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## The 800-pound Elephant in the Room

Commissioners discuss PD takeover at city commission meeting

BY MELISSA BELTZ  
The Clewiston News

"I want our citizens to be at ease," reassured Commissioner Jimmy Pittman at the Clewiston City Commission's July 15 meeting. "Our Police Department is not going anywhere, at least not this year."

Commissioners went down the line, one by one, warding off the possibility that the Clewiston Police Department could be dissolved and taken over by Hendry County Sheriff's

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## New Venture Brings Jobs

All Juice & Beverage set to open in fall 2013

BY MELISSA BELTZ  
The Clewiston News

Yo Gusto owners Gustavo Perez and Myriam Larrinua are expanding their yogurt business and delving into the world of juices -- and other beverages -- with their new venture: All Juice & Beverage. All Juice & Beverage is the next step in the expanding

Yo Gusto Family. Set to open sometime this fall, All Juice & Beverage will feature mango, strawberry, blackberry, passion fruit, orange, pineapple and pineapple-orange juices, as well as bottled water and eventually tea.

Javier Gonzalez, assistant vice president and plant director for Yo Gusto, spoke with The Clewiston News about the new facility, the new products and why Yo Gusto and All Juice & Beverage products are so spe-

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## Complaint Claims Restaurant Cooked Food on Roof

Restaurant says complaint is unfounded

BY JOSE JESUS ZARAGOZA  
The Clewiston News

A picture showing what appear to be strips of bacon carefully arranged on the floor of a water-soaked roof is

all inspectors at the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) had to work with.

A complainant had sent in the picture, along with information claiming that it was taken on the roof of China Taste in Clewiston, encouraging the regulatory agency to investigate further. Almost immediately, DBPR inspectors arrived at the site to issue a stop-sale of the food item in question.

In their report, obtained by *The*

*Clewiston News*, DBPR says the complainant saw China Taste workers climb up a ladder to place ribs on pieces of cardboard on the roof. The subsequent inspection found no such thing. Workers installing equipment on the roof were also asked if they had seen anything, but they had not.

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## Airglades: The Perpetual Question

Rep. Hudson talked to Comm. about challenges of rural economies

BY MELISSA BELTZ  
The Clewiston News

"The biggest challenge with Airglades is, frankly, part of the challenge that comes from having an economic development system, by and large, in a state that is geared towards larger communities rather than smaller com-

munities," said state Representative Matt Hudson, who spoke to Clewiston's City Commission about the economic needs of the city, focusing on the challenges that are presented when trying to bolster the economies of rural communities.

Rep. Hudson explained that certain policies instituted by the state

concerning economic growth are not favorable for rural communities, like that of Clewiston and Hendry County.

"The legislature puts in place standards that require a five-to-one return

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# Religion Column

## Being Neighborly

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS  
First United Methodist Church

Few things enrich life like a good friend. To have someone with whom you can share your deepest thoughts, feelings and longings; someone who can ask anything of you and of whom you can ask anything, provides a wonderful encouragement to the meaning and joy of life.

Most people don't have many close friends. It takes time, trust, and work to develop meaningful relationships. To have friends, you must be a friend. Making and sustaining friendships can be difficult, but the benefits are tremendous.

Being a true friend is much more than being neighborly, but friendship starts by being neighborly with those God has placed in our path. What does being neighborly mean?

A Sunday school teacher was telling her class the story of the Good Samaritan, how the man was beaten, robbed and left for dead. She then asked, "If you saw a person lying on the roadside wounded and bleeding, what would you do?" One girl answered, "I think I'd throw up."



John Hicks

There are many adults like this girl who would not respond well to such situations. In New York City, a mailman shot by a sniper was ordered to leave a building lobby because he was dripping blood. In Oklahoma City, a woman gave birth unexpectedly on a city sidewalk. Bystanders turned their faces and ignored her. A taxi driver looked, then sped away. A nearby hotel refused to provide her a blanket.

In Dayton, Ohio, a dozen people saw a woman drive her car into the Miami River. They watched and some even took pictures as the woman climbed on the car's roof and screamed that she couldn't swim. The woman drowned.

What has happened to us? One of our greatest concerns should be that these aren't isolated incidents. They are happening all around us.

In the Gospel of Luke, an expert in the law asked Jesus, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?"

Jesus responded, "What is written in the Law? How do you read it?"

The expert answered: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and

with all your strength and with all your mind," and, "Love your neighbor as yourself."

"You have answered correctly," Jesus replied. "Do this and you will live."

But this man wanted to justify himself, so he asked Jesus, "Who is my neighbor?"

In reply, Jesus shared this story: "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, when he fell amongst robbers. They stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. A priest happened to be going down the same road. When he saw the

man, he passed by on the other side. Likewise, a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side.

But when a Samaritan came by and saw him, he took pity on him. The Samaritan bandaged the man's wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his donkey and took him to an inn to care for him. The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the

innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.'

"Which of these three," Jesus asked, "do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the

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— John Hicks

## FWC Officers Rescue Men from Water

Albritton, McDonald, Yates, and Lt. Lee save three lives

Three Georgia men were rescued by Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) officers on July 4 at the mouth of the Econfina River and the Gulf of Mexico.

Another FWC officer rescued two people whose boat stopped running and was filling with water, after they attempted to assist the men in the water.

Ryan J. Hall, 22, of Pavo, Ga.; Blake E. Bynum, 26, of Moultrie, Ga.; and Daniel E. Powers, 27, of Thomasville, Ga., were in the water after their boat capsized in rough weather. The Taylor County Sheriff's Office asked for assistance with the three men in the water and FWC officers Chad Albritton, Randy McDonald and Jerry "Lee" Yates, under the leadership of Lieutenant Scott Lee, responded.

Albritton was on water patrol in an 18-foot, open-patrol vessel in the Keaton Beach area, approximately 25 miles away.

McDonald and Yates were en route to water patrol with a 22-foot boat. Lee, the Taylor County supervisor, was preparing for both a holiday weekend on the water and managing boating safety enforcement efforts for the opening week of scallop season.

Albritton headed to the Econfina River through rough two- to three-foot seas in his small, open boat. McDonald and Yates launched their vessel at the Econfina River boat ramp

in search of the three men. Lee coordinated communication efforts with the men from the capsized vessel and the officers involved in the rescue.

McDonald and Yates arrived first in the area and began searching the rough seas. They quickly located Hall in the water, clinging to a marker, and Bynum and Powers with the capsized vessel. The three were rescued with minor injuries.

Another vessel had attempted to rescue the Georgia men, but it also ran into trouble. Alan Ray Hendricks, 51, of Crawfordville, Fla., and his passenger aboard a 15-foot open boat, began taking on water when their engine broke down.

Albritton located Hendricks' vessel near the other capsized boat and these two boaters were also rescued and towed back to the boat ramp.

"Due to the quick action and teamwork of Lieutenant Lee and officers Albritton, McDonald and Yates, I firmly believe that three lives were saved that day," said FWC Captain Marty Redmond. "By exceptional ability, personal initiative and total dedication to duty, these four FWC law enforcement officers reflect great credit upon themselves and the FWC's Division of Law Enforcement."

Redmond has nominated the three officers for the FWC's lifesaving award.

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# Males Dominate Hendry County

## Ag sector brings in large numbers of men to county

BY MELISSA BELTZ  
The Clewiston News

Females of Hendry County rejoice: there are 3,256 potentially single men in Hendry County just waiting to meet their mate.

According to the last U.S. census, the male to female ratio in Hendry County was 56 percent male to 46 percent female. That means, there are 3,256 more men living in Hendry County than there are women.

This seemingly converse statistic may lead one to wonder: why are there so many more men than women? The obvious reason may be the availability of so-called "male oriented" jobs available in the county. The county's agriculture-based industries are prime locations, traditionally, for men to find work.

Farmworkers make up one-third of the total agricultural labor force in the U.S., according to a 2008 study released by the United States Department of Agriculture. According to the same

study, the majority of farmworkers are men -- only one in five hired farmworkers is female. In total, 80.9 percent of hired farmworkers are male and only 19.1 percent are female. This is a staggering difference between the number of males and females in the overall workforce: 52.1 percent of all wage and salary workers are male, 47.9 percent are female, according to the study.

This statistic alone may help to explain why there are more men in Hendry County than women. Hendry County produces tomatoes, green peppers, cucumbers, watermelons, squash, snap beans, potatoes, cantaloupe, hot peppers, sugarcane and oranges, among other crops. With so many crops needing to be harvested, hired farmworkers are an essential part of Hendry County's demographics. Migrant farmworkers are also counted in the census; if no U.S. residence is reported by a migrant worker, the census uses the worker's camp as his residence, according to the U.S. census website. This means many migrant workers are potentially counted in Hendry County's demographics, even if they do not live in Hendry County permanently.

Other male-dominated positions also coincide with the agriculture sector in Hendry County,

including machinists, mechanics, electricians and railroad workers, to name just a few. A male-dominated industry or occupation contains 25 percent or less women in total employment, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. Women make up 25.6 percent of the U.S. agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting sector -- 0.4 percent shy of "male-dominated" status. Only 9 percent of women make up the U.S. construction sector, 23.3 percent make up the utilities sector and 74.5 percent make up the education and health services sector. (Surprisingly, however, this is not reflective of Hendry Regional Medical Center's employee makeup -- according to HRMC's Human Resource Department, as of their last pay period there were 180 males employed and 49 females employed.)

Considering most of Hendry County's available employment is in "male-dominated" (or close to it) sectors, it may be no surprise that there are more men than women in Hendry County.

Interestingly, however, women earn more money than men in Clewiston, according to a survey of 942 U.S. metropolitan and micropolitan areas.

## COMMUNITY OPINIONS



**Meanwhile on the roof of a local Chinese restaurant ...  
"Ten more minutes and we'll roll over."**

**Editor's Note:** The following quotes are a sampling of the most popular discussion comments on The Clewiston News' Facebook page.

## ISSUE: Male to Female Ratio in Hendry County

**Amy Stanton:** Eligible does not equate to desirable.

**Phyllis Burchell:** It would sure help us single ladies if we knew where to locate the eligible bachelors.

**Jeff Barwick:** Lot of (apparently) single Hispanic migrant farm workers in Hendry County.

Could that be the cause of this imbalance?

**Irma Zamora:** Hmm ... maybe just maybe ... the majority of these "men" refuse to grow up.

**Josh Cook:** I'm with Jeff on this one. And just because there are more men than women doesn't mean there are more single men than women. Their women can be in Palm Beach

County and Glades County, Mexico, etc. This is a fail at statistics.

**Dave Gannon:** Coincidentally, women make more than men here.

**Rachel Murillo Matamoros:** Where are all of these so called men and I see a lot of people who are in relationships on these comments?

# Working To Cure Cancer and Tobacco-Related Diseases

The Florida Department of Health (DOH) has awarded funding for nine research projects that are focused on finding cures for cancer and tobacco-related diseases. Cancer is the leading cause of death in Florida, claiming 41,696 Florida lives in 2012. The funds support research on diseases that relate to tobacco use, including heart disease, which is the second largest cause of death in Florida.

"High-quality, innovative research is key for a healthier Florida," said State Surgeon General and Secretary of Health Dr. John Armstrong. "The Department is pleased to make these research awards that will focus on helping Floridians live free from cancer and tobacco-related disease."

Ninety-one original applications from twelve universities and research institutions were submitted. From these competitive applicants, grant awards were provided to researchers at the University of Florida, Moffitt Cancer Center, the University of Miami, the University of South Florida, Florida International University and the Sanford-Burnham Research Institute.

The negative health impact of tobacco use is an agency priority and, therefore, four grants were awarded to research tobacco-related disease. One of the grants will support a smoking intervention program for low-income Hispanic women to help mothers with newborns stop smoking. One study will explore how tobacco use may result in loss of vision and will study a new drug to help those impacted in this way. Another grant will research ways a patient's own immune system reduces the severity of stroke, and yet another will explore therapy for patients experiencing difficulty swallowing after a stroke.

As these awards are intended to advance the cure for cancer, the remaining five grants were

allocated to recipients researching diverse cancer projects. One study explores an innovative approach to discovering drugs that may prevent arsenic exposure-related cancers.

To support a cure for one of Florida's most common cancers, another project strives to determine whether a patient's immune system may be used to treat lung cancer.

One grant funds research that may lead to therapy for currently therapy-resistant breast cancers, and another study will work to determine why certain cancers resist treatment and spread throughout the body.

Funding for the awards comes from programs established by the Florida Legislature. The James and Esther King Biomedical Research Program supports initiatives addressing tobacco-related diseases, including cancer, cardiovascular disease, stroke and pulmonary disease. The Bankhead-Coley Cancer Research Program provides grants to further the search for a cure to all types of cancer.

State Senator Anitere Flores said, "I am pleased to see the Department of Health continuing to award research funding to strategic projects that offer hope to Florida's families who are struggling with cancer. Through collaboration, world-class research and targeted resources, we will see improved treatments and lives saved."

Dr. James F. Howell, assistant dean for profes-

sional relations at Nova Southeastern University and member of the Tobacco Advisory Council, said, "Prevention, treatment, and research are essential elements to address the addiction and diseases associated with tobacco products. Research discovers new prevention and treatment

Ralph DeVitto, executive vice president for American Cancer Society Florida Division, said, "We support the state's continued commitment to providing grants to the most promising cancer research through a competitive, peer review process. These research grants are critical to finish-

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knowledge so needed to address the complex cancer issues we are all so aware of. The Florida Department of Health is to be commended for its leadership addressing tobacco addiction and related diseases."

Dr. Thomas J. George Jr., chair of the Cancer Collaborative Research Advisory Council (CCRAB), said, "The commitment demonstrated by the State of Florida to support cancer-related research represents a key investment in our collective futures: The future of the health of our cancer patients in Florida, the future of innovative cancer advancements which originate or are developed in Florida, and the future where the burden of cancer is eliminated from our Florida families."

ing the fight against cancer, and offer hope to all Floridians dealing with a cancer diagnosis."

Dr. Mark Brantly, vice-chair of the Biomedical Research Advisory Council, said, "On behalf of my colleagues with the Biomedical Research Advisory Council, I want to thank the Department of Health for moving forward expeditiously with these grant awards. The Bankhead-Coley and King Biomedical Research Programs remain a testament to the Legislature's vision for answering relevant research questions to improve the lives of people with cancer and tobacco-related diseases."

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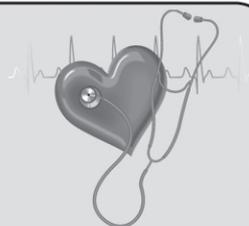
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# Female Mosquitoes Become Savvy about Other-Species Suitors

BY TOM NORDLIE  
IFAS News

Talk about meeting Mr. Wrong. Female yellow fever mosquitoes sometimes contend with the courtship and mating efforts of males from another competing species -- the Asian tiger mosquito.

She's naïve, he's sneaky. Both species spread dengue, a viral disease and a major human health threat.

In an ironic turnabout, Florida dengue cases may rise in the near future due to female yellow fever mosquitoes becoming savvy about the false-flag suitors, leading to increased yellow fever mosquito populations, says an expert with the University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

When male Asian tiger mosquitoes successfully deceive yellow fever females, their mating efforts are fruitless -- the two species cannot produce offspring together, said Phil Lounibos, a distinguished professor of entomology with UF's Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory in Vero Beach. Instead, chemicals transferred during mating render the yellow fever female sterile for the rest of her short life.

Scientists believe this phenomenon, called satyrization, helps explain how the Asian tiger mosquito quickly became established throughout the Southeastern U.S. in the 1980s.

If satyrization happens hundreds or thousands of times in a place where both species share habitat, the net result is fewer yellow fever mosquito eggs being laid. Ultimately, satyrization reduces yellow fever mosquito populations, leaving more ecological "space" for the Asian tiger to



PHOTO/TYLER L. JONES

**Entomologist Phil Lounibos checks for mosquito larvae in water from a tire at UF's Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory in Vero Beach.**

occupy, Lounibos said.

Both mosquitoes are container-nesting species that seek water trapped in old tires, flowerpots, cup-shaped plants and the like. Both eagerly prey on humans and are long associated with human communities. Both are invasive and annoying to Florida residents.

And, because they can transmit human disease, both species are public-health concerns. But yellow fever mosquitoes are believed to be more efficient than Asian tigers at transmitting pathogens to people.

A paper published in the Feb. 19 issue of the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* describes laboratory experiments suggesting that female yellow fever mosquitoes may develop an ability to spurn advances from Asian

tiger males.

"We don't know that they are better able to discriminate between males of their own species and Asian tigers," said Lounibos, one of the paper's authors. "What we can say is, females from colonies that have a history of exposure to Asian tiger males are less likely to mate with Asian tiger males."

The exact reason the females manage to avoid deception is unknown, he said.

"It may be that some subtle nuance in the behavior of the yellow fever females is involved," said Lounibos at the Florida Medical Entomology Laboratory in Vero Beach.

He also noted that if female yellow fever mosquitoes can rapidly evolve an aversion to Asian tiger males in the wild, then perhaps diminished

yellow fever mosquito populations would gradually rebound.

Lounibos said he has received anecdotal reports of greater yellow fever mosquito presence in some South Florida locales.

Currently, the major health concern associated with the yellow fever mosquito is dengue. It causes severe flu-like symptoms, including fever, muscle and joint pain, headache and possibly gastrointestinal issues. In the past few years, dengue has become a significant public health issue in South Florida, particularly the Keys.

Resurgent populations of yellow fever mosquitoes could lead to more dengue cases, Lounibos said, so one of his objectives for the near future is to investigate some of the areas where yellow fever mosquitoes are said to be making a comeback.

In the study, Lounibos and colleagues set up laboratory experiments in which various male/female pairings of mosquitoes could mingle and possibly mate.

The results showed that, on average, mating was about three times as likely between female yellow fever mosquitoes and male Asian tigers, compared with female Asian tigers and male yellow fever mosquitoes.

Yellow fever females from colonies that had never encountered Asian tiger mosquitoes were tricked about 25 percent more often, compared with females from colonies that had a history of co-existing with Asian tiger colonies.

The other research team members were post-doctoral associate Irka Bargielowski and doctoral student Maria Cristina Carrasquilla, both with FMEL.

## FWC Asks Public to Report Mink Sightings

Mink are rare in Florida, and wildlife biologists with the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) are hoping to learn more about this small mammal. But they need the public's help to find out where it occurs. People can report evidence such as mink sightings, photos and road-killed specimens online.

Adult mink weigh two to three pounds and measure about two feet in length. Fur can be dark chocolate or light rusty brown. Sometimes there is a patch of white along the chin and under the throat.

"We know that mink are more likely to be found in and near salt-marsh habitat on both coasts of Florida but the reports people provide will help us pinpoint where we do research," said Chris Winchester, wildlife biologist with the FWC's Fish and Wildlife Research Institute. Winchester said there are



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three known subspecies of mink in Florida -- Atlantic salt marsh mink, Gulf salt marsh mink and Everglades mink. Although there is a scarcity of information about the three subspecies, only the Everglades mink is listed as threatened.

Some people confuse mink with other species, such as otters and weasels, but whereas

mink are quite small, otters typically weigh 10 to 30 pounds and are three feet or more long. Weasels look similar to mink, but are smaller and have brown fur along their backs and pale yellow fur along the entire belly.

Mink are strictly carnivorous, eating fish, frogs, crayfish, crabs and various birds and small mammals.

For more information about this study and to submit sightings to the FWC, visit [MyFWC.com/Research](http://MyFWC.com/Research), click on Wildlife and select "Public Asked to Share Mink Sightings" under "Terrestrial Mammals."

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# Condolences for Former U.S. Sugar President, John B. Boy

U.S. Sugar Corporation offered its sympathy and condolences to the family of John B. Boy upon his recent passing.

"Our thoughts and prayers are with Mr. Boy's family and friends," said Judy Sanchez, senior director of corporate communications and public affairs. "He was an important part of the history and growth of U.S. Sugar."

Sanchez said that it was under Boy's leader-

ship that U.S. Sugar built the Bryant Sugar House in Canal Point and acquired South Bay Growers vegetable and sugarcane operations.

Joining the Company in 1946 as assistant superintendent of the starch processing facility, Boy worked for U.S. Sugar for 41 years, including 17 as its longest serving president to



date (from 1970 until his retirement in 1987).

Sanchez said that some of Boy's lasting contributions came about during his tenure as an engineer in U.S. Sugar's agricultural equipment shops—many important mechanical advancements in Glades agriculture that are still used today.

## Animal of the Week

Meet Sugar!



Sugar is a beautiful boxer-bulldog mix. She is about two or three years old and was found abandoned in Montura Ranch. Sugar got her name because of her sweet temperament and good listening skills. Now, Sugar needs a good home and a loving family to take care of her. If you are interested in adopting Sugar, please contact Clewiston's Animal Control at 863.983.1474 or stop in to their facility located at 1320 S Olympia Street in Clewiston. Sugar will need to be spayed and vaccinated. Clewiston's Critter Care offers low-cost spay and neuter programs, as well as low-cost vaccinations.

## Food

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What inspectors did find was a "thick bacon-like product" in the cooler that seemed to match the bacon, or ribs, in the picture. In the report, China Taste representatives described this as "a marinated dried product that they prepared for their own use."

While DBPR issued a stop-sale for 20 pounds of pork-ends because the product represented a "threat to public safety or welfare," the restaurant was not subject to more serious disciplinary action and remains in business.

It wasn't long before the picture started making the rounds on the Internet, with people suggesting that the meat in the picture was being served at the restaurant — a claim that DBPR could not verify with certainty.

For Yan Wang, who assumed operations after her father passed away a few years ago, the report was just the latest in a line of ridiculous and baseless accusations.

In the 11 years that the restaurant has operated, the owners and employees of the restaurant have heard it all: including the perennial favorite that the restaurant is serving up dogs and cats.

"Dogs and cats are not cheap," Ms. Wang said with amazement in her voice. "That's horrible."

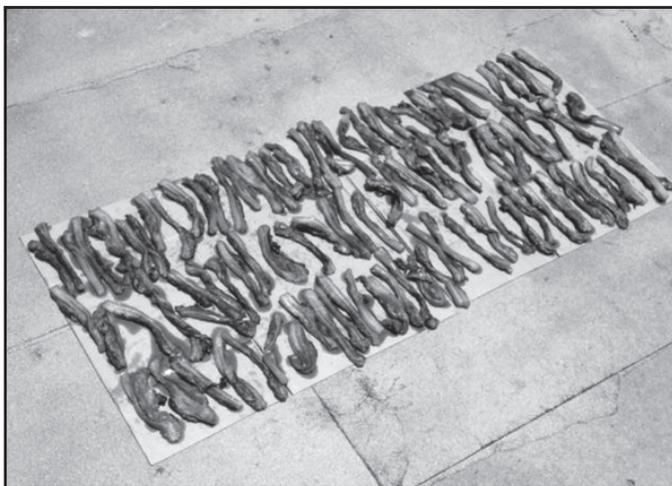
Ms. Wang was shown the picture in question and was asked to comment. She denied that it

came from her restaurant and reiterated that the restaurant was not, and has never, been shut down for violating health regulations.

"We have an open kitchen," said Ms. Wang. "People can see us cooking."

Perhaps the complainant was unhappy with something, Ms. Wang said, a bill perhaps, or something else, and may have decided that contacting DBPR would be a good form of revenge.

But it just doesn't make sense, she said.



"It's been raining really hard. You can't cook anything out there."

The only times staff goes up on the roof of the building is to determine if there is a problem with the commercial AC unit.

She hopes customers will continue coming to her restaurant despite the accusations.

"We're not cooking outside," said Ms. Wang, before considering it further and adding, "It sounds funny, though."

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### Elton Lee Kirkland, 76

DONALSONVILLE, GA. — We regret to announce the passing of Mr. Elton Lee Kirkland who passed away Mon., July 8, 2013 at Capital Regional Medical Center in Tallahassee, Fla.

Mr. Kirkland was born in Grady County, Ga. on Mar. 30, 1937 to Troy Lee Kirkland and Sadie Lou Kirkland. He worked as a welder for Quaker Oats in Clewiston, Fla., and was also a member of Sopchoppy Congregational Holiness Church.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Troy Lee Kirkland and Sadie Lou Kirkland; a brother, Leroy Kirkland; and a sister, Wanda Kirkland.

He leaves to cherish his memory, his wife Joan Kelley Kirkland of Donalsonville, Ga.; a beloved cat, Garfield; one brother, Joe Lavon Kirkland (Diane) of Ochlocknee, Ga.; three sisters, Lyndal Mathews (Ron) of Pavo, Ga.; Diane Bryant (Gerry) of Thomasville, Ga.; Elizabeth Maddox (Mark) Ochlocknee, Ga.; brother-in-law, Donald Kelley of Clewiston, Fla.; as well as many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services will be held Sat., July 20, 2013, 10 a.m. at Akin-Davis Funeral Home with Pastor Mark Murphy officiating. Interment will follow at Ridgelawn Cemetery in Clewiston. Visitation will be Fri., July 19, 2013 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Akin-Davis Funeral Home in Clewiston. Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

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# Inland Birding Fun: Northern Bobwhite

BY MARGARET ENGLAND  
Hendry Glades Audubon

Northern Bobwhite, popular game birds, are also known as Bobwhite Quail. Their range in the United States extends west to eastern Texas, Colorado, and the Dakotas.

They are found north in Wisconsin, Michigan, Ontario and Maine. Two subspecies of this bird breed in Florida.

This medium-sized, chicken-like bird has a round body, very short tail, small head and slight chest. Their plumage is reddish brown with streaking on the sides.

Males have a black and white face pattern, but the female's face is black and buff colored. The juvenile's color is similar to the females, only duller.

They have a life span of about five years, but most live less than one year.

Northern Bobwhite are more often heard than seen. Males make a loud ringing "b, Bob white!" or clear "hoy-poo" call. Females will answer with a four-syllable whistle.

It is not uncommon to be surprised by a sudden explosion of flying quail when a covey (flock), made up of eight to 25 birds, is flushed from brushy areas.

Northern Bobwhite are found throughout upland Florida in fields, meadows, overgrown pastures, roadsides and even vacant lots. They prefer areas without excessive weed control or regularly burned mature pine forests. These birds hunt on the ground for fruits, seeds, grain, plant parts and in-



Pictured above is the male Northern Bobwhite.

PHOTO/WADDY THOMPSON

sects.

They usually build their well-hidden nest on the ground near a clearing.

This shallow nest is lined with plant material and is concealed with live plants that are pulled over the nest. Females normally lay 12 to 16 eggs, but some clutches have been reported with as many as 28 eggs.

The unmarked, white, cream, or buffy eggs are laid at one-day intervals with the female, and occasionally the male, incubating the eggs for about 24 days.

The young are able to walk and follow their parents almost immediately after hatching. Adults with chicks will perform distractive displays, such as fluttering and wing-dragging, when they encounter predators.

The young develop flight feathers quickly and can fly short distances when they are only a week old.

At six weeks, the chicks are fully feathered and at eight weeks, the chicks are fully grown.

Northern Bobwhite begin nesting as early as mid-February and may raise two broods per season.

These broods may stay together throughout the winter and break up the following spring.

For information about the free trip to STA5 (Stormwater Treatment Area 5) on July 20 go to: [www.hendrygladesaudubon.org](http://www.hendrygladesaudubon.org) Reservations are required for these escorted driving trips.

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In a world full of noise -- from city traffic and lawnmowers to hairdryers and earbuds on personal music devices -- hearing problems are a growing issue. Chief among these problems is tinnitus, a medical condition affecting 50 million Americans.

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# Airglades

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for every state dollar put in place," explained Rep. Hudson, adding that for this reason, the Clewiston sewer main project was vetoed by Governor Rick Scott.

"It's a catch-22," said Rep. Hudson, who added that he hoped to "find tools to allow rural communities to compete for state dollars that are available." Rep. Hudson explained that those state dollars would fuel infrastructure projects, like Airglades Airport, to help get them off the ground.

Rep. Hudson's report was well-received by the commission, who said they were happy to have him representing the city of Clewiston at the state level.

Rep. Hudson's report was followed by a request by Active Citizens For Children (ACFC) President Brenda Holcomb and her colleague Mercedes Vary. ACFC is looking for help from the commission for the Sweetest Town Playground, a new park project lead by ACFC. The playground will be made from engineered wood fiber, which, according to Holcomb, ensures longevity of the playground with limited maintenance. The playground will be built where the old woodwork park once stood, across from the First United Methodist Church in Clewiston.

ACFC has been working hard to collect donations for the new playground, but are still approximately \$19,000 short of their goal. ACFC asked the commission to help fund the project by making a monetary donation.

The commission suggested using any left-over funds from the Clewiston Recreation Department after the Splash Pad and pool repairs

had been paid for.

"This is what the fund is for," said Commissioner Rick Miller, "I'm in favor of [using money from the fund]."

Not all commissioners shared Commissioner Miller's opinion. Commissioner Julio Rodriguez bluntly stated he "will not approve any more money for the park."

"We already gave \$20,000 to the park," said Commissioner Rodriguez, adding that the city is spending a lot of money on its many other parks, such as Trinidad, where permanent restrooms have not even been built.

Commissioner Mali Gardner said she wanted to "see the final numbers" from the recreation fund before she makes any decisions. She expressed her desire to help fund the park, but told ACFC some concessions in the size and elaborateness of the playground may have to be made.

Before the issue was brought to a close, Commissioner Miller reiterated the benefits of the park for the city, saying this is "for the kids" and an "excellent program."

"To me, this park is just as much about us being able to sell Clewiston. This is -- this is Clewiston at its core. This is one more thing we can have to make us a better community," said Commissioner Miller.

The commissioners decided to discuss the issue further after their budget meeting, being held on July 22, when they have a better picture of how much -- if any -- money will be available.

City Manager Al Perry then presented a new project he is undertaking as chair of the Florida Regional Economic Development Initiative (FRE-DI) board.

The project, funded by a \$25 million federal grant, installs affordable broadband networks in rural areas in North and South Florida, where it

would otherwise not have been profitable for internet service providers to build networks. According to City Manager Perry, the project is already 77 percent complete, and South Florida boasts an even higher completion percentage.

"We're getting the work done faster in the south for some reason," said City Manager Perry. He went on to explain that once the broadband networks are completed, FREDI will sell services to entities such as governments, hospitals and libraries, as well as to internet service providers. Any profits gained by the project will be invested back into the region for economic development.

City Manager Perry called the project a "great asset to the county and to the region."

After City Manager Perry's report, City Commissioners brought up issues that have been concerning them. Commissioner Rodriguez complained that the paving work done behind Dixie Fried restaurant "looks worse than it did before." Commissioner Rodriguez said the work looked sloppy and called on Florida City Gas, who worked on the project, to pay for repaving the area.

Public Works Director Sean Scheffler assured Commissioner Rodriguez that the current paving job is a "temporary fix," and that Florida City Gas must come back out and re-pour asphalt before the project is considered complete.

Next, Commissioner James Pittman made a motion to lift the hiring freeze and advertise for the position of utilities director. The position has been vacant since former Utilities Director Kevin McCarthy resigned in December 2012. Commissioners voted 5-0 to lift the hiring freeze and advertise for the position.

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# For Vacation, Man Rescues Two People from Drowning

## Joshua Moore helps rescue Belle Glade man

BY JOSE JESUS ZARAGOZA  
The Clewiston News

Joshua Moore downplayed his role of loving husband long enough to play the part of action superhero during his Fourth of July weekend.

On an outing to Hutchinson Island, the man rescued a person from drowning – three days later, in Belle Glade, he did it again. Not one to describe his actions as heroic, Joshua said he was just at the right place at the right time.

“I feel good,” he told The Sun when asked about the experience. “I’m just happy I was there.”

His wife, Jessica, described the scene in Belle Glade on July 6: According to her, the family had gathered for a reunion at Pioneer Park that day. They were grilling food under one of the many pavilions at the park when her uncle strangely started walking towards a large nearby pond.

Despite shouts from family members pleading him not to go in, the man entered the pond. According to Joshua, it must have been a strange sight for anyone watching, a man walking into a public pond for no reason at all.

“We thought he was joking,” recalled Jessica. “We all thought he was playing a prank until I noticed he hadn’t come up for air at all for about two minutes.”

And then panic. The man had gone into the pond and had suddenly disappeared from sight. All family members could see at that point were bubbles coming up through the water. At that point, the man’s daughter went into the water, but returned yelling for help when she couldn’t reach him.

“We all froze, to be honest,” said Jessica – except for Joshua, who dove in to rescue the man.

“I had my eyes closed and I swam down to the bottom. I had seen where he was at and just dove in and marked it like that. It was luck that on the first try I got it,” said Joshua.

According to him, the water had dropped

off suddenly past six feet off the shore, and he maneuvered in water that must have been anywhere from 10 to 13 feet deep – so deep that the water became cold. Because he wears contact lenses, he also couldn’t see underwater and almost miraculously arrived at the right spot.

Joshua pulled the man out but he had been in the water for several minutes, long enough that his face assumed a bluish hue and he was non-responsive.

At another pavilion, a woman who had also been celebrating the holiday weekend noticed the scene and came to help, aiding with CPR and stabilizing the man. The woman, a nurse, had taken the man’s pulse and noticed there was none. That didn’t dissuade her or Joshua. They continued working to bring him back.

Eventually, the man came to. By the time EMTs arrived at the scene just a few minutes after receiving the call, the man was breathing again. He was transported to Lakeside Medical Center in Belle Glade, where he remained for three days after the episode.

According to the man’s family, he was embarrassed and apologized for the episode, not remembering what compelled him to head into the water.

Three days earlier, while celebrating his 24th birthday, Joshua helped another man who had been pulled under the rip current on the beach at Hutchinson Island. According to Joshua, the man was rolling under the water by the force of the current and while his sons tried to reach him, he jumped in and brought him back to shore. Other than a mouth full of salt water, the man was okay. It was a surprisingly action-packed holiday weekend for the Moores.

Joshua, who has never been a lifeguard, but has certainly demonstrated his swimming talents, shuns the spotlight, thanking the nurse whose name he did not get, and the EMTs for responding almost immediately to the call.

His wife, however, thanks her husband.

“He’s one of those types of guys who if he sees someone pulled over with a flat tire, he fixes their flat tire,” she said. “He’s very, very humble. I’m proud of him. Not only did he perform this heroic action, but he did it toward my family.”



Joshua Moore

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# BOCC Makes Mowing an Issue

## Commissioners unsatisfied with grass-cutting efforts in Hendry County

BY MELISSA BELTZ  
The Clewiston News

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) began their regular meeting by approving a bid to supply aviation fuels to Hendry County. An Invitation to Bid was sent to ten oil supply companies in the area.

Only three firms sent in bid proposals and each were incomplete or did not match certain requirements. The Board voted to send out new bids and also to address deficiencies found in the previous bids.

Next, the BOCC discussed and approved a bid for mowing in Hendry County. At the June 11 meeting, the BOCC rejected prospective vendors' bids to provide mowing services for facilities and cemeteries across the county, due to the refusal of some vendors to provide a bid bond. The services were re-advertised, removing the necessity to provide a bid bond, and nine proposals were received.

Public Works Director Shane Parker presented the new mowing bid to the BOCC and asked the commissioners to allow his department to enter into contractual negotiations with LaBelle-based Veteran Property Maintenance. Included in the contract would be a performance bond. The performance bond would assure that the pricing does not change and the company "does what they say they're going to do," according to Parker. Should Veteran Property Maintenance not agree to the terms set forth in the contract -- namely, the performance bond -- the Public Works Department would "go down the list" of prospective companies until one agrees to the contract.

Commissioner Al Perry said he does not want Parker to go "too far down the list," as the prices

offered by each company for their mowing services vary dramatically.

Another cause for concern is the fact that the Public Works Department anticipates having to let three employees from grounds maintenance go, unless the performance bond is enough to counter the department's losses. Parker explained that the department must provide savings to the county, therefore, if the mowing services are too expensive and the Public Works Department cannot provide savings to the county, "internal movements of staff" may be necessary.

Commissioner Janet Taylor was not pleased with this piece of information.

"I don't want to add to the list of unemployed," said Commissioner Taylor, citing Hendry County's "highest unemployment rate in the state."

Commissioner Taylor made a motion to approve the bid with two stipulations: that the company must agree to the performance bond in order to be hired by the county, and the three employees being let go will be moved to a different department if jobs are available.

Commissioner Perry seconded the motion and the BOCC approved the measure with a 5-0 vote.

Chairman Karson Turner pulled Item C from the Consent Agenda, which dealt with a release of liens on three properties in Harlem. Chairman Turner suggested that the Code Enforcement Office should allocate a certain amount of money each year for the mowing of vacant properties.

"In my area alone -- thinking of the Flaghole community and the Hooker's Point community, just using those two as a quick example -- if you ride down the main neighborhood roads, there's three or four lawns that haven't been mowed in

months," said Chairman Turner, suggesting that the county set up a program to hire contractors to mow vacant properties every 90 to 100 days.

Commissioner Perry said these sorts of programs used to be included in the county's mowing contracts. County Attorney Mark Lapp said he would check the Code Enforcement Office's current contract before adopting a new program, in order to avoid redundancies if a similar program is already included.

Item D was also pulled from the Consent Agenda, to include a "period of time clarification" for the one cent sales tax ordinance. Commissioners agreed to set a two-year time period for the ordinance.

Commissioners then approved a petition to allow nine mobile homes for agriculture workers to be built on the McDaniel Ranch in Clewiston. The mobile homes would be built one mile from CR 833 on a 640-acre area of land. The road leading from CR 833 to the mobile homes would be named and addressed to ease access for emergency vehicles.

As part of the public hearings, a petition to develop eight blocks off of Riverbend Drive in LaBelle, known as the Rialto Point Plat, was presented to the board.

Jeffrey Lazar, a resident of Hendry County, spoke to the BOCC about waiving a \$26,400 maintenance security, which the homeowners of Rialto Point would be required to pay. The security covers the cost of "perpetual maintenance" of the properties, including road and pipe failures. According to Lazar, the homeowners of Rialto Point have an established homeowners association, which covers the cost of perpetual maintenance.

The BOCC approved the petition and waived

the maintenance security with a 5-0 vote.

Next, Emergency Management Director Lupe Taylor presented a slide show to the BOCC on the protocols and standards of emergency management, when a disaster such as a hurricane or flood occurs in Hendry County. According to Taylor, only two shelters in Hendry County are in compliance with Red Cross standards; therefore, two shelters are manned by Red Cross volunteers when disaster strikes. Other shelters are also available within the county, including schools, fire departments and the rodeo and fairgrounds, where pods are set up to assist in disasters.

Chairman Turner expressed concern that there are no mandatory evacuations in Hendry County; however, Commissioner Davis said if a mandatory evacuation were set up, consequences would also need to be set up.

"I do not want to do that," said Commissioner Davis, squashing the discussion.

Associate Planner Sara Catala presented a fee waiver request to the BOCC from the Devils Garden Mud Club. The Mud Club wished to waive a \$3,000 application fee, to which the BOCC agreed. Before the issue was put to rest, Chairman Turner asked why the Mud Club was limited to only nine events per year, saying the Mud Club was a "good thing for the county." Chairman Turner asked Catala to "carry the message" that the county is in favor of having more events per year, and suggested the Mud Club partner with fishing tournaments, rodeos and other such events.

Before the meeting adjourned, County Administrator Charles Chapman shared that Hendry County is number four in the state for total recycling rates, an impressive feat for the county and its residents.

## Two Teenagers Injured in Parasailing Accident

Two Indiana teenagers were seriously injured in a parasailing accident Monday in Panama City Beach.

Sidney Renea Good, 17, of Roanoke, Ind., and Alexis Fairchild, of Huntington, Ind., were parasailing in a tandem harness over the Gulf of Mexico off Panama City Beach when an afternoon storm developed with strong winds, according to Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) officials.

These winds kept the chute aloft and several attempts to winch the riders back onto the ves-

sel failed.

The anchor was set to keep the boat from being pulled onto shore. The towline detached and the riders were helpless to control the chute.

The riders then impacted power lines, buildings and parked vehicles. Good and Fairchild were transported to Bay Medical-Sacred Heart in Panama City.

According to FWC investigators, the girls are in critical condition. FWC is continuing to investigate the accident.



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## ARREST REPORT

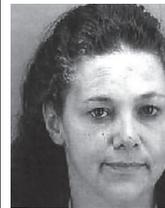
### Xzavein Lee Wilson, 22



Arrested on 7/12/13  
For Possession of marijuana

**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.**

### Summer Goodbread, 36



Arrested on 7/12/13, by  
Officer McLeod  
For DUI

### Daryl Sherrel Bess, 21



Arrested on 7/9/13  
For Larceny

### Jose Zavala, 21



Arrested on 7/14/13, by  
Officer McLeod  
For Cocaine possession

### Rhode Camejo, 47



Arrested on 7/14/13,  
Officer McLeod  
For Fugitive from justice in state

### Employment Full Time

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**Manager**  
**Student Learning Center - Belle Glade Campus**

The Student Learning Center Manager will provide leadership and supervision for a multi-disciplinary Student Learning Center which focuses on supporting students in course-related skill development. Must have knowledge of developmental education, instructional design, and the principles of teaching and learning.

**Responsibilities include:** coordination of lab services, staff selection and supervision, facilitating the use of curriculum development and instructional design tools to support students, faculty, courses and programs. Must be able to prepare and manage the department's budget.

**Requirements:** Interested applicants must possess a Master's degree and a minimum of four years related experience. Strong leadership, multi-tasking, verbal and written communication skills are required.

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[www.palmbeachstate.edu/employment](http://www.palmbeachstate.edu/employment)

### Employment Full Time

#### NOW HIRING

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## Financial

### Business Opportunities NOTICE

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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.

## Rentals

### Apartments

**BELLE GLADE** - 661 SE 4th St., 2br., 1ba., with lg, bonus rm. that can be used as 3rd br. Central Air, W/D hook-up. \$725 month. 305-487-2850.

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## Mobile Homes

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## Public Notices

### Public Notice

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

**PORT LABELLE UTILITY ADVISORY BOARD**

Notice is hereby given that the Port LaBelle Utility Advisory Board will hold a meeting July 31, 2013, at 2:00 p.m., in the County Commissioners Board Chambers, at Hendry County Courthouse 25 East Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The meeting is open to the public.

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.

448131 CN/CB 7/18/2013

### AVISO DE LA REUNION REGULAR DE LA JUNTA DE SUPERVISORES DEL DISTRITO DE CONTROL DE AGUAS DEL CONDADO CENTRAL

A través de la presente se le notifica que la Reunión Regular de la Junta de Supervisores del Distrito de Control de Aguas del Condado Central se llevará a cabo el miércoles, 24 de julio de 2013 a las 6 pm en el Cuarto de Conferencia del Condado Central ubicado en 475 S. Cabbage Palm St. Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. El propósito de esta reunión es para tratar cualquier y todo asunto que pueda plantearse ante la Junta. Si una persona decide apelar la decisión de la Junta de Supervisores con respecto a cualquier asunto considerado en la reunión pública o audiencia en referencia a este aviso él o ella tendrá que asegurarse de que el procedimiento de apelación quede asentado palabra por palabra en el acta, en el acta se incluye su testimonio y pruebas en la cual usted fundamenta la apelación.

### IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 26-2009-CA-000396

**WELLS FARGO BANK, NA SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC.,**  
Plaintiff,  
vs.  
**VERONICA P. RUIZ AKA VERONICA RUIZ, et al**  
Defendant(s).

#### NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated July 9, 2013 and entered in Case NO. 26-2009-CA-000396 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH JUDICIAL Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO WELLS FARGO HOME MORTGAGE, INC. is the Plaintiff and VERONICA P. RUIZ AKA VERONICA RUIZ; VICTOR M. RUIZ; ALEXIS L. RUIZ; XAVIER RUIZ; ANDREW T. RUIZ; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 14th day of August, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

**THE EAST 261.50 FEET OF THE WEST 286.50 FEET OF THE SOUTH 425.00 FEET OF THE NORTH 450.00 FEET OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. LESS THE WEST 10 FEET THEREOF.**

**TOGETHER WITH A CERTAIN 2000 REDMAN MOBILE HOME LOCATED THEREON AS A FIXTURE AND APPURTENANCE THERETO: VIN#FLA14614955A AND FLA14614955B.**

**A/K/A 3951 NORTH RIVER ROAD, LABELLE, FL 33935**

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on July 9, 2013.

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

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\*See Americans with Disabilities Act

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 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.  
447894 CN 7/18,25/2013

### 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, July 24, 2013, at 6 pm at the Conference Room, 475 S. Cabbage Palm St. Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. The purpose of this meeting is to transact any and all business which may come before the Board. If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the public meeting or hearing herein referred to he 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.

447032 CN 7/11,18/2013

#### NOTICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 FOR DEVIL'S GARDEN WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors' Meetings of Devil's Garden Water Control District are scheduled for the fourth Monday of each month. In the event the fourth Monday of the month falls on a holiday, the Meeting would be held on the next business day.

Devil's Garden Water Control District Meetings begin at 3:00 P.M. and are held at the Office of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the District at (239) 226-2000 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date of proceeding.

DATED this 8th day of July 2013.

447815 CN 7/18/2013

#### NOTICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2013/2014 FOR COLLINS SLOUGH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Board of Supervisors' Meetings of Collins Slough Water Control District are scheduled for the fourth Monday of each month. In the event the fourth Monday of the month falls on a holiday, the Meeting would be held on the next business day.

Collins Slough Water Control District Meetings begin at 3:30 P.M. and are held at the Office of Barron Water Control District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, LaBelle, Florida.

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

Pursuant to the provisions of the American with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the District at (239) 226-2000 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the date of proceeding.

DATED this 8th day of July 2013.

447810 CN 7/18/2013

#### SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, the following application(s) for permit have been received for project(s) in Hendry County:

Curtis Blocker (B and L Farms) P.O. Box 970, Immokalee, FL 34143, has submitted Application 130627-8 for renewal of Water Use Permit 26-00245-W to irrigate 355 acres of agricultural and nursery lands. The water will be withdrawn from the Lower Tamiami Aquifer and the project is located in Section 23, Township 48 South, Range 31 East.

Interested persons may comment upon the application or submit a written request for a copy of the staff report containing proposed agency action regarding the application by writing to the South Florida Water Management District, Attn: Regulation Division, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680, but such comments or requests must be received by 5:00 PM within 21 days from the date of publication.

No further public notice will be provided regarding this application. A copy of the staff report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Application status and associated documents can also be obtained by accessing the District's website ([www.sfwmd.gov](http://www.sfwmd.gov)) and selecting the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an administrative hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request after reviewing the staff report.

447919 CN 7/18/2013

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

##### Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **TC 10L, LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1016	2010	1344529-A0000020400	Faustino Hernandez-Antonio

A parcel of land in the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 34, Township 45 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, being more particularly described as follows; Commence at the Northwest corner of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of said Section 34 and run N 89 degrees 36'20" E, along the North line of said Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter, a distance of 834.45 feet; thence S 00 degrees 23'40" E, a distance of 60.00 feet to the South right-of-way line County Road No. S-830-A and the Point-of-Beginning of the parcel of land herein described; thence S 00 degrees 00'19" W, a distance of 291.74 feet; thence N 86 degrees 03'32" E, a distance of 139.47 feet; thence N 89 degrees 36'20" E, parallel to the South right-of-way line of said County Road No. S-830-A, a distance of 166.48 feet; thence N 00 degrees 00'19" E, a distance of 283.11 feet to the South right-of-way line of said County Road No. S-830-A; thence S 89 degrees 36'20" W, a distance of 305.62 feet to the Point-of-Beginning.

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 August, 2013, which is the 1st day of August, 2013.

Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.  
Barbara S. Butler  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
Hendry County, Florida  
446362 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

### Public Notice

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

##### Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2595	2010	1364432-01000000120	Manuel A Marrero

Lot 12, THE WOODLAND II SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Page 12, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.

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

446364 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

##### Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **TC 10L, LLC**, the holder of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1049	2010	1044430-01000050020	Santos M & Irene Perez

The East 1/3 of Tract 3, Block 5, GERBER GROVES, SECTION ONE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 14-22, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

The West 2/3 of Tract 2, Block 5, GERBER GROVES, SECTION ONE, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Pages 14-22, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.

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

446356 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

##### Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3041	2010	1144334-07000000060	Victor L Perez

Lot 6, MIDSTATE SUBDIVISION, a subdivision in a portion of unsurveyed Section 14, Township 43 South, Range 34 East, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Pages 132 and 133, 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 August, 2013, which is the 1st day of August, 2013.

Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.

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

446366 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

##### Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
615	2010	1174329-07000000020	Agustin Aunez + Eusebia M Sanchez + Humberto Mendoza

Lots 82, 83 and 84, SOUTH LABELLE SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 49, 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 August, 2013, which is the 1st day of August, 2013.

Dated this 19th day of June, 2013.

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

446362 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

**Public Notice**

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

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1823	2008	1224432-01000810030	Celia Rubin + Ruth Czukerburg + Dalliah Czukerburg + Vivian Goldikener

Lot 3, Block 81, 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 First Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **1st day of August, 2013**.  
 Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446367 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

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

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3176	2008	2054329-A0000360200	Ruth W Stevens TR

Begin at the Southwest corner of Government Lot 5; thence N 00 degrees 31' 15" W, 1215.41 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; continue 31.71 feet; thence N 56 degrees 56' 49" W, 42.48 feet; thence S 33 degrees 03' 11" W, 23.32 feet; thence S 43 degrees 30' 32" W, 16.19 feet; thence N 46 degrees 29' 29" W, 44.01 feet; thence S 44 degrees 14' 42" W, 44.55 feet; thence S 79 degrees 51' 08" E, 124.72 feet to the Point-of-Beginning.

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 **August, 2013**, which is the **1st day of August, 2013**.  
 Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446378 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

**NOTICE**

The public is hereby notified that the City of Clewiston Code Enforcement Special Magistrate will hold a public hearing on **July 31, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.** The hearing will be held in the Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida pursuant to Chapter 26 of the City of Clewiston's Code of Ordinances. All interested persons are invited to attend.

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, any person needing a special accommodation to participate in this matter should contact the City Clerk by mail at 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440, or by telephone at number (863) 983-1484, no later than three (3) days prior to the hearing or proceeding for which this notice has been given. Clewiston City Hall is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available.

Notice is hereby given, that any person wishing to appeal any decision made by the Code Enforcement Special Magistrate with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearing that is the subject of this advertisement/notice, will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he 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 to be based.

CITY OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA

Travis Reese, Community Development Director

447922 CN 7/18/2013

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

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2326	2008	1364432-A0001470000	Carlos A Alvarez

The East one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast 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 North 40 feet thereof. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 4014, 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 **August, 2013**, which is the **1st day of August, 2013**.  
 Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

446374 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

**Public Notice**

**Public Notice**

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO DESIGNATE POSITIONS FOR SENIOR MANAGEMENT SERVICE CLASS**

Take notice that the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, Hendry County, Florida, will consider designating the positions of Chief Deputy, Human Resources Director and Finance Director for inclusion in the Senior Management Service Class within the Florida Retirement System under the provisions of Section 121.055, Florida Statutes, to take effect August 1, 2013.

Comments may be made by mail or in person to the Hendry County Sheriff's Office at: 101 South Bridge Street, LaBelle, FL 33935.

HENDRY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
 HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA  
 Steve Whidden, Sheriff

448134 CN/CB 7/18,25/2013

**IN THE CIRCUIT CIVIL COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY CIVIL DIVISION**  
**Case No. 22-2009-CA-000014**

WACHOVIA MORTGAGE, FSB, f.k.a. WORLD SAVINGS BANK, FSB  
 Plaintiff  
 vs.  
 BELKYS JIMENEZ, ERIKA FELICIANO, ROLANDO JIMENEZ, AND UNKNOWN TENANTS/OWNERS,  
 Defendants.

**NOTICE OF SALE**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Final Judgment of Foreclosure for Plaintiff entered in this cause on July 9, 2013, in the Circuit Court of Glades County, Florida, I will sell the property situated in Glades County, Florida described as:

**THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LOT, PIECE OR PARCEL OF LAND, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN THE COUNTY OF GLADES, STATE OF FLORIDA, TO WIT:**  
**A PARCEL OF LAND IN SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 28 EAST, GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:**  
**COMMENCE AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 2 AS THE POINT OF BEGINNING AND RUN N 01 DEGREES 27' 48" E, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 2, A DISTANCE OF 264.31 FEET; THENCE N 89 DEGREES 01' 36" W, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF TRACT 46, A DISTANCE OF 451.44 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF TRACT 46; THENCE S 02 DEGREES 00' 53" W A DISTANCE OF 264.10 FEET TO A POINT ON THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 2 AND THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF TRACT 46; THENCE S 00 DEGREES 12' 06" W, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF TRACTS 35, 34 AND 33, A DISTANCE OF 786.00 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF TRACT 33; THENCE S 89 DEGREES 59' 45" E, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF TRACT 33, A DISTANCE OF 450.83 FEET TO A POINT ON THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 2; THENCE N 00 DEGREES 25' 53" E, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE WEST ONE-HALF OF THE SOUTHWEST ONE-QUARTER OF SAID SECTION 2, A DISTANCE OF 786.00 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING, ALSO KNOWN AS TRACTS 33, 34, 35 AND 46 AND A 33 FOOT WIDE STRIP OF LAND ADJACENT TO THE EAST SIDE THEREOF, IN CALOOSA ESTATES UNIT NO. 4, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE FLAT THEREOF AS SHOWN IN O.R. BOOK 42, PAGE 186, PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA.**  
**WITH THE APPURTENANCES THERETO**  
 and commonly known as: 1385 SUMMERALL ROAD SW, MUSE, FL 33938 including the building, appurtenances, and fixtures located therein, at public sale, to the highest and best bidder, for cash, Sales held on the front steps of the Glade County Courthouse, on 9-12-13 at Thurs @ 11AM.

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

Dated this 11th day of July, 2013.

SANDRA H. BROWN  
 Clerk of the Circuit Court  
 By: Tina Espinosa  
 Deputy Clerk

448079 CN 7/18,25/2013

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS, AGENTS/BROKERS, SELF-INSURANCE FUNDS AND DIRECT WRITING INSURERS FOR PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT**

**RFP NUMBER: 2013-20**

**OPENING DATE AND TIME: July 25, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.**

Hendry County is seeking firms interested in providing property & casualty insurance for the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners. Firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their proposal for consideration. All submittals (see Section IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFP will be reviewed by staff for recommendation. In order to be considered, submittals 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 July 25, 2013 at 2:00 p.m., at which time all responses to this request will be opened in the presence of one or more witnesses. Any proposals received after the above noted time and date will not be opened or considered.

A copy of the Instructions and RFP Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Department, by email at [jmcclane@hendryfla.net](mailto:jmcclane@hendryfla.net), 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 RFP, 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 RFP, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

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Karson Turner  
 Chairman  
 446661 CN/CB 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

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**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on 07/20/2013 at 11:00 AM at FORT KNOX SELF STORAGE, 1025 Commerce Drive, LaBelle, FL, the undersigned, FORT KNOX SELF STORAGE, will sell at Public Sale by competitive bidding, the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:

**Askey Murphy - Unit J-69**  
 Misc. baby items  
**Edvado Romero - Unit J-27**  
 Misc. items  
**Gabriel Blandon - Unit J-52**  
 Tools, small refg. water cooler & misc. items  
**James Louk - Unit J-7**  
 Misc. items  
**Matt Berry - Unit D-19**  
 Sofa, loveseat, chair & tables  
**Jeremy & Charity Howell - Unit #12**  
 Piano, tables, large AC, desk & misc. items  
**Wendy Valdez - Unit A-7**  
 Furniture, Christmas items & misc. items

447671 CN 7/11,18/2013

**LEGAL NOTICE**

The following vehicle will be sold at public auction on July 29, 2013 at 10 am at Clewiston Towing 600 E Sugarland Hwy Clewiston FL 33440:

**1992 Olds, VIN: 1G3NL5437NH420921**

**\*\*\*We have the right to refuse any and all bids\*\*\***

447923 CN 7/18/2013

**NOTICE TO PUBLIC**

The Hendry County Hospital Authority Board of Directors will conduct their monthly Board meeting on Friday, July 26, 2013 at 12:00 pm in Suite 1 at Hendry Regional Convenient Care Center, 450 S. Main Street, LaBelle, FL 33935. The public is invited to attend.

448132 CN/CB 7/18/2013

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 08/02/2013, 10:00 am at 74 S. INDUSTRIAL LOOP, LABELLE, FL 33935, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. TIMS TOWING & RECOVERY reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

**2004 FORD 1FMYU03134KB41100 2004 BMW WBAN73514B804866**

448157 CN 7/18/2013

**NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Garcia Farms located in Hendry County, State of Florida, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, Florida.

Dated at Clewiston, Florida, this 10th day of July, 2013.

McDaniel Reserve Holdings, LLC  
 3333-24 Virginia Beach Boulevard  
 Virginia Beach, VA 23452  
 447983 CN 7/18/2013

**Public Notice**

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

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1862	2008	1224432-A0000710000	Juan Perez

The East one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast 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 5295, 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 **August, 2013**, which is the **1st day of August, 2013**.  
 Dated this **19th** day of **June, 2013**.

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

44639 CN 6/27/7/4,11,18/2013

**Public Notice**

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**NOTICE OF INTENDED AGENCY ACTION**

The South Florida Water Management District gives notice of its intent to transfer and/or issue Water Use and Environmental Resource permits with conditions to McDaniel Reserve Holdings LLC, 3333-24 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452 as follows: Permit Number 26-01136-W, Application Number 130507-11; Permit Number 26-00707-W, Application Number 130507-13; Permit Number 26-01141-W, Application Number 130507-22; and Permit Number 26-00023-P-02, Application Number 130507-10. The existing permits (originally issued for the project known as McDaniel Ranch) are being subdivided into three separate parcels with separate permits for the continuation of existing agricultural practices. The permits being noticed herein, as listed above, are for the project known as Property East (Garcia Farms) with a total project area of 9,454.4 acres in Hendry County, Sections 1-3, 10-15, 22-27, 34-36 Township 47, Range 33. No change in water use allocation, withdrawal facilities or sources, and no modifications of the previously permitted and constructed surface water management system are authorized for the project.

The Staff Report setting forth the staff recommendation regarding each permit, including proposed limiting conditions to provide reasonable assurances that the project meets SFWMD statutes and rules, can be obtained by contacting the Regulatory Records Management Section, during normal business hours, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except legal holidays, at 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, FL 33406; Regulation Division, by telephone at 682-6911, by e-mail at [permits@sfwmd.gov](mailto:permits@sfwmd.gov) or by accessing the Staff Report directly from the District's website ([www.sfwmd.gov](http://www.sfwmd.gov)) using the Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page.

The District's proposed agency action as set forth in the Staff Report shall become final unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57 of the Florida Statutes before the deadline for filing a petition.

As required by Sections 120.569(1), and 120.60(3), Fla. Stat., following is notice of the opportunities which may be available for administrative hearing or judicial review when the substantial interests of a party are determined by an agency. Please note that this Notice of Rights is not intended to provide legal advice. Not all the legal proceedings detailed below may be an applicable or appropriate remedy. You may wish to consult your attorney regarding your legal rights.

A person whose substantial interests are or may be affected by the South Florida Water Management District's (SFWMD or District) action has the right to request an administrative hearing on that action pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57, Fla. Stat. Persons seeking a hearing on a District decision which does or may determine their substantial interests shall file a petition for hearing with the District Clerk within 21 days of receipt of written notice of the decision, unless one of the following shorter time periods apply: 1) within 14 days of the notice of consolidated intent to grant or deny concurrently reviewed applications for environmental resource permits and use of sovereign submerged lands pursuant to Section 373.427, Fla. Stat.; or 2) within 14 days of service of an Administrative Order pursuant to Subsection 373.119(1), Fla. Stat. "Receipt of written notice of agency decision" means receipt of either written notice through mail, or electronic mail, or posting that the District has or intends to take final agency action, or publication of notice that the District has or intends to take final agency action. Any person who receives written notice of a SFWMD decision and fails to file a written request for hearing within the timeframe described above waives the right to request a hearing on that decision.

**Filing Instructions**

The Petition must be filed with the Office of the District Clerk of the SFWMD. Filings with the District Clerk may be made by mail, hand-delivery or facsimile. Filings by-mail will not be accepted. Any person wishing to receive a clerked copy with the date and time stamped must provide an additional copy. A petition for administrative hearing is deemed filed upon receipt during normal business hours by the District Clerk at SFWMD headquarters in West Palm Beach, Florida. Any document received by the office of the SFWMD Clerk after 5:00 p.m. shall be filed as of 8:00 a.m. on the next regular business day. Additional filing instructions are as follows:

- Filings by mail must be addressed to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk, P.O. Box 24680, West Palm Beach, Florida 33416.
- Filings by hand-delivery must be delivered to the Office of the SFWMD Clerk.

Delivery of a petition to the SFWMD's security desk does not constitute filing. To ensure proper filing, it will be necessary to request the SFWMD's security officer to contact the Clerk's office. An employee of the SFWMD's Clerk's office will receive and file the petition.

- Filings by facsimile must be transmitted to the SFWMD Clerk's Office at (561) 682-6010. Pursuant to Subsections 28-106.104(7), (8) and (9), Fla. Admin. Code, a party who files a document by facsimile represents that the original physically signed document will be retained by that party for the duration of that proceeding and of any subsequent appeal or subsequent proceeding in that cause. Any party who elects to file any document by facsimile shall be responsible for any delay, disruption, or interruption of the electronic signals and accepts the full risk that the document may not be properly filed with the clerk as a result. The filing date for a document filed by facsimile shall be the date the SFWMD Clerk receives the complete document.

**Initiation of an Administrative Hearing**

Pursuant to Rules 28-106.201 and 28-106.301, Fla. Admin. Code, initiation of an administrative hearing shall be made by written petition to the SFWMD in legible form and on 8 and 1/2 by 11 inch white paper. All petitions shall contain:

1. Identification of the action being contested, including the permit number, application number, District file number or any other SFWMD identification number, if known.
2. The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner and petitioner's representative, if any.
3. An explanation of how the petitioner's substantial interests will be affected by the agency determination.
4. A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the SFWMD's decision.
5. A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so indicate.
6. A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
7. A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the SFWMD's proposed action.
8. If disputed issues of material fact exist, the statement must also include an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes.
9. A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the SFWMD to take with respect to the SFWMD's proposed action.

A person may file a request for an extension of time for filing a petition. The SFWMD may, for good cause, grant the request. Requests for extension of time must be filed with the SFWMD prior to the deadline for filing a petition for hearing. Such requests for extension shall contain a certificate that the moving party has consulted with all other parties concerning the extension and that the SFWMD and any other parties agree to or oppose the extension. A timely request for extension of time shall toll the running of the time period for filing a petition until the request is acted upon.

If the District takes action with substantially different impacts on water resources from the notice of intended agency decision, the persons who may be substantially affected shall have an additional point of entry pursuant to Rule 28-106.111, Fla. Admin. Code, unless otherwise provided by law.

**Mediation**

The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., and Rules 28-106.111 and 28-106.401-405, Fla. Admin. Code. The SFWMD is not proposing mediation for this agency action under Section 120.573, Fla. Stat., at this time.

**RIGHT TO SEEK JUDICIAL REVIEW**

Pursuant to Sections 120.60(3) and 120.68, Fla. Stat., a party who is adversely affected by final SFWMD action may seek judicial review of the SFWMD's final decision by filing a notice of appeal pursuant to Florida Rule of Appellate Procedure 9.110 in the Fourth District Court of Appeal or in the appellate district where a party resides and filing a second copy of the notice with the SFWMD Clerk within 30 days of rendering of the final SFWMD action.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

### E-Books for Children

The Clewiston library is offering to help children develop their reading skills and have fun with the new E-Books for Children. It includes Accelerated Readers (AR) books in an e-book format and allows children to read along (or not) as the narrator reads. There are three different packages providing material for children ages 0-18. They are now accessible from home, school, on iPads, iPhones, etc., or here in the library. Here is information for accessing them:

www.tumblebooklibrary.com -- username is "clewiston" and the password is "libra"

www.TumbleBookCloud.com -- username is "clewiston" and the password is "login"

www.TBCJR.com -- username is "clewiston-jr" and password is "login"

Please note, each is for a different age level so you can look at them all and decide which is best for your children. Also, games are included. Call your library for further information on using this exciting source of reading for your children.

Coming soon is the new website for the Hendry County Library System.

### Library Announcements

Library opening hours will be changed as of August 6. The hours will be as follows:

Monday and Tuesday – 9 a.m. – 8 p.m.

Wednesday - Friday – 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Saturday – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Sunday - Closed

#### Upcoming Events

Water Safety for Children - 7/16/13 - 12 a.m. - Ages 7 and up

Cowboys and Ranching - 7/18/13 - 10 a.m. - Ages 8-11

Meet the Fireman at the Library - 7/23/13 - 1 p.m. - Ages 7 and up

Children's story time at the Library - 7/24/13 - 9:30 a.m. - For Preschoolers

Face Painting at the Library - 7/25/13 - 10 a.m. - All invited

Dig into Reading Book Dollars drawing for bikes and scooters - 7/25/13 - 11 a.m. - All invited

Florida Highwayman Art Exhibit - 7/29/13 - 4 p.m. - All invited

### Outstanding Community Service Award Nominations

The Clewiston City Commission is seeking nominations for the annual Outstanding Community Service Award to honor an individual who

has made a sustained commitment to volunteer service. If you wish to nominate someone in the Clewiston area who deserves recognition, complete the nomination form and return to Marilyn McCorvey at City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440 or call 863-983-1484. Nomination forms are available at City Hall and on the City's website. The City Commissioners will recognize the honoree at the Clewiston Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner in September. Nominations must be received by August 5.

### Trust Quartet Concert

On August 2, the Trust Quartet will preform from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the First Christian Church located on 201 Francisco Ave. in Clewiston. Refreshments will be provided.

### Family Movie Night

First United Methodist Church of Clewiston is hosting a free Family Movie Night on July 12 starting at 6 p.m. Come join us as we watch "The Incredibles" on the big screen. There will be free food, prizes and admission. First United Methodist Church is located on the corner of W.C. Owen and Osceola. Call Dave Berkley at 863-983-5269 for more information.

### Brotherhood Breakfast

On Saturday, July 20 from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m., the New Bethel A.M.E. Sons of Allen will be hosting a Brotherhood Breakfast at New Bethel A.M.E. Church, located at 959 Della Tobias Avenue in Harlem. We are looking to have a spiritual bonding moment with all men from our area over breakfast. Donations are welcome.

### Kids' Expo: Back to School

There will be a free community-driven event for children on Saturday, August 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the following two locations: Florida Dept. of Health in Hendry County (1140 Pratt Blvd, LaBelle) and Florida Community Health Centers (315 South WC Owens Ave, Clewiston).

There will be free eye screenings, dental screenings and hearing screenings, as well as free school shots, school supplies (limited), kids' haircuts (limited), kids books, bike safety supplies and free child identification kits. There will also be free information about school bus safety, hurricanes and disasters, healthy eating and nutrition tips, as well as games and prizes.

These are the Community Partners coming

together for our kids: Hendry County Sheriff's Office, Florida Dept. of Health - Hendry County, United Way, The Salvation Army, Hendry County Emergency Management, Florida Community Health Centers, Kiwanis Club of LaBelle, several local businesses, community volunteers and many others.

### VFW Ladies Auxiliary Happenings

On Saturday, July 27, VFW Post 4185 will join hundreds of other VFW Posts around the U.S. in hosting a community event to honor Korean War veterans and their families on the 60th Anniversary of the Armistice signing.

Veterans, members of the community and local officials are invited for a "Pancakes for Patriots" breakfast and to watch a live telecast of "Heroes Remembered," the 60th Anniversary Commemoration Ceremony taking place in Washington D.C. The event will feature an observance of the Korean War Armistice and a special salute to Korean War veterans.

The Korean War is often referred to as the "Forgotten War" and now the average age of a Korean War veteran is 81. Now, more than ever, is a time to not only remember, but honor and celebrate these veterans and their families who served and sacrificed for our country.

The Ladies Auxiliary will serve "all you want" pancakes, a one time choice of bacon or smoked sausage, along with a choice of milk, orange juice or all you want coffee from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. for a small donation of \$4.

The proceeds from the breakfast will be sent to the VFW Veterans Village in Fort McCoy, FL. This retirement home is the only one of its kind in the world and is owned outright by the VFW of Florida and is strictly nonprofit. This is not a nursing home but an active retirement community providing affordable, independent living for Veterans of Foreign Wars and their spouses, Men's Auxiliary and Ladies Auxiliary and their spouses. The cost of operations is met entirely by rent income, fund raisers and donations.

ALL members of the community are welcome to attend our "Pancakes for Patriots" breakfast.

In other happenings, the LAVFW will again participate in the Community Fun Day on August 3 at the civic park, where we will be giving out school supplies to students. We also plan to give out snowcones and sponsor a cake walk. All members of LAVFW or volunteers are asked to contact Anita at 863-673-3175 for more informa-

tion and to find out how you may help with this event.

### Hunter Education 4-H Shooting Sports Camp

If you are interested in becoming a certified hunter through the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission, this summer day camp is for you. During this fun filled week, youth will learn the information, skills, and attitude to be a safe hunter. Upon completion of the summer camp, youth will take a 50 question multiple choice test, as well as a range day in order to receive their Hunter Safety Certificate. The camp is open to youth, ages eight to 18 as of Sept. 1, 2012. The camp will be held July 23 to 25, 2013 from 9:15 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Clewiston 4-H Office. Lunch is provided. Space is limited to the first 25 youth. Contact the 4-H office at 983-1598 or 674-4092 to reserve your spot.

### Free Adoptions For Kittens And Cats

It's Christmas in July at Palm Beach County Animal Care & Control (ACC)! ACC is offering free adoptions for cats and kittens for the remainder of the month of July 2013.

All pets adopted from the shelter are spayed or neutered, current on vaccinations, micro-chipped, have a current county license tag and are sent home with a free bag of pet food. Approved adopters receive nearly \$1,000 in services for their new pet.

Stop by today to meet your purrrfect match. The Animal Care and Control shelter is located at 7100 Belvedere Road, West Palm Beach.

Adoption Hours:

Monday – Friday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Sunday 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, call (561) 233-1200. To view pictures of adoptable animals online, please visit [www.pbcgov.com/SNAP](http://www.pbcgov.com/SNAP).

### Vacation Bible School

First Baptist Church of Clewiston invites all children who have completed Kindergarten through 6th Grade to Vacation Bible School, which will be held August 4 through 8 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Come join us as we experience the thrill and excitement of Colossal Coaster World, while learning to Face Fear and Trust God! For more information, contact Ginnee at (863) 983-5555.

## Elephant

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Office (HCSO).

Commissioner Julio Rodriguez called the issue the "800-pound elephant in the room," saying the issue has been brought up two weeks in a row in *The Clewiston News* and the commissioners have not discussed it at all.

"At some point we are going to have to have a discussion about it," said Commissioner Rodriguez, saying several workshops will be needed to properly vet the issue.

"We need to have some workshops to discuss the components of whether we're going to do it or not. It wouldn't be fair not to discuss it and I think the time is to discuss it, one way or the other," said Commissioner Rodriguez, adding that after the budget meeting, which will be held Monday,

July 22, commissioners should schedule "several workshops" to discuss the matter further.

Commissioner Mali Gardner reiterated the fact that this is "a process," and any changes in the police department would have to be brought before the public and decided upon using a referendum.

City Manager Al Perry told the commission the reason the issue has not been included on the commission's agenda is he is still waiting on some numbers to come through. The numbers, he said, deal with insurance costs and he wants to give them to the commissioners "at the same time."

Commissioner Rick Miller sided with the Clewiston Police Department calling it a "core element that the community was built around." Commissioner Miller candidly stated he was "not in favor of even considering getting rid of the police department."

Mayor Phillip Roland said "it's not going to happen in a hurry," but acknowledged that

\$600,000 to \$1 million in savings certainly makes people listen. Mayor Roland cited the fact that towns around Clewiston, including Belle Glade, have already shut down their police departments, and in today's economic climate, such savings cannot be ignored.

Mayor Roland also stated that he was in favor of combining the Clewiston Police and HCSO's communications centers.

"Now more than ever we need our police and sheriff's office to work together," said Mayor Roland.

Two Clewiston residents were given the opportunity to speak about the matter and both said they were not in favor of combining the two departments. One resident stated that the crime rate in Clewiston is low, and there "must be a reason for

that."

Getting the issue out on the table eased the minds of some of the parties involved, and commissioners agreed that workshops will be neces-

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— Commissioner Rodriguez

sary in the (somewhat) near future to discuss the matter in depth, before the issue is ever handed over to the public to decide.

# Crossword Puzzle

**ACROSS**

- 1 Manhunt msg.
- 4 Facebook exchanges, briefly
- 7 Put up a fight
- 13 Nose-dives
- 16 Frozen, maybe
- 17 Toy mentioned in "The Chipmunk Song"
- 18 Shade at the beach
- 19 "This will get better, I promise"
- 21 Executives
- 22 Sault \_\_\_ Marie
- 23 Moves a bit
- 27 Prepare for chewing
- 30 PC hookup
- 31 "That's surreal!"
- 37 Calculating
- 38 Military fleet
- 39 Substance usually abbreviated
- 43 "Microsoft sound" composer
- 44 Arkansas River city
- 45 "Star Wars" title
- 48 Detriment to team performance, maybe
- 49 Master of \_\_\_
- 53 Surveillance device found in 19-, 31- and 39-Across
- 57 Not widely understood
- 60 Air, mostly
- 61 Where lizards hang out?
- 62 Mocking
- 63 Lifted (up)
- 64 '70s kidnappers: Abbr.
- 65 "Star Wars" title

- 6 Self-named Fox Business show
- 7 New addition of a sort
- 8 Big dos
- 9 Rainbow \_\_\_
- 10 Shade at the beach
- 11 Songwriter Phair
- 12 Back of a stamp?
- 14 Viking landing site
- 15 On-again, off-again
- 20 Vintage pop
- 24 Of a hip bone
- 25 CNN journalist Kaye
- 26 1984-2002 honorary Masters starting group member
- 27 Dot on a map
- 28 Turn out
- 29 Virus carrier, at times
- 31 "The East \_\_\_": 1960s anthem in 32-Down
- 32 Nepal neighbor
- 33 Place out of the sun
- 34 Revival prefix

- 35 \_\_\_ Arena, former Sacramento sports venue
- 36 "Today" rival, initially
- 40 Signaled
- 41 Daniel Boone, e.g.
- 42 Black keys
- 46 Show appreciation to
- 47 Swinging joint?
- 49 Big name in cookies

- 50 Longtime morning co-host
- 51 Eternal City fountain
- 52 Less likely to lose it
- 54 Legal document
- 55 Shortcut key
- 56 Solo delivery
- 57 Mont Blanc, e.g.
- 58 Canapé topping
- 59 Blackguard

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# Gas Price Update

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 11.2 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.53/g Sunday, according to GasBuddy's daily survey of 8,237 gas outlets in Florida.

This compares with the national average, which has increased 11.7 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.62/g, according to gasoline price website GasBuddy.com.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 25.0 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 2.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago.

The national average has increased 0.4 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 19.5

cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"Nationally, gasoline prices have begun moving upward yet again. I suspect that the unrest in Egypt is playing a significant role in pushing crude values higher, and thus, retail gasoline prices higher, as well," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

"The market is seemingly quite sensitive to the situation in Egypt, as the Energy Information Administration has reported two consecutive weeks of large declines in crude oil inventories, drawing concern that a loss in Middle Eastern crude would mean continued declines in inventories stateside," DeHaan said.

# PD Urges Caution

A robbery occurred on July 13 at around 3:20 a.m. near the 800 block of E. Sagamore in Clewiston. According to Clewiston Police, two men jumped another man in an attempt to rob him of his money. The man was struck several times in the face with an unknown object, before the two men fled the scene.

The man was treated by EMS and transported to Hendry Regional Medical Center for further treatment. The man told police he had just left

his house and was on his way to the store for a drink when the two men attacked him. A second robbery was reported in the same area and Clewiston Police are not ruling out a possible connection between the two.

Clewiston Police urge residents to use caution when walking alone in the early morning hours and suggest traveling in pairs. If you have any information about the incident, please call the Clewiston Police Department at 863.983.1474.

## Yogurt

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cial.

According to Gonzalez, his family's business uses only the finest ingredients on the market to make their products, including Grade A fresh milk and all-natural fruit pulp. Gonzalez explained the pulp used in their yogurt and juices are the best on the market, imported from Egypt, India and Costa Rica, among other countries. They also use a higher percentage of pulp than most juice manufacturers in their products, so consumers are getting more "fruit" than "filler." The lack of artificial ingredients and preservatives make the products especially appealing, as well.

The new All Juice facility, which is located on S WC Owens Ave in Clewiston, will hire approximately 20 new employees when it opens in the fall, according to Gonzalez. It will produce 64-ounce and eight-ounce bottles of juice, water, and eventually tea. The bottles will be made either from glass or clear plastic, according to Gonzalez.

Gonzalez also talked about the special tea that All Juice will eventually produce. The tea is made from a special tea leaf, which no other manufacturer in the U.S. uses. Gonzalez and the All Juice team are currently working to get a copyright for both the tea itself and its name. Although it will still be a few months before All Juice is ready to produce, local residents can look forward to the opening of a new production facility in Clewiston and the jobs it will bring.

## Airglades

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Coincidentally, McCarthy was present at Monday's meeting.

Commissioner Pittman was also the man to break the ice at Monday's meeting about the possible takeover of Clewiston Police Department by Hendry County Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Pittman told the citizens to be "at ease," and said "nothing will happen" before October. The rest of the commissioners followed suit, each saying that no action would be taken before October 1 -- the end of fiscal year 2013.

As the end of fiscal year 2013 looms, commissioners discussed the issue of raising -- or not raising -- taxes on city residents. Currently, the millage rate, which is the amount per \$1,000 that is used to calculate taxes on property, is set at 6.221, and one mill generates \$196,980 for the city.

Commissioner Gardner said she did not want to raise the millage rate, and thus, raise taxes on residents. Instead, she said the city needs to trim discretionary spending and become more effi-

cient.

Commissioner Rodriguez was also against raising taxes, however, he warned the commission and the city to "be ready," because a budget shortfall was imminent.

Despite every commissioners' wish not to raise taxes, a discussion about raising the millage ensued. Clewiston resident Jerry Cochran spoke to the board, saying it was "incomprehensible" that they would consider setting the millage rate before having any budget discussions. Cochran added that if the millage were set before the budget meeting, the commission would be left without any "wiggle room."

In response to Cochran's warnings, Commissioner Gardner said she does not want "raising taxes as wiggle room."

Mayor Phillip Roland then stepped into the conversation and said the city has the same budgets, the same departments and the same amount of employees as last year, so "it's not a big deal to set the millage tonight."

"The things that's being said is that nobody wants to raise, so we're going to live with 6.221," said Mayor Roland.

The commissioners voted 5-0 to keep the millage rate at 6.221.

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## Hendry Regional announces FHIMA Scholarship Award to Kathy Counts

Hendry Regional Medical Center is pleased to announce that the Florida Health Information Management Association (FHIMA) recently selected Kathy Counts as a recipient of the 2012-2013 FHIMA Graduate Scholarship Award.

This scholarship, which will be awarded at the FHIMA Membership luncheon on July 23rd, will assist Kathy in pursuing her Bachelor of Science Degree in Health Information Management at the University of Central Florida (UCF). FHIMA provides scholarships to students enrolled in both undergraduate and graduate studies related to the Health Information Management field.



Kathy Counts has been at Hendry Regional Corporate Health Services for the past 6 years as a National Registered Certified Medical Assistant (NRCMA).

On July 22nd, Kathy will be moving into the HIM (Health Information Management) department at Hendry Regional. There she will work under the direction of Christine Irwin, the HIM Director and Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT), who has over 40 years of experience. Christine will train Kathy on all aspects of HIM processes. Kathy's long-term goal is to become an HIM Director.



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