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Hendry County Sheriff Steve Whidden looks forward to new legislation that will give them even more power to address even small pill mill operations in Hendry County.

## Clewiston Anticipates New Pill Mill Law

LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES GEAR UP TO ENFORCE NEW REGULATIONS

BY J. LOPEZ, J. ZARAGOZA  
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A troubling trend has been growing over the past few years and has reached a crisis point in Hendry County. Prescription drug abuse cases have been outnumbering the traditional

drug cases as more and more drug users switch to what has been a legal way of acquiring the narcotics.

Marijuana, heroin and cocaine are giving way to percocet, vicodin and oxycodone.

"It's an epidemic now," says Detective Sgt. Robert Archer, with the Hendry County Sheriff's Office. "It's shocking how addictive this stuff is. People are now smoking them (the pills), snorting them, injecting them."

One of the reasons is that it is eas-

ier than ever to obtain such prescription medications by way of "pill mills." Pill mills are exactly what they sound like, a place where prescription medications can not only be prescribed but distributed by a doctor; avoiding the need to involve a pharmacist.

Patients can walk in to one of these locations, complain about an ailment, real or imagined, and walk out with their high-dose prescriptions filled as they leave.

Pill mills have come under more

and more scrutiny with law makers drawing up new legislation to regulate them – local law enforcement officials are left asking: "what took you so long?"

In Clewiston, this takes on a certain dichotomy: an alleged pill mill has been in operation for some months on Bond Street, yet there's little that police are able to do to shut it down.

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## 2 Inches of Rain Not Enough

Recent rains a drop in the bucket

BY JUAN LOPEZ  
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Many are seeing the recent rainfall as a sign that condition are changing and soon the lake level will be back to normal and water issues solved. According to a release from the South Florida Water Management District, the recent rains have been a great benefit but a greater amount of rain will be needed to recover from the drought. With the wet season starting far later than it should, it will have to make up for far more than just its late arrival, recovering from last year's hot summer and freezing winter.

At the National Weather Service, this recent weather trend does have some concerned but they do understand that such weather patterns are cyclical in nature. There will be extremely dry conditions some years and thoroughly wet conditions others. The reason why drought conditions have such an impact on the area is that so much water is required and used on a daily basis.

The U.S. Drought Monitor is listing much of South Florida as being in extreme to exceptional drought conditions, the driest on the scale.

Burn bans remain in place on SFWMD public lands because of the remaining threat of wildfires. The ban means fires in grills, fireplaces or fire rings are not permitted. But, all is not doom and gloom as recent rain-

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## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Special thanks to the young men and women of our Clewiston Police Explorer Post for hosting a community get-together before the city fireworks on July 4.

The cotton candy and sno-cones were a treat as was the face painting, giant slide, and game

opportunities. The greatest blessing that was experienced, however, was not what they did as much as what they shared with a heart for all of us to come together as a community to celebrate our freedoms. It made a special celebration even more special.

*-John Hicks*

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fall totals have everyone eyeing a possible end in sight. Areas in South Florida recorded as much as 9 inches. Currently, the rainfall totals for just the first three days in July are optimistic: 2.29 inches of rain. While this may sound as a lot of rain, it is only the start of what is needed. Not all rainfall makes into Lake Okeechobee. Some of it helps in

replenishing the surrounding water tables, canals and rivers; while some it evaporates to help in the rain cycle. The lake level is at 9.83 inches, which is better than the 9.64 inches it was recording in mid-June. Weather forecasts are predicting rain and thunderstorms for the rest of the week.

With a possible good ending in sight, officials still caution that if not enough rainfall is collected by the time the dry season begins in October, South Florida may enter into it already fighting a water deficit.



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## The Son Surf Beach Bash

Pictured above: kids from Clewiston First United Methodist Church Vacation Bible School paint sun catchers. Pictured below: the clown fish group listens to a Bible story.



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# Lake Okeechobee Bi-Weekly Fishing Report



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## Shakey head jigs.

BY MARK KING

Summer is here in South Florida and, as the temperature heats up, the fishing on Lake Okeechobee remains pretty good. The water level is back up to 9.83 feet above sea level as water is being pumped into the lake from the surrounding fields.

We desperately need water in the lake right now but the dirty, nasty water coming in the canals to the lake right now is better than no water at all.

This water coming in has made it a bit tougher fishing in the rim canal but the dynamite holes and fishing out on the lake is still good.

In the summer on Lake Okeechobee I like to get an early start in the morning because it gets pretty hot out on the lake. The good thing is that the bass here seem to bite all day if you can find them.

Some great places to find them now is out in the holes and cuts in the reefs on the main lake. Now that we are receiving some water back in the lake it isn't so hard to get to them. Everyone knows that my favorite lure to throw when the water is low is a shakey head jig with either a worm or soft plastic jerk bait attached.

I can take a 1/4 ounce Gambler Giggy Head jig and a Gambler Sweebo worm or Super Stud and catch bass here on the lake every trip out. Yes, there are days when a topwater lure like a Zara Super Spook or one of the topwater lures made by Sam Griffin will catch more and larger bass.

As far as consistency goes, a shakey head jig will catch you bass every time you go out as long as you are fishing in the right areas. Another lure that has been working well for me lately is a 10" worm rigged Texas style with a 1/8 ounce weight and fished slow, a Gambler Junebug colored worm is my choice.

The wild shiner bite is a little slow as it always is during the summer months. That's not to say that you won't catch bass on shiners because I do it at least once a week. For the most part artificial lures will catch you more and larger fish during the summer months.

Don't be afraid to try other lures and tactics when the bite slows down in the summer. Try switching things up with a swimbait, Carolina rig, drop shot, or crankbaits. You might just find the next best lure to be using here on the big lake and you won't have to share it with anyone.

There are still quite a few bluegills to catch out on the lake right now and the size has been really big. Fishing guide Joe Payne reported catching some really nice bluegill with clients and his

grandsons in the Caloosahatchee River on crickets.

I will still be guiding here on the lake as well as guiding for sharks down in the Florida Keys. And as August approaches I will be offering lobstering trips in the Keys both snorkeling and night time bully netting. Lobstering is a lot of fun and what better catch to eat while here in Florida. Good luck, tight lines, and hope to see everyone out on the water soon.

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**Friday Night:**

Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 78. South wind around 8 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.



**Sunday:**

Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 91. Chance of precipitation is 30 percent.



**Thursday Night:**

Showers and thunderstorms likely, mainly before 1am. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 76. South wind around 8 mph. Chance of precipitation is 60 percent.



**Saturday:**

Scattered showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 91. South wind between 6 and 11 mph. Chance of precipitation is 40 percent.



**Sunday Night:**

Isolated showers and thunderstorms. Partly cloudy, with a low around 79. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.



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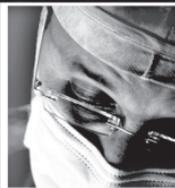
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### John Presley Cohick, 22

BELLE GLADE — John Presley (J.P.), 22, died in a tragic vehicle accident on June 25, 2011, outside of Lake City.

He was born on May 24, 1989, in Pahokee. He is the son of John and Donna Cohick of Belle Glade. He is also survived by one brother, Will Cohick.

He was pre-deceased by a younger brother, Jessie, who passed away after living a day in September of 1994; his Poppie (Joseph Townsend Guerry) and his PapPap (William Russell Cohick).

He is survived by his grandmothers, Yvonne Guerry of Belle Glade, and Mary Cohick of Pahokee. Other family members include, Harold Cohick of Shippensburg, Pa., Melvin and Allison Guerry of Moore Haven, Billy and Debra Guerry of Belle Glade, Leslie, Bobby Joe, Cross, and Hayne Fulford of Moore Haven, Justin, Brooke, and Trinity Guerry of Moore Haven, and Thomas and Christopher Guerry of Belle Glade. He is also survived by a host of great aunts and uncles, cousins, and many close friends.

While growing up he attended the Alliance Church and volunteered with the Awanas program. He graduated from Glades Day School in 2007 where he enjoyed many sports and activities including being a founding student of the FFA Chapter. During High School he held an after school job working for Seminole Supply.

After graduation, he attended Tulsa Welding School in Jacksonville completing the Master Welder Program where he finished first in several of the ten phases earning him the position of "Top One Welder". After returning to Belle Glade he worked at Everglades Farm Equipment, US Sugar Corporation and was currently employed by JM Harvesting (Cane Planting) and Miller Contracting and Labor Management (Corn Harvesting).

John Presley enjoyed life. He loved his truck, 4-wheelin', pulling friends out at all times of the night, hanging at the lake, his dog "Hank" and riding the trail. He loved spending summers in the Keys with his friends and families. But most of all he made everyone feel special by sharing his great big "HUGS".

Visitation was held on Wednesday, June 29, 2011, at the First Baptist Church. His Funeral services were held on June 30, 2011, at the First Baptist Church with Pastor Carl Metzger presiding. He was laid to rest at Port Mayaca Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were handled by Glades Funeral Chapel.



### Nola Cecilia Reynolds, 67

CLEWISTON — Nola Cecilia Reynolds, age 67, of Clewiston died Wednesday, June 29, 2011, in Texas.

Nola was born Nov. 2, 1943, in Clewiston, Fla. She is the daughter of the late Charles Ashton and the late Virginia (Saxon) Thomas. She was married to Carlos Lynn Reynolds.

She was a former owner of Clewiston Florist.

She is survived by her husband, Carlos Lynn Reynolds; two daughters, Nola Amanda (Bill) Reynolds Kinman of Lake Harbor, Fla., Terri Reynolds Brown of Stuart, Fla.; and two sons, Ashton Thomas (Stephanie) Reynolds of North Pole, AK, David William (Michele) Reynolds of MA; three sisters, Robin Thomas (Harley) Hollingsworth of Belle Glade, Fla., Martha Lynn Thomas (Barney) Weeks of Lake Harbor, Fla., Molly Thomas (Larry) Norman of Lake Harbor, Fla.; aunt, Joan Saxon Faust of Blairsville, GA; grandchildren, Anlyn Reynolds of North Pole, AK., Saxon Reynolds of North Pole, AK, Coleman Kinman of Lake Harbor, Fla., Hassell Kinman of Lake Harbor, Fla., Katie Brown of Stuart, Fla., Jeffrey Brown of Stuart, Fla., Brett Reynolds and Sean Reynolds from Maryland.

The funeral service was held 10:00 am on Saturday, July 2 at Ortona Cemetery, 12870 W. SR 78, Moore Haven, FL. Interment is in Ortona Cemetery, Moore Haven on Saturday, July 2 at 10:00 am. Arrangements were being handled by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

## Gas Prices Fall, Prices Still High

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have fallen 0.8 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.48/g yesterday. This compares with the national average that has increased 0.5 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.57/g, according to gasoline price website FloridaStateGasPrices.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 84.6 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 17.9 cents per gallon lower than a month ago. The national average has decreased 19.8 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 84.0 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

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# Significant Rainfall Required for Recovery from Drought



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## Water levels begin rising but remain well below average

BY GABE MARGASAK  
SFWMD

Following one of its latest starts in two decades, the wet season has finally arrived to begin recharging regional groundwater levels, lakes, rivers and canals across the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD). However, significant time and rainfall will be necessary for this short-term relief to bring long-term improvement from months of record drought conditions.

The 16-county region averaged 5.92 inches of rainfall in June, which still represents a deficit of about 2 inches District-wide for the month. The June deficit for the coastal areas of Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade counties ranged from 4 to 5 inches.

"While it is encouraging to report that the Upper Kissimmee and Caloosahatchee basins received nearly 100 percent of their historic June rainfall, we need to see this daily rainfall pattern continue across large portions of South Florida before key areas such as Lake Okeechobee and the Water Conservation Areas begin to reach normal water levels," said Susan Sylvester, SFWMD Chief of the Water Control Operations Bureau. "While relief is in sight, certain portions of the District are still facing rainfall deficits of more than a foot and, without adequate rainfall during the

wet season, we could enter the next dry season still in a deficit."

Much of June's rainfall fell during the past week, with an average of 3.5 inches District-wide. Some localized areas received a maximum of about 9 inches. Lake Okeechobee rose more than 2 inches to 9.77 feet NGVD on Friday. Eastern Palm Beach County, one of the areas hardest hit by the drought, averaged 2 to 4 inches of rain in the past week. The Southwest Coast averaged 3 to nearly 5 inches, while Martin and St. Lucie counties averaged 2 to 4 inches.

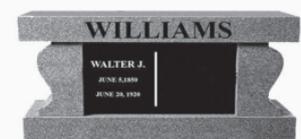
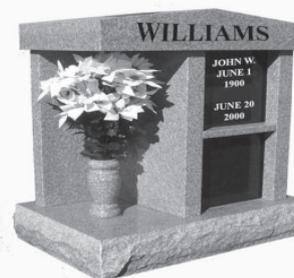
However, signs of the driest October-to-mid-June period on record in South Florida remain. Groundwater levels are still significantly below average for this time of year. There is currently little to no flow down the Kissimmee River to Lake Okeechobee. The lake remains more than 3 feet below its historic average for this time of year. Other key storage areas, such as the Water Conservation Areas, are also still below their optimal water levels.

The U.S. Drought Monitor lists much of the region in extreme to exceptional drought conditions, the driest on the scale.

A burn ban remains in place on SFWMD public lands because of the remaining threat of wildfires. The ban means fires in grills, fireplaces or fire rings are not permitted.

The SFWMD is closely monitoring water levels and is urging residents and businesses to conserve their water use and continue to closely follow landscape irrigation restrictions.

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# RELIGION COLUMNS

## Taking a Stand

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS  
First United Methodist Church

Founding Father Alexander Hamilton was credited as saying, "He who stands for nothing will fall for anything." Over the years many others have picked this saying up and have quoted it. US Senate Chaplain Peter Marshall once prayed, "Give us clear vision, that we may know where to stand and what to stand for - because unless we stand for something, we shall fall for anything."



John Hicks

It was a similar prayer that many of our area pastors recently prayed for our community.

As many of you are aware, there was talk about a casino being brought to Clewiston. There were a number of apples of temptation offered up to get political and public support. Many of us advised caution and prayerful discernment before thinking of biting into some of these apples. We were happy with the decline by U.S. Sugar for land use for this purpose, which stopped some of these casino plans, but still felt the need and desire not to just let the issue drop, but to publicly go on record as standing against having a casino in our community. At our last Clewiston Ministerial Association meeting, those present voted unanimously to publicly go on record with our Clewiston City Council and with our Hendry County Commissioners as being opposed to having a casino in our area now or in the future. Our feelings were to share that we believe the consequences of having a casino in our area would far outweigh the proposed benefits.

The following statement came as a result of our meeting:

At our monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 7, 2011, the Clewiston Ministerial Association unanimously voted to go on record as being opposed to having a casino in our community now or in the future. We understand the job opportunities and other presented possibilities, but believe the negatives would outweigh the potential positives. Our conviction is that gaming is wrong and opens the door to many other known evils.

Furthermore, we believe God has a better plan for our area and we don't have to settle for "gaming" to attract business or to create business.

We want to go on record that we are opposed to any such activity and will strongly defend the

spiritual climate of this city and region.

Pastor Chuck Pelham, New Harvest Church. Pastor Tom Slager, Community Presbyterian Church. Pastor Alan Koch, Faith Lutheran Church. Pastor Gary McNealy - Greater Friendship Baptist Church. Pastor Mike Hall, Lighthouse Apostolic Church. Pastor Benjamin Escorcia, Iglesia de Dios Pentecostal. Pastor Orlando Posadas, Iglesia Vida Nueva. Pastor David McClusky, Mt. Calvary Baptist Church. Pastor Gary Corley, Evangel Church of God. Pastor David Strickland, New Harvest Church. Pastor Emmanuel B. Menager, New Bethel A.M.E Church. Pastor Todd Buck, First Baptist Church. Pastor John Hicks, First United Methodist Church.

We have other colleagues who were not at the meeting we feel sure will join us in this stand.

## How I Am Made

BY REV. SAMS. THOMAS, PH. D.+  
Saint Martin's Church

Among the stories handed down in our family was when one of my great-grandfathers nearly shot a dog. That runs against my grain, was reprehensible and made me curious about why someone I should respect and admire would act that way. I learned that the dog gave birth to some puppies, then put them against a wall and kicked them to death with her hind feet. Evidently my great-grandfather saw something very wrong in this act and it drove him toward something quite drastic. A while ago, there was a vignette on television about a member of the cat family that killed a monkey. The monkey had a baby nearby and the cat suddenly became quite maternal toward the baby monkey; protecting it and keeping it safe. Lion prides will abandon lions that harm cubs; denying them membership in their society for doing something the rest of the pride knows to be instinctively wrong. Recently a kitten wandered into a monkey cage at a zoo; only to be "adopted" by one of the older monkeys when everyone feared harm might come to the small and defenseless cat.

The zoo keepers didn't interfere; there are instincts in all of God's creatures about how we care for the young and how repulsive it is for animals and humans alike to take the lives of those who are helpless and dependent. It is almost in passing that Jesus added in the Beatitudes "Do



Sam S. Thomas

not worry about your life, what you will drink; or about your body, what you will wear.

Is not life more important than food and the body more important than clothes? (Matthew 6:25). Yes, life itself is more important than even what keeps us going or outward appearances! A chapter before, the Lord admonishes that even anger is tantamount to murdering someone; don't even lay the groundwork for taking life! (Cf 5:21ff). There is something God has planted in us that makes us want to respect life and to cherish it especially in those who are incapable of defending themselves. The life is indeed more than the food or clothing; those whose lives are fragile surely deserve their chance to grow to the point where they can fend for themselves.

Evidently God wants us, and all of His creatures to be around; respect life, defend those who cannot yet provide for themselves, look after even those you may find different from your own kind if they are weak and helpless, woe to you if you harm them (cf Mark 9:42). Every now and then, something will come up to cause me to be reviled about a person or a deed. I have to ask myself about what a person has done to cause such a reaction in me; I'm not supposed to dislike others or judge them for their actions, am I?

Occasionally, though, they've done something that strikes at the very core of all of God's created order; human and animal alike. Then I know!

## Parents are Responsible

BY JACKIE MILLER, EVANGELIST  
First Christian Church

A prominent youth lecturer is quoted as saying that many parents would let their children

spend a week-end in Hell if it would help their social standing.

This in some way accounts for the lax attitude much of our youth has toward the church and the moral and spiritual qualities of life today. Many parents have never discovered their role in relation to their offspring. God gave children parents so they might have a voice of authority, inspiration and direction. There are some things in life which are temporal and others are eternal. Only a fool would choose the temporary over the permanent. Too many parents fall in the latter category, and their choices for their children are altogether too revealing. Parents who do not provide spiritual training and direction for their children are abdicating their responsibility and laying the groundwork for human havoc and spiritual wreck. It would have been better had their children not been born. A noted criminologist has attributed the crisis of juvenile delinquency to spiritual starvation. He suggests that the only remedy lies in spiritual training and development.

If our youth are empty spiritually they are going to be empty morally. When teenage arrests increase 58 percent in ten years while the population increases only 22 percent something is obviously wrong.

A judge in Tennessee who presides over a court which has jurisdiction over children under 17 years of age who have violated the law said, "I have tried 4,800 cases. Of this number, only 29 have had a regular Sunday School record.

So far I have not had a child in court whose Father and Mother attended either Sunday School or Church regularly." Proverbs 22:6 says "Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it."

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# Inland Birdwatching Fun: Black-Necked Stilt



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Pictured above is a Black-necked Stilt chick.

BY MARGARET ENGLAND  
Hendry-Glades Audubon

What do you do if you find a songbird that has fallen out of its nest or an injured bird? For information on Florida's wildlife and what you can do to help, go to FWC's website at [MyFWC.com/wildlife](http://MyFWC.com/wildlife). You can call or check their web site for licensed wildlife rehabilitators if you find an injured bird. Young healthy birds can be returned to their nests without much chance of rejection. Keeping predators away from



Margaret England

nest areas may help prevent young birds from being harmed.

The Black-necked Stilt is a striking black-and-white bird with very long, thick red legs. It has a black face, hind neck and back with a white throat and underparts. A nesting pair of Black-

necked stilts is fearless in defending their nests by circling over intruders and diving at them while vocalizing with a loud sharp yipping sound. They frequently build nests close to the shallow water's edge. They have an average of four eggs in a clutch. Both parents take turns incubating the eggs. Their young are so mobile and mature that they may be seen swimming within 2 hours of birth. In spite of this early development the young normally return to the nest for resting for one or two more days. The young fledge after one month, but remain dependent upon their parents for some more weeks. Young Black-necked Stilt are being seen at STA5 and other shallow wetland areas in inland Florida.

You are invited to join Hendry-Glades Audubon volunteers on the July 16 birdwatching trip to STA5 located 20 miles south of Clewiston at the south end of Blumberg Road. Meet at the Blumberg Road STA5 gate at 8:30 a.m. Reservations are required.

To sign up for the trip, send an e-mail to Margaret England, at [sta5birding@embarqmail.com](mailto:sta5birding@embarqmail.com) with your name and contact information including an emergency cell number for the trip day, the date you want to go, and the number in your party. You may also leave this information at 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202. Bring water, snacks, and lunch. For a schedule of STA5 trips through December 2012 visit the HGAS website at [www.hendrygladesaudubon.org](http://www.hendrygladesaudubon.org).



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## State Board of Education meeting

Pictured from left to right: Former Chancellor of Public Schools Dr. Francis Haithcock, former Commissioner of Education Dr. Eric Smith, current Chancellor of Florida Colleges Dr. Willis Holcombe, Superintendent Rick Murphy and former State Board of Education Chairman William T. Fair. All but Chancellor Holcombe have just retired from many years of dedicated service to area School Districts and students of the State of Florida. They all have been very supportive of many programs and needs for the Hendry County School District.

## Childhood Obesity Concerns

BY PAT DOBBINS  
Hendry/Glades Health Departments

Nancy Witham, M.D., Board Certified and well-known Pediatrician from Ft Myers (Lee County) provided a two-hour, in-service discussion to staff members at the Hendry County Health Department in LaBelle on the topic of childhood obesity. Dr. Witham and many pediatricians are very concerned about the rising trend of obesity in children. Dr. Witham has a strong desire to raise awareness about this serious problem.

Staff at the Health Department had the opportunity to ask questions to this local expert on how to educate parents about the health effects of childhood obesity, starting with infants and toddlers and usually continues into adulthood.

Obesity now affects 17% of all children and adolescents in the U.S. which is triple the rate from just one generation ago. Increases in overweight and obese kids are linked directly with the lifestyle of today's generation which can include:

- Fast food is quick, cheap and easy.
- Electronic gadgets can contribute to our children's lack of exercise.
- Children are constantly bombarded with advertising for sugar and high fat foods.
- School lunch choices are not as healthy as they used to be. Many vending machines in schools sell unhealthy snacks and sodas.
- Physical education in schools is limited due to budget cuts and concentration on FCAT scores.
- Children don't play outside like we did years ago due to safety concerns.

The effects of obesity can cause many health problems which can include:

- Diabetes

- High cholesterol
- High blood pressure
- Gastric reflux (puke burps)
- Bone and joint problems
- Breathing problems
- Mental health and self-image problems
- Some cancers
- High cost of health care

Dr. Witham shared with the group some new recommendations by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) which include:

- Children under the age of two should be allowed no (zero) "screen viewing time" (this includes computers, portable players, etc)
- Children under the age of two should not be given fruit juice, which has high concentrated levels of sugar.
- Children should not be given favored waters and artificially sweetened drinks.
- Children should not be given snacks prior to their meals.
- Parents need to know that it's ok to say "no" to a child if the child is asking for larger portion sizes or snacks.

Dr. Witham discussed her approach to teaching parents about growth and development. She uses growth charts approved by the World Health Organization (WHO) to track height and weight. She looks closely at trends in the measurements over time. She also stressed the importance of developing good eating habits for children in their toddler and pre-school years to help prevent the child from becoming obese by the time they start kindergarten. Parents can be role models for their children by eating healthy and getting physical exercise.

For more information about healthy habits for kids and the prevention of childhood obesity please visit these websites: [www.myplate.gov](http://www.myplate.gov) and [www.kidshealth.org](http://www.kidshealth.org).

## NOTICE OF PROPOSED LARGE SCALE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will conduct a public hearing on the proposed amendment to the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan. The hearing will take place on **July 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the amendment is consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan.

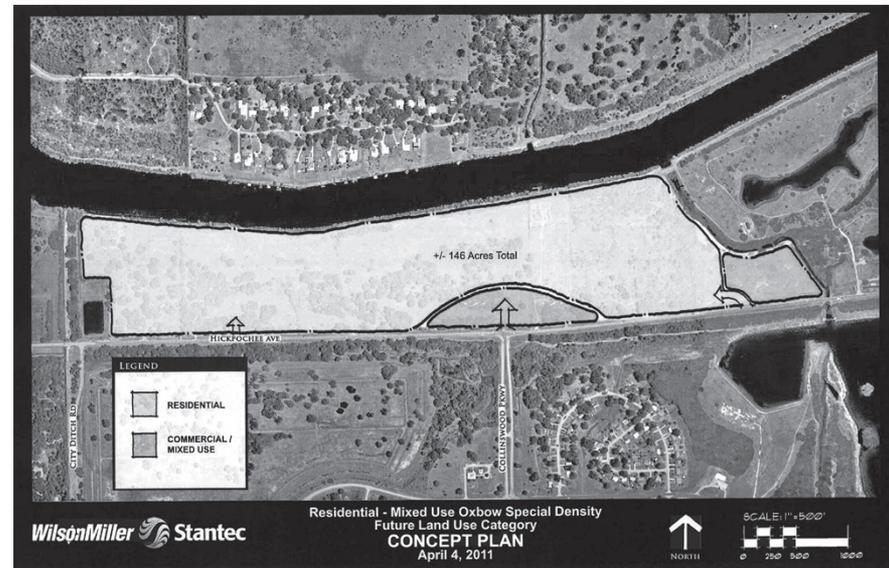
The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for final consideration at a public hearing. The BCC will consider whether or not they wish to transmit the proposed amendment to the Florida Department of Community Affairs. This hearing will be held on **August 9, 2011 at 5:05 p.m.** at Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida.

**Application title:** Western Oxbow Mixed Use District

**Applicant:** Hendry County Board of County Commissioners

**Agent:** Ms. Margaret Perry, AICP, WilsonMiller Stantec

**Request:** The applicant is requesting to change the Future Land Use Element Text and Map of the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan to create a new land use designation to be known as the Western Oxbow Mixed Use District.



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

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

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

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# Clewiston Weekly Sports Page

## Pride Football Camp

Football Camp for (3rd-8th) graders will be July 12 through July 15. It will be a FREE camp for any children that want to learn skills for football.

The coaches of Clewiston Varsity Football will help with the camp. The time will be from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The location will be at the High School Practice Field behind the Sugar Complex field.

The objective is to teach the fundamentals and skills of the game of football. Register at Youth Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or you can register online at [www.clewistonrecreation.com](http://www.clewistonrecreation.com). Contact, Andre Taylor at 863-228-4171.

## Basketball

City of Clewiston Park & Recreation Basketball Camp. Basketball Camp for (3rd-8th) graders will be July 12 through July 15.

City of Clewiston and the City of South Bay are working together in this camp will have participants from both cities. The basketball camp will be from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The location will be at Clewiston Middle School Gym. The camp is free to 30 children that sign up first.

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4171. The City of South Bay will bring about 30 children for the camp.

## Summer Dance Bash

There will be a Summer Dance Bash held on Friday, July 22, at the John Boy Auditorium in Clewiston from 9 p.m. to 12 a.m.

Ages 13-18 are welcome. DJ Remix Leo to provide the best dance tunes. Security will be on hand and concession stand will be open. Call the youth center for more information at 863-983-1492.

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Some campers take a quick nap on their way back home from visiting Billie Swamp Safari.



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A courageous camper poses with her new friend.



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Campers take a fun trip to Billie Swamp Safari.

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Photo / Jenny Woods

## Fireworks in the night sky

Everyone enjoyed themselves at the Fourth of July event at Sugarland Park. There was a pre-firework gathering with food, games and even a bounce house for the kids. The night was finished off with fireworks.

## Snakes Visit the Clewiston Library



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Library staff member Shirley Reynolds poses proudly with Barron Library staff member Eileen Ferguson, and regular library patron Heidi Branch, as they give one of two Summer Reading Special Programs on snakes and reptiles to the children and staff of the city of Clewiston Summer Camp Program. Shirley is holding her pet ball python "Nemis."

We had 62 children and nine staff members from Camp Fun-a-Rama for the first of these fas-

cinating and educational programs, at 9 a.m., on Wednesday, June 29.

The second, at noon, had 43 children and 12 staff members from Camp Crayon. The presentations kept the audience rapt and questions continued long after they were over.

Topics included how to keep a pet snake, everything you ever wanted to know about reptiles and necessary information about local venomous snakes and how to avoid them.



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# Weekly City FYI

BY STEVE MCKOWN  
City Manager

Over the course of the late spring and early summer, we have noted a trend at the golf course. People do not play golf on Thursdays in Clewiston. Our number of plays on Thursdays is generally between 4 and 10.

We simply cannot afford to pay staff with such low play on Thursdays. Therefore we have adjusted our schedule to save the cost of personnel on Thursday. Walkers are encouraged to continue playing on Thursdays, and paying their greens fees on their next visit to the course.

Likewise, the patronage of the library on Saturdays has dwindled to a level that is nominal at best. As with the golf course, we have adjusted our schedule to save the cost of personnel at the library on Saturdays.

As we enter another tough budget year, we are encouraging every department to look for areas of savings, especially when we are paying staff with little or no benefit to our citizenry.

## Staff Reports

### Community Development Director Reese reports:

Code Enforcement has opened nine new cases for overgrown lawns and hedges. These properties are all vacant at this time. Letters are being mailed to the owners and if compliance is not met, the City will mow and place a lien on the property.

Eight signs were picked up from right-of-ways.

The new Emergency Room at Hendry Medical Center is nearing the final construction stage. The Fire Inspector had a few minor issues to be resolved for fire/safety and the Building Inspector has sent a list of final requirements to the contractor.

### Golf Course Director Pena reports:

The 10 new club car golf carts were delivered on Thursday, June 23. The 10 older EZ-Go carts, declared surplus by the City Commission, were cleaned and prepared to be moved to a staging area in the Public Works facility.

They (the surplus carts) will be available for public inspection at the Public Works facility (1200 S. Olympia St.) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sealed bids for the surplus carts will be accepted until Wednesday, July 13, at 3 p.m. The bids are to be delivered to Clewiston City Hall (115 W. Ventura). Each bid must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked "golf cart bid."

With Summer rainfall, we lost Tuesday afternoon and early Wednesday play. Otherwise, play as is common for this time of year in hot South Florida, is slow. Management is looking at options to spur interest and cut costs.

### Library Director Tommerdahl reports:

The Clewiston Library kicked off its Summer Reading Program on Wednesday, June 22, with Daisy the Clown. There were 70 kids from Camp Fun-a-Rama in the library, along with 12

staff members, to see Daisy's special magic and fun show. Later that same day, Daisy presented a second show for us. At that show, there were 45 kids and 14 staff members from Camp Crayon.

On Thursday, June 23, Ms. Liz visited Harvest Academy Preschool to present a Roaming Storytime. There were 5 children and 1 teacher present to enjoy our fun and educational stories.

On Monday, June 27, children from Camp Crayon stopped by for a Special Summer Reading Rainy Day Program.

We had 28 children and 6 camp staff in the library to enjoy "Thomas the Tank Engine and the Magic Railroad".

### Assistant Police Chief Petersen reports:

Officer Micah Thomas, with the help of Officer Blackman, arrested two juvenile subjects on Monday evening who had loaded firearms on their person.

Officer Thomas had stopped to question one of the juveniles when he became belligerent and agitated which made Officer Thomas suspicious. Excellent work by both of these officers.

Another arrest was made in the E Pasadena area for loitering by an individual who was in the backyard of a residence where the owner said there was no reason for the individual to be there.

School is out and we have seen an upturn in vandalism. Officers are being more aware of the actions and movement of our young people and stopping to see what they are doing.

A summary of this week's activities is as follows:

- 6 Accidents
- 39 Citations
- 6 Adult Arrests
- 2 Juvenile Arrests
- 159 Calls for Service

### Public works Director Scheffler reports:

The north and south allies have been cleaned of litter, mowed and sprayed for weed control.

Mosquito control is in full swing. Trucks and ATVs are running on a regular basis.

Late evening rains have forced some changes in scheduling, however trap counts remain low. Please remember if you have a special event, call 863-983-1471 and set up an additional spray in the area.

Work began Monday on the boat ramp repair on the Lake side of the levee. Loose debris will be relocated in a prop-wash hole. 57 rock will be used to level the bottom and forms will be set so an additional 10 feet will be added to the ramp.

Several old trees have already been broken by recent wind and rain. Please have a licensed tree trimmer inspect your trees and make them storm ready. It might be surprising to find some of the older oaks need to be removed and replaced.

Decorations for the July Fourth celebration were installed on Tuesday.

### Utilities Director McCarthy reports:

We had an Altec small tracked backyard unit as a demo for a week and have taken full advantage of it to replace several poles in areas that we can't get to with our trucks.

This unit is at the top of our list as the next piece of equipment to help us maintain and improve the reliability of our system. This unit will be featured in our electric presentation to the Commission in July.

# What is the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)?

BY LINDA MEIER  
VFW Post 4185

The VFW works to do good things for veterans, their families, and the community.

Some of the programs are Unmet Needs, for service members and families who have unexpected financial difficulties as a result of their military service by providing grants, up to \$2,500 that do not have to be repaid, to help with mortgage, rent, home, auto repairs, insurance, utilities, food and clothing.

Operation Uplink provides 2 days each month when deployed service members can make free calls to loved ones.

The VFW Legislative program keeps veterans, families and military personnel aware of issues that affect them and fights to see that Congress continues to fund the VA system, provides medical/hospital care and ensures that all military, veterans and their families are guaranteed the benefits they have earned.

The VFW thanks our nation's educators honoring a Teacher of the Year.

The VFW provides helpful tools to teach our youth, the future leaders of our country, to be proud to be an American, to support our troops and to understand that our freedoms are not free, but given to us because of our military personnel who fought for our rights.

The VFW thanks our nation's first responders for their courageous acts in ensuring our safety.

The VFW sponsors many scholarship programs: Voice of Democracy Audio/Essay Contest, Patriot's Pen Essay Contest, and Scout of the Year.

There are many Federal Benefits and discounts available to VFW Post members: SAT/ACT College Preparation, Hotel, Motel and car rentals, financial services, cell phone and computers, real estate and mortgage services, insurance programs, health care services, memorial programs, merchandise, identity theft protection, haircuts, veteran employment assistance and floral arrangements and gifts.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the VFW (LAVFW) members live by the motto, "Honor the dead by helping the living." We serve the veterans and community and teach our youth patriotism.

Our programs include Scholarships, Americanism, Hospital, Legislative, Veterans and Family Support, Youth, Community Service and especially Cancer Aid & Research.

Cancer Aid & Research is a major program and millions of dollars are raised each year by members to help fund research to cure all cancers. Members can apply for a Cancer Grant of \$500 when under a doctor's care for cancer.

The LAVFW offers annually a 2 Year \$100,000 Postdoctoral Cancer Research Fellowship. All members of LAVFW #4185 in Clewiston are covered under our Specified Disease Insurance Plan (formerly Cancer Insurance) at no cost to the member.

A scholarship is awarded to assist members who wish to further their education by pursuing a college degree or a career direction at technical school.

The spouse, daughter, and son of a member are also eligible to apply. The LAVFW sponsors the annual American Creative Patriotic Art Contest and promotes the Voice of Democracy

and Patriot's Pen contests. The LAVFW honors teachers, first responders and scouts.

The LAVFW visits students in schools to distribute flags and to teach and encourage our youth to be proud Americans and to support our troops.

The LAVFW members visit VA Hospital patients to help comfort them and let them know they are not forgotten.

The LAVFW members help in our community and assist those in need. We keep aware of Legislative issues that affect our military, veterans and their families and we provide assistance to our veterans.

In addition, the LAVFW Post 4185 has honored citizens in the community with certificates for displaying the American Flag, has sponsored and worked with students to promote our annual Americanism Coloring/Essay/Poster Contest, worked with students and community members to Support our Troops by collecting cards and care package items sent to deployed troops, participated in all patriotic/veterans ceremonies and held an annual Loyalty Day Program and Awards Ceremony.

The VFW National Home for Children, located in Eaton Rapids, Michigan, provides

Veteran's children a place to live, learn and grow in a loving and supportive environment if a "family plan" fails and children need a place to live. The Home can also assist a spouse with children.

Living on the National Home's campus provides a home, a supportive community and whatever help children and families may need until they can be reunited with their spouse/parent.

A veteran with children, who is approved for VA Vocational Re-habilitation, may be eligible to live here and get supportive services. The Home can help veteran-related single parents get back on their feet.

The VFW Retirement Home in Ft. McCoy, Florida is a non-profit Independent Living Facility, the only one of its kind in the world.

The Retirement home provides members of the VFW, spouses and Ladies and Men's Auxiliary members an affordable living environment and includes many services and programs.

It is owned and operated by the VFW Dept. of Florida and is not subsidized by any government, federal, state or local agency.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Dept. of Florida held its annual Dept. Convention in Daytona Beach in June 2011. Dan Duffy was installed as VFW Dept. of Florida Commander and Laura Love was installed as Ladies Auxiliary Dept. President.

Clewiston's VFW Post 4185 officers for the 2011-2012 year are Post Commander "Izzy" Vargas, Ladies Auxiliary President Linda Meier, and Men's Auxiliary President Randy Richbourg.

Please contact the Post at 863-983-9748 for eligibility and additional information if you have questions or are interested in becoming a member of this elite veteran's organization.

Leave your name and number and brief message.

Become a member and honor our veterans, support our troops, teach our youth, visit our veterans in the hospitals and nursing homes and help our community.



**Employment Full Time**



**SOCIAL WORKER**

Provide infant mental health home-based services to families in Belle Glade Office. BA or MA in Social Work or related field; case management experience and the ability to utilize designed model of practice with families and children from birth to five years old; bilingual (Spanish/English) preferred. **Please fax resume to: 561-881-3827 or email: jobs@familiesfirstpb.org**

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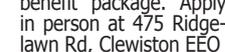
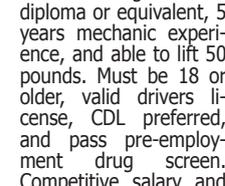
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We are growing and looking for experienced Child Care Professionals to work with Toddler and Preschool classes. CDA or equivalent required. **Call for appointment application 863-675-3421 or 863-673-5352 License#C20HE0011**

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**R&D Maintenance** is accepting applications for a Motor Vehicle Mechanic. Work includes diagnostic skills, preventative maintenance and repairs for light and medium vehicles and various equipment. Minimum High School diploma or equivalent, 5 years mechanic experience, and able to lift 50 pounds. Must be 18 or older, valid drivers license, CDL preferred, and pass pre-employment drug screen. Competitive salary and benefit package. Apply in person at 475 Ridgelawn Rd, Clewiston EEO



**Grab a bargain from your neighbor's garage, attic, basement or closet in today's classifieds.**

**How do you find a job in today's competitive market? In the employment section of the classifieds.**

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**Financial**

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**Business Opportunities**

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Some 800 and 900 telephone numbers may require an extra charge, as well as long distance toll costs. We will do our best to alert our reader of these charges in the ads, but occasionally we may not be aware of the charges. Therefore, if you call a number out of your area, use caution.



**244 Bang Stick (2)- And accessories for Gator hunting. For more info call: 863-983-5320.**

**Medical Items**

**SCOOTER** - Brand new. \$900 or trade for power chair in mint condition. Call 863-983-8165.



**Poultry Supplies**

**Baby Chicks For Sale** - \$3.95-\$11.72. Fancy Chicks, Egg Laying Chicks, Meat Chicks; also Goselings and Ducklings. (863)673-7280



**Apartments**

**2 BR 1 BA** with central air, good location in Moore Haven. Ready to move in. \$575/mo. Call Joe (305) 720-3322.

**CLEWISTON** - 1br, unfurn, apartment, Great for couple or single person (863)983-3151

**Houses - Rent**

**Belle Glade**- Small 2 bedroom 1 Bath House call for more information 863-824-8726

**Huge 2BR, 1BA Estate** - 1100 sq. ft. on 2 1/2 acres. Pioneer Plantation. \$550 month. Call 239-285-7020



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**Mobile Home Rentals** 2 - 4 Bedrooms \$400-\$650 monthly 863-983-8107

**Nice 3/2 mobile home** for rent in Muse \$650/month. (863) 675-0484.

**Mobile Home Sale**

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**Reduced to Sell** - 3br, 2ba. Recently remodeled home & Land on Lake. Located 1860 Ridgill. REDUCED \$84,900 Owner financing avail. (843)810-1998



**Boats**

**PRO CRAFT** Bass boat- 20 ft. 200 hp mercury, tandem trl. Only 16 orig. hrs. Garage kept, New cond., loaded with extras. Paid \$35K, asking \$15K, Call Mike at 863-675-3424.



**Public Notice**

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on July 18, 2011 at 2:00 PM at AAA Self Storage, 657 Hwy 27, Moore Haven, FL, the undersigned, AAA Self Storage, will sell at Public Sale by competitive bidding, the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

Rayburn King #41  
Cassidy Anderson #86  
390413 GCD 7/7,14/2011

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

You are hereby notified that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will be held on Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at 7 pm at the Central County Conference Room located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm St. Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing herein referred to she or he may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. Notice Date Change 890533 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

CHANCE'S TOWING & RECOVERY, LLC WILL SELL THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES BY AUCTION @ 340 N. INDUSTRIAL LOOP, LABELLE, FL 33935 ON THE FOLLOWING DATES DUE TO NON PAYMENT FOR TOWING AND STORAGE CHARGES. PURSUANT TO SUB SECTION 713.78 OF THE FLORIDA STATUTE. CHANCE'S TOWING & RECOVERY, LLC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY AND/OR ALL BIDS.

07/17/2011 at 8:00AM  
1999 OLDS  
VIN# 1GHDT13WXX2700244  
391295 CN 7/7/2011

**Public Notice**

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction at Clewiston Towing 600 E. Sugarland Hwy Clewiston Fl 33440 on July 18, 2011 at 10:00a.m..

2003 Ford  
1FTNX20P3EC38013  
391373 CN 7/7/2011

Love the earth Recycle your used items by selling them in the classifieds.

**Public Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 26-2011-CA-000308

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,  
vs. SARAH R. TOWNSEND A/K/A SARA TOWNSEND, et al, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF ACTION**

TO: SARAH R. TOWNSEND A/K/A SARA TOWNSEND  
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: 1800 N. State Route 29 Feida, FL 33930

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

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

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

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

BEGINNING AT THE EAST 1/4 CORNER OF SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 45 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, SOUTH 89 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 1043.51 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 00 DEGREES 36 MINUTES 20 SECONDS WEST, 417.44 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 89 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, 655.42 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING; FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING; RUN NORTH 01 DEGREES 12 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST 590.90 FEET; THENCE RUN NORTH 88 DEGREES 47 MINUTES 30 SECONDS EAST, 367.43 FEET TO THE WEST RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD 29; THENCE RUN SOUTHERLY ALONG SAID RIGHT-OF-WAY 566 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 01 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 05 SECONDS EAST, 28.64 FEET; THENCE RUN SOUTH 89 DEGREES 22 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST, 367.42 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

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

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

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 22nd day of June, 2011.

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of the Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis  
As Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.  
P.O. Box 25018  
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018  
60912260

\*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. 390487 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

**Public Notice**

**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS**  
Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the District One Office until 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, July 21, 2011, for the following Proposals:  
E1J35- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Signing & Pavement Marking, & Sidewalks in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$118,233.00  
E1K32- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Thermoplastic Removal & Replacement in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$447,000.00  
E1K33- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Thermoplastic & Audible Line Placement in Manatee County. Budget Estimate: \$100,000.00  
Complete letting advertisement information for this project is available on our website at <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministration/district1/> or by calling (863) 519-2559.  
390148 CN/CB 6/30;7/7/2011

Buying a car? Look in the classifieds. Selling a car? Look in the classifieds.

**Public Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 2007-895-CA

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON MORTGAGE SECURITIES CORPORATION, HOME EQUITY PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-1, Plaintiff,  
vs. DOMINGO REYES, et al, Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED REFORECLOSURE SALE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Reforeclosure Sale dated June 23, 2011 and entered in Case No. 2007-895-CA of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDERS OF THE CREDIT SUISSE FIRST BOSTON MORTGAGE SECURITIES CORPORATION, HOME EQUITY PASS THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-1, is the Plaintiff and DOMINGO REYES; SIMONA REYES; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANT(S) WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR SELECT PORTFOLIO SERVICING INC.; PORT LA BELLE UNIT FOUR PROPERTY HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION, INC.; are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court 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 27 day of July, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

**LOT 36, BLOCK 2150, PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

A/K/A 4058 EAST SUNFLOWER 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 July 24, 2011.

Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis  
Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L.  
P.O. Box 25018  
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Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis  
Deputy Clerk

**Public Notice**

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

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders 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
2019	2007	1074433-03000230080	Salomon Trias

Lot 8 in Block 23 of Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 thru 2 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.  
All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.  
Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, Labelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the 16th Thursday in the month of July, 2011, which is the 21st day of July, 2011.  
Dated this 16th day of June, 2011.

**Public Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 09000481CA

AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC, Plaintiff  
vs. CHARLES J. UNDERWOOD, SR, et al. Defendant(s).

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure or Order dated June 23, 2011, entered in Civil Case Number 09000481CA, in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, wherein AURORA LOAN SERVICES, LLC is the Plaintiff, and CHARLES J. UNDERWOOD, SR, et al are the Defendants, I will sell the property situated in Hendry County, Florida, described as:

**LOT 20, BLOCK 2324, UNIT 9, PORT LABELLE A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 144, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA**

at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at Hendry County Courthouse, Highway 80 and Main Street, 2nd floor hallway, LaBelle, FL 38935 at 11:00 AM, on the 27 day of July, 2011. Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale.  
Dated: June 24, 2011.

Hendry County Clerk of Court  
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: /s/ J. Bevis

FLORIDA FORECLOSURE ATTORNEYS, PLLC  
601 Cleveland Street, Suite 690  
Clewiston, FL 33755  
(772) 4454827

"In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33935-1760, telephone (863) 675-5217, TDD 1 800 955 8771, or 1 800 955 8770 via Florida Relay Service."  
"De acuerdo con el Acto 6 Decreto de los Americanos con Impedimentos, Inhabilitados, personas en necesidad del servicio especial para participar en este procedimiento debrágin, dentro dc un tiempo razonable, antes de cualquier procedimiento, ponerse en contacto con la oficina Administrativa de la Corte P.O. Box 1760, LaBelle, FL 33935-1760, Telefono (863) 675-5217, TDD 1 800 955 8770 6 1 800 955 8771 Via Florida Relay Service".

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390721 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

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Dated this 16th day of June, 2011.

**Public Notice**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 2011-CA-000090

SUNCOAST SCHOOLS FEDERAL CREDIT UNION, Plaintiff  
v. CATHRYN D. FULBRIGHT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CATHRYN D. FULBRIGHT; HORACE H. FULBRIGHT; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF HORACE H. FULBRIGHT; ANY AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER, AND AGAINST THE HEREIN NAMED INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS WHO ARE NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST AS SPOUSES, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; TENANT #1; TENANT #2, Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this case, in the Circuit Court of HENDRY County, Florida; I will sell the property situated in HENDRY County, Florida described as:

**LOTS 6, 7, AND 8, OF STEWARTS SUBDIVISION OF BLOCKS 15, 33 & 34, OF GOODNOS SUBDIVISION OF LABELLE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGE 65, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

and commonly known as: 755 Fort Thompson Street, Labelle, Florida 33935; at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 Hick pochee Ave, Labelle, FL 33935, on July 27, 2011, at 11:00 A.M.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Sheila Mann, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe St., Ft. Myers, FL 33901, and whose telephone number is (239) 533-1700, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

Dated this 21st day of July, 2011.

BARBARA S. BUTLER  
Clerk of the Circuit Court  
By: /s/ J. Bevis  
Deputy Clerk

390722 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 11-CA-13 SEACOAST NATIONAL BANK, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO BIG LAKE NATIONAL BANK, Plaintiff, vs. JOSHUEVA D. VEST, et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated May 10, 2011, and Order to Reset Foreclose Sale dated 6/14/2011, entered in Case No. 11-CA-13 in the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida wherein Seacoast National Bank is Plaintiff and Joshua D. Vest and Jane Doe, unknown tenants are the Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471 at 11:00 am on 21st day of July, 2011, the following described property Glades County, Florida:

LOT 99, A REPLAT OF A PORTION OF THIRD ADDITION TO BUCKHEAD RIDGE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 32 OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 16th day of June, 2011.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT By: /S/ Julie Braddock DEPUTY CLERK 390312 GCD 6/30;7/7/2011

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO. 2008-1326-CA

HOME FINANCING CENTER, INC., Plaintiff vs. MARIA A. HADDOCK, et ux., et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment (Scheduling Foreclosure Sale entered on June in this case now pending in said Court, the style of which is indicated above.

I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the HENDRY County Courthouse, on the 2nd Floor of the Clerk of Circuit Courts office, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, Labelle, Florida 33935 at 11:00 a.m., on the 27th day of July, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:

THE WEST ONE-HALF OF LOT 17, ALL OF LOTS 18, 19 AND 20, BLOCK 11, BELMONT SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 9, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 301 7TH AVENUE, LABELLE, FLORIDA 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 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. ENTERED at HENDRY County Florida, this 23rd day of JUNE, 2011.

Barbara S. Butler As Clerk, Circuit Court Hendry, Florida

By: /S/ J. BEVIS As Deputy Clerk 390783 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

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Public Notice

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

CASE NO. 26-2011-CA-000396 AS BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CSAB 2006-4 Plaintiff, vs. TINA M. JUAREZ A/K/A TINA JUAREZ, ET A.L., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: TINA M. MAREZ A/K/A TINA JUAREZ, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF TINA M. JUAREZ AUNJA TINA JUAREZ, and all unknown parties claiming by, through, under or against the above named. Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said unknown parties claim as heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, lienors, creditors, trustees, spouses, or other claimants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471 at 11:00 am on 21st day of July, 2011, the following described property Glades County, Florida:

LOT 12, BLOCK 2171, OF PORT LABELLE, UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on DOUGLAS C. ZAHM, PA., Plaintiffs attorney, whose address is 12425 28th Street North, Suite 200, St. Petersburg, FL 33716, on or before August 5, 2011 or within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of this Court at 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, P.O. Box 1760, Labelle, FL 33975-1760, either before service on Plaintiffs attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on this 27 day of June, 2011.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /S/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A DISABILITY WHO NEEDS ANY ACCOMMODATION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING YOU ARE ENTITLED, AT NO COST TO YOU, TO THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN ASSISTANCE. PLEASE CONTACT THE DEPUTY COURT ADMINISTRATOR WHOSE OFFICE IS LOCATED AT THE CHARLOTTE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, E. MARION AVENUE, PUNTA GORDA, FL 33950, AND WHOSE TELEPHONE NUMBER IS (941) 637-2281. WITHIN TWO WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE; IF YOU ARE HEARING OR VOICE IMPAIRED, CALL 1-800-955-8771. 390857 CN 7/7,14/2011

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

CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 26-2008-CA-001273 INDYMAC FEDERAL BANK FSB, Plaintiff, vs. JEFFREY SHEARER, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED REFORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Reforeclosure Sale dated June 23, 2011 and entered in Case No. 26-2008-ca-001273 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida wherein INDYMAC FEDERAL BANKS FSB, is the Plaintiff and JEFFREY SHEARER; TRACY A. SHEARER; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court 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 27 day of July, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 24 AND THE NORTH 25 FEET OF LOT 23, BLOCK 4, OF LABELLE PARK SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 25, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 111 HARDEE STREET 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 June 24, 2011.

Barbara S. Butler Clerk of the Circuit Court By: /S/ J. Bevis Deputy Clerk

Florida Default Law Group, P.L. P.O. Box 25018 Tampa, Florida 3622-5018 FB810104

"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 3132, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800955-8711 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding. 390793 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

Public Notice

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY

CIVIL ACTION CASE NO. 10 CA 630 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, acting through the United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, f/k/a Farmers Home Administration, Plaintiff vs. JAMES H. EDWARDS, JR., an unmarried person; and HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on June 29, 2011, by the above entitled Court in the above styled cause, the undersigned Clerk of Court or any of his duly authorized deputies, will sell the property situated in Hendry County, Florida, described as:

Lot 13, Block B, of HARLEN ADDITION NO. 9, PHASE ONE, according to Plat Book 6, Pages 138 and 139, of the current Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash on August 3, 2010, at 11:00 A.M. at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, Labelle, Florida at the front office of Clerk of Circuit Court, 2nd Floor Hallway, Administration Building, subject to all ad valorem taxes and assessments for the real property described above.

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.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, 1700 MONROE STREET, 3RD FLOOR, FORT MYERS, FLORIDA 33901, TELEPHONE (863) 335-2299, WITHIN TWO (2) WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE. IF HEARING IMPAIRED, (TDD) 1-800-955-8771, OR VOICE (V) 1-800-955-8770, VIA FLORIDA RELAY SERVICE. DATED on June 30, 2011.

BARBARA S. BUTLER Clerk of Circuit Court Post Office 1760 Labelle, FL 33975

By: J. Bevis Deputy Clerk 391278 CN 7/7,14/2011

Public Notice

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that Hedrick Brothers Construction / Asset Builders LLC (Construction Managers) on behalf of The School District of Palm Beach County, Florida (SDPBC) invite Requests For Proposal (RFP) from Land Owners interested in receiving soil classified as Organic Silt, Peat (Muck) delivered to their Land. The Muck has been sampled and analyzed during a Phase 1 and Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessment and found to be contaminated with arsenic and dieldrin at concentrations that could be potential pose a health risk to students and other SDPBC employees.

The Muck will be excavated from an 18.5 acre agricultural site located on Avenue G, Belle Glade, Florida. The estimated quantity of Muck is 3,200 +/- commercial truck loads. Currently the Muck excavation and removal is scheduled between November 1, 2011 and December 31, 2011.

The SDPBC will require the Proposer to provide documentation acceptable to the SDPBC confirming the Proposer is the land Owner of record.

In order for a land / site to be considered acceptable to receive the relocated Muck the Proposer will be responsible to perform certain existing soil testing procedures and to provide test result information as a part of the Request For Proposal response. Soil samples must be collected by or under direct supervision of a Florida licensed Professional Engineer of Geologist and in accordance with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection Soil Sample Standard Operations Procedure. Soil samples must be analyzed by a State of Florida licensed laboratory.

The Proposer will be responsible for all costs to prepare a Request For Proposal response.

The SDPBC reserves the right to reject any or all offers or to accept any offers which is in its best interest. The SDPBC also reserves the right to waive any informalities, irregularities, and technicalities in procedure.

Contact Berretta Davis - Phone 561-689-8880 Fax 561-681-5088 to receive Request for Proposal documents.

The Request for Proposal due date is July 15, 2011. 390545 SUN 6/30;7/7/2011

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on the following petition on July 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the application is consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan and will review the application for consistency with the Hendry County Land Development Code.

The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners for final consideration at a public hearing. This hearing will be held on August 9, 2011 at 5:05 p.m. at the City of Clewiston, Commission Chambers, 115 W Ventura Ave, Clewiston, Florida.

Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida, and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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

Petition Number: VA11-0001

Applicant: Ricardo and Sylvia Gonzalez; represented by Mrs. Mary Ann Marroquin

Ordinance Title: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING A VARIANCE OF THE HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, MORE SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1-56-21, OFFSITE SIGNS, TO ALLOW A BUSINESS RELATED OFFSITE SIGN IN THE RESIDENTIAL/HIGH DENISTY (RG-3) ZONING DISTRICT.

Location: 1100 CR 78, LaBelle, FL

Property size: 0.78 acre +/-

Request: The applicant is requesting a variance from section 1-56-21, Offsite Signs, to allow one sign advertising her businesses (childcare, Notary Public, Avon) in a Residential/High Density (RG-3) zoning district.

Legal description of subject property:

DESCRIPTION: (AS PROVIDED BY CLIENT) LOTS 11, 12, 13, 66, 67, 68, NORTH LABELLE HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION, IN THE SOUTH-EAST QUARTER OF SECTION 31, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 29 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 1, PAGE 16, PUBLIC RECORDS, GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.



Orvell Howard, Chair Hendry County Local Planning Agency

Darrell R. Harris, Chairman Hendry County Board of County Commissioners

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 10-CA-1167

FIRST BANK, Plaintiff, vs. LABELLE ACQUISITIONS, LLC, a Florida limited liability company, RONALD S. WEBSTER, individually, JAMES B. KARTER, LEE A. CHRISTY and KIMBERLY M. CHRISTY, husband and wife, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to a Final Summary Judgment dated the 23 day of June, 2011, and entered in Case No. 10-CA-1167 of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida wherein First Bank is the Plaintiff and LaBelle Acquisitions, LLC, Ronald S. Webster, James B. Karter, Lee A. Christy and Kimberly M. Christy are the Defendants, 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) in LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 27 day of July, 2011, the following described property as set forth in said Final Summary Judgment, to-wit:

A tract of land lying in Section 2, Township 43S, Range 29E, Hendry County, Florida; Commencing at the Northeast corner of said Section 2, Township 43 S, Range 29E, Hendry County, Florida; thence N 89°38'52" W along the North line of said Section 2, Township 43S, Range 29E, 3158.26 feet to the Southern right of way line of Canal C-43 (Caloosahatchee River), the Point of Beginning. Thence Southeasterly S 22°55'15" E for 955.29 feet, more or less, to the point of intersection with the Southeasterly line of a 100.00 feet wide drainage easement containing the original Caloosahatchee River; Thence Southwesterly S 38°57'57" W for 217.00 feet along the Southeasterly line of said drainage easement; thence Northwesterly N 57°54'31" W for 588.00 feet; thence Northwesterly N 31°54'35" W for 540.00 feet; more or less to the Southern right of way line of Canal C-43; thence Northwesterly N 63°35'14" E for 603.38 feet along the Southern right of way line of said Canal C-43 to the Point of Beginning,

Together with and subject to a mutual, nonexclusive easement, 70 feet in width, for ingress, egress and utilities over the ingress/egress access easement. The Boundaries of the 70 feet wide, mutual, nonexclusive ingress, egress and utilities easement are 35 feet on each side of and parallel with the centerline of said easement, which is described as follows:

Starting at the intersection of the Western boundary of Section 2, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, with the Northern boundary of State Road 80; thence Easterly N 84°10'56" E for 920 feet; more or less, along the Northern right of way line of State Road 80; thence Northerly N 00°45'12" W for 10.20 feet; thence Easterly N 84°08'28" E for 859.31 feet along the Northern right of way line of State Road 80 to the intersection with the Western boundary of a 200 feet wide drainage easement; thence Easterly N 84°07'36" E for 399.23 feet along the Northern right of way line of State Road 80 to the Point of Beginning of the centerline of the said 70 feet wide easement.

Thence from the Northern right of way line of State Road 80, Northwesterly N 09°23'23" W for 415.00 feet; thence Northwesterly N 36°37'29" W for 207.53 feet to a point, hereinafter known as Point "A" thence continue Northwesterly N 36°37'29" W for 260.83 feet to a point, hereinafter known as Point "B"; thence Southwesterly S 74°42'30" W for 675.62 feet; thence Northwesterly N 29°15'59" W for 350.00 feet; being a line lying parallel with and 35.00 feet West of the Easterly boundary line of Tract 15; thence Northwesterly N 08°37'15" W for 219.83 feet; thence Easterly S 89°10'51" E for 381.96 feet; thence Northwesterly N 63°35'14" E for 430.00 feet to the Point of Termination of the centerline of the said 70 feet wide easement in Tract 12.

Together With: Start at said Point "A"; thence Northwesterly N 57°56'07" E for 429.95 feet; thence Easterly N 83°36'55" E for 800.00 feet; to the Point of Termination of the centerline of the said 70 feet wide easement from Point "A" in Tract 7.

Together With: Start at said Point "B"; thence Northwesterly N 57°56'07" E for 483.15 feet; thence Northwesterly N 38°57'57" E for 300.00 feet; to the Point of Termination of the centerline of the said 70 feet wide easement from Point "B" in Tract 11,

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Ken Kellum, Court Operations Manager whose office is located at the Lee County Justice Center, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, and whose telephone number is 239-533-1700 within two (2) working days of your receipt of this Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771.

WITNESS my hand and official seal of said Court this 24 day of June, 2011

BARBARA S. BUTLER, Clerk of the Court BY: /s/ J. Bevis As Deputy Clerk

390729 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

Public Notice Public Notice

HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF CHANGE TO LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE CONCERNING VACATION OF PLATS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS

The Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida 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, CHAPTER 1-54, SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS, SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE VIII, VACATION OF PLATS, RIGHTS-OF-WAY AND EASEMENTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, INCLUSION IN CODE, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

A public hearing on the ordinance will be held before the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County on July 20, 2011, at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida. A public hearing on the ordinance will be held before the Board of County Commissioners on July 26, 2011, at 5:00 p.m. in the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, to consider the recommendation of the Local Planning Agency and to discuss the ordinance.

All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

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

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 County Attorney, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida.

Orvell Howard, Chairman Local Planning Agency 391198 CN/CB 7/7/2011 Darrell R. Harris, Chairman Board of County Commissioners

Public Notice Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders 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: 3168, 2007, 4104329-06023370200, Bradley Residential LLC % Deanos Full Service Inc

Lot 20, Block 2337, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof Recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, 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 Second Thursday in the month of August, 2011, which is the 11th day of August, 2011.

Dated this 29th day of June, 2011. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

391265 CN 7/7,14,21,28/2011

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders 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: 3167, 2007, 4104329-06023370190, Deanos Full Service Inc

Lot 19, Block 2337, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof Recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, 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 Second Thursday in the month of August, 2011, which is the 11th day of August, 2011.

Dated this 29th day of June, 2011. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

391252 CN 7/7,14,21,28/2011

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO PURCHASE PREFERENCE FOR LOCAL VENDORS AND BUSINESSES

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, July 26, 2011, at 5:00 p.m., in the Commission Room, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, to consider an ordinance relating to purchase preference for local vendors and businesses:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1-2, ADMINISTRATION, SPECIFICALLY ARTICLE XI. PURCHASE PREFERENCE FOR LOCAL VENDORS AND BUSINESSES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, INCLUSION IN CODE, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance.

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

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 County Attorney, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA Darrell R. Harris, Chairman 391196 CB/CN 7/7/2011

Notice of Meeting /Workshop Hearing

The Acquisition and Restoration Council (ARC), as defined in Section 259.035, Florida Statutes, announces a public meeting to which all persons are invited.

DATE AND TIME: Friday, August 19, 2011 at 9:00 AM (Only); August 11 and 12, 2011 has been CANCELLED

PLACE: Marjory Stoneman Douglas Building Conference Rooms A&B 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399

GENERAL SUBJECT MATTER TO BE CONSIDERED: ARC reviews proposals for the management and use of state-owned conservation lands and for identifying new lands for potential conservation via state acquisition. The ARC public hearing and meeting for August 11 and 12, 2011 has been CANCELLED. ARC will receive public testimony and conduct its business at its meeting to August 19, 2011.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained 7 days in advance of the meeting by contacting: Teresia Whalen, Office of Environmental Services at (850)245-2784 or on the web at www.floridaforever.org.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this workshop/meeting is asked to advise the agency at least 5 days before the workshop/meeting by contacting: Teresia Whalen, Office of Environmental Services at (850)245-2784 or teresia.whelan@dep.state.fl.us. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, (1-800)955-8771 (TDD) or (1-800)955-8770 (Voice).

For more information, you may contact: Teresia Whalen, Office of Environmental Services at (850)245-2784 or teresia.whelan@dep.state.fl.us. 390913 CN 7/6 CGS 7/7/2011

Public Notice Public Notice

CITY OF CLEWISTON

Golf Carts Sale

The City of Clewiston will receive sealed bids for ten (10) surplus golf carts until three p.m., local time, Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Ave., Clewiston, Florida. At this time and place, the bids will be opened and read aloud.

The golf carts will be available for public inspection at the Public Works facility, at 1200 S Olympia Street, Clewiston, FL Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Each of the carts is 8 years old, but has been well-maintained.

Each bid must be in a sealed envelope and clearly marked GOLF CART BID. Each bid must include the cart number, buyer's name, telephone number, address, and the amount of the bid. Multiple bids may be put in the same sealed envelope. Bids may be mailed to, or hand delivered to, Marilyn McCorvey, City Clerk, City of Clewiston, 115 W. Ventura Ave., Clewiston, FL 33440. No responsibility shall be attached to any officers for the premature opening of a bid not properly addressed and identified.

The City of Clewiston reserves the right to reject any and all bids, with or without cause, and to waive technical errors and informalities. Buyers will have three (3) days to tender a certified check or cash to the City Clerk and remove purchased golf carts from City property. 390448 CN 6/30;7/7/2011

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Denton II LLC, the holders 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: 3164, 2007, 4104329-06023370050, Deanos Full Service Inc

Lot 5, Block 2337, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof Recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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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 Second Thursday in the month of August, 2011, which is the 11th day of August, 2011.

Dated this 29th day of June, 2011. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

391258 CN 7/7,14,21,28/2011

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Proposal No. 2011- 22

Sealed Proposals will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, at the Administrative Wing, Room A-226 (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, Florida, until 2:00 PM EDT, Thursday, July 14, 2011, for "Airlades Industrial Building 5-Year Lease", located at 760 Airlades Blvd., Clewiston, FL 33440 (fms OceanBoy Farms). Proposals will be opened on Thursday, July 14, 2011 at 2:00 PM EDT, or shortly thereafter, in the Administrative Wing, outside Room A-226 (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, Florida. All responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses. Any proposals received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.

A copy of the Specifications and Proposer's Instructions can be obtained from the office of the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 165 S. Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida, 33935, Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, Florida, 33975-2340, or by calling (863) 675-5220 or (863) 983-1585

This solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to bid, or to contract for any services. The County reserves the right to reject any and all Proposals, with or without cause and/or accept the Proposal that, in its judgment, will be in the best interest of the County.

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Darrell R. Harris, Chairman Board of County Commissioners 391472 CN 7/7/2011

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Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3179, 2007, 4104329-06023430060, Lloyd W. Hulcolm

Lot 6, Block 2343, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION HENDRY COUNTY

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold a public hearing on July 20, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida, to consider the Preliminary Plat Application of River Landings (PL11-0001), a subdivision of a portion of Sections 21 and 28, Township 43 South, Range 28 East. The subdivision is located north of SR 80, south of the Caloosahatchee River, and east of the Lee County line.

Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 165 South Lee Street, LaBelle, Florida, and may be viewed Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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.

Orvell Howard, Chair Hendry County Local Planning Agency 391288 CB/CN 7/7/2011

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3180, 2007, 4104329-06023430090, Lloyd W. Hulcolm

Lot 9, Block 2343, Port LaBelle Unit 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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391268 CN 7/7,14,21,28/2011

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

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Table with columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 3001, 2007, 4104329-03021240170, Cleo A. Miller

Lot 17, Block 2124, Port LaBelle Unit 3, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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# Bacterial Imbalances Linked to Disease that Strikes Infants

BY ROBERT H. WELLS  
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New findings by the University of Florida may help lead to a cure for a deadly disease that primarily afflicts premature newborns.

Necrotizing enterocolitis, or NEC, is the death of tissue in the bowels that causes inflammation, abdominal distention, bleeding, and in about 25 percent of the cases, mortality. It most often occurs in newborns during the first weeks of life.

Current treatments for NEC depend on the severity and include surgical and non-surgical techniques. Medical care for infants with NEC is estimated to cost up to \$1 billion each year in the United States.

The cause of NEC is unknown, but in a new study UF researchers have pinpointed bacterial imbalances associated with the onset of the disease, as well as a potentially new pathogen that may also be connected.

Their findings are published this month in the online journal PLoS ONE.

“Understanding what causes the disease will potentially lead us to better ways of preventing and treating it,” said Volker Mai, an author on the study and a microbiologist with UF’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and Emerging Pathogens Institute.

“Our findings would also potentially lend themselves to early diagnosis of the disease, which again could be followed up by appropriate treatment, which hopefully would result in a reduction of the disease incidence,” he said.

Examples of treatments, he said, could include antibiotics or bacteriophage therapy in which viruses harmless to humans are used to attack bacteria.

In the study, the microbiological composition of stools from nine very low-birthweight infants with NEC was compared to stools from nine healthy infants. Samples were collected both one week before the onset of NEC and three days before the disease appeared.

fore the disease appeared.

The researchers used a cutting-edge DNA examination technique known as high-throughput sequencing to better identify more types of microorganisms than ever before, including a possibly new type of bacterium that increased in the week prior to diagnosis.

Also unique to this study, Mai said, was an examination of the microorganisms before the disease developed because previous studies only looked at them after diagnosis.

“The big advantage of our study is that we are utilizing the prospective approach that means we are collecting samples from these pre-term infants before they get sick and can thus look at the microorganisms that colonize their guts before these children got a disease,” Mai said.

Dr. Josef Neu, a pediatrics professor in UF’s College of Medicine, was principal clinical investigator on the study.

He said the study also found some possibly predictive biomarkers, or proteins that can be derived from a gentle swab of the baby’s cheek, that are different from those found in babies who didn’t get the disease. This field of study is known as proteomics.

“Much more work needs to be done to validate these results, but we are still collecting samples and will repeat these studies on a much larger sample,” Neu said.

“But looking closely at the microbes in the gastrointestinal tract using state-of-the-art microbial sequencing technology and proteomics should help us potentially find a better treatment for the disease or be able to determine which babies are at greatest risk for development of the disease, so we can better target our therapies,” he said.

The research was funded by the National Institutes of Health, or NIH, and is part of NIH’s Human Microbiome Project. The project aims to explore and understand microorganisms that live in and on healthy and sick humans.

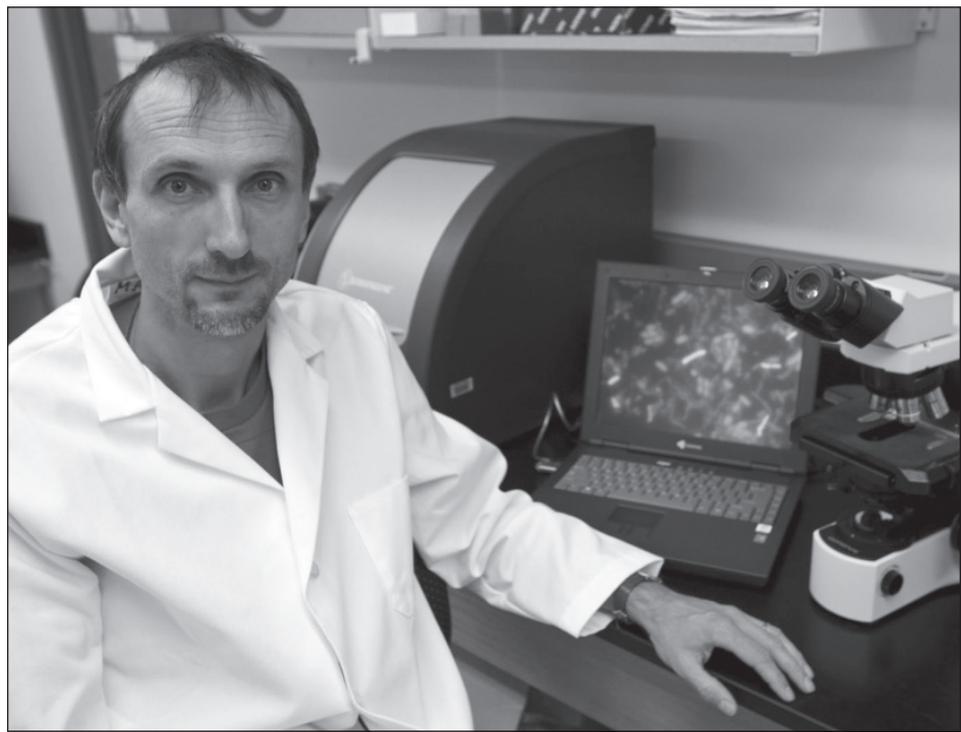


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Volker Mai, a microbiologist with UF’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences and Emerging Pathogens Institute, poses in his lab on campus in Gainesville in this UF/IFAS file photo from 2008. Mai and a team of researchers, including Dr. Josef Neu, a pediatrics professor in UF’s College of Medicine, are studying the microorganisms associated with necrotizing enterocolitis, a deadly disease that primarily afflicts premature newborns.

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## PILL

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A paper is on the window of the office. It states that people should not linger outside the front door but wait in the back parking lot until their appointment time.

According to one business person near the office, lines of people form on Wednesdays down Bond Street for the business.

"It is not who you would expect to see," she said about the patients who wait to see the doctor. "They drive nice cars. They're not low-lives in other words."

The patients take over the unpaved parking lot for another business, a restaurant on Sugarland Highway.

The owner doesn't seem to mind.

"As long as they have a legal right to go there (there is nothing I can do about it.)" said Dennis Mann. "I don't like it."

He remains leery of the customers.

"They are people that you would not want dating your daughter," he said.

Dr. Raymond Failer, who runs the office, returned the request for a comment but became wary when the subject of his office, pill mills and local opinion came up. Believing that the phone conversation was being recorded, and assured that it was not, he refused to comment further, saying only, "People on Bond Street have no idea what they are talking about," he said. "They need to be looked at, not me. I don't give out pills."

Meanwhile, police can be seen more actively patrolling the area during the times that the office is open.

Soon, they may be able to do more than just patrol. Already, the spillover from the narcotics is taking up law enforcement's time with more and more people being arrested for prescription drug abuse.

The change has altered the dynamics of law enforcement. Deputies and officers are now apprehending and dealing with subjects who remain drugged for much longer periods of time than with traditional drugs.

According to Detective Sgt. Robert Archer, a cocaine "high" can remain in a person's system for 30 minutes depending on the amount taken. With a prescription drug with a time release formula, that same person can remain high for up to six hours.

Archer heads up the county's narcotics unit. He is one of many law enforcement officials throughout the state closely following new legislation aimed at curtailing and restricting the kind of careless over-prescribing of medications at pill mills and some pain management centers.

"I've seen it (rampant prescription drug abuse) in all different age ranges, all different races. The youngest that we've encountered is 16, but I'm sure they're younger ones than that. I thought it would be something they would regulate a lot sooner."

— **Detective Sgt. Robert Archer**  
*commenting on the growing prescription drug abuse phenomenon*

Among the new regulations recently signed by Governor Rick Scott:

-- The amount of time that pharmacies are required to report filled prescriptions to a searchable database will be reduced from 15 days to 7 days, reducing the possibility of doctor-shopping by patients.

-- Electronic and counterfeit-proof prescription pads will cut down on falsified or tampered



PHOTO / JENNY WOODS

**Dennis Mann said his businesses has not been affected in any financial way due to the large number of clients to a nearby clinic, but he does not trust them either way.**

prescriptions. Currently, pharmacies have no legal requirement to consult with doctors on every prescription filled.

-- A new database will allow tracking prescriptions from patient to manufacturer, keeping a well-documented trail of each patient's history.

A part of the new regulations limits the amount that pharmacies can prescribe, which could end up affecting smaller pharmacies.

partnered with other local pharmacies to maintain a watchful eye on prescriptions, but said he has seen little indication of pill mill activity locally.

"I can fill these prescriptions and be very profitable in business but I choose not to," said Kaki who a year ago noticed patients from Kentucky and Tennessee attempting to fill prescriptions, taking advantage of the state's lax policies on pill mills.

cotic arrests in Hendry County.

The state of Florida accounts for 86 percent of all oxycodone prescriptions in the United States. One doctor last year alone prescribed more oxycodone than the entire state of California.

"I've seen it in all different age ranges, all different races," said Archer. "The youngest that we've encountered is 16, but I'm sure they're younger ones than that."

Archer has been frustrated by the lack of legal remedies when it comes to pill mills, arguing regarding non-existent legislation, "I thought it would be something they would regulate a lot sooner."

He is happy with the incoming legislation.

Kaki remains hopeful.

"We just don't want that (drug activity) in Clewiston," said Kaki.

Some business owners near the suspected pill mill, however, disguise the problem by not directly acknowledging the practice. To them, it's a minor inconvenience, a thing to deal with when it rolls around once or twice a month.

Others even manage sympathy toward the patients who frequent the center.

"I'm not going to stereotype them," said one man. "I'm not going to label them."

Lamenting the situation, another business owner commented, "Just come out on Wednesdays and see what we see," he said.

K & M Drugs in Clewiston isn't one of those smaller pharmacies that may be affected. According to Haitham Kaki, who operates the local business with a partner, the restriction will not adversely affect business, since the pharmacy does not reach the levels outlined in the new legislation.

Kaki is an avid opponent of pill mills and pain management centers that over-prescribe. He has

"It destroys people's families. It's just an addiction and it's sad," the pharmacist said.

According to Archer, a 70-year-old man from LaBelle was caught doctor-shopping for pain killers, using some himself and then selling the rest for profit. Although the synthetic drugs cost slightly more than traditional drugs, the use of them has spiked so much that within the last year-and-a-half it accounted for 60 to 70 percent of all nar-



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