aug. 18, in Akin-Davis Funeral Home, Clewiston, Florida

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

Mary Ann Donaldson, 66

ORTONA — Mary Ann (Wilson) Donaldson, age 66, of Ortona, passed away Aug. 12, 2009, in Cape Coral.

She was born Sep. 28, 1942, in Piney Flats, Tenn., daughter of the late Forest Wilson and Ann (Burton) Wilson. Mary Ann moved to the area in 1986 from Tennessee. She worked as a correctional officer and retired in 2008 from the Hendry County Sheriff's Dept.

Survivors include her sons, Bill E. Donaldson of Ortona, Michael Donaldson (Zonda) of LaBelle; mother, Ann Wilson of Lehigh Acres; sisters, Martha Pastor (Kenneth) of Ohio, Carolyn Thomas of Kingsport, Tenn., Katie Wilson of Piney Flats, Tenn.; and granddaughter, Melody Donaldson. She was preceded in death by her husband, Edward W. Donaldson Jr. in 2000.

Funeral services will be 11 a.m., Saturday, Aug. 22, at Fort Denaud Cemetery, LaBelle with Troylene Hodges officiating. Interment will follow in Fort Denaud Cemetery, LaBelle.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.

Sharon Lee Chapman, 51

BELLE GLADE — Sharon Lee Chapman, age 51, of Belle Glade, passed away Aug. 13, 2009, in Belle Glade.

She was born Nov. 14, 1957, in Dayton, Ohio, the daughter of Bertha Collins. Sharon worked as a waitress but her real passion was caring for her family.

Survivors include her husband, William E. Chapman; three sons, Jimmy Pilon, Billy Cook, and Cornelius Elwood Chapman; three daughters, Chrissy Pilon, Jean Pilon, and Sue "Boobie" Crane; and one sister, Karen.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, Aug. 19, in Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston with Rev. Johnny Abercrombie officiating.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

A Minute of Health from the HCHD: Quit for your Family's Sake

By: Valarie L. James

Approximately one in five people in the U.S. still smoke, despite its well-known and highly publicized negative health effects, including cancer and heart disease.

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Arrest Report

This column lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Anyone who is listed here and who is later found not guilty, or has the charges against them dropped, is welcome to inform the newspaper. We will confirm the information and print it.

Alberto Ramos, 40



- Clewiston
- Nonmoving traffic violation - driving with a suspended license habitual offender

Arrested Aug. 13
Arresting officer was CPD Officer J. Pilon

J.C. Davis III, 28



- Clewiston
- Battery - felony battery resulting in bodily harm or disability

Arrested Aug. 9
Arresting officer was CPD Officer J. Pilon

Johnathan Cavazos, 18



- Clewiston
- Homicide: willful killing - murder not premeditated
- Damage property criminal mischief over \$1,000

Arrested August
Arresting officer was Deputy J. Soto

Kasey Ledbetter, 24



- Clewiston
- Larceny theft is \$300 to \$5,000
- Fraud - impersonation attempt - use of ID of another person without consent

Arrested Aug. 9
Arresting officer was CPD Officer T. Nieves

Scott Pagan, 30



- Clewiston
- Driving with a suspended/revoked license

Arrested Aug. 9
Arresting officer was FHP Trooper Williams

Jeffrey L. Westlake, 38



- Clewiston
- Crimes against a person - harming a public servant or family member
- Disorderly intoxication

Arrested August 16
CPD Officer Blackman was the arresting officer

Gloria J. Atkins, 44



- Clewiston
- Nonmoving traffic violation - driving with a suspended license habitual offender

Arrested Aug. 15
CPD Officer T. Gonzalez was the arresting officer

Omar Linus, 24



- Clewiston
- Possession of cocaine

Arrested Aug. 14
Arresting officer was CPD Sgt. Spence

Alvaro Vasquez, 43



No photo available

- Clewiston
- Battery - felony or domestic violence by strangulation

Arrested Aug. 7
Arresting officer was Deputy M. Qualls

Gabriel Cruz, 27



- Clewiston
- Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill

Arrested Aug. 16
CPD Officer Blackman was the arresting officer

Tony Schultz, 49



- Belle Glade
- Grand theft

Arrested August 14
No bond set for release

Stanley Rodriguez, 24



- Belle Glade
- Fraud - illegal use credit cards
- Burglary while armed
- Grand theft from a dwelling

Arrested August 13
No bond set for release

Shontisha Johnson, 17



- Belle Glade
- Violation of probation: battery on law enforcement officer, fire fighter or emt

Arrested August 18
Bond set for \$3,000

Rupert Barnett, 21



- Belle Glade
- Battery on police officer
- Possession of ecstasy
- Corruption by threat public official

Arrested August 12
No bond set for release

Nathaniel Jackson, 43



- Belle Glade
- Aggravated battery - person uses a deadly weapon

Arrested August 15
Released August 16 on \$3,000 bond

Illianna Jacques, 19



- Belle Glade
- Cruelty toward child - aggravated abuse

Arrested August 14
Released August 15 on \$2,000 bond

Fritzner Joseph, 21



- Belle Glade
- Assault with intent to commit a felony

Arrested August 13
No bond set for release

Cemuell A. Yarbrough, 33



- Belle Glade
- Possession of cocaine

Arrested August 16
No bond set

Andrea Edwards, 39



- Belle Glade
- Sale of cocaine within 1,000 feet of a place of worship or convenience
- Possession of cocaine
- TCATS operating while driver license revoked - habitual

Arrested August 12
No bond set for release

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Walk in the Past: The Treaty of Moultrie Creek

The day Seminoles relinquished 24 million acres to the United States Government

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum

La Florida became a United States territory when the Adams-Onis Treaty was drawn up in 1819.

In the terms of the treaty, 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 La Florida, a territory whose fertile lands awaited the southern settler's plows and grazing cattle.

To the Southern settlers, the purchase of Florida was indeed "Paradise" gained, but to its Indian and black inhabitants, Florida had become "Paradise Lost."

The Indian leaders knew they must now comply with the new government's demands, if there was to be peace between the Seminole Nation and the United States.

The signatures on the Adam-Onis Treaty's legal documents probably didn't have sufficient time to dry before the American representatives were asking the question, "What are we going to do with the Seminole Indians and blacks?"

The question was a valid, but very difficult one to answer because there were no short-term resolutions to the Indian and black problem in Florida.

In 1821, the United States became the guardian of over 5,000 Seminole Indians living in Florida.

Their villages were scattered across northern Florida and extended south to Tampa Bay.

However, most of the Seminoles lived

between the Suwannee River and Alachua, which was considered by some Americans as one of the richest and most valuable territories in Florida.

One of those Americans was William P. DuVal, who was appointed Governor of Florida in 1822.

He advocated whites should have the rich farmlands and that the Florida Seminoles be relocated to Alabama, where some of the Upper Creeks lived or further west to the Mississippi.

President James Monroe disagreed with DuVal's Indian Policy, but later started whistling a different tune when white settlers began pressuring him to remove the Indians from Florida.

In 1823, President Monroe recommended the Indians be removed from Florida or placed on reservations.

The lands out west hadn't been fully explored by the United States government, so Secretary of War Calhoun proposed that commissioners be appointed to negotiate with the Seminoles and obtain their agreement to move to lands south of Charlotte Harbor and Peace River.

Calhoun also granted the commissioners the authority to move the Indian land boundary as far north as Tampa Bay, if the lands south of Peace River were infertile.

Calhoun appointed James Gadson of South Carolina, Bernardo Suqui of Florida and William P. DuVal as the commissioners to negotiate with the Seminoles.

The area selected for the negotiations was on the north bank of Moultrie Creek, which was about five miles from St. Augustine.

Approximately 425 Seminoles traveled from villages as far away as 300 miles to attend the negotiations.

A temporary shelter was constructed for the negotiations that lasted two weeks.

The Seminole leader, Neamathla, who had fought against Andrew Jackson in the First Seminole Indian War, stated that he was willing to move on a reservation, but

pointed out that the lands south of Peace River weren't fertile.

The reservation boundaries were enlarged and extended north of the Peace River to Ocala.

The final negotiations resulted in a Seminole Indian reservation that would later be increased to 5,865,000 acres in 1827.

An amendment was also made to the original draft, so that Neamathla and several other chiefs could continue to live in their villages along the Apalachicola River in North Florida.

The Treaty of Moultrie Creek was signed in 1823 by thirty-two Seminoles and three United States representatives.

The ten article treaty called for the Seminoles to relinquish nearly 24 million acres, which the American government could sell to white settlers for \$1.25 an acre.

In return the Seminoles were allowed to stay in Florida on the lands designated as Indian Reservations.

The larger, central reservation (5,865,000) boundaries stopped just north of present day Ocala and extended south of Tampa Bay.

Coastal boundaries restricted the reservation inland 15 miles on the west coast and 20 miles inland on the east coast.

These inland boundaries were established to discourage the Cubans from trading arms and ammunition with the Seminoles.

The Seminoles would be paid an annuity of \$5,000 for the next twenty years, food supplies for a year, plus provisions for a school, farming implements, livestock, and

other domestic improvements.

An American military post would be established on Tampa Bay to stop the Cubans from trading with the Indians.

A fort was built in 1824 on the banks of the Hillsborough River, which flowed into Tampa Bay.

The fort was later named Ft. Brooke, after its commander Colonel George M. Brooke.

The Treaty of Moultrie Creek took lands from the Seminoles and placed them on reservations that graphically divided them.

White encroachment and restricted reservations would lead to frictions between the Seminole Nation and white settlers.

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.

Its theater has a 65-seat capacity and presents movies on the history of Clewiston, sugar cane harvesting, and the orange industry.

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Neamathla, a Seminole, was willing to move his people to reservations, but expressed that some lands were not fertile.



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Teens getting behind the wheel

By Pat Dobbins R.N., M.S./H.S.A.

Ah! Getting behind the wheel -- that magical feeling of freedom!

Teenagers can hardly wait to get behind the wheel for the very first time but parents tend to have mixed feelings.

Reaching teens with any kind of message is a difficult challenge for parents.

Parents are relieved that they don't have to always be the chauffer, but worry about their teen's safety.

Parents need to "practice what they preach."

Teens are more likely to wear a seatbelt, follow the rules of the road, and be a calm and courteous driver if they see you doing the same.

Teens need to remember that driving is

a privilege, not a right, and not all teens are ready to drive even when the law says they can.

Just because a teen has a permit, doesn't mean they are ready for every driving condition.

Most crashes involving teen drivers include one of the following factors: Nighttime driving, speeding, teen passengers, weather conditions, reckless driving, inexperience, and alcohol.

Motor vehicle crashes are the number-one cause of death among American teens and sixty-five percent of teen passenger deaths happen when another teenager is driving!

Over 5,000 teens die each year in car crashes!

That's over 13 teens per day!

The best thing a parent can do is to start teaching children at a young age about safe driving and then once the teen has a permit, let them practice-practice-practice!

Ultimately, the teen will have to make decisions about their driving habits, but it's up to parents to be role models and enforce rules to encourage safe driving.

Ask your insurance agent or the local department of motor vehicles for more information on teen driving and remember to buckle up!

Patricia Dobbins is the Administrator for the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments.



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Parents should start teaching their children the importance of driving safely.

Volunteers help new parents calm their babies

By Judy Paskvan

As a result of a partnership between the United Way, Christ the King Lutheran Church volunteers and the Hendry County Health Department-Healthy Families Program, new parents will receive parenting training and a free swaddling blanket for their new baby.

Volunteers from Christ the King Lutheran Church in LaBelle are making 41" x 41" swaddling blankets from materials being supplied by funding from the United Way.

Healthy Families' home visitors will teach

new moms and dads how to swaddle their newborns using the techniques discussed by Dr. Harvey Karp in the Happiest Baby on the Block video.

Swaddling is a technique used by parents to help calm fussy newborn babies.

Healthy Families is a program of Hendry County Health Department.

To find out more about home visiting services or a presentation from Healthy Families staff, call 863-674-4041 ext 149.

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Golden minutes: Aeromed Medical transport

Aeromed fills need in area

By **Patty Brant**
INI Florida

Medical air transports are all about speed; getting a critical patient to the best medical care possible from a remote location.

Now with a permanent base at LaBelle Airport Aeromed, out of Tampa General Hospital, is covering calls in Hendry-Glades and in Charlotte County. They also have a mutual aid agreement with Lee and Collier counties.

Beginning last May 1, the company embarked on a shared risk program: Aeromed handles the medical crew and dispatching, while Air Methods Corporation provides the aircraft, pilot and mechanics.

According to Public Safety Director Randy Bengston, the partnership has thus far been "outstanding," Mr. Bengston has a unique perspective on Aeromed, both as a long time emergency medical professional and as a former patient. It was an Aeromed team that transported him in an emergency situation about a year ago. In addition to excellent medical care in flight, he said the crew's report to the doctors at the hospital was very professional. Mr. Bengston quickly adds that it's not his status as the county's top emergency officer that earned this treatment. "Everybody says the same thing," he assures you. It's just the standard Aeromed performance.

"Aeromed offers another option for patients," Mr. Bengston said. Hendry County also uses air flight transports out of Lee, Collier, Martin counties and Miami on occasion, depending on availability. However, having Aeromed located in LaBelle expedites patient care.

Dubbed Aeromed 5, the LaBelle Airport station joins four other Aeromed sites: Tampa, Sebring, Wildwood and Bartow.

Chief Flight Nurse Dan Kresge heads up crews that pair up a nurse/paramedic like himself with a paramedic. They typically work 24-hour shifts. The mobile home beside the Aeromed hangar provides a home away from home for the medical crew. A pilot, working a 12-hour shift, rounds out the team.

Mechanics work regular shifts, keeping the 40' twin engine EC 135 helicopter that

is the workhorse of the operation in good repair. The \$3.5 million machine averages about 30 hours flying time per month. That may not sound like a lot, but those hours represent critical minutes when a life is in the balance.

Aeromed requires five years critical experience for RNs and for paramedics in an Emergency Medical Services position. Dan said Aeromed medical crews average ten years experience per member. Most Aeromed pilots were military trained with an average flight time of some 6,000 hours.

Pilot John Barber said the biggest difference in flying medical transport is that they're landing on roads or off-road areas that are not as controlled as an airport.

Dan explains what happens when a call comes through. A Hendry County ambulance team arrives at the scene and concludes that they need a helicopter transport. They call their dispatcher, who calls the Aeromed dispatcher and a team takes off. Using GPS coordinates, the flight team contacts the local crew at the landing zone.

The local fire department team at the scene sets up the landing zone and secures it by clearing the ground. The LZ is usually marked with a strobe light at night or cones by day.

At the scene, the Aeromed team assesses the patient. Trauma victims are usually taken to Lee Memorial - about a 15 minute flight from Hendry County.

According to Mr. Bengston, there are 47 established landing zones in Hendry County although several, including Pioneer Shell, Southern Gardens, Airglades and the LaBelle Airport are primary locations.

Pilot John Barber began as a helicopter pilot in Viet Nam in 1971. He said he's "amazed at what they do in the back," especially when you consider the jostling that can happen in the air.

John said, from a pilot's perspective, the worst calls are usually at night in marginal weather. Dan said the biggest medical challenge is usually a trauma alert or big car crash. "Nobody likes pediatric calls," he said, "but we're glad we're there." Burns are tough, too, he added.

Paramedic Noah Connell has six years experience in the medical field. He's been on the job with Aeromed for three months. He also works on the Seminole Tribe Fire

Department at Brighton Reservation.

When not on a call, the team stays busy with routine education and daily duties.

Dan helped set up Aeromed 3 and 4 and understands the need to develop close relationships with the local fire departments. He wanted to thank Hendry County Fire/EMS for the red carpet they've rolled out for Aeromed and the smooth incorporation of its services into the county.

Patients are billed for the service. Mr. Bengston said all the county had to provide was a certificate of need. In fact, Aeromed rents the doublewide trailer at the airport for its personnel, along with half of the Fixed

Base Operator hangar and office space. They also purchase fuel from the county. Altogether, it's a "win-win" situation for the county, Mr. Bengston said.

Tom Vaughan, manager for both the LaBelle Airport and Airglades, echoes that statement. "They're being here is a good benefit from an economic standpoint in addition to providing a service for the community," he said adding that, with this economic downturn, they help make up for the loss in income from general aviation.

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From left: pilot John Barber, Chief Flight Nurse Dan Kresge and paramedic Noah Connell with their Airmed helicopter.



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CES fourth-grade honor roll

Central Elementary's fourth-grade year-long honor roll students during the recent awards assembly. Congratulations to all fourth-grade honor roll students!



Submitted photo/Don Munch

CES fourth-grade high achievers

Central Elementary fourth-grade students who were honored for their high academic achievements. Congratulations to these students!



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CES fifth-grade high achievers

Central Elementary fifth-grade students who were honored for their year-long honor roll and high academic achievements. Congratulations to these students, and best wishes to all of the fifth-grade students as they move on to the Middle School!

School Happenings

Clewiston Middle School

Advisory Council

Clewiston Middle School will be holding its first School Council Meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 25 at 5:15 p.m. in the conference room of the administration building. All interested are encouraged and welcome to attend.



La primera junta del Consejo Escolar sera el martes, 25 de agosto a la 5:15 p.m. en el Salon de Conferencia. Todos interesados estan bienvenidos a asistir.

Open House

Open House for Clewiston Middle School students will be held on Thursday, Aug. 20 at 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Central Elementary School

Welcome back, teachers, staff, and students! We hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable summer. Thank you again for everyone's hard work during the 2008-2009 school year. We look forward to a successful 2009-2010 school year at Central!



Our schedule:

- CES Open House: Thursday, Aug. 20 - 5:30 to 7 p.m.
- Students Return: Monday, Aug. 24

Clewiston High School

Freshman Orientation



Freshman orientation will be held on Thursday, Aug. 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. 24 - First day of school for PreK3 and PreK4
- Aug. 27 - Parent Teacher Orientation for PreK - Eighth 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.



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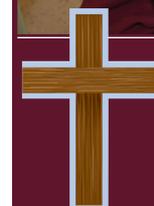
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IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY Case #: 2008-CA-001180

U.S. Bank N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of MASTR Asset Backed Securities Trust, 2006-AM1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AM1, Plaintiff, vs. Jose Dominguez Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 6, 2009, entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-001180 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein U.S. Bank N.A., as Trustee for the registered holders of MASTR Asset Backed Securities Trust, 2006-AM1, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-AM1, Plaintiff and Jose Dominguez are defendant(s). 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 Sept. 9, 2009 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

BLOCK C, LOT 3, OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER. ALSO KNOWN AS PIONEER PLANTATION.

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.

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 25 EAST HICKPOCHEE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935 WITHIN 2 WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE OF SALE; IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED CALL: 1-800-955-8771; IF YOU ARE VOICE IMPAIRED CALL: 1-800-955-8770. DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 10th 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 08-107450 330635 CN 8/20,27/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY Case #: 2009-CA-000741

Taylor, Bean & Whitaker Mortgage Corp., Plaintiff, vs. Arnold Ellington; Mary A. Ellington a/k/a Mary Ellington; Robert C. Howarth; Financial Independent Services, Corp. d/b/a Financial Independence Services Corp.; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; If living and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants, Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY TO: Robert C. Howarth ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT ADDRESS LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 1160 Tampa Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440

Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendant(s), if either has remarried and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action has been commenced to foreclose a mortgage on the following real property, being and being situated in Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTH-EAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS LOT 1, BLOCK L, PIONEER PLANTATION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION.

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN YEAR: 1984, MAKE: GREEN, VIN#FLF2AE193205795 AND VIN#SF1L2BE193205795, MANUFACTURED HOME, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS, AS SUCH IT IS DEEMED TO BE A FIXTURE AND A PART OF THE REAL ESTATE.

more commonly known as 1160 Tampa Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440.

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 10004 N. Dale Mabry Highway, Suite 112, Tampa, FL 33618, within thirty (30) days after 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 the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 11th day of August, 2009.

BARBARA S. BUTLER Circuit and County Courts

By: /s/ D. HAMMOND Deputy Clerk

330478 CN 8/20,27/09

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY CONSTRUCTION LICENSING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Construction Licensing Board will hold a meeting Thursday, August 27, 2009 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse Commission Chambers, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, Labelle, Florida. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made 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. 330808 CB/CN 8/20/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2008-CA-000259

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2006-6 Plaintiff vs. VILMA MESA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF VILMA MESA; MISAEEL QUINTANA A/K/A MISAEEL QUINTAGNA; UNKNOWN PESON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; Defendants

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated August 4, 2009, and entered in Case No. 2008-CA-000259, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER NOVASTAR MORTGAGE FUNDING TRUST, SERIES 2006-6 is Plaintiff and VILMA MESA; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF VILMA MESA; MISAEEL QUINTANA A/K/A MISAEEL QUINTAGNA; UNKNOWN PESON(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at THE FRONT STEPS OF THE COURTHOUSE, AT 500 AVENUE J., MOORE HAVEN IN GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, at 11:00 a.m., on the 17th day of Sept., 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

EXHIBIT "A" A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE NORTHERLY EXTENSION OF LOT 3, BETWEEN THE MEANDER LINE OF LAKE OKEECHOBEE AND THE PRESENT RIGHT-FOY-WAY OF HOOVER DIKE IN FRACTIONAL SECTION 12, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

COMMENCING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 12; THENCE SOUTH 89°26'07" WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH BOUNDARY LINE OF SAID SECTION 12, A DISTANCE OF 988.32 FEET TO AN INTERSECTION WITH THE SOUTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 3 (SOUTH FLORIDA FARMS COMPANY SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST HALF OF SECTION 12); THENCE NORTH 00°02'38" EAST ALONG SAID WEST BOUNDARY OF LOT 3, A DISTANCE OF 2844.02 FEET TO AN INTERSECTION WITH THE MEANDER LINE OF LAKE OKEECHOBEE AND THE POINT-OF-BEGINNING OF THE DESCRIPTION; THENCE SOUTH 36°50'44" EAST ALONG SAID MEANDER LINE, A DISTANCE OF 466.50 FEET TO A COUNTY ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY; THENCE SOUTH 74°44'50" EAST ALONG SAID ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY A DISTANCE OF 25.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°02'38" EAST A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 74°44'50" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 11.97 FEET; THENCE NORTH 36°50'44" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 192.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°02'38" EAST A DISTANCE OF 627.44 FEET TO THE PRESENT SOUTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF HOOVER DIKE; THENCE NORTH 58°39'41" WEST ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HOOVER DIKE A DISTANCE OF 15.02 FEET; THENCE NORTH 69°39'41" WEST CONTINUING ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY OF HOOVER DIKE, A DISTANCE OF 174.06 FEET TO AN INTERSECTION WITH THE NORTHERLY EXTENSION OF THE SAID WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF LOT 3; THENCE SOUTH 00°02'38" WEST ALONG SAID EXTENSION OF THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF LOT 3; THENCE SOUTH 00°02'38" WEST ALONG SAID EXTENSION OF THE WEST BOUNDARY LINE OF LOT 3 A DISTANCE OF 490.36 FEET TO THE SAID POINT-OF-BEGINNING OF THIS DESCRIPTION.

A person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim with 60 days after the sale. Dated this 13th day of Aug., 2009.

JOE FLINT As Clerk of said Court By /s/ Jennifer Bevis As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2.065. In accordance with Title Americans with Disabilities Act, if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 25 East Hickpochee LaBelle, FL 33935, Phone 941-335-2299 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services) Kahane & Associates, P.A. 8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000 Plantation, FL 33324 Telephone: (954) 382-3486 Telefacsimile: (954) 382-5380 330818 CGS 8/20,27/2009

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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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Janet B. Taylor, Chair Board of County Commissioners 330032 CB/CN 8/13,20,27/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 09-CA-062770

TRISAIL CAPITAL CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. AIRPORT TECHNOLOGY CENTER, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, Defendants.

NOTICE OF CLERK'S FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT I, Charlie Green, Clerk of Court, will offer the following described property for sale in Lee County, Florida:

[See Exhibit A]

I WILL SELL said property to the highest and best bidder for cash at public sale on September 4, 2009, at 11 a.m. at the Lee County Justice Center, 2nd Floor Lobby, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the Circuit Court of Lee County, Florida on August 5, 2009, in the above-referenced action, wherein TRISAIL CAPITAL CORPORATION, is Plaintiff and AIRPORT TECHNOLOGY CENTER, LLC is Defendant.

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: August 10, 2009

Charlie Green, Clerk of Court Lee County, Florida Deputy Clerk of Court

Legal Description

A PARCEL OF LAND BEING A PART OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 46 SOUTH, RANGE 25 EAST, LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 2; THENCE NORTH 01°02'30" WEST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 2, A DISTANCE OF 50.00 FEET TO A POINT AT THE NORTH RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF ALICO ROAD (BEING 75 FEET FROM THE CENTERLINE); THENCE SOUTH 89°42'18" EAST ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 2009.62 FEET TO A POINT AT THE EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF BEN HILL GRIFFIN PARKWAY EXTENDED SOUTH; THENCE NORTH 00°17'32" WEST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE (BEING 89 FEET FROM THE CENTERLINE), A DISTANCE OF 650.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89°42'18" WEST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 14.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 00°17'32" EAST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE (BEING 75 FEET FROM THE CENTERLINE), A DISTANCE OF 232.03 FEET TO A POINT OF A CURVE, THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE LEFT AND ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, HAVING A RADIUS OF 6074.11 FEET, A DELTA OF 0°37'29", A CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 01°01'13" WEST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 278.24 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 278.27 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 6074.11 FEET, A DELTA OF 01°13'31", A CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 09°56'43" WEST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 1609.33 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 1614.07 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE NORTH 17°33'28" WEST ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 215.06 FEET TO A POINT OF A CURVE; THENCE NORTHERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE RIGHT AND ALONG SAID EASTERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE, HAVING A RADIUS OF 5921.30 FEET, A DELTA OF 14°19'53", A CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 10°23'31" WEST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 1477.25 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 1481.10 FEET; THENCE NORTH 88°10'29" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 284.09 FEET TO A POINT OF A CURVE; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE LEFT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 200.00 FEET, A DELTA OF 28°16'48", A CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 74°02'05" EAST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 97.72 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 98.72 FEET TO A POINT OF A REVERSE CURVE; THENCE EASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 500.00 FEET, A DELTA OF 29°22'52", A CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 74°35'07" EAST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 253.60 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 256.40 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE NORTH 89°16'33" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 485.00 FEET TO A POINT OF A CURVE; THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY ALONG SAID CURVE TO THE RIGHT, HAVING A RADIUS OF 150.00 FEET, A DELTA OF 42°55'58", A CHORD BEARING OF SOUTH 69°15'28" EAST, A CHORD DISTANCE OF 109.79 FEET, AN ARC DISTANCE OF 112.40 FEET TO THE POINT OF TANGENCY; THENCE SOUTH 47°47'29" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 1173.34 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 47°42'24" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 43.29 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 42°19'00" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 53.14 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 59°59'03" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 48.88 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 66°58'27" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 53.76 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 54°46'55" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 58.27 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 63°09'23" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 47.90 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 58°13'25" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 41.25 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 24°48'03" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 28.87 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 34°02'32" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 51.14 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 27°27'05" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 36.70 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 21°57'19" EAST, A DISTANCE OF 31.98 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE THAT IS PERPENDICULAR TO THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 00°17'42" WEST ALONG SAID PERPENDICULAR LINE, A DISTANCE OF 1993.58 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE THAT IS PARALLEL TO SAID SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 2; THENCE NORTH 89°42'18" WEST ALONG SAID PARALLEL LINE, A DISTANCE OF 284.83 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 32°02'12" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 302.93 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE THAT IS PERPENDICULAR TO SAID SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 2; THENCE SOUTH 00°17'42" WEST ALONG SAID PERPENDICULAR LINE, A DISTANCE OF 404.68 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 32°02'12" WEST, A DISTANCE OF 309.16 FEET TO A POINT ON A LINE THAT IS PARALLEL TO SAID SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 2; THENCE NORTH 89°42'18" WEST ALONG SAID PARALLEL LINE, A DISTANCE OF 416.89 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

SAID PARCEL 1 NOW KNOWN AS THE PLAT OF MERIDIAN CENTER RECORDED IN INSTRUMENT NO. 2008000146054, PUBLIC RECORDS OF LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

PARCEL 2:

A PARCEL OF LAND LYING IN SECTION 33, TOWNSHIP 45 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

COMMENCE AT A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 45 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 32, NORTH 87°09'57" EAST, 5.295.01 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 32; THENCE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SECTION 33, NORTH 87°10'30" EAST, 129.70 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE NORTH 01°16'46" WEST 341.52 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE NORTH 06°41'06" EAST, 2225.74 FEET; THENCE NORTH 87°10'30" EAST, 3352.64 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE SOUTH 15°58'14" WEST, 945.57 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT; THENCE SOUTH 27°06'05" WEST, 1893.92 FEET TO A CONCRETE MONUMENT MARKING AN INTERSECTION WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED SOUTH LINE OF SECTION 33; THENCE ALONG SAID SOUTH LINE, SOUTH 87°10'30" WEST, 2,480.07 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR LEE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 09-CA-062770

TRISAIL CAPITAL CORPORATION, Plaintiff, vs. AIRPORT TECHNOLOGY CENTER, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, Defendants.

NOTICE OF CLERK'S FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT I, Charlie Green, Clerk of Court, will offer the following described property for sale in Lee County, Florida:

[See Exhibit A]

I WILL SELL said property to the highest and best bidder for cash at public sale on September 4, 2009, at 11 a.m. at the Lee County Justice Center, 2nd Floor Lobby, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered by the Circuit Court of Lee County, Florida on August 5, 2009, in the above-referenced action, wherein TRISAIL CAPITAL CORPORATION, is Plaintiff and AIRPORT TECHNOLOGY CENTER, LLC is Defendant.

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: August 10, 2009

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, v. CASE NO. 09-5681-CA RICHARD SAWICKI a/k/a RICHARD J. SAWICKI, RAIN TREE VILLAGE UNIT 53 PROPERTY OWNER'S 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.

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" East, 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.

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 date 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 OF COURT COLLIER COUNTY, FLORIDA

Attorneys for Plaintiff: L. Geoffrey Young, Esquire Florida Bar No. 188763 Christy S. Berks, Esquire Florida Bar No. 718211 Ruden, McClosky, Smith, Schuster & Russell, P.A. 150 Second Avenue North, 17th Floor St. Petersburg, FL 33701 Telephone: 727-502-8250 / Facsimile: 727-502-8950 329911 CN 8/13/20/09

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF BELLE GLADE WILL ACCEPT BIDS FOR THE LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, APPROXIMATELY 15+ ACRES LOCATED JUST SOUTH OF OKEECHOBEE CENTER, BELLE GLADE, FLORIDA IN SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 37, PALM BEACH COUNTY.

ALL DETAILS AND SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED AT THE AUTHORITY'S ADMINISTRATION OFFICE IN OSCEOLA CENTER, 1204 N W AVENUE L TERRACE, BELLE GLADE, FL.

ALL BIDS SHOULD BE SEALED AND CLEARLY MARKED AND MUST BE DELIVERED TO THE AUTHORITY'S OFFICE NO LATER THAN 12:00 NOON ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 27, 2009.

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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, Clewiston, FL 33440

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 By: R. DeLa Cruz Deputy Clerk 328618 CN 7/30/8/6,13,20/09

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, Case #: 2008-CA-001297

CitiBank, N.A., as Trustee for WaMu Series 2007-HE4 Trust Plaintiff,

v. Viviano T. Briones a/k/a Viviano T. Briones and Maria G. Briones, Husband and Wife; United States of America, Department of Treasury; State of Florida, Department of Revenue; Ford Motor Credit Company, Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order rescheduling foreclosure sale dated Aug. 6, 2009 entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-001297 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein CitiBank, N.A., as Trustee for WaMu Series 2007-HE4 Trust, Plaintiff and Viviano T. Briones a/k/a Viviano T. Briones and Maria G. Briones, Husband and Wife are defendant(s), 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 September 9, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

THE EAST 125 FEET OF OUT LOT 2, OF A REVISION OF STEWART'S SUBDIVISION OF BLOCKS 15, 33 AND 34, OF GOODNO'S SUBDIVISION OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 65, 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.

DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 10th 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 & FISHPAN, LLP 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112 Tampa, Florida 33618 08-107450 (813) 880-8888 330533 CN 8/20,27/09

Public Notice

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; Filiberto 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(s), 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 SHAPIRO & FISHPAN, LLP 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112 Tampa, Florida 33618 (813) 880-8888 324705 CN 6/25;7/2/09

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

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, Case #: 2008-CA-000924

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for ABFC 2006-0PT3 Trust, ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-0PT3, Plaintiff, -vs- Federico Perez and Maria Anita Perez, Husband and Wife; Fort La Belle Unit Four Property Homeowner's Association, Inc.; Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated July 31, 2009, entered in Civil Case No. 2008-CA-000924 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., as Trustee for ABFC 2006-0PT3 Trust, ABFC Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-0PT3, Plaintiff and Federico Perez and Maria Anita Perez (SSN: XX-4245), Husband and Wife are defendant(s), 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 September 2, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 1, BLOCK 2167, PORT LABELLE, UNIT 4, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, 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.

DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 7th 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 & FISHPAN, LLP 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112 Tampa, Florida 33618 08-107450 330241 CN 8/20,27/09

Public Notice

NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

You are hereby notified that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the Central County Conference Room at 475 S. Cabbage Palm St., Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing herein referred to he or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. 330174 CN 8/20/09

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With school year beginning, preparing for Swine Flu

Hendry and Glades Counties - As schools begin the 2009/10 school year, the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments are working with the Hendry and Glades County School Districts in making preparation for what health officials say will be the next wave of H1N1 (Swine) Flu cases.

"The partnership between the health departments and the schools is essential in preparing for the H1N1/Swine Flu and the seasonal flu season. We also request that parents join us in the promotion of good hand washing and other healthy habits. The most important thing we can ask parents is to please keep their child home from school if they are sick" said Pat Dobbins, R.N., M.S./H.S.A., Administrator for the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments.

The following steps have been put in place to address H1N1 (Swine) Flu concerns during the 2009/10 school year:

- Increased awareness by school staff to identify students exhibiting flu-like symptoms;

- Custodial duties - increased focus and frequency of cleaning commonly touched areas such as doorknobs, computer key boards, light switches, handrails, etc.

- Students with flu-like symptoms will be sent to the school's office for evaluation by a Clinic Assistant and/or School Nurse.

- Clinic Assistant and/or School Nurse will determine if a sick child should be isolated due to their symptoms (Schools will identify an area where students can be isolated from general student body).

- Parents/guardians of the isolated students will be contacted and requested to pick up their child as soon as possible.

- Students with influenza-like illness must remain at home for at least 24 hours after their fever has completely gone away (some medicines can reduce fever, but the child may still need to stay home)(A fever is a temperature which is higher than 100

degrees).

- If the child's symptoms continue or get worse, parents should seek medical care from their health care provider.

- Students will be allowed to use hand sanitizers at school under the supervision of adults.

- Hendry and Glades County Health Departments and Hendry and Glades County School Districts will continue to work closely together monitoring and evaluating the situation to determine if any additional steps or actions are necessary.

In addition, the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments and the Hendry and Glades County School Districts want to stress the following actions to help minimize the affects of the anticipated wave of H1N1/Swine Flu cases to our communities:

- **Stay at home:** If you or your children

are sick, stay at home at least 24 hours after your fever has completely gone away.

- If symptoms continue or get worse, please see your health care provider.

- **Cover Your Cough:** You should cough or sneeze into a tissue (and throw that tissue away) or sneeze into the bend in your elbow to avoid contaminating your hands.

- **Wash Your Hands:** Vigorous hand washing with soap and water for twenty seconds however, if soap and water are not available, please use an approved hand sanitizer.

- **Avoid:** Avoid close contact with people who are coughing or otherwise appear sick.

- **Don't Touch:** Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth.

Religion briefs

Moore Haven

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 863-532-8314 or by e-mail 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.

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Clewiston

Back to school party at First Christian

First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco Street, will be having a "Back To School" party for the youth of the community.

The party will take place Sunday, Aug. 23, beginning at 5 p.m.

There will be games, door prizes, free school supplies and refreshments for all pre-school and school age young people.

Julius and Lisa Castellanos will be in charge of the games.

Jean Rush will be in charge of refreshments, that include pizza, cup cakes and soft drink.

The new youth minister and wife, Artie and Dora Carnes, will be introduced. They will be in charge of the program and music.

Every young person will receive a free bag of school supplies!

For further information you may call the Evangelist, Jackie Miller, at 863-983-1804 or 863-983-6704.

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.



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Six simple steps to prepare for severe weather

- Create a family disaster plan – The Department of Commerce (DOC) recommends that families create a disaster plan that they practice and maintain. The DOC suggests the plan include instructions for evacuations, health emergencies, safety, loss of water, gas, electricity and/or telephone.

- Know the difference between watch and warning – A severe weather WATCH means conditions are possible in the specified area usually within 36 hours. A severe weather WARNING means conditions are expected in the specified area within 24 hours.

- Inspect home and yard for potential hazards – The Home Safety Council (HSC) advises homeowners to remove outdoor items such as lawn furniture and trash cans as they may become airborne during a severe storm. It also is important to trim or cut down weak trees and branches which are easily broken off by high winds and may damage a home. Severe weather can bring intense rainfall. The HSC recommends homeowners keep rain gutters, outside stairwells, window wells, drain lines and down spouts clear to prevent flooding.

- Secure backup power – Flashlights cannot power refrigerators or life-saving medical equipment and candles are dangerous. The only way to ensure access to power when a power outage occurs is to install an automatic standby generator. The American Red Cross suggests that for power outages, permanently installed stationary generators are better suited for providing backup power to the home than portable generators.

- Protect your home's openings – The National Institute for Business and Home Safety (IBHS) lists the protection of openings as one of the most important precautions homeowners can take to improve the chance their home will survive a storm. Openings include all windows, entry doors, sliding glass doors, garage doors and gable end vents.

- Check your insurance policy – Most homeowner policies do not cover damage from flooding that may result from a hurricane or severe weather. Ask an insurance agent or emergency management office for information about the National Flood Insurance Program or other flood insurance programs.

Phosphorus reduction passes quality requirement



Stormwater Treatment Areas treat water before it enters the Everglades, ridding it of phosphorus agents.

Photo/sfwmd.gov

West Palm Beach, FL - For the 14th consecutive year, water flowing out of the farmlands in the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) and into the Everglades achieved phosphorus reductions that were again better than the 25 percent reduction required by law.

With the continued implementation of improved farming techniques, results for the 2009 monitoring period show a 68 percent phosphorus reduction in the 500,000-acre EAA farming region south of Lake Okeechobee.

"The region's agricultural community has continually strengthened its commitment to protecting and improving South Florida's ecosystems," said SFWMD Governing Board Chair Eric Buermann.

"The solid performance record and continued commitment will serve to further improve water quality."

Phosphorus reductions were largely achieved through Best Management Practices, or BMPs.

BMPs are improved ways of farming — all with the goal of improving water quality.

In the EAA, the most commonly used BMPs are improved fertilizer application, improved stormwater pumping practices and erosion controls to reduce the amount of phosphorus discharge to the Everglades and connected water bodies.

Phosphorus can harm the Everglades ecosystem when stormwater runoff carries excess amounts into the protected wetlands.

To meet the requirements of Florida's Everglades Forever Act, the amount of phosphorus leaving the EAA must be 25 percent less than before phosphorus-reduction efforts started.

Data for the 2009 annual monitoring period show that a 68-percent phosphorus reduction was achieved this year.

The average reduction from the implementation of BMPs over the program's 14-year history is 54 percent, more than twice

the amount required by law.

When measured in actual mass, 278 metric tons of phosphorus were prevented from entering the regional canal system, which sends water into the Everglades, during the monitoring period from May 1, 2008, to April 30, 2009.

Over the past 14 years, the BMP program kept approximately 2,000 metric tons of phosphorus out of the Everglades.

Together with best farming practices, water leaving the EAA receives additional treatment in one of several Stormwater Treatment Areas (STAs) before entering the Everglades.

These wetlands — constructed by the SFWMD — are filled with native vegetation and use "green" technology to further reduce phosphorus levels.

Since 1994, STAs south of Lake Okeechobee — with a combined area of more than 52,000 acres — have retained more than 1,200 metric tons of phosphorus that would have otherwise entered the Everglades.

The latest data indicate that through treatment wetlands and the BMP program, more than 3,200 metric tons of phosphorus have been prevented from entering the Everglades.

Overall, Florida has invested more than \$1.8 billion to improve Everglades water quality since 1994.

While the EAA continues to meet its targets, work is continuing to improve water quality in the C-139 Basin, approximately 170,000 acres of primarily pasture land, row crops, citrus and sugarcane located west of the EAA.

Unlike the EAA, the predominantly sandy soils and gravity drainage within the C-139 Basin present unique challenges to achieving nutrient reductions.

While the C-139 Basin achieved phosphorus reduction goals in 2008, results for Water Year 2009 (May 1, 2008 – April 30, 2009) indicate the basin fell short of targets in the Everglades Forever Act. A BMP pro-

gram has been in place for seven years in the C-139 Basin.

The District is currently expanding several water quality improvement projects to further enhance its water cleaning efforts:

- The SFWMD Governing Board approved a 4,656-acre expansion of treatment wetlands in southeast Hendry County. Construction of "Compartment C," a \$47.5 million investment in restoration, will connect two existing Stormwater Treatment Areas (STA-5 and STA-6) in the EAA and more than double water treatment capability at the site.

- The renovation of Stormwater Treatment Area 5 in Hendry County is enhancing plant growth and water movement through the 8,000-acre treatment marsh.

District crews moved 407,270 cubic yards of soil in STA-5, shaping the land surface more evenly so that a larger area of wetland vegetation can improve the treatment area's ability to remove phosphorus from Everglades-bound waters.

The District's historic plan to purchase land from the U.S. Sugar Corporation represents the next step in improving Everglades water quality, complementing the BMP program with a managed system of storage and treatment to protect Florida's coastal estuaries and to better revive, restore and preserve the fabled River of Grass.

Environmental benefits include:

- Increasing water storage to reduce harmful freshwater discharges from Lake Okeechobee to Florida's coastal rivers and estuaries.

- Improving delivery of cleaner water to the Everglades.

- Preventing tons of phosphorus from entering the Everglades.

- Eliminating the need for "back-pumping" water into Lake Okeechobee.

For more information on the SFWMD's water quality improvement initiatives, please see Just the Facts: Progress in Everglades Water Quality Improvements [PDF].

Religious columns

Lord of all Creation

By Pastor John Hicks

First United Methodist Church

God's wisdom is seen in the making of the elephant.

The four legs of the elephant all bend forward in the same direction.

No other quadruped is so made.

Because of this, elephants, with their great mass, can rise up from a prone position.

Horses rise up from the ground on their two front legs first.

Cows rise from the ground first by their hind legs.

It's amazing how our Creator God has put everything together.

Watermelons have an even number of stripes on them.

Oranges have an even number of segments.

An ear of corn has an even number of rows, and each stalk of wheat has an even number of grains.

Every bunch of bananas has an even number of bananas, and each row decreases by one.

And I've been told that ocean waves roll in on shore twenty-six per minute in all kinds of weather.

Looking around, we can see God in all creation, and realize even more fully that our Lord has an order for His creation so that it will carry out plans and purposes.

How great it is to think about the way our Creator God planned everything so carefully, everything with a plan.

God is all around us, evidenced in His creation.

It brings to mind the words of the great hymn; "O Lord, my God, when I in awe-some wonder, consider all the worlds Thy hands have made, I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, Thy power throughout the universe displayed.... When through the woods and forest glades I wander, and hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.... Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee; How Great Thou art, how great Thou art!"

"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—His eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse." Romans 1:20.

Conscientiousness!

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist

First Christian Church

Our word "conscience" is derived from two Latin words "con" and "scio". "Con" means "with" and "scio" means "know". From "scio" we have our common word "science".

So, conscience simply means "con-sci-ence", or "know with" or "agree with".

The conscience is a faculty that passes judgment upon a man's own thoughts, feelings, and actions.

These are judged to be either good or bad, depending upon what they are, and how a man has been taught to look upon them.

If a man has been correctly schooled and does right, he has a good conscience.

If he has been correctly taught, but does wrong, he had a bad conscience.

If he has been incorrectly instructed, but acts according to his teaching (which is wrong), he will have a good conscience.

Thus, it was with Paul, who, though he did many things that were right and few things that were wrong, "lived in all good conscience until" the day that he spoke (Acts 23:1).

For a man to have a good conscience or a bad conscience is no accurate measure of his thoughts, feelings, or actions.

A bad conscience is one that has not been honored by the best of man's ability to think, feel, and act as he had been taught that he should.

It is apparent then, that when we call "bad" conscience is one that reproves a man's thoughts and feelings, or actions (or all three) as not being what they should be, and that a "good" conscience is one that approves a man's thoughts, feelings, and actions as being what they should be.

Conscientiousness is having knowledge influenced by the conscience.

It is allowing thoughts only that have been censured by the inner man.

It is permitting feelings only that have been approved by a man's best self.

It is consenting to actions only that have been consented to by one's ideal.

Applied, it is living the way we would secretly wish to live if it were convenient; living the way we would advise others to live.

As far as God is concerned, unless an

awakened conscience smites one to act immediately, a man ceases to have a good conscience.

If the conscience smites once, it is conviction, but if he must smite twice, it is condemnation.

Don't forget, that in order for the conscience to be a safe guide, it must be fed the TRUTH!

One can feed his mind falsehoods and thus rest in false security.

Instead of "always letting your conscience be your guide" a much better motto would be "always let THE BIBLE be your guide"!

For Jesus said, "and ye shall know the TRUTH and the TRUTH shall set you free" and "thy word is TRUTH O God."

Revelation: Gifts and challenges, and more than just a book

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

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

People say bad things about growing old.

Try as we may, it's still happening and nobody has come up with an antidote for the outcome.

That seems like how God intended it to be.

However, He has given us some ways to abundant life while we're still on His earth; to use, to savor, to enjoy, to be thankful.

I remember having read in the Bible one of the typical signs of old age.

"Isaac was old, his eyes were so weak he could no longer see (Genesis 27:1)" and Moses being a noted exception; "Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone (Deuteronomy 34:7)" are two examples.

Eli, who mentored Samuel was described as "very old (1 Samuel 2:22) and "...whose eyes were becoming so weak that he could barely see... (ch. 3, v. 2)" is another reminder that age somehow brings limited vision.

It also brings problems with knees and backs.

In the evolutionary chain of development, one of the last things to be accomplished was walking upright; knees and backs are still in need of perfection.

Ask anyone with a cane or a walker; they can tell you about what wears out first!

Today, there are interventions and replacements that make possible getting around without pain or paralysis.

A T.V. documentary the other evening featured a completely paralyzed scientist sending messages via his computer, monitoring his brain waves and in turn allowing him to compose messages solely by his thoughts.

Another woman controlled a wheel chair through her mental processes only; directing it toward the door of her home and then turning it around.

The fountain of youth is still a myth; but the amelioration of living is ours.

I choose to see it as a gift from God.

The eyes that used to grow dim now see; and sometimes see better than ever before; the limitations of mobility are no longer as limiting, and many walk or even play sports when they were formerly confined.

We are verging on ways of combining our very wishes to move or communicate with electro-mechanical ways to overcome all sorts of handicaps.

Where does God have a place in it all?

I choose to see it as revelation.

In the midst of all of the problems we face; the environment, the economy, the job market, the ongoing wars, the depletion of needed resources, God is making it possible for us to still be around and live well!

He seems to be saying "I'll make your life better, now solve your problems and be able to make full use of the gift of a long and better life here!"

God is saying "Care for my world, stop senseless tragedies, make use of the things you have learned to give you a better life, love one another..." and with it will come a foretaste of Heaven.

God has given us many ways to enjoy it; the rest is up to us!

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Jailed

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tion and found that she had written checks from the jail canteen account," said Ms. Per-ezluha. "She used that money for her personal use."

Confronted with the evidence, Susan English reportedly turned herself in on Tuesday, accompanied by her attorney, Steven Ramunni and husband, James. She posted a \$25,000 bond and was released from jail.

Reached by telephone earlier this week, Sheriff Steve Whidden praised the work of FDLE and his investigators, but regretted that the sheriff's office would have been the backdrop for a scandal involving high-ranking officials.

"I hate for this kind of thing to happen," he said.

According to him, the investigation was started after current Jail Administrator Lt. Mike Kosh, presenting the sheriff with a number of checks that had been returned by the back, told him that "something doesn't look right."

The checks, explained the sheriff, were made out to cash in various amounts, and



Former Jail Administrator Susan English could be seen leaving her former place of employment, the LaBelle jail, after she turned herself in on charges of grand theft and official misconduct.

were each signed by Susan English. "In governmental business, you never make anything out to cash," said the sheriff. Sheriff Whidden said an internal audit and subsequent calls to vendors that had been listed in the sheriff's office own records revealed that they had not submitted

invoices, nor had received payment from the sheriff's office, for goods or services.

"It's something that I immediately wanted FDLE to look at," said the sheriff. "They did a good job, and I'd like to thank our own staff for bringing it to our attention. They could have ignored it."

Current Jail Administrator Lt. Kosh was Major Sibbald-English's assistant while she worked at HCSO Jail.

He told FDLE agents that several weeks before retiring, she told him not to let the finance department or administration know about the jail canteen account because they would take control of it. According to FDLE records, he also stated that, since Sibbald-English left, the balance of the jail canteen has "significantly increased."

According to FDLE records, the money Sibbald-English received from these checks was spent on child care for her grandchildren as well as gifts of thousands of dollars to family members.

Sibbald-English worked for Lee County Sheriff's Office as an auxiliary officer in 1980 and was a corrections officer there from August 1981 to December 1996. She went back to Lee County from June 2001 to December 2004. While working for LCSO, she

received a recommendation for removal from authoritative command in 1992 after the wrong man was arrested on a five-year-old misdemeanor warrant; and in 1993 she was recommended for a two-day suspension and retraining in legal responsibilities when a use of force incident was not documented.

She first came to work for Hendry County Jail in January 1997 to December 2001; then again from January 2005 until her retirement in January 2009.

At one time she was also named Florida's top jail administrator.

The sheriff blamed poor oversight for letting the alleged crime go on for more than two-and-a-half years.

"We have a checks and balances system that obviously the last administration did not," he said.

At a time when the sheriff's office continues to struggle in the face of a tightening budget, wondering whether money was stolen that could have paid for a few more feet on the street was disheartening, the top law enforcement official said.

"It sure is," he said.

Campus

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pointment with a tutor in the math or reading center and there are rooms for remedial counseling and peer tutoring.

With almost everything on line these days, the library has an electronic database. Still couriers can bring books as needed from the Fort Myers or Charlotte Campus. The college will continue to cater to adult students with evening classes, but will now be more equipped to provide for daytime students as well. Dr. Land is no stranger to this area. Her first teaching assignment was at Clewiston Middle School in the 1970s, where she taught English for two years. She lived in Port LaBelle. This fourth generation Floridian, born in Tampa, then moved to Tennessee for 25 years. In 2002 she came to Edison College.

The college is currently screening candidates, hoping to hire a dean for the Hendry-Glades campus. Dr. Land said there are a number of good candidates from all over the country going through the process. They

will be meeting community leaders. Since the ultimate choice will be required to live in this community, he or she must be the right fit for the community, Dr. Land explains.

Even Dr. Land is surprised at how quickly this campus is growing. She said the Curtis endowment provided funds to renovate and purchase this facility. She said it's a "good investment," but even so hopes to build a more extensive campus on SR 80 one day. She points out that the pursuit of grants for a specialized facility to study biofuel possibilities is one way the campus could make its way into the future. What lies ahead for the college is unknown, but Dr. Land believes that it will be a collaboration with the community that will lay the path to that future.

Christy Gilfert, Director of Student Services at Charlotte, is responsible for developing student programming at Hendry/Glades and is currently filling in for Brooke Bruhn, who is on maternity leave. Ms. Gilfert said she is looking at the enrollment patterns of younger students to expand course selections. She said these students seem to be excited about this new college campus. As of August 12, enrollment at the Hendry-Glades Campus was 375. With a typical enrollment

of 450-500 students, staff is confident this year will meet or exceed those figures. Even so, Ms. Gilfert said many students are taking fewer classes - perhaps a sign of the weak economy. Students may continue to register through August 28.

Look for additional courses to be added.

The campus is also geared toward providing non-credit training programs with the Economic Development Council. These types of programs help provide a ready workforce, thereby recruiting businesses to the area or helping local established businesses enhance employee skills. Dr. Land has high expectations for this campus. She foresees that, in just a few short years, it will have outgrown this facility and that big campus on SR. 80 will be a reality. She sees this facility offering a full compliment of pro-

grams. In short, she visualizes a bright future for Hendry-Glades.

She is sure this center will evolve differently than Charlotte or the other EC campuses, reflecting the different needs of this community, "This site will go where the county needs to go," she said, "This is a community to be proud of." Dr. Land hopes to provide a strong college experience to the community and feels involving the chamber of commerce and the Hendry County Economic Development Council is step one.

In her view, "The community needs a bright light." She is sure that Edison State College Hendry-Glades will be that light and that the two will move into the future together.

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