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News in briefs

Santa Claus comes to the library

Santa Claus will be visiting the Clewiston Library, Monday, Dec. 21 at 6 p.m. He will be coming to read a story or two, to meet children and their parents, and to spread some holiday cheer.The library is happy to welcome Santa this year, as we have in years past.The program is free to all who wish to attend.For more information, please contact the library at 863-983-1493.

ACFC Winter Wonderland

The snow is coming! Active Citizens for Children will be hosting the 2nd Winter Wonderland event to be held Dec. 19 from 5:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Booth space is available for your group or organization, please contact Candace at 863-228-2970 to reserve your spot.

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Recognizing youth

Commissioner Karson Turner recognized the Clewiston Cougars football team for being named champions for their participation in the Peace River Conference. Himself a former Cougar, Mr. Turner took delight in showcasing the efforts of the children.

Killer intersection to be fixed

Construction project to begin much earlier than expected

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza
Clewiston News

The most dangerous intersection in Hendry County -- indeed one of the most dangerous intersections in South Florida -- will be no more.

U.S. 27 and State Road 80 presently join in a heavily criticized configuration that has seen countless wrecks and fatalities.

Drivers must stop, look across the roadway and, when there is smoke and fog or heavy rain, must blindly hope that a vehicle is not coming from the opposing direction.

For years this has been the county's number one concern. After all the hard work, a solution is closer than ever.

Trinity L. Caudill-Scott, community liaison with the Florida Department of Transportation, brought an early Christmas gift when she visited the Hendry County commission on Tuesday.

Speaking before the five-member board, Ms. Caudill-Scott pored over a five-year transportation work program that will have a noticeable impact on drivers

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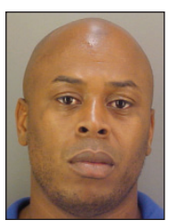
S.O. looks into shooting death



Victim Gee Gee Gary.

Suspect Timothy Rumph.

Shooting death leads to arrest, more arrests may follow

On Friday morning, Dec. 4, at approximately 6:25 a.m., Hendry County Sheriff deputies responded to the area of 10th Street and Kentucky Ave. in Clewiston, Florida after receiving a call that someone had been shot.

Once Deputies arrived on scene they immediately saw a man known to them as 35-year-old Gee Gee Gary, of Harlem, lying on the ground suffering from a gunshot

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Glades Central and Glades Day move on to state

Both Glades teams manhandle their state semifinal opponents

By Naji Tobias
INI Florida

BELLE GLADE - Unfinished business.

That's what Glades Central Raiders defensive coordinator reminded the team after thumping Robinson (Tampa), 33-0, in the Class 2A state semifinal game.

With the victory, Glades Central moved on to the Class 2A state championship game - something not accomplished since 2006, when the Raiders won their sixth state title in a 39-27 comeback win over Pine Forest (Pensacola). Glades Central, who will be playing for the Class 2A title on Saturday (Dec. 12) at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando, will be facing off against fellow Class 2A powerhouse Cocoa, who won last year's Class 3A state championship in a 7-6 overtime nail-biter over Godby. Glades Central and Cocoa were in Class 3A for the past few seasons before moving down a classification this year.

In what proved to be a thoroughly dominating game by the Raiders on both sides of the ball - not seen since its 34-0 homecoming win over Class 1B powerhouse Jupiter Christian two months ago - it was nothing but highlights for this week's Beef O' Brady's No. 2 all-classification team in the state.

L.J. Thomas, arguably the best quarterback in Palm Beach County for the last two years, led Glades Central's lethally potent passing attack with three touchdown throws, to go along with 218 yards, as he went 11-for-18 in the win. It took only three plays, spanning an astonishing 49 seconds, for Glades Central (13-0) to put up a 6-0 lead on the completely overmatched Knights team. After Thomas's 45-yard strike to Kevin Benjamin (three catches, 88 yards) and an 11-yard run by Antwon Chisolm (11 carries, 108 yards, 1 TD), Greg Dent, who's hands-down the best overall athlete in the Muck, hauled in a 24-yard touchdown pass to give Glades Central the lead.

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Glades Central's Antwon Chisolm (11 carries, 108 yards, 1 TD) powered the running attack in a 33-0 Class 2A state semifinal win over Robinson (Tampa) on Friday, Dec. 4. Chisolm's first run, shown here, was an 11-yard scramble that directly led to Glades Central's first score of the game.

Glades Central, this week's Rivals100 No. 13 team in the nation, didn't score again until rising star playmaker Demetrius 'Bay-Bay' Evans snagged his only catch of the game, a 12-yard pass from Thomas with 6:36 left in the first half.

But the scoring drought, which lasted for more than a quarter, did not matter in any way, as the Raiders vaunted defense took over. Robinson (10-3 after the season ending loss) had just one opportunity to make this a competitive game, as the Knights used clock control to march down to the Raiders 10-yard line in the first quarter.

Glades Central's red zone defense was masterful in that Dent scooped up a Robinson fumble on first-gnd-goal, forced by the Raiders defensive line. Robinson quarterback Blake Rice (9-for-22 passing, 81 yards, 1 INT) was sacked a whopping 15 times in this game, five of which came from Raiders junior defensive end Robert Way. Way, who set a Glades Central record with 24 total sacks for the season, was supported heavily by fellow defensive end Everon Morgan, who had his best game of the season with 11 tackles and four sacks.

Delbert Clarke, Isiah Corbett and Michael Smith each added the astonishing team sack total with two apiece.

And Chisolm, who has had an up-and-down season at running back, sliced his way through the Robinson defense, as he added a touchdown, a 33-yard run in the third quarter to give the Raiders a commanding 26-0 lead.

"We just came out in practice and were focused all week," said Raiders linebacker Jamorris Rowley. "Half of us never went to state, so that's all we wanted to do from the beginning of the season."

Rowley, sounding like he was both happy and relieved of Glades Central's accomplishment - their eighth overall state championship appearance - reminisced on how it felt last year to fall short of a state title.

Last season, Glades Central, without Thomas, who suffered a season-ending collarbone injury in last year's Muck Bowl, lost

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Hooker's Point Clean-up

Hooker's Point Community Association would like to announce their End of Year Clean-Up! This event will be held on Saturday, Dec. 19 from 8 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. Please arrive early at Davidson Rd. Park and bring your working gloves. Lunch will be provided. There will also be door prizes, raffle drawings, and free T-shirts.

For further questions or concerns please contact Karson Turner at 863-228-4356 or Silvia at 863-983-4101.

Hendry Co. Pageant sign-ups

Miss Hendry Co. pageant sign-up will be held Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m. in the dressing room at the Hendry Co. Fairgrounds. All girls from the ages 13 to 15 will be eligible for Jr. Miss Hendry County and girls from ages 16 to 19 will be eligible for Miss Hendry County. You must be a Hendry County resident to participate in the pageant, applications and rules will be available that night and parents are welcome to come. Deadline for applications and $125 sponsor fee are due Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

For more information please call Sherry at 863-983-7689 after 6 p.m.

Sugar Doll performance

The Sugar Dolls will have a Christmas Program at the John Boy Auditorium on Dec. 15 beginning at 6 p.m. The public is invited and admission is free. For more information please call Jackie Turner at 863-983-2298.

City Market

The Chamber of Commerce will host its second City Market on Saturday, Dec. 12 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. In the Civic Center Park. Churches, non-profit groups, individuals and organizations are invited to participate. You must reserve your spot by calling the Chamber of Commerce at 863-983-7979 no later then Friday afternoon.

Fill the Ambulance Toy Drive

Hendry County Public Safety and United Way are accepting donations for the second annual Fill the Ambulance Toy Drive which will benefit children of Glades and Hendry Counties. Donations can be taken to Glades County Emergency Management Office in the courthouse by Friday, Dec. 11.

This event will take place on Saturday, Dec. 12 at Winn Dixie in LaBelle from 9-4 p.m. Several agencies will demonstrate equipment onsite.

Mary Remembers: A Christmas Musical

Clewiston Christian School presents Mary Remembers: A Christmas Musical on Thursday, December 10, 2009 beginning at 6 p.m. at the Evangel Assembly of God. Please come and join us for this special musical as we remember the true meaning of Christmas. Everyone is welcome and admission is free. Roast beef dinners for sale immediately following the musical. Meal includes roast beef, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, tea and dessert. Cost per plate $8.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please call CCS at 863-983-5388 to purchase your dinner tickets. Proceeds benefit the sixth-grade Washington D.C. Trip.

Raffle for kids in need

The Hispanic Outreach for Hendry Glades Mental Health is sponsoring a raffle this year for local children in need. Tickets are just $2 each and all proceeds will be used to purchase toys for children that are less fortunate this Christmas. A WII and accessories will be raffled off on Dec. 18. If you have any questions or need information about purchasing tickets please feel free to contact Ana Rivera at 863-228-4898.

Annual Christmas Boat Parade

The Caloosa Humane Society is very excited to announce that they are receiving a special Christmas Present this year. Gioia Bruno or Expose' will be entertaining the crowds attending the Annual Christmas Boat Parade this year!

Gioia recently adopted her special new furry family member from Caloosa and while visiting her new pet and awaiting her pet's spay/neuter surgery, she became enamored with the staff and seeing a need, she decided to fill it! Gioia will be singing to celebrate Christmas to benefit the animals!

The event will be held Dec. 12 at the Barron Park located at State Road 29 at the Caloosahatchee River from 5 p.m. to ? The Annual Christmas Boat Parade is open to anyone with a boat who would like to decorate their boats and float on down the river for all to see.

There will be food, drinks and Christmas Delights for purchase. Chili, hot dogs, Pulled Pork Sandwiches. All proceeds go directly to the shelter. There will be vendor booths onsight for your Christmas shopping pleasure as well. Vendor space is free, call 863-675-0997 to book your spot today!

General News and Information

Library to begin Saturday story times

The Clewiston Library is pleased to announce that it will be starting another new program of regular story times for children. The program, entitled Stories on Saturday, will meet at the library on the third Saturday of every month, at 11 a.m., beginning on Saturday, Dec. 19. The program will feature stories in English as well as other fun activities for children. There is no cost for attendance or participation. For more information, please contact the Clewiston Library at 863-983-1493.

Tobacco-Free Partnership of Hendry County

The Florida Department of Health announces a public meeting of the Tobacco-Free Partnership of Hendry County to which all persons are invited. This meeting will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 15 at 4:15 p.m. at Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church, 310 Campbell St., in LaBelle. General subject matter to be considered is Tobacco Prevention & Policy Change Training. A copy of the agenda and/or meeting minutes may be obtained by contacting Valarie James, Tobacco Prevention Coordinator, Hendry County Health Department, 1140 Pratt Blvd, LaBelle, FL 33935 or you may call 863-674-4041 ext 128 for more information.

Local Weather

Weather Forecast for Hendry County from the National Weather Service.

Clewiston and surrounding areas:

Thursday: A chance of showers, with thunderstorms also possible after 1pm. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 79. South wind at 8 mph becoming west. Chance of precipitation is 30%.

Thursday Night: A slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59. North wind between 7 and 10 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20%.

Extended Forecast:

Friday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 79. Northeast wind around 7 mph.

Friday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 63. East wind between 3 and 5 mph.

Saturday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 83. South wind between 5 and 7 mph.

Saturday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Sunday: A 30 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 82.

Sunday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Monday: A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 79.

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to Monsignor Pace (Miami) 13-6 in the second round of the Class 3A playoffs.

"We didn't want to have the same feeling from last year, when we lost to [Monsignor] Pace," Rowley said. "Last year, we took that team lightly because we knew we were better than them. But they came out to play."

As for the advice Rowley and his teammates received in how to overcome last year's stinging loss?

"Coach Randy Williams, our running backs coach, told me, 'You ain't gonna have that feeling no more, just work hard and everything will work itself out,'" Rowley said.

"If we play together as a team, there's no one in the state that can beat us. I want all the seniors, my homeboys to go out with a ring. I want nothing more than that for them."

Thomas, who was bothered by some rumored trash-talking from the Robinson (Tampa) quarterback earlier last week, credited his offensive line for the big win.

"The O-line told me to do what I do and if I did what I was supposed to do, they were gonna hold me down," Thomas said. "Eric Lewis [a Glades Central player] motivated me the whole week after I was told that the Tampa Robinson quarterback was better than me. There ain't another No. 8 in this state like me. Tampa Robinson's quarterback did basically nothing. I gotta tell my O- (offensive) and D- (defensive) lines that I love them."

Notes: Dent (five catches, 90 yards) scored his other touchdown in the first half - a 9-yard pass from Thomas with :54.6 left in the first half to give the Raiders a 19-0 halftime lead. Raiders senior strong safety Travis Bell caught an interception in the fourth quarter, giving him a team-high 10 for the season after 13 games.

Backup quarterback Alanda 'A.J.' Shaw threw a touchdown to Jamie Wilson in the fourth to complete the game's scoring.

Glades Central and Cocoa, both undefeated at 13-0, were the top two teams in Class 2A this entire season, according to the Associated Press High School Football poll.

If Glades Central takes home this year's Class 2A state title on Saturday - they are favored to win their next game - it will be the school's seventh state title. That would place them second all-time to Class 2B power Bolles (Jacksonville), who is going for its 10th state championship in the Class 2B title game on Saturday afternoon (1 p.m.) against Tampa Catholic. The Class 2A state championship game is scheduled for a 7 p.m. kickoff at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando.

Glades Day 48, Out-of-Door Academy (Sarasota) 20: Kelvin Taylor, the son of New England Patriots running back Fred Taylor, muscled his way to five touchdowns for 358 yards on 46 carries in the Gators Class 1B state semifinal win. Roshard Burney, Glades Day's backup running back, added two second half rushing scores to seal the victory. Burney, who had 54 yards on six carries, scored on runs on 16 and 22 yards, respectively, to give Glades Day (11-2) the game. Interestingly, this game was close for much of the contest, with Out-of-Door Academy taking an early 7-0 lead and tied it up at 14 apiece after Taylor's first two touchdown runs in the first frame.

Out-of-Door's A.J. Strong (27 carries, 103 yards) scored on an 11-yard touchdown run in the second quarter to make the game as close it was going to get for the District 6-Class 1B champion.

Glades Day, who last won a state title in 2006, is the odds-on favorite to beat Warner Christian (South Daytona Beach) in tomorrow's Class 1B state championship game.

Warner Christian lost last year's Class 1B title game to two-time state champion Jupiter Christian. Glades Day, who has made the most state championship appearances in FHSAA history with 23, can win its sixth title on Friday (Dec. 11).

The Class 1B state title game is scheduled for a 1 p.m. kickoff tomorrow at the Citrus Bowl in Orlando.

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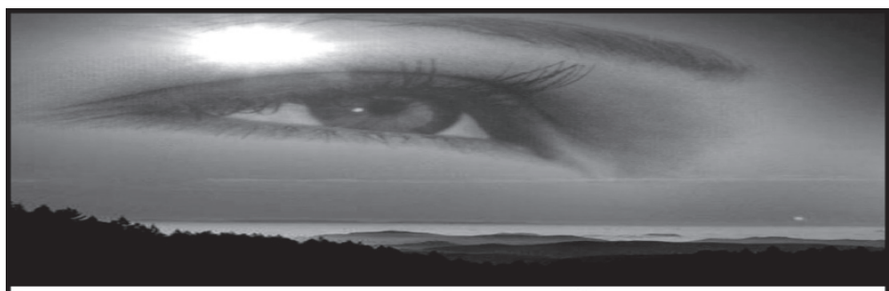

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Expanded target groups to receive H1N1 vaccinations

By Pat Dobbins

In showing our commitment to the health and safety of our communities, the County Health Departments within our region are expanding the target groups for the H1N1 vaccination. "Please know that your health departments are working very hard to organize convenient vaccination times and locations for you to receive the vaccine. We are very excited to expand the target group criteria." said Pat Dobbins, Administrator for the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments. Please note: The target group has been expanded to include ALL persons aged 6 months through the age of 64. Additionally the target group has been expanded to include persons 65 years and older who have chronic health conditions.

These vaccinations are voluntary and free. To get your free H1N1 Vaccination please plan to attend one of the "after-hours" clinics listed below:

- Muse - West Glades Elementary (2500 CR731 SW) – Thursday, Dec. 3 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Clewiston - Health Department (1100 S. Olympia) – Saturday, Dec. 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Clewiston - Health Department (1100 S. Olympia) – Monday, Dec. 7 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- LaBelle - Health Department (1140 Pratt Blvd) – Tuesday, Dec. 8 - 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Moore Haven - Health Department (956 US Hwy 27 SW) Saturday, Dec. 12 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Clewiston – Health Department (1100 S. Olympia) – Monday, Dec. 14 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Moore Haven – Doyle Connor Building - Tuesday, Dec. 15 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Moore Haven - Health Department (956 US Hwy 27 SW) – Thursday, Dec. 17 from 4:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- LaBelle - Health Department (1140 Pratt Blvd) – Saturday, Dec. 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The H1N1 vaccinations will be given to the following groups:

- All adults aged 25 to 64 (with or without chronic medical conditions)
- All Children and young adults age 6 months through 24 years
- Pregnant women
- People who live with or care for children younger than 6 months old
- Health care workers and emergency medical services personnel
- People over the age of 65 who have health conditions associated with higher risk of medical complications (Which include: Diabetes, Asthma, Heart Conditions, Immune Disorders, and any type of respiratory illnesses)

You can call the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments at: LaBelle: 863-674-4041, Clewiston: 863-983-1408, and Moore Haven: 863-946-0707

Additionally, the Hendry and Glades County Health Departments will have H1N1 vaccination "walk-in" clinics at the Health Departments locations/days/times listed below: LaBelle: Wednesday afternoons between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. and Friday mornings between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.;Clewiston: Tuesday mornings between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. and Friday afternoons between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m.; Moore Haven: Monday afternoons between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. and Tuesday mornings between 8 a.m. and 11 a.m.

If you have questions or concerns about the vaccine, please talk to your local healthcare provider or the local health department. You can also call the Florida Flu Information Line at 1-877-352-3581. For web-based information please visit: www.myflusafety.com or www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu.

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Arthur Pinto, 70

CLEWISTON — Arthur Pinto, Art as he was known, of Clewiston, passed away on Nov. 22, 2009.

Art lived in Clewiston for 20 years, he worked for the City of Clewiston. He was a wonderful husband to his wife of 48 years, Rose Mary Pinto, as well as a great daddy to his three children, daughter, Patricia Clark, son, Michael Pinto of Clewiston, and son, Joseph Pinto of Jacksonville; grandpa to J.D. and Taylor Lucas of Clewiston; father-in-law to Bucky Clark of Clewiston and J.C. Pinto of Jacksonville; brother to Geri Monaco; brother-in-law to Hank Monaco, Harold and Dottie Biot; and uncle to seven nieces and nephews.

We all miss and love you very much.

Stuart Howard Powell Sr., 53

PAHOKEE — Stuart Howard Powell Sr., age 53, of Pahokee, died Friday, Nov. 27, 2009, at his residence.

Born Sept. 22, 1956, in Ft. Pierce, he had been a resident of Pahokee for over 40 years. He proudly served in the U.S. Navy.

He was preceded in death by his father, Marion Powell.

He is survived by his loving wife, Vicki D. Powell of Pahokee; sons, Stuart Howard Powell, Jr. (Brenda) of Pahokee, Donald R. Powell (Mariza) of Belle Glade, David L. Powell (Carmen) of Clewiston, Richard W. Powell (Tara) of Pahokee; brothers, Ernest Powell (Lisa) of Wellington, Dennis Powell (Elvia) of Clewiston, Don Powell (Terry) of Clewiston; sisters, Josephine Collins (Derrick) of Palatka, Gretta- Jean Galati (Allen) of Bradenton; and mother, Gretta Alden of Okeechobee. In addition he is survived by 12 grandchildren.

The family received friends from 10 a.m. until Masonic service time of noon, Dec. 2, in the Buxton Funeral Home Chapel, with Pastor Jerry Stone of the 1st Baptist Church of Canal Point officiating. Interment followed in Port Mayaca Cemetery.

All arrangements are under the direction and care of the Buxton Funeral Home and Crematory, 110 NE 5th Street, Okeechobee. FL. On-line condolences may be made at www.buxtonfuneralhome.com.

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Religion briefs

Moore Haven

Palmdale Cowboy Church

On Thursday, Dec. 10 Cowboy Church - Hand and hand Ministries of Palmdale will be having food and fellowship at 6 p.m. followed by gospel music and the word brought by Pastor Paul Harris from Moore Haven at 7 p.m.

We will also be celebrating our Christmas dinner, so please come out and visit us if you can. Everyone is welcome. We are located on the corner of 5th and Main Street at the Palmdale Community building. If you have any further questions please call 863-612-0640.

Thrift shop open at Church of God of Prophecy

The Church of God of Prophecy, in Moore Haven, will have a thrift shop open on Saturdays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., all things are given for a donation, this is to help for expenses of the church. We feel in helping the church it is helping you also, with your needs. All things are nice and clean, these things are supplied by Cowboy Church - Hand and Hand Ministries of Palmdale, if you would like to help us call 863-612-0640, if no answer leave message, God bless you.

Clewiston

Christmas at First Christian

First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco St., is currently involved in an expansion of their sanctuary. The expansion will almost double the size of their seating capacity. It is hoped that the expansion will be complete in time for the church's annual Christmas Musical and Christmas Candlelight Carol Service.

The Christmas Musical will be presented on Sunday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. This years Musical is "It's The Most Wonderful Time Of The Year," The church's twenty voice Choir will be under the direction of Theodora Carnes, daughter of Minister Jackie Miller. Mrs. Carnes is Office Manager of "The Glades" Resort. At the end of the Musical every one will receive a Treat of Fruit and Candy.

The Christmas Candlelight Carol Service will take place on Wednesday, Dec. 23, 7 p.m. There will be Twelve Readers reading the familiar Christmas Story. There will be several Special Christmas Carol Solos. Many of the familiar Christmas Carols will be sung by the audience.

Minister Jackie Miller extends a cordial invitation for everyone to attend these Special Events.

The Promise Child - a dramatic musical

Turning Point Church of God located at 207 Pine Lane in Flaghole, invites you to join us in our annual Christmas celebration. A dramatic musical titled "The Promise Child," adapted from the play written by Andre Lederer, will be preformed Sunday, Dec. 20 at 11 a.m. All are welcome and admission is free.

Calvary Baptist Church yard sale/Bake Sale

Calvary Baptist Church would like to invite you to a yard sale/bake sale. We are located at 1075 Davidson Road.

The church is on the corner of Davidson and Gratton road. The sale will be on Saturday, December 12, 2009 from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. We will except donations for our yard-sale so if you have small items you would like to donate to the church just give us a call at 863-983-5060 Pastor David or 863-227-2770 Linda. Please no furniture or large items.

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A Walk in the Past: The Mosquitoes

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum

General Winfield Scott, commander of all military operations in the Florida Theater, retired from his post after diligently defending his unsuccessful military campaigns against the Seminoles. He was later reassigned a post in Alabama.

Florida Governor, Richard K. Call, a critic of General Scott's campaigns, wrote President Andrew a letter, boldly asking for the command following General Scott's retirement.

In his letter to President Jackson, Governor Call proposed using the Withlacoochee River as a supply line because the river ran within twenty miles of the Seminole's thatched citadels

Governor Call's letter entailed a plan to feint an attack on the Indian villages using horsemen, while Infantry and supplies were moved upriver at night within striking distance of the villages.

The Calvary would attack and act as a decoy, drawing the Seminoles toward them. This frontal action would leave the rear flank vulnerable to the Infantry.

Call believed the combined forces could then crush the Seminoles, forcing them to sue for peace.

President Jackson liked the plan, and he liked Governor Call, who was an old acquaintance. Governor Call had served under Jackson in the Creek War and supported him in Washington, when Jackson's invasion of Spanish Florida (1818-1819) was under investigation. Their political careers in Washington had also overlapped, reinforcing a firm friendship.

President Jackson encouraged Secretary of War, Cass, to place Governor Call in command of the Florida forces, including the United States Army.

On June 21, 1836, Governor Call received word from Cass that he was the newly elected Field Commander of both Federal (Army regulars) and Militia (volunteers) troops in Florida.

The Army personnel stationed in Florida wasn't happy with Secretary of War, Cass's decision. They were insulted that Florida Governor Call, who carried the rank of colonel in the lowly Florida Militia, now outranked and commanded them.

The Navy, which operated independent of the Army, had made it a point during the Second Seminole War, not to let ground officers in the Army take liberties with the Navy's operations. Governor Call would be no exception.

Commodore Alexander Dallas, commander of naval operations in Florida, wrote Governor Call a taunting letter to express his displeasure, "I beg that your suggestions may have less the character of an order than those heretofore received."

Governor Call's new position had indeed stirred dissention in the ranks of the Army and Navy. It had also encouraged an old hostility, which had existed since the War of Independence. Army regulars didn't like enlisted volunteers and the enlisted volunteers didn't care for Army regulars.

The popular movie, "Patriot" shows much of the contempt a disciplined army had for volunteer militiamen. Davy Crockett, an enlisted scout in the Creek Wars, expressed his unhappiness with Army regulars, when he reported a hostile Creek village and was ignored, until an Army scout reported in with the same information, which then prompted the Army to take action.

The total number of Army regulars in Florida consisted of only 1,000 soldiers, so Governor Call would need many enlisted volunteers, if he was to implement the plan he so boldly presented to President Jackson. Governor Call must also bring the volunteer militiamen and Army regulars together as a fighting team, if he was to successfully execute his plan.

Recruiting the volunteers was another challenge that Governor Call hadn't foreseen. Creek Indians still living in Georgia and Alabama were encouraged by the Seminole's resistance and had taken to the warpath.

Most of the volunteers that had fought in Florida came from Georgia and Alabama. Now those volunteers were needed at home to battle the Creeks.

A call for volunteers went beyond the borders of Alabama and Georgia. Tennessee, the volunteer state, responded and promised to send 1,500 volunteers in June, 1836. The volunteers were held up in Alabama, fighting Creeks and arrived late in Florida , which set Governor Calls plan back further.

The arrival of the Tennessee Volunteers still left Governor Call short on troops, so he went to an unlikely source, Creek and Seminole Indians.

Most of the Seminoles living on the smaller Apalachicola River reservations had remained friendly to the whites even though they were going to be shipped to the western Indian territories.

Call recruited 75 Seminoles as guides and a 1,000 friendly Creeks.

The recruiting problem was now resolved, but other military related problems continued to frustrate Governor Call. A tiny bug that we in the Glades are all familiar with, "the mosquito" was carrying on a war of its own against the American soldiers.

Summertime was called the "sickly season" and for good reason because the mosquito was spreading an unknown disease among the troops that we know today as malaria.

Many of the American troops became sick, including Governor Call. In the summer of 1836, six companies (roughly 300 men) were stationed at Fort King and only 166 were considered fit for duty.

The sick troops created a domino effect that seriously affected Governor Call's scheduled plan. Shortage of troops and the sickly season made it difficult to command and resupply Fort King, so the fort was evacuated between May and June.

Fort King was the closest fort to the Seminole's stronghold at the Withlacoochee Cove and strategic to the success of Governor Call's plans, which entailed massing Calvary and Infantry at the fort, prior to launching a blitzkrieg on the Seminole Nation.

Governor Call was forced to alter his plans and chose Fort Drane as the staging point for his invasion because it was now the closest fort to the Withlacoochee Cove.

The fort was located approximately 25 miles east of Fort King, in a swampy terrain.

The blood thirsty mosquitoes were critters of opportunity that saw the soldiers as dinner fare, so Fort Drane, like Fort King came under siege by swarms of irritating, but deadly, malaria infected mosquitoes.

In the summer of 1836, there were 307 men posted at Fort Drane, but only 186 were fit for duty. Constant Indian attacks, summer heat and mosquitoes were making the soldier's lives at the isolated fort a hellhole.

It wasn't Seminole bullets, but the relentless malaria infected mosquitoes that carried death and sickness to the troops at Fort Drane. Fort Drane's commander, Major Julies Heilman, died from the disease as the death toll continued to rise at the fort.

The morale of the men stationed at Fort Drane hit an all time low, as did Lieutenant Wheelock, who committed suicide there. The army surgeon stationed at Fort Drane requested the Fort be evacuated due to the serious illnesses.

Governor Call had planned to take the field against the Seminoles in August, but now his plan was being altered once again by the mosquitoes.

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. Stop by and enjoy a 45- minute group-tour for only $2.00 per person.

The Whooping Crane Story

Clewiston Museum

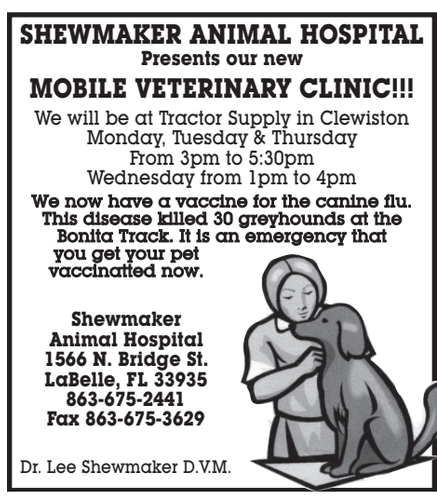
The Hendry Glades Audubon is sponsoring a wonderful bird program that will be presented at the Clewiston Museum on Dec. 14 at 7 p.m.

The Audubon guest speaker, Dr. John Canter, will present, "The Whooping Crane's Story, an Endless Vigil to Recover and Sustain a Fragile and Imperiled Species."

Come out and enjoy this excellent presentation that is free to the public.

Free refreshments and a tour of the museum will be available after the the program.

Please contact Margaret England (sta5-birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0695) if you are interested in more activities that the Hendry Glades Audubon sponsores or information on bird tours at STA5.



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.

Henry R. King, IV, 32

- Clewiston
- Warrant
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested Dec. 2

Arrested by Sgt. Elver

Manuel Ortiz, 14

- Clewiston
- Burglary of an unoccupied dwelling
- Larceny theft $300 to $5,000
- Dealing in stolen property

Arrested Nov. 30

Arrested by CPD Officer Clay

Jeffrey Williams, 25

- Clewiston
- Warrant with assault with intent to commit a felony
- Aggravated battery causing bodily harm or disability
- Aggravated battery with a deadly weapon

Arrested Dec. 2

Arrested by B. Weaver

Rolando Carreno, 19

- Clewiston
- Resisting an officer - flee, elude a law enforcement officer with lights, siren active

Arrested Nov. 30

Arrested by Deputy N. Reed

James Skipper, 27

- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested Dec. 2

Arrested by B. Weaver

Eladio Diaz, 52

- Clewiston
- Warrant as a fugitive from justice from Miami-Dade

Arrested Dec. 2

Arrested by B. Weaver

Angel Herrera, 15

- Clewiston
- Burglary of an unoccupied dwelling
- Larceny theft $300 to $5,000
- Dealing in stolen property

Arrested Nov. 30

Arrested by CPD Officer Clay

Anthony Gadson, 43

- Clewiston
- Warrant
- Passing counterfeit bank bill, check, draft note
- VOP: felony or community control

Chaunce Teele, 20

- Clewiston
- Warrant
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested Nov. 26

Arrested by P. Caplan

Daryl Bess, 37

- Clewiston
- Criminal mischief damage property $200 to $1,000
- Burglary of an unoccupied dwelling unarmed

Arrested Nov. 23

Arrested by J. Perez

Tarina Williams, 33

- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested Nov. 23

Arrested by Deputy T. Shaw

Vincent Ferrovecchio, 36

- Clewiston
- DUI
- DUI refusing to submit to a breathalizer test
- Possession of cannabis under 20 grams

Arrested Nov. 23

Arrested by SPD Officer Solas

Frank Rodriguez, 26

- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control
- Warrant

Arrested Nov. 26

Arrested by A. Lewis

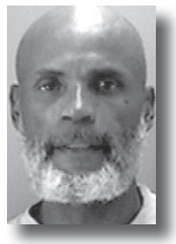
Danquita Hallback, 19

- Clewiston
- Burglary of a structure, conveyance unarmed with no person inside
- Larceny petit theft first offense property $100 to $300

Arrested Nov. 8

Arrested by CPD Officer T. Nieves

Harold Hall, 55



- Clewiston
- Burglary of a structure/ conveyance unarmed with no person inside
- Trespass on property without a structure or conveyance
- Loitering and prowling

Arrested Nov. 23

Arrested by CPD Officer Baker

Bryan Lazzell, 48

- Clewiston
- DUI alcohol or drugs first offense
- Driving with a permanently revoked license

Arrested Nov. 25

Arrested by FHP Tpr. Lander

Virthavious Robinson, 16

- Clewiston
- Dealing in stolen property

Arrested Nov. 23

Arrested by Deputy V. Fleet

Alexander Roman, 30

- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control
- Possession of cocaine
- Possession of a weapon, by a convicted felon

Arrested Nov. 20

Arrested by Inv. B. Daley

Edward Haithcock, 45

- Clewiston
- Drugs possess, sell, deliver contraband drugs
- Making a false report or giving false information to LEO

Arrested Nov. 12

Arrested by Officer Soto

Demetrius Richardson, 14

- Clewiston
- Aggravated battery causing bodily harm or disability

Arrested Nov. 18

Arrested by D. Bolt

Irenia Sariol, 42

- Clewiston
- Larceny theft $300 - $5,000
- Fraud - tampering with or theft of utilities
- Marijuana trafficking in excess of 25 pounds or over 300 plants

Arrested Nov. 21

Arrested by Inv. Archer

Pedro Centeno, 24

- Clewiston
- VOP: felony or community control

Arrested Nov. 19

Arrested by Deputy J. Woods

Robert Peterson, 45

- Clewiston
- Warrant with cocaine - selling within 1,000 feet of a school, child car facility or park

Arrested Nov. 21

Arrested by Inv. Archer

Roberta Moxley, 39

- Clewiston
- Warrant with synthetic narcotics sell within 1,000 feet of a place of worship of business schedule

Arrested Nov. 21

Arrested by Inv. Archer

William Colon, 51

- Clewiston
- Criminal mischief damages $200 - $1,000
- Resisting an officer/obstruction without violence
- Disorderly conduct and escape

Arrested Nov. 17

Arrested by Deputy J. Garrett

Willie Dukes, 43

- Clewiston
- Warrant with VOP: felony or community control

Arrested Nov. 20

Arrested by Sgt. Stevens

Jose Santana, 24

- Clewiston
- Battery touch/stirke
- Sexual assault on victim over 12 years of age

Arrested Nov. 21

Arrested by Deputy Timms

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School briefs

Early Release

Hendry County Schools will be dismissed early on Friday, December 18, 2009 for Christmas Break. Lunch will be served on this day. School bus drivers will follow their regular schedules based upon the schools early release time.

Americanism Essay Contest

The Clewiston Elks Lodge #1853 is once again sponsoring its annual Americanism Essay Contest. Students in grades 5 through 8 are eligible to participate. This year's topic is titled, "The American Dream: What Is It?" Essay length is not to exceed 250 words. The essay must be typed or legibly printed in ink. Please include the participant's name, grade, school attended, and sponsoring lodge on the essay. Local cash awards will be given in two divisions, 5th and 6th grade, and 7th and 8th grade. Please send your best essays to Martin Espinoza at Clewiston High School or mail them to the Clewiston Elks Lodge at P.O. Box 583, Clewiston, FL 33440. All essays should be submitted by January 10, 2010.

School Happenings

Clewiston Christian School

Upcoming events:

- Dec. 10: Christmas Program
- Dec. 18: Half Day Christmas Holiday Begins
- Dec. 21 - Jan. 1: Christmas Holiday
- Jan. 4: Teacher Work Day, Half Day for Little Lions Preschool
- Jan. 5: Students Return

Central Elementary School

Yearbook Sale

CES is proud to announce the pre-sale of our yearbooks. Please contact the school at 863-983-1550 if you would like to purchase a yearbook or place an ad or a congratulation message in the 2010 yearbook. Thank you to all staff and parents involved in this year's CES yearbook!

Our Upcoming Schedule

- Dec. 21 to Jan. 3: Winter Break
- Jan. 4 and Jan. 5: Teacher Professional Days
- Jan. 6: Students Return

Submitted photo/**Denise Hatton**

RAK Club visits Panda House

Students from Clewiston Christian School's Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) Club collected items for the Panda House in Belle Glade. The Panda House is a resident program for women who are pregnant and addicted. The home houses up to 26 women and their children at one time. The RAK Club was honored to have Marsha Metzger, a volunteer from Panda, attend their meeting and share about the Panda program. Mrs. Metzger fielded many questions from the students and she encouraged them to make wise choices and to follow God's plan for their lives.

Submitted photo

CCS Science

Our 7th and 8th-grade students at Clewiston Christian School dissected frogs recently as a part of their science class. Pictured is Cassidy Lee and Cheyanne Lusk.

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Beef O'Brady's

Clewiston Middle School sixth-graders that were former Eastside Students enjoyed a great lunch at Beef O'Brady's recently.

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Food Drive

On November 11, 2009 the South Florida Water Management District – Clewiston Field Station donated 320 lbs of food to two local needy families for the second consecutive year for Thanksgiving. Families were recommended by the Hendry County school system.

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Hope Hospice House

Construction continues on the new Hope Hospice House in Lehigh Acres. "We are very excited about the progress we are making in "Bringing Hope Close to Home,' to better serve people throughout the area," said Hope President and CEO Samira K. Beckwith. "We look forward to opening our doors by the first of April." The Hope Hospice House will serve the residents of Lehigh Acres, Alva, the Gateway community, Pelican Preserve, Buckingham, LaBelle and all other communities in Hendry and Glades counties. The House is located at 1201 Wings Way, off of Beth Stacey Blvd. in Lehigh Acres. For more information on supporting Hope's campaign to "Bring Hope Close to Home" with its new hospice house, call 239-489-9177 or visit www.hopehcs.org.

Submitted photo/**Don Munch**

CES Musical

Pictured is the beautiful mural that was recently created for the Dec. 8 musical at Central Elementary. Thank you to all teachers, students, staff, and parents who helped to make this event a big success!

Submitted photo

Big O' Hike

On Sunday, Nov. 29, 18 people finished the 110 mile walk around Lake Okeechobee.This was the 18th year for this event, which is one of Florida's largest non-fundraising walking events. During the nine days of walking the participants experience all varieties of weather and observed many varieties of wildlife. From the left Wes Albright (Lake Mary), Bill Detzner (Miami), Charles Auer (Tennessee), Paul Cummings (Lake Worth), Larry Myers (St. Cloud), Mike Thompson (Boynton Beach), Lynn Thompson (Boynton Beach), Gordon Johnson ((The Villages), Ginny Young (Indiana), John Dancz (Naples), Brenda Nagel (Boca Raton), Sandra Schmid (Tallahassee), Robin Alpert (Boca Raton), Robert Dowdy (West Palm Beach), Clyde Hopkins (Ft. Pierce), Mary H. Miller (Boca Raton), Gene Finkler (Arcadia), Ann Crawford (Zyphyrhills).

Local Surgeon Elected to SAGES Membership

By Glenda Wilson

Dr. Leonard Carroll, a Board-Certified General Surgeon at Hendry Regional Medical Center, has been elected to membership in the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES).

Founded in 1981, SAGES fosters, promotes, supports and encourages academic, clinical and research achievement in gastrointestinal endoscopic surgery.

Its members consist of general surgeons such as Dr. Carroll, along with colorectal surgeons and osteopathic surgeons, who perform endoscopy and laparoscopy as part of their practice.

SAGES offers a worldwide forum for discussion of interventional endoscopy aspects, as it relates to the integral elements of surgical practice.

A recent conference that Dr. Carroll attended afforded him, along with the international surgical community, a focal point for the exchange of information on practice, theory, and research in various medical and surgical disciplines.

Dr. Carroll has been practicing surgery in Clewiston since February 2007.

Since that time, he has performed hundreds of operations, a vast majority of them being colonoscopy, gastrointestinal, and endoscopic procedures.

Dr. Leonard Carroll.

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Religious columns

Getting ready for Christmas - The race to be run

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

My calendar and the tempo of life tells me that we're in the "home stretch" now-Christmas is nearly here and soon another year will begin. Perhaps in another sense, we are in the "home stretch" in many things; maybe the recession is coming to an end, maybe the things we hear about the ends of our overseas wars are coming into view, maybe the job situation is beginning to turn around at least in some industries. Is the end in sight; are we in the "home stretch?" Who can say for sure? One thing for certain, we are now well underway for Christmas. When thinking about this "race" I was reminded of the words of Saint Paul; "Do you not know that in a race, all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? (1 Corinthians 9:24)." Everybody is in the final stages of getting ready for the holidays, but who gets the prize? Paul tells the faithful "Run in such a way as to get the prize (ibid)." If you're preparing for something – then get ready for it! Don't leave all of the details for the last moment, and don't forget your priorities. Don't ignore shopping early when things will still be available, plan your trips and think about each person on your list of special people to remember. Is the gift to be given something that reflects some thought and understanding or is it something more "generic" and says "I don't know you too well, but want to remember you at this special time anyway!" Run the Christmas race so that you will receive the prize of a very special and personal holiday for all you are going to make a part of it. By the way; is Christmas to be another year-end event or will getting ready for Christmas really include what it's all about? Is home going to reflect the place for the coming of the King of Kings; or are the decorations going to reflect the commercial themes so often heard at this time? Take a minute and decide. Is there some preparation that needs to be done before a religious celebration or is Church attendance just another part of the "Christmas thing?" What does it mean to run the race for Christmas if we are to receive the prize? I think it means that we get ready, each step along the way is toward the goal, we focus on the real reason for the race and pace ourselves, we start with the final goal and real reason in mind. The reason for Christmas is to celebrate the coming of the Lord among us; the messages of joy, peace on earth, good will toward others, hope, the gift of faith in its final form, the promise of the message of salvation is for each and every one of us, all of the great things – that's what Christmas is finally about. That's why we run the race; that's the reason for the season!

Christmas-Time Frazzles!

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist
First Christian Church

Many are getting the Christmas-Time Frazzles. This is caused by the old shopping routine, running from store to store, elbowing your way through the crowd to try to please people with presents bought with money you don't have. Here are other sources of these frazzles:

Children begging for every gift on TV. Trying to figure out how to see all the relatives on Christmas, and please them. Preparing and baking a Christmas dinner for 30 people. The mess in the kitchen after baking Christmas dinner. Getting the house cleaned for guests. The men sitting in front of the TV football game while the children run wild. Wrapping odd-shaped gifts. Getting your Sunday School children to remember their Christmas program parts.

Here are some suggestions for relieving the "Christmas-time Frazzles".

1.Figure out how much money you have to spend on Christmas giving before you plan what to give. Then set a ceiling on the amount you will spend for each individual.

2.Make a list of all the people you want to give to because you've always done it and are expected to. After that, add to you list the name of at least one person to whom you can give who is not able to give you something in return (if you feel they might try, give your gift anonymously.)

3.Husbands, help your wife clean the house, fix dinner, watch the kids, wrap presents and keep that TV off while relatives are in. Enjoy their fellowship!

4.Make Christmas a religious celebration rather than a secular one. It is special to us who wear the name "Christian"-- a time to remember. Lead your family to observe the religious significance of Christmas through Bible reading, prayer, telling the Christmas story, or conversations about the true meaning of Christmas.

Follow these suggestions and add some of your own. Make this Christmas different. Eliminate the "Christmas-time Frazzles.

Testing our Christmas IQ

By Pastor John Hicks
First United Methodist Church

The countdown to Christmas has begun! We've heard the stories, we've sung the carols, but how much of the scriptural Christmas story do we really know? Every year I like to share with those around me a fun test to help remind us of how much we really know, and how much of our knowledge is legend! Here is a sample of this year's Christmas IQ test! See how you do!

(1) As long as Christmas has been celebrated, it has been on Dec. 25th. (T or F)

(2) Joseph was from: A. Bethlehem B. Jerusalem C. Nazareth D. Egypt E. Chicago F. None of the above

(3) How did Joseph and Mary travel to Bethlehem? A. Joseph walked, Mary rode a donkey B. Mary walked, Joseph rode a donkey C. They both walked. D. They both rode. E. Our church van. F. They flew. G. Who Knows?

(4) What did the innkeeper tell Mary and Joseph? A. "Come back after the Christmas rush and I should have some vacancies." B. "I have a stable you can use." C. "There is no room at the inn." D. Both B and C. E. None of the above.

(5) Jesus was delivered in a: A. Stable. B. Manger. C. Cave. D. Barn. E. Unknown

(6) A Manger is a: A. Stable for domestic animals. B. Wooden hay storage bin. C. Feeding Trough. D. Barn

(7) Which animals does the Bible say were present at Jesus' birth? A. Cows, sheep, goats. B. Cows, donkeys, sheep. C. Lowing cattle. D. Misc. barnyard animals. E. Lions, tigers, and bears. F. None of the above.

(8) Who saw the "Star in the East"? A. Shepherds. B. Mary and Joseph. C. Three Kings. D. Both A and C. E. None of the above.

(9) Where do we find the Christmas story in order to check on all of these ridiculous questions? A) Matthew. B) Mark. C) Luke. D) John. E) All of the above. F) A and B. G) A and C. H) A, B, and C. I) Genesis. J) The 4 Gospels. K) The Epistles. L) Television

ANSWERS TO BIBLE IQ TEST: (1) False. Not until the fourth century did it settle on the 25th. (2) A. See Luke 2:3,4. (3) G. The Bible doesn't say. (4) E. No word about the innkeeper. See Luke 2:7. (5) E. No word about it. See Luke 2:7. (6) C. (7) F. The Bible doesn't specify. (8) E. The wise men did. They were not kings. See Matthew 2:2. (9) G. Mark begins with John the Baptist, John with "the Word."

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-VS.-
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ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
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10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy
Suite 112
Tampa, Florida 33618
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Public Notice

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AUCTION on **Friday,**

December 18, 2009
at **9:00 a.m.** at
1225 NW Ave. L,
Belle Glade, Florida

- **Property of Kendra Thomas:** Iced Tea dispenser, Eco-Lab Hand Sanitizer Dispenser, Sharp Cash Register, Baby Car Seat, Misc. Boxes and Bags
- **Property of Jessica Hart:** Christmas Decorations, Photo Screen, Coca-Cola Bottles, Checker Board Table, Sunset Framed Picture,Misc. Items

Property of Loutricia Morgan: 2 White Wall Units, 3 Small White Nite Stands, 4 Large Speakers, ATV110, Washer and Dryer, Misc. Boxes
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 22-2008-CA-000214

BENEFICIAL FLORIDA INC.,
Plaintiff,
vs.
MICHAEL M. MELLO; BUCKHEAD RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CHRISTINE A. BROWN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTINE A. BROWN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL M. MELLO; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
Defendants

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 19th day of November, 2009, and entered in Case No. 22-2008-CA-000214, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein BENEFICIAL FLORIDA INC. is the Plaintiff and MICHAEL M. MELLO; BUCKHEAD RIDGE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; CHRISTINE A. BROWN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHRISTINE A. BROWN; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL M. MELLO; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the AT FRONT STEPS, SOUTH DOOR OF COURTHOUSE at the Glades County Courthouse, in Moore Haven, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 7th day of January, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 45 AND A PART OF LOT B, REPLAT OF LOTS 'B' AND 21 THRU 33 INCLUSIVE, BUCKHEAD RIDGE SUBDIVISION AS SHOWN ON PLAT RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 17, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA;' MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCE AT A POINT WHERE THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT 45 INTERSECTS WITH THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT B FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; RUN THENCE NORTHEASTERLY ALONG THE NORTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT B A DISTANCE OF 75.15 FEET \; RUN THENCE SOUTHEASTERLY AT A 90 DEGREE ANGLE TO THAT OF THE PRECEDING COURSE OF DISTANCE OF 25 FEET. THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE SOUTHEASTERLY LINE OF LOT B A DISTANCE OF 75.15 FEET; RUN THENCE NORTHWESTERLY AT A 90 DEGREE ANGLE TO THAT OF THE PRECEDING COURSE A DISTANCE OF 25 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 1989 HIGH DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME IDENTIFIED BY VIN NUMBERS; FLFLJ79A08093HP AND FLFLJ79B08093HP

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ADA, Disables persons who, because of their Disabilities, need special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Senior Deputy clerk Administration whose post office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 MONROE STREET, FT. MYERS, FL 33901, Telephone (239)335-2299 or 1 (800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1 (800)955-8770 Via Fl. Relay Service, no later than 5 days prior to the Court Date.
Dated this 20th day of November, 2009.

Joe Flint
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Jennifer Bevis
Deputy Clerk

Law Office of Marshall C. Watson
1800 NW 49th Street, Suite 120
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309
Phone: 954-453-0365
Fax: 954-771-6052
Toll Free: 800-441-2438
340062 GCD 12/3,10/09

Public Notice

NOTICE TO PUBLIC

The Hendry County Hospital Authority Board of Directors will conduct their monthly Board meeting beginning at 1pm on Friday - December 18th, 2009 in the Conference Room at Hendry Regional Medical Center, 524 West Sagamore Avenue, Clewiston, Florida.
341075 CGS/CB 12/10/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO. 2008-109-CA

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,
GILBERTO CLAROS A/K/A GILBERTO CLAROS HERNANDEZ, et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 2008-109-CA of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and GILBERTO CLAROS A/K/A GILBERTO CLAROS HERNANDEZ; ROSE CLAROS; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; AQUA FINANCE INC.; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

BEGIN 1550 FEET NORTH PLUS 47.50 FEET WEST OF THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF LOT 451, NORTH LABELLE HEIGHTS, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 16, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, LYING AND BEING IN HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, THENCE WEST 82.50 FEET; THENCE NORTH 125 FEET; THENCE EAST 82.50 FEET THENCE SOUTH 125 FEET TO POINT OF BEGINNING, ALSO KNOWN AS THE WEST ONE-HALF OF LOT 451, ALL OF LOT 452, AND THE EAST 15 FEET OF LOT 453, NORTH LABELLE HEIGHTS

TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON, SERIAL NUMBER SBHGA15105013090A & SBHGA15105013090B

A/K/A 1012 CHOCTAW AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.
WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 23, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
F08004192 NMNC-FHA-B-cfordham
****See Americans with Disabilities Act - In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800,-955-877/ (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.**
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Public Notice

PUBLIC AUCTION NOTICE

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The following vehicle will be sold for non-payment of storage on:
December 24, 2009 at 3:00 p.m.

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-001147

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION,
Plaintiff,
VS.
NEIL T. LITTLE, AS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ESTATE OR RITA JEAN LITTLE A/K/A RITA J. LITTLE; NEIL T. LITTLE, HEIR; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF NEIL TO LITTLE, HEIR; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2;
Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: NEIL T. LITTLE, HEIR; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S);

Whose residence are/is unknown.

YOU ARE HEREBY required to file your answer or written defenses, if any, in the above proceeding with the Clerk of this Court, and to serve a copy thereof upon the plaintiff's attorney, Law Offices of Daniel C. Consuegra, 9204 King Palm Drive, Tampa, FL 33619-1328, telephone (813) 915-8660, facsimile(813) 915-0559, within thirty days of the first publication of this Notice, the nature of this proceeding being a suit for foreclosure of mortgage against the following described property, to wit:

LOT 68, TANGLEWOOD OAKS UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 176 AND 177, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

To include a:

2005 General, VIN: GMHGA40432031A and 93037531
2005 General, VIN: GMHGA40432031B and 93037588

If you fail to file your answer or written defenses in the above proceeding, on plaintiff's attorney, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.
DATED at HENDRY County this 30th day of Nov. 2009.

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
By /S/ S. Miller
Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service.
340590 CN 12/10,17/09

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY INSURANCE ADVISORY BOARD

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Insurance Advisory Board will hold a meeting December 15, 2009 at 11:00 a.m., at the Roland Martin Marina Clubhouse, 920 E Del Monte Avenue, Clewiston Florida.

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

Hendry County Insurance Advisory Board
341079 CGS/CB 12/10/09

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-001034

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR J.P. MORGANMORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST 2006-WF1,
Plaintiff,
vs.
MÁRCOS A. ALVAREZ, et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated Nov. 24, 2009 and entered in Case NO. 26-2008-CA-001034 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR J.P. MORGAN MORTGAGE ACQUISITION TRUST 2006-WF1, is the Plaintiff and MARCOS A. ALVAREZ. WILLIAM ARNULFO ALVARADO; NOHELIA V. MENDOZA; TENENA #1 N/K/A CARLOTA OBEGON are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRON OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 23rd day of Dec., 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 6, BLOCK 2122, OF PORT LABELLE UNIT 3, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 73, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

A/K/A 5011 QUEBEC ROAD, LABELLE, FL 33935

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

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

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. Hammond
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
F08080240 NMNC-CONV
** See Americans with Disabilities Act
In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813)335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.
340621 CN 12/10,17/09

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 08-CA-000235

U.S. BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
v.
ANGELA FUSSELL; BILLY J. FUSSELL; PATRICIA A. FLETCHER; ROGER DALE WILSON; KATHLEEN WILSON; and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the herein named Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants; TENANT #1 and/or TENANT #2, the parties intended to account for the person or persons in possession; NATIONAL CITY BANK, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO HARBOR FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 2, 2009, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in GLADES County, Florida, described as:

THE WEST ONE-THIRD OF THE NORTH ONE-HALF OF THE EAST ONE-HALF OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 9, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA. LESS THE NORTH 30 FEET FOR ROAD RIGHT OF WAY. TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN 2006 GENM DOUBLEWIDE MOBILE HOME HAVING CIN NUMBER GMHGA10660679B, TITLE NUMER 0095339159; AND VIN NUMBER GMHGA10660679A, TITLE NUMBER 0095338898

a/k/a 26355 MUSE ROAD S.W., LABELLE, FL 33935

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the front steps of the Glades Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, FL South entrance, Florida, at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on 1/14/2010.
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 Moore Haven, Florida, this 3rd day of Dec. 2009

Joe Flint
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: Jennifer Bevis
Deputy Clerk

Douglas C. Zahm, P.A.
18820 U.S. Hwy 19 N., #212
Clearwater, FL 33764
(727)536-4911 Phone
(727)539-1094 Fax

In accordance with the American With Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Senior Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, Room 1213, 1700 Monroe Street, Ft. Myers, Florida, 33901, telephone number (2 3 9) 3 3 5 - 2 2 9 9 ; 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **CRYSTAL I LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
210	2007	1-18-44-28-A00-0080-0000	JOHN C. SWEARINGEN

The East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 18, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M.**, on the **FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **JANUARY**, which is the **7TH** day of **JANUARY, 2010.**
Dated this **4th** day of **November, 2009.**

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

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-000730

DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF AMERIQUEST MORTGAGESECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-48,
Plaintiff,
RALEIGH E. MATHIS, et al
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000730 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF AMERIQUEST MORTGAGE SECURITIES INC., ASSET-BACKED PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2005-R-8, is the Plaintiff and RALEIGH E. MATHIS; CAROLYN A. MATHIS; PORT LABELLE UNIT FOUR PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 20, BOOK 2171 OF PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
A/K/A 4016 N EDGEWATER CIRCLE, LABELLE, FL 33935

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 23, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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****See Americans with Disabilities Act - In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800,-955-877/ (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.**

340101 CN 12/03,10/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 2009 CA 265

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION ND,
Plaintiff,
VS.
SAN JUANITA REYNA; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAN JUANITA REYNA; GREGORIO REYNA, SR.; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LIENORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2;
Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-styled cause, in the Circuit Court of HENDRY County, Florida, I will sell the property situate in HENDRY County, Florida, described as:

Lots 20, 21, 22 & the North 10 feet of Lot 23, Block 418, GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON FLORIDA, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71 through 78, inclusive of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
A/K/A

705 Bond St.
Clewiston, DE 33440

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Clerk of the Circuit Court in the Hendry County Courthouse (being the second floor hallway of the Hendry County Courts Building), LaBelle, FL 33935 at 11:00 AM, on Dec. 23, 2009.

DATED THIS 25th day of Nov. 2009.

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

Witness, my hand and seal of this court on the 25th day of Nov., 2009.

SHARON ROBERTSON
CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT

By /S/ D. Hammond
Deputy Clerk

Law Offices of
Daniel C. Consuegra
9204 King Palm Drive
Tampa, FL 33619-1328
Attorneys for Plaintiff

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service.

340193 CN 12/3,10/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-000309

HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES INC.,
Plaintiff,
MARIA GUADALUPE GUZMAN, et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000309 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein HSBC MORTGAGE SERVICES INC., is the Plaintiff and MARIA GUADALUPE GUZMAN; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL 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; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 12, IN BLOCK 2139, OF PORT LABELLE UNIT THREE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 73, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 5006 MONTROSE LANE
LABELLE, FL 33935

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 25, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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****See Americans with Disabilities Act - In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800,-955-877/ (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.**

340408 CN 12/03,10/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000262

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WASHINGTON MUTUAL ANK, FORMERLY KNOWN AS WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA,
Plaintiff,
LOIREL LOPEZ, et al
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2009-CA-000262 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FORMERLY KNOWN AS WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, is the Plaintiff and LOIREL LOPEZ, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ON BEHALF OF THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION; TENANT #1 N/K/A MILAGROS MARTINEZ; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER, LESS THE WEST 30 FEET AND THE NORTH 30 FEET THEREOF RESERVED FOR PERPETUAL ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY PURPOSES SECTION 4, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
A/K/A 305 E ROAD, LABELLE, FL 33935

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 23, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY Case #: 2009-CA-000544

Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1,
Plaintiff,
-vs-
Rilean Smith Hooker and Emma J.S. Smith a/k/a Emma Smith;
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 11/16/2009, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000164 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein Wells Fargo Bank, N.A. as Trustee for Option One Mortgage Loan Trust 2007-1 Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-1, Plaintiff and Rilean Smith Hooker and Emma J.S. Smith a/k/a Emma Smith are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, AT THE FRONT DOOR OF THE GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, MOOREHAVEN, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on 1/7/10 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 39, LESS THE NORTH 50 FEET, AND ALL OF LOT 46, BLOCK 175, IN THE CITY OR TOWNSITE OF MOORE HAVEN FLORIDA ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 5, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES 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.

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 GLADES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 500 AVENUE J, P.O. BOX 10, MOORE HAVEN, FL 33471 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 MOORE HAVEN, Florida, this 20th day of November, 2009.

JOE FLINT
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
Glades County, Florida

BY: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP
10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy,
Suite 112
Tampa, Florida 33618
09-144389
(813) 880-8888
340450 CN 12/10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 08-00163

AURORA LOAN SERVICES LLC,
Plaintiff,
vs.
RALPH CONSTANT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RALPH CONSTANT; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY,
Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Resetting Foreclosure Sale Date dated the 24th day of Nov., 2009, and entered in Case No. 08-00163, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein AURORA LOAN SERVICES LLC is the Plaintiff and RALPH CONSTANT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF RALPH CONSTANT; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT(S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROOPERTY are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the AT FRONT STEPS, SOUTH DOOR OF COURTHOUSE at the Glades County Courthouse in Moore Haven, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 7th day of January, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 3, BLOCK 25, OF THE CITY OF MOORE HAVEN, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 35, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 ADA, Disables persons who, because of their Disabilities, need special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Senior Deputy Clerk Administration Whose Post Office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 MONROE STREET, FT. MYERS, FL 33901, Telephone (239)335-2299 or 1 (800)955-8771 (TDD) OR 1 (800)955-8770 Via FL. Relay Service, no later than 5 days prior to the Court Date.

Dated this 30th day of Nov., 2009.

JOE FLINT
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: Jennifer Bevis
Deputy Clerk

Law Office of Marshall C. Watson
1800 NW 49th Street, Suite 120
Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33309
Telephone: (954)453-0365
Facsimile: (954)771-6052
Toll Free: 1-800-441-2438
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 2008-001257-CA

U.S. BANK, N.A.
Plaintiff,
v.
SHERRY M. BLANSET; MARK BLANSET; and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the herein named Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants; TENANT #1 and/or TENANT #2, the parties intended to account for the person or persons in possession; PORT LABELLE UNIT FOUR PROPERTY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION, INC.
Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009, in this cause, I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida, described as:

LOT 11, BLOCK 2149, OF PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

a/k/a 4011 E. Sunflower Circle
LaBelle, Florida 33935

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, in front of the office of the Clerk of the Clerk of Circuit Court being on the second floor of the administration building of the Hendry County Courthouse, LaBelle, HENDRY County, Florida, at 11:00 o'clock a.m., on December 16, 2009.

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

Dated at Labelle, Florida, this 24th day of November, 2009.

Barbara F. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: /S/ D. Hammond
Deputy Clerk

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING, YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, E. MARION AVENUE, PUNTA GORDA, FL 33950, AND WHOSE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (941) 637-2281, WITHIN TWO WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 1-800-955-8771.

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-000748

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
JOSE L. CARRERO, et al
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000748 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., is the Plaintiff and JOSE L. CARRERO; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

THE EAST ONE-HALF (E½) OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (SE¼) OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (SE) OF THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER (SE¼) OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER (NW¼) OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR AN ACCESS ROAD F THE SOUTH 40 FEET AND EAST 30 FEET THEREOF, A/K/A TRACT 4537, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.
A/K/A 393 APPALOOSA AVENUE, CLEWISTON, FL 33440

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 23, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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****See Americans with Disabilities Act - In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800,-955-877/ (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.**

340108 CN 12/03,10/09

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **ELLA III, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
609	2007	1-27-43-29-010-0002-0770	JAMES D. HARPER, JR. & LINDA HARPER

Commence at the Southeast corner of Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida; thence S 86 26' W following the South line of Section 4, 2657.2 feet, thence N 04 00' W following the West line of Tract 49, 264.70 feet to the Point of Beginning of the tract herein described; thence N 86 23' E, 332.20 feet; thence S 03 59' E, 129.00 feet; thence S 86 21' W, 332.18 feet to the West line ofTract 49, thence N 04 00" W following the West line of Tract 49, 129.00 to the Point of Beginning, also known as Parcel #9 of Tract 49, LaBelle Ranchettes, an unrecorded subdivision. Less road dedication of 25 feet.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M.**, on the **FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **JANUARY**, which is the **7TH** day of **JANUARY , 2010.**

Dated this **4th** day of **November, 2009.**

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

340168 CGS 12/10,17,24,31/09

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **ELLA III, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
610	2007	1-27-43-29-010-0002-0780	JAMES D. HARPER, JR. & LINDA HARPER

Commence at the Southeast corner, beginning at Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, thence S 86 26' W, following the South line of Section 4, 2657.2 feet, thence N 04 00' W following the west line of Tract 49, 135.7 feet to the point of beginning of tract herein described; thence N 86 21' E, 332.18 feet; thence S 3 59' E, 129.00 feet; thence S 86 21' W following South line of Section 4, 332.18 feet thence N 04 00' W following the West line of Tract 49, 135.7 feet to the point of beginning, also known as Parcel #10 of Tract 49, LaBelle Ranchettes, an unrecorded subdivision. Less road dedication of 25 feet.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M.**, on the **FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **JANUARY**, which is the **7TH** day of **JANUARY, 2010.**

Dated this **4th** day of **November, 2009.**

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

340185 CGS 12/10,17,24,31/09

Public Notice

Opportunities with SFWMD Await Businesses
Session to provide information on upcoming Prequalified Vendor Solicitation

West Palm Beach, FL — The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) is hosting a series of informational sessions for businesses interested in learning about the District's upcoming solicitation for **CONTRACTOR PRE-QUALIFICATION; SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS**.

The sessions will give business owners and executives the opportunity to interact with contract specialists and project manager to discuss the upcoming solicitation. Each session will be held at the following locations /dates / times:

- **December 14th from 10:00-11:00 a.m.:** Clewiston Field Station, 2425 Hookers Point Road, Clewiston, Florida 33440, (863) 983-1431
- **December 17th from 10:30-11:30 a.m.:** Miami Field Station, 9001 NW 58th Street, Miami, FL 33178 (305) 513-3420
- **December 18th from 2:00-3:00 p.m.:** SFWMD Headquarters, Storch Room, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406 (561)686-8800

The purpose of the upcoming solicitation will be to obtain qualification and experience information from firms in order to pre-qualify contractors for major construction work in support of South Florida Water Management District Programs. Once qualified, contractors will be provided the opportunity to bid on construction projects throughout the South Florida area. Estimated values of these projects will range from $500,000 to $200,000,000. Contractors will be considered qualified by meeting a set of minimum requirements, as will be specified in the upcoming solicitation. Qualified contractors will then be categorized by project size (estimated contract value) and primary type of construction work. This solicitation will add firms to the previously established Qualified Contractors List. If a firm is currently pre-qualified with the District, that firm will not need to pre-qualify again unless applying for additional categories.

To learn more about the sessions, please visit www.sfwmd.gov or call Cathy Richards at (561) 682-2813.
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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **ELLA III, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
206	2007	1-18-44-28-A00-0064-0000	JOE M. PRASATEK & ONEITA W. PRASATEK c/o MIKE PRASATEK

The East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 8, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M.**, on the **FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **JANUARY**, which is the **7TH** day of **JANUARY, 2010.**

Dated this **4th** day of **November, 2009.**

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

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 09000093CP Division: PROBATE

IN RE: ESTATE OF LIDA MAE MORRISON Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of LIDA MAE MORRISON, deceased, whose date of death was May 24, 2009, is pending in the Circuit Court for HENDRY County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, Florida 33975-1760. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is December 10, 2009.

Personal Representative
ROBERT H. MORRISON
110 Kirby Thompson Road
Fort Denaud, Florida 33935

Attorney for Personal Representative:
JOHN E. O'NEILL
Florida Bar No. 726524
SHIPP, O'NEILL & POHL, LLP
4223 Del Prado Boulevard
Cape Coral, Florida 33904
Telephone: (239)542-1131
339867 CGS 12/10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000261

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A.,
Plaintiff,
VS.
HUMBERTO VALADEZ, et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: MARIA GUADALUPE VALADEZ
A/K/A MARIA G. VALADEZ
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
2017 Clipper Terrace
Labelle, FL 33935
CURRENT ADDRESS: **UNKNOWN**

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

LOT 9, BLOCK 8, PORT LABELLE HOLIDAY PARK UNIT 1, AS PER PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 3 TO 9, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Florida Default Law Group, P.L., Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is 9119 Corporate Lake Drive, Suite 300, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Clewiston News.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 1st day of Dec., 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Court
By: Barbara S. Butler
As Clerk

340684 CN 12/10,17/2009

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 08-110 CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF JOSE MANUEL BAEZ-BARBOSA, Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Jose Manuel Baez-Barbosa, deceased, whose date of death was November 19, 2007, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, Fl 33975. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is December 10, 2009.

Alma Baez
Personal Representative
Sara L. Yanes
Personal Representative
Ralph Elver
Florida Bar Number 215848
Ralph Elver, P.A.
Attorney for Personal Representative:
P.O. Drawer 2280
LaBelle, FL 33975
(863) 675-5800
340542 CN 12/10,17/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 222009CA000233XXXXXX

INTERSAVINGS BANK - FSB,
Plaintiff,
vs.
THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARTHA G. DAVIS, DECEASED, et al.,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: THE UNKNOWN SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST MARTHA G. DAVIS, deceased.
RESIDENCE UNKNOWN

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

LOTS 17 AND 18 OF BLOCK 4, LAKEVIEW SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 166, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on SMITH, HIATT & DIAZ, P.A., Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 2691 East Oakland Park Blvd., Suite 303, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33306, within 30 days from first date of publication, and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED on November 25, 2009.

Joe Flint
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis
As Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Clerk of the Court not later than five business days prior to the proceeding at the Glades County Courthouse. Telephone 863-946-0113 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.
340427 GCD 12/3,10/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000016

CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC,
Plaintiff,
ROBERTO RAMIREZ, JR., et al,
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2009-CA-000016 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC, is the Plaintiff and ROBERTO RAMIREZ, JR.; GLORIA RAMIREZ are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 16, BLOCK 2033, PORT LABELLE UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN MAP BOOK 3, PAGE 50, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

A/K/A 2023 MONTANA CIRCLE, LABELLE, FL 339350000

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 20, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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****See Americans with Disabilities Act - In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800,-955-877/ (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding.**
340156 CN 12/03,10/09

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000095

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,
SAMUEL J. WALKER, et al
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2009-CA-000095 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,is the Plaintiff and SAMUEL J. WALKER, LUAN B. WALKER; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOTS 15 AND 16, IN BLOCK 16 OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, AS REVISED SEPTEMBER 7, 1937, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 71-78, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 512 DEL MONTE AVENUE E, CLEWISTON, FL 33440

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 20, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2008-CA-000608

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.,
Plaintiff,
PORFIRIO MENDOZA, et al
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated October 23, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000608 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., is the Plaintiff and PORFIRIO MENDOZA; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF PORFIRIO MENDOZA, N/K/A MARIA MENDOZA; are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 16th day of December, 2009, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 13, BLOCK 2311, PORT LABELLE UNIT 9, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 144, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
A/K/A 8006 MEMORY CIRCLE, PORT LABELLE, FL 33935

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 sixty (60) days after the sale.

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on Nov. 24, 2009.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 09CP35

IN RE: ESTATE OF
GERALDINE DOMINGUEZ
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of GERALDINE DOMINGUEZ, deceased, whose date of death was January 17, 2009, is pending in the Circuit Court for GLADES County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 10, Moore Haven, FL 33471. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

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

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

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

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

The date of first publication of this notice is 12/10/2009.

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
208	2007	1-18-44-28-A00-0068-0000	JOHN C. SWEARINGEN

The West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 18, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M.**, on the **FIRST THURSDAY** in the month of **JANUARY**, which is the **7TH** day of **JANUARY, 2010.**
Dated this **4th** day of **November, 2009.**

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

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **OPTIMUM FUND, LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3130	2002	1-21-43-34-051-000D-0140	GERALD L. NEDD & SANDRA D. NEDD

The West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 18, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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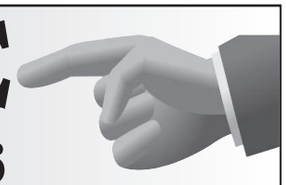

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **CRYSTAL I LLC** holder of the following certificate, has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
731	2007	1-04-43-31-010-0000-0222	WILD ORCHID HOLDINGS INC c/o CATALINA CABAL/c/o LESLIE ALAN ROZENCWAIG, ESQ.

A parcel of land located in Section 9, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Northwest corner of said Section 9; thence N 0 01'18" W, along the West line of Section 4, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, a distance of 566.88 feet to an intersection with the Southerly right-of-way of State Road 80, as existing; thence S 88 19'13" E along said right-of-way a distance of 2340.56 feet; thence S 0 01'18" E a distance of 1980.00 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; thence continuing S 0 01'18" E a distance of 888.34 feet, thence S 88 19'13" E a distance of 990.44 feet; thence N 0 01'18 W a distance of 888.34 feet; thence N 88 19'13" W a distance of 990.44 feet to said Point-of-Beginning. Known as the North 888.34 feet of the West ½ of parcel No. 22. Subject to a road easement on the West and North 50.00 feet thereof. Together with and subject to a right of way for ingress and egress over the following described 100 feet roadway, described as: A strip of land lying in Sections 4,9,10, 15 and 16, all in Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida, said strip of land lying within 50 feet each side of, as measured at right angles to the following specifically described centerline: Commencing at the intersection of the East line of the West 1/8 of said Section 4, with the South right of way line of State Road 80 (a 110 foot right of way); thence run S 88 19'13" E along said right of way line, a distance of 1650.00 feet for Point of Beginning; thence S 00 01'18" W, parallel with the said West line of said Section 9, a distance of 1980.00 feet to Point "A" thence, continue S 00 01'18 W parallel with said West line, a distance of 6600.00 feet; thence N 00 01'18" E, parallel with the West line of said Section 9, a distance of 330.00 feet thence 88 19'13" E parallel parallel with the West line of said Section 9, a distance of 300.00 feet; thence N 00 01'18"E, parallel with the with the West line of said Section 9, a distance of 5280.00 feet; thence N 43 23'49" W, a distance of 1790.00 feet; thence N 88 19'13" W, parallel with the South right-of-way line of State Road 80, to aforementioned Point "A" and the end of said specifically described centerline.

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Dated this **4th** day of **November, 2009.**

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

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
150	2007	1-06-44-28-A00-0060-0000	DEBORAH DANDY MICHAUX EXECUTRIX OF ARDITH DANDY ESTATE

The West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 6, Township 44 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida.

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FWC gives the O.K. to take 'big game snakes'

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) reminds hunters that they may continue to take Burmese pythons and all other reptiles of concern within four South Florida wildlife management areas (WMAs).

An FWC executive order, which went into effect Aug. 29, gives all properly licensed and permitted hunters authority to harvest pythons and other reptiles of concern (Indian python, reticulated python, northern and southern African rock python, amethystine or scrub python, green anaconda and Nile monitor lizard) on Everglades and Francis S. Taylor, Holey Land, Rotenberger and Big Cypress WMAs during specified hunting seasons.

Besides Big Cypress WMA, small-game seasons are going on in the other three management areas, continuing through March 7. On Big Cypress, general gun season is in, immediately followed by the area's small-game season, which goes through Feb. 1. In all four WMAs, only a Florida hunting license and management area permit are required to hunt reptiles of concern from now through the end of the small-game seasons.

"Because hunters continue to play a key role with wildlife conservation in this state, and since many of them have great local knowledge and really know the lay of the land, it just makes good sense to once again enlist their services in helping us eradicate these invasive reptiles," said FWC Commissioner Ronald Bergeron.

With the exception of the small-game season in the Deep Lake Unit of Big Cypress (where only bows and muzzleloaders are allowed), hunters may use shotguns, rimfire rifles and handguns to take pythons. Nets and snares also may be used, but no matter the method of take, all reptiles of concern must be euthanized on site.

Reptiles of concern may not be taken out of the wildlife management areas alive and must be reported to the FWC within 36 hours by calling, toll-free, 866-392-4286, or going to MyFWC.com and selecting "Burmese pythons" in the "Quick Clicks" menu. However, any reptile of concern taken from Big Cypress must be checked in at one of the area's six check stations. Hunters may do what they wish with the reptile's skin and meat.

However, according to the National Park Service, mercury testing on two dozen captured Burmese pythons in Everglades National Park revealed extraordinarily high levels of mercury in the meat - well above levels considered safe to eat in freshwater fish and alligators. Officials estimate there are thousands of Burmese pythons in the wild in South Florida.

The FWC's goal is to contain the spread of these pythons in the wild and prevent establishment of other reptiles of concern. Data collected by hunters on these state-managed lands will assist in preventing their northern movement.

FWC needs your input on black bass management plan

By Bob Wattendorf

Black bass are the most popular recreational fishes in the United States, but do you know what they are? In the Sunshine State, black bass include Florida largemouth, shoal, spotted and Suwannee basses. We are fortunate to live in a state known as the Garden of Eden for these fiesty sport fish. Scientists specializing in fish species will tell you they aren't real bass at all, but rather members of the sunfish family that include crappie and bluegill. But anglers who have tussled with a Florida largemouth bass will insist they are the "reel" basses.

In Florida, black bass annually provide more than 800,000 anglers with nearly 15 million days of healthy outdoor recreation and generate substantially more than a billion dollars in economic impact for Florida. So although the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has always zealously managed these fish to ensure their survival and sustainable use, it is now time to pull together all the loosely connected pieces into one cohesive management plan.

Darrell Scovell, director of the Division of Freshwater Fisheries Management, announced the framework for such a plan at the first public meeting of the rapidly evolving Florida Freshwater Fishing Coalition (FLFFC.org), in October in Orlando. The FWC's Black Bass Management Plan will ultimately provide the blueprint to ensure Florida's recognition as "The Bass Capital of the World," according to Scovell. The meeting drew representatives from 17 fishery-dependent type organizations, businesses and groups who actively participated in the discussion and commended the FWC for its outreach effort.

Tom Champeau, an FWC fisheries expert and director of the South Region, introduced the concept at the meeting. He emphasized that the prominence of our bass fisheries cannot be taken for granted. Participation in freshwater fishing has been affected by societal changes related to urbanization and changing demographics. Freshwater fishing license sales have shown an overall decline since the 1980s, although sales have stabilized over the past 10 years. Development of land and water resources to support our current and projected population growth threatens lake, river and associated wetland habitats. The uncertain impacts of climate change on freshwater habitats and bass fishing require investigation and adaptive management.

To protect our valuable bass fisheries, the FWC plans to engage more stakeholders through a year-long process to develop a long-term (2010-2030) management plan for Florida bass species. This plan will provide strategies and programs to manage for high quality fisheries and increase opportunities for anglers to pursue trophy Florida bass.

"The FLFFC is ecstatic about being involved at the grass roots level in discussing Florida's black bass management," said Todd Kersey, CEO of the FLFFC. "The enthusiasm of the participants shows how important this is and the desire to see all aspects of management - from aquatic vegetation control, to habitat enhancement and stocking, to regulation management and enforcement - included in the plan."

That is just what the FWC biologists wanted to hear, not only from the FLFFC, but from all of the nearly 1 million anglers who enjoy fishing in Florida for black bass. The plan will include all those aspects and more, but the final product depends on good, solid science, knowledge of local fisheries - including the constraints and opportunities - and what you, the public, want your fisheries resources to be. From creating relaxing, low-pressure aesthetic fisheries where natural scenery is the major draw, to fast-action schooling bass in the small to average size range, to limited-entry trophy bass fisheries, FWC biologists are willing to work with local communities to design a management plan that, with adequate funding and public support, can provide the sustainable fishing opportunities you want.

To see a draft of the plan and the PowerPoint presentation given at the FLFFC meeting, visit MyFWC.com/Fishing and select Black Bass Management Plan proposal.

Briefs

Continued From Page 1

Booth space is limited.

The event will be held in the main stage area of the civic park behind the Clewiston Inn. Admission is free and all ages are welcome. So, Come One, Come all. It will be a ball. A snow ball that is! Join us to play in the snow, meet Santa, watch performances and take a hay ride to view Christmas lights, food, fun, and much more. If you would like to make a donation, please call Sharon at 863-254-7155 or visit their website at activecitizensforchildren.com.

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DUI checkpoint

A DUI sobriety checkpoint is scheduled in Hendry County for the weekend of December 12, 2009. This operation will take place in an undisclosed location in Hendry County.Hendry County Sheriff Steve Whidden stated, "In our continued effort to protect the citizens and visitors in Hendry County we are committed to getting impaired drivers off our roadways. Additionally, we are in support of education efforts such as the national 'Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest' campaign".

This checkpoint emphasis is placed on the following: 1. Remove impaired drivers from the roadway. 2. Heighten awareness. 3. Educate the public on the dangers of drunk driving. Various community partnerships, including planned DUI sobriety checkpoints, are established with the goal of education and information for the public on traffic safety issues.

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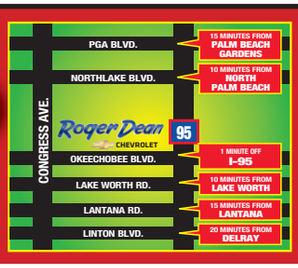

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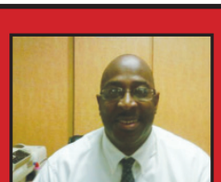

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Sheriff's Office encourages "Project Blue Light"

Program recognizes fallen officers

Hendry County Sheriff Steve Whidden and the national organization of Concerns for Police Survivors respectfully requests that the citizens of Hendry County show support for law enforcement officers and families of officers who have died in the line of duty by participating in the nationwide Project Blue Light this holiday season.

In 1988 Mrs. Dolly Craig of Philadelphia, PA, wrote Concerns of Police Survivors telling them she was planning on displaying a single blue light to honor her son-in-law who died in the line of duty in 1986.

Project Blue Light honors and remembers those law enforcement officers who have given their lives while serving the law enforcement profession and thanking those officers who continue to work America's increasingly dangerous streets each and every day of the year.

Project Blue Light was developed by Concerns of Police Survivors, Inc., a non-profit organization which represents more than 15,000 families of officers who have died in the line of duty.

Hendry County Sheriff Steve Whidden stated "we are asking residents and businesses to include blue lights in their holiday decorations, or place a single blue light in a window as a way of honoring our fallen and active officers.

"We are all reminded of the recent killing of four Lakewood Police Officers as they prepared for their shift. I hope that you will take time during this Christmas season to remember those that have made the ultimate sacrifice and the families and friends they left behind.

"Please remember those that have died in the line of duty on our streets, in Hendry County, and their families."

Sheriff Earl. S. Dyess.

Deputy Brian Andrew Haas.

Sgt. Michael Lee Horne.

Sheriff Earl S. Dyess, Sr. – 1980

Deputy Brian Andrew Haas – 2004

Sgt. Michael Lee Horne - 2008

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Cougar boys football

The boys in the Clewiston Cougars football team wait patiently during a recent county commission meeting during which they were recognized.

County warrant round up

Sheriff's Office makes drug arrests

On Nov. 23, members of the Hendry County Sheriff's Office Special Operations Team conducted a county-wide warrant roundup arresting eight individuals on drug related warrants.

These warrants stemmed from undercover drug buys and previous investigations.

Two additional arrests were made by Highlands County and the second in Lee County.

Those arrested were 30 yr-old Jose Gonzalez, sale and possession of cocaine, 34 yr-old Jaime Perle, cultivation and trafficking in marijuana, 42 yr-old Irenia Sariol, cultivation and trafficking in Marijuana, 45 yr-old Robert Peterson, sale and possession of cocaine, 48 yr-old Anthony Lyons, sale and possession of cocaine, 39-yr old Roberta Moxley, sale and possession of cocaine, 30 yr-old Alexander Roman, violation of probation, possession of cocaine w/intent to sell, possession of firearm by convicted felon, and 18 yr-old Brandon Mejias, Possession of cocaine and marijuana. Arrested in Highlands County on HCSO Warrant, was 46 yr-old Angel Martinez on charges of cultivation and trafficking in marijuana, and in Lee County, 68 yr-old Alfonso Maldonado charged with sale and possession of cocaine.

Intersection

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in Hendry County for years to come. As a member of the state's transportation agency, Ms. Caudill-Scott reviewed the county's major roadway improvements as they are projected from the year 2010, all the way to 2015.

Reading the details of minor work, she purposely held the biggest news for last: funding for the U.S. 27/S.R. 80 project has been identified and the project, previously scheduled to begin in the last year of that five-year program, is now scheduled to start in the first.

The $35 million plan is scheduled to kick start in 2010.

What this means is that the current intersection will be gutted to make way for an interchange. The elevated "T" design should, county staff reports, dramatically improve the safety at the intersection.

While no concrete design plans exist for the project -- few people at the county level were aware of the fact that the project had been moved up until the surprise announcement this week -- commissioners received the news with excitement.

"That's just the greatest Christmas present anyone could ask for," said Janet Taylor, Hendry County commissioner. "The commission has worked diligently to see that this happens."

"This is a good, good thing," added Karson Turner, commissioner.

According to Shane Parker, county engineer, the news is very welcomed in Hendry County.

"This is going to be an awesome improvement," said Mr. Parker on Wednesday. "It will reduce the number of crashes and fatalities and improve congestion. This is one of the most dangerous intersections in district 1 and has been the board's number one priority for some time."

In considering securing funding for the project, the department of transportation may have focused on the fact that, as Mr. Parker explained, the roadway is used not only by county residents, but handles traffic coming in from either of Florida's coasts and larger areas.

DOT and county officials have stated that more planning must be completed before construction begins, but all seem to be on board with moving ahead expeditiously on the matter.

The engineer said that the project also represents a large step forward in the county's plan to four-lane State Road 80 from LaBelle all the way to U.S. 27. Four-lane construction has started from Clark Street in LaBelle to Birchwood Parkway.

During the meeting, Ms. Caudill-Scott said that DOT has also identified plans to provide funding from the intersection to 833.

"When they do that segment, you're going to be looking at the segment from Birchwood Parkway to 833 as the only remaining piece to four-lane," Mr. Parker said.

Shooting

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wound. Medics arrived and transported him to Hendry Regional Hospital, where he later died.

Investigators with the Hendry County Sheriff's Office immediately began searching for witnesses and were able to locate one individual that saw the entire incident occur. After speaking with several witnesses, Investigators were able to request an arrest warrant for Timothy Arthur Rumph on the charge of second degree murder.

On Dec. 5, 2009, at approximately 4:45 p.m., 20-year-old Timothy Arthur Rumph turned himself in to Hendry County deputies. He was then placed under arrest and is currently being held in the Hendry County Jail on $250,000. Bond. Investigators acknowledge this is an ongoing investigation and additional arrests may be forthcoming.