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Woman Dies in U.S. 27 Crash

BY MELISSA BELTZ
The Clewiston News

An early morning accident involving an SUV and a semi-trailer resulted in the death of a Lehigh Acres resident today, August 5. The accident occurred around 6:15 a.m. on US 27 near Flaghole Road.

According to a report released by Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), Verlie

Andreda Murray, 61, of Lehigh Acres, was driving on the wrong side of the road on U.S. 27, headed east in the westbound lane.

As Murray continued down the highway, a semi-trailer was traveling in the same lane. Upon seeing Mur-

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VBS at First Missionary Baptist Church: Investigation Destination



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Vacation Bible School (VBS), led by Pastor Joshua Haney and his wife Hannah, was held at the First Missionary Baptist Church from July 29 to August 2. This year's theme, "Seeking God's Truth," centered around a detective agency, where the children played junior agents on a quest for truth. Through memorization of the lessons and good behavior, the children earned points which they could use to win prizes, including the grand prize: a Nintendo DS. At VBS the children enjoyed snacks, most of which were homemade by the volunteers.

New Year, New Curriculum

BY MELISSA BELTZ
The Clewiston News

The new school year is just around the corner and Hendry County students can anticipate some big changes to their curriculum this year. In 2010, Florida was one of 45 states to sign on to the new Common Core State Standards (CCSS). These educational standards attempt to define what students need to know at each grade level and use concepts designed specifically to

prepare students for college and career, according to the Common Core State Standards Initiative -- the governing body behind the standards, coordinated by the National Governor's Association and the Council of Chief State School Officers. One important aspect of the CCSS is the integration of writing and critical thinking into each subject area, starting in the early grades. The state of Florida began implementing the standards in 2011 with Kindergarten, continuing with first and second grade in 2012. This year, third through 12th grade will see

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HCSO Hosts 3rd Annual Community Fun Day

Event attracted thousands of people, says Sheriff Whidden

BY MELISSA BELTZ
The Clewiston News

Sheriff Steve Whidden and the Hendry County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) sponsored the 3rd Annual Community Fun Day on Saturday, August 3 in Clewiston. Equipped with a bounce house, free food, live music and some unintended mud puddles, this year's event was a hit with the kids, their parents and community members.

Though the weather was uncooperative, ending the event three hours earlier than planned, about 3,000 people came through, according to Sheriff Whidden.

Sheriff Whidden, along with HCSO, has been organizing the Community Fun Day for the past three years. Each year, booths set up by different organizations in the community, including the Ladies Auxiliary VFW, HCSO and the American Red Cross, among others, hand out free stuff and provide free services, including school supplies, food, face painting and entertainment. HCSO was even handing out free baby trees for anyone who could haul them away.

HCSO set up a large grill where they cooked hamburgers and cheeseburgers for attendees. Members of the La-

Belle High School Explorer Program, which is sponsored by HCSO, were in charge of handing out the burgers and potato chips.

Kassandra Melgoza, 16, Maribel Espino, 17, and Zachary Scelfo, 15, are part of the LaBelle High School Explorer Program. They were up bright and early to help set up for the event, arriving in Clewiston at 8:30 a.m. The teens volunteered as part of the community service hours required by the Explorer Program.

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

**ISSUE:
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Harlan Griggs: It's no big deal, and for people who don't understand how it all works, you can't just let it all out. It has been raining all over Florida 25 days straight, so all the canals are full, all the rivers are full, all the fields are full, heck my back yard is full ... it's not the end of the world ... people freak out for no reason. Do I like it this high? No, not really. It's easy to sit back and Monday night qb. All we can do is hope we get some dry weather ... we are all in this together and remember, we are like 12 ft above sea level, where is it supposed to all go? Take a drive all over Florida, there is water everywhere ...

Donna Redish Carlson:

Wow, can't believe this. Have you ever heard of this happening before?

Alayna Riddgill: I don't see what there is to be upset about.

Phillip Roland: This never should have happened. It happens about once every five years, but it is not supposed to happen in July when we are into the height of hurricane season.

Jessica Rosen: Regardless of where the blame is at, this is NOT a problem that happened within that last 25 days. Anyone that has been watching the lake level knows that it was way deeper than it should have been going into rainy season to begin with. I am fully aware that it takes time to release the water to the coasts and that it can not be done overnight. However, these high lake levels are not something that happened overnight or in the last 25 days either.

It wouldn't happen at all if SFWMD would do it's job and maintain the lake at a safe level. The water should have been getting released before the lake ever got this deep.

Elias Alvarenga: Just means I get to sleep in till 5 a.m. is all ...

Do you agree or disagree? Let us know your thoughts by emailing us at cndesk@newszap.com. You can also send us a letter at 820 W. Sugarland Hwy., Suite 5, Clewiston, FL 33440.



Above: one of Army Corps' top three ideas addressing excess water.

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Inland Birding Fun: European Starling

BY MARGARET ENGLAND
Hendry Glades Audubon

European Starlings are native to Europe and Asia. About 100 Starlings were released in New York's Central Park in the late 1890s by a group who wanted America to have all of the bird species Shakespeare mentioned in his works. There are now over 200 million descendants of these original birds, which are found as far north as Alaska and Canada and south into Mexico, as well as the Bahamas, and Cuba. They occupy most of Florida and will have up to three broods annually from March through July.

These chunky blackbird-sized birds have a short tail and long, dark, slender beak. In the spring, breeding adults will have yellow bills. They are called Starlings because, in flight, their short and pointed wings make them look like small four-pointed stars. In the winter, they will form large, tight flocks. These flocks are often made up of thousands of birds who can reach speeds up to 48 miles-per-hour in flight.

Adult European Starlings turn from spotted and white to glossy and dark each year without shedding their feathers. The bold, white tips on their brown, winter feathers wear away leaving dark purplish-green iridescent feathers. This change is called a "wear molt". Juvenile birds are a drab gray-brown, but molt into adult plumage. The oldest recorded wild European Starling lived to be 15 years and nine months old.

These noisy relatives of the Mynah birds have impressive vocal abilities and can imitate songs of Killdeer, Meadowlarks, Northern Bobwhite, Red-tailed Hawk, Northern Flicker, Blue Jays and other bird species. They warbler, whistle, chatter, rattle, make harsh trills and smooth, liquid sounds.

Male and female Starlings use about 10 kinds of calls to communicate with each other. They make a purr-like call when they take up flight, a rattle call when they join a flock on the ground and scream when agitated.

Starlings usually live around people where they forage mainly on the ground on lawns, city

streets, fields and other open areas with short vegetation. They prefer eating insects and other small invertebrates, but will eat fruit, grains, seeds, livestock feed and garbage.

Males choose the nest site and will aggressively drive other species out of this nesting area.

This site is almost always in a cavity of a building, tree, street or nest box, which can be up to 60 feet above the ground. After the male fills the cavity with grass, twigs, feathers and trash, he will sing near the nest site in order to attract a mate.

His mate will oversee the final nest building and may discard some of the material her mate added.

They both often add fresh green plants to the nest during laying or incubation.

Most nests contain four or five pale, blue eggs which both sexes incubate for 12 to 14 days.

The hatchlings are born helpless, with sparse, grayish down and their eyes are closed for six to seven days. The young fledge when they are 21 to 23 days old.

For information about the free, escorted driving trips to STA5 (Stormwater Treatment Area 5) August 17 or September 21, go to: www.hendrygladesaudubon.org or call 863-674-0695. Reservations are required for these escorted driving trips.



PHOTO/KENNETH COLE SCHNEIDER
Pictured left is the European Starling.

Reduce the Cost of Owning a Car

The cost of car ownership is on the rise again this year, according to a new report from AAA, but savvy drivers can take practical steps to make driving a more economical mode of transport.

Shop around for better insurance rates. Car owners with good driving records can talk to their insurance company about reducing their premium. And seniors who take a refresher course in driver safety specifically designed for seniors may be able to negotiate lower insurance rates.

Make sure tires are inflated to the correct pressure as indicated on the sticker on the inside of the car door, not the number on the tire sidewall. Under-inflated tires can increase fuel consumption by up to three percent.

Preventive maintenance, such as changing the air filter, can go a long way toward smooth, efficient performance. A clogged air filter can increase fuel consumption by as much as 10 percent.

Take a deep breath. Aggressive driving is not only unsafe and stressful to health, it can also reduce fuel economy -- as all that stop-and-go uses more gasoline than smooth braking and acceleration does.

Handy car owners may be able to do some regular maintenance work themselves, but for those jobs that are beyond their know-how, hiring a reputable mechanic is a must. Car owners should not be afraid to get quotes, as knowing the going rate for the service performed and parts replaced can help car owners from paying unnecessary costs.

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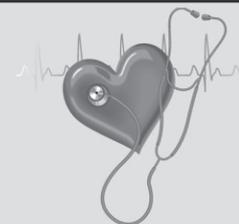
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Jay Jeffrey Mercer, 56

CLEWISTON — Jay Jeffrey Mercer passed away July 31, 2013 in his home surrounded by his loving family.

He was born Jan. 20, 1957, in Belle Glade to Jerry and the late Mary (Hyslope) Mercer. Mr. Mercer married Emily Joyce Lynn. He was a truck driver for many years. He was a member of Turning Point Church of God in Flaghole.

He is survived by his loving wife, Joyce; daughters, Jessica Ann and Lana Gayle; sister, Elizabeth Dean and husband Jim; four grandchildren; and numerous family members and friends.

Funeral services celebrating Jay's life were held Sat., Aug. 3, 2013 at 2 p.m. in Turning Point Church of God in Flaghole with Rev. Troy Ezell officiating. Visitation was one hour before services also in the church.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.



Sammie M. Perry, 77

LABELLE — Sammie M. Perry passed away Aug. 5, 2013 in Fort Myers.

She was born Sept. 16, 1935, in Etowah, Tenn., to the late "Mac" and Opal McCormack. She attended Carson-Newman College and received her Masters Degree from Vanderbilt University, coming to Florida in 1958 to begin her career as a high school science teacher at Clewiston High School. She also prepared taxes for over thirty years and greatly enjoyed catching up on the lives of her tax clients.

Sammie loved reading trashy novels, Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy, dogs, and her family. She tolerated shopping, fishing and camping trips. She made the best fried chicken, biscuits, and cheesecake on the planet.

Survivors include, Michele Barnard (Joe) of Gaithersburg, Md., Jeff Perry (Hannah Mary) of LaBelle, William G. Perry, Jr. (Karen) of Cullowhee, NC, Frank Perry (Carol) of Port Charlotte, and Cathy Perry of Astatula; and many beloved grandchildren. She also believed that Chris Bruno and Rene Ibarra were her children as well.

Visitation will be Thurs., Aug. 8, 2013, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Carlson Memorial United Methodist Church in LaBelle. A memorial service will follow at 6:30 p.m. at the church with Pastor Sammy Co officiating.

Donations can be made to Florida United Methodist Children's Home, the Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation, or the charity of your choice.

Cremation arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home, LaBelle.

It's Time to Think About Vaccinations

BY PAT DOBBINS
Florida Department of Health

Now is the time to get your children vaccinated for the next school year! Parents can take their children to the health department now to receive the shots they need for school, but they can also take them to their private health care provider. If parents decide to wait until just before school starts, they might have to wait in line if there is a "rush" of folks waiting until the last minute to get their children vaccinated. "It is important for parents to make sure their children are vaccinated," said Pat Dobbins, administrator for the Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades Counties. "That's how individual children are protected, as well as the entire school."

The first day of school will approach quickly. Parents need to make sure their children have received the proper immunizations as required by law. Health Departments can provide school vaccinations (free of charge) for children from infants through the age of 18.

Students entering kindergarten are required to have the following vaccinations: DTaP or Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (If the fourth DTaP vaccine is administered on or after the fourth birthday, a fifth DTaP is not required); Polio (if the fourth dose is administered on or after the fourth birthday, a fifth dose is not required); MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella); Hepatitis B; Varicella (Chickenpox).

Students entering 7th grade must receive a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) boost-

er. Immunizations are available at the following locations:

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LaBelle - 1140 Pratt Blvd, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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If your child has received immunizations at a different location or in other cities or states, it is very important that you take all shot records for your child to your health department or health care provider. This will help to avoid delays or unnecessary duplicated immunizations.

Happiness Could be Key to Good Health

Everyone knows that proper diet, regular exercise and avoidance of bad habits, like smoking, are crucial to great health. However, some experts say that a truly positive outlook on life can be just as powerful a factor in improving overall wellness.

In fact, possessing "emotional vitality" and a sense of hopefulness was found in a Harvard School of Public Health study to reduce the risk of coronary heart disease. Many other studies have yielded results with similar implications.

"An internal dialogue that is filled with negative, judgmental or self-defeating thoughts can be a self-fulfilling prophecy," says Sean Meshorer, a spiritual teacher and author of the new book "The Bliss Experiment: 28 Days to Personal Transformation." "Bringing bliss into your work, relationships, family and service, no matter what your personal struggles may be, can help you live a more focused, stress-free, fulfilling life."

Meshorer, who sustained an injury seven years ago that left him with severe, disabling and incurable chronic pain, believes your circumstances in life do not need to define your happiness. In his new book, he offers readers science-based spiritual solutions to changing the way one thinks.

With that in mind, Meshorer shared a few ways to get started.

Have compassion: You can't be genuinely happy while you're indifferent to the pain of others. Compassion reinforces our feeling to the world around us and breaks down barriers of loneliness. Make a conscious decision to act compassionately toward others -- including



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strangers and enemies -- without the expectation of receiving anything in return.

Dispute negative thoughts: Don't suppress your negative thoughts or paint them over with pretty colors. Running from reality can be counterproductive. Instead, recognize that not all your negative thoughts are rational or justified.

Analyze your thoughts for how they began and why they may not be entirely accurate. Attempt to think about the people or things that are making you unhappy in the most objective light possible.

Be optimistic: Optimism is a practical and effective life strategy. Let go of your fears that being positive leads to disappointment.

Don't place material conditions on happiness: To place your happiness at the whim of complex economic conditions out of your control is like playing Russian roulette with your soul. Don't let your bank account define your happiness.

Practice affirmations: Our words are extremely powerful. What we say to ourselves and how we say it are vitally important, impacting our bodily health and mental well-being.

While often viewed as dubious New Age musings, there is scientific evidence that doing affirmations can avert depression, according to a study by the American Psychological Association. Other studies have found affirmations can substantially improve body image, bolster business success and reduce stress. Sit somewhere quiet and repeat your affirmation out loud.

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Lake Okeechobee Fishing Report

BY MARK KING

Roland Martin's Marina and Resort

It's only the beginning of August and Lake Okeechobee is already seeing high levels of water, with the lake level hovering around 16 feet above sea level. Yes, this means we have a lot of water everywhere on the lake and the Clewiston locks are no longer open at all times. Boaters are required to "lock through" if they use the public boat ramps. It is strange to be able to run almost anywhere on the lake in the middle of summer. Normally, we don't have much water in the lake at this time of year.

This summer has brought some good fishing, even with the high water levels and high water temperatures. As of right now, live bait fishing has been better than the artificial lure bite, but as more fish move back into the grass from open

water, the lure bite should really pick up. The wild shiner and live bait bites have worked well all summer, and I see no reason for it to slow down.

I have been fishing a lot of different areas on the lake trying to find the best spot, but most of the areas seem to be about the same. I have been fishing from Kramer Island to the Blue Hole area and the only reason I am moving around is because the fish are not concentrated in any one area right now. It is typical summer fishing: get out as early as you can, fish for four hours or until the fish stop biting, then get off the water.

It has been really hot out on the lake and, on most days, by ten o'clock the fish are no longer biting. I have been catching a few bass quite early out on the reef with lipless crank baits, then the bite stops and move in to the outside grass

line in areas like Long Point, Ritta Island and around the lake-end of Uncle Joe's cut.

It is summertime here on Okeechobee, so be sure to drink lots of water and use that sunscreen you brought with you on the boat. Now is also the time to start booking those fishing trips for

the prime season here on Okeechobee, which starts in November and goes through the month of May. I think it is going to be an awesome season here on the Big 'O,' and I am starting to fill my calendar up. Good luck, tight lines and I hope to see everyone on the water soon.



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Religion Column

When I Want to Help and Things aren't so Simple

BY REVEREND SAMUEL S. THOMAS, PH. D.+
Saint Martin's Church

One young clergyman spoke of his experiences as he began ministry and wanted to help people. He spoke of the training he received in seminary and then added, "None of the people I see have problems like the ones in the books we used in school!"

If life were only, "If this happens, do that!" But it's not that way. Many "simple solutions" aren't so simple after all. We want to help, but can't come up with the best answer for our friends or ourselves. The other night on TV, there was a drama about a man who was asked to falsify information by his boss. He needed his job and losing it would have meant drastic consequences for his family; but he also knew it was wrong to lie.

After thinking about it, he told his boss that he could not lie, even if it meant losing his job. The boss replied that he was the employee sought for the job; he had too many losses and problems with people not telling the truth and needed someone he could trust to be truthful. Unfortunately, things seem to end up better on TV than in everyday life. (The news we see on TV seems to be an exception to the happy ending, as I've observed!) How, then, can one be of help when someone is faced with a dilemma where there seems to be no happy answer? I looked to Biblical models and there were lots of them.

The Lord didn't always begin by making a pronouncement when He was asked to help someone with a choice or what to do in life. The parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25ff)

begins with an expert in the law testing Jesus and asking, "Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life (v.26)?" Jesus answers with another question; the man is an expert in the law and Jesus uses things he will readily understand, saying to him, "What is written in the law (v.26)?"

Likewise, Jesus is challenged for His authority by the chief priests and elders of the law (Mark 11:27ff). They ask Him, by whose authority does He exercise His ministry and, "Who gave you authority to do this (v.28)?" He in turn asks them about the baptism of John. Was it from men or Heaven? They admit that they really don't know.

Their challenge of His authority is left for them to decide for themselves. No simple or direct answer has come. My experiences have led me to see that the work of helping -- really helping -- is allowing people to come to their own answers, rather than to impose my views on them. The parable of the Good Samaritan follows from the question about eternal life, and the answer becomes apparent to the questioner. Being the good neighbor and loving one's neighbor is a key. Work on your own relationship with God and determine for yourself the authority of His Word and His ministry.

The sources are there to help, both human and printed, but you must determine and decide for yourself. Jesus points out to the Pharisees, "The kingdom of God does not come with your careful observation, or will people say 'Here it is' or 'There it is' because ... the Kingdom of God is within you" (Luke 17:20-21). Many times that's where the best answers are to be found: within us. Those are the answers the best helpers ask each of us to find!



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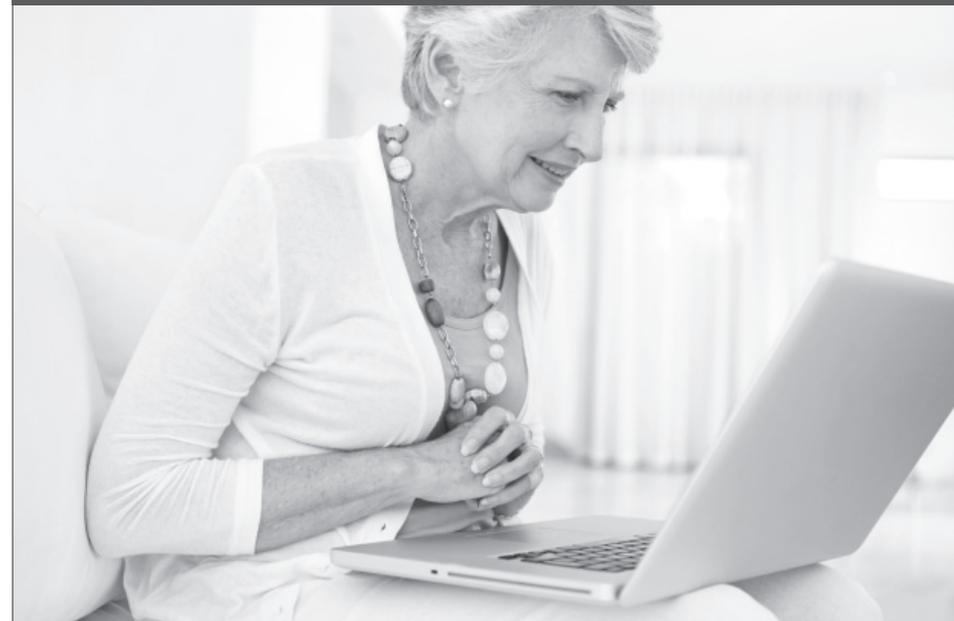
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Florida Gulf Coast Nursing Students Experience Public Health in Rural Setting

Florida Gulf Coast University students learn about rural medicine

Nursing students from Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU) had a rotation of classes in Hendry County to learn about Public Health in rural communities. Among their many experiences within the health department, they also toured the Hendry County Jail and the Hendry County Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

The nursing students' professors took the time to extend a big "thank you" to everyone who helped the students that day.

"Please accept a 'HUGE' thanks from the

FGCU students and faculty for the exceptional graciousness and teaching skills of the staff at Hendry County Health Department. The students have mentioned several times how wonderful all of their contacts have been to them. You all have opened their eyes to the importance of public health and service. Brenda Barnes was especially helpful to all of us. Thank you for an outstanding experience for us all," wrote Gail F. Graham, Ph.D., ARNP, NP-C and assistant professor for FGCU's School of Nursing.

Shirley Ruder, Ed.D, RN and program director for FGCU's BSN Program wrote, "Thank you again for working with the students. They truly enjoy the LaBelle experience and you all go out of your way to make it such a positive learning experience."



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Pictured above is Brenda Barnes (in purple), planning consultant and public information officer for the Florida Department of Health in Hendry County, along with FGCU Nursing Students (in alphabetical order) Alyssa Beitzinger, Lindsey Brooks, Nathan Brown, Colleen Carney, Brian Lee, Maria Moncayo, Angela O'Donnell, Miranda Stewart, Calvin Thornton and Assistant Professor Gail Graham, Ph.D., ARNP, NP-C, School of Nursing.

Schools

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certain aspects of the CCSS infused into their curriculum, including the end-of-year exams, with full implementation expected for the 2014/2015 school year.

Superintendent Paul Puletti explained the basics behind the new state standards and what students, teachers and parents can expect throughout the new school year.

"Basically, the Common Core Standards are a framework where instruction is infused with reading and writing in all grade levels and subject areas. There is more reading and writing in math and social studies, not just in English and language arts," said Superintendent Puletti.

More opportunity for reading and writing will be the biggest difference students see when the new standards are implemented, according to Superintendent Puletti. Students will feel the biggest impact from the CCSS, however, teachers have been and will be impacted.

Some teachers have already taken training courses to prepare themselves for the new standards, and others will receive training in the near future.

Because the CCSS define what students need to know at each grade level, teachers will have to "work cooperatively across all grade levels and subject areas," said Superintendent Puletti. Teachers will also be more involved in developing students' everyday curriculum. As Superintendent Puletti explained, the CCSS "tell us what students need to know," but the "how to do it" is still a local decision that the schools and the school district will make on their own.

Principal Rosa Perez, who will be moving from Clewiston Middle School to Central Elementary School this year, explained how the CCSS will impact teachers' everyday lessons.

The CCSS increases the amount that students will be writing, as well as the amount of informational texts students will read, she explained. One of the core aspects of the CCSS, especially beginning at the elementary school level, is helping students to develop a deep understanding of what they are reading.

Principal Perez outlined a possible scenario between a teacher and her students to explain how the CCSS work to develop students' critical thinking skills.

A teacher may present students with an article or short story and give the students ways to mark the text, said Principal Perez. By doing this, she explained, the students begin to develop a deeper understanding of what they are reading. The students will then read the text again, two or three times, helping to build their vocabulary. Once the students have read the text multiple times, they will go back and cite evidence in order to write a response, said Principal Perez.

A second scenario may include a teacher posing a question to her students and having them read a text in order to gain a deeper understanding of how to answer her question, said Principal Perez.

The CCSS will require students to use these same critical thinking and writing skills in math, as well as science and social studies. In math, Principal Perez explained, students will concentrate more on mathematical skills and how to use them, as opposed to merely memorizing equations and concepts. In the same way students are fluent in the English language, so, too, will they become fluent in mathematics, she explained.

Mathematics, under the new CCSS, will be centered around application, as well. According to Principal Perez, the question will be, "How do you use math in the real world?"

"There will be a bigger shift in math this year. Students will gain a deeper understanding so they can apply those concepts to the real world," said Principal Perez.

On their website, the Common Core State Standards Initiative detailed what a "mathematically proficient student" should know as part of the CCSS:

"Mathematically proficient students can explain correspondences between equations, verbal descriptions, tables and graphs, or draw diagrams of important features and relationships, graph data and search for regularity or trends. Younger students might rely on using concrete objects or pictures to help conceptualize and solve a problem. Mathematically proficient students check their answers to problems using a different method, and they continually ask themselves, 'Does this make sense?'"

The same kinds of parameters created for math, were also created for English language arts, science, history and social sciences.

Because the CCSS delineate specifically what each student should know, and 45 states have signed on to the standards, children who transfer to a different school will, theoretically, be learn-

ing the same curriculum at the new school, so long as the school has adopted the CCSS. This also means educators can compare test results from state to state.

Principal Perez and Superintendent Puletti both praised these features.

"We can now see where our students are in Florida compared to other states," said Principal Perez, who said the FCAT could only compare students within Florida.

Superintendent Puletti pointed out the advantage of the CCSS for families who move from state to state.

"If you have a military family who might be moving from Texas to Florida to Maryland -- to wherever -- there will be a standard curriculum," said Superintendent Puletti.

One disadvantage Principal Perez acknowledged was the CCSS's focus on technology -- technology that some Hendry County schools do not possess. For example, the end-of-year exams that will accompany the CCSS will be almost entirely computer-based. The CCSS's drive to prepare students for the "real world" also means that everyday classroom instruction will be infused with modern technology -- an expensive prospect that Principal Perez called "the bad side" of the CCSS for some Hendry County schools.

Another potential downside is the continued focus on testing to measure what students have learned. Superintendent Puletti commented on this issue.

"The Common Core Standards do not shy away from testing as a standard. Unfortunately, there are still testing requirements and, in some cases, there is more testing, which I hate to see," said Superintendent Puletti.

The 2014/15 school year will see the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) being replaced with a new assessment called PARCC, or the Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers. Other states have signed onto the assessments, as well, 19 in total plus the District of Columbia and the U.S. Virgin Islands. The PARCC assessments align with the CCSS and include texts that are "worth reading and problems that are worth solving," according to a fact sheet released by PARCC. A unique aspect of the PARCC assessment is that students will not simply be answering multiple choice questions. Instead, students will be required to show their work when solving math problems, for example.

Until the PARCC exams are completed and ready to be administered, Florida students will be

taking the FCAT at the end of the year. However, changes in the FCAT have been taking place, as well.

In the past couple of years, students have seen a phase out of the traditional FCAT and a phase in of the FCAT 2.0. The FCAT 2.0 aligns with the new state standards and sees stricter grading in the area of writing. According to the Florida Department of Education (DOE), the grading rubric for the FCAT 2.0 Writing pays greater attention to the correct use of standard English conventions, which include spelling, capitalization and grammar, and the quality of details, requiring relevant, logical and plausible support. In the past, students have been graded leniently on these points, according to the DOE.

The FCAT 2.0 attempts to bridge the gap between the FCAT and PARCC, but the FCAT 2.0 will again be phased out once the PARCC assessments are written and agreed upon.

Principal Perez explained how her school is preparing for the new tests.

"As a school, we're preparing to blend the two," said Principal Perez. Older students should prepare for more reading and responding to informational texts on the FCAT 2.0, said Principal Perez. This includes writing using more sources than students were previously required to use. Students may read a narrative, but use information from a news article to respond to the narrative, she explained.

Amongst all the preparations being taken to transition to the new standards, criticisms of the new assessments have also surfaced. Florida recently threatened to pull out of PARCC because of concerns over the amount of time students will spend testing, whether schools have the computers and bandwidth necessary to take the tests and how much money the tests will cost in the end, according to an article published by State Impact, a reporting project by National Public Radio.

State House Speaker Will Weatherford and state Senate President Don Gaetz both sent a letter to former Education Commissioner Tony Bennett, asking him to withdraw from PARCC. The letter was sent on July 17; Bennett submitted his letter of resignation to the Chairman of Florida's State Board of Education on August 1.

Despite the recent criticisms, the CCSS are still on track to roll out this school year for third through 12th grade.

The accompanying exams, on the other hand, are still a debatable issue.

South Florida offers plenty of rodeo action

South Florida's pioneers brought cattle ranching to the area, and with it, the cowboy skills required for rodeo. Continuing that pioneer spirit, rodeo still thrives in Florida.

Rodeo fans find plenty of rodeos to choose from, including junior events for the youngest rodeo competitors, high school rodeo athletes hoping for college scholarships, working cowboys competing in ranch rodeos and full-time professional rodeo cowboys earning points for national championships in PRCA events. Mexican rodeo, more a social event than a sport, has also found a home in South Florida.

All of the rodeos encourage the fans to make a lot of noise and have fun.

Ranch Rodeo

Ranch rodeos, which have become more popular in recent years, attract working cowboys who work on South Florida ranches. The events in a ranch rodeo are based on the actual skills the cowboys use to work cattle. Unlike PRCA events, ranch rodeo is a team sport. Just as the cowboys work together on a ranch, they work together and help each other in the arena events.

Another difference is the equipment used. While PRCA cowboys use special rodeo saddles and equipment, those in ranch rodeos use the same equipment and tack that the cowboy uses in everyday work.

In addition to events such as calf roping and bronc riding, events in a ranch rodeo may include team doctoring, team sorting, wild cow milking, calf branding, relay race, double mugging and colt riding (sometimes called the wild horse ranch.) In these events, the team works together to perform a task similar to those done on ranches. There are a few differences. The "brand" in the rodeo is covered with chalk or paint. "Doctoring" is indicated by dabbing a bit of paint on a cow to indicate giving it medicine.

Ranch rodeo rules vary from state to state and even from rodeo to rodeo according to Dusty Holley, Florida Cattlemen's Association director of field services. For those new to the sport, the announcer explains the rules to the spec-

tators as the rodeo unfolds.

Bronc riding is similar to that seen in other rodeos, but closer to what actually



happens on a ranch when a horse decides to start bucking. For colt riding, instead of starting with a bronc in a chute, a haltered horse is in the arena, held by one member of the team while the others attempt to saddle it and then one team member must mount the horse and ride it to the end of the arena. This is no easy task and it is not unusual for this event to have no successful rides. This event is also sometimes called the wild horse race.

In the double-mugging event, one person will rope a yearling calf and other team members will help take the yearling to the ground and secure the animal with rope.

PRCA

According to the Professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association (PRCA), legend has it that American rodeo was born on July 4, 1869 when two groups of cowboys from neighboring ranches met in Deer Trail, Colo., to settle an argument over who was the best at performing everyday ranching tasks. That competition is considered to be the first rodeo which evolved into rodeo as we know it today.

The Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) was created almost by

accident in 1936 when a group of cowboys walked out of a rodeo at the Boston Gardens to protest the actions of rodeo

promoter W.T. Johnson, who refused to add the cowboys' entry fees to the rodeo's total purse.

The promoter finally gave in to the cowboys' demands, and the successful "strike" led to the formation of the Cowboys' Turtle Association. The cowboys chose that name because, while they were slow to organize, when push finally came to shove, they weren't afraid to stick their necks out to get what they wanted. In 1945, the Turtles changed their name to the Rodeo Cowboys Association, and in 1975, the organization became the PRCA.

Florida High School Rodeo & Junior High School Rodeo

The Florida High School Rodeo Association hosts competitions for rodeo teams from Florida High Schools. Rodeo contestants travel around the state competing in a series of high schools earning points toward their state rankings. The top 15 in each event competes in the state finals, and the top four finishers in each event at the state level go on to compete in the National High School Rodeo Finals. Contestants must be enrolled in high school and be in good standing. Report cards must be turned in every nine weeks.

The Florida Junior High School Rodeo Association is a division of the National High School Rodeo Association (NHSRA) for sixth, seventh and eighth graders. The top 20 in each event at the end of the season move on to compete at the Florida State Finals. The top four in each event after state finals then have the option of moving on to compete at the national finals.

For current rodeo schedules go online to <http://fhsra.homestead.com>.

Professional Bull Riding

The rules are simple: Place a wiry cowboy on the back of a hulking, snorting temperamental 2,000 pound bull and see if he can stay on for an eternal eight seconds ... with one hand strapped to the bull. Headquartered in Colorado, the Professional Bull Riders, Inc. was created in 1992 when a group of bull riders broke away from the traditional rodeo scene seeking mainstream attention for the sport of professional bull riding. They felt that, as the most popular event at a rodeo, bull riding deserved to be in the limelight and could easily stand alone.

More than 1,200 bull riders from the U.S., Australia, Brazil, Canada, and Mexico hold PBR memberships. They compete in more than 300 bull riding events per year on either the elite tour, the Touring Pro Division, or the PBR International circuits. The ultimate goal for PBR athletes each year is to qualify for the prestigious PBR World Finals in Las Vegas where the coveted title of PBR World Champion is decided.

Mexican rodeo

Mexican rodeos or charreadas include some familiar rodeo events, such as bull riding (although instead of riding for eight seconds, the contestant tries to stay on until the bull stops bucking), and some events that are not seen in traditional rodeos in the U.S. such as trick riding. Mexican rodeos are also known for colorful traditional costumes and pageantry. Music plays a big part in Mexican rodeos, which are as much a social gathering as a sporting event.

South Florida Rodeo Calendar

There's plenty of rodeo action within driving distance of communities in the Lake Okeechobee area. Rodeos range from kids trying their skills in youth competitions to professional rodeo riders competing for prize money and points toward national championships at events sanctioned by the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association.

Area rodeo venues:

- The Okeechobee Agri-Civic Center is often the venue for horse shows, barrel racing competitions and Mexican rodeos. To check the current schedule, go to co.okeechobee.fl.us/Agri-Civic. The Agri-Civic Center hosts recreational riding on the first Tuesday of each month from 6 to 9:30 p.m. and barrel racing practice on the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.

- Florida High School Rodeos are scheduled throughout the school year at arenas throughout the state. Last year two high school rodeos were held in Okeechobee. The schedule for 2013-2014 school year should be posted shortly after the school year starts at <http://fhsra.homestead.com/>.

- The Fred Smith Arena on Brighton Seminole Reservation, on Harney Pond Road, off State Road 721 in Glades Coun-

ty, hosts Extreme Bull Riding, Barrel Racing and other rodeo and horsemanship events. For a current schedule, go online to www.rezrodeo.com.

- The Junior Cypress Entertainment Complex on Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation is a state-of-the-art facility with a newly-renovated rodeo arena. Rodeos and other events are scheduled throughout the year. The facility is only 18 miles north of I-75 between Naples and Fort Lauderdale. For more information, online go to jrcarena.com or call 863-983-8923.

- Gethsemane Ranch, 22845 S.W. Martin Highway in Okeechobee hosts rodeo events. For more information, call 772-597-0380.

- The Okeechobee Cattlemen's Rodeo Arena on U.S. Highway 441 N. hosts rodeos in March and September. For more information online, go to www.okeechobeeassoc.com.

Events on the calendar for the coming year include:

AUGUST

- The Brighton Seminole Fred Smith Arena hosts barrel racing practice on Mondays, from 6 to 9 p.m. On Tuesdays, the arena hosts team roping practice from 7 to 9 p.m. Charge for most practices is \$15. For a current schedule, go

online to www.rezrodeo.com. The arena is off State Road 721 on Brighton Seminole Reservation in Glades County. For information online, go to www.rezrodeo.com.

- The Ocala Shrine Rodeo is planned for Aug. 30-31 at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion, 2200 N.E. Jacksonville Rd. (CR 200A), in Ocala. For more information online, go to <http://www.ocalarodeo.com>.

- A Kids Summer Rodeo Series Event will be held on Saturday, Aug. 31, at 10:30 a.m. at the Junior Cypress Entertainment Complex on Big Cypress Seminole Indian Reservation. The facility is only 18 miles north of I-75 between Naples and Fort Lauderdale. For more information, online go to jrcarena.com or call 863-983-8923.

- Brighton Seminole Reservation's Fred Smith Arena will host a Ranch Rodeo Friday, Aug. 23, and Saturday, Aug. 24, at 7:30 p.m. each evening. Teams from these rodeos will also compete in the Labor Day weekend rodeo in Okeechobee.

SEPTEMBER

- The 2013 Okeechobee Cattlemen's Labor Day Rodeos will be ranch rodeos with teams competing on Saturday, Aug. 31, Sunday, Sept. 1, and on Monday, Sept. 2 (Labor Day). Rodeo finals will be held including top ten teams overall from the

Okeechobee and Brighton rodeos. Rodeos will be held at the old Okeechobee Cattlemen's Rodeo Arena on U.S. Highway 441 North. Rodeos will start at 2:30 p.m.

- On Sept. 21 the Arcadia Rodeo Arena, 124 Heard Street (right off of U.S. Highway 17) in Arcadia, will host a Youth Rodeo. It starts at 10 a.m. For more information, go to <http://www.arcadiarodeo.com>.

- The 2013 Statewide Ranch Rodeo Competition and Cowboy Heritage Festival will be held Friday, Sept. 27, and Saturday, Sept. 28, at the Silver Spurs Arena at Osceola Heritage Park, 1875 Silver Spur Lane in Kissimmee. Rodeo action begins at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. In addition, the Cowboy Heritage Festival offers crafts, cowboy artwork storytelling, beef cook-off, whip cracking and more from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday. For more information, contact the Florida Cattlemen's Association at 407-846-6221.

OCTOBER

- Youth Rodeo will be held Oct. 19 at the Arcadia rodeo arena, 124 Heard Street (right off of U.S. Highway 17) and starts at 10 a.m. For more information, go to <http://www.arcadiarodeo.com>.

- A PRCA/WPRA Rodeo will be held at the Timer Powers Park in Indiantown on Saturday, Oct. 26. Gates open at 5 p.m. Timer Powers Park is located at 20652 S.W. Citrus Boulevard, Indiantown. For more information, call 772-597-2184.

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There is no cost to be a vendor, however, all chocolates and/or wine offerings and raffle prizes at your tasting table must be provided by you. Expected attendance is between 150-200 people. The event is currently scheduled to last 3 hours with entertainment, dancing and prizes.

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Plays, concerts and more...

Okeechobee Community Theatre

OKEECHOBEE—The Okeechobee Community Theatre will hold open auditions for roles in its first two shows of the season on August 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. at the Okeechobee Freshman Campus Auditorium, one block west of Golden Corral Restaurant. The shows are the Tony award-winning comedy-musical “The Drowsy Chaperone,” scheduled for performance in November, and the holiday radio play, “It’s a Wonderful Life,” to be presented in December. Participants may try out for either or both shows at the sessions. There are roles available for ten or more adult males and two to four young men from early to late teens. Female roles include at least seven adults and two young ladies from early to late teens. For information on audition procedures, call 863-763-1307, or visit www.okeechobeecommunitytheatre.com.

Jazz Market, Jazz Jams

FORT PIERCE—The Fort Pierce Jazz and Blues Society hosts a Jazz Market in historic downtown Fort Pierce on the waterfront of Indian River every Saturday from 8 a.m. to noon.

Every Tuesday, the Sunrise Theatre at the Black Box, 1117 South Second St. in Fort Pierce, features Jazz Jams from 7 to 10 p.m. on Wednesday. Jazz Jams are every other Wednesday at the Port St. Lucie Botanical Gardens, 2410 S.E. Westmoreland Blvd., Port St. Lucie, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Folk and Bluegrass concert

JOHN D. MACARTHUR BEACH STATE PARK—Willie Allen and Jerry Axelrod will perform in a Folk and Bluegrass concert on Aug. 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. at John D. MacArthur Beach State Park. The program is free with park admission of \$5 per vehicle. Please call 561-776-7449, ext. 109 for more information. John D. MacArthur Beach State Park is located 2.8 miles south of the intersection of U.S.1 and PGA Blvd. on A1A in North Palm Beach.

Conch Stomp Band

JOHN D. MACARTHUR BEACH STATE PARK—On Sept. 8 from 2 to 4 p.m., come on down to the park and listen to the Conch Stomp Band play some bluegrass. Free with park admission. Call the Nature Center for more information, call 561-624-6952. John D. MacArthur Beach State Park is located 2.8 miles south of the intersection of U.S.1 and PGA Blvd. on A1A in North Palm Beach.

Area special events...

Art show at Dolly Hand Center

BELLE GLADE—The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center’s spacious Grand Hall often plays home to visual art exhibits by local artists. Exhibits take place in conjunction with Guest Artist Series performances. The Grand Hall is open Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to noon and one hour before all performances. Other viewing times available upon request. To inquire about exhibiting artwork in the Grand Hall, contact Leigh Woodham at 561-993-1160.

Boat tour and photography class

JONATHAN DICKINSON STATE PARK—On Aug. 10, learn how to create interesting and creative images focusing on landscapes and scenes. Join professional photographers on a guided river tour along the Wild and Scenic Loxahatchee River to Trapper Nelson’s Interpretive Site. Program cost is \$70 and includes park entry, guided boat tour, class instruction, photo shoot, photo critique, and light refreshments. For more information, contact the Kimbell Center, 561-745-5551, email libby.reinert@dep.state.fl.us or visit www.floridastateparks.org/jonathandickinson.

Labor Day Festival

OKEECHOBEE—The annual Okeechobee Labor Day Festival will be held Aug. 31-Sept. 2, in downtown Okeechobee, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day. Flagler Park will host arts and crafts and food vendors as well as local entertainment. The Labor Day Parade will be Monday, Sept. 2, at 10 a.m. in downtown Okeechobee. The parade route starts at the old U-Save supermarket on U.S. Highway 441 (aka Parrott Avenue) travels north to the intersection of State Road 70 and then west on State Road 70 to the end of Flagler Park. For more information online, go to www.mainstreetokeechobee.com. For vendor applications, call Sharie at 863-357-6246. At 2:30 p.m. each day, the Okeechobee Cattlemen’s Association will host a ranch rodeo at the Okeechobee Cattlemen’s Arena on U.S. Highway 441 N.

Learn to kayak

JOHN D. MACARTHUR BEACH STATE PARK—On Sept. 1 from 10 to 11 a.m., representatives from Adventure Times Kayaks will teach a land-based course that gives beginners the skills necessary for kayaking. Reservations are recommended. The program is free with park admission. For information and reservations, please call the Nature Center at 561-624-6952. John D. MacArthur Beach State Park is located 2.8 miles south of the intersection of U.S.1 and PGA Blvd. on A1A in North Palm Beach.

Nature Underwater Art Exhibition

JONATHAN DICKINSON STATE PARK—In recognition of the essential role water plays in our environment, The Kimbell Center Gallery at Jonathan Dickinson State Park, is presenting a show of underwater art. All work including 2D and 3D is welcome and must follow a natural theme, but can include people, structures, and objects at the discretion of the artist. Artwork will be juried for compliance with the show’s theme, Nature Underwater, and selected work will be displayed in the parks’ gallery. Artwork can be for sale with 20 percent of the proceeds benefitting the Friends of Jonathan Dickinson State Park. Proceeds are considered a donation toward park programs and improvement projects. The Friends are a nonprofit, volunteer based organization promoting the historical, educational, and ecological enhancement of the park. The cost of entry is \$10 for up to five entries. The exhibit takes place from Sept. 28 – Nov. 17. The Exhibition Reception will be Oct. 4 at 6:30 p.m. and will include an announcement of “Best of Show” and a special guest speaker from Florida International University. Dr. Michael Heithaus will speak about the behaviors and interactions of bull sharks in the Loxahatchee River and other estuarine systems. To enter artwork, or for more information, contact Libby Reinert at Libby.reinert@dep.state.fl.us or call 561-745-5551.



PERFORMING ARTS



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Pictured above is Scrubby the Bear, the American Red Cross mascot, with (pictured from left to right) Maricela Vera, Junior Silva, Monica Pilon, Jean Pilon and Viviana Vera at Community Fun Day on August 3.

Community

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Margie Phipps, community supervisor and Girl Scout Leader, was also helping to hand out food at the HCSO's stand. "I started out face painting with the Girl Scouts, but we got rained out, so I came over here to help," said Phipps.

Entertainment for the kids included Mary the Clown, who volunteers around the county at different events. "It's been tough keeping the paint dry!" she exclaimed, as rain droplets began to fall on an already soaked Civic Park.

Scrubby the Bear, the American Red Cross mascot, was also in attendance. Scrubby was there to take pictures with the children and to spread the word that the American Red Cross needs more youth volunteers.

Two youth volunteers, Angela Vazquez, 13, and her brother Ramon Vazquez, 15, were also there to spread the word, and took the opportunity to capture a photo with Scrubby the Bear.

The Ladies Auxiliary booth saw a heavy stream of traffic and "sold out" of their free school supplies early in the morning.

Another booth with high traffic throughout the event was providing free child identification kits, sponsored by the Clewiston Masonic

Lodge. Cecilia Rivera, of LaBelle, works for HCSO and volunteered at the child ID booth. Rivera explained that the identification kits, which include information like the child's finger prints and photographs of the child's face, are used to help identify children should anything ever happen. The information is stored within a database where it can be easily accessed. This year, 75 children received their free identification kits, up from 50 children last year, according to Rivera.

Though this year's event was shortened by Mother Nature, Sheriff Whidden is already looking forward to next year's event.

"We do this every year for the community and the kids," said Sheriff Whidden.

Emergency Scams Increase with Summer Travel

"Hi, Gram, I need your help and you have to promise not to tell Mom and Dad. I got arrested in Mexico and I need \$2,000 bail money ..."

"Grandpa, I'm in London with my college roommate. You remember Carol? We were robbed last night in a pub and now I have no money to get home."

Consumer scams are a serious problem in North America, and this is one of the most common: the Emergency Scam, where the scammer poses as a friend or family member in trouble, often overseas, and requests that money be sent.

It's sometimes called the Grandparent Scam because seniors are often targeted by scammers pretending to be grandchildren.

During the summer travel season, there is an increased potential for Emergency or Grandparent Scams to occur. More people are traveling and whenever people are vulnerable, fraudsters will generally attack.

Emergency scams play off people's emotions and strong desire to help others in need. Scammers impersonate their victims' loved ones, often using information they've picked up on social media, and make up an urgent situation - I've been arrested, I've been mugged, I'm in the hospital. The scammer makes an urgent plea for help ... and money. In most cases, the scammer asks for money to be wired immediately. The victim often responds quickly and without

checking first to see if the pleading voice on the other end of the phone really is their grandchild or other loved one.

"Emergency scams play off people's emotions and strong desire to help others in need."

Better Business Bureau (BBB) has partnered with Western Union in an effort to educate consumers about how to protect themselves from Emergency Scams during the summer travel season.

Western Union offers these "Money Transfer Never Evers" to help consumers avoid scams:

Never use a money transfer service to send money to someone you have not met in person.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2013-CA-000367

JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association Plaintiff,
vs.
Juan Miguel Montes De Oca a/k/a Juan De Oca and Oralia Medina Montes De Oca a/k/a Ora Montes De Oca, Husband and Wife, et al. Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: Juan Miguel Montes De Oca a/k/a Juan De Oca; ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 4025 Albany Road, Labelle, FL 33935 and Oralia Medina Montes De Oca a/k/a Ora Montes De Oca; ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 4025 Albany Road, Labelle, FL 33935

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

LOT 18, BLOCK 2150, FORT LABELLE UNIT 4, A SUBDIVISION ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 86, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

more commonly known as 4025 Albany Road, Labelle, FL 33935.

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon SHARRO, FISHMAN & GACHE, LLP Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 2424 North Federal Highway, Suite 360, Boca Raton, FL 33431, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 1st day of August, 2013.
BARBARA S. BUTLER
Circuit and County Courts
By: S. Miller
Deputy Clerk

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449524 CN 8/8,15/2013

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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 26-2009-CA-001350

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,
vs.
FAISAL SHAFIULLAH, et al, Defendants

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated July 18, 2013, and entered in Case No. 26-2009-CA-001350 of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and FAISAL SHAFIULLAH; THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF FAISAL SHAFIULLAH N/K/A JOHN DOE; VILLAS AT LAKE SHORE HOA, INC.; are the Defendants. The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 11th day of September, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 24 VILLAS AT LAKE SHORE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 199, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA A/K/A 492 LOPEZ PLACE, CLEWISTON, FL 33440

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 23, 2013.
Barbara S. Suttler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ J. Bevis
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449677 CN 8/8/2013

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LEGAL NOTICE

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449226 CN 8/8/2013

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449226 CN 8/8/2013

NOTICE: AUCTION on Friday, August 16th, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. at 1233 N.W. Avenue L, Belle Glade, Florida.

- **Property of: Curtis Brown,** TV, speakers, A/C, miscellaneous boxes.
- **Property of: Sharanda Davis,** Bedroom Suite, Matt & Box Spring, Headboard, miscellaneous boxes
- **Property of: Johnnie Dent,** Bedroom Suite, Microwave, Refrigerator, Matt & Box, TV's miscellaneous boxes.

449034 SUN 8/8,15/2013

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 09-00055

CITIBANK NA, AS TRUSTEE FOR WAMU SERIES 2007-11E4 TRUST, Plaintiff,
vs.
JILLIAN SANTIESTEBAN, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated July 10, 2013, and entered in Case No. 09-00055 of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida in which Citibank NA, as trustee for WAMU Series 2007-11E4 Trust, is the Plaintiff and Ethan Santiesteban, Luis Santiesteban, Source Mortgage, Inc. are defendants, the Glades County Clerk of the Circuit Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash in/on the front steps of the Glade County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, in Glades County, Florida on the 15th day of August, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

LOT 7 OF RIVERVIEW, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 128, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA. A/K/A 2155 RIVERSIDE DR, MOOREHAVEN, FL 33471

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

Dated in Glades County, Florida this 26th day of July, 2013.
Clerk of the Circuit Court
Glades County, Florida
By: Tina Espinosa
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in a court proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the Administrative Services Manager, whose office is located at Charlotte County Justice Center, 350 E. Marion Ave., Punta Gorda, FL 33950 and whose telephone number is (941)637-2281, within two (2) working days of receipt of this notice; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 1-800-955-8771. To file response please contact Glades County Clerk of Court, P.O. Box 10, Moorehaven, FL 33471.
449183 GCD 8/1,8/2013

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
FAMILY DIVISION
CASE NO. 13-DR-119

IN RE: CARLOS MARTINEZ, Petitioner,
vs.
YADIRA L. ZUNIGA, Respondent,

PAULA TOVA, Third Party Respondent/ Grandmother.)

NOTICE OF ACTION FOR PETITION TO DETERMINE PATERNITY

TO: Yadira L. Zuniga, 1550 Old US Hwy 27, Clewiston, FL 33440

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action has been filed against you and that you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on, Carlos Martinez or his attorney, whose address is 1617 Hendry St. # 311, Ft. Myers, FL 33901, on or before (date), before service on Petitioner or immediately thereafter. If you fail to do so, a default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the petition.

Copies of all court documents in this case, including orders, are available at the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office. You may review these documents upon request.

You must keep the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office notified of your current address. (You may file Notice of Current Address, Florida Supreme Court Approved Family Law Form 12.915.) Future papers in this lawsuit will be mailed to the address on record at the clerk's office.

WARNING: Rule 12.285, Florida Family Law Rules of Procedure, requires certain automatic disclosure of documents and information. Failure to comply can result in sanctions, including dismissal or striking of pleadings.

Dated: 7/15/2013
CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: /s/ R. Delacruz
Deputy Clerk
448764 CN/CB 8/1,8/2013

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF BUDGET WORKSHOP

The Board of Supervisors for the Port LaBelle Community Development District has scheduled a Budget Workshop for August 19, 2013, at 5:30 PM at the District office located at 3293 Dellwood Terrace, Port LaBelle.

The public is invited to attend this meeting.

Nancy Imhoff
Chairman

449675 CN/CB 8/8 & 8/15/2013

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Clewiston City Commission will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, August 19, 2013 in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 115 W Ventura Avenue to consider the following:

•Variance requests from Clean Cuts LLC for lot area and lot width at 402 East Trinidad and 414 East Sagamore Avenues

All citizens and interested parties are encouraged to attend the P&Z Board meeting and the City Commission public hearing. City Hall is wheelchair accessible and accessible parking spaces are available. Accommodation requests or interpretive services must be made 48 hours prior to a meeting. Please contact the city clerk's office at (863) 983-1484, extension 227, or FAX (863) 983-4055 for information or assistance.

CITY OF CLEWISTON

Travis Reese
Community Development Director
449680 CN 8/8/2013

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
3130	2008	2024329-670000B0090	Mary Culliver Est c/o Brenda K Kendrick

Lot 17, Block B, Sunset Park Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **29th day of August, 2013**.
Dated this **17th day of July, 2013**.

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

448376 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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
2743	2008	1214334-010000P0140	Daisy W. Hill

Lot 22, Block P, HARLEM ADDITION TO CLEWISTON, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **September, 2013**, which is the **12th day of September, 2013**.
Dated this **31st day of July, 2013**.

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

449622 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

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
3411	2010	2024329-12000100030	Dorothy Rose Rebele c/o Frank Williams

Lot 6, Block 10, BELMONT SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 9, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida AND the East one-half of the following: Begin at the Northwest corner of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter, Section 8, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida; thence East 1120 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; thence South 72.03 feet to ditch; thence Easterly 200.59 feet; thence North 61.78 feet; thence West 200 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 Fifth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **29th day of August, 2013**.
Dated this **17th day of July, 2013**.

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

448395 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

Public Notice

**HENDRY COUNTY LOCAL PLANNING AGENCY
NOTICE OF WORKSHOP FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ELEMENT REVISIONS**

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Local Planning Agency (LPA) will hold a workshop on August 28th beginning at 6:00 p.m., at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, for the purpose of discussing revisions to the Economic Development Element in the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan.

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

Orvell Howard, Chair
Hendry County Local Planning Agency

449681 CB/CN 8/8/2013

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
3333	2010	2014329-01000410060	Sabitree Bhagwandin

Lots 15 and 16, BUSH SUBDIVISION of LaBelle, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 7, 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 **17th day of July, 2013**.

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

448397 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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
3431	2010	2024329-250000B0050	Daniel M. Vasquez

Lot 5, Block B, CROSS-TIE MOBILE ESTATES, according to the plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 103, 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 **31st day of July, 2013**.

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

449624 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR DESIGN & PERMITTING SERVICES AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING/INSPECTION SERVICES FOR CONSTRUCTING A 12-FOOT WIDE TURN LANE FROM SOUTHBOUND AND NORTHBOUND CR 835 TO THE PROPOSED MAIN ENTRANCE OF A COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT IN HENDRY COUNTY

RFQ No. 2013-24

Opening Date and Time: August 29, 2013 @ 2:00 p.m.

Hendry County is seeking engineering firms interested in providing professional services for constructing a 12 foot wide turn lane from southbound and northbound CR 835 to the proposed main entrance of a commercial development known as Southeast Renewable Fuels in Hendry County, Florida. Two firms will be selected, one for the design & permitting services and one for the construction engineering/inspection services of the project. Firms submitting must have expertise in roadway and drainage design permitting services, and construction engineering/inspection services. The County will not allow the same firm to perform the design & permitting services and the construction engineering/inspection services for this construction project. Proposers shall have all services available in-house or may propose multiple firms, which have joined together to provide the various required disciplinary services in order to offer a complete submission. Individuals and firms properly registered in the State of Florida are encouraged to submit their qualifications for consideration. All submittals (see Part IV, Submission Requirements) received in response to this RFQ will be reviewed by a County Evaluation Committee. 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 2:00 p.m., August 29, 2013, at which time all responses to this request will be recorded in the presence of one or more witnesses.

A copy of the Instructions and RFQ Documents can be obtained from the Hendry County Purchasing Office, by email at jmcelhane@hendryfla.net or by calling (863) 675-5220. Instructions and RFQ documents will be emailed upon request.

The solicitation does not commit Hendry County to award any contracts, to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a response to this RFQ, 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 RFQ, if it is in the best interest of the County to do so.

Hendry County is an Equal Opportunity Employer and actively seeks Minority and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise participation.

Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
449187 CN/CB 8/1,8,15,22/2013

Public Notice

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
1136	2010	1224331-010000L0010	Silyva Hinojosa

The Southeast ¼ of the Northeast ¼ of the Northeast ¼ of the Southwest ¼ of Section 22, Township 43 South, Range 31 East, Hendry County, Florida, subject to an easement for an access road over the East 30 feet thereof. (Lot 8, Block L, Pioneer Plantation, 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 Fifth Thursday** in the month of **August, 2013**, which is the **29th day of August, 2013**.
Dated this **17th day of July, 2013**.

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

448388 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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
2686	2008	1214334-01000050100	Daisy Bell Williams c/o Lois Gray Prof Bus Svc

Lot 10, Block 5, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 4 TO CLEWISTON, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 32, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **September, 2013**, which is the **12th day of September, 2013**.
Dated this **31st day of July, 2013**.

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

449621 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

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
3412	2010	2024329-12000110032	Dorothy Rose Rebele c/o Frank Williams

Lots 11 thru 14, Block 11, BELMONT SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 9, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **September, 2013**, which is the **12th day of September, 2013**.
Dated this **31st day of July, 2013**.

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

449623 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2343	2009	1314433-A000260000	Ismael Fernandez & Omar Fernandez

The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 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 6026, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **September, 2013**, which is the **12th day of September, 2013**.
Dated this **31st day of July, 2013**.

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

449616 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

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
2595	2009	1214334-010000Q0280	TM Hill c/o Tasha Hill-Henry

Lots 36 and 37, Block Q, HARLEM ADDITION TO CLEWISTON, Hendry County, Florida according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday** in the month of **September, 2013**, which is the **12th day of September, 2013**.
Dated this **31st day of July, 2013**.

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

449618 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

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
3408	2010	2024329-05000080090	Ervin A Kelting Jr and Kandis M Kelting

Lots 14, 15 and 16, Block 8, ANDREWS ADDITION TO LABELLE PARK SUBDIVISION, according to the map or plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 47, 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 **17th day of July, 2013**.

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

448393 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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
2965	2009	2024329-670000B0230	Mary Culliver Est c/o Brenda K. Kendrick

Lot 26, Block B, SUNSET PARK SUBDIVISION, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Public Notice 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 WHICH ASSESSED 2396 2009 1314433-A000380000 Lou's Properties Inc... The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 5865, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 29th day of August, 2013. Dated this 17th day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 448381 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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 WHICH ASSESSED 2056 2008 1264432-A0001950000 Ana Von Buren Wenzel... The North one-half of the West one-half of the North one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 26, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Also known as Tract 293, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 29th day of August, 2013. Dated this 17th day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 448374 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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 WHICH ASSESSED 3195 2010 1214334-01000130100 Leroy & Lynvetta A Myers... Lot 26, Block 13, HARLEM ADDITION NO. 4, a subdivision according to the plat thereof Recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 32, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 29th day of August, 2013. Dated this 17th day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 448392 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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 WHICH ASSESSED 1995 2009 1344432-A0000060000 Manuel & maritza Gonzalez & Edgar Gonzalez... The West one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 34, 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 4392, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES, an unrecorded subdivision. Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Second Thursday in the month of September, 2013, which is the 12th day of September, 2013. Dated this 31st day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 449615 CN/CB 8/8,15,22,29/2013

Public Notice 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 WHICH ASSESSED 4068 2008 4104329-06021940140 Ray A Flores... Lot 14, Block 2194, PORT LABELLE UNIT 6, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida. Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida. Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the Fifth Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 29th day of August, 2013. Dated this 17th day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 448382 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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 WHICH ASSESSED 1862 2008 1244432-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 Fifth Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 29th day of August, 2013. Dated this 17th day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 448371 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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 WHICH ASSESSED 802 2009 1274329-01000G10380 Leon + Isidora Gonzalez... From the intersection of the North line of Section 9, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, with the centerline of SR 29, run South 03 degrees 45' East along said centerline 2899.3 feet to the Point-of-Beginning; thence North 86 degrees 34' East, 450 feet; thence South 03 degrees 45' East, 50 feet; thence South 86 degrees 34' West, 450 feet; thence North 03 degrees 45' West, 50 feet to the Point-of-Beginning. LESS the Westerly 50 feet for R/W of SR 29. Also known as Business Lots 38 and 39, Section G-1, LABELLE RANCHETTES, 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 Fifth Thursday in the month of August, 2013, which is the 29th day of August, 2013. Dated this 17th day of July, 2013. Barbara S. Butler Clerk of Circuit Court Hendry County, Florida 448398 CN/CB 7/25;8/1,8,15/2013

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SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT PUBLIC NOTICE OF APPLICATION Notice is hereby given that pursuant to "The Water Rights Compact Among the Seminole Tribe of Florida, The State of Florida, and The South Florida Water Management District", the 1st Amendment to the 27th Annual Work Plan of the Seminole Tribe of Florida has been submitted to the South Florida Water Management District (District). The Seminole Tribe of Florida (Tribe), 6073 Stirling Road, Hollywood, FL 33024, has submitted, on July 19, 2013, the 1st Amendment to the 27th Annual Work Plan. The Work Plan describes existing and proposed activities on Seminole land. The work proposed by the 1st Amendment to the 27th Annual Work Plan includes: Brighton Reservation - 1) Harney Pond Road (60% Plans) Construction - the Tribe is proposing to widen Harney Pond Road to provide a center two-way left turn lane to improve access to the adjacent properties and side streets. The proposed drainage system will use interconnected swales to provide water quality and will drain into existing outfall pipes and ditches located along the project site. 2) Danette Bowers Home Site and Access (NWP) - construction of a 1.5-acre home site located along Jones Road within the Brighton residential community area. 3) Drinking Water Wells (7 - 4") for Cattle - the Tribe is proposing to construct seven (7) drinking water (4") wells and several feedlots in addition to seven (7) 40' wide x 50' long x 5' deep cooling ponds. The Brighton Reservation is located in Glades County, Township 40 South, Range 32 East; Township 39 South, Range 32 East; Township 39 South, Range 33 East; Township 38 South, Range 33 East. The Immokalee Reservation is located in Collier County, Section 11, Township 47 South, Range 29 East. The Big Cypress Reservation is located in Broward County, Township 48 South, Range 35 East, and, in Hendry County, Township 47 South, Range 32-34 East. The Hollywood Reservation is located in Broward County, Townships 50-51 South, Range Tr 41 East. Coconut Creek Tribal Trust Land is located in Broward County, Section 18, Township 48 South, Range 42 East. Interested persons may comment upon the Work Plan or submit a written request for a copy of the Staff Report containing proposed agency action regarding the Work Plan by writing to: Regulation Division, South Florida Water Management District, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680; such comments or requests must be received within 30 days from the date of publication. No further public notice will be provided regarding this Work Plan. A copy of the Staff Report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an Administrative Hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request therefore after reviewing the Staff Report. 449498 GCD 8/8/2013

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COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

Library Announcements

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

Monday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.
 Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
 Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
 Sunday, Closed

Men's Auxiliary Dinner

The Men's Auxiliary Dinner will feature BBQ chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, bread and a drawing for cash prizes.

For a small \$10 donation, attendees receive one dinner and a chance to win \$100, \$200 or \$300 cash prizes.

The dinner will be held Saturday, August 17 at the VFW, 501 S. Francisco St. Dinner will be served at 12 p.m. and the drawing will be held at 8 p.m.

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 Hendry County's 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.

Yard Sale and Pancakes

First United Methodist Church of Clewiston, located at 331 W. Osceola Ave., is having an indoor yard sale and pancake breakfast on Saturday, August 10 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Enjoy all-you-can-eat pancakes: \$6 donation for adults, \$3 for children.

Included in the yard sale is a dining room set, desks, and various furniture and household items. Everything must go! Please call 863.983.5269 for more information.

New Teacher Luncheon

Welcome to the community! First United Methodist Church of Clewiston invites all new teachers and administrators to be their guests at the annual New Teacher Luncheon on Thursday, August 15 at 12 p.m. The First United Methodist Church wants to bless the new teachers with great food, classroom supplies and door prizes! The First United Methodist Church is located at 331 W. Osceola Ave. Please call 863.983.5269 with questions.

Walmart Customer Appreciation Day

Clewiston's Walmart is hosting a Customer Appreciation Day on August 10 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The event includes school supply giveaways, an arcade basketball tournament (winner receives \$25 gift card), bounce house, snow cones, cotton candy, popcorn, hot dogs, face painting, eye exams, discounted hair cuts (inside

store) and a dunk tank, where attendees can dunk the Walmart managers for \$1 per ball or \$3 for five balls. The fire fighters and fire truck will be on-site, as will the Sheriff's K9 unit, who will be also be doing finger printing.

Sweetest Town Playground: Community Build

Active Citizens For Children (ACFC) is sponsoring the new Sweetest Town Playground, which will be located at 211 W Osceola Ave in Clewiston. ACFC needs volunteers for the community build event, which is scheduled for September 25 through 29. Childcare and meals will be provided to all who help with the project. They are also looking for artists or creative people to work the art/special features area of the build. For more information contact Wendy Kurtz at 863.228.4253 and wgkurtz@hotmail.com or on Facebook at Active Citizens for Children.

Pancake Breakfast and Yard Sale

First United Methodist Church of Clewiston is holding a pancake breakfast and yard sale on Saturday, August 10 starting at 9 a.m. Please call 863.983.5269 for more information.

Tiger Football

If you are interested in purchasing reserved seats for the 2013 Tiger football season, please contact Pete Walker or Marti Barnes at 863.983.1520. The first Tiger football game is August 30!

WEDDING

CARISSA MORRELL MATTHEW SIMMONS

Mr. and Mrs. Arturo I. Morrell of Clewiston, are pleased to announce the marriage of their daughter, Carissa Danielle Morrell to Matthew Floyd Simmons, son of Mr. Floyd Simmons of Moore Haven and Mrs. Karen Schmidt Simmons of Riverside, California.

The bride is the granddaughter of Ms. Constance Wright, formerly of West Palm Beach, the late Mr. Dennis Gus Gostomski, formerly of Moore Haven, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Arturo "Coco" and Perla Morrell of Clewiston. The groom is the grandson of Ms. Shirley Barone of San Jacinto, California, Mr. Bill Schmidt of Riverside, California, Ms. Susan Turner of Groveland, Florida and the late Mr. and Mrs. Floyd and Betty Simmons of Frostproof, Fla.

The wedding took place at the beautiful Sentinel Beach in Yosemite National Park in California on June 12, 2013 at 4 O'clock in the afternoon. Miss Alicia Morrell, the bride's sister, was maid of honor, along with bridesmaid, Miss Heather Simmons, sister of the groom, Mr. Nathan Simmons, the groom's brother, was the best man. Miss Haleigh Graham of Albuquerque, New Mexico, niece of the groom, was the flower girl and Mr. Alex Morrell, brother of the bride, was the ring bearer.

After returning from their honeymoon to Alaska, the couple now resides in Clewiston. A quaint reception was held at the home of the bride's parents on July 13, 2013.



Congratulations Carl Hankins on your retirement from United States Sugar Corporation after 42 years. You are amazing and we love you so, so much.

*Love Always,
Mildred, Andrea, Kareem, and a host of other family and friends*

Crash

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ray, the driver of the semi-trailer attempted to steer into the other lane to avoid hitting her. His attempt was unsuccessful, however, and the left front end of Murray's 2006 Nissan Armada struck the semi-trailer, sending her vehicle onto the medium where it came to a final rest.

Murray suffered fatal injuries as a result of the accident. The driver of the semi-trailer, Mauricio Flores, 54, of Naples, reported no injuries, ac-

ording to the report released by FHP.

It is still unknown why Murray was traveling in the opposite lane of traffic. FHP is awaiting the test result of Murray's blood alcohol concentration.

According to unconfirmed reports, Murray was seen turning onto U.S. 27 from Flaghole Road. Murray reportedly drove into the path of oncoming traffic, almost hitting a semi-trailer and a couple cars before ultimately colliding with Flores' semi-trailer. One witness said that he flashed his lights and honked his horn at Murray as she was driving towards him, but Murray continued on her path.



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Investigation Destination

Pictured above are the puppeteers from VBS.



The bride holds her A.A. Degree from Palm Beach State College and is seeking her Bachelors in Radiology and Imaging at Edison State College. She is employed at John Perry Insurance in Clewiston. The groom is an engineer at South Central Florida Express Railroad in Clewiston.

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Notice of Intended Agency Action

The South Florida Water Management District gives notice of its intent to issue the following permits modifications with transfers and transfers with conditions for lands formerly known as the McDaniel Ranch which lands in their entirety were located in Sections 1-27, 29-30, 34-36 Township 47 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County Florida, west of CR 837, south of the Deer Fence Canal bisected by CR 833. The permits result from the sale of properties such that the permits are requested in the name of the owner. No changes to the land use, irrigated acreage, crop types, sources or allocation is requested. J. W. McDaniel Sr., Inc., 32800 CR833, Clewiston, FL 33440 was issued permit 26-01061-W (application 130507-21) for the watering of 500 head of cattle with an annual allocation of 2.19 million gallons (0.1824 MG month) and Corrected Permit 26-00623-P (application 13057-18) for the remaining 3,980 acres consisting of 408.9 acres of active agriculture, 3,551 acres of non-active agriculture, and approximately 20 acres of borrow pit. The following permits were issued or transferred for lands no longer owned by J. W. McDaniel Sr., Inc.: Permits 26-00623-P-02 (application 130507-10); 26-01141-W (application 130507-22); 26-01136-W (application 130507-11); 26-00707-W (application 130507-13) 26-00623-P-03 (application 130507-7); 26-01135-W (application 130507-14); 26-00938-W (application 130507-16); 26-01142-W (application 130507-23).

The Staff Report(s) and Notice of permit(s) modification with transfer and transfer(s) setting forth the staff recommendation regarding the 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, or by accessing the Staff Report directly from the District's website (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 e-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 28-106.10(4)(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. 449613 CN 8/8/2013

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INVITATION FOR BIDS

Moore Haven Middle/High School Replacement – GMP 2. Sealed Bids will be received by the Construction Manager at the office of Manhattan Construction (Florida), Inc., 3940 Prospect Avenue, Suite 101, at 9:00 a.m. on August 13, 2013 for the following Bid Packages:

<p>BP#1A Survey</p> <p>BP#2B Demolition</p> <p>BP#2D Site Utilities</p> <p>BP#3A Concrete & Masonry</p> <p>BP#5B Handrails and Railings</p> <p>BP#7A Roofing</p> <p>BP#7C Insulation</p> <p>BP#8A Steel Doors and Frames</p> <p>BP#8E Overhead Coiling Doors</p> <p>BP#9A Wood Flooring</p> <p>BP#9C Tile</p> <p>BP#9E Resilient Flooring</p> <p>BP#9G Final Cleaning</p> <p>BP#10B Toilet Compartments & Urinal Screens</p> <p>BP#10D Aluminum Walkway Covers</p> <p>BP#10F Toilet Accessories</p> <p>BP#10I Identifying Devices</p> <p>BP#10K Cubicle Curtains and Tracks</p> <p>BP#10M Flagpoles</p> <p>BP#11B Food Service Equipment</p> <p>BP#11D Gymnasium Divider Curtain</p> <p>BP#11F Theater and Stage Equipment</p> <p>BP#11H Safes</p> <p>BP#12B Telescoping Bleachers</p> <p>BP#12D Window Treatments</p> <p>BP#13A Sound Conditioned Rooms</p> <p>BP#15A Plumbing</p> <p>BP#15C Fire Sprinkler System</p>	<p>BP#2A Earthwork</p> <p>BP#2C Fences</p> <p>BP#2F Irrigation & Landscape</p> <p>BP#5A Structural and Miscellaneous Steel</p> <p>BP#6A Rough and Finish Carpentry</p> <p>BP#7B Waterproofing, Dampproofing, Joint Sealants & Firestopping</p> <p>BP#7D Exterior Finish System</p> <p>BP#8B Wood Doors</p> <p>BP#8D Aluminum Storefronts, Windows and Mirrors</p> <p>BP#9B Metal Framing & Gypsum Board Assemblies</p> <p>BP#9D Acoustical Ceiling & Acoustical Wall Treatment</p> <p>BP#9F Painting</p> <p>BP#10A Visual Display Boards</p> <p>BP#10C Fire Extinguishers, Cabinets and Accessories</p> <p>BP#10E Operable Panel Partitions</p> <p>BP#10G Metal Lockers</p> <p>BP#10J Corner Guards</p> <p>BP#10L Defibrillator Specialties</p> <p>BP#11A Stage Curtains</p> <p>BP#11C Laundry-Residential Appliances</p> <p>BP#11E Projection Screen & Projection Mounts</p> <p>BP#11G Athletic Equipment</p> <p>BP#12A Millwork and Casework</p> <p>BP#12C Auditorium Seating</p> <p>BP#12E Floor Mats</p> <p>BP#14A Elevator</p> <p>BP#15B HVAC</p> <p>BP#16A Electrical</p>
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All Bids must be on a lump sum basis; segregated bids will not be accepted.

Bidders shall submit a complete "Bidder Pre-Qualification" form to Manhattan Construction (Florida), Inc., two days prior to the time designated for bid receipt. A copy of the Pre-Qualification form is bound within the Bid Documents

Access to our virtual plan room on isqft.com with all bidding information, can be obtained by contacting Lyn Ross via email at lross@manhattanconstruction.com. Bids must be submitted on an exact reproduction of the bid forms supplied on our plan room. Bids must be submitted in sealed envelopes plainly marked as to Bid Package and Subcontractor's Name.

The Owner and Construction Manager reserve the right to waive any or all irregularities and informalities and to reject any or all proposals for any reason. The Construction Manager will evaluate all proposals received and will award the Subcontract in accordance with its best interests, based upon such evaluation in its sole discretion.

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Hermelindo Diego-Lopez, 26

Arrested on 8/3/13, by Officer Rojas For DUI

No Photo Available

Billy James Garnto, 23

Arrested on 08/03/13 For simple asslt on person 65 years of age or older; prob violation



Luis Perez, 64

Arrested on 7/30/13, by Officer Rojas For Fugitive from justice in state



Zoyla Esparanza Reyna, 19

Arrested on 08/04/13 For dui-unlaw bld alch dui alcohol or drugs; battery on officer firefighter emt etc; resist officer with violence



Blotter: She Went Kicking and Screaming

BY MELISSA BELTZ
The Clewiston News

The maroon-colored car that alleged underage drinker Zoyla Reyna, 19, of Clewiston, was driving made a series of swerves and delayed stops before being pulled over by a Clewiston Police officer, according to a report released by the Clewiston Police Department.

The stench of alcohol that supposedly oozed from Reyna's car as the officer asked for her license and registration only expedited the process of performing the inevitable field sobriety test.

Reyna was unable to stand steadily on her feet and used her car door for balance, but she did not deny the fact that she had been drinking when the officer asked if she had consumed any

alcoholic beverages, according to the report. The field sobriety test then proceeded.

During her second test, the one-legged stand, Reyna interjected that "she ain't doing this f---ing s---" and insisted that the officer take her to jail, according to the report. The officer concluded that one last test should be conducted, and Reyna attempted the finger to nose. Reyna's frustration culminated in the premature end of the test and she once again insisted that the officer take her to jail, according to the report.

The officer acquiesced and placed Reyna under arrest for driving under the influence. While the officer attempted to place Reyna in hand restraints, Reyna became combative, according to the report, and used her 19-year-old strength to pull away from the officer while grabbing a

second officer on the scene, scratching his forearm and hand. Once the officers placed Reyna in hand restraints, they attempted to place her in the backseat of their patrol car. That was about the time when things took a messy turn.

According to the report, Reyna began urinating on the back seat of the officers' patrol car and, as if that were not enough, she also began kicking the window of the car, requiring the officers to call on the Hendry County Sheriff's Office for assistance -- their vehicles have metal bars on the windows for suchlike situations.

Reyna was eventually transported to the Clewiston Police Department and charged with DUI, battery on an officer, resisting an officer with violence and cited for failing to maintain a single lane, according to the report.



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Mary the Clown

Pictured above is Mary the Clown who entertained the children at Community Fun Day.

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