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News in briefs

Cougar sign-ups

The Clewiston Cougars are having sign-ups for football and cheerleading at the Clewiston Cougars locker room on Feb. 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Registration is \$75. For further information please contact Al Gary at 863-233-9996.

Youth baseball meeting

Clewiston Youth baseball and girls softball will be holding a meeting Feb. 16, beginning at 6 p.m. at the Clewiston Youth Center. We will be voting board members and officers. If anyone is interested in becoming a board member, officer or coach, please attend.

Baseball and softball registrations

The last week of baseball and

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Hendry County Fair: New title holders



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Samantha Ortiz, left, was crowned on Feb. 6 as the new 2010 Miss Hendry County. She is pictured here along with Whitney Irey, right, who was crowned as Jr. Miss Hendry County on Monday, Feb. 8.



INI/Ashley Smith

Jocelyn Martinez was also crowned a new queen over the weekend and given the title Miss Teen Latina of the Glades for 2010.

March vote to decide E.R. expansion

\$14 million project in the hands of voters

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza
Clewiston News

In a little less than one month, Hendry County voters will decide whether or not to allow Hendry Regional Medical Center to go ahead with a \$14 million expansion.

The project will address the need for a new emergency room at the facility's Clewiston hospital, although \$2 million of the project is expected to be invested into strengthening the center's presence in LaBelle.

It is the lone item on the March 9 ballot.

For the hospital's administration, the move seems to be one of the few remaining options for ensuring a viable operation in the years to come. Leaders say they must spend money in order to make money. Rather than continue funneling a part of their earnings to the costly upkeep of an aging facility, the center must invest in its future, maintains Lynn Beasley, Hendry Regional's interim CEO.

Some of the looming questions include how, if the hospital's governing board has seen it fit to focus on capital improvements, does it

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Local sweethearts and enduring love

The secret behind two area couples; what has kept them together

By Amy McKown

Special to the Clewiston News

Every flower shop in the U.S. is buzzing this week and it isn't

because of the bees attracted to their flowers. Cards, flowers, stuffed animals and candy will be flying off the shelves as St. Valentine is celebrated by love birds and sweethearts.

In fact, the U.S. Greeting Card Association estimates that approximately one billion valentine cards are sent worldwide, making it the second largest card-sending holiday behind Christmas.

In a time when the average marriage is said to last only eight years according to a 2005 Census.gov publication, the thought of a true valentine seems impossible. Two pairs of Clewiston sweethearts give thought as to what it takes to have a long-term valentine.

Hager and Penny Lowe, mar-

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Local Weather

Weather Forecast for Hendry County from the National Weather Service.

Clewiston and surrounding areas:

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 65. Wind chill values as low as 37 early. Calm wind becoming north between 8 and 11 mph.



Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 41. Light north wind.

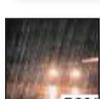


Extended Forecast:

Friday: A 50 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 70. Calm wind becoming north between 5 and 8 mph.



Friday Night: A 50 percent chance of rain. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 45. North wind around 8 mph.



Saturday: A 10 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 69. North wind between 7 and 9 mph.



Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 43. North wind around 6 mph.



Sunday: A 10 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 72.



Sunday Night: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 48.



Presidents' Day: A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a high near 76.



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Volunteer Child Advocates needed

New! The Guardian ad Litem Program has added a 3-session, Saturday training in Hendry County, scheduled for February 27, March 6 and 13. Guardian ad Litem volunteers advocate for abused children in court, the child welfare system and the community.

Anyone interested should contact Angela Boykin, Volunteer Supervisor, at 863-674-4190, for more information. Or see www.guardianadlitem.org.

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For details, e-mail okcirc@strato.net or call Janet at 863-634 1188.

Project H.O.P.E.

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

After Tropical Storm Fay, you may have been able to repair or rebuild but things are

just not the same. Anxiety or just feeling the blues is common. Talking really helps... getting connected with available resources really helps! Project H.O.P.E. is a FEMA funded program managed by the State of Florida. Project H.O.P.E. outreach workers are in your community.

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

A.A. and N.A. Meetings

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

General News and Information

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 on Tuesday, Feb. 16 at 4:15 p.m. located at the Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church, 310 Campbell St. in LaBelle.

General subject matter to be considered: Tobacco Policy Development and Community Survey.

A copy of the agenda 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.

Hendry County Property Appraiser's Office extends hours

Phillip Pelletier, Property Appraiser, has extended hours for homeowners to file for 2010 Exemptions. The hours and locations are as follows:

- The office in LaBelle and in Clewiston

will be open until 6 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 18 and Feb. 25.

- We will have representatives in Montura at the Clubhouse on Thursday, Feb. 18 from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

- On Tuesday, Feb. 23 at the Community Center in Pioneer from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

- On Thursday, Feb. 25 we will be at the Community Center in Felda from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

For more information please contact our office in LaBelle at 863-675-5270 or the Clewiston office at 863-983-3178. You can also visit our website at www.hendryprop.org.

Remember March 1 is the deadline for filing.

La oficina del Tasador del Condado extiende su horario

El Tasador del Condado, Phillip Pelletier, ha extendido las horas de oficina para que los residentes-dueños puedan aplicar para las Exenciones del 2010. Las horas y lugares son como sigue:

- Las oficinas de LaBelle y Clewiston estarán abiertas hasta las 6 p.m., los jueves, 18 y 25 de febrero.
- Tendremos representantes en:

- La Casa Club de Montura, el jueves 18 de febrero de 4 p.m. a 6 p.m..

- El Centro Comunitario de Pioneer, el martes 23 de febrero de 4 p.m. a 6 p.m..

- El Centro Comunitario de Felda, el jueves 25 de febrero de 4 p.m. a 6 p.m..

Para más información puede llamar al 863-675-5270, en LaBelle, o en Clewiston al 863-983-3178. También puede visitarnos en la "Red Mundial" en www.hendryprop.org.

Acuerdece que el ultimo dia para aplicar para las diversas exenciones es marzo 1ero.

Quit smoking now

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A Walk in the Past: Powell's failed mission

By Butch Wilson
Clewiston Museum Director

Sam Jones and other Seminoles that engaged Colonel Taylor's army at the Battle of Okeechobee on December 25, 1837, fled southeast to the Loxahatchee River (River of Turtles) with their families to escape the constant advancing armies of blue that now flowed endlessly south like the waters of Lake Okeechobee.

The fleeing Seminoles had an intimate knowledge of South Florida and had chosen the Loxahatchee River basin because it afforded them shelter and an abundance of food. It was in the cypress dominated swamp, where tannic waters meet and merged with the Loxahatchee River, that the Seminoles found refuge.

The serpentine river was not a stranger to man. For centuries, its nutrient laden waters had flowed through the swampy, cypress flood plains before emerging and joining the Atlantic Ocean at the present day Jupiter Inlet. Nature's special recipe of enriched freshwater, spiced with saltwater from the Atlantic Ocean, created fertile estuaries, teeming with marine life.

Anis Indian settlements and those of other Florida Native Americans had once inhabited this area and flourished because of

the abundant estuaries. I recall reading the journal of Army surgeon, Jacob Rhett Motte, who wrote about these rich fisheries, while stationed at Fort Jupiter during the Second Seminole War. He reported the oysters were innumerable; up to 10 inches across and succulent creatures to dine upon.

He also wrote about the great fishing at Jupiter Inlet, stating that one soldier with a single hand line could supply one hundred men in a short time with all the fish they could eat

The area around Jupiter Inlet was part of the long Atlantic Coastal Ridge, which runs southward along Florida's east coast. It ranges from 10 to 50 feet above sea level, with an average width of five miles.

This long piece of real estate protected the early native inhabitants from flooding, while providing them with an abundance of deer, turkey and bear.

It would appear that the Seminoles had sought refuge in "Paradise Lost." They had indeed settled in a paradise, but it would soon be lost again as the long arm of the United States Army relentlessly searched and probed south Florida's vast Everglades for the elusive Seminoles.

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Farmworker income down \$23.6 million after freeze

The freeze that decimated thousands of acres of vegetable crops throughout southwest Florida earlier this month also had an enormous effect on farm labor income, costing field workers an estimated \$23.6 million-plus, according to Dr. Fritz Roka, an associate professor of agricultural economics at the University of Florida (UF)/IFAS Southwest Florida Research and Education Center in Immokalee (SWFREC).

"This figure includes labor income losses for seasonal and migrant farmworkers," Roka explains. "These workers are employed on a day-to-day basis, and if the crop is gone, they have no work."

The estimate of income losses was compiled by Roka in conjunction with Dr. Monica Ozores-Hampton, assistant professor of vegetable horticulture at the SWFREC, and Gene McAvoy, director and regional vegetable specialist at the UF/IFAS Hendry County Cooperative Extension Service in LaBelle.

The report indicates that of roughly 52,600 acres of vegetable farm land in the five-county area of Lee, Collier, Hendry, Glades, and Charlotte counties, 16,670 have been lost to the freeze.

Affected crops include bell peppers, cucumbers, eggplant, squash, bush beans, tomatoes, and sweet corn.

The total value of pre-harvest crop losses to the freeze is estimated to be more than

\$147 million.

The implications of the freeze to farmworker income are estimated on the basis of lost opportunity to harvest and pack the affected vegetable crops.

"What we've heard is that most of the damaged acreage was at the beginning of the harvest stage," Roka says. "All of the labor income to grow the crop had already been paid to the workers. Plus, workers will still be paid for any cleanup work that needs to be done."

So, the \$23.6 million-plus figure represents solely what would have been paid to workers to harvest and pack the crops. That's a major loss to the workers."

The loss of farmworker income will have a dampening economic impact on local communities in southwest Florida, such as Immokalee and LaBelle, which house a significant portion of the seasonal and migrant farmworker population.

The lost income means that workers have less to spend in local businesses.

If the impact of a damaging freeze forces many farmworkers to move out of the area to seek work elsewhere, growers who choose to replant their crops or plan to harvest spring crops in March and April may run the risk of a farmworker shortage at harvest time.

TAX SAVINGS NOTICE FOR GLADES COUNTY PROPERTY OWNERS

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Residents who have filed early for the 2010 Homestead Exemption will receive a letter that must be signed and returned to confirm that they were still living on the property as of January 1, 2010.

For those disabled persons that is unable to come to the Courthouse please call and arrangements will be made for you to make an application for Homestead Exemption.

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Meet new feathered friends at the 2010 Bird Count

Join the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), the Hendry-Glades Audubon Society and thousands of avian enthusiasts across the nation for the 13th annual Great Backyard Bird Count on Feb. 13 to Feb. 15 beginning at 8:30 a.m. each day at the gate at STA-5 located on Blumberg Road in Hendry County, 12 miles south of the intersection of Blumberg and County Road 835. Each year, "citizen scientists" submit

checklists to help researchers at the Cornell Lab of Ornithology in Ithaca, N.Y., and the National Audubon Society study and protect birds.

In 2009, Florida ranked first among participating states and provinces in reporting the most birds. Clewiston, just south of Lake Okeechobee, was among the top 10 localities in reporting the greatest number of individual birds. The SFWMD and Hendry-

Glades Audubon will take birders on three separate days to an Everglades Stormwater Treatment Area (STA) in Hendry County that has become nationally known as a bird watching spot. STAs are the water-cleaning workhorses of Everglades restoration.

The South Florida Water Management District is steadily increasing recreational access to public lands while continuing to manage them to support environmental restoration,

water supply, water quality and flood control missions. At present, the District actively manages 621,000 acres of public land. For more information on recreational opportunities throughout the District's 16-county region, visit www.sfwmd.gov/recreation. Also visit, The Great Backyard Bird Count. You may also contact Margaret England at 863-517-0202 or by e-mail at sta5birding@embarqmail.com.



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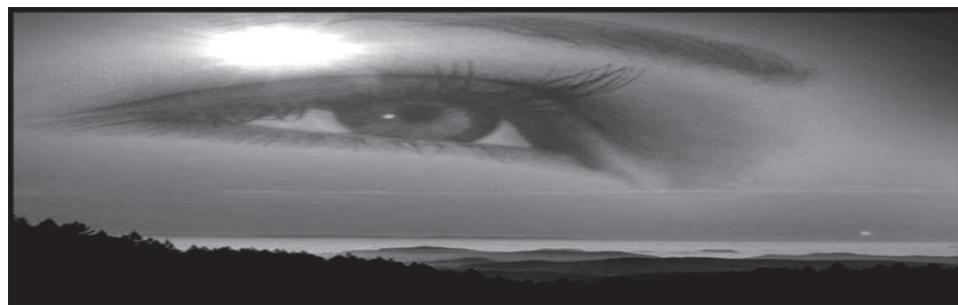
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Bird count notes 99 species at Everglades Treatment Wetland

An Everglades restoration project maintained its status as a national bird watching destination as volunteers with the Hendry-Glades Audubon Society partnered with the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) to document 99 species and nearly 106,000 individual birds during the 110th Christmas Bird Count this January. Known as "citizen science," bird counts are vital to studies of the long-term health and status of bird populations.

On Jan. 2, Audubon and its 35 volunteers made the trip to Stormwater Treatment Area (STA) 5 just south of Lake Okeechobee in Hendry County for a day of intensive bird watching. Of the diverse array of bird species sighted at the constructed wetland, American coots were by far the most abundant — as they were in 2009 — with more than 60,000 counted. Birders also took note of 45 endangered snail kites, which are native to South Florida and the Everglades, and

spotted some rarer species such as a short-tailed hawk and a Cassin's kingbird, a species more common in states west of Texas.

"We are honored to be part of a more than century-old tradition that helps us follow trends in bird diversity and numbers, which ultimately aids in their protection," said SFWMD Executive Director Carol Ann Wehle. "We manage treatment wetlands to improve Everglades water quality, yet their extensive use as havens for wildlife demonstrates the significance of our restoration work."

The District recently renovated STA-5 by enhancing plant growth and water movement through the treatment marsh to improve its ability to remove phosphorus from Everglades-bound waters.

The bird count at STA-5 once again served as a prelude to another partnership year of Audubon/SFWMD birding tours that showcase wildlife and public access on lands

managed in perpetuity by the District for Everglades restoration. The 6,000-acre constructed wetland, just south of Clewiston, is today one of 489 sites on The Great Florida Birding Trail. Sponsored by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, the sites are selected for their prolific bird watching or bird education opportunities.

Renowned as havens for birds and wildlife, Stormwater Treatment Areas are the water-cleaning workhorses of Everglades restoration, naturally using plants to remove phosphorus from water flowing into the fabled River of Grass.

Birding, a national pastime, is also big business, with 48 million people observing birds both around the home and through vacation travel. A 2001 report by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service concluded that nationwide birding generated \$32 billion in retail sales and created 863,406 jobs.

Non-consumptive bird use (non-hunting

activities) supported more than 19,000 jobs in Florida in 2006, and wildlife viewing activities generated more than \$3 billion statewide that year, according to a state report.

The South Florida Water Management District is steadily increasing recreational access to public lands while continuing to manage them to support environmental restoration, water supply, water quality and flood control missions. At present, the District actively manages 621,000 acres of public land. Many of these properties are in their natural state or have enhancements such as picnic tables, informational kiosks, campsites and hiking trails. For more information on recreational opportunities throughout the District's 16-county region, visit www.sfwmd.gov/recreation.

For more information on Florida bird watching, visit The Great Florida Birding Trail.



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Billy Joe 'Bo' Gray Jr., 42

CLEWISTON — Billy Joe "Bo" Gray Jr., age 42, of Clewiston, passed away Jan. 13, 2010, in Hendry Regional Medical Center.

He was born July 20, 1967, in Clewiston the son of Billy Joe, Sr and Beatrice (Mitchell) Gray. He married Connie Hancock in Clewiston on July 14, 1989; she survives. He was a former owner/operator of his own semi and later worked as a mechanic for Ridgill and Sons, Inc. He was a member of Clewiston Gospel Ministries.

He leaves behind his loving wife, Connie; parents, Billy Joe Gray Sr. and wife Katie; mother, Beatrice Mitchell Gray; son, William "BJ" Gray; daughter, Kristin Briana Gray; and sisters, Joy White and Cheryl Silva.

Funeral services celebrating his life were held 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15, 2010, in the Clewiston Gospel Ministries Church where Rev. Jim Yates presided. Visitation was from 6 to 8 p.m., Friday in the church.

Memorials are suggested to be given to the family in lieu of flowers. Akin-Davis Funeral Home in Clewiston was in charge of the arrangements.

Gaudy Redish, 90

JONAS RIDGE, N.C. — Gaudy Redish, age 90, of Jonas Ridge, passed away Jan. 27, 2010, at Life Care Center in Banner Elk, N.C.

She was born June 27, 1919, a daughter of the late Gardie Matison and Ona Iowa Lance Waters. Gaudy was a member of Lakeside Baptist Church in Rocky Mount, N.C.

Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Leon Carlisle Redish; brothers, Paul Waters, Clayton Waters, Junior Waters and Jack Waters; and a sister, Anna Rue Converse.

Survivors include her two sons, Tommy Redish and wife Vanessa of Jonas Ridge, N.C., Derrell Redish of Lake Harbor, Fla.; grandchildren, Brandi Forbes of Newland, N.C., Mindi Grissom and husband Scott of Wilmington, N.C., Mandy Redish of Clewiston, Fla., Kevin Redish and wife Jessica of Conover, N.C., Jeremy Forbes of Newland, N.C., Chase Redish of Lakeport, Fla., Amanda Redish of Florence, S.C.; and six great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Thursday, Jan. 28, in the Grandfather Chapel of Reins-Sturdivant Funeral Home with Rev. Joe Ingham officiating.

A local funeral service was held Sat. January 30, 2010, 2:00 pm at Akin-Davis Funeral Home in Clewiston with Rev. Ted Hines and Rev. Bill Derbyberry and officiating. Interment followed in Ridgelawn Cemetery, Clewiston.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

Sugar Coop gives to Haiti relief

Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Florida has made a \$10,000 contribution to Doctors Without Borders USA for Haiti earthquake relief and will match dollar for dollar all employee contributions up to \$25,000 to this organization or the American Red Cross.

"Everyone has been shocked and saddened by the devastating earthquake in Haiti," said Cooperative President and CEO George H. Wedgworth. "We wanted to find a way to help our workforce's contributions go further so we set up a program with two very reputable organizations that are currently providing assistance to the victims of

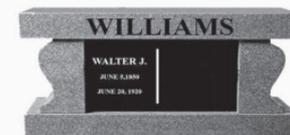
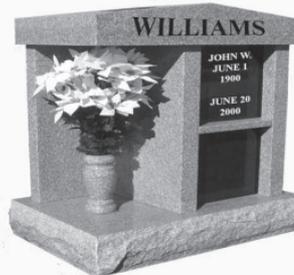
the earthquake."

Even before the Cooperative's Board of Directors had a chance to take action, employees in the agricultural operations trucking fleet began spearheading a campaign to raise funds for the American Red Cross.

This effort will also be eligible for the company's matching funds.

"In these tough economic times, it heartens me to see our workforce dig deep in their pockets go give to others in need," Wedgworth said. "We're proud to have these people working in our business."

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A Sincere Thank You From The Family of Billy Joe (Bo) Gray Jr.



We want to say thanks to all of our family, friends, co-workers and people who were praying for us that we don't even know. Our community and town have really been there for us. We wanted to send thank you notes but we knew there were so many people to thank and we didn't want to miss anyone.

I, Connie Gray, would like to also give a special thank you to the friends of our son, BJ Gray and our daughter, Kristin Gray. We hear so often the bad things kids do today but I am so grateful that the young people really came as a big support for them both and I thank you each one for that.

We have been shown more love and support than one could imagine possible. For us the phones calls stated as soon as Bo first started feeling sick on November 17, 2009. Our families and our church family at Clewiston Gospel Ministries called non stop to send prayer, love and support. The longer he remained in the hospital the more calls we recieved and the more calls that those calling us were recieving from others concerned. I have to add I have seen times when people call just being nosey and not out of concern at all. But not in Bo's case, everyone was concerned, sending prayers, love, support, help if needed and it was and is still greatly appreciated. The calls, prayers, support and love never slowed throughout his entire hospital stay. When we decided to move him from West Palm to Clewiston he actually got to witness for himself that all the love and concern we were telling about was true with all the visitors that came to see him. Again greatly appreciated to everyone.

Then on January 13, 2010, God called Bo home.

Thank you again to everyone for being there for us during his illness and after his passing.

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Walk

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In September, 1837, an ambitious Lt. Powell wrote Secretary of War, Joel R. Poinsett, a letter offering his services to lead a military expedition into the Everglades.

He made note that on a former expedition he had penetrated 18 to 20 miles into the Glades with large hulled cutters and that with proper boats he could access all of the Everglades.

Secretary Poinsett was so impressed that he invited Powell to Washington, so that Powell could present the plan in person. Powell presented his plan entitled "Project of an Expedition to the Everglades of South Florida."

The plan entailed circumnavigating the Everglades, discovering Seminole hideouts, capturing women and children and attacking war parties.

Powell felt that his "Search and Destroy" missions would harass and terrify the Seminole Nation into submission.

Secretary Poinsett gave Powell his blessings, along with his permission to equip an expedition into the Everglades.

Powell immediately started contracting boat builders to construct boats, built to his specifications- twenty flat bottom boats fitted with sails and oars. He also began recruiting the one hundred seamen and one hundred soldiers that would accompany him on his expedition.

Secretary Poinsett spoke to General Jesup about the expedition and let the General

know that he didn't want any Army officers assigned to the expedition to try and outrank the young lieutenant Powell. General Jesup complied, but asked to have direct charge of the expedition.

Powell's boats and men were carried to Saint Augustine where Powell was brought up to date on current military operations in Florida by General Jesup.

In December, 1837, Powell and his command sailed on schooners from Saint Augustine. Sailing south, they arrived at the waters that are now part of Florida's inter-coastal waterway, Indian River. There Powell offloaded boats, supplies and men for the expedition into the Everglades.

The small force set up a base camp and started training for the long trip into the unknown Everglades. Army surgeon, Jacob Rhett Motte, wrote about the expedition's drill exercises.

He said, "When drawn up in line they presented a curious blending of black and white, like the keys of a piano forte; many of the sailors being colored men. There was also an odd alternation of taraulin hats and peajackets, with forage caps and soldiers trip roundabouts; soldiers and sailors, white men and black, being all thrown into ranks indiscriminately, a beautiful specimen of mosaic."

The day after Christmas, December 26, 1837, the expedition sailed down the Indian River. On the second day they pulled up to shore to camp and were surprised when some of the men caught a glimpse of Seminoles breaking from cover and fleeing into the interior. Powell described the fleeing Seminoles, saying, "Their fleetness defied

pursuit." The following night the expedition camped at the Sebastian River and then continued south, eventually reaching the St. Lucie River.

Lt. Powell was unaware that a major battle had been fought Christmas Day on Lake Okeechobee called the Battle of Okeechobee. Nor did he know that the Seminoles who fought in the battle were now neighbors with encampments close to the Loxahatchee River. On January 11, 1838, at the headwaters of Jupiter River, Powell's expedition discovered an Indian trail with signs that a large band of Seminoles had passed and were moving south.

Powell no doubt felt lucky that he had finally discovered the trail of some wily Seminoles.

Lt. Powell probably thought himself twice blessed by Lady Luck when he later captured a Seminole woman along the trail.

Lady Luck can sometimes be warm, inviting and a bearer of good fortune, while at other times, she is a beguiling temptress, who's bad luck is best left alone. Lt. Powell had been smitten by the beguiling temptress and now his luck was turning bad.

The Seminole woman was forced to guide Powell and his current force of 80 men through the cypress swamp to the Seminole's hidden encampments.

Powell ordered his men to spread out, forming a skirmish line and then advanced on the enemy encampments. Needless to say, Sam Jones and a much larger force of Seminoles were patiently waiting.

The expedition started exchanging rounds with the Seminoles, but was soon overwhelmed by the Seminole's superior

firepower. Men started dropping as Seminole rifles found their mark. A wounded Powell called for an orderly withdraw, but the sailors, who were like raw recruits when it came to land fighting, panicked and broke rank.

Powell was pressed to maintain order as the ramble of frightened sailors fled for their lives.

The small expeditionary force would have soon been overran and annihilated had not Powell's rearguard, the Army regulars, moved forward and maintained discipline as the sailors retreated to the boats.

Lt. Powell gained control of his men and made a swift, but safe retreat from the enraged Seminoles. In his final report to his commander, Commodore Dallas, he recorded five killed and twenty two wounded. Powell also reported the loss of one of his boats to the enemy. The boat contained powder, rum and whiskey, a mixture of volatile spirits that the victorious Seminoles probably made use of when celebrating their victory.

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 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 Museum's hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.



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Angelfood Ministries

The Clewiston Ministerial Association has brought the Angelfood Ministry program to Clewiston.

This program is open to everyone! Each month, anyone who desires to purchase a signature food box worth about \$55 - \$65 for \$30 can do so.

Each box is designed to assist in feeding a family of four for a week. February's box includes top sirloin steaks, pork roast, boneless, skinless chicken breasts, and more. Also available are specialty boxes: a grill box including T-Bone steaks, a stuffed chicken box (chicken cordon bleu, etc.), a fajita box, seafood variety box, and a fresh fruit and vegetable box - all for between \$18-\$22 each.

Menus are available at many local churches or online at Angelfoodministries.com. Again, all of these are open for anyone.

Food stamps and credit cards accepted. Deadline for ordering is Thursday, February 18.

Pickup will be Saturday, February 27th at First United Methodist Church between 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Call Alice Whitt with questions please call 863-983-5269.

Sweetheart Banquet at First Christian

First Christian Church, 201 N. Francisco St., will be holding its annual Sweetheart Banquet at the church on Saturday, Feb. 13, beginning at 6 p.m., according to Minister, Jackie Miller.

Ray Holliday of Palm Bay Florida will be featured on the Program. Ray has appeared on Radio and TV and was a member of "The Renfro Valley Sunday Morning Gathering in Kentucky.

Ray will perform with recorded tracks with live instruments - Electric Guitar, Acoustic Guitar, Mandolin, Banjo, Steel Guitar and Dobro.

Most songs are original compositions, but also included are traditional hymns.

Ray is a song writer and his songs have been recorded by a variety of singing groups. Some of these songs are "Suddenly a Rainbow", "What's that over the river," "When I walk into Heaven," Standing on the banks," "When I depart," "Give God the Glory," "A Sinner went walking," "River of love," "Going to the well," "Up in Heaven," "The

Riches are Free" and "The Power of the Lord comes down."

Prior to Ray's concert there will be a delicious meal enjoyed by all. The cost is just \$15 a couple or \$7.50 per individual.

For further information you may call 863-983-1804.

Fish on Fridays

Fish on Fridays will be available at the New Bethel AME Church beginning at 3 p.m. For more information please call 863-983-6972.

Evangel Assembly of God

Starting January 2010 our food pantry ministry "Loaves and Fish" will be distributing food to families in need from our Outreach Center from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. every first and third Wednesday.

Moore Haven

Thrift shop open at Church of God

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.

Belle Glade

Methodist Church Pancake Dinner

On Feb. 20 the annual United Methodist Men's Pancake Supper will be held at Community United Methodist Church, 401 SW First Street, Belle Glade from 5 p.m. until 8 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased ahead for \$4 for adults and \$2 for children at the church office or at the Jameson Hall Fellowship entrance that day.

All proceeds go to support the many outreach missions of the Men's group in the Glade's area. We look forward to another great pancake dinner, fund raising event, and fellowship on Feb. 20.

Please call the office at 561-996-5568 with any questions.

HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF CHANGE TO PERMITTED, CONDITIONAL AND PROHIBITED USES IN CERTAIN ZONING CATEGORIES

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners proposes to adopt the following by ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, MORE SPECIFICALLY TABLE 53-1 TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, INCLUSION IN CODE, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A public hearing on the ordinance will be held on February 23, 2010, at 5:05 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 East Hickpoochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

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

A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available for inspection on weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Office of the Clerk, 2nd Floor, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpoochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

*Janet B. Taylor, Chairwoman
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'Bal en blanc' in Clewiston

On Saturday, January 30, the volunteers at Okeechobee Landings in Clewiston organized an event at the resort that was unique in South Florida.

"Bal en Blanc" means a white ball in French and the many French Canadians were hosted to a gala evening with the pomp and prestige of a coronation.

First of all, the male guests were required to dress in black pants, a white shirt and bow tie. The female guests were required to dress in white.

The hall was decorated in white table cloths, white balloons and the walls were all covered in white sheets so not to take away the ambience.

The 175 guests were ushered in to the sounds of soft music played by a piano, bass and saxophone trio who played music from the 30s and 40s.

Jean-Guy Briere, Real Lussier and Jules Dubois made the club house sound like the Ritz-Carleton in New York.

A formal parade of dignitaries including the owners of Okeechobee Landings, Leroy and Sandra Hare, the Mayor of Clewiston Mali Chamness and her escort Terry Gardner and the local priest father Sam Thomas and his mother, paraded into the room much like brides and grooms at a wedding.

The 5 course meal consisting of cream of Leek soup, spinach salad, the main course of chicken supreme, a bread pudding in whiskey sauce and coffee were all served by the many volunteers.

Later during the night, Pierre Legault, the very popular fiddler from Okeechobee Landings, serenaded the party goes with down home fiddle tunes.

After dinner, all musicians, including the

Guy and Celine Cardinal house band, offered a mix of country line dancing, slow waltzes and good time music.

Denise and Gaston Gagne, the organizers of the event, thanked the many volunteers for their dedication in making this a truly



Photo/Mike Gelinas

The "Bal en Blanc" event organized by Okeechobee Landings was a tremendous success.

wonderful evening to remember.

Mayor Chamness's favorite color is white and she was elated at the turnout and the evening in general.



INI/Ashley Smith

Beauty Queens

Many of the local area beauty queens came to support the 2010 Miss Hendry County contestants on Saturday, Feb. 6 at the Hendry County Fair. Runners up include Ashton O'Neal, third runner-up; Alexia Eighner, second runner-up; Brittney Bacallao, first runner-up and Samantha Ortiz, Miss Hendry County 2010.

She summed it all up by thanking the Canadians visitors for injecting a touch of French culture to the community of Clewiston.

**Public Testing of
Tabulation Equipment
Hendry Hospital
Authority Bond Referendum**

The Hendry County Canvassing Board will convene at the Supervisor of Elections Office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 for the Testing of the Tabulation Equipment to be used in the Hendry Hospital Authority Bond Referendum Election to be held on March 9, 2010.

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El Condado de Hendry Junta de Escrutinio en el Supervisor de la Oficina de Elecciones, 25 E. Hickpochee Avda., LaBelle, a las 2:00 de la tarde el miércoles, 17 de Febrero de 2010 para el Probar del Equipo de Tabulación para ser utilizado en la Hendry Autoridad de Hospital Anuncio Limitado de Ingreso de Bonos Referendum Eleccion de el 9 de Marzo de 2010.

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Clewiston High School honor roll

Ms. Janice Lee, Principal of Clewiston High School, has announced the students who qualify for the honor roll for the 2nd quarter of the 2009-2010 school year.

All A's

9th-grade

Casey Crawford, Cecilia Luna, Joshua Martinez, Jorge Medrano, Richard Valera and Jessie Wiggins

10th-grade

Jose Avendano, Jessica Evans, Cassandra Paniagua, Noe Perez, Adriana Rangel, Sage Smith and Ashley White

11th-grade

Enedina Martinez, Aurea Perera and Shakira Williams

12th-grade

Osbaldo Garcia, Leonardo Jimenez, Tavarian Lampkin, Carlos Martinez-Rubes, Jeremy McCluskey and Abraham Perez

A's and B's

9th-grade

Jose Barrueta, Seleny Bartolo, Kaneesha Bradford, Stephanie Camacho, Abraham Cardenas, Lianet Escobar, Zachary Gacula, Leonardo Garcia, Ryan Garcia, Jenine Hannam, Daniel Holligan, Jaime Landaverde, Jasmine Leiva, Carolina Lombardo, Maria Mendoza, Maegan Miller, Juanisha Norton, Josue Pardo, Miguel Perera, Sara Perez, Travis Robertson, Danielle Stremus, Susana Tamez, De'Marcus Terry, Kimberly Thornton and Stephanie Zamora

10th-grade

Jose Avendano, Cortney Bain, Michonae' Brown, Cortney Byers, Ana Ruth Cruz, Joanna Herrera, Trey Pruitt, Adriana Rangel, Mariela Raya, Nathanael Revoredo, Francisco Reyes, Jeffrey Rojas, Jessica Torres and Nelkeya Wood

11th-grade

Kagni Adkins, James Bigham, John Brown, Vincent Carreno, Vanessa Cerda, Martin Crawford, Luis De Las Salas, Jessica Diaz, Angelica Garcia, Maria Garcia, Dilenis Granados, Sarah Howell, Daquatia Hughes, Christina Llama, Ikeanna Lyman, Gabriella Martin, Randy Massie, Rocio Padron, John Rodriguez, Sindie VanWagner, Mallory Varnum and Lisa Walker

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School Happenings

Clewiston Middle School

Clewiston Middle School will be holding their next School Advisory Council meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 5:15 p.m. in the conference room of the administration building. All interested are encouraged and welcome to attend.

La próxima junta del Consejo Escolar será el martes, 9 de febrero a las 5:15 p.m. en el Salón de Conferencia. Todos interesados están bienvenidos a asistir.



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Denault is selling them in her room.

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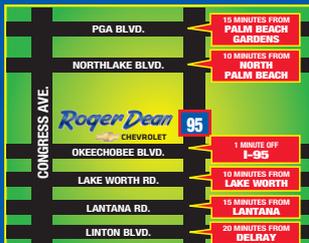
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Arrest Report

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Eddie M. Pope, 24



- Clewiston
 - Possession of cocaine
 - Possession of marijuana under 20 grams
 - Possession/use of drug paraphernalia
- Arrested on Feb. 7
Arrested by R. White

Emette H. Miles, 25



- Clewiston
 - Contempt of court - violation of junction
 - Obstruction of justice intimidate, threaten victim or witness or informant
 - Contempt of court violation of contact order
- Arrested on Feb. 1

Frederick C. Small, 33



- Clewiston
 - Battery touch or strike
 - Burglary with assault or battery
- Arrested on Jan. 26
Arrested by D. Cruz

Jeremiah D. Askew, 21



- Clewiston
 - Aggravated battery causing bodily harm or disability
 - Robbery without a firearm or weapon
- Arrested on Feb. 2
Arrested by R. Waldron

Juan Rico, 24



- Clewiston
 - Aggravated battery with bodily harm or disability
 - Criminal mischief \$200 - \$1,000
 - Burglary with assault or battery
- Arrested on Feb. 6
Arrested by J. Perez

Martin Rodriguez, 47



- Clewiston
 - Traffic offense - possess/display of a cancelled or revoked driver license
 - Non-moving traffic violation - driving with a suspended license third or subsequent offense
- Arrested on Feb. 7
Arrested by CPD Officer C. Compton

Richard Benjamin, 40



- Clewiston
 - Nonmoving traffic violation driving with a suspended license first offense
 - Possession of drug with intent to sell, etc.
- Arrested on Jan. 30
Arrested by J. Taylor

Taurus Cobbins, 35



- Clewiston
 - Contempt of circuit court - felony
- Arrested on Feb. 2
Arrested by B. Weaver

Vinson C. Hunter Jr., 19



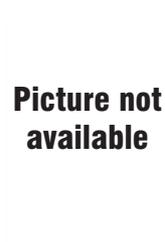
- Clewiston
 - Aggravated battery causing bodily harm or disability
- Arrested on Feb. 1
Arrested by R. Waldron

Shane Iglesias, 18



- Clewiston
 - Dealing in stolen property
- Arrested on Feb. 6

Michael Ingram, 21



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- Clewiston
 - Aggravated battery causing bodily harm or disability
- Arrested on Feb. 1
Arrested by R. Waldron

Julianna Herrera, 14



- Clewiston
 - Larceny grand theft \$300 to \$5,000
 - Dealing in stolen property
- Arrested on Jan. 28
Arrested by J. Clark

Jose Guzman, 47



- Clewiston
 - Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon with no intent to kill
- Arrested on Feb. 7
Arrested by J. Perez

Gerald L. Dixon Jr., 26



- Clewiston
 - Traffic offense DUI alcohol or drugs third violation in ten years
 - Resisting an officer flee/eluding with light, siren active
 - Nonmoving traffic violation - fail to register a motor vehicle
- Arrested on Jan. 30
Arrested by J. Poole

Felix E. Belcher, 43



- Clewiston
 - Nonmoving traffic violation - driving with a suspended license
 - Possession of a weapon by a convicted felon - firearm or concealed weapon
- Arrested on Feb. 6
Arrested by CPD Officer Herrera

Eduardado Acosta, 44



- Clewiston
 - Nonmoving traffic violation driving with a suspended license habitual offender
- Arrested on Feb. 1
Arrested by Sgt. S.D. Reed

Carlton Rush, 36



- Clewiston
 - Sexual assault victim over 12 without force, no damage
 - Sexual offense against a child 12 to 15 years of age
- Arrested on Jan. 26
Arrested by Detective Colburn

Anthony N. Holder, 21



- Clewiston
 - Distribution of marijuana schedule 1
- Arrested on Feb. 1
Arrested by J. Garrett

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IN THE JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY Case #: 2009-CA-000137

Household Finance Corporation III, Plaintiff, -vs- **Thomas N. Jennings, Jr. a/k/a Thomas N. Jennings and Kathy L. Jennings, Husband and Wife; Household Finance Corporation III; Country Meadows Property Owners Association, Inc.; Country Meadows Development Company; Nationscredit Manufactured Housing Corporation;** Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 1/28/2010, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000137 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida, wherein Household Finance Corporation III, Plaintiff and Thomas N. Jennings, Jr. a/k/a Thomas N. Jennings and Kathy L. Jennings, Husband and Wife 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 3/4/10 the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

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JOE FLINT
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
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By: /s/ Jennifer Bevis DEPUTY CLERK
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 262008CA000653XXXXXX

LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE MLMI TRUST SERIES 2006-HE4, Plaintiff

-vs- **ALEJANDRO CRUZ; MARIA DE JESUS ELIZONDO; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED** Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated Jan. 27, 2010, and entered in Case No. 262008CA000653XXXXXX of the Circuit Court in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein LASALLE BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE MLMI TRUST SERIES 2006-HE4 is Plaintiff and ALEJANDRO CRUZ; MARIA DE JESUS ELIZONDO; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at on the Second floor in front of the Main Clerk's Office at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33935 at Hendry County, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 14th day of April, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 4, BLOCK 2034, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 60, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

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DATED at LaBelle, Florida, on Feb. 1, 2010.

BARBARA BUTLER
As Clerk, Circuit Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
As Deputy Clerk
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Carolyn Birchfield
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Jacqueline Kelly

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IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, Case #: 2009-CA-001414

The Bank of New York Mellon f/k/a The Bank of New York, as Trustee for the Certificateholders, CWABS, Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2006-11, Plaintiff,

vs. Ricardo Pupo; Ricardo Diepa; Yolanda Oliver; Mairies Perez; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are or may be known or believed to be, whether said Defendant(s) may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: Ricardo Diepa; Yolanda Oliver; Mairies Perez; Unknown Parties in Possession #1; Unknown Parties in Possession #2; 230 Northwest 57th Avenue, Apartment #2, Miami, FL 33126

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

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

THE SOUTHEAST ONE-QUARTER OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS TRACT 8 BLOC IN PIONEER PLANTATION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION.

more commonly known as 4400 Pioneer 14th Street a/k/a 501 Otter Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440. This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 10004 N. Dale Highway, Suite 112, Tampa, FL 33618, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS MY hand and seal of this Court on the 4th day of Feb., 2010.

BARBARA S. BUTLER Clerk and County Courts By: /s/ D. HAMMOND Deputy Clerk

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112 Tampa, Florida 33618 8138164 345776 CN 2/11,18/10

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TMS TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 2/25/2010, 10:00 am at 74 S. INDUSTRIAL LOOP, LABELLE, FL 33935, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TMS TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

1990 Pontiac 1G2AF54T9L6241405 2002 Chevrolet 1GCHC29U52E203449 345941 CN 2/11/10

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY TOURIST DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Tourist Development Council will hold a workshop at 3:00 p.m., and a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 11, 2010, at the Clewiston Museum Conference Room, 109 Cleveland Avenue, Clewiston, FL. This meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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

Hendry County Tourist Development Council 345648 CB/CN 2/11/10

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 26-2008-CA-000936

FIFTH THIRD BANK, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO R-G CROWN BANK Plaintiff,

vs. MICHAEL J. LARE A/K/A MICHAEL LARE, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated Feb. 3, 2010 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-CA-000936 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida wherein FIFTH THIRD BANK, A MICHIGAN CORPORATION, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO R-G CROWN BANK, is the Plaintiff and MICHAEL J. LARE A/K/A MICHAEL LARE; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF MICHAEL J. LARE A/K/A MICHAEL LARE N/K/A ANN LARE, STONE AGE PAVERS, 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 24th day of February, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said final Judgment:

LOT 26, BLOCK 2032, PORT LABELLE UNIT 1, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 50, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

A/K/A 2032 S MONTANA 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 February 4, 2010.

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 F0904203

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. 345783 CN 02/11,18/10

Public Notice

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF WORK PLAN

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to "The Water Rights Compact Among the Seminole Tribe of Florida, The State of Florida, and The South Florida Water Management District", the 5th Amendment to the 22nd Annual Work Plan of the Seminole Tribe of Florida has been submitted to the South Florida Water Management District.

The Seminole Tribe of Florida, 6073 Stirling Road, Hollywood, FL 33024, has submitted, on February 3, 2010, the 5th Amendment to the 22nd Annual Work Plan to include the following project: Brighton Reservation: Elder Activity Center - construction of a new Tribal Community Center for the Elders on 17230 Civic Street NE. The 5.78 acre project is located on a previously undeveloped 7.55 acre site in Section 13, Township 39 South, Range 32 East. Storm water storage requirements will be met using four onsite dry-retention areas. Big Cypress Reservation: Motocross - construction of the final storm water system for the Motocross recreation area with new water management features such as perimeter berms, retention areas and controlled offsite discharges. The proposed site is 58.98 acres located in Section 8, Township 48 South, Range 33 East. Immokalee Reservation: Roads for New Housing - Immokalee Cluster One - proposed improvement plans for the construction of a roadway infrastructure to support the development of twenty-nine single family homes in the southwest quadrant of the Reservation. The Work Plan describes existing and proposed activities on Seminole land. The Brighton Reservation is located in Glades County, Township 40 South, Range 32 East; Township 39 South, Range 32 East; Township 39 South, Range 33 East; Township 38 South, Range 33 East. The Immokalee Reservation is located in Collier County, Township 47 South, Range 29 East. The Big Cypress Reservation is located in Hendry County, Township 47 South, Ranges 32-34 East. The Hollywood Reservation is located in Broward County, Townships 50-51 South, Range 41 East.

Interested persons may comment upon the Work Plan or submit a written request for a copy of the Staff Report containing proposed agency action regarding the Work Plan by writing to: Environmental Resource Regulation, South Florida Water Management District, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680; such comments or requests must be received within 30 days from the date of publication.

No further public notice will be provided regarding this Work Plan. A copy of the Staff Report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Substantially affected persons are entitled to an Administrative Hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request thereafter after reviewing the Staff Report. 345863 CGS 2/11/10

Public Notice

Your next job could be in today's classifieds. Did you look for it?

Your new home could be in today's paper. Have you looked for it?

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 26-2009-CA-000472

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff, vs. JOSE P. VELASQUEZ SR A/K/A JOSE P. VELASQUEZ, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 19, 2010 and entered in Case No. 26-2009-CA-000472 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 P. VELASQUEZ SR A/K/A JOSE P. VELASQUEZ, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF JOSE P. VELASQUEZ N/K/A LUPE RODRIGUEZ; 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 17th day of February, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said final Judgment:

TRACT 373, THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 28, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 9024 MAYWOOD CIRCLE UNIT 8, 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 January 25, 2010.

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 F09045077

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. 344969 CN 02/04,11/10

Public Notice

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000469

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff, vs. DAVID A. KARAM, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Mortgage Foreclosure dated November 13, 2009 and entered in Case No. 26-2009-CA-000469 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and DAVID A. KARAM; ANGELA S. KARAM; WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A., 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 17th day of Feb., 2010, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 12, BLOCK 2288, OF PORT LABELLE, UNIT 8, SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 131, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 9024 MAYWOOD CIRCLE UNIT 8, 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 Jan. 27, 2010.

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 F09046991

**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; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. 345383 CN 02/04,11/10

Public Notice

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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. 08-929-CA

CITIMORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff, vs. OSCAR AGUILER; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF OSCAR AGUILER; SONIA AGUILER; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SONIA AGUILER; 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:

THE WEST 35.7 FEET OF LOT 5 AND THE EAST 35.7 FEET OF LOT 6, IN BLOCK 430 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 421 W. OBISPO AVE., CLEWISTON, FL 33440

at public sale, at 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 the 24th day of Feb., 2010.

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 ADA 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. 345451 CGS/CB 02/11,18/10

BARBARA S. BUTLER CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Hendry County, Florida

BY: /s/ MILLER DEPUTY CLERK

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112 Tampa, Florida 33618 09-13/466 345558 CN 2/11,18/10

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:

Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1178, 2007, 1-15-44-32-A00-0001-0000, Gary Scott Miller/ Pilar Home Developers Inc.

The Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 15, township 44 south, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road over the North 80 feet thereon. Also known as Tracts 3317 thru 3320 and Tracts 3345 thru 3347 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

LESS AND EXCEPT the East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 15, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 3348 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the THIRD THURSDAY in the month of FEBRUARY, which is the 18TH day of FEBRUARY, 2010. Dated this 30TH day of DECEMBER, 2009.

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

343581 CGS 1/21,28,2/4,11/10

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, Case #: 2009-CA-000304

Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley XLS Real Estate Capital Trust 2006-2, Plaintiff,

-vs- J. Jesus Mendez Madrigal a/k/a J. Jesus Mendez and Maricela Rosas Carmona a/k/a Maricela Rosas, Husband and Wife; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for First NLC Financial Services, LLC; Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure sale dated February 1, 2010 entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000304 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley XLS Real Estate Capital Trust 2006-2, Plaintiff and J. Jesus Mendez Madrigal a/k/a Jesus Mendez and Maricela Rosas Carmona a/k/a Maricela Rosas, Husband and Wife are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING) LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00AM, FEBRUARY 24, 2010, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 12, BLOCK 2052, PORT LABELLE UNIT 2, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 60, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA,

a/k/a 1387 RUGBY CIR. LABELLE, FL 33935

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Nwabufu Umunna, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 2901 Stirling Road, Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312 within 30 days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 3rd day of December, 2009.

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should, no later than seven (7) days prior, contact the Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at 8639462140, PO BOX 1018, MOORE HAVEN FL, 33471. If hearing impaired, contact (TDD) 8009558771 via Florida Relay System. File #71767

Dated at LABELLE, Florida, this 2nd day of February, 2010.

BARBARA S. BUTLER CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT Hendry County, Florida

BY: /s/ MILLER DEPUTY CLERK

ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF: SHAPIRO & FISHMAN, LLP 10004 North Dale Mabry Hwy, Suite 112 Tampa, Florida 33618 09-13/466 345558 CN 2/11,18/10

Public Notice

HENDRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

SUBMITTED BY: R. Scott Cooper DATE: 2/23/10

SUBJECT AREA: 256 Limited Use of Social Security Numbers and Other Identity Information

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF PURPOSE: The proposed rule establishes the policy for use of social security numbers and other identity information.

CITATION OF LEGAL AUTHORITY: 1001.41, 1001.42, 1001.43, 1012.23 and 119.071 F.S.

CITATION OF SPECIFIC LEGAL REFERENCE: 1001.41, 1001.42, 1001.43, 1012.23 and 119.071 F.S.

FULL TEXT: A copy of the full text of the proposed rule may be obtained, without cost, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The proposed rule establishes the policy for use of social security numbers and other identity information.

STATEMENT OF REGULATORY COSTS: The proposed policy revision will create no additional district economic impact in excess of \$100.00 except for the costs of printing and distributions.

LOCATION OF MEETING, TIME AND DATE: Hendry County School Board Meeting Room, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard on February 23, 2010.

Notice: Any person who wishes to provide the School Board with information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory costs, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

Notice: If requested in writing and not deemed unnecessary by the Agency Head, a Rule Development Workshop will be held at a time and date to be advertised in the future.

Notice: The procedure for obtaining a public hearing on this proposed rule is to request, in writing, a hearing. The request shall be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools, in writing, within 21 days after publication of this notice. The request shall specify how the person requesting the public hearing would be affected by the proposed rule. The School Board, upon appropriate request, shall give affected persons an opportunity to present evidence and argument on the issues under consideration.

Notice: Inspection and copying of all written materials constituting public records submitted to the agency regarding draft rules may be obtained by request, in writing, to the Superintendent of Schools.

Notice: The School Board may recognize any material which may be judicially noticed and to incorporate them into the record of the rule making proceeding. The School Board may incorporate material by reference into the proposed rule.

Notice: If you need an accommodation in order to participate in this process, please notify the Superintendent of Schools at (863) 674-4642 or at the Hendry County Courthouse, LaBelle, Florida 33935 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or workshop.

Notice: If the School Board adopts the proposed rule, one certified copy of the proposed rule shall be filed in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools pursuant to 120.55(3)(c), F.S. 344988 CN 2/4,11,18; CB 2/18/10

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, CASE NO. 09-CA-190

SUNTRUST MORTGAGE, INC., Plaintiff, vs. ANTONIO DIAZ, et al. Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: RIVER VIEW VILLAGE UNIT ONE HUNDRED TWO PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC. A Florida corporation Last known address(es): UNKNOWN

YOU ARE NOTIFIED THAT an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 2, BLOCK 50, UNIT 102, PORT LABELLE, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 66-87, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA. A mobile home with the VIN number VIN N/A sits on the property.

a/k/a 1387 RUGBY CIR. LABELLE, FL 33935

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Nwabufu Umunna, Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 2901 Stirling Road, Suite 300, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312 within 30 days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 3rd day of December, 2009.

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

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a reasonable accommodation to participate in this proceeding should, no later than seven (7) days prior, contact the Clerk of the Court's disability coordinator at 8639462140, PO BOX 1018, MOORE HAVEN FL, 33471. If hearing impaired, contact (TDD) 8009558771 via Florida Relay System. File #

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
1168	2007	1-14-44-32-A00-0270-0100	Gary Scott Miller/ Pilar Home Developers Inc.

The North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 14, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot No. 2944 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the THIRD THURSDAY** in the month of **FEBRUARY**, which is the **18TH** day of **FEBRUARY, 2010**.

Dated this **30TH** day of **DECEMBER, 2009**.

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

343601 CGS 1/21,28 2/4,11/10

Public Notice

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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
506	2007	1-17-43-29-110-000B-0090	MIRTHALA PALACIOS

Lot 9, Block B, SUNSHINE ACRES, UNIT 1, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, page 67, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the THIRD THURSDAY** in the month of **FEBRUARY**, which is the **18TH** day of **FEBRUARY, 2010**.

Dated this **30TH** day of **DECEMBER, 2009**.

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

343584 CGS 1/21,28 2/4,11/10

Public Notice

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
1207	2007	1-15-44-32-A00-0147-0000	Carlos Mato

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 15, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 2540 in Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the THIRD THURSDAY** in the month of **FEBRUARY**, which is the **18TH** day of **FEBRUARY, 2010**.

Dated this **30TH** day of **DECEMBER, 2009**.

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

343605 CGS 1/21,28 2/4,11/10

Public Notice

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
999	2007	1-13-44-32-A00-0051-0000	Victor L. Robinson

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 5594, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the THIRD THURSDAY** in the month of **FEBRUARY**, which is the **18TH** day of **FEBRUARY, 2010**.

Dated this **30TH** day of **DECEMBER, 2009**.

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

343582 CGS 1/21,28 2/4,11/10

Public Notice

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
1277	2007	1-22-44-32-010-0015-0150	Maria Isabel I. Ramirez/ Maria A. Garcia/ H.E. Hill Montura Land & Cattle

Lot 15, Block 15 of Montura Ranch Estates First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37,38,39, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this **30TH** day of **DECEMBER, 2009**.

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Hendry County, Florida

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1 - INVITATION TO BID

**BID # 2010-1
CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
MAINTENANCE OF CANALS**

1.1 Public Notice is hereby given that sealed bids for the above referenced **Bid # 2010-1 Central County Water Control District Maintenance of Canals** will be received by the Board of Central County Water Control District (hereinafter referred to as "CCWCD", "OWNER", and "DISTRICT"), at the District Manager's Office at the following address:

Central County Water Control District
475 S. Cabbage Palm Street
Clewiston, Florida 33440

until **2:00 p.m. local time on Monday, February 22, 2010**, for furnishing labor and materials and performing all work set forth in the Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders, Bid Form, Construction Contract, Detailed Specifications and Attachments which comprise the Bid Documents. Such work includes the mechanical cleaning of District canals. Immediately following the scheduled closing time for the reception of bids, all bid proposals which have been submitted in accordance with the conditions of the Invitation to Bid, Instructions to Bidders and any Addenda issued in relation to this Project will be publicly opened and read aloud. Bidders may attend the bid opening. Bidder is responsible for the delivery of bid, and bids received after the specified day and time will not be opened.

1.2 A pre-bid meeting shall be held at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, February 11, 2010, at the District office located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, Florida.

1.3 The work made the subject hereof is described in the bid documents titled **Bid # 2010-1 Central County Water Control District Maintenance of Canals** copies of which may be obtained from Rock Enterprises, Inc., 180 N. Bridge Street, Suite B, LaBelle, Florida, 33935, or from Central County Water Control District, 475 South Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, Florida 33440, for the non-refundable sum of \$25.00. For additional information you may contact Carolyn Hester, CCWCD Manager, at 863-983-5797, or Rock Aboujaoude, District Engineer, at 863-612-0011.

1.4 Each bid must be submitted in duplicate on the prescribed bid form and accompanied by bid security on the prescribed form, payable to the Board of CCWCD, in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the bid amount. All subcontractors shall be declared on a separate form.

1.5 The Bid may be withdrawn prior to the date and time of bid opening. Bids shall remain open and subject to acceptance for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the date of bid opening, but no bidder may withdraw his Bid for a period of forty-five (45) calendar days after the date of bid opening.

1.6 In order to perform public work, the successful Bidder shall have all licenses and permits required by Federal, State, and local statutes, regulations and ordinances.

1.7 Before a Contract will be awarded for the work contemplated herein, the District will conduct such investigations as are necessary to determine the performance record and ability of the apparent low bidder to perform the size and type of work specified under this Invitation to Bid. Upon request, the Bidder shall submit such information as deemed necessary by the District to evaluate the bidder's qualifications. The District reserves the right to award the bid to the lowest responsible and qualified bidder based on available funding.

1.8 The **DISTRICT** reserves the right to reject any or all bids with or without cause, and/or accept bids that in its judgment will be in the best interest of the **DISTRICT**, and the **DISTRICT** specifically reserves the right to reject all bids and proceed to accomplish its objectives without awarding any contract pursuant to this invitation. The District also reserves the right to postpone the award of the Contract for a period of time which postponement, however, shall not extend beyond ninety (90) calendar days from the bid opening date during which time the District at its sole discretion may release the bid security. DATED this day of , 2010.

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

ATTEST: By: Benito Alvarez, Chairman
Carolyn Hester, Manager
345645 CB/CN 2/11,18/10

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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
824	2007	1-28-43-31-A00-0048-0000	Nawshad Chowdhury

The Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. ALSO known as Lot 353, PIONEER PLANTATION.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
939	2007	1-36-43-31-010-000N-0140	Margaret J. Smeed

The Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 14, Block N, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision.

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Hendry County, Florida

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1251	2007	1-22-44-32-010-0001-0120	Pilar Home Developers Inc

Lot 12, Block 1, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Hendry County, Florida

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1070	2007	1-13-44-32-A00-0257-0000	Gloria M. Martinez-Mendez

The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 5435 Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-001374**

WACHOVIA BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION

Plaintiff

vs. **LUIS ANGULO, ET AL**

Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

To the following Defendant(s):

ARNALDO MARQUEZ (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS) 415 TEBOL ST. CLEWISTON, FL 33440

AS THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ARNALDO MARQUEZ, IF ANY (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS) 20746 NW 41st AVE RD CAROL CITY, FL 33055

AS THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ANTONIA PEREZ, IF ANY (LAST KNOWN ADDRESS) 415 TEBOL ST. CLEWISTON, FL 33440

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

THE NORTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 25, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SUBJECT TO A CANAL EASEMENT OVER AND ACROSS THE NORTH 30 FEET THEREOF AND SUBJECT TO AN EASEMENT FOR INGRESS, EGRESS AND UTILITIES OVER AND ACROSS THE WEST 30 FEET THEREOF, ALSO KNOWN AS LOT 609, IN MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION.

**1963 WOLVERINE MOBILE HOME
VIN#GAW1729
TITLE #1289726
Street Address: 415 TEBOL STREET,
CLEWISTON, FLORIDA 33245**

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it, on Meskowitz, Mandell, Salim & Simowitz, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 800 Corporate Drive, Suite 500, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33334 on or before March 15, 2010, a date which is which is within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice in the THE CLEWISTON NEWS and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No. 2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, if you a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 25 East Hickpochee, LaBelle, FL 33935, Phone No. (941) 335-2299 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-955-8771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this 2nd day of February, 2010.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
As Clerk of the Court
By: /s/ D. HAMMOND
As Deputy Clerk

339857 CN 11/26;12/03/09

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INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Moore Haven at City Hall, Attention: Seawall Bids, 299 Riverside Dr. SW, Moore Haven, FL 33471 until Wednesday March 3rd 2010 at 2:00. The Bids will be opened immediately following the bid submittal deadline at City Hall.

The project is titled Marina Concrete Seawall. The work consists of constructing approximately 434 linear feet of concrete seawall and repairs to any damage to existing paved road, driveway repairs and other associated work.

All materials furnished and all work performed, shall be in accordance with the plans, specifications, and contract documents pertaining thereto, which may be examined at the office of Johnson-Prewitt & Associates, Inc., 850 West Ventura Avenue, Post Office Box 1029, Clewiston, Florida 33440. The documents, plans, and blank forms may be obtained from this office for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of \$25.00 per set.

A certified check or cashier's check on a National or State Bank or a bid bond in a sum not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, made payable to the City of Moore Haven, shall accompany each bid as a guarantee that the bidder will not withdraw from the competition after opening of the bids, and in the event the contract is awarded to the bidder, he will enter into a contract and furnish the required performance and payment bonds, failing which, he shall forfeit the bid deposit as liquidated damages. The performance and payment bonds shall be executed by a fully authorized surety, acceptable to the owner and licensed by the State of Florida.

The owner reserves the right to hold all bids for sixty (60) days and to reject any and all bids, with or without cause, to waive technical errors and informalities, or to accept the bid which in its judgment best serves the owner.

City Manager, Frank Thomas
City of Moore Haven, Florida

345929 GCD 2/11/10

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- Township 43 - Range 29 - Sections-1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15, 16,17,18,19,20,21,23,24,25,26,27,28,33 and 34
- Township 43 - Range 30 - Sections 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15, 16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,24,25,26,27,28,32,33,34,35 and 36
- Township 43 - Range 31 - Sections-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,10,11,12,13,14,15, 16,17,18,19,20,21,22,23,27,28,33,34 and 35
- Township 43 - Range 32 - Sections-6,7,18,19,20,29,30,31 and 32
- Township 43 - Range 32 - Sections-7,8,9,10,11,13,14,15, 16,17,18,20,21,22,23,24,25 and 26
- Township 44 - Range 28 - Sections-6,7,18,19,30 and 31
- Township 44 - Range 29 - Sections-4,9,14,15 and 16
- Township 44 - Range 32 - Sections-13,14,15,22,23,24,25,26,27, 34,35 and 36
- Township 44 - Range 33 - Sections-5,6,7,8 west half of 18,19,29,30, 31 and 32
- Township 45 - Range 29 - Sections-8,9,16,17,20,21,26,27,28,29,32,33,34 and 35
- Township 48 - Range 33 - Section-9

If your real property is not located in the designated areas above, you need not concern yourself with this matter. Otherwise if you should have any objections or questions, please direct them to the:

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- Bass n Sun Condo @ \$99.9K
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- Bass n Sun, view canal \$99K
- Bass n Sun Pool 1st floor \$99K
- Bass n Sun Remodeled 1st floor \$115K
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- Moore Haven 3/1 MH w/ 3 Lots
- Yacht Club canal lot 2 River \$25K
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- 3/2 Mobile Home on Bowden Rd. \$75K
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- 2 - 3/2-1/2 Lake Shore Villa Townhomes. \$90K
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2/2 E Ventura Ave \$85K	4/2/2 w/ pool Flaghole Rd - 5.7 acres \$399K	3/2 DWMH w/ o/g pool Evercane Rd Reduced \$165K	27.5 acres Pioneer \$245K
Bass Capital Unit 402 \$130K	Moorehaven - new - 3 models to choose from. \$133,344 to \$149,458	3/2 DWMH on lake Allen Rd \$120,000	10 Montura lots \$9.9K each
3/2 Ridgeview \$285K	2/1 E Alverdez w/ lrg metal building \$95K	3/2 SWMH Hooker's Point Rd \$44,900	2.5 acres Montura \$25K
2/1 W Pasadena \$115K	4-unit rental complex E Ventura, fully rented. Reduced to \$190K	3/2 DWMH Montura 2.5 acres \$74900	Moore Haven 5 lots \$75K
2/2 Condo Bass 'n Sun furnished \$112K	RENTALS	3/2 DWMH has CBS outbuilding - Magnolia Lane \$79.9K	Moore Haven 2 lots \$39.9K
4/1.5 E. Alverdez \$109K	UNDER CONTRACT	3/2 DWMH with shed (a/c) and kennels 2.5 acres \$169,900	Residential lot Hooker's Point area \$15,900
3/2/2 1/2 w/ pool \$159 900	MOBILE HOMES		SHORT SALE
N. Dwyer Dr. 3/2/2 \$134,000	Bass Capital 2/2 \$900		328 W Ventura Ave - 3/1 SFR
3/2 with large shed and fenced yard - E Concordia \$169.9K	W Circle \$750 p.m		316 W Arcade - 3/2 \$149K
Bass Capital 2/2 Unit \$39.9K	2/2 SWMH 1.25 acres S Zambra Montura \$39.9K		1439 Hooker's Pt Rd 2/2 \$90 000

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Religious columns

LOVE!

By Jackie Miller, Evangelist
First Christian Church

The month of February has long held special meaning for sweethearts, husbands and wives, families, and friends. It has often been referred to as the LOVE MONTH, because our minds are drawn toward an awareness of feelings for others, and we make special efforts to express these feelings. Many-a-verse and lyric have been dedicated to LOVE. LOVE is the central theme of the majority of the world's music and poetry.

It has been said that LOVE is what makes the world go round! However you feel about the statement, you must admit that LOVE is a vital part of the world. Without LOVE in the world, life here would be virtually impossible. Everyone LOVES someone or something, whether they wish to admit it or not, even if it is only themselves. Can you imagine a world without LOVE in it? Without LOVE, crime and lawlessness would run rampant and we would not be safe anywhere.

However, there is LOVE in the world! It was placed here by the Master, the Creator, the Giver of life and all that we have. The world was formed as a result of LOVE. Mankind was created in LOVE. Woman was created as a companion for man because of LOVE, and they were meant to LOVE on another. If it weren't for LOVE the world would have ceased to exist long ago, because God would not have withstood man's treatment of Him. The LOVE of God is what makes the world revolve! The word of God came to man out of LOVE. Christ came to earth, suffered and died for our sins, because of LOVE. Christ established His Church out of LOVE. LOVE is the strongest force for motivation in the world. Most of the things which we undertake in our lives are a result of LOVE. LOVE is the driving motivation force behind Christianity.

LOVE is not to be limited to just our own family, friends, or neighbors. LOVE is to be extended to all men, regardless of their status, race or national origin. LOVE is to be extended to friends, enemies, acquaintances, strangers and to all people regardless of their creed. We are to LOVE the world as Christ did. By LOVING as He did we can lead men to Him. LOVE NEVER FAILETH!

You can easily determine if you love God by reading the following scriptures - John 14:15; I John 2:5; 4:7-8, 20-21; 5:2-4; I Corinthians 13.

Thought for Valentine's Day:

Good and bad lovers

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

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

Hardly a week goes by and there isn't publicity about some famous person's infidelity. The tarnished images make media headlines and people watch those celebrated fall from favor. In spite of the warnings, poor examples or others and consequences, difficulties to be faced, tragedies and suffering; human beings keep on with errant behavior. Interesting! What follows at times is healing; at other times no healing takes place. Something I have rarely, if ever, heard is when one person says to another "You're a lousy lover!" Even at the worst of times, this phrase is so "anathema" that nobody seems to dare utter it! Yet, that's what it seems to be all about. Well then, what is a "good lover?" The key qualities of such a person are spelled out in a very famous passage about love.

Saint Paul in his 13th chapter to the Corinthians lays it all out. Love is patient, kind, not envious, not boastful, not self-seeking, not rude, not easily angered, keeps no record of wrongs, rejoices in the

truth, protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. He adds that if all of these things are done "Love never fails (v.8)." Everything else will fade away, and then Paul talks about "childish ways (v.11)" and I think he is speaking to our human imperfections, but concludes that when only faith, hope and love remain; the greatest of them is love.

Well, I'd proffer that a good lover is an ideal; and the problem with us being human beings is that we're not perfect. What then? Love requires us to work for that ideal; but recognizing that we're not perfect and neither is our partner. The "wrongs" felt or suffered; whether they be small or great, require an understanding that I can't expect others to be perfect and to meet all of my needs all of the time; they're as human as I am.

But if I'm willing to do this, the possibility of knowing the ideal love that transcends human frailties and weaknesses can exist. That doesn't mean that I have to tolerate or accept abuse or behavior beyond what I would tolerate from some person on the street - and certainly from someone who is supposed to "love" me; nor am I entitled to expect that another will accept my childish, immature behavior because they're supposed to do so (whoever said so?), but it means that I have to recognize that to receive the joy, blessing, fulfillment, happiness that true love brings - I must continually work to make it as perfect as I can, recognize my shortcomings, try to grow and be mature.

Our being human makes love, true love very difficult at times; takes a lot of forgiveness, takes reminders that in the midst of the most heated moments we may be called to say "Hey, I'm on your side!" Come to think of it, that's what God has said to us all by His coming here and knowing us but loving us anyway. That's love!

What have you done?

By Pastor John Hicks
First United Methodist Church

I read about a man who, when meeting new people, never asked the conventional question, "What do you do for a living?" Instead he would ask, "What have you done that you believe in and are proud of?"

The man didn't really care how they answered; he just wanted to put the thought in their minds. He figured people should live their lives in such a way that they could give a good answer - not for him, but for themselves. He was delighted by a woman who answered, "I'm doing a good job raising three children," and by a cabinetmaker who said, "I believe in good workmanship and practice it."

You and I would say they need a good answer not just for themselves, but for God. "What have you done that you believe in and are proud of?" It's a great question. Most of us will never be happy until we find something important that we can give our life to.

Geologists tell us that only 3 percent of the earth's fresh water is on the surface in the form of rivers and lakes. The other 97 percent remains as a huge subterranean reservoir down below. The potentials of human personality are much the same. The percentage that is on the surface is miniscule compared to the vast majority underneath. So, how do we bring to the surface the powers and possibilities the Creator has placed within each of us?

For me, it comes from following Jesus in much the same way I water skied with my brothers growing up. Picture a slim athlete water skiing behind a very fast boat. That wasn't me. Instead, picture a boat towing a big log with a lot of drag. I did not pop up like my brothers. My personal weight held me down and I was towed for a while before I finally got up. The secret is to hold on tight and keep with it, and eventually the resistance will give way and

you will glide over the troubled waters and waves of life. I'm proud that I have held on very tightly to my connection with Christ until the resistance I have experienced in life has given way. I'm blessed that friends have helped by lifting me up and lessening some of the drag.

Another thing that I have done that I believe in and am proud of is that I have made Jesus the boat of my life. The skier must follow the boat. Skiing ahead of the boat or traveling in a different direction than the boat doesn't work very well.

It works best if Jesus is out front, pulling, rather than behind, pushing. It is best if both you and Jesus are traveling in the same direction. His direction. Also, don't forget to hold on tightly; otherwise your forward progress will stop and you will sink!

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Expansion

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expect to keep its assessed ad valorem tax at 2.9 mills? Much of that money is currently used for general operations, and to offset the indigent care that the hospital provides to those who cannot pay.

The hospital board is asking residents to approve allowing them to use up to one mill of that tax toward securing the funding that will pay for the construction of a revamped emergency room.

The referendum election is necessary due to a state constitutional amendment requiring voter approval on public projects expected to take longer than a year to realize.

Former CEO Craig Cudworth publicly promised not to raise taxes with the addition of the new emergency room. Mr. Beasley has not wavered from that pledge, but no strict assurances can be made about future years -- that depends on many factors that may come into play, an informational packet distributed by the hospital explains.

Still, there are no current plans to raise taxes, Mr. Beasley said.

He explains that plain economics are at the center of the board's reasoning: With newer facilities, and a sincere push toward attracting more physicians and services to the area, the hospital's financial situation can only improve.

Almost immediately after construction is completed, the board hopes to realize a savings in the overall operation of the facility.

While he presented information about

the planned emergency room at the local Rotary Club, Mr. Beasley said his phone rang with a pediatrician inquiring about the area. Administrators are hoping to attract those doctors, as well as specialty doctors, to provide the services that county residents currently must travel elsewhere to receive. In LaBelle, the board hopes to recruit an ear, nose and throat doctor, and others to complement the 730 patients administrators say are treated monthly in LaBelle.

Administrators are also pushing to provide better diagnostic services in the western portion of the county, including imaging and laboratory areas.

They hope to dispel rumors that the hospital is in no position to expand; arguing that expansion, though costly, is necessary.

"People think the hospital is dead broken," said Glenda Wilson, Hendry Regional Medical Center Foundation executive director. "We have been profitable. The LaBelle center was paid for with cash and nothing is owed on the building."

Voting 'no' on March 9, then, would be disheartening, Mr. Beasley said.

"We think it would affect them (residents) in a negative way for several reasons," he said. "It would delay us being able to bring new facilities, technology, new physicians to the community to better meet their needs."

He said the emergency room has seen steady growth and the facilities are simply inadequate to care for the 1,000 patients on average the facility treats.

"We have three exam rooms with very limited privacy. We can do a better job," the CEO said.

The emergency room was built in 1951,

with no major renovations since.

"That's part of our problem," Mr. Beasley said.

"We've patched, painted and cleaned," added Ms. Wilson.

Clewiston resident Jeff Barwick said he sympathizes with the contingency in LaBelle which for many years must have felt left out as taxpayers. Watching their money go to the hospital in Clewiston has been a tough proposition for them, but at least now it seems there are efforts to address the imbalance.

As one of the three largest employers in the area, the hospital has a large stake county wide as a major driver of economic stability. Mr. Barwick is fearful of not supporting efforts to allow the hospital to continue serving its need in the community.

"You find me a community the size of Clewiston that loses a hospital, the effect is devastating," said Mr. Barwick, considering the worst, before directly addressing residents in LaBelle. "They could be saying, 'Why would I vote for this.' I would hope most of them would see a future in this."

If successful, ground breaking is expected to occur soon after the vote, with completion within 18 to 24 months.

The hospital's foundation will host referendum education sessions at the Clewiston Museum. The sessions are open to the public, and will be held on Feb. 16, 23 and March 2 at 5:30 p.m.

For more information, contact Glenda Wilson, 863-983-2735.

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corate a large tree at the golf course on the day of the tournament. There are opportunities for corporate sponsors, team sponsors and tee/hole sponsors. Donations may be in the form of a cash donation, gift item or merchandise, in-kind donation (service) or volunteer work. All proceeds will go to benefit the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. However you choose to get involved, just know that everything you do makes a difference. Rally for the Cure is about women and men who are committed to making a difference in the fight against breast cancer. Breast cancer is still killing and impacting far too many of our loved ones. So, how will you get involved? Information packets are available at the Clewiston Pro Shop or Chamber of Commerce. Please call 239-564-5765 for more information.

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Love

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married for 63 years, first met in a downtown Clewiston restaurant -- while each was out on a date with someone else. They were positioned across the table from one another and got the chance to know each other. After that night Hager found out where Penny lived from the other suitor and pursued her.

"He just appeared on the doorstep," said Mrs. Lowe.

Mr. Lowe is obviously proud of his wife, as he shows off her paintings to anyone who visits.

"It doesn't matter if the dishes are not done or what the house looks like," said Mrs. Lowe.

"I'm proud of her," he replied. "I can't help it."

She describes him as "a good husband and great father", while he describes her as "loving."

The couple enjoyed fishing together until his health would no longer permit it. Now the couple likes to spend time together in their Clewiston vegetable garden and at their Mississippi home where they have pecan trees and blueberry bushes.

They both agree that marriage is something that has to be continually worked on.

"Marriage is NOT a honeymoon," said Mrs. Lowe. "It is something you HAVE to work on ... always."

"As you settle from youth to parenthood to middle age and to old age, you both grow," she said.

Dennis and Jean Edwards, married 54 years, agree, saying that one hasn't changed the other, but rather they have grown together.

The Edwards have been seasonal Clewiston residents for more than 33 years, win-

tering here each year from their home in Hampshire, England. They like to play golf, travel and "just be with our friends together," said Mrs. Edwards.

"We've made friends from all over America from those who come here (to Clewiston) in the winter months," she said.

Their agriculture backgrounds crossed their paths when they met on the farm.

She said he's been "wonderful ever since" and describes him as "generous and kind and all of those things."

He describes her as a "wonderful wife. She does everything well. We've done everything together and she's looked after everything with me."

In looking back, both couples say that only health issues have provided them with difficult times. For the Lowes, it was Mr. Lowe's news of mesothelioma six months ago, but he has since received good news with respect to his condition.

For the Edwards, their most difficult issue was his heart attack years ago.

Both couples agree that marriage works when the couple works at it together.

To keep the spark the Edwards "always have a fun time together. We always have a wonderful time," she says.

"Honor your mate and talk things out," said Mr. Lowe. "If you don't listen then you can really foul things up. You must listen to each other and compromise and be equal in deciding what to do."

Both couples' love has produced more than cherished memories: Hager and Penny Lowe have two children, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Dennis and Jean Edwards have two children and three grandchildren.

"If we had life to do over again, we would do the same thing," said Mr. Edwards, before adding a single condition, "But maybe get married a bit earlier."



Photo/Amy McKown

Hager and Penny Lowe sit together below one of her many paintings. He shows them off every chance he gets because he is still proud of his Valentine of 63 years.

Briefs cont.

softball registrations for youth ages 4 - 15 will be held at the Youth Center from Feb. 15 through Feb. 19 Monday - Friday from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. You can download all forms at www.clewiston-fl.gov under the recreation tab. Please call 863-983-1492 if you have any questions.

Miss Sugar Pageant sign ups

There will be a mandatory meeting on Feb. 16 at 7 p.m. on the upper porch of the Clewiston Inn to sign up for Miss Sugar 2010. Please bring a parent or legal guardian, proof of 2.8 GPA, copy of your birth certificate, sponsor and sponsorship fee of \$100. Applications for Miss Sugar are available at the Clewiston Chamber of Commerce, Clewiston High School and Clewiston Public Library.

If you have any questions please call Pam Kelley at 863-228-3041.

Volunteer Child Advocates needed

New! The Guardian ad Litem Program has added a 3-session, Saturday training in Hendry County, scheduled for February 27,

March 6 and 13. Guardian ad Litem volunteers advocate for abused children in court, the child welfare system and the community.

Anyone interested should contact Angela Boykin, Volunteer Supervisor, at 863-674-4190, for more information. Or see www.guardianadlitem.org.

Senior Center

The Senior Center now open for brown bag lunch, bring your lunch and join us for fellowship. Senior center is located directly by John Boy Auditorium in the little white building. Lunch will begin at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All seniors invited.

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