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CPD Arrests 'Dirty Dozen'

10-month-long undercover operation results in over 12 arrests of alleged drug offenders

BY MELISSA BELTZ
The Clewiston News

The Clewiston Police Department announced on Jan. 10 the completion of a 10-month-long undercover drug operation dubbed, "Dirty Dozen."

According to information provided by the department, officers spent two days "sweeping up" alleged drug offenders identified during months of undercover work. Officers targeted alleged narcotic transporters and suppliers within the community,

and between Jan. 8 and 10, 12 individuals were arrested and three more remained at large. In all, Clewiston police reported 15 individuals would be arrested in connection with the operation, totaling more than 30 criminal charges.

In a statement released by Clewiston Chief of Police Don Gutshall said, "The men and women of the Clewis-

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Anger Venting at Checkout Line Lands Man in Jail

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The frustrations that often accompany the self-checkout process at many big-box stores may lead to a lot of hair-pulling and under-the-breath muttering, but in one recent case, those frustrations led to the arrest of

a Clewiston teen on Jan. 9, according to a report released by the Clewiston Police Department.

The teen, 18-year-old Vitalino Velazquez, was arrested after allegedly punching the screen of a self-checkout machine at the Clewiston Walmart. According to the report, the store's video surveillance showed an employee helping Velazquez at the machine at around 7:30 a.m. Velazquez

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Seeking Justice for Shot Dog

Clewiston police officers shoot and kill man's dog during arrest

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As the Clewiston Police Department celebrated a victory in the completion of operation "Dirty Dozen," which saw more than a dozen alleged drug offenders arrested in a two-day sweep last week, one of the arrested is speaking out against the alleged brutality he says the Clewiston police displayed with him.

William Smith Jr., 35, was arrested on Jan. 8 after Clewiston police officers surrounded his home on E. Sagamore Avenue and witnessed an alleged drug

transaction between Smith and an informant sent by officers.

According to Smith's arrest report, released by the Clewiston Police Department, officers went to Smith's house "based on information provided by a subject, Rafael Gonzalez." Gonzalez, 34, of Clewiston, was also arrested on Jan. 8 on felony drug charges, including possession of and sale of opium or an opium derivative within 1,000 feet of a place of worship or business.

The report states that Gonzalez was provided \$70 in pre-recorded po-

lice narcotics funds and was sent by officers to Smith's house in order to "obtain controlled substances" from Smith. The report also states that sight and sound was maintained with Gonzalez by a narcotics agent.

When Gonzalez arrived at the house, Smith answered the door. Gonzalez showed Smith the money and asked to buy cocaine. According to the report, Smith called back into his

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- ACROSS**
- In short supply
 - Basics for Dick and Jane
 - XT computers
 - Mandel of "America's Got Talent"
 - Actress Lollobrigida
 - "La maja desnuda" artist
 - Primary artery
 - First name in advice
 - Baseball's Hershiser
 - Amt.
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 - Mugs, e.g.
 - Old British coin
 - Clinic helper
 - Big concert setting
 - Gambler's IOU
 - Lawyers' org.
 - Peer pruriently at
 - Kermit's color
 - Coffee-brewing choice
 - Boozer
 - High-fiber food
 - Longtime "Masterpiece Theater" host Alistair
 - Decree that spells things out
 - Nighttime shindig
 - TV warrior princess
 - One's toughest critics, often, and, literally, three different words hidden in 21-, 26- and 43-Across
 - Internet letters
 - Uses a straw
 - Fairy tale start
 - D-Day beach
 - Promote big-time
 - Slangy turnarounds
 - Poe's "ebony bird"
 - Tiny hill builders
 - Criteria: Abbr.
 - Trapped on a branch

- Old grump
- Haywire
- "Picked" complaint
- Olympians in red, white and blue
- Andre of tennis
- Netanyahu of Israel, familiarly
- "Squawk on the Street" ailer
- "Huh?"
- Outfielder's cry
- B in chemistry
- "Poppycock!"
- Doritos scoopful
- "What can Brown do for you?" shipping co.
- Manhattan's ___ Theatre
- Mr. Peanut prop
- Vietnam neighbor
- Golden Fleece vessel
- Suspenders alternative
- What a hound follows
- With 53-Down, stadium fans' rhythmic motion
- Yankee infielder, to fans

- Ride the Harley
- Copycat
- Heartrending
- Scavenging pest
- Cartoon explorer
- Uncle Remus's ___ Fox
- Monarch's spouse
- Tears (away) from
- Superabundance
- Maiden name intro

- Slangy sibling
- Bulb in a garden
- Addition to the conversation
- Attending to a task
- Like some coffee or tea
- See 30-Down
- Roller coaster cry
- Hand-held scanner
- Vandalize

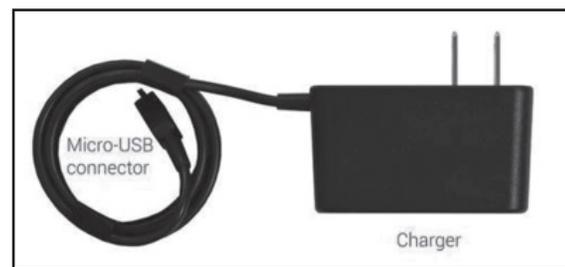
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Recall Date: December 17, 2013.
Recall Number: 14-061
Google and HP recalled HP Chromebook 11 chargers due to fire and burn hazards.

The charger can overheat and melt. Consumers should stop using this product unless otherwise instructed. It is illegal to resell or attempt to resell a recalled consumer product. The company has agreed to replace the defective product. Please call Google toll-free at 866-628-1371 between 5 a.m. and 7 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time), seven days a week or online at <http://chromebook.com> and click on the Chromebook link at the top of the page, then click on Support for more information.

Recall Details
HP Chromebook 11 charger; Units: About 145,000 units; Description: This recall involves chargers that were sold with the HP Chromebook 11. The charger is black with outlet pins, measures 1.75 inches by .75 inches and has a six-foot long cord with a micro-USB connector

on the end. The model number of the charger is MU15-N1052-A00S, which is stamped on the face of the battery charger that has the outlet pins. Incidents/Injuries: Google has received

nine reports of chargers overheating and melting during use. There is one report of a small burn to a consumer and one report of minor property damage to a pillow from an overheating charger.

Remedy: Consumers should immediately stop using the recalled charger for the HP Chromebook 11 and contact Google for a free replacement charger.

Sold at: Best Buy stores nationwide and online at Amazon.com, bestbuy.com, Google Play at play.google.com, and HP Shopping at shopping.hp.com from October 2013 through November 2013 and included with the Chromebook 11, which sold for about \$280.

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Colder Weather for South Florida this Week

The National Weather Service is reporting colder weather for South Florida this week. The following is a Freeze Watch issued by the National Weather Service

A freeze watch is in effect for Thursday night through Friday morning for Glades and Hendry counties.

A strong cold front will bring a cold air mass into South Florida.

This could allow areas in Glades and Hendry

counties to see temperatures drop below freezing for several hours Thursday night through Friday morning. Temperatures may drop to around 30 degrees for three to four hours by Friday morning.

Below freezing temperatures may cause

damage to agricultural concerns.

A freeze watch means temperatures of 32 degrees or lower are possible for any duration of time.

These conditions could kill crops and other sensitive vegetation.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

City Proclamation Signed to Advance 'Healthier Me'

A proclamation for the "Healthier Me Initiative 2014" has been approved and signed by city commissioners for the cities of LaBelle and Clewiston in Hendry County and the city of Moore Haven in Glades County.

The Florida Department of Health in Hendry and Glades counties are among the first to get proclamations issued to support the Surgeon General's "Healthiest Weight Initiative."

Baseball and Softball

There is still time to sign up for Clewiston Recreation Baseball and Softball. Late registrations continue until Jan. 24 (a late fee will be added).

There is an option to register now and pay later, as Clewiston Recreation is now offering a

payment plan.

All registrations must be completed on or before Jan. 24. No registrations will be accepted after Jan. 24.

Register online at www.clewistonrecreation.com or stop by the Youth Center. For any questions, please contact the Youth Center at 863-983-1492.

Garden Club Meeting

The Clewiston Garden Club is having their monthly meeting on Thursday, Jan. 16 at the Clewiston Museum at 9:30 a.m. They will be having a plant exchange. After the meeting, the Club will go to the Clewiston Country Club for lunch.

Hot Rides and Hot Dogs in the Park Jan. 21

The South Central Florida Car Club starts off

a new year with its monthly Cruise In on Jan. 21 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. in Barron Park in LaBelle. The Cruise In is open to all area auto lovers. The public is welcome to come out and enjoy the rides.

Come and enjoy a fresh, grilled hot dog served up with all the fixings. New members are always welcome. For more information, call 863-634-9875 or 863-234-8343.

Clewiston's Quarter Auction

Clewiston's Quarter Auction will be held on Jan. 23 at 6:30 p.m. This month's auction will benefit the Cameron Crawford Scholarship fund. It is a community event to raise money for a cause.

Vendors will be auctioning items for quarters at the Clewiston Elk Lodge, located on 250 N Francisco St. There will be a 50/50 raffle, and food and drinks available. Paddles are \$2 for the bid. Please bring lots of quarters!

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Westside Elementary School

The Clewiston Cougars will be holding their election meeting on Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. They are looking for some dedicated board members. For more information, please call 863-983-1570.

Dismissed Early

Hendry County Schools will be dismissed early on Friday, Jan. 17. School bus driver's will follow their regular schedules based upon early release times.

Homeschool Support Group Meeting

H.E.R.E. (Home Educators Reaching for Excellence) meets on the second Saturday of every month at the Clewiston Library at 9 a.m. For more information, call Melanie Rudd at 863-228-7840.

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New Year's Resolutions

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Inland Birding: Yellow-rumped Warbler

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Yellow-rumped Warblers breed from northern Alaska across Canada and Newfoundland, south to northern California, Colorado, Oklahoma, northern Louisiana, and South Carolina. They winter in California, Texas, Florida and in the Tropics. Their winter range varies with the availability of food and weather conditions. There are two subspecies of Yellow-rumped Warbler, the eastern Myrtle Warbler and the western Audubon's Warbler.

Yellow-rumped Warblers are fairly large, full-bodied warblers with a large head, sturdy bill and long, narrow tail. These gray birds have flashes of white in the wings and yellow patches on their face, rump and usually some

yellow on their sides. During breeding season, adults also have yellow crown patches and white tail patches. Wintering birds are duller in color than the breeding birds. Females, fall males, and young are streaked gray-brown, but they always have a yellow rump and white spots in their tail.

Their voice is a buzzy warble of five or six high-pitched notes, or two-note phrases ending with an upward or downwards inflection, "chewy-chewy-chewy" or "chew-chew-chew." During winter, they make a constant chirp or "contact call" to help keep the flock together. The oldest known Myrtle Warbler lived to be eight years and nine months old. The oldest recorded Audubon Warbler was 10 years old.

This highly adaptable bird can be found in small flocks in a variety of habitats, including forests, bogs, forest edges and openings. In winter, they are often found in bushy thickets where they are capable of assimilating 80 percent of wax-coated berries, such as bayberry and wax myrtle. Its ability to use the wax-coated berries allows

it to winter farther north than other warblers. They feed mainly on insects in the summer and berries and fruit in the winter. They will also come to feeders for fruit, suet and seeds.

The breeding male will sometimes help carry materials for the nest that is built by the female in the fork of a sapling, far out on a branch of a tree or next to the tree trunk. It takes about 10 days to build the three- to four-inch cup of grass, bark, plant fibers and spider webs, which are lined with fine grass and hair. One to six white speckled eggs are laid and incubated for 12 to 13 days. The young fledge when they are about two weeks old.

Anyone who would like to participate in upcoming driving trips at STA-5 on Jan. 18 or 25 should email Margaret England at sta5birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202. The schedule of STA-5 trips through December 2014, and upcoming Hendry-Glades Audubon programs, are available on the HGAS website at: www.hendrygladesaudubon.org.



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Yellow-rumped Warbler

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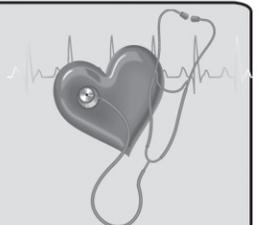
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RELIGION NEWS AND INFORMATION

Growing Older

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS
First United Methodist Church



John Hicks

When I was young, I made faces in the mirror. Now that I'm older, the mirror's getting even. I heard people my age should start thinking about the hereafter. I already do. There are many times I go somewhere and ask myself, "What am I here after?"

Every January, I face the reality of waking up and finding myself a year older, as well as facing subtle hints of mortality. Someone compared it to being like an automobile. As it gets older, the differential starts slipping and the u-joints get worn, causing the drive shaft to go bad. The transmission won't go into high gear and sometimes has difficulty getting out of low. The carburetor gets fouled with pollutants and other matter, making it hard to get started in the morning. It's hard to keep the radiator filled because of the leaking hose. The thermostat goes out, making it difficult to reach operating temperature. The headlights grow dim, the horn gets weaker and the battery needs constant recharging.

So what are we to do? Just because we are near the top of the hill doesn't mean we've passed our peak. The wisest are not the ones with the most years in their lives, but the most life in their years. I've always been amazed at the discoveries science has come up with that add vitality and longevity to the life we live. Research has revealed close relationships help extend our lives. Men who kiss their wives every day are shown to live five years longer than men who don't. Science has also shown that we need the equivalent of 17 affirming touches or verbal affirmations a day in order to thrive.

Our world around us is starving. In the name of God, let's help each other thrive by making sure that we share at least 17 affirming hugs, touches or verbal affirmations each day with others.

Also, pet your pets. Pet all your loved ones: your spouse, your children, your grandchildren, your animals. Petting animals and loved ones lowers blood pressure.

In addition to reaching out and touching someone, studies have shown that variety does add spice to life. Use as your motto Isaiah 42:16: "Along unfamiliar paths I will guide them." Try some new food. Take a new route to work. Try a new book of the Bible. Break your daily routine in some small way. Do something wild. Just let

go and let God.

And go barefoot. A study reported some years ago in USA Today revealed that Americans who habitually kick off their shoes tend to live three years longer than the average American.

In the Benedictine Monastic Order, the monks take off their shoes constantly. Whenever shoes are not an absolute necessity, they go barefoot. Why? Bare feet are aware feet: aware of the earth, aware of holiness, aware of life. Feet that are bound for too long begin to stink. Souls that are bound up and cooped up for too long begin to stink, as well. Let some fresh air into your soul. Go barefoot.

And don't forget to laugh. A lot. A cheerful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones. (Proverbs 17:22) Take a break and do something silly. There's holiness in humor. Laughter helps keep us from taking life too seriously. One research study revealed that over 50 percent of all illnesses in the test group were stress-related. Laughter really is good medicine, especially when stress is concerned. The joy of the Lord is our strength!

So, hug frequently, go wild, go barefoot and laugh often. Do so, and you will find that you will not only add years to your life, you'll have life in your years! This is the day that the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Women's Night Out

CLEWISTON — "Let The Games Begin!" WINGS (Women IN God's Service) is hosting a night of Christian fun and fellowship open to all women in the community on Saturday, Jan. 18 at 6 p.m. in the Life Enrichment Center of First United Methodist Church of Clewiston.

There will be board games, card games and even some "Minute to Win It" type games! Bring a favorite finger food and a couple of friends. Childcare will be provided. Call Alice at 983-5269 with questions.

Defending Your Faith

CLEWISTON — How can an individual defend his faith in a world that casts doubt? How can an individual answer the doubter, the skeptic and the atheist?

A special Sunday night series will be presented at Community Christian Church, located on 201 N Francisco Street in Clewiston. The series begins Jan. 12 at 6 p.m., with each session being about one-hour in length.

Subjects to be covered are:

- What is Christian Apologetics?
- How can we answer the doubters?
- Is the text of the Bible accurate and trustworthy?

• How do we know the people, places, and events of the Bible are true?

• How can God be in all places at the same time?

• How can God hear millions of prayers at the same time?

• What is the Nature and Reality of this world and universe?

• Can we know for sure that Jesus did rise from the dead?

The session will be led by Mr. Jon Loftis and Dr. E. Arlin Bolejack.

Church Announcements

CLEWISTON — United M. B. Church, Pastor James White 15th Anniversary
Jan. 13 through 17 and climaxing on Sunday,

Jan. 19.

Pastor James White Anniversary Agenda for the Week

Thursday, Jan. 16, 7:30 p.m.: Mt. Calvary Baptist Church, South Bay Rev. Lawrence Epps, interim Pastor; Mt. Calvary Clewiston, Rev. Dwayne Brown, Pastor

Friday, Jan. 17, 7:30 p.m.: Ministries Night
Sunday, Jan. 19, 11 a.m.: General Church Messenger, Rev. E. Smith; Greater Friendship, Rev. Gary McNealy, Pastor

Sunday, Jan. 19, 3:30 p.m.: New Bethel LaBelle, Rev. Alonzo McKenzie

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Is Your Home Ready for a Power Outage?



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do to ensure a safe, happy and healthy winter is to equip one's home with a portable generator, which can serve as a useful back up during an emergency or when a power source isn't available.

Don't forget, with great power comes great responsibility. When using a generator, keep these tips in mind:

- Always read and follow the manufacturer's operating manual and instructions before running a generator.

- Engines emit carbon monoxide (CO), a colorless and odorless poisonous gas. Don't run a generator inside homes, garages, crawlspaces, basements, sheds or similar areas, even when using fans or opening doors and windows for ventilation.

Locate the unit outside and direct its exhaust away from doors, windows, vents and other openings to reduce the risk of CO from accumulating and potentially being drawn towards occupied spaces. Install a CO detector in the home.

- Connect electrically powered items to the generator using heavy duty extension cords specifically designed for outdoor use. Ensure the wattage rating for each cord exceeds the total wattage of all appliances connected to it. Check that the entire length of each cord is free of cuts or tears and that the plug has all three prongs. Coiled cords can get hot, so always uncoil cords and lay them in flat open locations.

Connections for standby power to a home's electrical system must use a listed transfer switch and be installed by an electrician. The connection must isolate the generator power from the utility power.

- Get the right generator size for one's needs. For example, a 5500 watt portable generator is ideal for powering a small appliance and a few household items, whereas a 6250 watt portable generator can handle even more.

Use free online resources, such as a generator size and wattage calculators, to determine how much power one needs.

- Don't wait for an emergency to operate the generator. Perform a dry run to make sure one is familiar with its operation. Run the machine occasionally to keep the engine lubricated.

- Keep a flashlight handy to find one's way to the generator. Store it conveniently, covered, to keep it free of dirt and debris.

- Proper generator maintenance includes several steps. For every eight hours of operation, check the oil. Change the air cleaner every 25 hours and the oil every 50 hours. Replace the spark plug every 100 hours.

This winter, be prepared. Be sure to have a working portable generator, and the know-how to run it properly.

Being prepared for winter means more than just stocking up on Vitamin C. It also means making sure one's home is ready for the onslaught of cooler weather and potential power outages.

Whether it's just windy and blustery, or there's an ice storm or blizzard, wicked weather can cause all sorts of damage or power outages.

One of the most important things one can

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Betty A. Boyette Praytor, 74

LAKELAND — Betty A. Boyette Praytor passed away on Monday, December 30, 2013.

She is survived by her son, Michael Boyette, wife Vivian; daughters, Jan and Valerie Boyette, Shelley Crowe and husband Greg, Beverly Crater and husband Bruce; three grandchildren, Van, Michael and Amanda; sister, Mary Edith Pullen and husband Curtiss of Clewiston; numerous nieces and nephews.

She was a loving mother, grandmother and sister.

We will miss her deeply.



Frederick Arthur Green, Sr

CLEWISTON — Frederick Arthur Green, Sr. passed away on Saturday, Jan. 4, 2014, at the age of 76 at St. Mary's Medical Center in West Palm Beach.

He was born in Rochester, N.Y., on May 6, 1937. He was the fourth of five children of Samuel Green and Dorothy (Effrige) Green. He spent his childhood in Southbury, Conn., graduated from Seymour High School, attended the University of Connecticut, and moved to Miami after a spring break trip made him fall in love with South Florida. He married Ethel B. Gibbon in November 1964, becoming a step-father to her three sons, Keith, Gregory, and Kevin Smith, and having another son, Frederick Jr., in 1970. His job as a marketing manager for the convenience store U-tote-M/Circle K took him from Miami, to Kansas, to Colorado, to Oklahoma, and finally back to South Florida. After retiring he moved to Clewiston, where he later joined the Elk Lodge. He became a widower with the passing of Ethel in 2003. He came from an old New England family that traced their roots back to the Puritan migration in the 1630's. He is survived by a sister, Marilyn Talarico; a sister-in-law, Elinor Green; and a brother-in-law, Joey Steward, and he was predeceased by two other sisters, Mari Steward and Dorothy Manville; a brother-in-law, Richard Manville; and a brother, Samuel Green.

In addition to his four sons, Fred had six grandchildren, Jeanne and Andrew from Keith and Helen Smith, Kari and Emily from Kevin and Deborah Smith, and Emma and Connor from Fred Jr. and Vikki Green. He is also survived by five great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He truly loved and enjoyed his family and friends, and he lived life to the fullest.

Services were held at the Akin-Davis funeral home in Clewiston, Fla., at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 11, 2014 with a viewing for family and close friends from 12:00 to 1:00.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in his memory to the charity of your choice.

At a future date he will be buried in Pine Hill Cemetery in Southbury, Conn.

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Jamone 'Bombe' Forde

CLEWISTON — Jamone "Bombe" Ford passed away on January 6, 2014.

Viewing will be 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Friday, Jan. 17, 2014 at True Vine Church, 2100 10th St., Clewiston, Fla. Family and friends gathering at the Harlem Pavilion.

Service will be Saturday, Jan. 18, 2014 at 11 a.m. at True Vine Church. Immediately following services the Repast will be at Harlem Civic Center.



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NOTICE OF MEETING HENDRY COUNTY VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD

PLEASE BE ADVISED that pursuant to Chapter 194, Florida Statutes, the 2013 HENDRY COUNTY VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD will convene its final public meeting on TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2014 at 3:30 p.m. in the County Commission Chambers, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida, 33935 for the purpose of making final decisions based upon evaluations of the findings and recommendations of the duly appointed Special Magistrate on petitions duly filed with the 2013 Value Adjustment Board regarding 2013 property tax assessments, exemptions, deferrals, classifications and transfers of homestead assessment difference and to certify the 2013 tax roll. The VAB may consider other items as may be appropriate or timely.

Anyone who appeals a decision made thereat will need a record of the proceedings and may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, including the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Barbara S. Butler, Clerk,
Hendry County Value Adjustment Board

Fels Wins Rayovac FLW Event on Lake Okeechobee

Keith Fels, of Ocala, weighed four bass totaling seven pounds, 15 ounces on Saturday, Jan. 11 to win the Rayovac FLW Series Southeast Division event on Lake Okeechobee, presented by Power-Pole, with a three-day total of 14 bass weighing 54 pounds, 15 ounces. For his victory, Fels earned \$40,000 and a Ranger Z518C with a 200-horsepower Evinrude or Mercury outboard motor.

Fels notched his seventh career top-10 FLW finish on Lake Okeechobee in grand style, banging out a 10-pounder on the second day of the tournament, building an insurmountable lead over the rest of the field.

"I figured out something on Okeechobee, I guess," said Fels. "It's something different I do with it. I don't know, it's kind of a secret. ... I was just pitching to holes in the hydrilla. It was probably a foot or a foot-and-a-half deep -- really pretty shallow. The fish moved in there yesterday; they weren't in there today. The wind changed directions. It moved them, I guess."

Fels continued, saying, "She (the 10-pounder) hit it and I missed it. I thought it felt like a good one, so I flipped back in and she got it. Then she got down in the hydrilla and I was pulling up like 50 pounds of hydrilla, and I got it right to the boat and my line broke right by the reel. The line fell down and coiled up by the hydrilla, so I reached down and wrapped it around my hand and pulled it in. My co-angler was freaking out. He said, 'Oh my God, that's a 12-pounder!'"

Fels finished with some words of advice: "Slowing down was the key. I wasn't getting bit during practice. I was probably fishing too fast. I slowed way down and let the bait sit and the fish just came and picked it up."

Fels said he caught most of his big fish on a jig with a Gambler MegaDaddy or a Why Not on it. Fels also did some punching with those same

baits and a two-ounce weight.

The top 10 pros on Lake Okeechobee were:

- First: Keith Fels, Ocala, Fla.; 14 bass, 54-15, \$40,000 + a Ranger Z518C with a 200-horsepower Evinrude or Mercury outboard motor
- Second: Jared McMillan, Belle Glade, Fla.; 15 bass, 52-11, \$15,500
- Third: Randy Haynes, Counce, Tenn.; 13 bass, 49-2, \$12,000
- Fourth: Val Osinski, Pompano Beach, Fla.; 15 bass, 46-7, \$10,000
- Fifth: Keith Pace, Monticello, Ark.; 15 bass, 45-3, \$9,000
- Sixth: Brandon McMillan, Clewiston, Fla.; 15 bass, 44-8, \$8,000
- Seventh: Joseph Kremer, Osteen, Fla.; 15 bass, 44-4, \$7,000
- Eighth: Miles Burghoff, Guntersville, Ala.; 15 bass, 43-1, \$6,000
- Ninth: Thomas Helton, Charleston, Tenn.; 15 bass, 42-3, \$5,000
- 10th: Kent Ware, Wadmalaw Island, S.C.; 14 bass, 40-6, \$4,000

Complete results can be found at FLWOutdoors.com.

Fels caught the biggest bass of the tournament in the pro division on Friday, Jan. 10 -- a 10-pound, nine-ounce bass -- that earned him the day's Rayovac FLW Series Big Bass award of \$300.

Rex Jaeger, of Hamilton, Ohio, won the co-angler division and a Ranger Z117C with an Evinrude or Mercury outboard motor with a three-day total of 15 bass weighing 31 pounds, seven ounces.

The top 10 co-anglers on Lake Okeechobee were:

- First: Rex Jaeger, Hamilton, Ohio; 15 bass, 31-7, Ranger Z117C with an Evinrude or Mercury outboard motor

- Second: Ronnie Green, Sebring, Fla.; 15 bass, 30-12, \$5,000
- Third: Aaron Richardson, Destin, Fla.; 14 bass, 29-5, \$4,000
- Fourth: Tim Fox, Meridian, Miss.; 12 bass, 29-4, \$3,500
- Fifth: Don Lewis, Jacksonville, Fla., 14 bass, 27-13, \$3,000
- Sixth: Alphonso Taylor, Kennesaw, Ga.; 12 bass, 26-9, \$2,500
- Seventh: Dean Harcourt, Sebastian, Fla.; 13 bass, 25-1, \$2,000
- Eighth: Mitch Reynolds, Petal, Miss.; 11 bass, 24-10, \$1,750
- Ninth: Ty Solis, Albany, Ga.; 12 bass, 24-8, \$1,500

- 10th: Dwight Griffith, Somerset, Ky.; 12 bass, 23-3, \$1,250

Mike Evans caught the biggest bass of the tournament in the co-angler division on Thursday, Jan. 9 -- a 10-pound, eight-ounce bass -- that earned him the day's Rayovac FLW Series Big Bass award of \$200.

The Rayovac FLW Series consists of five divisions -- Central, Northern, Southeast, Texas and Western. Each division consists of three tournaments and competitors will be vying for valuable points in each division that could earn them the Strike King Angler of the Year title, which allows them to fish the 2015 Forrest Wood Cup.

This was the first Rayovac FLW Series event of the 2014 season.

Descuentos en Servicios de Teléfono e Internet Disponibles para Clientes de CenturyLink

La Comisión de Servicios Públicos de Florida (Florida Public Service Commission) designó a CenturyLink como Proveedor de Telecomunicaciones Elegible (Eligible Telecommunications Carrier) para proporcionar servicios universales dentro del área donde brinda su servicio. Las tarifas de CenturyLink para servicios básicos locales son de \$19.99 al mes en líneas de voz residenciales, y de \$29.00 a \$33.50 al mes en servicios para negocios. Por favor solicita más información acerca de tarifas específicas.

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Los suscriptores elegibles a Lifeline también podrían calificar para servicio residencial de Internet de Alta Velocidad confiable de hasta 1.5 Mbps por \$9.95* al mes durante los primeros 12 meses del servicio. Visita centurylink.com/internetbasics para obtener más detalles.

Si vives dentro de un área de servicio de CenturyLink, por favor llama al 855.954.6546 o visita centurylink.com/lifeline para resolver tus dudas o solicitar un formulario para el programa Lifeline.



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Keith Fels, of Ocala, won the Rayovac FLW Series Southeast Division event on Lake Okeechobee, presented by Power-Pole, with a three-day total of 14 bass weighing 54 pounds, 15 ounces.



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Jared McMillan, of Belle Glade, finished runner-up at the first Rayovac FLW Series event of the 2014 season on Lake Okeechobee, with a three-day total of 52 pounds, 11 ounces.

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The Great Egg Drop

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Dog

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house to his wife, at which time, police officers moved in to take "control of the situation."

Smith and his wife reportedly gave officers permission to search their home, where officers found cocaine, cutting agents and a small amount of marijuana. The report also states Smith's wife told officers she and Smith use small amounts of cocaine and marijuana "on a regular basis" and she knows Smith to use a dietary supplement to cut the cocaine powder in order to make a larger amount of product.

Smith was arrested and charged with possession of cocaine and possession of cocaine with intent to sell.

Smith, on the other hand, has a different recollection of the events of Jan. 8.

Speaking with The Clewiston News two days after his arrest, Smith told a harrowing story of how Clewiston police officers allegedly came onto his property without permission, held a gun to his wife's head in order to coerce a search of his home, and shot his dog, Bear, to death.

Standing just outside his home, a picture of Smith's dog memorializes the friend and companion Smith said the entire neighborhood knew and loved.

"My wife can't have kids, so [Bear] was sentimental for us," said Smith.

According to Smith, he answered a knock on the door that night and found Gonzalez standing on his door step. Smith said he knew Gonzalez because Gonzalez was an acquaintance of his wife. Smith also said Gonzalez did not ask for drugs at first.

"If y'all [the police] had audio on him, you [they] would have known he didn't ask me for drugs, he asked me for a cigarette," said Smith.

It wasn't until Smith came back outside a second time and found Gonzalez still on his door-step that Smith said Gonzalez muttered something under his breath about drugs.

Lieutenant Rowan, of the Clewiston Police Department, acknowledged that the police moved in on Smith's house because they believed a drug transaction had occurred, though they were mistaken.

Despite the failed drug transaction, officers surrounded Smith's home and ordered him onto the ground, said Smith. According to Lt. Rowan, however, Smith failed to comply with officers' orders and that is where the situation took an aggressive turn.

Smith's dog was behind a fence in the backyard, barking at the officers, including a police canine, which was on the other side of the fence in the neighbor's yard, according to Smith.

Lt. Rowan said Smith's own aggression led to

the aggression of the dog and the need to use force.

Smith was reportedly uncooperative while officers tried to restrain him on the ground outside his home.

Smith admitted that he "blacked out" during the time he was on the ground -- the same time Bear was allegedly barking at the officers. A fresh bullet hole stood out in the ground next to where Smith was reportedly resisting his arrest.

Lt. Rowan said Bear snapped at one of the officers while Smith was "physically resisting arrest" and "nearly bit the face of one officer."

Smith said he and his wife begged officers to allow them to put Bear inside the house, however, officers would not let them.

Bear was next to the neighbor's yard where the canine officer was allegedly standing when he was shot; the pile of blood and dead tissue still lay on the ground near the fence two days later, with a bullet casing resting inches away from the debris.

Smith said he wants to "seek justice" for his dog and bring to light the alleged brutality he faced by the police.

"It's time to get the word out about police brutality. If you're going to do operations and drug busts, do it the right way," said Smith.

According to Smith, police officers showed up at his house with no probable cause and without a warrant. Smith said officers used their guns to intimidate his wife into allowing officers to search their home.

"They put a gun to my wife's head," said Smith.

When officers finished searching his home, Smith said they only found a small bag with residue in it, as well as a blade Smith's wife uses to break up a diet pill.

Lt. Rowan, however, said officers found several small bags filled with a white powder in Smith's home.

The white powder reportedly tested positive for cocaine and Lt. Rowan said there were pictures taken of the bags inside Smith's home, which are now in evidence.

Though Smith is angry about how the events unfolded leading to his arrest and drug charges, Smith is more concerned about seeking justice for his slain dog.

Smith and his wife held a small memorial for Bear on Jan. 10 at 5:30 p.m. outside their home, attended by friends and neighbors.

"He's going to be remembered," said Smith. "I'll make sure he is."

Lt. Rowan said officers had a responsibility to protect the safety of those in the area and, therefore, a "use of force" was necessary.

"I'm sorry about his dog, I really am," said Lt. Rowan.



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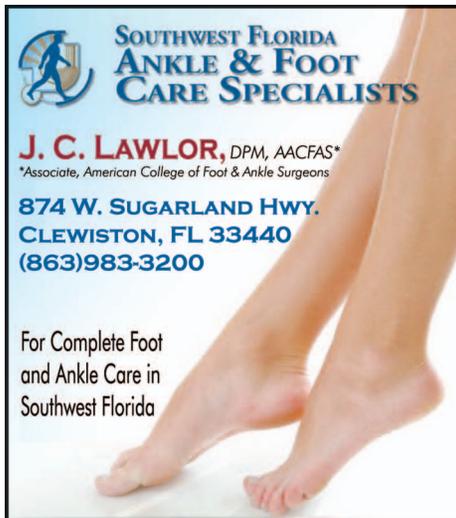
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Board of Commissioners Hears Updates on Airglades Airport

FAA responds to county about purchase and sale agreement

BY MELISSA BELTZ
The Clewiston News

The Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) held their regularly scheduled meeting at Clewiston's City Hall on Jan. 14. The short meeting centered around a landowner's dispute with public property and the happenings of Airglades Airport, with a brief mention of the status of East Hendry County Rec.

Airglades Airport

Commissioners began the meeting by pulling several items from the consent agenda for further discussion. Item M, pulled by Chairman Karson Turner, sought approval of an extension to the negotiation period with Airglades International Airport, LLC (AIA).

Chairman Turner hoped to push back the negotiation period between the county and AIA to the second week of May, unless the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) responds back to the county before then with information on the latest drafts of the purchase and sale agreement, as well as the management agreement. Since the county agreed to enter into a period of negotiation with AIA in April 2012 about the sale or lease of Airglades Airport, the negotiation period has been extended twelve times.

The current extension period was set to expire on Jan. 14; Commissioners voted 5-0 to approve the motion to extend negotiations until May.

Attorney Lapp also told commissioners the FAA replied to the county on Monday, Jan. 13 with comments about the agreements, though he would not go into further detail about what was discussed.

East County Rec

Public Hearings saw a short discussion on the East Hendry County Recreation agreement -- the

agreement between the city of Clewiston and Hendry County that aims to help share the cost of recreation between city residents and unincorporated residents -- with Attorney Lapp catching the commissioners up to speed on the status of the inter-local agreement.

Attorney Lapp said the city of Clewiston is not proceeding with a special assessment on commercial properties, however, they do plan to use a special assessment on residential properties. County commissioners also agreed they did not want to assess commercial properties within the borders of East County Rec. The public hearing was regarded as needing no action, however, County Administrator Charles Chapman continued with East County Rec updates.

A special meeting was held on Monday, Jan. 6 between city and the county administrators to discuss going forward after a pre-holiday revelation found the city could not assess businesses using the uniform method -- where a flat rate would be assessed for all businesses located within the city limits. Administrator Chapman also said as of now, there are "two vehicles" driving East County Rec: the city and the county. Both parties must wait until next year to consider enveloping East County Rec under one assessment.

Despite the apparent setbacks, Administrator Chapman said East County Rec is going forward as a "slow, methodical process." He also said he is "hopeful for the future success of East County Rec."

Staff Reports

Associate Planner Sara Catala asked commissioners to consider options for a landowner who had planned to expand her business until a 15-foot-wide public right-of-way halted her project.

Catala suggested commissioners vote to allow the county to initiate the application process to remove the public right-of-way, and ask the

landowner to pay for the "hard costs" associated with the application process.

Commissioner Don Davis weighed in on the discussion before any decisions were made, explaining that the application fee was upwards of \$2,500, a cost the landowner could not afford to pay. In an effort to garner the small business spirit, Commissioner Davis suggested in the form of a motion that the county waive the application fee and ask the landowner to pay only the cost of advertising associated with her project.

Commissioner Mike Swindle seconded the motion, but a question from Commissioner Darrell Harris about how the county is going to pay for the application costs prompted further discussion, ending with Chairman Turner claiming the commissioners were "making a mountain out of a molehill."

Commissioners eventually voted on Commissioner Davis' motion, with Chairman Turner, Commissioner Swindle and Commissioner Davis voting in its favor; Commissioners Taylor and Harris voted against the motion.

Staff reports continued with Administrator Chapman presenting an item on the county's mobile device management policy. Commissioners voted in favor of making changes to the policy, meaning the county will now issue less smart phones to its employees, and will, instead,

issue more stipends to pay for cell phones.

Airglades Revisited

Discussions returned to Airglades Airport at the end of the meeting, when Public Works Director Shane Parker discussed an informal agreement between the county and Clewiston Tank Wash, LLC, who has been storing tanks near Airglades Airport for free while they complete improvement projects at their business.

Because of a skydiving event being held at Airglades Airport later this month, Clewiston Tank Wash must remove their tanks from the current location by Saturday, Jan. 18. Clewiston Tank Wash is now asking to move those tanks to another location, adjacent to Airglades Airport, because the improvement projects are not yet finished.

Chairman Turner said he had no problem with Clewiston Tank Wash storing their tanks on county property, so long as the county "reaps a financial benefit." Chairman Turner asked Parker to request a small rental fee from Clewiston Tank Wash, and the item would be brought back for discussion at a later meeting.

The next Board of County Commissioners Meeting will be held in LaBelle's City Hall on Jan. 28 at 5 p.m.

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of General Election

Notice is hereby given that the City of Belle Glade, Florida, will hold its General Election on Tuesday, March 11, 2014, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing two commissioners, each for a term of three (3) years. There will be one commissioner elected representing Seat "A" and one commissioner elected representing Seat "B". Candidates must be a qualified elector of the City of Belle Glade for at least six (6) months prior to the beginning of qualifying.

The first day for qualifying begins January 28, 2014, at noon, and the final day for qualifying is February 11, 2014, at noon. Candidates must file in person with the City Clerk at City Hall, 110 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., West, Belle Glade, Florida, during regular office hours (Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.) until said date and time. Each candidate shall be voted upon by the electorate at large.

Registered voters in Precincts 6022, 6024, 6028, 6032, and 6036 are qualified to vote in this election. To qualify as a registered voter for this General Election, you must register with the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections by February 10, 2014.

In the event that no candidate receives a majority of the votes cast for the particular office that such candidate seeks in this election, a Run-Off Election shall be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2014, between the two candidates who receive the largest number of votes for that particular seat. To qualify as a registered voter for the Run-Off Election, you must register with the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections by February 24, 2014.

CITY OF BELLE GLADE
DEBRA R. BUFF, MMC
CITY CLERK/SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS

Promoting Better Health for Babies

The Florida Department of Health is raising awareness about the important steps families can take to improve the health of babies and decrease the impact of birth defects. January is National Birth Defects Prevention Month and the Department is encouraging women who are pregnant or planning a pregnancy to take steps to have a healthy pregnancy.

"With birth defects impacting one in every 28 babies born in Florida, it is important that families are aware of this serious matter," said Dr. Celeste Philip, deputy secretary for Health and deputy state health officer for Children's Medical Services (CMS). "The Department works hand in hand with health care providers, families and researchers to improve disease detection and ensure care." Birth defects are caused by genetic and environmental factors, or a combination of

both. The majority of birth defects do not have a known cause. For any woman who is pregnant or planning a pregnancy, the Department recommends that she:

- Go for a pre-pregnancy checkup and talk with her health care provider about any medical conditions, such as diabetes, obesity or seizures.
- Women of child bearing age should take a vitamin with 400 micrograms of folic acid daily.
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Public Notice

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Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Tefla Investments**, 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
4289	2010	4104329-06021900220	Allen C Derrick, Kevin A Derrick and Jon L Derrick

Lot 22, Block 2190, PORT LABELLE UNIT 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at **www.hendry.realforeclose.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Third Thursday** in the month of **February, 2014**, which is the **20th day of February, 2014**. Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459864 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO. 26-2009-CA-000931

OCWEN LOAN SERVICING, LLC
Plaintiff,

V. RAFAEL RUIZ; VOGDALINE RUIZ A/K/A VIGADALINA RUIZ A/K/A VIGDALINA RUIZ; AND ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), WHO (IS/ARE) NOT KNOWN TO BE DEAD OR ALIVE, WHETHER SAID UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIM AS HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, SPOUSES, OR OTHER CLAIMANTS; Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered on December 19, 2013, in this cause, in the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, the clerk shall sell the property situated in Hendry County, Florida, described as:

LOT 6 AND EAST 30 FEET OF LOT 7, IN BLOCK 207 OF THE GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, AS REVISED SEPTEMBER 7, 1937, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 71-78, INCLUSIVE, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

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Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from, the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. Dated this 20th day of December, 2013.

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

If you are a person with disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact Dawn Oliver, Court Operations Manager, whose office is located at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida 33935, and whose telephone number is (863) 675-5229, at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711. 459075 CN 1/2,9/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 13-CP-000118
Division PROBATE

IN RE: ESTATE OF
ORBEN CALDERON
Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Orben Calderon, deceased, whose date of death was November 16, 2013, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida 33935. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

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The date of first publication of this notice is January 9th, 2014.

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4510 Bragg Court
LaBelle, Florida 33935

Attorney for Personal Representative:
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459470 CN 1/9,16/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council will hold a meeting on Friday, January 24, 2014, at 11:30 A.M., in Conference Room # 1, 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, Florida 33935. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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

Board of County Commissioners
Hendry County, Florida
460118 CN/CB 1/16/2014

South Florida Water Management District PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680 permits@sfwmd.gov NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, that the application(s) for permit described below has been received for project(s) in Glades County. The application(s) and future additional application documents can be obtained by any of the following methods: 1) Accessing the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) and clicking on Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page; 2) Submitting a written request to the South Florida Water Management District, Attn: Regulation Division, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680; or 3) Submitting an electronic request at permits@sfwmd.gov.

Warr Farm LLC (Warr Farm) 2243 River Oak Lane, Fort Myers, FL 33905, has submitted Application 140103-3 for renewal of Water Use Permit 22-00248-W to irrigate 244 acres of agricultural lands. The water will be withdrawn from SFWMD C-43 Canal and the project is located in Sections 15,22, Township 42 South, Range 32 East. 459912 GCD 1/16/2014

LEGAL NOTICE NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that the City of South Bay, Florida will hold its General Election on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing three Commissioners, each for a term of three (3) years. There will be one commissioner elected representing Seat "1", one commissioner elected representing Seat "3", and one commissioner elected representing Seat "5". Candidates must be a resident and qualified elector of the City of South Bay.

The first day for qualifying begins January 28, 2014, at noon, and the final day for qualifying is February 11, 2014, at noon. Candidates must file in person with the City Clerk at City Hall, 335 S.W. 2nd Avenue, South Bay, Florida, during regular office hours (Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.) until said date and time. Each Candidate shall be voted upon by the electorate at large.

City of South Bay
Jessica Figueroa
City Clerk
459473 CN 1/16/2014

Public Notice

HENDRY COUNTY NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Members of the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, may attend and speak at a Community Values Workshop, at 6:00 p.m. on January 23, 2014, at the Harlem Civic Center, 2000 7th St., Clewiston, Florida. All members of the public are welcome to attend.

Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida
Karon Turner, Chairman
460099 CN/CB 1/16/2014

LEGAL NOTICE

The following vehicles will be sold at public auction on January 27th, 2014 at 10 am at Clewiston Towing 600 E Sugarland Hwy Clewiston FL 33440:

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*****We have the right to refuse any and all bids*****
460096 1/16/2014

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to Chapter 298.12, Florida Statutes, a meeting of landowners of BARRON WATER CONTROL DISTRICT will be held at 10:00A.M. January 28, 2014, at the District office on 3293 Dellwood Terrace, Port LaBelle, Florida, 33935.

The purpose of the meeting is to elect one member of the Board of Supervisors and review annual reports.

Landowners may cast one vote for each acre or fraction thereof owned, either in person or by proxy. Proxy forms are available by calling 863-675-0346. The Board of Supervisors will meet immediately after adjournment of the Landowners' Meeting.

These meetings are open to the public.

Mark D. Colbert, Chairman
460098 CN/CB 1/16,23/2014

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv, 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
3622	2010	3014334-01003600130	Smith Properties City Walk LLC

Lots 40 and 41, in Block 360 of the GENERAL PLAN OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71-78, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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

459861 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv, 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
3364	2010	2014329-01000710050	Advanced Capital Development Corporation-Hammock I

Lot 5, TALL PINES SUBDIVISION, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 162, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

459867 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

Public Notice

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1090	2010	1144331-0100000130	Efrain A Salas

Lot 13, GREENWOOD FOREST, UNIT 1, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 5, Pages 123 and 124, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

459867 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1090	2010	1144331-0100000130	Efrain A Salas

Lot 13, GREENWOOD FOREST, UNIT 1, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 5, Pages 123 and 124, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

459867 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Public Safety Coordinating Council will hold a meeting on Friday, January 24, 2014, at 11:30 A.M., in Conference Room # 1, 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, Florida 33935. The meeting is open to the public. The meeting site is accessible by the disabled.

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

Board of County Commissioners
Hendry County, Florida
460118 CN/CB 1/16/2014

South Florida Water Management District PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680 permits@sfwmd.gov NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF APPLICATION

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Chapter 373, Florida Statutes, that the application(s) for permit described below has been received for project(s) in Glades County. The application(s) and future additional application documents can be obtained by any of the following methods: 1) Accessing the District's website (www.sfwmd.gov) and clicking on Application/Permit Search on the ePermitting page; 2) Submitting a written request to the South Florida Water Management District, Attn: Regulation Division, PO Box 24680, West Palm Beach, FL 33416-4680; or 3) Submitting an electronic request at permits@sfwmd.gov.

Warr Farm LLC (Warr Farm)

Public Notice

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the Circuit Court, Broward County, Florida, Case number: FMCE07007734 41/91 on November 18th, 2013 in the matter of Americo R. Betancourt and Vilma G. Miranda, as respondent, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the respondent, to-wit:

Americo R Betancourt's undivided one half interest in the following property described hence forth: The North one-half (N 1/2) of the Northwest one-quarter (NW 1/4) of the Northeast one-quarter (N 1/4) of the Southwest one-quarter (SW 1/4) of the Southeast one-quarter (SE 1/4) of Section 35, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, HENDRY County Florida. A/K/A LOT 3886, MONTURA RANCH ESTATES

and on February 20th, 2014, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street LaBelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution.

IN accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-9-800-955-8771 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.

Steve Whidden as Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida
By: Lt. Andy Lewis
459846 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1089	2010	1144331-0100000120	Efrain A Salas

Lot 12, GREENWOOD FOREST, UNIT 1, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 5, Pages 123 and 124, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459858 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3365	2010	2014329-01000710060	Advanced Capital Development Corporation-Hammock I

Lot 6, TALL PINES SUBDIVISION, according to the map or plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 6, Page 162, 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 **www.hendry.realforeclose.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Third Thursday** in the month of **February, 2014**, which is the **20th day of February, 2014**.
Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459868 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv 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
87	2010	1214328-0300000050	Hernandez Property Investments

Lot 5, OLD FORT DENAUD SUBDIVISION, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 6, Pages 153 through 156, inclusive, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at **www.hendry.realforeclose.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Fifth Thursday** in the month of **January, 2014**, which is the **30th day of January, 2014**.
Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459888 CN/CB 1/16/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Bank as C/F FL Dundee Lien Inv, 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
822	2010	1274329-01000021020	Elizabeth Carolyn Thompson

The South one-half of Tract 64 of LaBelle Ranchettes, an unrecorded subdivision, being more particularly described as follows: The South one-half of the following described property: The East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter, less the North 30 feet thereof, reserved for perpetual road right-of-way purposes, being in Section 9, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida.

Together with an easement across the West 20 feet of the North one-half of the East one-half of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of Section 9, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, 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 **www.hendry.realforeclose.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Third Thursday** in the month of **February, 2014**, which is the **20th day of February, 2014**.
Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459857 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

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
3374	2010	2014329-0100077C010	Daniel Isias Delacruz + Isaias Delacruz + Romy T Delacruz

Lots 1 and 2, Block C, LaBelle Terrace, according to the map or plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 34, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel Identification Number: 2-29-43-01-010-0077-C01.0
Property Address: 275 E. Seminole Avenue, LaBelle, FL 33975

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 **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459852 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Ilene & Jon Klasfeld Co Tr**, 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
2498	2006	4104329-04021410030	CHL Holdings Inc

Lot 3, Block 2141, PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 86, 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 **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459866 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **Tefla Investments**, 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
4332	2010	4104329-06021980220	Equity Trust Company Custodian FBO Tim Rawson IRA FBO Tim Rawson IRA

Lot 22, Block 2198, PORT LABELLE UNIT 6, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 109, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record. All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.

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Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459865 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL ACTION CASE NO.: 22-2013-CA-000041

JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, Plaintiff,
vs.
MARY L NASON, et al, Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated 12-10-2013, and entered in Case No. 22-2013-CA-000041 of the Circuit Court of the Twentieth Judicial Circuit in and for Glades County, Florida in which JPMorgan Chase Bank, National Association, is the Plaintiff and Mary L. Nason also known as Mary Nason, Mary I. Nason a/k/a Mary Nason, Glades County, Florida, Tenant # 1, Tenant # 2, The Unknown Spouse of Mary I. Nason also known as Mary Nason, 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 Glades County Courthouse, 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, Glades County, Florida at 11:00 AM on the 20th day of March, 2013, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment of Foreclosure:

COMMENCE AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF SECTION 22, TOWNSHIP 42 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA, AND RUN SOUTH 88 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 50 SECONDS EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID SECTION 22, A DISTANCE OF 1015.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 22, A DISTANCE OF 1732 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 78 AND THE POINT OF BEGINNING OF THE PARCEL OF LAND HEREIN DESCRIBED; THENCE CONTINUE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 09 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST, PARALLEL WITH THE WEST LINE OF SAID SECTION 22, A DISTANCE OF 183.14 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 18 MINUTES 30 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 182.71 FEET; THENCE NORTH 02 DEGREES 19 MINUTES 59 SECONDS WEST A DISTANCE OF 178.50 FEET TO THE SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF STATE ROAD NO. 78; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 57 SECONDS EAST, ALONG SAID SOUTH RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE, A DISTANCE OF 167.87 FEET TO THE BEGINNING OF A CURVE TO THE LEFT; THENCE ALONG THE ARC OF THE CURVED RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE (SAID CURVE BEING CURVED CONCAVE TO THE NORTH, WITH A CENTRAL ANGLE OF 00 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 40 SECONDS AND A RADIUS OF 2914.79 FEET, AND HAVING A CHORD LENGTH OF 22.61 FEET AND A CHORD BEARING OF NORTH 89 DEGREES 01 MINUTES 59 SECONDS EAST) A DISTANCE OF 22.61 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

A/K/A 9951 W STATE ROAD 78 MOORE HAVEN FL 33471-5675

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 of the sale.

Dated in Glades County, Florida this 16th day of December, 2013.

Clerk of the Circuit Court
Glades County, Florida
BY: Julie Bradrock
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.

458724 GCD 1/9,16/2014

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 262010CA000281CAAXMX

BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP Plaintiff(s),
vs.
JAY MERCER, et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 10, 2013, and entered in Case No. 262010CA000281CAAXMX of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY County, Florida, wherein BAC HOME LOANS SERVICING, LP FKA COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING LP is the Plaintiff and JAY MERCER, EMILY JOYCE MERCER AND JAMIE DOE NIX/A CYNTHIA LAFOLLETTE are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash are held in the second floor lobby Clerk of Courts Office C.E. Hall Building, at Hall Building, at 11am on the 12th day of February 2014, the following described property as set forth in said Order of Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 13, TOWER LAKE ESTATES, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGES 143 AND 144, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, and commonly known as: 1813 MATTHEW LOOP, CLEWISTON, FL 33440

IF YOU ARE A PERSON CLAIMING A RIGHT TO FUNDS REMAINING AFTER THE SALE, YOU MUST FILE A CLAIM WITH THE CLERK OF COURT NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. IF YOU FAIL TO FILE A CLAIM, YOU WILL NOT BE ENTITLED TO ANY REMAINING FUNDS. AFTER 60 DAYS, ONLY THE OWNER OF RECORD AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MAY CLAIM THE SURPLUS.

DATED AT HENDRY County, Florida, this 11th day of October, 2013.

BARBARA S. BUTLER, Clerk
HENDRY County, Florida
By: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, persons in need of special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall, within seven (7) days prior to any proceeding, contact the Administrative Office of the Court, HENDRY COUNTY, 25 EAST HICKPOCHIE AVENUE, LABELLE FL 33935. County Phone: 863-675-5204 MD 1-800-955-8771 or 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

Apre ako ki fa avek Americans With Disabilities Act, tout mou kin ginjin yun bezven spesiyal yo akomodasyon yo yo patisipe nan pwogram sa-a dwe, nan yun tan r6zonab an nipoat aranjman kapab fet, yo dwe kontakte Administrative Office Of The Court i nan nimdro, HENDRY COUNTY, 25 EAST HICKPOCHIE AVENUE, LABELLE FL 33935, County Phone: 863-675-5204 TDD 1-800-955-8771 oubyen 1-800-955-87701 pasan pa Florida Relay Service.

"En accordance avec la Loi des "Americans With Disabilities". Les personnes en besoin dune acommodation speciale pour participer a ces procedures doivent, dans un temps raisonnable, avant d'entreprendre aucune autre demarche, contacter l'office administrative de la Court situe au, HENDRY County, 25 EAST HICKPOCHIE AVENUE, LABELLE, FL 33935, County Phone: 863-675-5204 TOD 1-800-955-8771 ou 1-800-955-8770 Via Florida Relay Service."

"De acuerdo con ci Acto 6 Decreto de los Americanos con Impedimentos. Inhabilitados, personas on necesidad del servicio especial para participar en este procedimiento debran, dentro de un tiempo razonable, antes de cualquier procedimiento, ponerse en contacto" con la oficina Administrativa de la Corte, HENDRY COUNTY, 25 EAST HICKPOCHIE AVENUE, LABELLE FL 33935, County Phone: 863-675-5204 TDD 1-800-955-8770 o 1-800-955-8771 Via Florida Relay Service."

454784 CN 1/16,23/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
879	2010	1274329-01000E20340	Juan Esquivel

From the intersection of the South line of Section 4, Township 44 South, Range 29 East, Hendry County, Florida, with the centerline of SR 29, run N 03 degrees 51' W, along the centerline of SR 29, a distance of 400 feet to the P.O.B. Thence N 86 degrees 26' E 450 feet; thence S 03 degrees 51' E 125 feet; thence S 86 degrees 26' E 450 feet; thence N 03 degrees 51' W 125 feet to the P.O.B. Less the Westerly 50 feet for the right-of-way of SR 29. More commonly known as Business Lots 34, 35, 36, 37 and 38, Section E-2, 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.

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Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459856 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **US Ameribank c/o Kingery/Crouse Magnolia TC2 SA, 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
4230	2010	4104329-04021600180	Pedro C & Rosalia Perero

Lot 18, Block 2160 PORT LABELLE UNIT 4, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 86, 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 **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459854 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF MEETINGS FOR 2014

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Central County Water Control District Board Meetings will be held at the District Conference Room located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida, 33440 on the following dates and times:

Meeting	Date	Time
Workshop	01/20/2014	2:00 P.M.
Workshop	01/22/2014	2:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	01/22/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	02/26/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	03/26/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	04/23/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	05/28/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	06/25/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	07/23/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	08/27/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	09/24/2014	7:00 P. M.
Annual Landowner	Will be advertised	
Board Meeting	Will be advertised	Following LO
Board Meeting	11/26/2014	7:00 P. M.
Board Meeting	12/17/2014	7:00 P. M.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special Accommodation to participate in these proceeding should contact the District at (863) 983-5797 at least five (5) days prior to the date of the proceeding.

Dated this 2nd day of January 2014.

BY ORDER OF THE
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE
CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
459276 CN 1/2,9,16,23/2014

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the **TC 10U, 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
3668	2010	3014334-01004270080	MTAG Cust for Amherst Asset Mgmt, LLC

Lots 10 thru 12, Block 427, of the General Plan of Clewiston, Florida, as revised September 7, 1937, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Pages 71 through 78, inclusive of the Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

Parcel Identification Number: 3-34-43-01-010-0427-008.0
Property Address: 340 W. El Paso Avenue, Clewiston, FL 33440

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 **www.hendry.realforeclose.com**, at **11:00 A.M.**, on the **Third Thursday** in the month of **February, 2014**, which is the **20th day of February, 2014**.
Dated this **8th** day of **January, 2014**.

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

459853 CN/CB 1/16,23,30;2/6/2014

DRUGS

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ton Police Department are committed to our community by ensuring that the safety and quality of life for our citizens are protected. We vow to continue to target those elements both within and without the city of Clewiston who pose a threat to those qualities."

In an interview with The Clewiston News, Chief Gutshall said the police department has not pushed this hard on narcotics in a long time. After watching troops at the patrol level and seeing which types of drugs turned up at traffic stops, Chief Gutshall said he could see an increase in the amount of narcotics on the streets, a number he said he hasn't seen for years.

"Six, seven, eight years ago, you couldn't buy this stuff in Clewiston," said Chief Gutshall. "We [Clewiston police] pushed it back into the county, but in the last few years, we've had to pull back in scope because of cuts in personnel, so this stuff has come roaring back."

Chief Gutshall said he was "appalled" by the variety of narcotics found during the 10-month-long operation, and in his opinion, methamphetamine is the "most dangerous" drug out there.

Methamphetamine is a schedule II narcotic, meaning it is considered to have a high potential for abuse and has a currently accepted medical use with severe restrictions.

Of the dozen arrested last week, at least half were charged with either possession of or sale or delivery of methamphetamine.

The remaining charges included possession of cocaine, with which at least seven of the 12 were charged, and sale or delivery of opium or an opium derivative, with which at least two were charged.

The arrests came after a grueling 10-month-long undercover operation, which Chief Gutshall said started out small, before morphing into something bigger than the Clewiston Police Department had expected.

"We eased into it [the operation]," said Chief Gutshall. "We allowed [the officers] to dirty up and grow their hair long and got them out in the town." Chief Gutshall said he originally thought the operation would last about three or four months and only a few arrests would be made. The operation, however, spread out more and more and resulted in a dozen arrests by Jan. 10, with more to come in the following days.

Undercover officers spent much of those long months developing relationships with the people they were targeting, in order to put them "at ease," explained Chief Gutshall.

"One buy can take several hours to set up," said Chief Gutshall. "An officer may spend two to four weeks on one person and it may turn out that it doesn't work."

Chief Gutshall was proud of the work his officers did during operation, "Dirty Dozen," and said drug operations are certainly something the Clewiston police "needs to keep doing."

Lieutenant Rowan, a key player in operation "Dirty Dozen," agreed with Chief Gutshall's desire to continue such operations.

"We need to clean up this community," said Lieutenant Rowan. "It is riddled with narcotics."

Willie Lee Foster



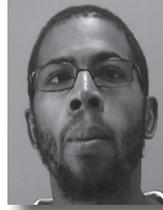
Two counts of sale or delivery of controlled substance
Two counts of possession of cocaine
Sale or delivery of cocaine

Larry Hall Jr.



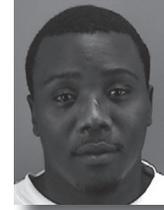
Three counts of sale or delivery of controlled substance
Sale or delivery of cocaine
Possession of cocaine

Lance Maurice Mccullough



Possession of cocaine
Sale of a controlled substance within 1,000 ft of public park
Sale or delivery of controlled substance
Trafficking in illegal drugs, 4 grams or more

Derrick Cornelius Webber



Sale or delivery of controlled substance

Tiffany Latoya Simpson-Najera



Sale or delivery of controlled substance

Roger Freeman



Sale of cocaine within 200 ft of public housing
Possession of cocaine

J.C. Davis III



Possession of cocaine
Sale or delivery of cocaine
Possession of controlled substance
Sale or delivery of controlled substance

William Henry Smith



Possession of cocaine
Possession of cocaine with intent to sell, manufacture or deliver

Allah Leviticus Lawrence



Possession of marijuana not more than 20 grams
Sale or delivery of cannabis

Dakota Lee Chesney



Possession of a controlled substance
Trafficking in illegal drugs, 4 grams or more

Carlos Rivera III



Possession of controlled substance
Sale or delivery of controlled substance

Victor Luis Ruiz Jr.



Possession of controlled substance
Sale or delivery of controlled substance
Possession of cocaine
Sale or delivery of cocaine

Christopher Sellers



Sale or delivery of cocaine

ARREST

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then reportedly punched the screen "in an act of anger," walked out of the store and then left on a skateboard. The surveillance video was shown to Walmart's human resource manager, who recognized Velazquez because he works at Walmart as a night stocker. In fact, Velazquez was wearing his employee uniform at the time of the incident, according to the report.

At around 10:23 p.m., Velazquez returned to Walmart and allegedly confessed to punching the machine, which is estimated to carry a \$1,726.89 repair bill. Velazquez was arrested and charged with felony criminal mischief.

HEALTH

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- Check with a health care provider before taking any medications, including over-the-counter medications.

- Talk to a health care provider about vaccinations. Many are safe and recommended during pregnancy. The right vaccinations at the right time can help keep the mother and her baby healthy.

- Seek prenatal care as soon as she thinks she may be pregnant.

- Discuss family medical history with a health care provider and seek advice from a genetic counselor if there is a history of birth defects in the family.

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partners with the National Birth Defects Prevention Network (NBDPN) and the 2014 NBDPN Birth Defects Prevention information packet is available online at <http://www.nbdpn.org/bdpm2014.php>.

Follow the Florida Department of Health on Twitter at @HealthyFla and on Facebook. For more information about the Florida Department of Health, please visit www.FloridaHealth.gov.



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HENDRY COUNTY PUBLIC NOTICE

Selection Committee Meeting for RFQ 2014-05

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, January 22, 2014, at 10:00 a.m. to review and short list the submittals to three for Design and Permitting Services for Replacing/Widening a Drainage Conveyance Crossing of Whisper Creek on Old CR 79 in Hendry County, Florida. The meeting will be held at the Hendry County Administrative Conference Room, located at 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, FL 33935. The selection committee will meet on Wednesday, January 29, 2014, at 1:00 p.m. for presentations from the short listed firms. The meeting will be held at the Hendry County Administrative Conference Room, located at 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, FL 33935. All interested are encouraged to attend. For further information, please contact the Hendry County Engineer's Office at (863) 675-5222 or (863)-983-1588.

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

Si necesita la asistencia de un interprete que hable espanol para participar un esta reunion, por favor pongase en contacto con Myra Johnson at (863) 675-5240.

Karson Turner, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners, Hendry County
459911 CN/CB 1/16/2014

Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE BY THE CITY OF CLEWISTON OF INTENT TO USE THE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTION OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

Notice is hereby given to all owners of lands located within the boundaries of the City of Clewiston that the City intends to use the uniform method of collection for such non-ad valorem assessments as may be levied by the City, with said method of collection to be carried out in accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

The City Commission will hold a Public Hearing on February 17, 2014 at 5:00 P.M. at the City Hall, located at 115 W. Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida 33440, the purpose of which is to consider the adoption of a Resolution authorizing the City of Clewiston to use, in accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, the uniform method of collecting such non-ad valorem assessments as may be levied by the City.

In 2014, the City may adopt and levy new non-ad valorem assessments for the City's fiscal year 2014/2015, some or all of which may continue for more than one year, with said assessments being upon some or all of the lands located within the City's boundaries. The non-ad valorem assessments which will be adopted for the City's fiscal year 2014/2015, will be levied by the City in order to provide necessary funds for the following reasons:

- (a) Providing recreation and related facilities and services to all residential property located within the boundaries of the City for the purpose of participating with Hendry County in the East Hendry County Recreation Program, and/or
- (b) Such other lawful obligations and purposes which the City is empowered to provide as authorized by law.

Interested parties may appear at the Public Hearing to be heard regarding the City's use of the uniform method of collecting such non-ad valorem assessments in accordance with Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes.

If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at the Public Hearing, such person will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose said person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made at their own expense and which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this Public Hearing, because of a disability or physical impairment, should contact the City at (863) 983-1484 at least five (5) calendar days prior to the Hearing.

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Key Land Exchange to Improve Everglades Water Quality

Property enables expansion at a strategically located Stormwater Treatment Area for cleaner fresh water

As part of its comprehensive plan to achieve stringent Everglades water quality standards, the South Florida Water Management District Governing Board will consider approval of a land exchange necessary for the expansion of a highly effective water-cleaning wetland on Thursday, Jan. 16.

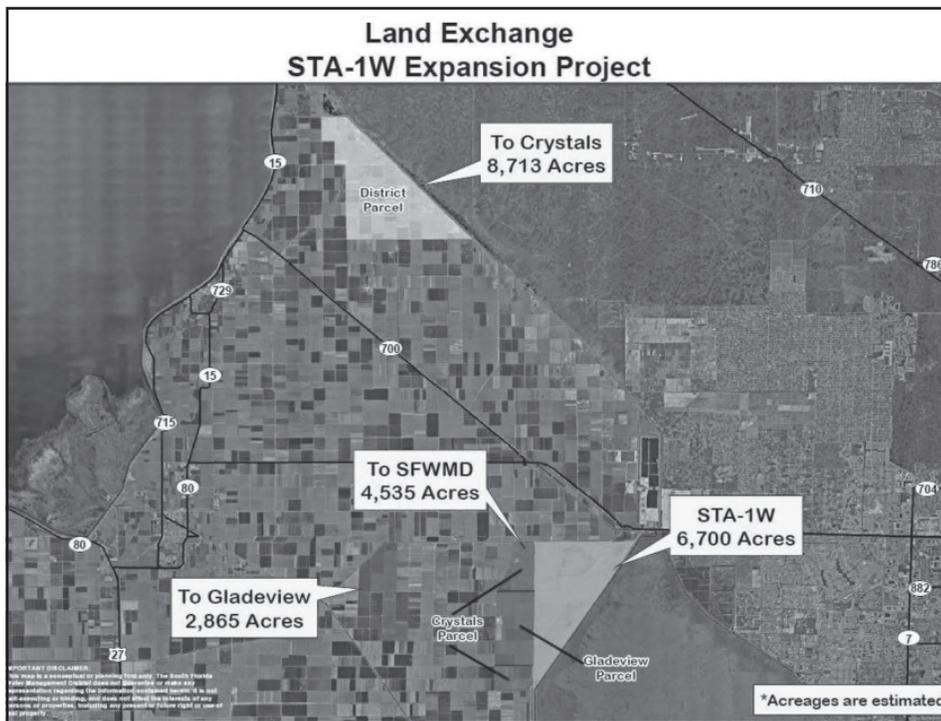
With the land exchange, Stormwater Treatment Area 1 West (STA-1W), just west of Wellington, will grow from 6,700 acres to 11,300 acres of aquatic plants that remove phosphorus and other nutrients from water flowing south into the Everglades. Science has proven that Stormwater Treatment Areas are among the most effective tools for cleaning water before it reaches the Everglades. The project is one of 10 components in the state's Restoration Strategies plan to improve Everglades water quality.

Key benefits of the land exchange include:

- Increasing the size of the treatment area used for cleaning water flowing to the adjacent Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge.
- Saving approximately \$32 million by using lands adjacent to STA-1W, eliminating the need for additional major construction projects that connect to the STA from a remote location.
- Providing the optimal acreage necessary to allow the District to remain on schedule to meet state and federal discharge limits.

Under the terms of the exchange, the District will acquire a total of 4,604 acres of land in an agreement with Florida Crystals and Gladeview Holdings company. Details include:

- Florida Crystals will convey 2,003 acres to the District and Gladeview will convey 2,600 acres to the District.
- The District will convey to Florida Crystals approximately 8,700 acres of land, and the company has the option to acquire an additional 55 acres of land.
- Gladeview will acquire approximately 2,865 acres from Florida Crystals.
- The District will provide \$5,978,474 to Gladeview for the company to relocate its agricultural operations on that site.
- The District will receive \$450,000 from Florida Crystals for environmental restoration.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

·The District will lease back the 4,604 acres to Florida Crystals on an interim basis consistent with construction on the STA-1W Expansion Project.

·The District will extend two existing leases with Florida Crystals containing approximately 1,691 acres until 2019 at the current lease rate.

Closing of the land exchange is targeted for mid-2014.

Restoration Strategies Progress

The STA-1W expansion is the latest project to move forward under the state's Restoration Strategies plan.

Construction is already underway on the 15-billion-gallon L-8 Reservoir in Palm Beach County. With enough water to fill 34,000 football fields one foot deep, the storage project will deliver consistent flows needed to optimize the District's STAs, including STA-1W, that clean Everglades-bound water.

In addition, a contract was approved in October to start construction on the A-1 Flow Equalization Basin south of Lake Okeechobee. With the capacity to hold 60,000 acre-feet of water, the project is designed to capture and store peak stormwater flows during the wet season or heavy rainfall events, and also deliver consistent flows to the STAs.

A science plan has also been developed and nine key studies are underway.

Trail Hike and Picnic

Make time to enjoy a leisurely hike on the Knobby Knee Trail and a covered-dish dinner with the Fisheating Creek Florida Trail Association Sub-chapter. Hikers, birders, photographers and families are invited to meet at 3 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 20 in the Screen Room at the Fisheating Creek Campground in Palmdale. Everyone will need to check in at the Camp Store. The day-use fee will be waived for Florida Trail Association members.

Non-members will need to pay the campground day-use fee. Bring a covered dish to share, chair, hat, closed-toed shoes, water and insect repellent. For Information, contact Betty Loomis at 863-532-9339 or Margaret England at 863-517-0202. Visit the Fisheating Creek Florida Trail Association Sub-chapter on Facebook for activities.



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