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University Orchestra, CHS Band Combine for Mega Concert

BY TIMOTHY SAENZ
Special to the Clewiston News

Katie Wilson is not just a music education teacher and band conductor; she is not just a member of the Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity, and she is not just the winner of one of this year's Brilliant Orange Awards as an outstanding first-year teacher.

You see, Wilson finds stuff, too. Throw her into a darkened, old, dusty, cobwebbed room full of dented cabinets and she'll get down and dirty, nosing around nooks and crannies, digging through drawers and files and brushing away blankets of dust before she pulls something out.

Wilson found more than something in her Clewiston High School music room.

She found the original Everglades Sugar March, a U.S. Sugar commissioned work by Italian-born composer Frank Sturchio. It's been buried for nearly 75 years.

Now, not only has Wilson

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Track meet a success



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Though small, the Feb. 26 CHS track meet turned out to be a success. "We've got some good kids who are willing to work hard," Clewiston boys track coach Phillips Summers said. "Our boys and girls work together as one unit and I felt it helped with the overall chemistry of our team. We're heading in the right direction with this program." For full story, turn to page 10.

City Commissioners Wait to Vote on Manager

BY SAVANNAH ROUNDS
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At the March 4 city commission meeting residents eagerly awaited for not the first, but the last item on the agenda to be discussed; the final vote on the currently empty city manager position.

After nearly two months of searching for the right candidate to fill the position, the top three finalists, Mark Chamberlain, Al Perry and Andrew DeCandis, made it into the final phase of the selection process, which included personal interviews with all city com-

missioners.

However, when the meeting was called to order and Commissioner Julio Rodriguez was not present, Commissioner Mali Gardner explained that she did not feel comfortable making a final decision on the position without all commissioners present. Commissioner Jimmy Pittman and Mayor Phillip Roland agreed, and the matter was tabled until the next meeting, which will be held on March 18.

Though the issue was tabled, that did not stop one resident from speaking her mind on the subject.

She explained that because the previous city manager was fired and had to be compensated with nearly \$50,000, that it may be wise to hold off on hiring a new manager before all of the expenses dropped and allowed the budget to balance.

"Make sure that we can fund the decision that you make," she stated.

Other items discussed included the renovation of the Spray Park, which was recently shut down due to safety concerns. Lance Ramer, Recreation Director, explained to the board that \$45,000, or less, would cover the com-

plete costs of the renovation. Commissioners tabled this issue to await new information at the next meeting.

Also discussed was the budget for the fireworks on the Fourth of July, a discussion on the pension plan, which was tabled for next week, an update on the newly appointed Golf Course Advisory Committee, and a few issues of code violation throughout the city.

Commission meeting have now shifted to two meetings per month, leaving the next meeting to fall on March 18 and begin at 5 p.m. at City Hall.

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Corps Continues Herbert Hoover Dike Rehabilitation

BY KATRINA ELSKEN

The Army Corps of Engineers is once again working on plans to improve the safety of the Herbert Hoover Dike.

Public meetings were held in Clewiston on Feb. 26 and Okeechobee on Feb. 28 to discuss the initial phases of a Dam Safety Modification Study that is underway.

The Corps is conducting the DSMS to determine the final phase of rehabilitation projects for the dike, a 143-mile earthen structure that encircles Lake Okeechobee. The Corps has been engaged in projects since 2007 to address concerns with the dike's integrity.

"The results of the Dam Safety Modification Study will be used to define the finish line for this major project," said Tim Willadsen, Herbert Hoover Dike Rehabilitation Project Manager. "We will continue to reduce risk by replacing water control structures around the lake through 2018; this study will be the guiding document for projects we execute in the future."

At the meeting on Thursday at the Okeechobee County Health Department, Mr. Willadsen explained that they originally planned to work on the dike by dividing the repairs into projects for the eight "reaches."

The first reach, which goes from Port Mayaca to Belle Glade, was considered to have the highest risk of failure. The dike repair project started in that area, with a cutoff wall to prevent water seeping through the dike from eroding the earthen berm. Most of the work on that project has already been completed with some finishing work expected to be completed this year.

Mr. Willadsen explained that the dike, which was started in the 1930s and completed in the 1960s was built with the materials that were available at the time—gravel, rock, limestone, sand and shell. He said the dike does not meet modern construction standards. In some areas they don't even know the exact geological make-up of the materials used.

He explained that high lake levels build up pressure against the earthen berm, and cause water to seep into the dike.

The danger to the dike occurs when this seepage turns into piping as water moving through the dike washes away part of the material that makes up the dike. If enough material washes away, this can lead to catastrophic embankment failure.

Since 2007, the Corps has spent more than \$300 million on projects designed to reduce the risk of catastrophic failure of the aging structure.

In 2011, the Corps changed the approach to the dike work. Rather than use a reach by reach approach, the Corps decided to look at it as one large system and prioritize the projects that would do the most good, "getting the most bang for the buck," he explained.

The next project on the priority list was replacement or removal of culverts. Many of these old water control structures were built in the 1930s.

From a structural integrity perspective, culverts pose a risk of failure due to the loss of embankment material into and along the culverts.

As part of the federal culvert replacement program, the Corps will replace or remove 32 culverts within the HHD system. Culvert 14, north of Canal Point, was removed in 2011.

Replacement work began in 2012 at Culverts 11 and 16 south of Port Mayaca, at Culverts 1 and 1A east of Moore Haven, and at Culverts 3 and 4A near South Bay. Additional contracts for the replacement of other structures are expected to



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A dragline on a barge with a long-arm conveyor system is shown on Lake Okeechobee, in this 1966 photo from the Florida Archives Reference Collection. This system was to enlarge the Herbert Hoover Dike around the shore.

be awarded by the fall. The Corps anticipates removing or replacing all the culverts with construction continuing through 2018.

Mr. Willadsen said they have not determined what work will be done on the north side of the lake because they have not completed studies to find out exactly what materials were used to build that portion.

Don Fox, biologist with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, said they will have to work around the nesting season for the endangered Snail Kites that have been nesting in the area around Lock 7.

History of the HHD

The first embankments around Lake Okeechobee were constructed by local interest from sand and muck, circa 1915. Hurricane tides overtopped the original embankments in 1926 and 1928, resulting in over 2,500 deaths.

The River and Harbor Act of 1930 authorized the construction of 67.8 miles of levee along the south shore of the lake and 15.7 miles along the north shore. The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers constructed the levees between 1932 and 1938.

A major hurricane in 1947 prompted the need for additional flood and storm damage reduction work.

As a result, Congress passed the Flood Control Act of 1948 authorizing the first phase of the Central and South Florida (C&SF) Project, a comprehensive plan to provide flood and storm damage reduction and other water control benefits in Central and South Florida. The new dike system was completed in the late 1960s and named the Herbert Hoover Dike.

The dike system consists of 143 miles of levee with 19 culverts, hurricane gates and other water control structures.

The Corps will accept public comments on the study through March 18.

Comments may be emailed to HHDenvi-

ronment@usace.army.mil, or mailed to Angela Dunn, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Planning Division, Environmental Branch, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Fla. 32232-0019.

For more information on the study online, go to www.saj.usace.mil.



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Glades County Public Library

The Glades County Public Library will hold a cookbook silent auction from March 11 to March 15, at the library. Everyone is welcome.

Blingo Bingo

Blingo Bingo will be held on Tuesday, March 12, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Beef O' Brady's. It's just like Bingo, only the prizes will be jewelry from Park Lane Jewelry. For more information, please contact Michelle Podkowka at 239-851-7931 or Deanna Cherry at 239-233-9985.

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Did you know that 70 percent of people 12 and older who abuse prescription drugs get them from family or friends? Medications should never be flushed down the toilet and should always be disposed of properly.

Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on Friday, March 15, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Come drop off your unused and expired prescription and over-the-counter medications at your local K&M Drugs as part of our county-wide effort to decrease the amount of medications available for misuse or abuse.

Refreshments will be provided. This event is hosted in partnership with Drug Free Hendry County, Hendry County Sheriff's Office, and K&M Drugs.

Scarlet Fade in Concert

Come to First United Methodist Church of Clewiston on Friday, March 15, 7 p.m., to experience Scarlet Fade in concert. Admission is \$5 or two cans of food for our community food pantry.

Mr. and Mrs. Bubbles

First United Methodist Church of Clewiston invites you to dinner and fun with Dutch and Don Doornbos, also known as Mr. and Mrs. Bubbles, on Wednesday, March 13. Dinner begins at 6 p.m., and the program about 6:30 p.m. There is a suggested \$7 donation for dinner.

Fishing Tournament

The New Harvest Church is having their first

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Hendry County School Board is recruiting substitute bus drivers. If anyone is interested, please contact the Transportation Department at 863-983-1516.

annual fishing tournament on Saturday, March 16, from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. All proceeds are to benefit the youth ministry for their annual Total Abandonment trip. For more information, please contact Jim Cox at 863-233-3185 or Pastor David Strickland at 863-228-1468.

Class of 1983 Thirty Year Reunion

The Class of 1983 is having their Thirty Year Reunion scheduled for April 19 through 21. All class members who would like to attend are encouraged to email them at classof83_chs@yahoo.com. Anyone available and willing to help with the planning and preparation, please contact them by email.

Southwest Florida Conservative Alliance

Hendry County has a new club: Southwest Florida Conservative Alliance.

The first official meeting will be Tuesday, March 19, at 6 p.m. at Forrey's Restaurant meeting room.

CFRW will be meeting in conjunction with the SWFCA. The business meeting will be members only to elect officers.

There will be membership applications available.

Keynote speakers will be Duncan MacDonald and Fred Ford;

•Duncan is Director, Corporate Strategy and Business Development for United States Sugar

Corporation.

•Fred Ford is the President and CEO of Airglades International Airport (AIA).

This organization requires membership to attend meetings. For more information, please email Marianne, organizer of SWFCA, at lady-marianne@comcast.net.

Chemical Dependence Anonymous Meetings

Chemical Dependence Anonymous (CDA) meetings are being held on Mondays and Thursdays at 7 p.m., at Clewiston Gospel Ministries Church, located at 6800 Flaghole Road.

This is a 12-step program for drugs and alcohol. If you would like to know more about this group, please contact Gene at 863-983-4437.

CHS Class Reunion '03

Attention Class of '03, as the 10-year class reunion approaches we are asking all '03 graduates to please contact Dana Jo Alley-Vallejo at 863-599-1718 or by email at chs.classof2003@yahoo.com with your contact information.

The reunion is scheduled for Saturday, June 22. Please help us contact all of our classmates by passing this information along.

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Garden Club visit historic home

Clewiston Green Thumbs Garden Club recently visited Burroughs Home and Gardens, one of Ft. Myers' oldest homes. Badly damaged by Hurricane Charlie in August 2004, the home has undergone extensive repair and has come alive once again under the management of the Uncommon Friends Foundation. Even though the beautiful gardens of the past are gone, club members and their guests enjoyed the lovely and well kept gardens. Green Thumbs welcome anyone interested in joining the club. For more information, please call President Karen Cochrane at 561-926-1266.



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Youth Exhibit Swine at the Hendry County Fair

BY SONJA CRAWFORD

On Wednesday, Feb. 20, the 4-H/FFA Market Swine Show was held. The show consisted of 4-H and FFA members exhibiting their market swine, which ranged from 230 to 313 pounds.

The official judge of the evening was Mr. Rick Ahrens of Spring Hill, Florida.

The hogs were judged on muscling, correctness of finish, length of body, spring to the rib, design, productive type, and expected carcass desirability.

HCF Swine Exhibitors: Aaron Adams, Elijah Atkinson, Jon Basquin, Robyn Basquin, Jackson Belcher, Maddison Belcher, Savannah Bowers, Clewiston FFA Swine, Zoie Cotton, Caleb Curry, Camryn Curry, Channcy Curry, Morgan Daniels, Maya Denson, Kacie Durrance, Kody Durance, Cade Gibson, Kristin Gray, Dustin Gurganious, Vivian Haney, RJ Hansen, Hannah Hayes, Haylee Hayes, Jennah Hernandez, Brooke Jarvid, Kale Knaack, Kyle Knaack, Bryce Lawson, Carlie Lawson, Carley Morrell, Rachel Morrell, Jude Moss, Ryan Nesbitt, Ashton Nodal, Madison Nodal, Alee Perry, Mandi Perry, Montana Powell, Aidan Price, Layton Price, Alyssa Ralston, Weston Rayburn, Keelyn Sanchez, Alan Smith, Sinjin Soles, Mellaniny Spooner, Kylie Tarter, Tyllyn Tarter, Whitney Thompson, Laice Varnum, Leeana Varnum, Sara Walker, Seth Walker, Victoria Wheeler, Chloe White, Blake Whitlock, Davis Witt, and Ramsey Witt.



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Pictured left to right: Dustin Gurganious (3rd Place Senior), Weston Rayburn (1st Place Senior), Carley Morrell (2nd Place Senior), Chloe White (2nd Place Junior), Brooke Jarvis (3rd Place Junior), and Aaron Adams (1st Place Junior).

ria Wheeler, Chloe White, Blake Whitlock, Davis Witt, and Ramsey Witt.

The Grand Champion Swine was shown by Pigs N Co 4-H Club member, Seth Walker.

Seth's hog weighed 296 pounds and was purchased by Weeks Auction. Sara Walker of the Pigs N Co 4-H Club exhibited the Reserve Champion Hog weighing in at 289 pounds. Sara's hog

was purchased by Everglades Credit Union.

After the placing of the swine came the Showmanship category. Showmanship is the ability to exhibit an animal to its best advantage, as well as the overall care and training of the animal.

The exhibitors were judged on control, presentation to the judge, awareness of the judge and knowledge of the species. Planning, practicing and neat appearance will assist the exhibitor in being successful.

In the Junior Swine Showmanship division Aaron Adams achieved the first place award, with Chloe White in second and Brooke Jarvis in third place. Aaron, Brooke and Chloe are members of the Raisin Pork Pride 4-H Club.

In the Senior Swine Showmanship category Weston Rayburn captured the first place award with Carley Morrell achieving the second place award. Weston and Carley are members of the Raisin Pork Price 4-H Club. Dustin Gurganious, Pigs N Co 4-H'er, took the third place award.

Congratulations to all exhibitors for a great job exhibiting your project animal. Thank you club leaders, advisors, parents, volunteers, and fair committee members for a successful show.

The Raisin Pork Pride 4-H Club is led by Mrs. Michelle Rayburn and the Pigs and Company is under the leadership of Ms. Caitlin McGee. The Clewiston FFA Chapter is led by Ms. Jennie Goeff.



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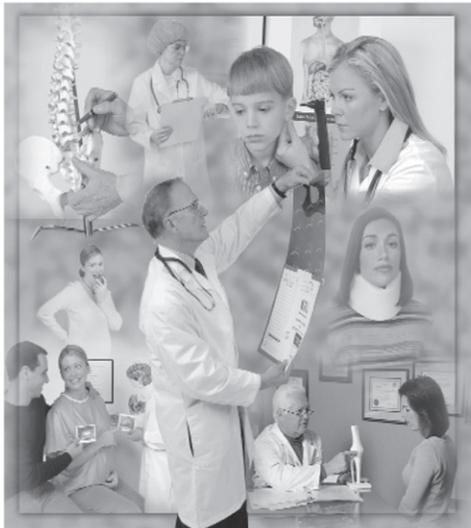
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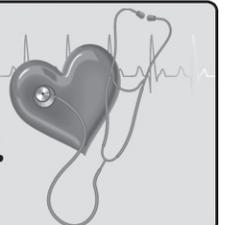
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Hendry County Fair Small Animal and Goat Show



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Left to right: Carlie Lawson, Tycee Prevatt, Madisyn Thomley, Kim Clement, and Luke Lawson.



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Left to right: Madisyn Thomley, Madeline Carroll, and Gabriel Lumpkin.

BY SONJA CRAWFORD

The Hendry County Fair Small Animal and Goat Show was held on Thursday, Feb. 21. Mrs. Tycee Prevatt served as the official judge.

In the Rabbit Division Madeline Carroll, Gabriel Lumpkin and Madisyn Thomley all received blue ribbons for their entry. Madeline and Gabriel participated as peewee 4-H'ers with Madisyn exhibiting as a junior 4-H'er. The Best of Show tro-

phy was awarded to Madisyn Thomley, who also took first place in the Junior Fitting and Grooming division.

In the Poultry Division Kadan Damms, Luke Lawson and Peyton Lee received blue ribbons for their poultry project. Kadan and Peyton participated as peewee 4-H members with Luke participating as a Junior 4-H member.

Luke Lawson captured the Best of Show trophy with his rooster as well as first place in the

Junior Fitting and Grooming division.

In the Goat Division Madeline Carlie Lawson, Luke Lawson and Madisyn Thomley received blue ribbons for their entry. Luke Lawson achieved the Best of Show trophy. In the Junior Fitting and Grooming category Madisyn Thomley took the first place award with the second place award going to Carlie Lawson.

Luke Lawson took third place. In the Junior Showmanship category Carlie Lawson captured

the first place trophy with Madisyn Thomley in second place and Luke Lawson receiving the third place award.

All of the small animal exhibitors were members of the Country Kritters 4-H Club led by Mrs. Liz Shaw.

The exhibitors did a fantastic job exhibiting their small animals. Thank you parents, leaders and volunteers, as well as fair committee members, for a great show week.



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Left to right, front row: Peyton Lee, Kadan Damms, and Luke Lawson. Back row: Tycee Prevatt.

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Religion Column

Looking and Seeing; Listening and Hearing

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

Somebody pointed out that for thousands of years people have been watching apples fall from trees. It took one man, Isaac Newton, to ask "What's going on here?" and see the force of gravity at work.

He wrote "Principia" to explain how gravity was related to the placement of the planets and the forces at work here on earth. A man was working in a metal shop with a large scrap yard of old, discarded pieces. As he walked through, he noticed that most all of the old metal was rusty, but there were a few pieces that were not. His curiosity led to the discovery of stainless steel and the benefits we receive from it in hygiene, maritime applications, and rigorous climates.

One man took his lunch to work with him when working on microwave transmission towers. He put his lunch near one of the antennas and found that it had been cooked when he opened it.

His observation and discovery led to the common household appliance that we take for granted and that has changed our lives, saving food, saving time cooking, and making reheating a snap – the microwave oven. People have things going on around them that others do not notice; but there are those who change the world by their observations and curiosity. The person who asks "What is going on here?" and seeks to find an answer has been called to have a special place in our lives.

These are the ones who make things better, who give something to humanity, who don't just shrug their shoulders and say "Oh well!" Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro

(Exodus 3:1ff) and sees a bush burning, "yet it was not consumed." His curiosity is piqued; God calls him from that bush and history is changed ever since. We always had dogs at our house while I was growing up.

They were fun, liked to play in their own way, would stay nearby when we were outside and took on the air of "living teddy bears." It was later in life that I began to observe the intelligence, the personality, the wisdom of those dogs that had come to me later in life; qualities of devotion, acceptance, willingness to live in a limited environment and the urge to protect, even if it meant great personal harm.

Surely, it was there all of the time and I did not see it. I ask "Where is God in all of this?" when people are worried about what is going on in their lives. Moses found him in something extraordinary- a blazing bush that would not burn up. The people that ask "Why is this happening to me?" might consider asking "Where is God in all of this?" and be the discoverer of something as great as gravity or stainless steel or microwave ovens in their own lives.

Some of the greatest saints and religious thinkers have begun on a path to God by saying "This isn't working!" and then seeking to find God in the midst of it all. Until we look diligently, we may not find Him; until we search again and again, His presence may seem illusive. Jesus' disciples were caught up in everyday, worldly cares, at one point worrying about having no bread (Mark 8:14ff).

He asks them "Do you have eyes but fail to see, and ears but fail to hear?(v. 18)" and reminds them that He fed five thousand and then four thousand, with lots left over.

Little by little they began to see and little by little began to hear. May we always be ready to look for Him and be ready to listen as He speaks to us and shows us His presence in the midst of all going on around us.



Sam Thomas



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Bass Anglers Monthly Tournament

The Clewiston Bass Anglers had their monthly tournament for March on the Lake June on March 3. First place was won by Jimmy Barnes, Dan Timms had second place and third place went to Mel Brant. Dan Timms had Big Bass Award with a 8.26 pound fish. If you are interested in joining the club, their monthly meetings are held at the club house at Roland Martin Marina and Resort the first Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m.

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Joyce Turner Drake, 80

BONITA SPRINGS — Joyce Turner Drake entered heaven on Feb. 26, 2013 at Hope Hospice House in Bonita Springs. She died after a 4 month battle with respiratory issues.



Throughout her entire life, Joyce is remembered for her constant and unfailing love in Jesus Christ whom she served since childhood. Her unfaltering smile and upbeat spirit encouraged all who were around her. She will always be remembered for the happiness she brought to those she loved.

Joyce was preceded in death by her loving husband, William "Pat" Drake, of 58 years.

She is survived by her son, Donnie Drake (Kathy) of West Palm; son, Marvin Drake of Clewiston; daughter, Patti (Gary) Muzzonigro of Bonita Springs; Tammie (Bud) Stephens of Fort Myers; grandchildren, Lori Hall, Jimmy Carithers, Jessica (Mark) Tate, Katie (Scott) McNulty, Lauren Drake, Daniel Drake, Patrick Drake, Erin Drake; her great grandchildren, Erica and Morgan Rudd, Kaylee and Ella McNulty, Chase and Caden Hall, and Gage Tate; her sister, Virginia Davidson of Atlanta Ga.; and many friends and loved ones.

She was laid to rest on March 1, 2013 at Ridgeway Cemetery in Clewiston, Fla.

View the online obituary and leave your condolences to the Drake family at www.akin-davis.com. Akin-Davis Funeral Home handled the arrangements.

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Inland Birding Fun: Common Yellowthroat (COYE)

BY MARGARET ENGLAND
Hendry-Glades Audubon

The Common Yellowthroat is a common bird that breeds in the continental United States, most of Canada, and Mexico. One of the 12 subspecies of this wood warbler breeds in Florida, while another six races have been documented in the state during the winter or migration.



Margaret England

The male has a pale olive back, wings, and tail. The chin, throat and upper chest are bright yellow. It has a whitish belly, dusky flanks, and broad black mask.

The female is similar to the male, but has an olive face and paler underparts. Occasionally the female will have a faint black mask. Immature birds resemble the female and get their adult plumage by their first spring. These small songbirds are often identified by their "wich-i-ty, wich-i-ty, which-i-ty" call.

The Common Yellowthroat is often found in dense thickets near water in wetland, prairies, or pine forest habitats. They glean plants or near the ground for insects and other invertebrates.

The breeding pair will raise two broods between mid-April and early July in Florida. Their well hidden nest is a loose bulky cup made of reeds or grasses which is placed on or near the ground. Females normally lay one to six white eggs which have brown markings.



PHOTO / KENNETH COLE SCHNEIDER

Common Yellowthroat Male.

The eggs are incubated by the female for 12 days and the young fledge when they are about 10 days old.

Mark your calendars for the 12th Big "O" Birding Festival from March 12 through 16. There will be free events on Tuesday, Wednesday and

Thursday at the Port LaBelle Inn. The first event will be the "Meet and Greet" from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 12.

This event will feature Greg Miller (Big Year)

and authors Amy Bennett Williams and Patty Brant. Local photographers will also displaying their photographs. On Wednesday March 13th Selena and Mark Kiser will present a program "Bats of Florida" at 7:30 p.m. Paddy Cunningham's presentation at the Port LaBelle Inn on Thursday, March 14, at 7:30 p.m. will be "Busy Mom's Guide to a Big Year or Lifers with Less."

There will also be paid events, field trips and dinner programs. The updated Big "O" Birding Festival is available online at www.bigobirdingfestival.com. Photography trips Wednesday through Friday are \$30 each (limited to 15 participants), dinners with programs are \$55 each on Thursday, Friday or Saturday evening.

Prices for bus trips Wednesday through Saturday with professional and prestigious guides and some meals vary. For information please call 863-675-0125 or e-mail bigobirdingfestival@gmail.com.

Go to the Hendry-Glades Audubon website for information about the Stormwater Treatment Area 5 driving trips. There are openings for the April 13 and April 27. Reservations are required.

Send an e-mail to Margaret England at sta5-birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202. Include your name and contact information including an emergency cell number, the date you want attend the STA5 trip, and the number of participants in your party.

Meet at the east end of Deer Fence Canal Road at 8:30 a.m. For a schedule of STA5 trips through Jan. 4, 2014 visit the HGAS website at www.hendrygladesaudubon.org.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Glades Electric Cooperative Inc.
Annual Meeting
Saturday, March 16, 2013
Lake Placid Middle School
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The purpose of the meeting is to elect trustees, vote on a proposed bylaw change and hear officers' annual reports. Registration, entertainment and voting will begin at 8 am. The business meeting will begin at 10 a.m.



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Lady Tigers Bounce Back, Shock Dragons in Softball

BY TIMOTHY SAENZ
Special to the Clewiston News

Sydney Duckstein went 4 for 4 and Savannah Ridgdill notched two critical, ninth inning strikeouts to lead the Clewiston Lady Tigers to an 11-9 win over Lake Placid Monday night. Both ladies helped the Tigers claw back from 5-0 and 9-7 deficits in the chilly thriller.

It was the second consecutive victory for the Lady Tigers, who drubbed Dunbar last week, 9-0. The non-district win at Lake Placid raised Clewiston to 4-4 overall (1-1 in the district) as they headed into Tuesday night's district match against archrival LaBelle. The Lady Tigers have struggled at home, where they are 1-4, but have sparked on the road with a 3-0 record.

In boys varsity baseball, the Tigers headed for a showdown with LaBelle Tuesday night also. They have split their last two games, a 5-2 non-district loss to Westwood and a 6-3 district win over Dunbar, both last week.

Ridgdill relieved senior starting pitcher Mandi Perry in the fifth, and the junior's strikeouts against a hard-hitting Dragon squad preserved a late lead against a team that came unglued when Ridgdill did not.

With the score tied at 9, Brooke Flynn led off the top of the ninth with an infield hit on a short, fly ball near the first base line that was just too low and too far for Lady Dragon pitcher Holly Krett to reach successfully. Flynn made first. Jenine Hannam followed with a molasses-like grounder that Lake Placid's second basewoman failed to approach. Both Flynn and Hannam touched base safely on the late throw to the shortstop.

A pass ball allowed Flynn and Hannam to reach third and second respectively. After Kaven Robinson struck out, Flynn slid across home plate like a comet on another pass ball. Alec Perry struck out. Then Hannam blazed across home while Lady Dragon catcher Brea Corley searched vainly for Krett's wild pitch while Rachel Morrell batted. Morrell and Kaci Pittman would reach base before the inning ended.

Lake Placid saw an opportunity to get back the two runs in the bottom of the ninth, but the lineup went three-and-out as Ridgdill victimized Raveen Gobourne and Shelbi Bertram with her pitching.

"It was scary, because, like, I wanted to be there for my team, but it was pretty nerve-racking," Ridgdill said after the game. "I didn't think about it. I just pitched and did my job."

Clewiston's ladies trailed 5-0 as they came to bat in the top of the third. They got all the runs back, thanks in part to sharp base running by Kaci Pittman, Duckstein, Mandi Perry, Kendra Johnson, and Flynn. Pass balls, and hits by the pitcher contributed to Tiger resurgence.

In the fourth, Duckstein ripped a double over third that drove in two runs and gave the Lady Tigers a 7-5 lead. The Lady Dragon responded with a four-run fourth that earned a 9-7 advantage. Duckstein smacked another single into center in the fifth that drove in two more runs and tied the game again, setting up the wild ninth inning.

"This is one time the girls fought back and stayed in the whole game," happy Head Coach Melissa Whitehead said. "They're growing, maturing, getting that competitiveness."



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Central Elementary Florida Writes

Central Elementary's 4th grade teachers motivating their students to do their best on the Florida writes.

S.R. 80 Project Moves Forward

BY SAVANNAH ROUNDS
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The project which began in mid-August of last year to expand S.R. 80 (from C.R. 833 to east of U.S. 27) has now begun to show the beginning stages of transformation.

This project's plan includes widening the roadway from two lanes to four, which will reduce commuting time between areas, improve passing and allow for an overall better flow of traffic, according to the Hendry County Engineering Department.

U.S. 27 traffic has been experiencing the first modifications made available for usage in the form of two newly constructed lanes.

The construction crew handling the project, Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, Inc., is currently working on making improvements to the S.R. 80/U.S. 27 interchange, which includes modifying the intersection with an overpass and realignment of U.S. 27. Crews will also add a

traffic signal at the overpass and install lighting at the interchange.

"These improvements, along with a new traffic signal and lighting, enhance traffic operation at this intersection," explained JoAnn May, Communications Specialist with the Florida Department of Transportation.

Crews are also presently working on the new westbound bridge and placing road base material and limerock. Paving of the new westbound lane can be expected this summer, and once completed traffic will be switched to the new westbound lanes while crews begin to build the two new eastbound lanes.

"Other project activity includes construction of retention ponds, ramp connections, drainage installation and resurfacing S.R. 80," stated May.

This project is estimated for completion by spring of 2014 and costs a total of \$9.4 million.

"These projects are moving along very well," said May.

ARREST REPORT

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

Edward William Coleman, 32



- Marijuana possession w/ intent to sell or deliver
- Arrested March 1 by Ofc. Garrett
- Burglary and larceny
- Arrested March 4 by Deputy McVey

Julio Cesar Garcia, 37



- Marijuana possession w/ intent to sell or deliver
- Arrested March 2 by Ofc. Rojas

Denzel Radcliffe, 18



- Aggravated battery
- Arrested March 4 by Deputy Hainley

Demetrius Dia'jon Richardson, 18



- Burglary, possession of burglary tools w/ intent to use
- Larceny of more than 5K, less than 10K
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Tips on How to Keep Your Land Pest-Free

Spending time outdoors can recharge the soul and bring the family together. In your own backyard you can find beauty, enjoyment and a place to connect with nature.

Whether you have a garden, woodlands or natural landscaping on your property, you'll want to keep your land healthy and free of unwanted pests.

"Although trees look strong, woodland ecosystems are particularly vulnerable to natural and man-made dangers that can gradually reduce the health and beauty of your woods," says Mike Burns, forester and program resource manager with the American Forest Foundation.

A U.S. Forest Service assessment released

last December predicts that as many as 34 million acres of forestland could be lost in the United States during the next 50 years, and that all regions in the United States will experience increased stress from natural disasters and pest infestations.

Luckily, there are steps landowners can take to help keep trees and woodlands safe from pests:

- Keep an eye out for changes. On trees, spots of yellow or brown or some thinning needles might be the effects of natural shading on lower limbs – or it might be a disease or insect that's about to spread to other trees.
- Monitor for pests and signs of disease every

month or two. Check trees on the trunk, limbs, twigs, under peeling bark and leaves -- the most likely places to find injuries. Keep your eye open for things that look out of the ordinary.

• Online resources can help you become a better steward of your land. If you own some woodlands, consider signing up for the My Land Plan resource, launched by the American Forest Foundation. My Land Plan can help you connect with up-to-date information about pest threats, map your land's boundaries and record changes over time, all at www.MyLandPlan.org. You can explore the website's newly expanded invasive pest and pathogen section and locate professional services available for your needs.

• If you suspect an outbreak, collect samples

of tree damage and any associated pests to accurately identify the problem, which may have more than one cause. Take pictures and notes on your trees' symptoms. Often pictures are enough for an expert to identify the problem and help you figure out what to do next. Next steps can be identified by your state forestry agency or department of natural resources.

• If you discover an insect that you suspect might be a danger to your trees, seal it in a container and store it in the freezer until you can deliver it to a proper authority.

In the long run, nature might well be invincible, but in the short run, residents may need a helping hand to protect local land to keep trees healthy.

Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

- Makes the cut, in a way
- Soviet news acronym
- Boating stopover
- Century threshold
- Like many churches: Abbr.
- Class
- Impression
- Empty-vehicle weight
- Thanksgiving Day Parade sponsor
- *Sounds familiar
- What's left
- Show done at 30 Rock
- Beneficiaries of some drives
- You-here connector
- Tree in some Constable paintings
- FDR's mother
- 180-degree lenses
- Valentine's Day quantities
- Utah's gemstone
- Jar topper
- 1992 upstart candidate
- Observes Yom Kippur
- On one's tax return
- Durante's "that is"
- Blue ___: certain strike action
- 2002 British Open champ
- Auto insurance giant
- DOJ enforcer
- Favorable
- *Easy place to go downhill
- A noble gas
- Grouse
- "I got it!" reactions
- Experiencing reverence
- First name in fashion
- Country retreats
- ___ goat
- One partner?
- What the start of each starred answer is part of, for a company that intersects that answer

DOWN

- Move a bit
- Volkswagen brand
- Singer of complex songs
- Impediments
- "Of course, dude!"
- ___ League
- Throat ailment
- Natural necklace components
- Systemic suffix
- *Daydreamer
- Baccalauréat awardee
- "Family Ties" mom
- Measures ability in
- Scorn
- Coveted role
- They don't graduate
- Old Spice alternative
- Knee-slapper
- Nickname on the Boston Garden ice
- Blanc with voices
- *Easily
- Isaac Newton, e.g.

- One-named Deco artist
- Seasonal song
- Stylebook entries: Abbr.
- HDTV part, briefly
- Rough guess
- Marilyn Monroe was its first cover girl
- Siding plaster
- "Encore!"
- Liza's half-sister Luft
- Boston airport
- Scandal-plagued energy giant
- Thrash
- Salt letters
- "Heaven help me!"
- Sudden ache
- Canadian gas
- Napoleonic marshal

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE:

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Gas Price Update

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have fallen 5.3 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.80/g on Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 8,237 gas outlets in Florida. This compares with the national average that has fallen 2.8 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.70/g.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 1.8 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 21.6 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 0.7 cents per gallon lower

than this day one year ago. "Gasoline prices have continued to remain relatively stable in the last week, falling a few cents per gallon, providing well needed relief to motorists," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

"Perhaps more noteworthy, however, is the fact that current average gasoline prices have now fallen under their year ago levels. And perhaps the best news is that the national average will likely continue to decline in most areas east of the Rockies in the week ahead as wholesale gasoline prices have given up ground," DeHaan said.

NOTICE OF CHANGE OF TELEPHONE NUMBERS HENDRY COUNTY

The Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida hereby gives notice of change of telephone numbers for various Hendry County departments. The previous Clewiston phone numbers forwarded to the LaBelle offices will no longer be used.

Below is the current listing of telephone numbers for various departments:

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Hendry County Planning & Zoning	(863) 675-5240
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Hendry County Veterans Services	(863) 675-5250
Hendry County Extension Office	(863) 674-4092

County employees are available from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm, Monday to Friday. We welcome any inquiries or concerns you may have.

Hendry County Board of County Commissioners
Karson Turner, Chairman

Clewiston's Track Teams Come Out Victorious at Home Meet

Tigers outlast Glades Day, Gold Coast, LaBelle and Lake Placid with ease

BY NAJI TOBIAS

Special to the Clewiston News

Though it was considered to be a 'small' track meet for the Clewiston Tigers, it turned out to be a good one.

Held at Cane Field on Feb. 26, Clewiston's boys and girls track teams ran past the likes of Glades Day, Gold Coast, LaBelle, and Lake Placid to win the meet.

It's something that dawned upon Clewiston senior Karl Powell, who won the boys discus event with a recorded throw of 108 feet, 7 and one-half inches.

"It feels good to come out here and represent my home team," Powell said. "We set the tone out here and let the other teams know who's on top."

Powell beat out discus favorite and Glades Day senior Eli Johnson, who recorded a top throw of 105 feet, 3 and one-half inches – good for second place in the event.

Meanwhile, Clewiston sophomores Lenorris Gaines and Tyrone Washington took home top honors in the boys long jump (17 feet, 11 inches) and 200 meter run (23.44 seconds), respectively.

In addition to that, Clewiston's De'Marcus

Terry and Daniel Holligan tied for top honors in the boys 100 meter run (11.72 seconds), while the boys 4x100 team placed first overall (46.17 second) to beat out LaBelle (47.00 seconds) and Gold Coast (48.79 second), respectively.

And amazingly, the boys 400 meter run was dominated by Clewiston, as Holligan (57.84 seconds – first place) and seven other Tigers placed in the top eight to score points for their team.

"We've been working hard in our practices and it paid off for us," said Clewiston senior Tyler Clemmons, who placed third in the boys 400 meter run with a recorded time of 59.17 seconds. "We're just trying to get better as individuals and as a team in every meet we compete in."

As for the Clewiston girls, Naquesha Pope placed first overall in the 100 meter hurdles (18.92 seconds) and 300 meter hurdles (59.90 seconds).

Other victories on the girls side came from the likes of Ednisha Cottman (27.38 in the 200 meter run), Elizabeth Minero (1:07.19 seconds in the 400 meter run; 2:36.97 seconds in the 800 meter run), Kiana Hardy (16 feet, 4 and one-half inches in the long jump; 30 feet, 3 inches in the triple jump) and Kris Sharia Roye (68 feet, 11 inches in the discus).

"We've got some good kids who are willing to work hard," Clewiston boys track coach Phillips Summers said. "Our boys and girls work together as one unit and I felt it helped with the overall chemistry of our team. We're heading in the right direction with this program."



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Freshmen Alayana Pierro and Crystal Vasquez impress in the girls 100 meter hurdles.

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School Employees of the Year

2013 School-Related Employee of the Year Nominees and Winner Nominees were honored with a luncheon on Jan. 23. Each were presented with an engraved plaque by their supervisor. Superintendent Paul Puletti presented Terri Garcia with the 2013 Hendry County School-Related Employee of the Year. Back row, left to right: Maria Delgado, Office Manager for District/Federal Programs. Donna Smith, Clerk/Typist for Clewiston High School. Charlotte Patterson, Paraprofessional for Westside Elementary School. Eddie Quevedo, Custodian for Central Elementary School. Front row, left to right: Melissa Hall, Bookkeeper for Eastside Elementary School. Terri Garcia, Bookkeeper for Clewiston Middle School and 2013 Hendry County School-Related Employee of the Year.



BAND

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brought it back to the light of day, or at least the light of a music stand lamp, and not only is the Clewiston High School band going to play it, but Wilson's bringing in the big boys and girls to play it with her and her band – the Florida Gulf Coast University Wind Orchestra, under the direction of Dr. Rod M. Chestnutt, conductor – in a one-show-only Mega Concert at Clewiston High School.

It's part of the 75th Anniversary of the Clewiston High School Band that will include the school's Alma Mater on Sunday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium, thanks in large part, Wilson says, to generous support from First Bank of Clewiston. Tickets are only \$5, and they promise to go fast.

"We are bringing over the FGCU Wind Orchestra, their top ensemble, to share a concert with our band," she said.

It wasn't going to be cheap to bring the wind orchestra over to Clewiston, so how did Wilson manage that?

"I asked very nicely," she said with a smile.

Of course, it helps if you studied under the conductor.

The Mega Concert is divided into three parts.

First, the Clewiston High School Band shows its stuff with the performance of Royal March, Yorkshire Ballad, and Battle Pavane, all with an English feel and suitable for a small band.

The FGCU Wind Orchestra takes the spotlight for part two, in a performance that will include Offenbach's famous and beloved Infernal Gallop and a selection from Carmina Burana.

The finale features the band and the wind orchestra playing together and, in the last piece, three singers from the Clewiston High School chorus.

They will perform the Everglades Sugar March, with Wilson conducting the Johann Sebastian Bach composition and Come, Sweet Death, which will be guest conducted by Clewiston Middle School Band Director Candace Cohowcz, America the Beautiful, conducted by Chestnutt, and the singing of the Clewiston High School Alma Mater.

Wilson said Clewiston's band has been preparing arduously for the concert and also have to do an assessment today in Fort Myers, which she explained as an SAT for musicians.

Tickets will be available at the door, if any are left, but they can be purchased by contacting Wilson through the front office at Clewiston High School at 863-983-1520 or by emailing your request at wilsonk@hendry.k12.fl.us.

"I can't believe we're getting the cream of culture here in our little town, at our little high school," said one incredulous staff member.

Believe it, 'cause it's happening Sunday, March 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Clewiston High School Auditorium. Doors open at 7 p.m.



CHS Band and Chorus Director, Katie Wilson



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This photo shows the Florida Gulf Coast University Wind Orchestra of Fort Myers. The conductor, Dr. Rod M. Chestnutt, stands at the rear with his baton between the bassoon and tuba players.

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Black History Month at Central

Central Elementary's Mrs. Weekley's fifth grade class completed research projects on famous African Americans in history in honor of black history month.

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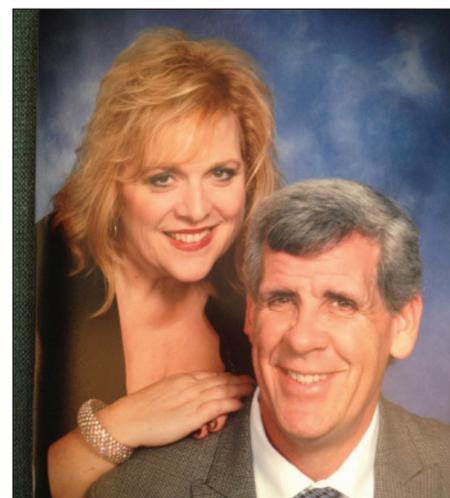
ENGAGEMENT

**HANNAH CZOSKI
JEFF PERRY**

Mr. Jeff Perry announces his engagement to Hannah Czoski.

Hannah came to Florida 3 years ago from Chicago by way of Sanibel Island. She presently serves as Minister of Music at Carlson Memorial Methodist Church, where she also manages a music studio for private lessons and music classes.

Perry is a native of Clewiston and resides in Port Labelle Florida, where the couple hopes to make their home after their July 7 wedding this year. They are registered at Bed Bath and Beyond.



Bishop Verot and Clewiston Duke it Out in Defensive Gem

SPEAK OUT

BY TIMOTHY SAENZ

Special to the Clewiston News

You could cut the tension with the proverbial knife.

Two defensive baseball powerhouses – Clewiston and Bishop Verot - circled, skipped, lunged, countered, and backpedaled. They probed each other for weakness and slammed doors shut on those same probes.

When seven innings were over at Sugarland Park on February 21, Bishop Verot escaped with a 2-0 win, and Clewiston sent a loud and clear message: you aren't alone in the district any more. The difference in the tally came on one first inning play: a dropped fly ball just outside the infield track with two outs on the board. The error led to two unearned runs after the Vikings had loaded the bases.

Senior pitcher Justin Goldberg and his teammates played an otherwise superb defensive game. In the top of the second, Goldberg whipped the ball to first baseman Dakota Jackman, who tagged out Viking Zack Chappell when the latter strayed too far from first.

The Tigers turned a double play in the third when shortstop Luis Rosquete fielded a hit and hurled the ball to Luis Rosquete on second, who threw it to Jackman covering first. One batter later, the top half of the inning was over when right fielder Yasmani Sanchez snagged a fly.

The alert and tight defensive play continued in the fourth. Viking Izzy Brito landed on first with a base hit to center. Then he got greedy. He scampered desperately to second, but Jackman caught him in a rundown and made the throw to Rosquete, who nailed Brito before he could reach second.

Jackman and Goldberg would combine on the final out of the top of the fourth, with Jackman snaring a grounder by Viking Anthony Tejada and whipping the ball back to Goldberg, who ran over and covered first.

Goldberg walked the first Viking batter in the top of the fifth but soon returned to his knack for erasing lead runners. Goldberg fielded the next batter's grounder and threw to Rosquete for the fielder's choice out at second. The Viking who took first, Richie Nizza, made second on a steal, but he reached too far when he tried to make third on a bouncer to Goldberg. Goldberg whipped the ball over to third baseman Ryan Garcia, who tagged Nizza out.

Goldberg barely missed a liner that ricocheted off the top of his glove his glove and allowed men on first and second. That situation didn't last. Goldberg made Viking Evan Dougherty pop up to Jackman for the final out.

And it was three up and three down for Bishop Verot in their half of the sixth. Goldberg instantly caught a liner that came at him like a shot out of a cannon. Garcia threw out the second batter at first. Goldberg got Viking Danny Tufariello to fly out to Sanchez.

Clewiston's best chances to score came in the bottom of the sixth, when they finally wore down Viking starting pitcher Jeff Passantini. All night the ace had been hurling heat and a variety of pitches that confounded the Tigers, chalking up nine strikeouts.

But cleanup slugger Miguel Perera had bitten into Passantini's confidence, or at least his stamina. The two had gone toe to toe in the fourth inning. Perera had laid wood to the stitched sphere, repeatedly battering it into foul territory. Passantini won that battle, but it took a lot out of him.

By the bottom of the sixth, he was ready to go. After Brock Ramer flied out to right, Passantini walked Stephen McKown. Josh Rojas followed with a hard grounder over third that put the tying runs at first and second. The Vikings pulled Passantini and sent Zack Chappell to the mound. Garcia flied out to left. While Goldberg batted, Viking catcher Tejada tried to make a play at second that backfired, and McKown and Rojas advanced to third and second respectively.

The Tiger threat ended, however, when Chappell got Goldberg to fly out to left.

Bishop Verot labored in the seventh to build an insurance lead. They loaded the bases on a Tiger tactical miscue, but Head Coach Terry Crawford elected to pull Goldberg and insert Rosquete.

The Tigers' ability to erase base runners undid Bishop Verot's offense. Moss fired a ball to Ramer at home for one force-out, then Ramer tagged another runner on a squeeze play. Rosquete finished the top half with a strikeout.

The Tigers were unable to repeat their sixth inning eruption, and went out 1-2-3. Nonetheless, Crawford believed the game proved the Tigers are ready to compete for a district championship.

"That's one of the premier teams in the state. It could have gone either way tonight," Crawford said after the game. "Justin pitched a masterful game, and defensively we played a great game. Our infielders made some great plays tonight."

Clewiston was scheduled to play two more games before publication but too late to be included.

Dear Editor,

A group of Hendry County Employees would like to submit this letter. We are under scrutiny with everything we do. If there was some way we could apologize to Mr. Stillwell and Mr. Veach and not jeopardize our jobs, your printing this letter is one solution.

We are embarrassed and ashamed of the way our Board of County Commissioners have treated the professionals that advertised for the position of County Administrator.

Thank you.

Three truths define working for the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners: Morale is low. Pay inadequate. Leadership nonexistent. Last week's inability to make a decision put the nail in the coffin and buried all hopes of having an Administrator by the second quarter and probably the third also.

Five adults could not agree after weeks of accepting applications, weeding through applications and getting down to the two finalists. Two very good finalists. Either one would have been accepted by the general employee population. The final two were checked out by employees through the grapevine. Previous employees spoke very highly. Veach and Stillwell... each man had good qualities and would have been an asset to this county. Stillwell's employees praised the man for letting them do their job and take ownership of their positions and not being micro managed; what a refreshing idea! Veach is quick to take action and gets the job done; yet another refreshing idea.

Asset... that's the problem. A true professional, a seasoned veteran of government man-

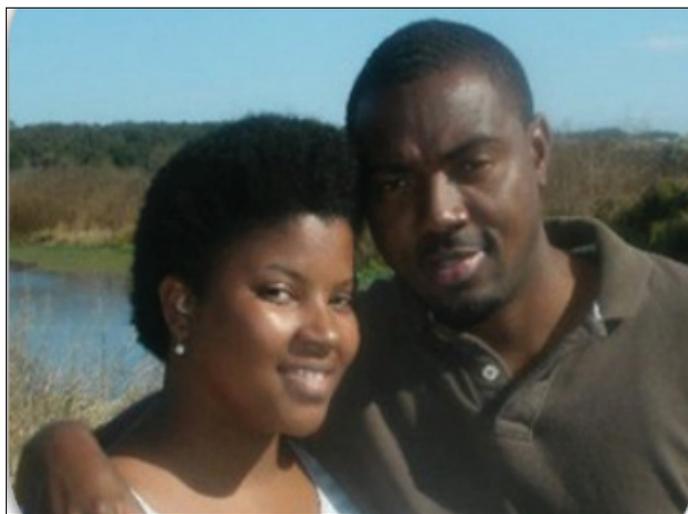
agement. Each was going to do their job and not coddle the Board, perhaps not put up with the unruly, immature, old fashioned, racist, and ignorant BOCC. Five members who were voted in, and can be voted out, should be voted out. Unfortunately not every employee can vote in Hendry County.

You have no respect from your employees. Do you understand that morale is in the toilet? Do you understand that micro management kills productivity? Putting employees in a box is not good business, not in 2013. An attorney and an accountant cannot together hold a mere flicker of a candle to the two candidates that you let walk away. Common sense should have been used ... when one candidate doesn't take your offer, don't shut the dialogue down. Bargain and go to the second choice and bargain some more. But you do not close the day without hiring one of them. No matter how obnoxious and immature Mr. Tuner acts.

Do you understand that when real estate prices increase, even by a small margin, employees are ready to leave this area and when that happens you will lose years of experience? You will lose families. The cutting and cutting and moving funds without clearly listening to the Supervisors, the experts in their fields, has put this county in a precarious state of liability. It is very apparent that you do not understand that your job is to provide for the safety and well being and enhanced lives of the voters that put you in that seat.

No respect. We have no respect for this Board. You have embarrassed us and given this County a bad reputation.

Congratulations.



ENGAGEMENT
**ADRIA MCKIRE &
OLAWALE ADELEYE**

Howard McKire Jr. and Trivel Cooper McKire are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Adria, to Olawale Adeleye, son of Mrs. Jumoke Adeleye and the late Kayode Adeleye. Adria is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard McKire, Sr of Clewiston, FL

Adria is a 2010 graduate of the University of Florida with a major in Family, Youth, and Community Sciences and a minor in Education. She's currently employed at Pennfield Middle School as a Lesser Restrictive Environment Aide in Battle Creek, MI.

Wale received his bachelor's degree from the University of Lagos in 2006 majoring in System's Engineering. He later received his Master's degree in Industrial Engineering from the University of Florida in 2008. Wale is currently employed as a Senior Web Developer with R+L Carriers.

The wedding will be held at Greater Bethel A.M.E. Church, Pompano Beach, FL, on April 13, 2013.

The couple plans to reside in Boston, MA where Adria will work towards her Master's degree in Education.

Arrest Blotter

On Monday, March 4, a suspicious incident was called in to the Hendry County Sheriff's Office: several men were seen loading flat screen televisions from an apartment into a vehicle.

When deputies arrived on scene, the four suspects fled on foot, leaving the vehicle behind. Officers chased down the suspects, following one to Lover's Rock nightclub, where the suspect attempted to hide in the facilities bathroom.

Upon questioning the suspect, he claimed that he fled from deputies because he had two

ounces of marijuana on him, but denied being involved in the alleged burglary.

It was found that a Sony Playstation, several games, two flat screen televisions, a diamond ring, a portable dvd player, an Element Electronics monitor, a laptop, and 90 prescription pills of Oxycodone were taken from the home.

As the suspects left the vehicle behind while attempting to evade being arrested, all of the items were still located in the vehicle and were given back to the family.



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City of Pahokee is accepting applications for Code Compliance Officer, part-time.

Please refer to:
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All Applicants must pass a drug screen and background check.

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

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Apartment

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Public Notices

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 2013-DR-011

In re: Marriage of:
WADE PATRICK TABOR
Petitioner
And
LUCINDA SUE PALMER
Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: LUCINDA SUE PALMER
Last known domicile or residence:
RADCLIFF, KENTUCKY

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for uncontested dissolution of marriage has been filed against you in this action pending in Glades County, Florida, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses or answer if any, on Petitioners attorney:
JOHN R. COOK P.A.
PO Box 515
Okeechobee, Florida 34973

Within thirty (30) days of first publication of this Notice of Action, and file the original with the Clerk of Court, PO Box 10, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, either before service on Petitioner's attorney, or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief sought in the petition.
FIRST PUBLICATION the 28th day of February, 2013.

John R. Cook
PO Box 515
Okeechobee, FL 34972
(863) 467-0297
Florida Bar 0262951

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS PROCEEDING SHOULD CONTACT COURT ADMINISTRATION NOT LATER THAN SEVEN DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDING AT THE LEE COUNTY JUSTICE CENTER, 1700 MONROE ST., FT. MYERS, FLORIDA 33901 WITHIN TWO WORKING DAYS OF YOUR RECEIPT OF THIS NOTICE. IF YOU ARE HEARING IMPAIRED DIAL 711.
437334 CN 3/7,14,21,28/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 12000801CAAXMX

BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., Plaintiff
vs.
FRANCES Y. HOLLIGAN A/K/A FRANCES Y. HINDS, et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: **FRANCES Y. HOLLIGAN A/K/A FRANCES Y. HINDS**: ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 905 ARKANSAS AVE, CLEWISTON, FL 33440
UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FRANCES Y. HOLLIGAN A/K/A FRANCES Y. HINDS: ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 905 ARKANSAS AVE, CLEWISTON, FL 33440

Residence unknown and if living, including any unknown spouse of the Defendant, if remarried and if said Defendant is dead, his/her respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, lienors, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant; and the aforementioned named Defendant and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendant and such of the unknown name Defendant as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not sui juris.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following described property to-wit:

LOT 17, BLOCK B, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 8, PHASE ONE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 136 AND 137, COUNTY OF HENDRY, FLORIDA.
more commonly known as: **905 ARKANSAS AVE, CLEWISTON, FL 33440**

This action has been filed against you, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on the Plaintiff's attorney, FLORIDA FORECLOSURE ATTORNEYS, PLLC, whose address is 601 Cleveland Street, Suite 690, Clearwater, FL 33755, on or before 30 days after date of first publication, response due by February 8, 2013, and file the original with the Clerk of the Circuit Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 31st day of Dec., 2012.
Clerk of the Court
HENDRY County, Florida
BY: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

437154 CN 2/28;3/7/2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2012-13CP
PROBATE DIVISION

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF **ELSWORTH SEALES**
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of Elsworth Seales, deceased, case number 2012-13CP pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Probate Division, the address of which is Hendry County Clerk of Courts, PO Box 1760, Labelle, Florida, 33975. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. Elsworth Seales, deceased, died on 10-28-11, D.O.B.: 10-25-56 and S.S. # xxx - xx - 4834. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmaturing, contingent or unliquidated claims, on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
The date of the first publication of this notice is March 7, 2013.

Personal Representative:
Thaddeus Seles
Attorney for Personal Representative:
THE PAIGE LAW FIRM, P.A.
D. Riccardo Paige, Sr.
257 MLK Blvd SE
Belle Glade, Florida 33430
(561) 996-9255 Fax: (561) 996-9337
Florida Bar No.: 0539406
437623 CN 3/7,14/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2012-CA-000137

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Successor by Merger to Chase Home Finance, LLC Successor by Merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation Plaintiff
-VS-
Julio C. Hernandez and Selinda M. Herrera-Hernandez, Husband and Wife; International Fidelity Insurance Company; Unknown Parties 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 ACTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 14, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2012-CA-000137 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Successor by Merger to Chase Home Finance, LLC Successor by Merger to Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation, Plaintiff and Julio C. Hernandez and Selinda M. Herrera-Hernandez, Husband and Wife are defendant(s), Clerk of Court, BARBARA S. BUTLER, 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 17, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 5, BLOCK A, SABAL PALM COURT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 61, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

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
437398 CN 3/7,14/2013

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in HENDRY County, Florida:
LOT 9, BLOCK 2168, PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, ACCORDING TO THE MAP OR PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.
has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses within 30 days after the first publication, if any, on Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, PL, Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 4919 Memorial Highway, Suite 200, Tampa, Florida 33634, and file the original with this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or petition.

This notice shall be published once each week for two consecutive weeks in the Clewiston News.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on this 1st day of March, 2013.

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

Ronald R Wolfe & Associates, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
CENTRAL COUNTY - cadilla-Team 4 - F11040607-F11040607
**See Americans with Disabilities Act in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding.
438073 CN 3/7,14/2013

Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does hereby certify that James Way conducting a Laundromat business at 339 W. Hickpoochee Ave., Florida, under the fictitious name of Wash Tub Laundromat and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose names and places of residence are as follows:

James Way
270 Riverview Drive
Ownership of Wash Tub Laundromat is as follows:
Wash Tub Laundromat LLC 100%
It is my intention to apply to the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations to register the said name of Wash Tub Laundromat under the provisions of Chapter 90-267, laws of Florida, Acts of 1991.
James Way
DATE: 2-27-13
437854 CN 3/7/2013

Public Notice

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

You are hereby notified that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 7 pm at Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing herein referred to or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. PLEASE NOTICE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH FOR THE YEAR 2013, UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED.
437424 CN 2/28;3/7,14,21/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 26-2012-CA-000381

ML BANK & TRUST, Plaintiff,
vs.
SYLVIA EDMONDSON, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: **SYLVIA EDMONDSON**
LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
4024 S Edgewater Circle
Labelle, FL 33935
CURRENT ADDRESS:
56 Montague Crescent
Northampton, England, NNS 7RH
Labelle, FL 33935

KEITH VINCENT EDMONDSON

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS:
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Labelle, FL 33935
CURRENT ADDRESS:
56 Montague Crescent
Northampton, England, NNS 7RH
Labelle, FL 33935

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

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS: UNKNOWN
CURRENT ADDRESS: UNKNOWN

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does hereby certify that James Way conducting a Laundromat business at 339 W. Hickpoochee Ave., Florida, under the fictitious name of Wash Tub Laundromat and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose names and places of residence are as follows:

James Way
270 Riverview Drive
Ownership of Wash Tub Laundromat is as follows:
Wash Tub Laundromat LLC 100%
It is my intention to apply to the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations to register the said name of Wash Tub Laundromat under the provisions of Chapter 90-267, laws of Florida, Acts of 1991.
James Way
DATE: 2-27-13
437854 CN 3/7/2013

Public Notice

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

You are hereby notified that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Central County Water Control District will be held on Wednesday, March 27, 2013 at 7 pm at Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing herein referred to or she may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. PLEASE NOTICE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON THE FOURTH WEDNESDAY OF EVERY MONTH FOR THE YEAR 2013, UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVISED.
437424 CN 2/28;3/7,14,21/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case #: 2009-CA-000966

U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for ABFC 2007-WMCI Trust Plaintiff vs- Sonia Margarita Avelo a/k/a Sonia M. Avelo; Unknown Heirs, Grantees, Assignees, Creditors, Lienors and Trustees of Zoraida Ojeda, Deceased, and all other Persons Claiming by and Through, Under, Against the Named Defendant(s) Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 14, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000966 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein U.S. Bank, National Association, as Trustee for ABFC 2007-WMCI Trust, Plaintiff and Miguel A. Neira and Lorena Neira, Husband and Wife are defendants. I, Clerk of Court, BARBARA S. BUTLER 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 COURT-HOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on April 17, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 64, BLOCK B, SUGARLAND ESTATES ADDITION NO. 1 ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 124 AND 125, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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

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 437400 CN 3/7,14/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No.: 12-163-DR

Danilo Caballero, Petitioner and Donna Watt, Respondent

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR DISSOLUTION OF MARRIAGE (NO CHILD OR FINANCIAL SUPPORT)

TO: Donna Watt Last Known Address: 4302 Martinique Cir. Pompano Beach, FL 33066

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for dissolution of marriage has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Danilo Caballero whose address is 219 Margaret Street, Clewiston, FL 33440, and file the original with the clerk of this Court before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition. The action is asking the court to decide how the following real or personal property should be divided.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request. You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915). Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings. 437580 CN 2/28;3/7,14,21/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION Case #: 2009-CA-000740

BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP Plaintiff, vs- Sonia Margarita Avelo a/k/a Sonia M. Avelo; Unknown Heirs, Grantees, Assignees, Creditors, Lienors and Trustees of Zoraida Ojeda, Deceased, and all other Persons Claiming by and Through, Under, Against the Named Defendant(s) Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order of Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated February 14, 2013, entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000740 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP, Plaintiff and Sonia Margarita Avelo a/a/k/a Sonia M. Avelo are defendant(s). I, Clerk of Court, BARBARA S. BUTLER 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 COURT-HOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M. on April 17, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 12, BLOCK 9, WOODLAND SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 1 AND 2, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

TOGETHER WITH TI-TAT CERTAIN YEAR: 1995, MAKE: FLEETCRAFT, VIN#: FLFL570A 232795K31 AND VIN#: FLFL570B232795K31. 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 LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE.

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact 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 437582 CN 3/7,14/2013

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE POSITION FOR SENIOR MANAGEMENT SERVICE CLASS

Take notice that the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, will consider designating the position of Information Technology Director for Hendry County for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class within the Florida Retirement System under the provisions of Section 121.055, Florida Statutes, at its regularly scheduled meeting, on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA Karson Turner, Chairman

438079 CN/CB 3/7,14/2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

PRETRIAL SUBCOMMITTEE HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Pretrial Subcommittee of the Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council will hold a meeting on Wednesday, March 13, 2013, at 10:00 A.M., in Conference Room #1, 1st Floor, 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, Florida, 33955. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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.

Board of County Commissioners Hendry County, Florida 437950 CB/CN 3/7/2013

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF RITTA DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Ritta Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Ritta Drainage District for the year 2012, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 11:30 AM, for the purpose of:

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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS RITTA DRAINAGE DISTRICT BY: Steve Stiles, President 437532 CN/BGS 2/28;3/7/2013

Public Notice

Public Notice

Legal Notice Notice of Special Election

Notice is hereby given that the City of South Bay, Florida, will hold a Special Election on Tuesday, May 14, 2013 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing two Commissioners to fill the unexpired terms of two Commissioners. There will be one Commissioner elected representing seat "4" and one Commissioner elected representing seat "5". Candidates must be a resident and qualified elector of the City of South Bay. The Candidates elected will serve until the term expires or until the suspend-elect Commissioner is reinstated by the Governor of the State of Florida.

The first day for qualifying begins March 26, 2013, at noon, and the final day for qualifying is April 09, 2013, at noon. Candidates must file in person with the City Clerk at City Hall, 335 S.W. 2nd Avenue, South Bay, Florida, during regular office hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.), until said date and time. Each Candidate shall be voted upon by the electorate at large.

City of South Bay Jessica Figueroa City Clerk 437818 CN 3/7,14/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1103, 2009, 1344331-0100000380, Stephanie C. Sanchez

A parcel of land in the surveyed portion of fractional Section 34, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows:

West of canal known as the 42 foot canal and described in Book 56, Pages 541 to 547, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida, more particularly described as follows: Commencing at the Southwest corner of said Section 34 run North 01 degrees 40' 12" East, along the West boundary line of said Section 34 a distance of 4430.25 feet to a Point-of-Beginning of this description; thence continuing North 01 degrees 40' 12" East along said West boundary line of Section 34 a distance of 242.96 feet; thence South 89 degrees 06' 34" East a distance of 394.89 feet; thence South 01 degrees 40' 12" West a distance of 242.96 feet; thence North 89 degrees 06' 34" West a distance of 394.89 feet to the said Point-of-Beginning of this description. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 38, 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.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2013, which is the 21st day of March, 2013.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2013 Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

436456 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

Public Notice

INVITATION TO BID

Sealed bids will be received by the City of Clewiston at City Hall, Attention: 2013 Paving Project, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440 until Wednesday March 27, 2013, 2:00 p.m. The Bids will be opened immediately following the bid submittal deadline at City Hall.

The project is titled 2013 Paving Project. The work consists of installing approximately 33,641 square yards of one inch (1") AP-9.5 asphalt overlay, stripping, and other associated work.

All materials furnished and all work performed, shall be in accordance with the plans, specifications, and contract documents pertaining thereto, which may be examined at the office of Johnson-Prewitt & Associates, Inc., 850 West Ventura Avenue, Post Office Box 1029, Clewiston, Florida 33440. The documents, plans, and blank bid forms may be obtained from this office for a NON-REFUNDABLE fee of \$20.00 per set.

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

The owner reserves the right to hold all bids for thirty (30) days and to reject any and all bids, with or without cause, to waive technical errors and informalities, or to accept the bid in its judgment that serves the owner.

Marilyn McCorvey, City Clerk City of Clewiston, FL 437776 CN 3/7/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1913, 2009, 1274432-A0000200000, Antonio H. Beltran Est. & Janie J. Beltran

The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 27, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road over the North 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 803 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of April, 2013, which is the 4th day of April, 2013.

Dated this 20th day of February, 2013 Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

437461 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO AD VALOREM TAX EXEMPTION

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, at 5:00 p.m., in the Commission Chambers, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, to consider an ordinance relating to ad valorem tax exemptions entitled as follows:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, REPEALING HENDRY COUNTY CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 1-2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE 1, SECTION 1-2-3, ALLOWANCE OF ADDITIONAL HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION TO HOMEOWNERS 65 OR OLDER.

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

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

A copy of the proposed ordinance is available for inspection on weekdays between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at the Office of the County Attorney, 110 Broward Avenue, LaBelle, Florida.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA Karson Turner, Chairman

438082 CN/CB 3/7/2013

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, March 13, 2013 from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the City of South Bay Commission Chambers, 335 SW 2nd Ave., South Bay, FL 33493.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider approval of the special meeting minutes, consider the approval of payment for certain outstanding GUA obligations, 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 861-493-6127. 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@gbwater.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 437966 SUN 3/7/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1806, 2009, 1254432-A0002190100, Jorge & Amerilis Rodriguez

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast 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 5030 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2013, which is the 21st day of March, 2013.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2013 Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

436443 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 972, 2009, 1224331-010000H0120, John M. & Tressy L Rogers

The Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 22, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, in Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Lot 12, Block H, PIONEER PLANTATION, an recorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2013, which is the 21st day of March, 2013.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2013 Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

436449 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 1702, 2009, 1244432-A0000830000, Rosario H. Zamora

The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5299 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday in the month of March, 2013, which is the 21st day of March, 2013.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2013 Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

436442 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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:

Table with 4 columns: CERT. NO., YEAR, DESCRIPTION, NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED. Row 1: 2153, 2009, 1364432-A0001250100, Mitzi S. Crews

The West one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the South 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4760 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday in the month of April, 2013, which is the 4th day of April, 2013.

Dated this 20th day of February, 2013 Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida

437450 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

Public Notice

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
1247	2009	1134432-A000220000	The Lyndel Group, LLC

The Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 13, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 80 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot 5687 and Lot 5688 in Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436458 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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
1827	2009	1254432-A0002660100	Florence McIvaine

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 4968 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437445 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1741	2009	1254432-A0000450100	Adriana E. Calles

The North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5077 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436454 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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
1605	2009	1224432-01000570050	Julio Diaz, Jr.

Lot 6, Block 57 of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, at Pages 37, 38, and 39 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436460 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF HENDRY COUNTY REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

Hendry County hereby provides notice that the following parcels of land owned by the County are available for sale and the County is receiving offers: 1-29-43-18-A00-0009.0100; 1-29-43-18-A00-0014.0000 and 1-29-43-18-A00-0015.0000. Interested persons should contact a licensed real estate broker, who will then contact the County to proceed further. Real estate brokers submitting offers should state their requested commission.

438078 CN/CB 3/7/2013

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF BOLLES DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Bolles Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Bolles Drainage District for the year 2012, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida, on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 11:15 AM, for the purpose of:

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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY: Ruben Rifa, President
437530 CN 2/28;3/7/2013

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
1869	2009	1264432-A0001500100	Raul J. Carrasquel

The North one-half of the East one-half of the North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest 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 East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 340 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437455 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
2147	2009	1364432-A0001170100	McKay Properties, Inc.

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. ALSO known as Lot No. 4789, 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 **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437439 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1799	2009	1254432-A0001930100	Felipe D Ledesma-Garnica

The East one-half of the East one-half of the South one-half of the Southwest 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 East 30 feet and the South 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 554 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436461 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING FOR GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE GERBER GROVES WATER CONTROL DISTRICT, A DRAINAGE AND WATER CONTROL DISTRICT GOVERNED BY CHAPTER 298, FLORIDA STATUTES, WILL HOLD THE ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27, 2013, AT 10:00 A.M. AT THE DALLAS B. TOWNSEND AGRICULTURAL CENTER, 1085 PRATT BOULEVARD, LABELLE, FLORIDA 33935. THE PURPOSE OF THE MEETING IS TO ELECT ONE SUPERVISOR FOR A THREE YEAR TERM AND TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THROUGH THE DISTRICT ENGINEER OR OTHERWISE, OF DISTRICT WORK THAT HAS BEEN DONE AND TO TAKE ALL OTHER ACTION THAT MAY BE APPROPRIATE. ANYONE WISHING TO APPEAL ANY ACTION TAKEN AT THE ABOVE REFERENCED MEETING IS RESPONSIBLE TO HAVE A VERBATIM RECORD MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. IF AN INDIVIDUAL REQUIRES SPECIAL AID OR SERVICES AS ADDRESSED IN THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA), PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS SOUD AT (863) 675-3903. 437452 CN 3/7,14/2013

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
2161	2009	1364432-A0001540000	Luis F. Martinez

The North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. SUBJECT to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Lot No. 3985 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437456 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1789	2009	1254432-A0001660000	Alicia B Pajares and Maria I Cabral

The South one-half of the East one-half of the South one-half of the Northwest 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 533 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436459 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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
1763	2009	1254432-A0000970000	Eloy Nunez C/O Manuel A. Blanco ESQ

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest 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 East 30 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for a drainage canal of the South 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 1149 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436457 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Disston Island Conservancy District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Disston Island Conservancy District for the year 2012, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 11:00 A.M., for the purpose of:

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

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BY: Sam Williams, President
437531 CN/GCD 2/28;3/7/2013

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
1727	2009	1254432-A0000190100	Guillermo Herrera

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5155 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436450 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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
1846	2009	1264432-A0000450100	Luis F. Vieira Loureiro & Christina A. Delgado

The East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 26, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the South 40 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 1014 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437515 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1094	2009	1334331-A0002030000	Frank Fanelli Sr & Stephen Scarpone

The Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 33, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the South 30.00 feet thereof. Also subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30.00 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 93, 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.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436453 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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Public Notice

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PUBLIC NOTICE
LABELLE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

There will be a LaBelle Municipal Airport Advisory Board Meeting held on **Wednesday, March 20th, 2013 at 3 p.m.** The meeting will be held at the LaBelle City Hall, in the Commissioners Chambers, located at 481 West Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL 33935.

All interested parties are encouraged to attend.

For Further information, please contact the Hendry County Engineer's Office at (863) 675-5222 or (863) 983-1588.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Commission 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.

Tristan Chapman, Chair
 Board of County Commissioners, Hendry County
 438104 CN 3/7,14/2013

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
1902	2009	1264432-A0002670100	Jorge A. Lopez

The North one-half of the East one-half of the North one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Section 26, 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 and subject to a canal easement over and across the North 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 496 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437457 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1826	2009	1254432-A0002660000	Florence Melvaine

The South one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 4955 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437440 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1708	2009	1244432-A0001020100	Francisco Pereiro Liz & Maria Carmen Gonzalez De Pereiro

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5231 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436447 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

Public Notice

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
1820	2008	1224432-01000800070	Julia Gomez

Lot 7, Block 80, of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, FIRST SUBDIVISION, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 37, 38 and 39 of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437459 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **RJS Realty, 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
493	2008	1334528-A000020000	Delta Aggregate, LLC

The South one-half of Section 33, Township 45 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida. LESS the West 60 feet thereof.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436414 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

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
2148	2009	1364432-A0001180100	Jivani Amirbano L/E

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4755 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **April, 2013**, which is the **4th day of April, 2013**.

Dated this **20th** day of **February, 2013**

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

437443 CN 2/28 & 3/7,14,21/2013

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
1801	2009	1254432-A0002010000	Manuel & Mercedes Quinteros & Estaquio F. Almeida

The North one-half of the West one-half of the South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest 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 579 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Third Thursday** in the month of **March, 2013**, which is the **21st day of March, 2013**.

Dated this **6th** day of **February, 2013**

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

436412 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

Public Notice

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1810	2009	1254432-A0002250000	Pedro Angel Crespo Rios

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5002 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **Euphonium V, 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
492	2008	1334528-A000010000	Delta Aggregate, LLC

The North one-half of Section 33, Township 45 South, Range 28 East, Hendry County, Florida. LESS the West 60 feet thereof.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3135	2008	2024329-67000080223	Willie Ruth Williams

Lot 23, Block B, SUNSET PARK, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
786	2009	1274329-01000E10360	Altigracia Puentes

From the intersection of the North line of the South one-half of Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, with the centerline of State Road 29, runs South 3 degrees 51' East along the centerline of said State Road 29, a distance of 300 feet to the Point of Beginning. Thence North 86 degrees 17' East 450 feet; South 3 degrees 51' East 50 feet; South 86 degrees 17' West 450 feet; North 3 degrees 51' West 50 feet to the Point of Beginning. Being Lots 36 and 37, Unit E-1, Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida. Excepting and reserving the Westerly 50 feet for the right of way of State Road 29.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1831	2008	1224432-01000850060	Angel Manuel Cruz

Lot 6, Block 85 of MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, First Subdivision, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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2116	2009	1364432-A000020000	Kenneth & Geneve Henry

The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the North 40 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4905 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2137	2009	1364432-A0000970100	Rev. Bernard J. Toomey & Mrs. Clausen

The South one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 36, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for a drainage canal of the South 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4721 in MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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VFW, Ladies Auxiliary Happenings

The Ladies Auxiliary, which was founded in 1914 to help veterans and their families, is the backbone of VFW volunteer efforts.

Promoting patriotism and helping veterans in need are just two of the many ways that the Auxiliary serves America's communities. The Ladies Auxiliary also has its own volunteer programs directed at VA, State, and Community Hospitals.

For as long as men have been going into battle, women have been nursing sick and wounded warriors back to health. Until recently, this was a necessity because governments did not provide adequate medical facilities for their servicemen. In fact, medical care was often so abysmal that more men died of disease and food poisoning than of wounds.

Today, the Ladies Auxiliary is involved in a kaleidoscopic range of activities. While continuing to support the VFW and its causes, the La-

dies Auxiliary has developed a social conscience of its own.

With the paramount goal of helping families in distress, its members perform community service, fund cancer research, fight drug abuse and illiteracy, advocate for the rights of the elderly, and support the VFW National Home, Special Olympics, and other worthy causes.

Membership has been broadened to include not only wives of VFW members, but also their mothers, widows, sisters, half-sisters, daughters, grandmothers, and granddaughters.

Foster mothers and foster daughters are also eligible, provided their relationship with the VFW member predates his military service. With their inexhaustible supply of goals and members, there is no doubt that the Ladies Auxiliary is here to stay.



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Westside students build robots

Second grade students at Westside Elementary were asked to build a robot. The creativity was impressive. Students read a story about two friends working together to build a robot. Then as a family project, students were asked to build their own robot. They were also asked to write a paragraph trying to persuade someone to buy their robot.

Birds of Indian River Lagoon: Plus Other Wildlife and Scenery

Bob Montanaro will present his newest audio visual program "Birds of Indian River Lagoon" on Monday, March 11, Audubon at 7 p.m. at the Cooperative Extension, Dallas Townsend Building 1085 Pratt Blvd in LaBelle. This free public program is hosted by Hendry-Glades Audubon. Birds of the Indian River Lagoon highlights the common birds, other wildlife and scenery of the Indian River Lagoon in a program made up of digital stills and video.

The Indian River Lagoon has been called "the most biologically diverse estuary in North America" and "straddles 156 miles of Florida's east coast, from Ponce Inlet in Volusia County, south to Jupiter Inlet in Palm Beach County."

Viewers will come away with a better appreciation and understanding of this amazingly diverse and beautiful Florida estuary.

Bob Montanaro is the office manager for the Pelican Island Audubon Society of Indian River County, Florida. His lifelong interest in photography has led to creating programs on Florida wildlife, including previously, Ospreys of Pelican Island: An Exploration into the life of the Fish Hawk and Critters, Cows, and Cowboys: A Photographic Exploration into the Wildlife & Work of a Florida Cattle Ranch.

For more information, please contact Butch Wilson at 863-983-2870 or Margaret England at 863-674-0695 or sta5birding@embarqmail.com.

Two CHS Students Excel in Music

BY SAVANNAH ROUNDS
srounds@newszap.com

"Music is like a foreign language, everything is completely new," explained Alyssa Miller, freshman at Clewiston High School (CHS). "It really makes you pay attention to detail and helps develop your mind."

Recently both Alyssa and Dakota Rheim, who is currently a sophomore at CHS, have been selected to receive a scholarship to attend the world renowned French Woods Music Camp in New York this summer.

The scholarship that they were awarded covers nearly all of the expenses towards the camp and allows them to engage in new experiences with specialists and others from all over the world.

What was originally a scholarship that was to be awarded to no more than 10 people, turned into a scholarship awarded to nearly 60 kids who were part of the South Florida Youth Pride Band, which included both Alyssa and Dakota.

"It was a lot of hard work," Alyssa said, explaining that practices ran from six to eight hours.

However, all of the work seems to have paid off, as a guest conductor from New York who saw the performance enjoyed it so much that he offered all of the students the chance of a lifetime.

"When I found out I wanted to start crying,"

said an emotional Alyssa.

Though both are given the chance to attend this camp in the summer, that is not all that they have gained from their experiences in Katie Wilson's class.

"[This class] really helps me to pay more attention in school and motivates me to keep my grades up," explained Dakota.

While both of Alyssa's parents play an instrument, Dakota's musical abilities go back nearly ten generations, as all of his family members since then have played an instrument. Alyssa plays the oboe, while Dakota plays the tenor saxophone.

"Alyssa explained to me that around here it's common knowledge that scholarships are given to those who are in sports," said Music Director Wilson. "Now we can show our students that scholarships are not just reserved for that one extracurricular program."

Both Alyssa and Dakota will head off to French Woods this summer embarking on a new adventure.

"This is an entirely new experience," said an elated Alyssa. "I can't compare it to anything that I've ever done."

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1707	2009	1244432-A0001020000	Francisco Pereiro Liz & Maria Carmen Gonzalez De Pereiro

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Dated this 6th day of February, 2013

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

436411 CN 2/14,21,28 & 3/7/2013

REQUEST FOR BIDS

**HENDRY COUNTY
OVERHEAD ROADWAY LIGHTING CONSTRUCTION ON SR 80
AT COLLINGSWOOD PARKWAY AND FORREY DRIVE
FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT NUMBER: 416230-1-58/68-01**

BID NO. 2013-15

OPENING DATE AND TIME: March 21, 2013 at 2:00 P.M.

The Hendry County Board of County Commissioners is seeking bids for Overhead Roadway Lighting Construction on SR 80 at Collingswood Parkway and Forrey Drive. Firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their bid for consideration. In order to be considered, bids 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 2:00 p.m. on March 21, 2013, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses. Any bids received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.

Bidders are **strongly encouraged** to attend the pre-bid conference to be held on March 13, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. at Hendry County Engineering, 99 E. Cowboy Way, LaBelle, Florida 33935.

A copy of the Instructions and Bid Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, located at 640 South Main Street, LaBelle, Florida 33935 (for pick up), PO Box 2340, LaBelle, Florida 33975 (mailing address), or by calling 863-675-5220.

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

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Youth Cattle Show at the Hendry County Fair

BY SONJA CRAWFORD

The Pee Wee Calf, Beef Breeding and Market Steer Show were held on Tuesday, Feb. 19, at the Hendry County Fairgrounds. The show consisted of pee-wees, 4-H and FFA members showing their calves, cows, heifers and steers. The steers exhibited at the show ranged in weight from 1,028 pounds to 1,375 pounds. Mr. Jim Selph of Arcadia, Florida was the official judge for the evening.

The beef breeding critters were judged on size, growth potential, muscle, balance, structural correctness, capacity, and sex characteristics. The steers were judged on muscling, correctness of finish, balance, capacity, size, and carcass desirability.

Showmanship was judged on the ability to exhibit an animal to its best advantage, as well as the overall care and training of the animal. The exhibitors were judged on control, presentation to the judge, awareness of the judge, and knowledge of the species. Planning, practicing, and neat appearance will assist the exhibitor in being successful.

In the PeeWee Division Michael Wayne Lockmiller, Julian Paniagua, Raelynn Paniagua, Clayton Sparks, and Prestyn Torres did a great job exhibiting their calves.

In the Beef Breeding division Karlee Lamb, Sam Morgan and Laice Varnum received blue ribbons for their entry. Sam Morgan captured the Grand Champion award with his Limousine heifer. The Reserve Champion award went to Laice Varnum with her Braunvieh cow.

Laice Varnum took first place in the Senior Showmanship division as well as in Senior Fitting and Grooming. Sam Morgan achieved the second place award in the Junior Showmanship, Fitting and Grooming divisions.

In the Steer division Dylan Abowd, Hunter Abowd, Brianna Davis, Jimmy Davis, Mason Davis, Joshua Santiago, and Landon Sutton received blue ribbons for their entry.

Hunter Abowd achieved the Grand Champion Steer award with his 1,028 pound steer. Everglades Farm Equipment was the purchaser of Hunter's steer. Receiving the Reserve Champion award was Dylan Abowd. Dylan's steer weighed in at 1,090 pounds and was purchased by Rayburn and Company. Brianna Davis, exhibitor of the Doc Keen Scholarship Steer, captured the Hendry County Bred Grand Champion Steer award. The Producer of Brianna's calf was J. Seven Ranch. In order to achieve the honor of receiving the Hendry County Bred Grand and Reserve Champion Steer award, the steer was either born in Hendry County or the producer is a current member of the Hendry County Cattlemen's Association.

In the Junior Showmanship division Joshua Santiago was honored with the first place award with Mason Davis in second place and Landon Sutton in third place.

In the Senior Showmanship division Dylan Abowd captured the first place award. Hunter Abowd achieved the second place award with Jimmy Davis taking third place.

The Hendry County Cattle 4-H Club is led by Lisa Kelley and Jose Santiago. The Double "K" 4-H Club is under the direction of Tammy and Kelsie Hansen. The FFA Chapter is led by Ms. Jennie Goeff. The exhibitors did a great job exhibiting their critters. Thank you club leaders, advisors, parents and fair committee members for a great show.



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Sam Morgan, Grand Heifer.



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Dylan Abowd, Reserve Champion.



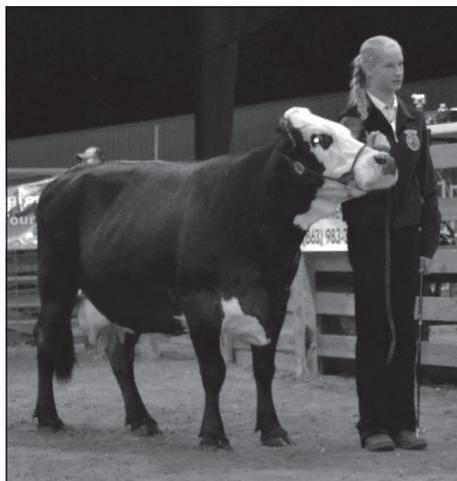
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Hunter Abowd, Grand Champion.



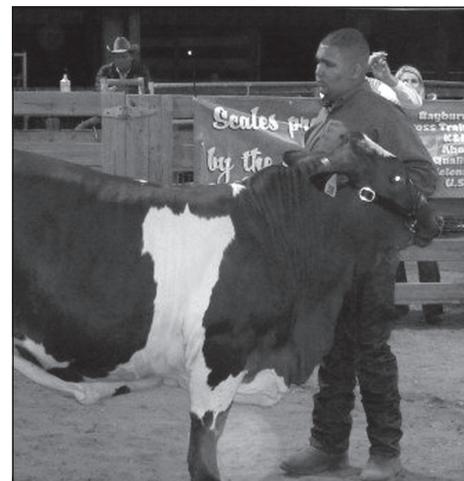
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Jimmy Davis, 3rd Place Sr. Showmanship



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Laice Varnum, Reserve Champion Heifer.



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Josh Santiago, 1st Place Showmanship.



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Mason Davis, 2nd Place Jr. Showmanship.

That Mom and Pop Feel

BY MARY GIBSON

Special to The Clewiston News

When Randy Maxson moved from Fort Lauderdale to Clewiston for a job opening at the United States Sugar Corporation, he never would have dreamed that just a few years later himself and his wife, Kersten Maxson, would be the owners of a very successful local restaurant.

Though Randy moved to Clewiston for a job opening, Kersten, a former school teacher and administrator, was at a loss for what she would make of herself in this small town. Not having anything to do was something that Kersten was not familiar with, and as such she began looking for something to occupy her time. With the skills that she had learned from being an administrator, she quickly came to the conclusion that she could, and eventually would, operate and own a small business -- a restaurant.

Both Kersten and Randy had loved the Beef O' Brady's franchise in the Tampa Bay area and quickly came to the conclusion that opening one in Clewiston would be perfect. However, coming up with the idea was much easier said than done. What seemed like an easy enough thing to do had a very complicated process behind it. The Beef's franchise has a rigorous training school for all owners. All striving entrepreneurs are required to attend what Kersten referred to as "Beef O' Brady's University," where they learned the Beef O' Brady's steps of service, kitchen preparation and operation, hiring, and way of working with the community to promote the business. Finally, after the extensive training, and with a team of about 40 people, Clewiston's Beef O' Brady's opened in 2006.

On that original team of forty, all those who were hired had to learn from scratch; from cooking to serving, everyone had to be taught how to operate according to Beef's high standards. Kersten and Randy had to get to know the new staff and establish job professionalism in each of them.

However, though difficult and tiring to train everybody from scratch, those high standards that the original team was held to are still in place today. On the staff-level, Beef's likes to employ college-bound high school students with high GPAs. For example, waitresses Alyssa Bal-

donado and Jessie Wiggins were both accepted to large name universities; Alyssa to Florida State University and Jessie to University of Florida.

"I've learned how to work with people and how hard people really work for their money. I've learned how to be an adult basically," explained Alyssa. "It's been like a small taste of the real world."

Though their standards are high for all employees, the management team standards are even higher. Every manager must be hospitable and giving to the community. Many of the managers have been softball coaches, volunteers at school functions and helpers at health fundraisers. Colt Ashley, manager at Beef's for the past two years, is riding in the Cycle for Life. He is cycling for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, which is something that he really believes in.

"[Cycling] is something I really love to do, and it gives back," said Colt. "All proceeds go towards the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation for research."

Along with the great staff and owners, the restaurant has a great atmosphere that, as Kersten puts it, "weaves the story of the neighborhood." The walls are lined with pictures of smiling children in the community, who all help to give that feeling of a community restaurant. Being involved with the community in every aspect is something that they pride themselves in, and as such, though they support many of the local sports teams, they are also the co-sponsor of an essay writing contest at The King's Academy Clewiston. It has been a long journey to get Beef's up to the standards of service it has today. The biggest lesson Kersten explained that she has learned from this experience is that the business is really about investing in every person that stops by their restaurant. With her staff she has learned how to motivate people in different ways, according to their personality. Her advice to anyone wanting to open a restaurant is to get to know the customers, care about what goes on in their lives, and know them on a personal level. That is what has made her home-town version of Beef O' Brady's so successful.

"We still feel like a mom and pop restaurant," said Kersten. "Everyone is a part of our family. Whether you eat here or work here, you are part of our family."



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Dr. Seuss celebration

Westside Elementary Miss Hathaway's first grade class celebrates Dr. Seuss' birthday and reads *The Cat in the Hat!*



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