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Woman Jumps Out of Vehicle, Dies

*FHP unclear why
passenger left the
vehicle*

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The Florida Highway Patrol is still investigating the cause of a incident on C.R. 846 last Thursday when a woman for no apparent reason jumped out of a moving vehicle and died.

The incident occurred at 2:15 a.m. on Jan. 19 on C.R. 846, just two miles south of C.R. 833. According to the report, 64-year-old Texas Billie, of Clewiston, was driving his driving his 2006 F-150 north on 846. As he was approaching a curve, his passenger, 41-year-old Carmen Diego, of Immokalee, exited the vehicle via the passenger side door. The reason for such an action has yet to be determined. Diego continued on the northbound side of 846 and continued to travel upon it before coming to rest on the eastern shoulder of 846. She sustained fatal injuries and was pronounced deceased at the scene. According to the official report, the incident appears to be alcohol related and the results for the toxicology screen are pending. There were also four other passengers in the F-150 at

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A boy and his hog



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Clewiston's Weston Rayburn presented his hog at the West Palm Beach Swine Show last week.

Hendry Places in Bottom 5, Florida's Worst Districts

SUPERINTENDENT, STAFF
DISPLEASED WITH NEW
SYSTEM

BY JUAN LOPEZ
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Hendry County fared poorly according to the results of a new ranking system that seeks to list schools according to how well they performed on the FCAT.

Local administrators say they are unhappy with the new system, which,

"We are definitely not happy with the results of this ranking."

— Assistant Superintendent Gordon Swaggerty

they say, does not take other factors into account.

The Florida Department of Education has come out with the new listing that, they say, will help parents assess school district performance with relative ease.

A press released that was issued by

FLDOE stated that this district-by-district ranking system is the first phase of a system implementation that will include a listing of all the schools in the state being ranked within their groupings: elementary, middle, and high

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Clew Women Earn Breadwinner Title

Study of census
results shows
Clewiston women
outpacing men

BY JOSE JESUS ZARAGOZA
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It's a fact of life that women everywhere have learned to contend with: men simply earn more money than women across almost every industry and occupation around the nation. As a result, women are taught early that they have to work harder, think smarter, outsmart, outwit, and outperform their male counterparts to level the playing field.

Starting now, that fact may become the exclusive realm of men -- at least in one little city just south of Lake Okeechobee: Clewiston, Fla. Here, women managed to trump the earnings of men, posting a fiscally subtle but historically substantial gain over what men brought home last year.

The information was gleaned by bizjournals.com last week. According to that web site's "On Numbers" section, Clewiston was the only place in America, out of the 942 metropolitan and micropolitan cities around the nation that were studied, where women earned more than men. To arrive at the claim, the web site studied the 2010 American Community Survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau.

The figures in the survey show the difference: in Clewiston, men earned \$21,404 in 2010, exactly \$249 less than women, who earned \$21,653 in 2010. Though the amount was nearly negligible -- it is not extraordinary to see the gap between men and women swell to many tens of thousands of dollars in other cities

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COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

Camp Meeting Sunday

Sunday, Jan. 29, is Camp Meeting Sunday at First United Methodist Church of Clewiston. Like camp meetings of old, come dressed comfortable and plan on enjoying a morning of good music and powerful preaching by different preachers, followed by great food and fellowship in a dinner on the grounds.

Worship begins at 10 a.m. Pastor Mike Hall from Lighthouse Apostolic Church and Pastor John Hicks from First United Methodist Church will be sharing God's word. L.J. Margolis will be song leader for the morning and we will have a special sharing from the multi-denominational Christian Friends Quartet.

Elks Fundraiser

Clewiston Elks Lodge Trustees Fundraiser will be held Saturday, Jan. 28 at noon at the Elks Lodge. Ribs, baked beans, cole slaw and a roll will be served. Take out only.

Kids Skills Demonstration

The Skills Demonstration will be held at the Sugarland Sports Complex at the designated quad. Please arrive 30 minutes prior to sign-in. If you have any questions, please call the Youth Center at 863-983-1492.

•Jan. 26 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at the Small Quad 9-10 boys.

8th Annual 'Hallelujah Hoedown'

Jackie Miller, Minister of First Christian Church, announces the 8th Annual Hallelujah Hoedown for Jan. 27 to 29, at 7 p.m., each evening.

The groups will be performing each night and there will also be some local talent as a part of the program. There is no charge to attend but

there are 250 free tickets available each night. You may receive a free ticket by calling 863-983-1804. A freewill offering to support the program will be received each evening.

In addition, there will be several drawings for free prizes during each performance. Mr. Miller extends a cordial invitation to everyone to attend this exciting and inspirational program.

The Glades Craft and Gift Show

The third annual Craft and Gift Show at the Glades RV Resort will be on Saturday, Jan. 28, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Resort is located just off Hwy. 80 between Hwy. 27 and LaBelle. Watch for our signs.

Local artists, crafters and direct sales representatives will be selling glass garden sculptures, Scentsy wickless candles, Avon, Longaberger, Pampered Chef, scroll saw wood crafts, various kinds of jewelry including hand made glass beads, picture frames, greeting cards using local photos as well as watercolor and quilling crafts, hand made jointed Teddy Bears, crocheted items, stained glass, purses, key chains, hand made soap, earring charms, decorated shirts, homemade noodles, jams, jellies, salsa and relish, doll clothes, table runners, t-shirts, aprons, bird houses, bookmarks, bracelet helpers, and fabric items such as credit card and tissue holders.

Breakfast and lunch will be available for purchase to eat in or carry out.

To reserve a table for selling crafts, contact Eulaine Delgado at 765-271-3665 or eulainedelgado@aol.com.

St. Martin's Annual Yard Sale

Annual Yard Sale on Feb. 4 at 8 a.m. It will be held at the Saint Martin's Episcopal Church

in Clewiston.

This annual event is a chance to stock up on after-Christmas housecleaning and "recycling" of used but useable items, including houseware, furniture, bric-a-brac, clothing accessories, appliances and other miscellaneous items.

The Senior Pageant is back

Ladies ages 63 and up from the surrounding lake area.

The Hendry County Fair and Livestock Show will be holding the senior pageant Thursday, Feb. 23.

This pageant is held during the week of the fair, the sponsor fee is \$50 and the deadline to sign up is Jan. 15. You may pick up applications at Common Grounds Coffee Shop.

For more information, please call Sherry Lee at 863-228-2958, Niki Kelley at 863-599-9060 or Candace Sanchez at 863-228-2970.

Hendry County Fair

Now accepting applications for Exhibit Hall booths. The deadline for applications is Feb. 8.

For more information, please contact Belinda Smith at 863-228-3498 or Tara Edwards at 863-673-1336.

Hendry County Parade

The 2012 Hendry County Parade will be on Feb. 18 starting at 2 p.m. If anyone is interested in putting a float or truck of any organization or business, please call Niki at 863-599-9060 after 5 p.m. The theme for the Hendry County Fair and Parade is "Salute to American Farmers". Deadline for the parade entry form is Feb. 3.

AA Meetings

St. Martins Episcopal Church is holding AA meetings on Monday and Wednesday at 7 p.m.

They will be held at 207 North W.C. Owen Ave. in Clewiston. For more information, please call 239-275-5111.

Golf, Food, Fun, Prizes and Help Fight Cancer Too

Clewiston Women's Golf Association host the 3rd Annual Rally for the Cure Mixed Scramble on Saturday, Feb. 25, at the Clewiston Golf Course. Registration will begin at 10:30 a.m. and a shotgun start at 12 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded during an evening meal at the Clewiston Country Club.

Both men and women golfers are welcomed to participate. Teams are welcomed, but if you do not have a team we will assign you to one.

For over 25 years, Susan G. Komen for the Cure has been a global leader in the fight against breast cancer through its support of innovative research and community based outreach programs. Seventy-five percent of all proceeds from this tournament will remain with the local affiliate and twenty-five percent will go to the national headquarters.

Deadline for sign-ups are Feb. 15. If you are not a golfer, sponsorships and donations are welcome. For more information on pricing, please contact the Clewiston Pro Shop at 863-983-1448.

Sugar Doll Classes

The Clewiston Sugar Dolls has new class days. The classes will be held every Thursday afternoon at the Clewiston Youth Center at 110 West Osceola Ave.

- Pee-Wees class: 3:15 to 4 p.m.
- Beginners class: 4 to 5 p.m.
- Advanced class: 5 to 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Jackie Tucker at 863-983-2298.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Westside Elementary

Calendar of events:

- Jan. 26: PTO Meeting at 7 p.m. in the cafeteria
- Jan. 27: AR Rally at 9 a.m.
- Jan. 30: 2nd grade takes trip to Dolly Hand for "Aesop's Fables"

Clewiston Middle School

- The Clewiston Middle School is looking

for anyone who has pictures of CMS events and activities from the 2011-12 school year to be included in the yearbook.

Please e-mail your pictures for the 2012 CMS yearbook to jennpacheco08@hotmail.com. Please include descriptions of the events and people that are included in the pictures you submit.

•During the first semester of school, CMS students worked hard on their science fair projects, giving up television, music, gaming, and other leisure time activities. Their sacrifices paid off

with an exceptional exhibit that dominated the school media center.

These budding scientists worked diligently to prove their hypotheses, some with success, and some with surprising results; however, it was a learning experience for all.

-6B winners: 1st- Jordan Potter, 2nd- Sicoya Chavers and Kayman Robinson, and 3rd- Jesus Almarez.

-6A winners: 1st- Aaron Adams, 2nd- Joshua Vladez, and 3rd- Tammy Medrano.

-7A winners: 1st- Joel McCray, 2nd- Katherine Mosely, and 3rd- Richard Perez.

-7B winners: 1st- Michael Kurtz, 2nd- Tyllyn Tarter, and 3rd- Ethan Ridgill.

-8A winners: 1st- Kyle Knaack, 2nd- Karen Valasquez, and 3rd- De'ondre Bailey.

-8B winners: 1st- Myles Polhill and Angel Lopez, 2nd- Alyssa Avant, and 3rd- Laice Lyne Varnum.

Congratulations to all of you for a job well done!

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Are You Getting Enough Vitamins?



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We can't control every aspect of our health, but we can help protect ourselves against many common ailments and diseases simply by getting the recommended daily essential vitamins and minerals.

With the stresses of everyday life, it can be hard to get regular exercise and maintain a balanced diet. So many doctors advise their patients to take daily dietary supplements to ensure they get the nutrients needed for optimum health.

"While striving to improve the quality of the foods we feed ourselves and our families is paramount, adding nutritional supplements is a valuable and easy way to enhance our ability to stay healthy," says Dr. Andrew Myers, an expert in nutrition and preventive medicine and co-author of "Health is Wealth, 10 Power Nutrients that Increase Your Odds of Living to 100."

Protect Your Heart

There are many preventive ways to help keep your heart healthy, such as eliminating stress, maintaining a healthy diet, staying trim and exercising regularly.

You can also consider a supplement such as fish oil, which contains omega-3, a "good fat" vital to heart health. Co Q-10, a naturally sourced cardiovascular antioxidant, can help support healthy heart function.

Avoid Common Colds

The common cold is one of the leading causes of missed work and school, making it all the more important to take steps to strengthen your immune system. Washing your hands often, eating foods high in vitamin C such as citrus and taking a supplement such as vitamin D may help you ward off colds.

Vitamin D has been shown to support a strong immune system and can be found through sun exposure. However, for those who are fair-skinned or just simply don't have time to be outside, you can take a supplement like Simply Right's Vitamin D3 5000IU.

Protect Your Joints

Many Americans experience joint pain and assume it is a normal aging process they have to live with. However, there are a number of treatment options ranging from exercise to surgery that can help manage joint pain and improve mobility. A

simple option can be taking a supplement such as Simply Right Triple Strength Glucosamine.

Get a Check-Up

Even if you don't have a regular doctor, there are ways to get a professional exam. Many pharmacies have periodic health and wellness screenings. By taking preventive steps now to improve your health, you can save yourself trouble down the road.

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WEATHER

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Thursday:

A 10 percent chance of showers before 9 a.m. Partly sunny, with a high near 79. Breezy, with a southeast wind between 10 and 16 mph, with gusts as high as 21 mph.



Friday Night:

A slight chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 62. South wind between 10 and 14 mph, with gusts as high as 18 mph. Chance of precipitation is 20 percent.



Sunday:

Mostly sunny and breezy, with a high near 75.



Thursday Night:

Partly cloudy, with a low around 69. Southeast wind between 10 and 13 mph.



Saturday:

A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 77. West wind between 7 and 11 mph.



Sunday Night:

Partly cloudy and breezy, with a low around 57.



Friday:

A 20 percent chance of showers and thunderstorms. Partly sunny, with a high near 79. Breezy, with a south wind between 9 and 18 mph, with gusts as high as 24 mph.



Saturday Night:

Partly cloudy, with a low around 62.



Monday:

Mostly sunny and breezy, with a high near 72.



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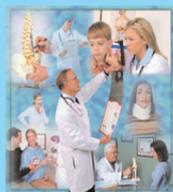
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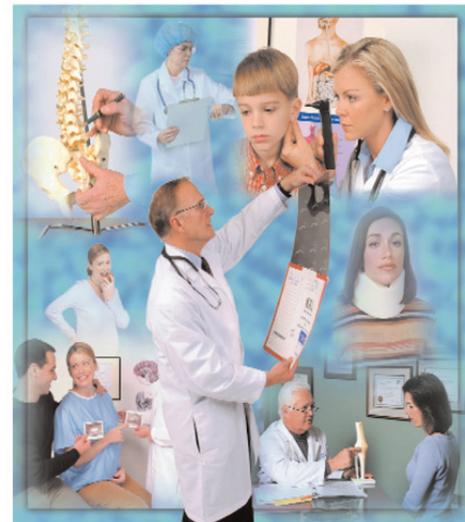


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Owners of Farm Tractors Liable in Accident Cases

The Florida Supreme Court has clarified a point of tort law unique to the state by ruling that a farm tractor is a "dangerous instrumentality."

The court's 5-2 ruling on Thursday means that the owner of a farm tractor can be sued for damages when someone else drives the tractor and injures a third person.

Only Florida has the "dangerous instrumentality" legal doctrine. It usually applies when someone other than the owner of an automobile is driving and that driver accidentally injures another in a wreck.

Chief Justice Charles T. Canady and Justice Ricky Polston dissented. They say the majority decision wrongly expands the law. They noted that golf carts and forklifts have also been found to be dangerous instrumentalities.

Gas Prices Rising Weekly Higher now than last year

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 2.8 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.47/g yesterday.

This compares with the national average that has increased 0.6 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.34/g, according to gasoline price website.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 35.4 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 23.7 cents per gallon higher than a month ago.

The national average has increased 11.8 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 25.3 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"We saw oil prices fall gently late last week as tensions with Iran seemingly have cooled somewhat," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

"I'm certainly hopeful that the recent easing in tensions between Iran and the West continues in coming months, but there are certainly no guarantees and few expectations of such. Having said that, I expect gasoline prices to move very little in the next week, and in some areas of the U.S. gasoline prices may fall this week," DeHaan said.

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Alex Charles Stiles, 71

CLEWISTON — Alex Charles Stiles, age 71, of Clewiston, died Thursday, Jan. 19, 2012, at home in Clewiston.

Alex was born Dec. 25, 1940, in Oklahoma City, Okla. He is the son of the late Alex Charles and the late Halley Cleo (Ballard) Clark. He married Patsy Sutton.

He was a teacher in Oklahoma and Clewiston for over thirty-one years before he retired. He loved to fish.

He is survived by his wife of forty-seven years, Patsy of Clewiston, and many extended family members and friends both in Clewiston and Oklahoma.

Gathering of Family and Friends was held Saturday, Jan. 21, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Akin-Davis Funeral Home, 438 E. Sugarland Hwy., Clewiston. Cremation followed with burial of cremains in Oklahoma at a later date.

Cremation arrangements were handled by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston. You can send condolences and light a candle for Mr. Stiles at <http://www.akin-davis.com>.

Glen P. Williams

GONZALES, La. — Glenn P. Williams was born in 1945 and passed away at home Thursday, Jan. 12, 2012.

Glenn was born in Brunswick, Ga., raised in Belle Glade, Fla., and moved to Gonzales 20 years ago.

He is survived by his wife, Nancy; three sons, nine daughters, 23 grandchildren, three sisters, and three brothers; daughter, Christie Mayes of Naples, Fla.; and son, Patrick Williams (Kelly) of Alabama.

Glenn served in the Vietnam War, where he was wounded in combat and given an honorable discharge. He received the Purple Heart, National Defense Service Medal, Sharpshooter (Rifle M-14).

Services were Jan. 18 in the front annex of Healing Place Church, 19202 Highland Road, from 8:30 until 11 a.m. Presiding over the service will be Pastor Eddie Hilburn and Pastor Eric Altazan.

A military service will follow at Port Hudson V.A. National Cemetery, 20978 Port Hickey Road, Zachary, La.

OBITUARIES

John Gary Harrison Sr., 67

CLEWISTON — John Gary Harrison Sr., age 67, of Clewiston, died Tuesday, Jan. 17, 2012, at Palms West Hospital of Loxahatchee.

John was born Oct. 28, 1944, in Miami. He is the son of the late Merrith and the late Irma (Wall) Harrison. He married Lisa Mejia. He served his country in the United States Navy. He was employed by as a Boiler Maker.

He is survived by his wife, Lisa (Mejia) Harrison; one daughter, Yvonne Harrison; one son, John Gary Harrison Jr.; brother of two sisters, Diane Murray, and Joni Baxter; step-daughter, Patricia Ward Johnson; and grandchildren, Amanda Harrison, Alex Harrison, Nathan Johnson and Isaac Harrison.

A memorial service will be 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Jan. 28, at Clewiston Church Of God, 522 San Luiz Avenue, Clewiston, with officiating.

Akin-Davis Funeral Home in Clewiston assisted the family with these arrangements. You can send condolences to the family and light a candle for Mr. Harrison at <http://www.akin-davis.com>.

Patricia Ann Rudd Newby, 79

CLEWISTON — Patricia Ann Rudd Newby, age 79, of Clewiston, died Saturday, Jan. 21, 2012, at Hendry Regional Medical Center of Clewiston.

Patricia was born May 7, 1932, in Okeechobee. She is the daughter of the late James and Naomi (Johnson) Allen. She married James T. Rudd Sr., he preceded her in death on Dec. 22, 1976.

She is survived by her children, Bonnie Johnson and husband Wayne, James T. Rudd and wife Jane Miller, William "Frankie": Rudd, Marshall "Wren" Rudd; six grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren; and sister, Peggy Passmore Parsons.

The funeral service was 11 a.m., Wednesday, Jan. 25, at First Baptist Church Of Clewiston, 102 East Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, with Rev. Todd Buck officiating. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery, Okeechobee, on Wednesday, Jan. 25, at 2:30 p.m. Visitation was held from 6 to 8 p.m., Jan. 24, 2012, in Akin-Davis Funeral Home.

You can light a candle and send your condolences to the family at <http://www.akin-davis.com>. Arrangements were handled by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

Zona W. Padgett, 101

LAKE PLACID — Zona W. Padgett, 101, of Lake Placid and formerly of Pahokee, Leesburg and Okeechobee, passed away Jan. 22, 2012, at Good Shepherd Hospice in Sebring.

She was born Nov. 7, 1910, in Lyons, Ga., to the late Thomas and Gertrude Jenkins. She was a longtime charter member of First United Methodist Church of Pahokee. She was also a member of Morrison United Methodist Church of Leesburg and the Gathering Church of Okeechobee.



Mr. s. Padgett was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas Leggett Burns; husband, Claude R. Padgett; and son, Dennis C. Padgett.

She is survived by her daughter, Ann Rita Crews of Fort Myers; son, Keith Padgett (Patty) of Leesburg; daughter-in-law, Liz Padgett Bradley of Franklin, N.C.; nine grandchildren, Rhonda Hatton (Henry) of Lake Placid, Andrea Maynor (Ricky) of Okeechobee, Claudia Perkins (Stacey) of Belle Glade, Stacey Padgett of Franklin, N.C., Dax Padgett (Brandy) of Franklin, N.C., Kristin Padgett of New York, Stephanie Padgett of Brussels, Belgium, Preston Padgett of Leesburg and Tommy Robinson (Beth) of Fitzgerald, Ga.; 13 great-grandchildren, and nine great-great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be 10 a.m. until services at 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, 2012, at the Gathering with Pastor Mike Brown officiating. Interment will follow at Port Mayaca Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Gathering, 1735 SW 24th AVE, Okeechobee, FL 34974, Good Shepherd Hospice in Sebring or First United Methodist Church of Pahokee.

Friends may sign the guest book at www.BassOkeechobeeFH.com

All arrangements are entrusted to the loving care of the Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home, 205 NE 2nd Street, Okeechobee, FL, 34972.

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Double-Guard Jig Pulls Double Duty for Medlock at Everstart Tournament



PHOTO / ROB NEWELL

Brandon Medlock wins the EverStart Series Southeast event for the second year in a row with a three-day total of 68-2.

McMillan returns to fishing after father's tragic death

BY ROB NEWELL
FLW

Win a major bass tournament once on a particular lure or technique and it gets a little attention. But win the same tournament two years in a row on the same lure and technique and suddenly you have garnered a lot of attention.

Such is the case with 29-year-old Brandon Medlock of Lake Placid, Fla., who has now won the EverStart Series Southeast event two years in a row with the same lure.

It was an action-packed weekend, featuring many great fishermen from around the country. It also marked Brandon McMillan's return to fishing following the tragic shooting death of his father in January. McMillan finished in 9th place at the tournament. According to published reports, the younger McMillan said it was his family that urged him to compete to honor the memory of his father.

In last year's January event, Medlock posted weights of 28-01, 16-05 and 19-02 for a three-day total of 63-08. This year he outdid himself with weights of 17-8, 35-7 and 15-3 for a three-day total of 68-2.

The win earned him yet another \$35,300 payday.

"The first time I won, I was in shock," Medlock said. "And to win again, now I'm even more in shock. I just don't know what to say."

Medlock's main lure is the same lure he used last year – the Double-Guard Jig – a big 1-ounce jig made by his dad, which features a large 6/0-hook defended by a double weedguard for extra balance and weedlessness. Medlock accentuates the big profile of the bait with a huge hunk of plastic. Last year he used a big salty chunk; this year he favored a Gambler Ugly Otter. He ties the

jig to 65-pound test Suffix braided line on a Carrot Stix extra heavy flipping stick. When the package is complete, it constitutes a bait that is built for one thing: giant bass.

Medlock's winning secret lies, not so much in the bait itself, but in his absolute confidence to throw it all day. It's a confidence rooted in fishing many team tournaments on Lake Isokpoga with his dad who convinced the younger Medlock to focus solely on big fish in tournaments.

"Isokpoga is a big fish lake," Medlock said. "In order to win tournaments there you have to fish for big bass all the time. And this lake is very similar. I could go out here and throw worms, topwaters, buzzing plastics and catch a bunch of bass, but only two or three of them might be big ones. With that jig I fish for eight bites a day – that's my target. If I get eight bites on that jig, five are going to be big ones. When I come to these tournaments, you won't find those other lures out on my deck. I know from many years of fishing with my dad that if we could get eight bites on that jig, we would probably win the tournament because they're going to be big ones that bite it."

Medlock's arsenal for the week included his dad's jig and a Gambler Cricket, which he used to punch mats. And here is where a clarification needs to be made: Medlock does not use the big jig to punch through mats. Instead he uses the jig to pitch into holes and gaps around grass. However, knowing when to punch the Cricket and when to pitch the jig is a critical part of the game.

Medlock is fishing the upcoming FLW Tour Open in a couple of weeks and understandably does not want to say exactly where or what he is pitching to. But he did say that knowing when the conditions get just right for the jig is imperative.

"The first day I actually punched mats with the cricket – that's how I caught the 17 pounds," he explained. "But yesterday and today I used the jig.

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 **February 8, 2012 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.

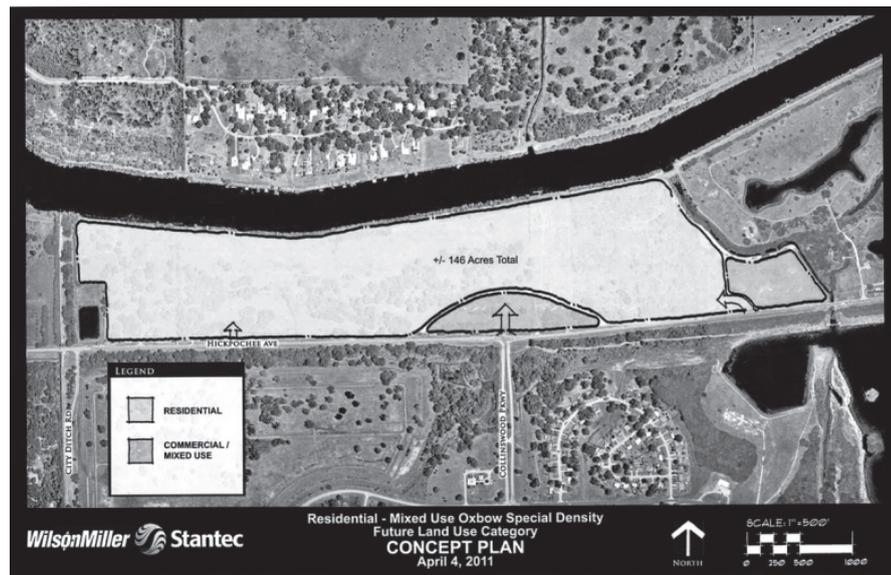
The recommendations of the Local Planning Agency will be made to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) for final consideration at a public hearing. The BCC will consider whether or not they wish to transmit the proposed amendment to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. This hearing will be held on **February 28, 2012 at 5:05 p.m.** the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, 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, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners' office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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), U.S. mail (P. O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863-674-4194).

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Great Backyard Bird Count Perfect for New Birders

As movie-goers watch the stars of The Big Year in their quest to count birds, some may be motivated to try the hobby for the first time. The annual Great Backyard Bird Count is the perfect opportunity. The event is hosted by Audubon, the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, and Canadian partner Bird Studies Canada. The results provide a snapshot of the whereabouts of more than 600 bird species.

Anyone can participate in this free event and no registration is needed. Watch and count birds for at least 15 minutes on any day of the count, Feb. 17-20. Enter your results at www.birdcount.org, where you can watch as the tallies grow across the continent. The four-day count typically records more than 10 million observations.

If you don't have Internet access, copies of the tally sheet may be requested by calling Hendry-Glades Audubon at 863-674-0695. The completed GBBC tally sheets may be mailed to: Cornell Lab of Ornithology, 159 Sapsucker Woods Road, Ithaca, NY 14850. Please mark GBBC on the outside of the envelope. All data needs to be received before Mar. 1 of this year.

The GBBC web site provides helpful hints for identifying birds. Participants can compare results from their town or region with others, as checklists pour in from throughout the U.S. and Canada. They can also view bird photos taken by others during the count and send in their own digital

images for the online photo gallery and contest. Photographer Ken Corregan was top winner for his photos taken at STA-5 south of Clewiston. He placed 1st in Group Photos taken at STA-5 in 2009 and 5th in Group Photos in 2011.

Through a partnership with South Florida Water Management District, Hendry-Glades Audubon has received permission to conduct public tours at Stormwater Treatment Area 5 (STA-5) on Feb. 18, 19, and 20.

To sign up for an STA-5 public tour during the GBBC Feb. 18, 19, or 20, send an e-mail to Margaret England at sta5birding@embarqmail.com with your name and contact information, including an emergency cell number for the tour day, the date you prefer to attend, and the number of participants in your party. You may also leave a message at 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202.

The ten cities in all 50 states in the U.S. and from all 10 provinces and three territories of Canada reporting the highest bird GBBC will be listed on the National Audubon Society's Great Backyard Bird Count web site.

Clewiston has been in the top ten for the number of birds reported in 2011, 2010, 2009 and 2008 with only 20-30 tallies being reported. Volunteers are needed to report tallies from communities in Hendry, Glades, and Okeechobee County. Join the fun and help track the locations of wintering and resident birds.

Lake Okeechobee Fishing Report

BY MARK KING

Lake Okeechobee just keeps producing bass in numbers that are crazy and the situation appears to improve almost daily. Bass from three to ten pounds are being caught on both wild shiners and artificial lures from Clewiston to the Kissimmee River.

On top of the size of the bass, great numbers of them have been off the wall. A few days last week it was not a problem to use up to eight dozen wild shiners by noon. If you have ever thought about fishing Lake Okeechobee now would be the time to plan a trip. The Everstart Tournament was held on Lake Okeechobee last week and it took a three-day total of fifteen bass that weighed 68.02 pounds. Brandon Medlock from Lake Placid Florida put \$35,000 for his winning bag of bass caught on a jig that he and his dad make. The lake is fishing big right now, which means you can catch bass in a lot of areas of the lake. I have been fishing from Pelican Bay up the Cochran's Pass with great success. The artificial bite has been a little slow but there are still bass to catch; it just takes a little more time to find them and get them to bite. The live bait bite on wild shiners has been crazy with 50 fish days being common and some really nice five-pound plus bass being caught every day.

For artificial lures, I have been pitching a Charlie's Worms Flippin' Bug along the outside grass. Jigs have also been working pretty well. The idea on both baits is to pitch it in the isolated reed heads and than fish it real slow to get

a bite.

I have also heard that some bass are being caught on spinnerbaits and lipless crankbaits but I have not used either one yet. The bass have had a number of cold fronts push through the past couple weeks that have made them act a little different. But I have never seen the live bait bite like it is right now, taking out three dozen might only get you an hour of fishing in the morning. The lake water temperature is in the mid to upper 70s and, as we move toward the full moon in February, be ready to catch bass like we have never seen here on the lake in the past ten years or so. The crappie fishing has been pretty good, with areas from Clewiston to Bird Island being good at the southern end of the lake.

Fish back in the reeds with jigs or minnows. There have been a lot of boats on the lake and even more on the weekends; a little courtesy for your fellow fisherman can go a long ways.

This also includes a little courtesy at the boat ramp. Don't block up the ramp while you get your boat ready, there is plenty of room in the parking lot to get ready in. Many of you may not know that I guide for tarpon in the Florida Keys from mid Apr. through June and now is the time to book one of these trips. Dates are filling up fast.

Good luck, tight lines, and hope to see everyone on the water soon.

Capt. Mark King is a full time guide out of Roland Martin's Marina and Resort in Clewiston. Give him a call at 863-677-0983 or go to www.markkingfishing.com to book a trip.

HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS NOTICE OF CHANGE TO CODE OF ORDINANCES CONCERNING PAIN MANAGEMENT CLINICS

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 LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1-53-2.2, LAND USE CLASSIFICATIONS, TABLE 53-1, TABLE OF USE REGULATIONS, SECTION 1-53-3.8, PAIN MANAGEMENT CLINICS, AND CREATING SECTION 1-53-6.18, GOVERNING PAIN MANAGEMENT CLINICS; 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 February 8, 2012, 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 February 14, 2012, at 5:05 p.m. in the Commission Room, Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, 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, 110 Broward Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

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RELIGION COLUMNS

Singing Our Lifesong

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS
First United Methodist Church

Growing older. We make jokes and laugh about it. We worry and groan about it. We can try to resist it, but there's nothing we can do to stop it.

I'm going to experience the reality of this Friday when I wake up and realize that I have aged a year since I went to bed the night before. My friends are sensitive to my reality. Last year, I only had one candle on my birthday "pie."

I believe in their sensitivity rather than the fact that the appropriate number of candles would have cost more than the pie and might have set off the sprinkler system!

On the other hand, I also received a walking cane with a horn, magnifying glass, and a sign that stated "over the hill crossing." We have passed this gift from birthday celebrant to birthday celebrant over this last year. I wonder if I will get it again.

These days, I've noticed that I'm starting to relate more to some of the old age "gems" that come my way: "When I was young, I made a lot of faces in the mirror. Now that I am older, the mirror is getting even."

"You know you are getting older when you try to straighten out the wrinkles in your socks only to find you aren't wearing any."

"Look at it this way. All your life you've been taught to respect your elders. Now you are one!"

"Don't despair; next to a Galapagos turtle, you are still a child."

So what do we do with our birthdays? Since we can't avoid them, we might as well celebrate them. Birthdays are milestones on our road of life, reminding us that we aren't home yet, but we are getting closer. Let us welcome them as melodies in our life song.

We can't control how long our life songs last, but we can control how we sing them. Let's not sing them as funeral dirges!

Let us live for the moments we have and sing our life song from our hearts and not just from our lips, giving praise to our God who promises His abiding presence in this cantata we call life. I should add, "especially in the wrinkles and crinkles, and the aches and quakes that come with the aging process!"

"Lord, I give my life, a living sacrifice, to reach a world in need, to be your hands and feet. So may the words I say and the things I do make my life song sing, bring a smile to You." (Casting Crowns)

Why People Don't Understand The Bible

BY JACKIE MILLER, EVANGELIST
First Christian Church

There are some simple reasons why people do not understand the Bible. Please consider the following carefully:

1. Lack of study. How can we understand that which we do not read and study? Study is hard work but study we must if we want to know God's Word (2 Timothy 2:15).

One basic thing that many people don't understand about the Bible is: There have been Three Ages, namely "The Patriarchal" (Gen. 1-Exodus 20, "The Mosaic" (Exodus - John) "The Christian" (Acts-Revelation). You can't understand what applies to us in the Christian Age unless you understand this fact.

2. Cares of the world choke the Word. We be-

come so busy with the things of this world that we find no time for God's Word.

If we do study, then often we may not apply it to our lives because we are too busy with worldly things.

We need to be more concerned with making a life (spiritual life that pleases God) than make a living. (Matthew 13:22)

3. No desire for knowledge. Some simply do not care about God and His Word. They have no spiritual appetite (2 Peter 3:17-18).

The eunuch in Acts 8 had a strong desire to know and understand the Word of God and so he was easy to convert (Acts 8:30-31).

4. Many follow preachers, teachers, church leaders and tradition without investigating the Word for themselves. (Matthew 15:14; Romans 16:17-18).

5. Some have closed minds. (Matthew 13:15).

6. Others twist and corrupt the Word of God (2 Peter 3:16; 2 Corinthians 2:17).

7. Sadly, there are some who have no love for truth (2 Thessalonians 2:10-11).

8. Some are living in willful ignorance (2 Peter 3:5).

The Bible can be understood by all. Jesus prayed that we all be one (united) by following "The Apostle's Word" (John 17:20-21). That is the New Testament. Paul plead with the Corinthians to "all speak the same thing and that there be no divisions among them," (1 Cor. 1:10-13).

The prayer of Jesus and the plea of Paul can be realized if people would be willing to give up their denominationalism (division) and human tradition and simply be "Christians only."

Tomorrow, The Tomorrow, And The Thief Who Would Steal It

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

Mark Twain, toward the end of his life, was quoted as saying "I'm an old man and I've suffered a great many misfortunes in life, most of which never happened!"

When we suffer by worrying, we waste a lot of energy and we miss the point. Among the admonitions given by Jesus in His Sermon on the Mount was "don't worry!"

You can't add an hour to your life by worrying (Matthew 6:27) and, in fact, the stress of it all may take away hours. With the great teachings offered to us in these Beatitudes; Jesus took time out to look at that human tendency with all of its negative connotations.

One of the insurance companies advertises that their clients are protected in case space junk falls on their homes. If they happen to be inside, well that can be very tragic but, at least they're insured!

Something to worry about. The probabilities of being hit by something falling from space are minuscule. But if you're a worrier, there it is. Hurricane insurance, yes; space junk insurance, no!

I knew a lady who started to cry when she told me her daughters were coming to visit.

When I asked her why she was crying, she answered, "I'm going to miss them so much when they leave again!" She was being seen by a psychiatrist at that time.

Worry steals our energies, our capacities to be happy and enjoy life as it was meant to be, keeps us from focusing on what is important, preoccupies us with petty concerns so that we miss the greater things.

It will drain our energies and cloud our vision.

I've seen people worry about whether or not they're good enough. The answer is, "Of course not, that's why Christ died for our sins," and that is what makes it all right.

Be thankful for that, pick up and go on, put the past behind, and look forward to what is to come (Romans 5:8ff, 8:28ff). When the Lord stated, "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself (Matthew 6:34), His "tomorrows" certainly would have included that "final tomorrow" that people worry about too. He added that, "Each day has enough troubles of its own (ibid)" and is aware of what human beings face. There is enough to deal with but don't add to your burdens by worrying about what He has taken upon Himself to overcome.

That, ultimately, makes it all right. Concerns in perspective? Yes. Forethought and preparation about reasonable possibilities? Of course.

Planning and anticipation? Essential to good living and a source of happiness.

Worry about what might be when the odds are unknown or when there is good evidence that it is unlikely to happen after all?

A waste of time and diversion from true living. It's one of those tools of the devil to steal life and eat up energy; working to make us weaker and limiting God's gifts. Don't give him the power to do it.



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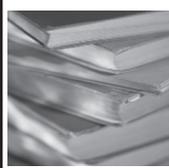
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Inland Birding Fun: American Bittern (AMBI)

BY MARGARET ENGLAND
Hendry-Glades Audubon

The American Bittern is a medium-sized, stocky heron with thick neck and bill. It is often difficult to see in tall, aquatic vegetation like cattails or sawgrass.

This Bittern's brown back, creamy underparts with brown flecking and greenish legs allow it to blend in with its surroundings. When alarmed, this usually solitary bird will "freeze" with its head pointed skyward resembling reeds. In

this frozen position it might sway its head when wind blows the surrounding vegetation in order to avoid being seen. Their flight is stiff and fairly clumsy with rapid wingbeats. The birds can be seen throughout Florida from November through April.

This winter visitor to Florida has been called "Sun-gazer," "Stake Driver," "Thunder Pump," and "Mire Drum." These names refer to its call which is a deep resonant far-carrying "oonk-a-lunk" which sounds like a bull bellowing or a hydraulic machine during the spring or summer. Their calls are rarely heard in Florida during the winter.

This bittern walks slowly as it forages in shallow ponds and marshes for insects including dragonflies, water beetles, and grasshoppers.

They also eat perch, catfish and other fish as well as crustaceans, amphibians, reptiles and small animals.

American Bittern breed in the Northern U.S. and Southern Canada. The female lays one to five eggs in a nest built in emergent aquatic vegetation that is lined with grasses. She incubates the eggs for 29 days while the male stands guard. The chicks fledge after six to seven weeks.

You are invited to join Hendry-Glades Audubon volunteers in their search for American Bitterns plus wintering and resident birds during birding trips to STA-5 located 20 miles south of Clewiston. For reservations on these free trips or to receive information about the Feb. 17-20 Great Backyard Bird Count contact: Margaret England at sta5birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202. Visit the HGAS website at www.hendrygladesaudubon.org or the Hendry-Glades Audubon.

You are also invited to volunteer or participate in the Big "O" Birding Festival to be held Mar. 28-31. Join us for the largest bird-themed event in South Central Florida, located on the Southwest shores of Lake Okeechobee, the state's largest lake. Wide vistas of blue skies, oak-canopied rivers, quaint, small, antique towns and farming communities offer visitors a taste of inland Florida. Some of the state's rarest plants and animals are found here including the Snail Kite, Florida Scrub Jay, and the Florida panther. For information or to volunteer, call 863-675-5264, e-mail bigbirding2012@gmail.com, or visit www.bigbirding-festival.com, www.twitter.com/BOBF2012, or www.facebook.com and search for big "o" birding festival 2012.



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American Bittern.

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Through the Eyes of a Child

BY BUTCH WILSON
Clewiston Museum

The long parade of grey, uniformed soldiers marched through the richly ornamented city of Berlin in precise formation, as their goose stepping antics resounded in unison along Berlin's cobbled streets. Large crimson flags, inscribed with the mystical swastika symbols, fluttered from every window, while exuberant crowds surged along the line of grey with extended arms, shouting "Heil Hitler."

A new political order called "Nazism" grew in the aftermath of World War I Germany under the careful guise of a diabolical, but charismatic person called Adolf Hitler. His eventual rise to power transformed a defeated Germany once again into

a world power and formidable war machine that he used to ignite World War II.

Come join us at the Clewiston Museum Thursday, Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. as guest speaker, Helga Flower presents "Warchild," a story about her life as a child growing up in a German village during the turbulent years of World War II and the chaotic years that followed. Mrs. Flower is also a renowned artist and will provide several paintings to illustrate the terrible human tragedy she witnessed. This historical account will be sobering, but also enlightening as we relive Mrs. Flower's war years in Germany.

You can make reservations by calling our museum office at 863-983-2870 or e-mailing us at clewistonmuseum@embarqmail.com.

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Rocking Chairs for Lodge Members

Members of the Masonic Lodge presented four rocking chairs to Palm Terrace. Pictured from left to right: Melvin Keen, Kevin Moore, Devin Eickelmann, and David McCall.

Tiger Beat

BY GIGI MEZZIO
Clewiston Middle School

CMS celebrates Literacy Week and "takes the lead and reads!"

During the week of Jan. 23 to 27, Clewiston Middle School has accepted the challenge of statewide Just Read Florida's Million Minute Marathon. Each homeroom class is involved in a Nonfiction / Poetry reading contest, with the winning class receiving a continental breakfast on Friday, Jan. 27.

As motivation to get those creative juices flowing, a Poetry contest is being held. The top three original poetry posters submitted will be treated for lunch at the historic Clewiston Inn. Throughout the week, in addition to reading an extra 20 minutes per day, students will have the opportunity to read and discuss famous poems, meet with grade level book clubs, participate in

the CMS famous "Find a book, Get a book" activity, and even exhibit talents as directors and stars of their own videos in the "How to" video contest.

On Thursday evening, Jan. 26, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Clewiston Middle School will hold its first School Wide Family Reading Night, where poetry reading, writing, and sharing will be held in the school "Beatnik Coffeehouse" aka cafeteria. Students who participate in reciting their individual original poem will be eligible for a catered breakfast and the homeroom with the most students attending Literacy Night will receive a pizza party. Reading and Language Arts teachers are working hard to make this a huge success with food, a book swap, fun-filled activities, and door prizes. This event promises to be a "must do" for all CMS families as the first semester of this school year comes to an end.

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— it remained the lone example of women with bigger incomes than men.

But it isn't all good news. According to the statistics, out of the 942 areas reviewed, Clewiston almost finished last, coming in at the rank of 933 in overall earnings of all adults 25 or older in 2010.

Though Clewiston's \$21,532 median earn-

ings for adults was not as bad as the last place finisher (Rio Grande City in Roma, Texas finished last with \$17,255), it was nevertheless a far cry from the earnings of men and women in Los Alamos, N.M., who earned \$60,113 on average.

But women there have a ways to go before claiming that they make more than their male counterparts. Los Alamos also featured one of the widest gaps between the earnings of men and women: women there earned \$40,000 less than men.

ENGAGEMENT

BRITTNEY ALLEN & DANIEL VEALE

Ronald and Sherrie Veale of Clewiston, Fla. proudly announces the engagement of their son Daniel Kyle Veale to Brittney Noel Allen, daughter of Brent and Catherine Allen of Boynton Beach, Fla. Grandparents of the groom are Mrs. Margaret James and the late Les James of Clewiston, Fla. David and Georgia Veale and the late Louise Veale of Clewiston, Fla. Grandparents of the bride to be are Mrs. Carol Noel and the late Wilfred Noel of Lake Placid, Fla. and the late Burton and Jean Allen of Boynton Beach, Fla. The Groom to be graduated Clewiston High School in 2001 and later graduated Palm Beach Community College in 2006. Daniel is now employed by St. Mary's Medical Center in the trauma unit and resides in Loxahatchee, Fla. The bride to



be graduated from Santaluces High School, Boynton Beach, Fla. in 2004 and later graduated from Medvance, in 2007 and is employed by Lakeside Medical Center in the Radiology Department. A May 2012 wedding is planned at the Frenchman's Reserve in Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

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Late Blight Now in Hendry County

Late blight has been found on tomato in western Hendry County.

Growers would be well advised to scout susceptible crops carefully as the weather forecast for next several days (foggy mornings with cool nights and warm days) will be conducive to disease development. Late blight is caused by the oomycete *Phytophthora infestans*, which is a pathogen of potato and tomato. The disease can spread quickly and devastate a tomato or potato field within a few weeks if not properly controlled. The disease thrives under cool wet conditions. Temperatures between 50 and 80 F combined with moist conditions such as rain, fog, heavy dews, or relative humidity above 90 percent are conducive for disease development. Night temperatures in the mid-fifties with daytime temperatures from the mid-fifties to mid-seventies are ideal for this disease.

Since the disease can spread so rapidly, growers should scout their fields thoroughly each day, especially when cool and wet conditions conducive to disease development prevails.

Late blight symptoms on leaves appear as irregularly shaped brown to purplish lesions with indefinite border lesions that can span veins. The lesions may be seen any time of day, on any stage of plant growth and on leaves of any age. Velvety, white fungal growth may appear on the lower surface of affected leaflets early in the morning before leaves dry and/or in the lower canopy. On stems, purplish lesions may be found anywhere on the stem. Cottony, white growth of fungus on stems with lesions can often be seen early in the morning and/or in the lower canopy. Stems with lesions are brittle and break easily. Lesions are confined to epidermis and cortex. Leaf rolling and wilting is often associated with stem lesions and purpling of leaflets may occur in some varieties.

Begin a spray program with fungicides if late blight is in your area or weather conditions are suitable for late blight development. At harvest,

potato growers should kill infected foliage to minimize tuber infection.

Tomato growers should purchase disease-free transplants. Observe your fields thoroughly each day, especially when cool and wet weather prevails. Currently, fungicides are the most effective means of controlling late blight and will remain the primary tool until cultivars with resistance to this disease become available. Fungicides slow the rate at which the disease develops in the field by creating a protective barrier on the foliage. Just applying a chemical, however, does not necessarily equate with effective disease control. Relative effectiveness of a product, coverage, and timing must be factored into the equation for maximum benefit.

Numerous fungicide products are registered for late blight control. Protectants, as the name implies, protect foliage from infection by spores. Protectant chemicals must be well distributed over the leaf surface and must be applied before spores land on leaves. They are ineffective against established infections.

Systemic products become distributed locally within plant tissues and protect foliage from infection by spores. They may kill some established infections and may suppress production of new spores. Even a short break in spray schedules, despite what is said regarding some of the newer fungicides, can result in a dramatic increase in blight when conditions are conducive to disease development.



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Chapel Service

Dylan Patel wears his Armour of God during Clewiston Christian School's chapel service last Thursday morning.

JUMPS

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the time of the incident.

Trooper John Schultz, of the Florida Highway Patrol, commented on the incident, saying that alcohol was more than likely involved but the true reason for Diego leaving the vehicle may never be known. "What we have discovered is that she got into the truck for a ride from the bar in Immokalee that both she and the occupants of the truck had been at," said Schultz. "Her house was within walking distance of the bar so how or why she ended up going with them towards Big Cypress is a mystery."

He continued, saying that the toxicology report on Diego, he suspects, will come back with a blood alcohol level that is above the limit. Sadly, he admits that there may be too many explanations as to why she wanted to get out of the vehicle.

"All we do know is that she told everyone that she didn't want to go to Big Cypress," said Schultz.

Hendry Regional receives CPS "Best Practices Award" in Pharmacy Operations



Left to Right: Tammy Cox, Certified Pharmacy Technician; Pauline Thomas Parks, Director of Pharmacy; Lich Le, Staff Pharmacist and Christy Nagle, Certified Pharmacy Technician.



Congratulations!

The pharmacy team at Hendry Regional Medical Center was recently presented with the 2011 Best Practices Award from Comprehensive Pharmacy Services (CPS), a national independent pharmacy services provider, with over 300 client facilities across the United States.

The Best Practices Award was given to the hospital pharmacy for its success in achieving 95 percent or higher on its compliance score during the CPS Annual Operations Audit, an intense and thorough review of key pharmacy performance indicators. The audit places particular emphasis on regulatory, financial and operational matters, as well as areas such as customer service, quality assurance and performance improvement.

"The pharmacy team has worked very hard to improve many areas of its pharmacy operations and clinical accomplishments," said Pauline Parks, Hendry Regional's Pharmacy Director.

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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the District One Office until 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 16, 2012, for the following Proposals:

E1K64- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Drainage Improvements in Manatee County. Budget Estimate: \$112,958.00

E1K96- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Milling & Resurfacing, Base Work, Shoulder Treatment, Drainage Improvements, Guardrail & Pavement Markings in Highlands County. Budget Estimate: \$93,744.00

E1K93- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Performance Turf in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$262,073.00

E1K94- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Mechanical Road & Bridge Sweeping in Highlands & Okeechobee Counties. Budget Estimate: \$30,000.00

E1K95- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Roadside Ditch & Canal Cleaning & Grading in Manatee & Sarasota Counties. Budget Estimate: \$54,500.00

E1K97- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Commercial Mowing Wet Blade Applications in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$150,000.00

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.

407988 CN/CB 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF PAHOKEE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Pahokee Water Control District, the annual meeting of the landowners of Pahokee Water Control District for the year 2012, will be held at the office of said District located at 2832 N. Main Street, Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, Florida, on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of:

- Electing one Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
- Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine; and
- Transacting such other business as may come before the meeting.

If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the meeting herein referred, 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 made.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PAHOKEE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
By: /s/ Kenneth McDuffie
President
407901 SUN 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 10-175CC on November 14th, 2011 in the matter of Suncoast Schools Federal Credit Union, as plaintiff and Marcos Martinez, as defendant, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, to-wit:

2005 Gray Ford F150, vehicle identification number: 1FTPW12585FB03151.

and on February 16th, 2012, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street LaBelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution. The above described property may be viewed up to 30 minutes prior to the scheduled sale time by contacting Lt. Andy Lewis at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office. In accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-9-800-955-8761 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

Steve Whidden as Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida
By: Lt. Andy Lewis
407061 CN/CB 1/12,19,26 2/2/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Ella III, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| 2032 | 2007 | 1314433-A0000530000 | Park Avenue Investments Group Inc. |

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 6019, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408292 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF SUGARLAND DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Sugarland Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of Landowners of Sugarland Drainage District, for the year 2011, will be held at the office of Hilliard Brothers of Florida, Ltd., 5500 Sugarland Road, Clewiston, Florida on February 1, 2012 at 9:00 A.M., for the purpose of:

- Electing one (1) supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
- Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
- Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Additionally, this notice advises that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Sugarland Drainage District Board of Supervisors, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Board of Supervisors
Sugarland Drainage District
By: Joe Marlin Hilliard
President
408356 CN 1/26/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF FLAGHOLE DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Flaghole Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law Amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of Landowners of Flaghole Drainage District, for the year 2011, will be held at the office of Hilliard Brothers of Florida, Ltd., 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, Florida on February 1, 2012 at 8:30 A.M., for the purpose of:

- Electing one (1) supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
- Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
- Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Additionally, this notice advises that, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Flaghole Drainage District Board of Supervisors, with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he will need a record of the proceedings and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Board of Supervisors
Flaghole Drainage District
By: Joe Marlin Hilliard
President
408330 CN 1/26/2012

Public Notice

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
GLADES UTILITY AUTHORITY

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of the Glades Utility Authority ("Authority") is scheduled to be held on **Wednesday, February 1, 2012 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** in the City of Pahokee Commission Chambers, 207 Bacom Point Road, Pahokee, Florida 33476.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider approval of the regular meeting minutes, consider the approval of payment for certain outstanding GUA obligations, consideration of Amendment 4 to the State Revolving Fund Loan Agreement, consider the adoption of a rate surcharge, the abolishment of readiness to serve policy, the approval of the proposed 2012 Budget, and any other business that may come before the Board. The meeting is open to the public and will be conducted in accordance with Florida law. A copy of the meeting agenda may be obtained at the meeting or, prior to the meeting, by contacting Jocelyn Colon at **561-493-6127**. The meeting, or consideration of any individual agenda items, may be continued to a date and time certain to be announced at the meeting and noticed.

Pursuant to provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact Jocelyn Colon at **(561) 493-6127** or jcolon@pbwwater.com at least forty-eight (48) hours before the meeting.

If anyone chooses to appeal any decision of the Board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, such person will need a record of the proceedings and should accordingly ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made that includes the testimony and evidence upon which such appeal is to be based.

Jocelyn Colon, GUA Clerk
407989 SUN 1/26/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Ella III, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1275 | 2007 | 1224432-01000130100 | Pilar Home Developers, Inc |

Lot 10, Block 13, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, 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 **February, 2012**, which is the **9th day of February, 2012**

Dated this **4th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

407047 CN 1/12,19,26 & 2/2/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| 2547 | 2007 | 2024329-46000000070 | Park Investments Group, Inc. |

LaBelle, Millers Subdivision, Lot 11, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 88, inclusive, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408281 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 2709 | 2008 | 1214334-010000K0130 | Ursula K. Fuller |

Lot 17 and 18, Block K, Harlem Addition No. 1, to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408010 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Verona A, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|----------------------------|
| 1283 | 2007 | 1224432-01000180050 | Pilar Home Developers, Inc |

Lot 5, Block 18, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, 38 and 39 Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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 **February, 2012**, which is the **9th day of February, 2012**

Dated this **4th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

407048 CN 1/12,19,26 & 2/2/2012

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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2564 | 2007 | 2024329-670000A0140 | Marcellous Smith & Sophia L. Harris |

Lot 25 and 26, Block A, Sunset Park, a subdivision of the West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 8, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408283 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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| CERT. NO. | YEAR | DESCRIPTION | NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED |
|-----------|------|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2738 | 2008 | 1214334-010000P0050 | James Watson and Joel Mendoza |

Lot 8, Block P, Harlem 1, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408284 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Jolene Funding, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 3577 | 2008 | 4104329-030000L0020 | Odlance Sillien |

Tract L2, Block 2102, Port LaBelle, Unit 3, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408286 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| 2044 | 2007 | 1314433-A0001370000 | John C. & Shelley Swearingen |

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 5907, Montura Ranch Estates.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408282 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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| CERT. NO. | YEAR | DESCRIPTION | NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 2497 | 2008 | 1074433-03000230090 | Manuel Gonzalez |

Lot 9, Block 23, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**

Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012.**

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

408285 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT County of Hendry, Florida, 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 WHICH ASSESSED 2432 2008 1074433-0300010300 Leysa Rodriguez Ramos Lot 30, Block 1, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, and 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 First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012. Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 408290 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT Ella III, 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 WHICH ASSESSED 1775 2007 1344432-A0000960000 GAME Investments, Inc. The Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 34, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida, extending or shortening its East and West boundary line so as to terminate at the North boundary line of Providence City, a subdivision recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 29, 30 and 31, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the South 80 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4237, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision. Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of March, 2012, which is the 1st day of March, 2012. Dated this 18th day of January, 2012. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 408291 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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NOTICE OF FILING ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT Notice is given to all persons interested in the following described land and property in Hendry County, Florida, to wit: the owners and all persons interested in the lands corporate and other property in and adjacent to the Central County Water Control District, "the District," that the engineer hereto appointed to determine benefits and damages to the property and lands situated in the District and to determine the estimated cost of the proposed water control plan or plan amendment, filed his report in the office of the secretary of the district, located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida on the 22nd day of February, 2012, and you may examine the report and file written objections with the secretary of the district to all, or any part thereof, on or before February 15, 2012. The report recommends The Central County Water Control Plan be amended as follows: 1. Completion of Reservoir Levee Improvements -Construction of the 2.5 miles of the levee that remains to be completed in order to allow water retention at design/permitted capacity; 2. Installation of Two (2) Additional Pumps - The installation of two additional pumps upon completion of the Reservoir Levee thereby increasing the District's permitted pumping capacity from 250,000 gpm to 300,000 gpm, a net 50,000 gpm theoretical increase in pumping capacity; 3. Inclusion of Woodlands Subdivision in the District's Geographical Boundaries - The District's legal description contains a scrivener's error thereby not closing the legal description of the Woodland's Subdivision as it relates to the geographical boundaries of the District; 4. Provision for a Special Assessment Funding the Reservoir Levee Completion - The District intends to fund the Reservoir Levee Improvements referenced herein by a special assessment not previously authorized by law through the provisions of Chapter 298, Florida Statutes; and, A final hearing to consider approval of the report and proposed water control plan or plan amendment shall be held at its regularly scheduled meeting of Wednesday, February 22, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston. CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT 407529 CN 1/19,26 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice Public Notice

STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGENCY ACTION The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) gives notice that it proposes to approve a No Further Action Proposal with Institutional Controls or with Engineering and Institutional Controls and issue a Site Rehabilitation Completion Order with controls for a contaminated site. The Andersons, Inc. is seeking this order in reference to FDEP Facility ID # COM 286106, The Andersons, Inc. (Former Florida Fertilizer Facility) located at 930 East Sugarland Highway, Clewiston, Florida and intends to restrict exposure to contamination in the following manner: There shall be no use of shallow groundwater under the entire Property and no use of the groundwater underlying the Property for any reason other than make up water for liquid fertilizer supply. There shall be no drilling for water conducted on the Property nor shall any wells be installed on the Property other than monitoring wells pre-approved in writing by FDEP's Division of Waste Management (DWM) in addition to any authorizations required by the Division of Water Resources Management and the Water Management Districts. Additionally, there shall be no stormwater swales, stormwater detention or retention facilities, or ditches on the Property, unless the GRANTOR first provides to the FDEP reasonable assurance, and the FDEP agrees in writing, that such stormwater features will not result in any adverse impact on public health, whether from changes in the rate or direction of contaminant movement, or from increased levels of risk from changes in exposure pathways. For any dewatering activities, a plan approved by FDEP's DWM must be in place to address and ensure the appropriate handling, treatment, and disposal of any extracted groundwater that may be contaminated. Complete copies of the No Further Action Proposal, the draft restrictive covenant, and the FDEP's preliminary evaluation are available for public inspection during normal business hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, except legal holidays at the FDEP, South District Office, 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Ft. Myers, Florida 33901-3881. Local governments with jurisdiction over the property subject to the Institutional Control, real property owner(s) of any property subject to the Institutional Control, and residents of any property subject to the Institutional Control have 30 days from publication of this notice to provide comments to the FDEP. Such comments must be sent to Mr. Charles Masella on behalf of the FDEP, South District Office, 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Ft. Myers, Florida 33901-3881, or charles.masella@dep.state.fl.us. 407939 CN 1/26/2012

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 11-CP-38 IN RE: ESTATE OF EDWARD B. ROCK, III Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of Edward B. Rock, III, deceased, whose date of death was June 12, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2011-CP-37 IN RE: ESTATE OF JAMES KEITH KEISER Deceased. NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of James Keith Keiser, deceased, whose date of death was October 13, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the mailing address of which is PO Box 10, Moore Haven, FL 33471. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Bruce L. Keiser 3649 NW 21st Circle Jennings, Florida 32053 Attorney for Personal Representative: Ralph Elver Attorney for Bruce L. Keiser Florida Bar Number: 215848 P.O. Drawer 2280 LaBelle, FL 33975 Telephone: (863) 675-5800 Fax: (863) 675-4998 407797 GCD 1/19,26/2012 Personal Representative: Fred W. Rock, Jr. 5012 Greystone Way Birmingham, AL 35242 407904 CN 1/26,2/2/2012

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR IN THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 2011-118CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF SERAFINA GRIFFIN, DECEASED. NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of SERAFINA GRIFFIN, deceased, whose date of death was November 2, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, FL 33471. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, or whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

IN RE: ESTATE OF CLEOPATRA CONTRERAS, DECEASED. NOTICE TO CREDITORS The administration of the estate of CLEOPATRA CONTRERAS, deceased, whose date of death was JUNE 12, 2011; is pending in the Circuit Court for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida, Probate Division; File Number 2011-118CP; the address of which is P.O. BOX 1760, LABELLE, FLORIDA 33975-1760. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

Attorney for Personal Representative: Dennis Griffin P.O. Box 777 Moore Haven, FL 33471 Attorney for Personal Representative: Jennie E. Poore, Esquire 311 SE 10th Court Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316 (954) 763-3392 Florida Bar Number: 466700 407827 CN 1/26,2/2/2012 Personal Representative: Yvette Contreras 1661 Sassy Road Clewiston, Florida 33440 Attorney for Personal Representative: Andrew Dickman, Esq. LAW OFFICE OF ANDREW DICKMAN, P.A. Florida Bar No. 0238820 Post Office Box 771390 Naples, FL 34107-1390 T: 239.434.0840 / F: 239.434.0940 andrewdickman@comcast.net 408386 CN 1/26,2/2/2012

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will hold public hearings on the following petitions on February 8, 2012 at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the applications are consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan and will review the applications 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 public hearings. These hearings will be held on February 28, 2012 at 5:05 p.m. at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida.

Copies of the files and information regarding the petition are available for public inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 South Main 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 meeting and be heard with respect to the matter. 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.

Petition Number: SE12-0001

Applicant: Deborah D. Misotti, Ph.D.

Resolution Title: A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, GRANTING A SPECIAL EXCEPTION RATIFYING THE DETERMINATION OF APPROVED USAGE AS AN EDUCATIONAL PRIMATE SANCTUARY

Location: 1655 Panama Ave, Clewiston, FL

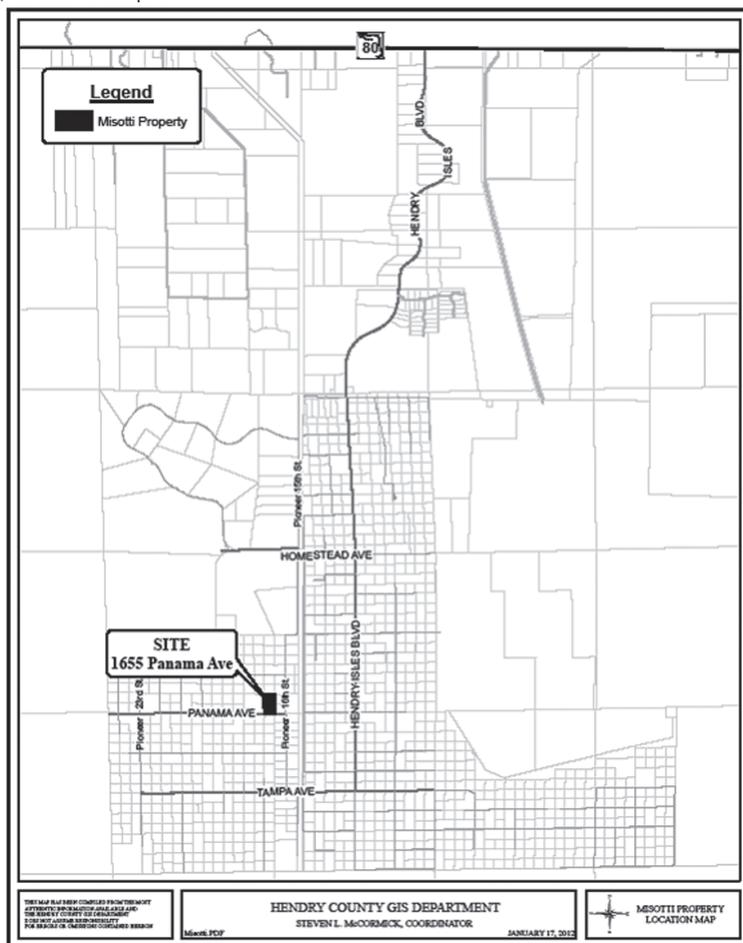
Property size: 5.0 acres +/-

Request: The applicant is seeking County Commission ratification of the determination of approved usage as an educational primate sanctuary.

Legal description of subject property:

The East one-half of the Southeast-quarter of the Southeast-quarter of the Southeast-quarter of Section 28, Township 43 South, Range 31 east, Hendry County, Florida.

Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Tracts 319 and 320, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded plat.



Applicant: Hendry County Board of County Commissioners

Ordinance Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 1-53-6.16, STANDARDS FOR MINING; TO MAKE CHANGES TO THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING SPOIL/SURPLUS MATERIAL REMOVAL UNRELATED TO MINING ACTIVITIES; AND REQUIRING ANNUAL STATUS REPORTS FOR MINES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, INCLUSION IN CODE, AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Orvell Howard, Chair
Hendry County Local Planning Agency

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
Hendry County Board
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| CERT. NO. | YEAR | DESCRIPTION | NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1032 | 2007 | 1134432-A0001430000 | Maria Perez |

The West one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road to the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 3049, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.
Dated this **18th day of January, 2012.**

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

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| CERT. NO. | YEAR | DESCRIPTION | NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1938 | 2008 | 1254432-A0001070000 | Carlos Alberto Salvat |

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 1168, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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Dated this **4th day of January, 2012.**

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

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
2-MONTH MINIMUM LEASE OF AIRGLADES INDUSTRIAL BUILDING
760 AIRGLADES BLVD., CLEWISTON, FLORIDA
RFP NUMBER: 2012-09
OPENING DATE AND TIME: February 1, 2012 @ 2:00 P.M.**

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, for the 2-month minimum lease of Airglades Industrial Building (fma Oceanbay Farms), 760 Airglades Blvd, Clewiston, Florida (part of Parcel I.D. No. 1-33-43-17-A00-0001.0000), a 10,495 sq. ft. building (2,220 sq. ft. office space and 6,971 sq. ft. warehouse) on 4.13 acres located in Airglades Industrial Park. In order to be considered, proposals must be received by the Board of County Commissioners at the C.E. Hall Building (Clerk's Office) in the Hendry County Courthouse Complex, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida by February 1st, 2012, at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the RFP can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida (for pick up), Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975 (mailing address) or by calling (863) 675-5220 or (863) 983-1585.

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

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Board of County Commissioners
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| CERT. NO. | YEAR | DESCRIPTION | NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1965 | 2008 | 1254432-A0001830000 | Teresa Rojas |

The South one-half of the West one-half of the South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 516, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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Dated this **4th day of January, 2012.**

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

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| CERT. NO. | YEAR | DESCRIPTION | NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED |
|-----------|------|---------------------|---|
| 787 | 2007 | 1274331-010000H0110 | Derrick & Vonnette Douglas, Raymond & Barbara Dillon, Wesley & Pearl Gallimore, Errol C. Shim, Michael & Marjorie Gosley |

The Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 27, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 11, Block H, of Diamond "J" Estates, Pioneer Plantation, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Ella III, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|--|
| 1664 | 2007 | 1264432-A0002510100 | Guillermo Rodriguez & Pilar Home Developers, Inc. |

The North one-half of the West one-half of the North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 26, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an Easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the West 30 feet thereof and subject to an easement for a canal over and across the North 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 417, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **February, 2012**, which is the **9th day of February, 2012**.
Dated this **4th day of January, 2012.**

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

406984 CN 1/12,19,26 & 2/2/2012

Public Notice

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

CENTERSTATE BANK OF FLORIDA, N.A., a National Association, Plaintiff,
-VS- Case No. 11-CA-582
CALVIN O'BANNON, a/k/a CALVIN M. O'BANNON, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CALVIN O'BANNON, BARBARA ANN O'BANNON, DIAMOND R FERTILIZER CO., INC., a Florida corporation, UNKNOWN TENANT #1, UNKNOWN TENANT #2, UNKNOWN TENANT #3, UNKNOWN TENANT #4, UNKNOWN TENANT #5, UNKNOWN TENANT #6, UNKNOWN TENANT #7 AND UNKNOWN TENANT #8, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that pursuant to a Final Judgment for Reformation, in Foreclosure and for Assessment of Reasonable Attorney's Fees entered by Circuit Court Judge John E. Duryea, in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein the cause is pending under docket number 11-CA-582, the Honorable Barbara S. Butler, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, will offer for sale at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Hendry County Courthouse, Administration Department of the Clerk's Office, Second Floor, 25 E. Hickpoohchee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 14th day of March, 2012, within the legal hours of sale, the following described property:

PARCEL 1: (HENDRY COUNTY)
 Commence at the Southeast corner of Government Lot 1 in Section 14, Township 43 South, Range 28 East and run S 89°08' W, along the South boundary of Government Lot 1, a distance of 303 feet to the Point of Beginning of the parcel of land herein described; thence N 89°08' E 115 feet; thence N 0°23'00" W, parallel to the East line of Government Lot 1, a distance of 147 feet; thence N 89°08' E, 50 feet; thence N 0°23'00" W, 308 feet to the South waters edge of the Old Caloosahatchee River; thence Westerly, along said waters edge 165 feet, more or less, to a point which bears N 0°23'00" W, from the Point of Beginning; thence S 0°23'00" E, 485.6 feet to the Point of Beginning;

PARCEL 2:
 Lots 15 and 16, Block 273, Lake Sebring Subdivision, Sheet 4, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 12, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida.

PARCEL 3:
 East one-half of Lot 4, Block 2, Section 13, Township 33 South, Range 28 East, Town of Avon Park, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 33, of the Public Records of DeSoto (now Highlands) County, Florida

PARCEL 4:
 Lots 45, 46 and 47, Hillcrest Groves Subdivision, Section 18, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 50, of the Public Records of Highlands County, Florida. Also described as the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-half of the Northwest one-quarter and the East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of said Section 18, Township 33 South, Range 29 East, Highlands County, Florida.

PERSONAL PROPERTY

(AS TO CALVIN O'BANNON a/k/a CALVIN M. O'BANNON ONLY)
Accounts and Other Rights to Payment: All rights to payment, whether or not earned by performance, including, but not limited to, payment for property or services sold, leased, rented, licensed, or assigned. This includes any rights and interests (including all liens) which Debtor may have by law or agreement against any account debtor or obligor of Debtor.

Inventory: All inventory held for ultimate sale or lease, or which has been or will be supplied under contracts of service, or which are raw materials, work in process, or materials used or consumed in Debtor's business.

Equipment: All equipment including, but not limited to, machinery, vehicles, furniture, fixtures, manufacturing equipment, farm machinery and equipment, shop equipment, office and record keeping equipment, parts, and tools. The Property includes any equipment described in a list or schedule Debtor gives to Lender, but such a list is not necessary to create a valid security interest in all of Debtor's equipment.

Instruments and Chattel Paper: All instruments, including negotiable instruments and promissory notes and any other writings or records that evidence the right to payment of a monetary obligation, and tangible and electronic chattel paper.

Farm Products and Supplies: All farm products including, but not limited to, all poultry and livestock and their young, along with their produce, products and replacements; all crops, annual or perennial, and all products of the crops; and all feed, seed, fertilizer, medicines, and other supplies used or produced in Debtor's farming operations.

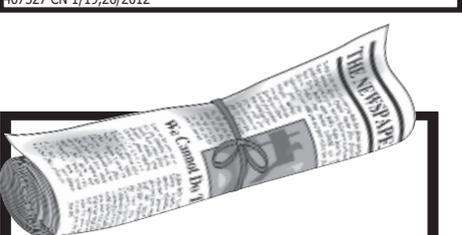
Deposit Accounts: All deposit accounts including, but not limited to, demand, time, savings, passbook, and similar accounts.

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.

DATED This 10th day of January, 2012.

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

If you are a person 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 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 working days of your receipt of the Notice of Sale; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800955-8771.



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Tarpon IV, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1587 | 2007 | 1254432-A0002560000 | Orelia Otero |

The South one-half of the West one-half of the South one-half of the North-east one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 516, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **February, 2012**, which is the **9th day of February, 2012**. Dated this **4th** day of **January, 2012**.

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

407043 CN 1/12,19,26 & 2/2/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1957 | 2008 | 1254432-A0001620100 | Antonio Pereira |

The North one-half of the East one-half of the South one-half of the North-east one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 566, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **February, 2012**, which is the **9th day of February, 2012**. Dated this **4th** day of **January, 2012**.

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

406981 CN 1/12,19,26 & 2/2/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Winder VI, 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 |
|-----------|------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 1711 | 2007 | 1274432-A0001540100 | Elena E. Rodriguez |

The North one-half of the East one-half of the South one-half of the South-east one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 27, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for ingress, egress and utilities over and across the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 114, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**. Dated this **18th** day of **January, 2012**.

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

408289 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

PALM BEACH COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HCD) NOTICE OF FIRST AND SECOND MORTGAGE FINANCING FUNDING AVAILABILITY

Palm Beach County's Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) is accepting applications from individuals seeking funding under the **Neighborhood Stabilization Program II (NSP II)**. Pre-applications are available directly from HCD or may be downloaded from the HCD website at www.pbcbgov.com/hod. Applications must be submitted in person and will be accepted year-round until funding has been exhausted.

Activity Description:
 The NSP II First and Second Mortgage Loan Program was developed to provide first mortgage loan financing at 4 percent interest rate (4.9% APR) fixed for 30 years, and a second mortgage loan at zero percent interest, in the form of a forgivable loan to run concurrently to the first mortgage loan for 30 years. The first mortgage loan is amortized over 30 years and has mandatory escrow requirements for real estate property taxes and homeowners hazard insurance. The second mortgage loan does not have a monthly repayment requirement. The second mortgage loan provides "gap" financing. Eligible uses of the second mortgage are: down payment assistance, closing costs, and rehabilitation costs. Eligible dwellings must be foreclosed, abandoned, or vacant residential properties located within the Urban Redevelopment Area (URA) or the Glades Regional Target Area (GRTA). Eligible households earning up to 120% Area Median Income (AMI), who do not own a home are eligible to participate in the program (credit and asset provisions apply). The home must remain the principal residence of the applicant for the life of the loan.

Amount Available:
 \$11,865,400.00 is available for first and second mortgage loan financing.

| Rate | Term | Points | Maximum after rehabilitation value |
|----------------|----------|--------|------------------------------------|
| 4% (4.90% APR) | 30 years | 0 | \$211,375* |

*HUD Median Purchase Price Guidelines

Eligible Applicants:

Eligible applicants for the NSP II include individuals who are not current homeowners, have a middle FICO credit score of 600, and meet income and household eligibility guidelines. Eligible applicants are required to reside in the home as their principal place of residency.

Eligible Rehabilitation:

Applicants may use up to \$50,000 to rehabilitate the dwelling. Rehabilitation funding will be deducted from the maximum award of the second mortgage loan.

Program Requirements/General Information:

- Affordability Guidelines:**
 Annual Income Limits for West Palm Beach and Boca Raton Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)
 FY 2011 Area Median Income (AMI)
 \$63,300
- Eligible Program Areas:**
 All properties purchased must be located in either the County's "Urban Redevelopment Areas". The east area boundaries are generally described as: Community Drive to the North; the Lake Worth Drainage District L-14 Canal to the South; I-95 to the East; and extends to various points West as far as Jog Road; or the Glades Region Target Area generally described as: the municipalities of South Bay, Belle Glade, and Pahokee, and the unincorporated area of Canal Point.
- Other criteria:**
 The sales price (including any rehabilitation) cannot exceed \$211,375, which represents 95% of the median sales price, and must reflect at least a one percent (1%) discount of the "as is" appraised value. The home purchased must be used as the purchaser's primary place of residence. The first mortgage will be provided in the form of a 30 year fixed rate mortgage, with an interest rate not to exceed 4% (APR of 4.9%).

The second mortgage loan may also be provided to NSP II homeowners to assist with rehabilitation, closing costs, and down payment assistance. The second mortgage loan provided shall not exceed \$100,000 for very low income applicants (0-50% AMI), \$65,000 for low income applicants (51-80% AMI), and \$50,000 for moderate income applicants (81-120% AMI). The second mortgage loan shall bear no interest and shall be forgiven after thirty (30) years if all affordability provisions are met. All mortgage financing requests are subject to funding availability.

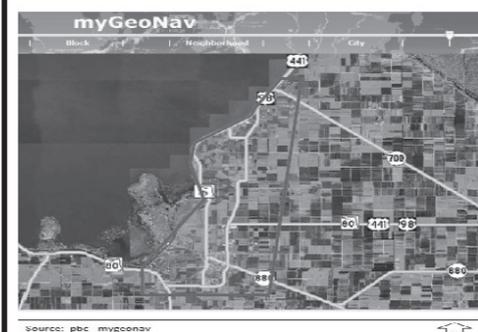
Paper Copy Version: can be picked up at Housing and Community Development's (HCD) Planning Section, 100 Australian Avenue, Suite 500, West Palm Beach, FL 33406; Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

No alterations or deletions to the application formats are allowed. Incomplete or unsigned applications will not be considered.

The Zip Codes which are located within the east "Urban Redevelopment Area" are listed below.

| ZIP CODES | GEOGRAPHIC AREAS |
|-----------|---|
| 33406 | North of the L-8 Canal; East of Military Trail; South of Belvedere Rd.; and West of I-95. (Palm Springs) |
| 33409 | North of Belvedere Rd.; East of Military Trail; South of Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. and Village Blvd.; and West of I-95 (West Palm Beach) |
| 33413 | North of Southern Blvd.; East of Jog Rd.; South of Belvedere Rd.; and West of the E-3 Canal (Greenacres) |
| 33415 | North of the L-10 Canal; East of Jog Rd.; South of Belvedere Rd.; and West of Military Trail. (Greenacres) |
| 33417 | North of Belvedere Rd.; East of Florida's Turnpike; South of the M Canal; and West of Military Trail. (West Palm Beach) |
| 33461 | North of the L-14 Canal; East of I-95; South of the L-8 Canal; and West of Military Trail. (Palm Springs and Lake Worth) |
| 33463 | North of the L-10 Canal; East of Sherwood Forest Rd.; South of Lake Worth Rd.; and West of Military Trail. (Greenacres) |

Glades Region Target Area:



All the above listed zip code areas contain portions which are not within the "Urban Redevelopment Area". Some of the above listed zip code areas are mostly outside of the "Urban Redevelopment Area". Only properties located within the portions of the zip codes falling within the URA boundaries are eligible for NSP-2 assistance.

Glades Region Target Area:
 The target area encompasses the municipalities of South Bay, Belle Glade, and Pahokee, and the unincorporated area of Canal Point. The creation of the GRTA added nine census tracts to the NSP2 Program. These are census tracts 80.01; 80.02; 81.01; 81.02; 82.01; 82.02; 82.03; 83.01; and 83.02.

For additional information about the Neighborhood Stabilization Program II, please call (561) 233-3655 or (561) 233-3688.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE ADA, THIS AD AND DOCUMENTS LISTED CAN BE REQUESTED IN AN ALTERNATE FORMAT. CONTACT HCD AT (561) 233-3660.

PUBLISH: December 18th, and 25th; January 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th



This is not a commitment to lend.

Map of Palm Beach County Urban Redevelopment Area



The creation of the GRTA added nine census tracts to the NSP2 Program. These are census tracts 80.01; 80.02; 81.01; 81.02; 82.01; 82.02; 82.03; 83.01; and 83.02.

Public Notice

AUCTION
1998 Ford Contour
Vin #1FALP6533WK167633
will be sold at auction on February 10, 2012 at 4:00 P.M. For information call between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. at 863-228-5856.
408076 CN 1/26;2/2/2012

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
HENDRY COUNTY DEFERRED
COMPENSATION ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Deferred Compensation Advisory Committee will hold a meeting February 8, 2012, at 2:30 p.m., at the Hendry County Administrative office, Conference Room #1, 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, Florida.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at this 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.

Deferred Compensation
Advisory Committee
408322 CN/CB 1/26/2012

Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF
FLORIDA, IN AND FOR
HENDRY COUNTY
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 26-2011-CA-000947**

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO NATIONAL CITY MORTGAGE, A DIVISION OF NATIONAL CITY BANK, Plaintiff,

VS.
ALEJANDRO JESUS CONTRERAS; UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ALEJANDRO JESUS CONTRERAS; ALEJANDRA B. VARGAS A/K/A ALEJANDRA VARGAS; IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), IF REMARRIED, AND IF DECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, CREDITORS, LENDORS, AND TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S); UNKNOWN TENANT #1; UNKNOWN TENANT #2;
Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: ALEJANDRO JESUS CONTRERAS
Whose residence are/is unknown.

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

Lot 19, RIDGDILL SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 5, Page 19, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

If you fail to file your answer or written defenses in the above proceeding, on plaintiff's attorney, a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

DATED at HENDRY County this 10 day of January, 2012.

CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the ASA Coordinator no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding. If hearing impaired, please call (800) 955-8771 (TDD) or (800) 955-8770 (voice), via Florida Relay Service.
407421 CN 1/19,26/2012

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Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF
THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT IN AND FOR
GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2011-CP-28**

IN RE: ESTATE OF
JEAN H. BOWDEN
f/k/a JEAN H. MYERS,
Deceased

AMENDED NOTICE
TO CREDITORS
(Ancillary Summary
Administration)

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of JEAN H. BOWDEN, f/k/a JEAN H. MYERS, deceased, File Number 2011-CP-28, by the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 500 Avenue J, (P.O. Box 579) Moore Haven, FL 33471-0579; and that the decedent's date of death was March 28, 2011; that the total value of the estate is \$70,000.00 and that the names and address of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Donald E. Myers
5744 Scaff Road
New Castle, OH 45344
Debra J. Bledsoe
f/k/a Debra Jean Myers
4816 W. Cedar Creek
New Palestine, IN 46163
Timothy J. Myers
3342 #9 Benson Highway
Tucson, AZ 85706
Cynthia A. Sargent
f/k/a Cynthia A. Mullins
8503 Harrods Bridge Way
Prospect, KY 40059
Laura Compton
f/k/a Laura Jo Ann Myers
6432 S. Carroll Road
Indianapolis, IN 46259
Kenneth L. Myers
4673 S. 400 W.
New Palestine, IN 46163

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE.

ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is January 19, 2012.

Person Giving Notice:
KENNETH L. MYERS
4673 S. 400 W.
New Palestine, IN 46163
Attorney for Person Giving Notice:
COLIN M. CAMERON, ESQUIRE
Florida Bar No.: 270441
200 N.E. Fourth Avenue
Okeechobee, FL 34974
(863) 763-8600
407644 GCD 1/19,26/2012

Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO
REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does hereby certify that Tammy Butler conducting a Consulting/Planning/Florist business at 500 Trader Rd., Florida, under the fictitious name of Daisies N' Rainbows Florist and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose names and places of residence are as follows:

Tammy Butler
500 Trader Road
Ft. Denard, FL 33935
Ownership of Daisies N' Rainbows Florist is as follows:

Tammy Butler 100%
It is my intentions to apply to the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations to register the said name of Daisies N' Rainbows Florist under the provisions of Chapter 90-267, laws of Florida, Acts of 1991.

Tammy Butler
DATE: 1-17-12
407934 CN 1/26/2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Sugarland Drainage District has been scheduled for February 1, 2012 at 9:15 a.m. The meeting will be held at Hilliard Brothers of Florida office located at 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, FL.

Joe Marlin Hilliard
Supervisor
Sugarland Drainage District
408359 CN 1/26/2012

Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY,
FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2010-CA-000818**

BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P.
Plaintiff,

-VS-
Jorge L. Roa and Sandra Roa, Husband and Wife; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Countrywide Bank, N.A.; Unknown Tenants in Possession #1; If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devisees, Grantees, or Other Claimants
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 12, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 2010-CA-000818 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, L.P. f/k/a Countrywide Home Loans Servicing, L.P., Plaintiff and Jorge L. Roa and Sandra Roa, Husband and Wife are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on April 18, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

THE SOUTH 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 14, TOWNSHIP 44 SOUTH, RANGE 32 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A LOT NO. 2802, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE MS 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 the ADA Coordinator:1700 Monroe Street, Suite 1213, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 (239) 533-1521 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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

DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
SHAPIRO, FISHMAN & GACHE, LLP
4630 Woodland Corporate Blvd.
Suite 100
Tampa, FL 33614
(813) 880-8888 (813) 880-8800
408151 CN 1/26;2/2/2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Board Of Supervisors of Hendry Hilliard Water Control District has been scheduled for February 1, 2012 at 9:30 am. The meeting will be held at Hilliard Brothers of Florida office located at 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, FL.

Joe Marlin Hilliard
Supervisor
Hendry-Hilliard Water Control District
408361 CN 1/26/2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on February 3rd, 2012 at 9:00 AM U-Lock-Storage of Clewiston LLC, 500 S. San Gabriel, Clewiston, FL. (863) 233-3639 will at their discretion sell or dispose of the personal property therefor stored with the undersigned.

Amanda Vargas Unit #4
Household Items

Lisa Clark Unit #47
Household Items

Mahogany Lawrence #61
Household Items
407745 CN 1/19,26/2012

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Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,
IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY,
FLORIDA
Consolidated Case No. 08-149 CA**

SALVADOR ESQUENAZ,
Plaintiff
V.
BENITO LOPEZ, et al.
Defendants.

SALVADOR ESQUENAZ,
Plaintiff Case No. 08-150CA
V.
BENITO LOPEZ, et al.,
Defendants.

ESTHER GREENSHER,
Plaintiff Case No. 08-151 CA
V.
BENITO LOPEZ, et al.,
Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

TO: BENITO LOPEZ, LISSETTE LOPEZ AND ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, CREDITORS AND OTHER UNKNOWN PERSONS OR UNKNOWN SPOUSES CLAIMING BY THROUGH AND UNDER ANY OF THE ABOVE-NAMED DEFENDANTS and any and all persons who may claim an interest in the real property described below:

Notice is given that pursuant to Final Judgment dated December 20, 2011, in Case No: 08-149 Consolidated of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida in which Salvador Esquenaz is the Plaintiff and Benito Lopez and Lisette Lopez are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, Second Floor Lobby, LaBelle, FL 33975 on February 22, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., the following described property set forth in the Final Judgment:

Dated January 18, 2012.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk
408001 CN 1/26;2/2/2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on February 6, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. at AA 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:

Cortney Porter #87
407845 GCD 1/26;2/2/2012

PUBLIC NOTICE

The regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Flaghole Drainage District has been scheduled for February 1, 2012 at 8:45 am. The meeting will be held at Hilliard Brothers of Florida office located at 5500 Flaghole Road, Clewiston, FL.

Joe Marlin Hilliard
Supervisor
Flaghole Drainage District
408355 CN 1/26/2012

**ORDER OF NOTICE
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
SUPERIOR COURT
Judicial District of Hartford
at Hartford, CT
90 Washington Street,
Hartford, CT 06106
January 20, 2012
Giarratano, Linda A. vs.
Giarratano, Frank M.
Return Date: February 14, 2012
NOTICE TO:
FRANK M. GIARRATANO**

The Court has reviewed the Motion for Order of Notice in Family Cases and the Complaint which asks for a Divorce (dissolution of marriage) based on irretrievable differences.

The Court finds that the defendant's current address is unknown and that all reasonable efforts to find him/her have failed. The Court also finds that the defendant's last known address was located at 285 Case Road, LaBelle, FL 33935.

THE COURT ORDERS that the notice be given to the defendant by placing a legal notice in the Caloosa Belle, a weekly newspaper circulating in LaBelle, FL, containing a true and attested copy of this Order of Notice, and statement that Automatic Court Orders have been issued in the case as required by Section 25-5 of the Connecticut Practice Book and are a part of the Complaint on file with the Court.

The notice shall appear once a week for two successive weeks commencing on or before January 27, 2012 and proof of service shall be filed with this Court.

ATTEST: A TRUE COPY
Bruce Kaz, State Marshal
County of Hartford
State of Connecticut
408272 CB 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY,
FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2009-CA-000741**

BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP
Plaintiff,
-VS-
Arnold Ellington; Mary A. Ellington a/k/a Mary Ellington; Robert C. Howarth; Financial Independence Services, Corp d/b/a Financial Independence Services Corp.;
Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated January 12, 2012, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000741 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, Plaintiff and Arnold Ellington are defendant(s). I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 1:00 A.M. on February 29, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS LOT 1, BLOCK L, PIONEER PLANTATION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION. TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN YEAR: 1984, MAKE: GREEN, VIN4: FLFL2AE193205795 AND VIN#F: FLFL2BE193205795, MANUFACTURED HOME, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS, AS SUCH IT IS DEEMED TO BE A FIXTURE AND A PART OF THE REAL ESTATE.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE MS 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 the ADA Coordinator:1700 Monroe Street, Suite 1213, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 (239) 533-1521 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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

/s/ J. Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY,
FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 26-2011-CA-000317**

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA,
Plaintiff,
VS.
RUBIN CONSTANT, et al,
Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED
FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 5, 2012, and entered in Case No. 26-2011-CA-000317 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and RUBIN CONSTANT; MI-MOSE CONSTANT; 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 8th day of February, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 17, BLOCK 2104, OF PORT LABELLE UNIT 3, A SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3 PAGE 73, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

**A/K/A 5009 EARLY LANE
PORT LABELLE, FL 33935**

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on January 11, 2012.

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

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****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; or 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.**
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Tips for Taking Control of Your Spending Habits

No matter if your finances are a source of anxiety or if you live within your means, it's always a good idea to periodically reevaluate the way you spend money.

While credit cards give consumers the purchasing power they need to lead comfortable lives, they can also make irresponsible spending all too easy. In these uncertain financial times, getting a handle on any debt you may have is more important than ever. Luckily, it's never too late to learn good spending habits.

"The first step toward prosperity is taking control of unconscious debt -- including impulse purchases that you buy on credit but don't need or don't even remember purchasing," says Dr. Charles Richards, a psychotherapist and author of the new book, "The Psychology of Wealth," which seeks to improve readers' relationships with their money.

Richards believes that with a healthy attitude toward wealth comes good habits. He offers several tips for people seeking to take better control of their finances:

- Regularly discuss your financial goals and your plan to meet them, with a spouse, partner, or friend.
- If you have debt, develop a specific repayment plan with fixed payment amounts.
- Never pay late fees on your credit cards and other bills. They are as good as throwing money out the window. Pay your bills on time, all the time.
- Before you make a purchase, ask, do I want this item or do I need this item? If it is only a want, evaluate whether your budget supports it. Wealth is not defined by the amount of stuff you have.

• Write yourself a list to avoid binge shopping. If you want to make a purchase that's not on the list, try putting the item on hold. If you forget about it after a week, you probably didn't need or want it that much in the first place.

• Don't spend money based on what your income might be in the future. Spend based on what you're currently earning. And if your material desires outweigh your resources, don't be afraid to take on extra work.

• Whether it's the effectiveness of advertisers or a lack of personal responsibility, identify the reasons you spend money you don't have, and seek to change your behavior accordingly.

More advice about how to understand your relationship with money can be found online. "People who have a healthy relationship with money share many common habits and traits," says Richards, "Understanding how you feel about money can help allay any unnecessary fears or doubts that may be sabotaging your best efforts in managing your money."

Regardless of your circumstances and financial history, you can work to gain the attitude and habits that help drive financial success.

FISH

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A lot of it has to do with the water temperature. When it's cold, punching is the way to go. But once it warms up, the jig is the better option for me. And this event kind of landed right on a transition period. The water was still cold in practice and punching was better. But with the warming water on the first day, more fish started to move onto beds and that's when the jig became better."

Tharp second

EverStart pro Randall Tharp of Gardendale, Ala., made a hard charge at Medlock today with the second biggest limit of the event, 28 pounds, 14 ounces, moving him up from fifth to second with a three-day total of 62 pounds worth \$12,300.

This is now the fourth time Tharp has been runner-up in major tournaments in a 12-month period. This finish also marked his sixth top-10 in a row in events held on Lake Okeechobee.

"Four times in less than a year," Tharp said of being second. "If I keep putting myself in position I'll win one. I fished really well this week and today was just one of those magical days you live for out here. But after Medlock caught 35 pounds yesterday, that's pretty hard to recover from."

Tharp relied on his favorite game, flipping and pitching, to produce the monstrous bag. He used a variety of plastics under a 1-1/2-ounce tungsten weight tied to 70-pound test Samurai braid to do the damage.

The difference between yesterday and today, in his opinion, was fishing pressure, or lack thereof.

"Everyone found the best place on the lake with the biggest fish in it," he said. "The last two days there have been 30 boats milling around in there punching those mats. There have been so many boats in there cutting up the vegetation it doesn't even look the same as it did five days ago.

And these fish are not stupid – they're not going to come in there with an armada of boats



PHOTO / ROB NEWELL

Comeback limit of the day: EverStart pro Randall Tharp of Gardendale, Ala., weighed in 28 pounds, 14 ounces, moving him up from fifth to second with a three-day total of 62 pounds.

around. Today there were far fewer boats in there and some new big ones moved up."

Amazingly Tharp caught the three biggest bass in his limit in about five minutes.

"I caught all my big ones in less than an hour and three of them came within a span of about 50 feet," Tharp explained. "And that's the way this place is – when they move up like that you can hurt them in a hurry. Okeechobee is just a magical place and that's why I love this lake so much."

Fels third

Keith Fels of Ocala, Fla., caught a closing round limit of 17 pounds, 15 ounces to finish third with a three-day total of 55 pounds, 10 ounces worth \$10,000.

While others punched and flipped, Fels made the casting game work for him.

"Flipping is just not my style, so I stayed with the moving baits most of the week," Fels said. "Mostly casting a Gambler Big E-Z and a 1/4-ounce swimming jig. I basically burned a lot of gas and covered a lot of water."

Holder fourth

Brian Holder of Gastonia, N.C., finished in fourth place with a three-day total of 48 pounds, 14 ounces worth \$9,000.

Holder caught most of his fish punching "blown-in" mats of mixed vegetation consisting of reeds, eelgrass and hyacinths.

His primary bait for the week was Lake Fork Craw Tube on a Trokar hook under a 1-ounce tungsten weight fished on 65-pound test Spider-wire braid.

Honnerlaw fifth

Bryan Honnerlaw of Moore Haven, Fla., rounded out the top five with a three-day total of 47 pounds, 6 ounces worth \$8,000.

Honnerlaw spent the week flipping mats and reeds with a Sweet Beaver teamed with a Punch Skirt and topped with a 1-ounce weight.

Rest of the best

Rounding out the top-10 pros in the EverStart Series event on Lake Okeechobee:

6th: Kent Ware of Wadmalaw Island, S.C., three-day total of 42-9

7th: Clent Davis of Montevallo, Ala., three-day total of 41-14

8th: George Kapiton of Inverness, Fla., three-day total of 41-6



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Citrus Greening Costs \$3.63 Billion in Lost Revenues



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BY TOM NORDIE
Univ. of Florida

Since 2006, the bacterial disease citrus greening has cost Florida's economy an estimated \$3.63 billion in lost revenues and 6,611 jobs by reducing orange juice production, according to a new study from the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

The study is the first complete assessment of greening's economic impact on Florida, said Jack Payne, UF senior vice president for agriculture and natural resources. He called the study an important step in the fight against greening, because it quantifies damages and could show legislators and funding agencies why the invasive disease is one of the state's biggest challenges.

"This study shows plainly just how imperative it is that we find a cure for citrus greening," Payne said. "We have dedicated a huge amount of IFAS resources toward that end, and we are very appreciative of the significant support our research is receiving from the citrus industry. Growers are the people most obviously impacted, but the study demonstrates that many other Floridians are hurt as well—when fewer oranges are harvested, there are fewer dollars circulating in our state's economy."

First detected in Florida in 2005, greening causes citrus trees to drop fruit prematurely and eventually kills the trees. The disease is caused by a bacterium, and was first described in 1919 in China. The bacterium is transmitted by an invasive insect, the Asian citrus psyllid.

The study compares actual harvests of oranges used to make juice with projected harvests

that would have taken place if greening had never struck Florida groves; it covers the growing seasons from 2006-2007 through 2010-2011. During those five years, the disease caused substantial crop losses, said citrus economist Tom Spreen, a professor with the UF/IFAS food and resource economics department.

The state's juice-orange harvest for the period was 734 million boxes, and would have been an estimated 951 million boxes without greening, Spreen said. To develop economic impact figures, Spreen and colleague Alan Hodges, an extension scientist with the department, analyzed both scenarios using statistical models and data on the citrus industry and Florida's economy.

To estimate lost revenues and jobs, the economists took into account direct losses to growers, indirect losses to industries affiliated with citrus production and the resulting cuts in spending by employee households and government.

When focusing strictly on juice-orange production during that five-year period, Florida growers lost \$1.36 billion in revenues, and 2,125 permanent jobs were lost.

Florida Citrus Mutual, the state's largest citrus grower organization, funded the study. The study did not address production of other citrus varieties, such as grapefruit, or oranges sold fresh to consumers, Spreen said.

Florida is the nation's largest citrus producer and the world's second-largest orange juice producer, after Brazil. Florida's citrus industry generates about \$8.9 billion a year, mainly from orange juice production.



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Local Soccer Teams Recognized



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Boys and Girls AYSO were recognized during the Clewiston City Commissioner Meeting on Monday night for their sportsmanship awards.

Sportsmanship and a good attitude are important with Clewiston's Region 1267 soccer teams. Three out of the five teams entered in the recent AYSO (American Youth Soccer Organization) Section 14 State Games received all 100's in each game that they played during the tournament.

Their performances resulted in them being designated Sportsmanship Winners in their respective divisions. The three teams were U-12 Girls, U-12 Boys and U-12 Boys (Co-ed team).

Additionally, the U-12 Boys and U-12 Girls teams from Clewiston were named Overall Sportsmanship Co-Winners of the annual tournament that was held in Wellington on Jan. 14-16.

Team members and their coaching staff were on hand for the Clewiston City Commission meeting Monday night to be recognized and congratulated by the Commissioners.

Regional Commissioner Scott Jones said, "The organizers of the State Games put a lot of emphasis on sportsmanship. I'm thrilled that our teams have continued the Clewiston AYSO tradition of competing with class. I really appreciate the coaches, families, and players that earned these awards."

Sportsmanship points were awarded to each team by the tournament referees at the conclusion of each game.

Each of the 106 teams in the tournament were evaluated and awarded points in accordance with the attitudes of the players, coaches and spectators before, during, and immediately after each game.

The following categories were evaluated by the referees: cooperation of the players, coaches and spectators; Overall game conduct; Uniform appearance and Courtesy toward referees and field monitors.

Members of the U-12 Girls team were: Grayson Brooks, Victoria Gomez, Megan Pittman, Selena Gonzalez, Ciara Iglesias, Emily Miller, Bailyn Mills, Isabella Perez, Leticia Villarreal and Destiny Williams. Steven T. Hayes Jr. served as

the Head Coach with Ramon Iglesias as Assistant Coach and Gabriela Hayes as Team Manager for the girls.

Members of the U-12 Boys team were: Hector Chavez, Marco Figueroa, Jonathan Hatton, Reed Martin, Brantley Mills, Martin Paredes, Haden Redish, Christian Scott and Juvenal Velazquez-Olvera. Head Coach for the boys was Jairo Sanchez with assistance from Denise Hatton.

Clewiston's Region 1267 will receive a traveling trophy to display throughout the year.

Last year the U-12 Boys team from Clewiston also won the Overall Sportsmanship Award. Five members from the 2011 team were on this year's team.

DISTRICT

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school. Florida Governor Rick Scott was quoted in the release as saying that, "We all wish to ensure students get a good education that will prepare them for a good job," said Scott. "Ranking schools allows taxpayers to see their investment in education at work."

The ranking is computed based on the total points earned from the FCAT scores. Reading, math, science, learning gains in those subjects and learning gains among the lowest 25 percent are all tabulated.

The school district ranking is determined by the school grade points they earned based on the assessment scores of all students in the district that were enrolled for the full year.

The Florida Department of Education Commissioner Gerard Robinson stated that, "Ranking districts and schools based on data-driven results demonstrates Florida's focus on ensuring students receive a high quality education and provides another helpful tool for parents, educators and taxpayers."

In this new ranking system, Hendry County placed 63rd among the 67 districts for its performance in the 2010 - 2011 school year -- the fifth-worst performing school district in the state.

Hendry County School Superintendent Rick Murphy did not agree with the ranking system that has been implemented.

"The ranking system is based on a very narrow set of numbers that does not take into full account the hard work and dedication of the teachers, staff, and students," said Murphy. "We do not believe that a standardized test should be used to rank a district."

Murphy explained that Hendry County has improved over the past two years and has been able to maintain its "C" district grade; even with

limited funding and higher standards that they have had to adhere to. The county's graduation rate has always been high and can compete with districts much larger than Hendry.

Asst. Superintendent Gordon Swaggerty commented that no one was happy with the ranking or the district grade.

"We are definitely not happy with the results of this ranking. We are disappointed with such a method; but it is already in place," said Swaggerty. "We are committed to improving the district and we will move past this."

Murphy echoed Swaggerty and said that the teachers, students, and staff were dedicated to the improvement of education in Hendry County.

"We are committed to change; we will be the best we can be and our hard work will pay off."

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FWC Offers Free Hunter Safety Course in Hendry County

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) will host a free hunter safety course Saturday, Jan. 28, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Students will learn about hunting laws, safe gun handling and hunter ethics/responsibility, among other topics, before taking the final test. The course also includes live-firing instruction on a shooting range.

The course is at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office Shooting Range, between Clewiston and LaBelle, 0.7 miles down Witt Road off State Road 80, 9 miles west of U.S. 27. Take the first road east of the Pioneer Shell Gas Station.

You may sign up by calling the FWC's South Region office at 561-625-5122 or going to MyFWC.com/HunterSafety.

People seeking certification must successfully complete the online portion of the course prior to taking the classroom course. To receive certification, they must bring a printed copy of the final Web report to the FWC classroom course on Jan. 28. The Web report does not need to be notarized.

Anyone born on or after June 1, 1975, must pass an approved hunter safety course in order to purchase a Florida hunting license. Parents or legal guardians must accompany children under 16 years of age to all classes.

To participate in the live-fire exercises, children under 18 years old must present a parental release form signed by a parent or legal guardian.



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Literacy Week

Central Elementary celebrates Literacy Week by letting students read in the hallways.

Area Democrats Meet in LaBelle Thursday, Jan. 26

Glades and Hendry County Democratic Executive Committees will meet at Forrey Grill, corner of North Bridge Street and Fort Thompson Avenue, for their joint monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 26.

The major topics to be discussed are plans for a joint Jefferson-Jackson Dinner (which has been the major fund raiser since most candidates qualify by petition rather than by paying a qualifying fee), the Florida Democratic Party's Vote By Mail registration campaign, and the county caucuses to determine local candidates to be selected as Florida's Elected Delegates to the Democratic National Convention later this year.

Florida's Congressional Districts will caucus at a convention to be held in Tampa on June 2 and 3 to elect Congressional District Delegates.

Glades County DEC Chair Ellen Geake says

that two candidates from Glades County, one man and one woman, will be selected by a caucus of local Democrats on May 5.

Hendry County DEC Chair Joe Thomas adds that Hendry County will have two caucuses since his county is in two Congressional Districts. Thomas says there will be no automatic delegates to the Tampa Convention, only those selected at the county caucuses on May 5.

This meeting, like all Democratic Party meetings, is open to the public. However, only precinct committee members from Hendry or Glades County will be able to vote on matters affecting their respective county DEC's.

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Tigers Wrestlers Enjoy Success at Titan Duals

The Clewiston Wrestling team traveled to Golden Gate High School on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 21 and 22 to compete in the Titan Duals. The tournament consisted of 16 teams and the Tigers competed in a total of seven dual meets between the two days. Heavyweight Joe Hernandez finished as one of two Tiger Wrestler to go undefeated for the weekend as he was victorious in all seven of his matches; his season record now stands at 10-6. Matt Johnson finished the weekend winning five of his seven matches to improve his record to 9-9. Cristian Montes won all four of his matches on Saturday after a shaky 0-3 putout on Friday evening. Mantes highlights on Saturday included a technical fall victory over Ida Baker's Ritchie Horvath by the score of 18-2 and an 16-15 decision over Gateway Charter's Ben Summers who is ranked 14th in the state in his weight class. Nathan Adams saw his first action since November and won three matches improving his win total to five. Nick Gamble saw his first action of the season winning four matches including two by way of pin.

Arelys Valles has been the surprise story of the year, she competed in the Titan Duals on Friday winning all three of her matches and on Saturday she traveled to Orlando to compete in the FHSAA girls state championships. Arelys made it to the state finals in the 106 lbs. weight class finishing 2nd. This is the second straight year that Arelys places in the girls state tournament; she took home 5th place last year. Arelys is a team captain and currently leads the team in wins with 16 and



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Arelys with her medal after the girls state tournament.

pins with six.

The Tigers will be back in action on Wednesday Jan. 25 and Friday and Saturday, Jan. 27 and 28 for the Seminole Ridge Duals and The Jupiter Invitational. These will be the last two regular season meets before the district championships, which will take place on Feb. 4.

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