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Three Cities Prepare for March Elections

Seats to determine future direction of local cities

BY JOSE JESUS ZARAGOZA
The Sun

March is shaping up to be a very busy month for local elections, with seven city commission seats opening up next month. The races feature seats now assumed by commissioners who have represented their respective cities for many years, and races will be closely watched from now until the results come back on election day.

Toward that end, the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Office is encouraging residents to qualify to vote.

The city of Belle Glade has the most seats becoming available in March, with a total of three. In the running are seats currently held by Mary Ross Wilkerson, vice mayor, Gwendolyn J.L. Asia-Holley and William A. Grear Jr. The terms of

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Hundreds of fishermen will take to Lake Okeechobee soon to participate in the FLW Tour. Locals have normally fared very well in tournament standings.

Walmart FLW Tour Kicking Off 17th Season at Lake Okeechobee

MILD WINTER COULD HAVE ANGLERS EYEING RECORD WEIGHTS

FLW

For most people in the United States, February is when slightly warmer days begin to appear in place of fading winter. But for the best bass pros on the planet February means a hot bite, big bass and the beginning of another exciting FLW Tour season.

The Walmart FLW Tour on Lake

Okeechobee presented by Evinrude will visit Clewiston, Fla., Feb. 9-12 for the first tournament of its 17th season. Hosted by Roland & Mary Ann Martin's Marina & Resort, the tournament will feature a full field of the world's best bass pros and co-anglers casting for top awards up to \$125,000 cash in the Pro Division and up to \$25,000 cash in the Co-angler Division.

FLW Tour anglers haven't competed on Lake Okeechobee since the February 2011 season opener, and National Guard pro Scott Martin is eagerly anticipating this year's kickoff. The Clewiston resident has fished these

waters for years and knows them like the back of his hand. Martin also has some tournament momentum behind him, as well. He won the 2011 Forrest Wood Cup and \$600,000 in August on Lake Ouachita in Hot Springs, Ark.

"The fishing has been phenomenal since the day we left (last year)," said Martin, who owns five top-10 finishes and one victory on Lake Okeechobee. "The fishing got better. And it stayed better all throughout the spring and the summertime, and it never slowed down, and now we're back into the springtime again and the fish are just bigger. There seems to be more

of them and more 30-pound bags weighed in at local events right now than I've ever seen. The potential for having some of the records fall is very likely.

"I'm in shorts and a T-shirt as we speak," Martin added. "The water temperatures have been very consistent. We haven't had a big cold front at all, so these fish are really going to start spawning and really be active this week."

Martin said he expects the tour-

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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Pioneer Park Elementary

TC visits K-2

Once again, Pioneer Park teachers were coached by one of Columbia University Teacher's College's best; Ms. Liz Dunford visited the K-2 teachers, demonstrating lessons while teachers observed.

Ms. Dunford brings a fresh level of excitement to students as she immerses herself in read-alouds and draws students deeply into the story while modeling her own and the character's think-a-louds. Students enjoy deepening each other's understanding with their turn and talks and grand conversations under her guidance. As always, we welcome the enriching expertise of Miss Emily and Miss Liz.

Faculty Attendance

Our Principal, Mr. Miller, opened the professional development session with a reminder that we are entering FCAT season and we need all hands on deck. He encouraged teachers to take care of themselves to remain healthy emphasizing how our presence impacts student performance.

He spoke of the momentum of teaching, when we are absent we take that torch with us, that has been blazing and lighting the way for our students and a substitute has to try to light a new fire.

Even as we inspire the students to arrive on time and strive for perfect attendance, teachers are integral to learning and one day really does make a difference.

Lesson Studies

Ms. Grant, Learning Team Facilitator, presented on the upcoming series of Lesson Studies that teachers will participate in. Lesson Studies start with the end in mind. First, teachers collaborate to decide learning goals.

They then brainstorm how best to put the strategies in place that will give students all they need to reach these goals. Lesson Studies call for clear instruction and informing students of all tools available. All teachers participate, offer input, and own the plan. During the lesson, one teacher is chosen to teach the lesson while other teachers observe and notate their observations.

A later debriefing is held where teachers share and reflect. The reteach is where the tweaking occurs with the same or a different teacher from the group.

There are several online sites where results may be published and this is optional. The reflection and group discussion, however, is not optional.

Mr. Miller stated that the lesson study helps educators become better teachers and helps

them to prepare excellent lessons. A staff member asked how the group decides on the goal. Ms. Grant answered that the decision is based on student needs and is data driven. The School Improvement grant pays for the substitutes who will cover classrooms during the lesson study observations.

Teacher's College Feedback

Ms. Boldin distributed hand-outs among teachers with insightful feedback from the teacher's college staff developers. She directed grade groups to read, discuss and chart out the trends, while looking for patterns in strengths and areas needing improvement.

The groups then presented their findings including their plans for tweaking and improving instruction and group work.

Black History Presentation

Save the date for the upcoming Black History Program and SAC meeting scheduled for Feb. 16th, 2012. Under the musical direction of Ms. Martinez and dramatic direction of classroom and fine arts teachers, students will bring to life key moments in African American history for the education and enjoyment of all. This has been a very exciting and inspiring program year after year.

With music, acting, dancing, poetry, and speeches from students on our cafeteria stage, kids won't want to miss it.

The Green Thumb Regime

Ms. Parise is busy unpacking gardening supplies so our future farmers and gardeners can be bitten by the green thumb bug.

From organic gardening and butterfly gardening, to the impact plant life has on our lives and the oxygen cycle, Ms. Parise will be teaching Science while sharing the fine art of gardening. Stay tuned for pictures and inspiring stories from our Sugar Bear gardeners.

Rosenwald Elementary

Congratulations to the following students for their participation in the 27th Annual Martin Luther King Oratorical that was held at Rosenwald Elementary School on Thursday, Jan. 19. They did a beautiful job!

Grade 2:

Emma Jean-Baptist and Antonio Kinsler

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Gove Elementary

Fine Diner Award

Congratulations to the following homerooms for earning the "Fine Diner Award" for the month of December; students received a special dessert in the cafeteria sponsored by PTO: Kindergarten: Mrs. McAllister. First Grade: Mrs. Collier, Ms. Long, and Mrs. De Jesus. ESE: Mrs. J. Smith, Mrs. Collins, Mrs. Shannon, and Ms. Luma. Second

Grade: Mrs. Rayburn, Mrs. Guerry, Mrs. Gonzales, and Ms. Michno. Third Grade: Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Mangual, Mrs. Dorta, Mrs. Hodkins, and Mrs. Goldman. Fourth Grade: Mrs. Bratt, Mrs. Marrero and Mrs. Rice. Sixth Grade: Mrs. Hansen, Mrs. Pearce, Mrs. Easdale, Ms. Jacks, and Mrs. Lutz.

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COMMUNITY NEWS AND INFORMATION

United and Healing

St. John First Missionary Baptist Church and GOR CS Productions presents United and Healing The Glades Through Worship and Praise. It will be held on Feb. 4, at 6:30 p.m. at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. For more information and tickets, please contact Gerald Smith at 561-755-0770, Dr. Robert L. Rease at 561-449-6932, or the Dolly Hand at 561-993-1160.

Understanding through Education

Over the years, the Palm Beach Sheriff's Office (P.B.S.O.) has expanded the involvement of community members in community-based crime prevention efforts by offering a Citizen's Police Academy. The Citizen's Police Academy (C.P.A.) provides a mechanism for educating the public about the criminal justice system. The main goal of the academy is to partner with the community, explain the operations of the Sheriff's Office, and encourage citizens to undertake measures to prevent crime victimization.

The Sheriff's Office C.P.A. will meet once a week on Thursday evenings from 6 p.m. until 9:30 p.m. at the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office Western Substation located at 38840 State Road 80, in Belle Glade. The course consists of eight weekly sessions. A course review and graduation ceremony completes the Academy.

A light meal will be provided between 6 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. for each class. If you have any questions pertaining to this Academy, please feel free to contact the P.B.S.O. Western Substation at 561-996-1670.

2012 Homestead Exemption

Property Appraiser Gary R. Nikolits, CFA, reminds new homeowners they may qualify for Florida's Homestead Exemption property tax savings benefit. Florida grants qualified residents a standard \$25,000 exemption off a property's

assessed value. An additional exemption benefit up to \$25,000 from the standard \$25,000 may also apply.

If you purchased a home in 2011, the filing deadline is Thursday, Mar. 1. You can apply in person at any of our five Service Centers in West Palm Beach, Palm Beach Gardens, Delray Beach, Royal Palm Beach or Belle Glade. To apply in person, the deadline is 5 p.m., Thursday, Mar. 1. To apply online, the deadline is 11:59 p.m., Mar. 1.

To qualify, the property must be the owner's primary residence as of Dec. 31, and the owner must be a permanent resident of Florida and cannot hold any residency-based benefits in other Florida counties or states. "To find out more about Florida's Homestead Exemption and how it can save you money, please call my office at 561-355-2866," said Nikolits.

2012 College Scholarship Program

Property Appraiser Gary R. Nikolits, CFA, is happy to announce that the Property Appraiser's Office is now accepting applications for its 2012 College Scholarship program. The Property Appraiser's Office presents \$1,000 scholarships each year to five college-bound students. Since 1993, the Property Appraiser's Office has awarded \$99,000 in college scholarships.

The application can be downloaded from the Property Appraiser's web site at www.pbcgov.com/PAPA. The deadline to submit the 2012 application is March 31. An Employee Scholarship Committee selects the five winners.

To be eligible for the scholarship, a student must be a resident of Palm Beach County, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. The college or junior college they plan to attend must be accredited.

Funds are raised through volunteer employee donations from participants in Friday Casual Dress Day. For more information, call 561-355-3230.

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The Human and Natural History of Lake Okeechobee

BY HENDRY-GLADES AUDUBON

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Soon torrents of water plunged earthward in a grey deluge, flooding creeks and lakes that enveloped the Kissimmee River, turning it into a vast sheet of flowing water.

The cascading river moved ever southward to Lake Okeechobee, carrying a watery avalanche of grasses, scrubs and trees in its wet tentacles. Custard apple forest nestled along the lake's southern boundaries rapidly surrendered to the flowing fluid horde as it expanded and swept through the infamous Everglades to the sea.

Drainage of wetlands for agriculture and urban development would eventually bring an end to the prescribed water flow into Lake Okeechobee and the Everglades.

The citizens of yesterday that participated in the drainage and demise of this natural inland waterway, envisioned that their fruits of labor would bear future prosperity for all.

It is unfortunate that they had no way of seeing the results of their deeds through the passage of time.

Come join the Hendry-Glades Audubon Society at the Clewiston Museum on Feb. 13, at 7 p.m. for a presentation by Mary-Bird Hansen

of the Ah-Tha-Thi-Ki Museum and Boardwalk about an "Audubon Special."

Then the guest speaker, Dr. Paul Gray, will present "The Human and Natural History of Okeechobee," an historical insight into Lake Okeechobee's rich past as well as an environmental perspective to its future.

Mr. Gray will relate the lake's history through the eyes of a naturalist and expound on the many intricate environmental issues that currently challenge Lake Okeechobee.

Dr. Paul Gray is the Science Coordinator of Audubon of Florida's Lake Okeechobee Watershed Program.

He has been employed with Audubon for 17 years and worked around Lake Okeechobee with agencies and stakeholders on Okeechobee water management, water quality, aquatic plants and fire management since 1988.

Dr. Gray has also written numerous popular and technical articles on Okeechobee-related issues.

Don't miss this opportunity to learn about Lake Okeechobee's natural history and the environmental issues it faces today and learn about the Ah-Tha-Thi-Ki Museum and Boardwalk's "Audubon Special."

Please contact the Clewiston Museum at 863-983-2870 or e-mail us at clewistonmuseum@embarqmail for questions or reservations.

Gas Prices Rise Again

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 7.4 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging \$3.54/g yesterday.

This compares with the national average that has increased 4.5 cents per gallon in the last week to \$3.39/g, according to gasoline price website.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 45.7 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 24.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago.

The national average has increased 13.5 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 30.4 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

"Late last week we saw wholesale gasoline prices rise dramatically on some refinery issues, which leads me to believe that retail gasoline prices will rise in response," said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

"We continue to also watch how Iran responds to EU sanctions- there are some concerns that they may cut oil to the European region before the sanctions are to take effect to cause these countries hardship when they can't find new sources of oil quickly enough.

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Sunday:

A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 79.



Thursday Night:

A 10 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 67. East wind between 8 and 11 mph.



Saturday:

A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 79. Breezy, with an east wind between 18 and 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.



Sunday Night:

A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 66.



Friday:

A 10 percent chance of showers. Partly sunny, with a high near 79. Breezy, with an east wind between 13 and 17 mph, with gusts as high as 23 mph.



Saturday Night:

A 20 percent chance of showers. Partly cloudy, with a low around 67. Breezy, with an east wind between 14 and 18 mph, with gusts as high as 24 mph.



Monday:

A 20 percent chance of showers. Mostly sunny, with a high near 79.



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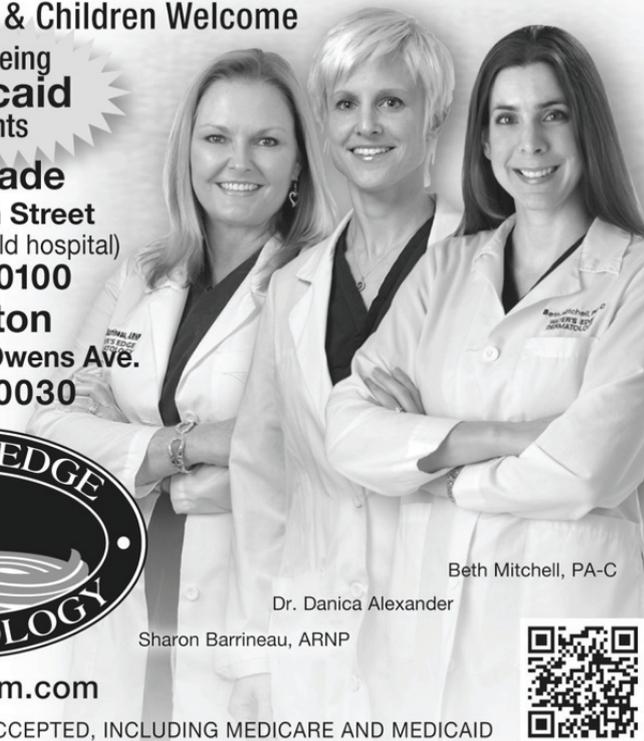
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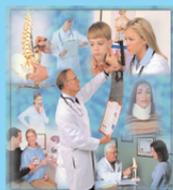
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Two to three months later, it's time to harvest — most of it by hand. Garrison, Legion, Passion, Obsession and Supersweet, to name a few varieties, are ready to be picked.

Corn grows well in many places in the world. In fact, it grows on every continent except Antarctica. What corn needs most is fertile, well-drained, moist soil.

Corn is often planted after short season crops, such as sugar cane, green beans and rice.

The United States is the largest producer of corn in the world. It's also typically ranked as one of Florida's most valuable vegetable crops. Others include tomatoes, snap beans, bell peppers and cucumbers.

According to UF Extension, "Florida ranks No. 1 nationally in the production and value of fresh market sweet corn, typically accounting for approximately 20 percent of both national sweet corn production and of U.S. cash receipts for fresh sales."

Furthermore, 589 million pounds of fresh sweet corn, valued at \$189 million, was produced on 42,100 acres in Florida during the 2009-10 season (Sources: USDA and the Florida Sweet Corn Crop profile, 2011).

The Everglades area — Belle Glade, South Bay and Pahokee — has more than half of the state's sweet corn production, while Miami-Dade, Hendry and Collier counties have about a quarter.

Although sweet corn seems like the perfect crop to grow, as with any crop it has its challenges, such as insects, diseases and weather conditions.

"Insects are a big challenge, especially worms, and a relatively new pest: the corn silk fly," said Gene McAvoy, Hendry County extension director.

He explained that the fly feeds on the silk, while the larvae disrupt pollination and reduce kernel density.

"There are about 42 different insects of concern for corn growers, such as the corn earworm, the lesser cornstalk borer, aphids, wireworms and cucumber beetles — many of which can literally eat the crop to the ground or render it unmarketable," said McAvoy.

Insecticides are applied via airplanes and tractor-drawn ground sprayers.

"The fall armyworm that favors drought conditions is a worm we often have to contend with," said Pablo Sanchez, who has 1,500 acres in Hendry County, 500 of which are used to grow several varieties of white, yellow and bi-color corn, while the rest of the acreage grows green beans, squash and broccoli.

Besides pests, there are also diseases to worry about, such as the common and southern rust, and the Northern and the Southern corn leaf blight.

"We use fungicides when blights and rusts appear," said Sanchez who explained that with blight, kernels don't reach their potential, while with rust, the plants lose their greenness and become weak.

"In addition to fungicides, there's also sanitation and other cultural practices, as well as resistant varieties as available," said McAvoy.

However, what is impossible to control is the weather. Frosts and freezes — including the most recent in early January — and heat and drought can impact quality or ruin crops.

According to the National Oceanic and At-

mospheric Administration, La Niña is expected to continue through this winter. The condition brings on warmer than normal temperatures in the Southeast and cooler than normal temperatures in the Northwest.

"Drier weather can result in drought and water shortages, especially when Lake Okeechobee falls to critical levels and the South Florida Water Management District institutes water allocation reductions," said McAvoy.

Adequate water is important for the growth of sweet corn, especially during periods of silking and tasseling and of ear development.

"We use wells and other sources of water and pump it in," said Sanchez, who plants corn virtually all year long.

"Irrigation, primarily by furrow, a.k.a. 'seepage irrigation,'" is also used, said McAvoy, who mentioned that some growers in Homestead use big gun sprinkler irrigation.

Unfortunately, La Niña's warmer, drier temperatures may mean, especially for later planters, a disappointing yield.

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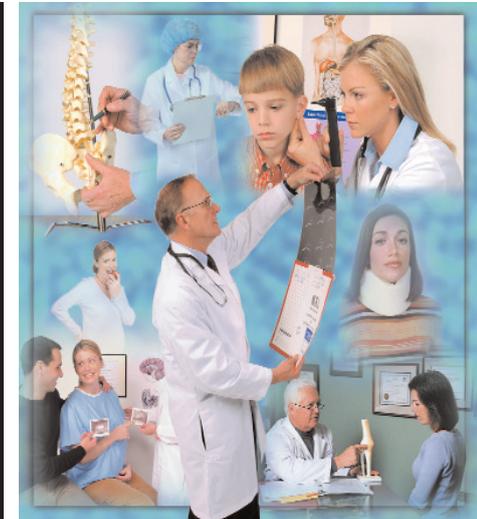
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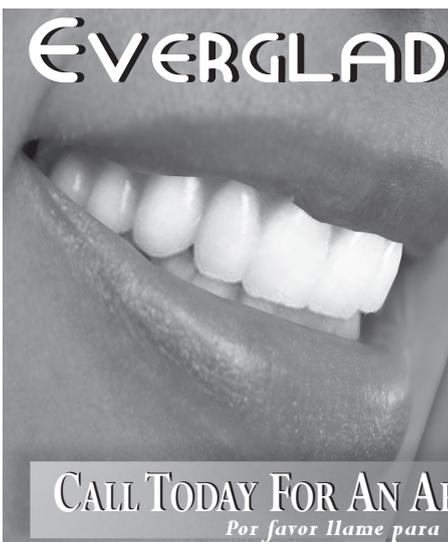
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Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Addresses U.S. Agriculture Needs During UF Stop

BY ROBERT H. WELLS
UF

Opportunities for jobs in agriculture abound, USDA Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Kathleen Merrigan told University of Florida students and faculty Thursday.

"We actually have a gap between the number of qualified graduates and the kind of jobs that we need to fill in American agriculture," Merrigan said. "And the need, from the projections I've seen, is only going to become greater."

Merrigan's speech was part of a Florida tour that includes promoting the USDA initiative Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food, which seeks to reconnect agricultural producers and consumers.

She spoke to a crowd of 200, many of them students in the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences. CALS is a part of UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

Available jobs, Merrigan said, include openings for more young farmers.

"We know people are leaving the farm, and we need to repopulate it," she said. "Farmers are aging ... and they're not sure who to pass the farm on to."

"There are opportunities for all of you," Merrigan added.

She also addressed the disconnect between consumers and food producers.

"Sometimes when I talk to people, they're like 'agriculture? That's the farmers and the ranchers,'" she said. "And I say, 'No. It's everyone.'"



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USDA Deputy Secretary of Agriculture Kathleen Merrigan discusses the Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food initiative at the Straughn Extension Professional Development Center on the University of Florida campus Thursday evening, Jan. 26.

One way to reconnect producers and consumers, she said, is through a pilot project USDA participates in known as Farm to School that is being tested in Florida and Michigan. The project allows schools to buy local food for school meals.

With buying locally grown food a hot topic these days, Merrigan said she is optimistic about

the future of the Know Your Farmer, Know Your Food initiative.

"There's never been a time in my professional life when people were more interested in where their food comes from and how it was produced," she said. "We have a renaissance of interest in American agriculture."

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Peggy Jo Morgan, 66

CLEWISTON — Peggy Jo Morgan, of Clewiston died Monday, Jan. 16, 2012, at Hendry Regional Medical Center of Clewiston, FL.

Peggy was born Nov. 5, 1945, in Clarksville, Tenn.. She is the daughter of the late Luther and the late Bertha (James) Morgan.

She was employed as a waitress for many years.

She is survived by her one son, Christopher Morgan (Jennifer) Scott; five grandchildren; and one great grandchild.

Cremation was completed and burial of remains will be in Greenwood Cemetery in Clarksville, Tennessee at a later date.

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Elaine Turner, an associate dean with CALS, said the federal initiative is one UF can support, and there may be ways UF can partner with USDA on its implementation.

"There's a lot of interest in local food here in Gainesville," Turner said. "But because we are statewide, we have the opportunity to help make this initiative even more visible."

After the speech in Gainesville, which was held at UF's Straughn Extension Professional Development Center, Merrigan continued her tour Friday with stops in Lake City and Jacksonville.

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RELIGION COLUMNS

Don't Follow the Course of Least Resistance

BY JACKIE MILLER, EVANGELIST
First Christian Church

Do you realize it takes more effort to go up than it does down? Try climbing a mountain, or even going up the stairs. Then think of it in reference to going down.

You hardly have to do anything to go down. In fact, you can slip, stumble or fall, then down you go! You fall down, not up. Contrariwise, considerable efforts and energy must be expended to go up and to continue to go up; going down, none.

Now transfer these thoughts to the realm of the spiritual. If we would go to Heaven it is an upward journey. To go to the other way is all down. Never forget this.

The Apostle Paul looked at initial obedience in baptism (Colossians 2:12), and continued to say, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God" (Col. 3:1).

The Apostle Peter's admonition in 2 Peter 1:5-11 fits right in with what Paul said (and heeding it, we will eventually end up in Heaven.) "Giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness love.

For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that you shall be neither barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and cannot see afar off, and hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ."

The word "diligence" stands out here. We put forth a decided effort, as we grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord, thereby seeking and moving toward those things that are above.

Peter definitely says that, "If ye do these things, ye shall never fall." However, Hebrews 2:3 asks the sobering question, which to ask is to answer, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" So the wise thing is to keep on going and growing!

Pirates and Seals: And Why There is a Difference

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

There is well-earned praise for the Seal Team that freed two hostages from "pirates" in Somalia recently. Commentators spoke about heroes and "pirates" who were really just common criminals. Nine of them were killed, their hostages were returned to families and for needed medical treatment. I thought about that act of kidnapping. It was seen as a kind of "fund-raiser" for the lifestyle of the kidnappers; no regard for the sanctity of human life, people to be bought and sold, stealing people is all right, if your victim has medical needs – well, that's just too bad. The pirates-kidnappers had no respect for life, property, the feelings of others, what it takes to live beyond your own selfish whims. Somehow, somewhere they had never learned respect, the sacredness of life, the worth of human beings, their responsibility to their maker, that what we do on this earth has a purpose, and points the way to a greater life. Then, I thought about our society.

Each night, as I listen to the news, I also hear about the taking of life, violence, about people who mistreat the helpless and victimize the handicapped, of drug abuse leading to all sorts of crime. I see that we, too, have elements with no respect for life, property, the feelings of others, and what it takes to live beyond selfish whims. Then there are stories of those who risk their lives and well-being for the sake of others; digging someone out of an avalanche, rescuing kidnapped victims, feeding to the hungry, providing spare hours to build homes for the homeless; countless times when such activities never make the news.

It occurs to me there are those who have heard a message rooted in the values of the faith on which the country is founded and have seen the great triumphs faith can bring. They have not been stifled by fear of offending, by selfishness, by drifting aimlessly in an amoral atmosphere, by indifference to "being involved." They have learned values and the meaning of life.

When I saw immigrants, one of the questions they'd sometimes ask me had to do with the learning of the values on which the country is founded. Their children didn't seem to be getting them in school, their communities didn't celebrate the great holidays with roots in faith that they knew back home, there seemed to be reluctance to talk about things related to faith or belief. The book of Acts speaks of a world where

those who laid the foundations for our values "devoted themselves to the apostles teaching, and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer (Acts 2:42ff)."

They shared, believed, acted on their beliefs, and "the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved(v.47)." The opportunities still are with us; the Churches they founded give what we are really all about; why we're here and are the real antidote to what we need if life is to be abundant as intended.

Granny's Letter

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS
First United Methodist Church

Is that which I think I'm saying really saying what I want to say? It can get confusing. I may know what I'm saying, but do others? As Christians, it's easy talking "Christian" with other Christians, but the terms we use may be foreign to those around us. For example, there is this humorous story of Granny's letter.

Got a letter from Grandma the other day in which she writes: The other day I went up to a local Christian bookstore and saw a "Honk if you love Jesus" bumper sticker. I had just come from a thrilling choir performance, followed by a thunderous prayer meeting, so I bought the sticker and put it on my bumper. Boy, I'm glad I did! What an uplifting experience that followed!

Stopped by a red light at a busy intersection, I got lost in thought about the Lord and how good He is and didn't notice that the light had changed. It is a good thing someone else loves Jesus because if he hadn't honked, I'd never

have noticed!

I found that LOTS of people love Jesus! Why, while I was sitting there, the guy behind me started honking like crazy, and then he leaned out of his window and screamed, "For the love of GOD! GO! GO!" What an exuberant cheerleader he was for Jesus! Everyone started honking! I just leaned out of my window and started waving and smiling at all these loving people. I even honked my horn a few times to share in the love! There must have been a man from Florida back there because I heard him yelling something about a "sunny beach." I saw another guy waving in a funny way with one finger stuck up in the air.

When I asked my teenage grandson in the back seat what that meant, he said that it was probably a Hawaiian good luck sign or something. Well, I've never met anyone from Hawaii, so I leaned out the window and gave him the good luck sign back.

My grandson burst out laughing. Even he was enjoying this religious experience! A couple of the people were so caught up in the joy of the moment that they got out of their cars and started walking toward me. I bet they wanted to pray or ask what church I attended, but then I noticed the light had changed. So, I waved to all my sisters and brothers, grinning, and drove on through the intersection. I noticed I was the only car that got through the intersection before the light changed again, and I felt kind of sad that I had to leave them after all the love we had shared, so I slowed the car down, leaned out of the window and gave them all the Hawaiian good luck sign one last time as I drove away.

Praise the Lord for such wonderful folks. Love, Grandma

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Inland Birding Fun: American Coot (AMCO)

BY MARGARET ENGLAND
Hendry-Glades Audubon

The most widespread and abundant waterfowl in Florida during the winter is the American Coot. They will gather in huge groups called "covens" or "rafts" for protection and socialization.

They seldom remain in Florida to breed. It takes a lot of effort for a Coot to fly.



Margaret England

They pedal across the water with their feet before lifting off. Once airborne they have enough stamina to make the long flight to their summer breeding grounds.

These birds have been called "marsh hen" or "mud hen" because they bob their heads when they walk or swim.

The adult is all black with a triangular chicken-like white bill with a black mark near the tip.

There is a white strip on the sides of their undertail. The downy young have a bald red head, but are dull gray instead of black with a light face and chest.

The American Coot swims like a duck, but doesn't have webbed feet. They have toes connected by webs. Each toe has lobes on the side of each segment. Their calls are scratchy clucking noises and "kuk-kuk-kuk" notes.

Inland Florida has reported some of the highest tallies for American Coots during nationally recognized bird counts over the past 5 years.

During the 2010 Christmas Bird Count (CBC), STA5 reported more than 70,000 Coots, which was the U.S. high count during the 111th CBC. Over 100,000 American Coots were observed during the Dec. 31, 2011 CBC at STA5.

American Coots are reported annually by adults and students at inland locations around Lake Okeechobee during the Great Backyard Bird Count (GBBC) held President's Day weekend.

For the past five years, Clewiston has earned the recognition as one of the "Top Ten" cities reporting the most individual birds in the U.S. and Canada.

At least half of the birds reported at Clewiston

locations were American Coots. Become a "Citizen Scientist" and help report American Coots and other bird species during the 2012 GBBC.

Just submit your daily 15 minute or more observations for any or all days during Feb. 17-20 at the GBBC web site at www.birdsource.org/gbbc.

You are invited to join Hendry-Glades Audubon volunteers in their search for American Coot and other birds during birding trips to STA5 located 20 miles south of Clewiston.

For reservations for these free trips or to request information about the Feb. 17-20 Great Backyard Bird Count contact Margaret England at sta5birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0695 or 863-517-0202. Visit the HGAS web site at www.hendrygladesaudubon.org or the

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- Feb. 7 - Ladies Golf Assn. 8 a.m.
- Feb. 9 - Crooked Hook RV Outing 9 a.m.
- Feb. 12 - Couples Play for 1 round get 1 free Valentine Day Promotion Special
- Feb. 13 - Play all day - Members \$18, Non-Members for \$25
- Feb. 14 - Ladies Golf Assn. 8 a.m. Valentine Day Promotion
- Feb. 16 - Ladies 1/2 Price Golf
- Feb. 18 - Twilight Thu Scramble event 4 p.m.
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- Feb. 20 - Buy over \$100 in Pro Shop get Free Cart Fees Promotion
- Feb. 21 - Play all day - Members \$18, Non-Members for \$25
- Feb. 23 - Ladies Golf Assn. 8 a.m.
- Feb. 25 - Crooked Hook RV Outing 9 a.m. Golf Course Public Meeting 6 p.m.
- Feb. 26 - 3rd Annual Susan G. Komen Golf Tournament 9 a.m. (Course Closed)
- Feb. 27 - Buy over \$100 in Pro Shop get Free Cart Fees Promotion
- Feb. 28 - Play all day - Members \$18, Non-Members for \$25 Ladies Golf Assn. 8 a.m., Taylor Made Demo Day 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free

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Glades Day School FFA Students had Phenomenal Results at the Fair

BY CAROLINE KEY
Glades Day School

As the South Florida Fair celebrated its 100th anniversary, the Glades Day FFA students experienced their most successful year ever. The GDS Future Farmers of America participate in the fair every year with livestock animals such as, rabbits, steers and hogs. The members had incredible results in the South Florida Fair livestock show this year! Mrs. Bobbie Matos is the FFA advisor who makes it all possible.

This year one rabbit, sixteen hogs, and three steers were raised by the FFA for competition. As months go by, the FFA members work harder and harder to be sure that their animal makes weight. The weight requirement for hogs was 230 pounds and steers was 1,200 pounds. Exhibitors have to clean, bathe, feed and spend time with their animal every day for at least an hour or more. Raising an animal is not easy. Time and responsibility are major factors when it comes to raising an animal. Caitlin Waites was the only member to participate in the rabbit show this year. Her rabbit placed first in show which took place on Jan. 14. Other FFA kids took their livestock to the fair on Jan. 17. Weigh-in for the hogs began at 9 a.m. and weigh in for the steers started at 2 p.m. Some of the members had to be up bright and early to weigh their animal in.

Dylan and Hunter Abowd, along with Garrett Collier showed a steer this year representing Glades Day School's FFA. The steer show was held on Jan. 22 at 9 a.m. Hunter Abowd was successful with his steer placing first in his class for show. Garrett Collier also did a great job by receiving Grand Champion in most weight gain and on his record book. The hog showing participants had outstanding results this year. John Barr, Shelby Connell, Thomas Guerry, Franky Rodriguez, Landon McDuffie, Matt Hubbard, Cole Potts, Caroline Key, Savannah Miller, Marely Castaneda, Donna Lewis, A.J. Sands, Johnny Mosley, Jacquelyn

Jordan, Molly Lynn and Maryann Tristan all raised hogs this year.

Shelby Connell blew things out of the ball park by winning Grand Champion for her hog this year. Grand Champion is the highest award you can receive. This is also the first Grand Champion Glades Day has ever had.

Other incredible awards were given to Landon McDuffie, who received Grand Champion for Showmanship. Following behind him with Reserved Grand Champion for Showmanship was Donna Lewis. Showmanship is based on the stu-

dent's ability to handle their animal. Congratulations to all of the hard working FFA students.

The 4-H kids from Glades Day School also did an incredible job with their animals this year. Brett Collier and Chase Dixon were the only two members to show steers for the 4-H program. Brett Collier won Reserve Grand Champion for his record book in the intermediate class.

Casey Connell, Paige Pelham, Clayton Stein, Kadie Helvey, Colby Connell, Alyssa Sanchez, Colton Pope, Jake Elsner, Daniel Avila, Lauryn Mosley, Christopher Guerry, Karina Stein, Christian

Ruiz, Kristin Holden and Eli Johnson all raised hogs for the 4-H. Christian Ruiz, Daniel Avila, Clayton Stein, and Christopher Guerry all placed first in their class. Great Job to the 4-H members.

All of the Glades Day livestock show participants did an awesome job at the fair this year. It was once again a great experience for each of them. Out of 92 hogs in the show, seven Glades Day students took top prizes. All of the students would like to express their appreciation to Mrs. Matos for her hard work and dedication. Thank you, Mrs. Matos.

DEADLINE FOR EXEMPTIONS

Phillip Pelletier, Hendry County Property Appraiser, invites you to take advantage of your savings between now and March 1, 2012. We are located in LaBelle, in the Courthouse, third floor OR our Clewiston sub-office at 100 E. El Paso Ave. Offices are open 8:00AM till 5:00PM, Monday thru Friday. Special extended hours for LaBelle and Clewiston offices will be Monday February 27th and Tuesday February 28th from 8:00AM till 6:00PM.

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Dr. Gregg S. Nuessly received a B.S. in Biology from the University of California, Irvine, in 1978. The research for his M.S. in Entomology from the University of California, Riverside focused on evaluating the adopted natural enemies of an insect introduced from Asia for the biological control of the weed Russian thistle. In 1986, he received his Ph.D. in Entomology from Texas A&M University, College Station where he studied biotic and abiotic factors affecting corn earworm on east Texas cotton. He joined the University of Florida in 1989 following a three-year Research Entomologist position with the USDA-ARS in Brawley, Cali., studying the biology and control of sweetpotato whitefly on cotton and vegetables. Working within one of the largest agricultural production counties in the U.S., he conducts pest management research, including host plant resistance.

County Notes: South Bay Faces GUA Deadline

Item reviewed during Jan. 24 county meeting, among other items

At the January 24, 2012, Board of County Commissioners meeting, the board took the following action:

Glades Utility Authority – approved a series of negotiated conditions for absorption of the financially troubled Glades Utility Authority (GUA) as agreed to by the county and the cities of Belle Glade and Pahokee, and set a Feb. 15 deadline for the city of South Bay to agree to the conditions with no additional requirements.

District boundaries – received and filed proof of publication of the advertisement of the adopted ordinance reflecting new BCC district boundaries. The ads appeared on Dec. 31, 2011 and Jan. 7, 2012. The revised district boundaries have been forwarded to the state for adoption.

Non-discrimination – adopted a resolution updating the county's policy on non-discrimination in contracting so that the classes are con-

sistent with the protected classes in the Palm Beach County Equal Employment Ordinance.

Health Department – approved a memorandum of agreement with the Health Department to delegate the duties of the Environmental Control Officer to the department's local legal office.

Palm Tran – approved the filing of the FY-2011 Section 5307 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant application in the amount of \$14.5 million and approved the FTA master agreement. Section 5307 grants provide funding for public transportation capital, operating assistance, and public transit-related planning.

MSTUs – amended the county's municipal services taxing unit (MSTU) ordinance to allow for assessments and collections at a percentage rate less than 100 percent when directed by the BCC, but the rate can be no less than 50 percent. This is to account for some remaining MSTU projects that were petitioned at the previous 50 percent rate. Paving and drainage projects were then approved for eight roads at the 50 percent rate.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Gove Moves Into the 21st Century

Gove Elementary School will be seeing an overhauled redesign and modernization this coming year, as the Palm Beach County School District invests nearly \$30 million for the construction project in Belle Glade. The school will feature modern conveniences and be a 'green' certified school.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Reading Counts Challenge

The Reading Counts Challenge has begun. The challenge is between the elementary schools in the Glades. Each month the schools try to have the most students reach their reading counts goal. The school with the highest percentage is the winner for the month and takes the trophy to their school. Belle Glade Elementary is the winner for the months November and December. Keep up the great work and keep reading!

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Winners Announced for Celebrate Literacy Week

Students praised for their hard work and creativity in celebration of literacy

The Florida Department of Education (DOE) today announced the winners of the Celebrate Literacy Week, Florida! statewide public service announcement (PSA) contest. Florida First Lady Ann Scott joined Deputy Director of the DOE Office of Early Learning Kevin Smith, Florida Lottery Secretary Cynthia O'Connell, Volusia County Schools Superintendent Dr. Margaret Smith, and Scholastic and NASCAR partner representatives at Daytona International Speedway for the announcement.

The PSA contest was part of the week-long celebration that highlights Florida's focus on literacy and reading.

"Our students have truly demonstrated leadership in creating and producing these innovative public service announcements," said Florida Education Commissioner Gerard Robinson.

"This is an excellent example of team work and dedication. I'm very proud of their contribution to the promotion of literacy among their peers. Thank you to our wonderful partners for making this recognition possible."

To compete in the PSA contest, students created a short announcement geared toward this year's theme: "Take the Lead and Read." One winner was chosen at the elementary, middle and high school levels, with the winning schools

awarded gift cards from Florida Education Foundation partners - \$1,000 for first place, \$500 for second place, and \$250 for third place.

The winning PSAs will be also be featured on the Florida Education Channel and local television stations.

The winners are:

Elementary Schools

- 1st Place: K.E. Cunningham Canal Point Elementary School, Palm Beach County
- 2nd Place: Timber Trace Elementary School, Palm Beach County
- 3rd Place: Spessard Holland Elementary School, Polk County

Middle Schools

- 1st Place: Lake Gibson Middle School, Polk County
- 2nd Place: Explorer K-8 Middle School, Hernando County
- 3rd Place: Strambaugh Middle School, Orange County

High Schools

- 1st Place: Clearwater High School, Pinellas County
- 2nd Place: Cypress Lane High School, Lee County
- 3rd Place: Florida Virtual School

ELECTIONS

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Gwen Asia-Williams

these seats will be for three years.

In the neighboring city of Pahokee, two seats will be coming up: Seats One and Two. The seats are now held by Henry Crawford Jr., vice mayor, and Keith Babb. Voters will have the chance to vote on March 13, with polling places open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on election day.

If necessary, run off elections will be held on Tuesday, March 27 between the two candidates who receive the largest number of votes for the particular seat.

And in South Bay, seats held by Linda Johnson, vice mayor, and Joe Kyles will see their terms coming to a close.

Residents hoping to vote in the elections have until February 13 to register with the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections.

All of the incumbents across the three mu-



Keith Babb



Henry Crawford



William Grear



Mary Wilkerson

unicipalities are long-time commissioners, but it will not be known with certainty how many of them choose to run for re-election until the qualifying period, which began January 31, ends on February 14. Prospective candidates will have until noon of that day to file to run for the seats.



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Cele'B'ration Assembly

Members of the Iota Omicron Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc present Principal Anderson and the Glades Central Raider family with a plaque at the Cele'B'ration assembly Friday, Jan. 20. The sorority congratulated the Raider family on earning a "B" grade on the State of Florida's grading system. Pictured (left to right) is Teacher Mary Jackson, Palm Beach County School Board Member Marcia Andrews (both sorority members), Mr. James Lee (Principal for that Day), Mary Evans (President of IOZ, Zeta Phi Beta/Area 4 Coordinator), Principal Anderson and Teacher/Commissioner Gwendolyn Asia-Holley (sorority member).

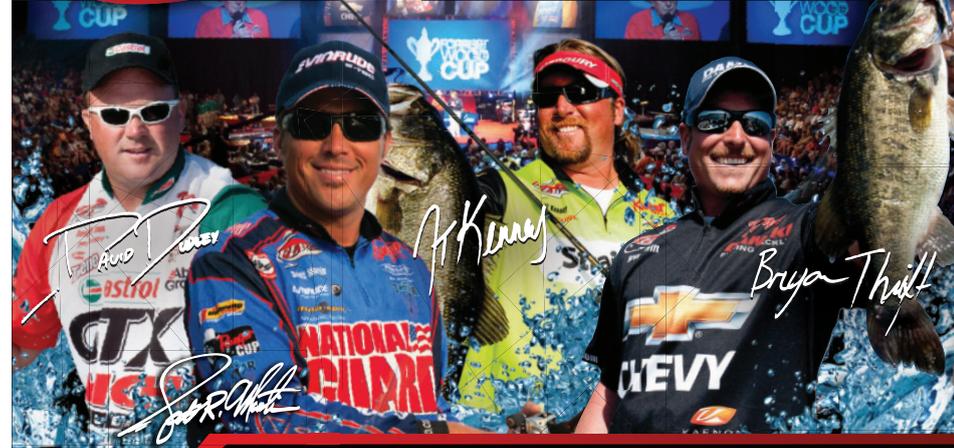


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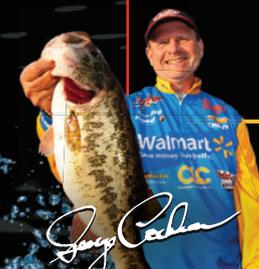
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All interested persons may appear and be heard with respect to the issues at said meeting.
DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD OF HENRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
Sally Berg, Chairman
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NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF BOLLES DRAINAGE DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Bolles Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Bolles Drainage District for the year 2011, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida, on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 11:15 AM, for the purpose of:
1. Election of one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
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3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY: Ruben Rifa, President
408890 CN 2/2,9/2012

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF RITTA DRAINAGE DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Ritta Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Ritta Drainage District for the year 2011, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 11:30 AM, for the purpose of:
1. Election of one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RITTA DRAINAGE DISTRICT
BY: Steve Stiles, President
408897 CN 2/2,9/2012

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Disston Island Conservancy District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Disston Island Conservancy District for the year 2011, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 11:00 A.M., for the purpose of:
1. Electing one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BY: Sam Williams, President
408895 CN 2/2,9/2012

Public Notice
PUBLIC NOTICE
AIRGLADES AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
There will be an Airglades Airport Advisory Board Meeting held on **Wednesday, February 15, 2012 at 3 p.m.** The meeting will be held at the Airglades Airport, in the Conference Room, located at 3200 Airglades Blvd., Clewiston, FL 33440.
All interested parties are encouraged to attend.
For Further information, please contact the Henry County Engineer's Office at (863) 675-5222 or (863) 983-1588.
If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Henry County Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
Tristan Chapman, Chair
Board of County Commissioners, Henry County
408689 CN/CB 2/2/2012

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Public Notice
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF PAHOKEE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Pahokee Water Control District, the annual meeting of the landowners of Pahokee Water Control District for the year 2012, will be held at the office of said District located at 2832 N. Main Street, Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, Florida, on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of:
1. Electing one Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine; and
3. Transacting such other business as may come before the meeting.
If a person decides to appeal the decision of the Board of Supervisors with respect to any matter considered at the meeting herein referred, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is made.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PAHOKEE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
BY: /s/ Kenneth McDuffie
President
407901 SUN 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LANDOWNERS OF BOLLES DRAINAGE DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Bolles Drainage District, and in accordance with Chapter 298, Florida Statutes 1941, and law amendatory thereto, the Annual Meeting of the Landowners of Bolles Drainage District for the year 2011, will be held at United States Sugar Corporation, Molasses Sales Office, 1995 West Hwy 27, Clewiston, Florida, on Tuesday, February 14, 2012 at 11:15 AM, for the purpose of:
1. Election of one (1) Supervisor for a term of three (3) years.
2. Receiving annual reports and taking such action with respect thereto as the landowners may determine.
3. Transacting such other business as may properly come before the meeting.
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
BY: Ruben Rifa, President
408890 CN 2/2,9/2012

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
RITTA DRAINAGE DISTRICT
BY: Steve Stiles, President
408897 CN 2/2,9/2012

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DISSTON ISLAND CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
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408895 CN 2/2,9/2012

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Tristan Chapman, Chair
Board of County Commissioners, Henry County
408689 CN/CB 2/2/2012

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Public Notice
NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Florida Department of Transportation Project
Bids will be received by the District One Office until 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, February 16, 2012, for the following Proposals:
E1K64- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Drainage Improvements in Manatee County. Budget Estimate: \$112,958.00
E1K96- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Milling & Resurfacing, Base Work, Shoulder Treatment, Drainage Improvements, Guardrail & Pavement Markings in Highlands County. Budget Estimate: \$93,744.00
E1K93- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Performance Turf in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$262,073.00
E1K94- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Mechanical Road & Bridge Sweeping in Highlands & Okeechobee Counties. Budget Estimate: \$30,000.00
E1K95- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Roadside Ditch & Canal Cleaning & Grading in Manatee & Sarasota Counties. Budget Estimate: \$54,500.00
E1K97- A Certification of Qualification is not required for Chemical Mowing Wet Blade Applications in Polk County. Budget Estimate: \$150,000.00
Complete letting advertisement information for this project is available on our website at <http://www.dot.state.fl.us/contractsadministration/district1/> or by calling (863) 519-2559.
407988 CN/CB 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS OF PAHOKEE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
Notice is hereby given that pursuant to call of the Board of Supervisors of Pahokee Water Control District, the annual meeting of the landowners of Pahokee Water Control District for the year 2012, will be held at the office of said District located at 2832 N. Main Street, Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, Florida, on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of:
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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
PAHOKEE WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
BY: /s/ Kenneth McDuffie
President
407901 SUN 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice
NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A WRIT OF EXECUTION heretofore issued out of the County Court, Hendry County, Florida, Case number: 10-175CC on November 14th, 2011 in the matter of Suncoast Schools Federal Credit Union, as plaintiff and Marcos Martinez, as defendant, I Steve Whidden, as Sheriff of Hendry County, Florida, have levied upon all the right, title and interest of the defendant, to-wit:
2005 Gray Ford F150, vehicle identification number: 1FTPW12585F803151.
and on February 16th, 2012, at 11:00am, or as soon thereafter as circumstances permit, I will, at the Hendry County Sheriff's Office, located at 101 S. Bridge Street LaBelle, Florida offer the above described property for sale at public outcry and sell the same, subject to ALL prior liens, if any, to the highest and best bidder for CASH IN HAND, plus Florida State Sales Tax, if applicable, the proceeds to be applied as far as may be to the payment of costs and satisfaction of the above described execution. The above described property may be viewed up to 30 minutes prior to the scheduled sale time by contacting Lt. Andy Lewis at the Hendry County Sheriff's office. In accordance with American with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding shall contact the individual or agency sending notice not later than seven days prior to the proceeding at the address given on notice. Telephone (904) 257-6097; 1-9-800-955-8761 (+TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V), via Florida Relay Service.
Steve Whidden as Sheriff
Hendry County, Florida
By: Lt. Andy Lewis
407061 CN/CB 1/12,19,26 2/2/2012

Public Notice
NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT **County of Hendry, Florida**, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was assessed are as follows:
CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2497 2008 1074433-03000230090 Manuel Gonzalez
Lot 9, Block 23, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
Less and except Gas, Oil and Mineral rights not owned by prior owner. Subject to existing easements and right of ways of record.
All of said property being in the County of Hendry, State of Florida.
Unless such certificate shall be redeemed according to law, the property described in such certificate will be sold to the highest bidder at the **Clerk's Office, 2nd Floor, Administration Wing, LaBelle, Florida, at 11:00 A.M., on the First Thursday** in the month of **March, 2012**, which is the **1st day of March, 2012**.
Dated this **18th day of January, 2012**.
Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
408285 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2432 2008 1074433-0300010300 Leysa Rodriguez Ramos
Lot 30, Block 1, Woodland Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 4, Pages 1 and 2, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
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408290 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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CERT. NO. YEAR DESCRIPTION WHICH ASSESSED
2709 2008 1214334-010000K0130 Ursula K. Fuller
Lot 17 and 18, Block K, Harlem Addition No. 1, to Clewiston, Hendry County, Florida, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.
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Hendry County, Florida
408010 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
408281 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice
DIET SALE BID
The Barron Water Control District is accepting sealed bids for the sale of about 280,000 cubic yards of dirt along several canals. Bids will be accepted until 9:00 AM, February 17, 2012, at the District office, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, Port LaBelle, FL.
To inquire and receive detailed bidding specifications and instructions, call 863-675-0346 or email BWCD12@embarqmail.com or visit the office.
The owner reserves the right to hold all proposals for sixty (60) days and to reject any or all proposals, with or without cause, to waive technical errors and informalities or to accept the bid in its judgment best serves the owner.
Lester B. Baird, Sr., General Manager
Barron Water Control District
408905 CN/CB 2/2/2012

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. 11-CP-38
IN RE: ESTATE OF **EDWARD B. ROCK, III**
Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of Edward B. Rock, III, deceased, whose date of death was June 12, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, Florida 33471. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate 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 SERVICE OF A COPY 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.
NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.
The date of first publication of this notice is January 26, 2012.
Attorney for Personal Representative:
Travis W. Trueblood, L.L.M.
Attorney for Edward B. Rock III
Florida Bar Number: 0417890
P.O. Box 1270
805 U.S. Highway 27, Suite 1
Moore Haven, FL 33471
Telephone: (863) 946 9160
Fax: (888) 659 6339
E-Mail: ttrueblood@truebloodlawgroup.com
Personal Representative:
Fred W. Rock, Jr.
5012 Greystone Way
Birmingham, AL 35242
407904 CN 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File Number: 11 CP 41
Division: Probate
In Re The Estate Of: **SERAFINA GRIFFIN**, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of **SERAFINA GRIFFIN**, deceased, whose date of death was November 2, 2011, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is: 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, FL 33471. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.
All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, or whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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The date of the first publication of this Notice is January 26, 2012.
Personal Representative:
Dennis Griffin
P.O. Box 777
Moore Haven, FL 33471
Attorney For Personal Representative:
Jennie E. Poore, Esquire
311 SE 10th Court
Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316
(954) 763-3392
Florida Bar Number: 466700
407827 CN 1/26;2/2/2012

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Clerk of Circuit Court
Hendry County, Florida
408281 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

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

Lot 8, Block P, Harlem 1, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 79, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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

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

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

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Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1275	2007	1224432-01000130100	Pilar Home Developers, Inc

Lot 10, Block 13, Montura Ranch Estates, First Subdivision, according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 37, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
3577	2008	4104329-030000L0020	Odlance Sillen

Tract L2, Block 2102, Port LaBelle, Unit 3, a subdivision according to the plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 73, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1283	2007	1224432-01000180050	Pilar Home Developers, Inc

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

Blake Rodgers, 2455 Scott Rd., LaBelle
 Kenny D. Smith, Muriel Blvd., LaBelle
 Danielle Perry, 750 SR 295, LaBelle

You are hereby notified that your eligibility to vote is in question. You are required to contact the Supervisor of Elections, in Hendry County, Florida, no later than thirty (30) days after the date of this published notice to receive the information regarding the basis for your potential ineligibility and the procedure to resolve this matter. Failure to respond may result in a determination of ineligibility by the Supervisor, and your name will be removed from the statewide voter registration system. Call 863-983-5230 or 863-983-1592.

El Aviso se da por Este Medio:

Este aviso es para usted que su elegibilidad de votar esta en cuestion. Usted tiene que comunicarse con el Supervisor de Elecciones, del condado de Hendry, Florida, antes de 30 dias despues de la fecha de este anuncio publicado para recibir la informacion al respecto de su inelegibilidad potencial y procedimiento de resolver este caso. Si no responde, puede dar lugar a una determinacion dela inelegibilidad por el Supervisor, y su nombre sera quitado del sistema estatal del registro de votantes. telephone 863-983-5230 or 863-983-1592.

Lucretia A. Strickland
 Supervisor of Elections
 PO Box 174
 LaBelle, FL 33975
 Hendry County, Florida
 F.S. 98.075
 2/2/2012

408573 CN/CB 2/2/2012

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2564	2007	2024329-670000A0140	Marcellous Smith & Sophia L. Harris

Lot 25 and 26, Block A, Sunset Park, a subdivision of the West one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 8, Township 43 South, Range 29 East, as recorded in Plat Book 2, Page 1, Public Records of Hendry County, Florida.

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

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

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

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

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

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2044	2007	1314433-A0001370000	John C. & Shelley Swearingen

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2564	2008	1314433-A0003180000	Moises Rivera Diaz Jr.

The South one-half of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the East 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5745, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision

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

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

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

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

408288 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2032	2007	1314433-A0000530000	Park Avenue Investments Group Inc.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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

CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
2040	2007	1314433-A0000970000	Pilar Home Developers, Inc

The North one-half of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of the Northwest one-quarter of Section 31, Township 44 South, Range 33 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 6077, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision

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

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

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

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

408007 CN 1/26 & 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF INTENT TO USE UNIFORM METHOD OF COLLECTING NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENTS

Hendry County, Florida (the "County") hereby provides notice, pursuant to Section 197.3632(3)(a), Florida Statutes, of its intent to use the uniform method of collecting non-ad valorem special assessments to be levied within the Seven K Estates Subdivision Municipal Services Benefit Unit, within the unincorporated area of the County, for assessments on properties for drainage purposes within that area commencing with the Fiscal Year beginning on October 1, 2012, and continuing each year until discontinued by the County. The County will consider the adoption of a resolution electing to use the uniform method of collecting such assessments authorized by Section 197.3632, Florida Statutes, at a public hearing to be held at 5:00 p.m. on February 28, 2012, in the Commission Chambers, Hendry County Courthouse, 25 E. Hick-pochee Ave., LaBelle, Florida. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. Such resolution will state the need for the levy and will contain a legal description of the boundaries of the real property subject to the levy. Copies of the proposed form of resolution, which contains the legal description of the real property subject to the levy, are on file at the County Administration Office, 640 S. Main Street, LaBelle, Florida.

In the event any person decides to appeal any decision by the County with respect to any matter relating to the consideration of the resolution at the above-referenced public hearing, a record of the proceeding may be needed and in such an event, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the public hearing is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence on which the appeal is to be based. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation or an interpreter to participate in this proceeding should contact the County Clerk at (863) 675-5217, seven days days prior to the date of the hearing.

Tristan Chapman, Chairman
 BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
 408755 CB/CN 2/2,9,16,23/2012

Public Notice **Public Notice**

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED
Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes

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CERT. NO.	YEAR	DESCRIPTION	NAME IN WHICH ASSESSED
1977	2008	1254432-A0002220000	Simmon B. Simeon & Honorata N. Simeon

The South one-half of the Northwest one-quarter of the Southwest one-quarter of the Northeast one-quarter of the Southeast one-quarter of Section 25, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an easement for an access road of the West 30 feet thereof. Also known as Tract 5005, Montura Ranch Estates, an unrecorded subdivision

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

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

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

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

407044 CN 1/12,19,26 & 2/2/2012



There's a wonderful world around us. Full of fascinating places. Interesting people. Amazing cultures. Important challenges. But sadly, our kids are not getting the chance to learn about their world. When surveys show that half of America's youth cannot locate India or Iraq on a map, then we have to wonder what they do know about their world. That's why we created MyWonderfulWorld.org. It's part of a free National Geographic-led campaign to give your kids the power of global knowledge. Go there today and help them succeed tomorrow. Start with our free parent and teacher action kits. And let your kids begin the adventure of a lifetime.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... Verona A, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... Ella III, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... Winder VI, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED Chapter 197.512 Florida Statutes... Tarpon IV, LLC, the holders of the following certificate has filed said certificate for a tax deed to be issued thereon.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE RELATING TO ESTABLISHING A MUNICIPAL SERVICES BENEFIT UNIT



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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Public Notice

Public Notice

NOTICE OF FILING ENGINEER'S REPORT FOR CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is given to all persons interested in the following described land and property in Hendry County, Florida, to wit: the owners and all persons interested in the lands corporate and other property in and adjacent to the Central County Water Control District, "the District," that the engineer hereto appointed to determine benefits and damages to the property and lands situated in the District and to determine the estimated cost of the proposed water control plan or plan amendment, filed his report in the office of the secretary of the district, located at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida on the 22nd day of February, 2012, and you may examine the report and file written objections with the secretary of the district to all, or any part thereof, on or before February 15, 2012. The report recommends The Central County Water Control Plan be amended as follows:

- 1. Completion of Reservoir Levee Improvements** -Construction of the 2.5 miles of the levee that remains to be completed in order to allow water retention at design/permitted capacity;
- 2. Installation of Two (2) Additional Pumps** - The installation of two additional pumps upon completion of the Reservoir Levee there by increasing the District's permitted pumping capacity from 250,000 gpm to 300,000 gpm, a net 50,000 gpm theoretical increase in pumping capacity;

3. Inclusion of Woodlands Subdivision in the District's Geographical Boundaries - The District's legal description contains a scrivener's error thereby not closing the legal description of the Woodland's Subdivision as it relates to the geographical boundaries of the District;

4. Provision for a Special Assessment Funding the Reservoir Levee Completion - The District intends to fund the Reservoir Levee Improvements referenced herein by a special assessment not previously authorized by law through the provisions of Chapter 298, Florida Statutes; and,

A final hearing to consider approval of the report and proposed water control plan or plan amendment shall be held at its regularly scheduled meeting of Wednesday, February 22, 2012, at 7:00 p.m. at 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston.

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT
407529 CN 1/19,26 2/2,9,16/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

HENDRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

SUBMITTED BY: C. Gordon Swaggerty DATE: 2/28/12

SUBJECT AREA: 221 Terminal Pay

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF PURPOSE: The proposed rule establishes the policy for terminal pay.

CITATION OF LEGAL AUTHORITY: 1012.61, 1012.65, 1012.27, 1001.42 and 1001.43 F.S.

CITATION OF SPECIFIC LEGAL REFERENCE: 1012.61, 1012.65, 1012.27, 1001.42 and 1001.43 F.S.

FULL TEXT: A copy of the full text of the proposed rule may be obtained, without cost, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The proposed rule establishes the policy for requirements for terminal pay.

STATEMENT OF REGULATORY COSTS: The proposed policy revision will create no additional district economic impact in excess of \$100.00 except for the costs of printing and distributions.

LOCATION OF MEETING, TIME AND DATE: Hendry County School Board Meeting Room, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard on February 28, 2012.

Notice: Any person who wishes to provide the School Board with information regarding the statement of estimated regulatory cost, or to provide a proposal for a lower cost regulatory alternative must do so in writing within 21 days after publication of this notice.

Notice: If requested in writing and not deemed unnecessary by the Agency Head, a Rule Development Workshop will be held at a time and date to be advertised in the future.

Notice: The procedure for obtaining a public hearing on this proposed rule is to request, in writing, a hearing. The request shall be submitted to the Superintendent of Schools, in writing, within 21 days after publication of this notice. The request shall specify how the person requesting the public hearing would be affected by the proposed rule. The School Board, upon appropriate request, shall give affected persons an opportunity to present evidence and argument on the issues under consideration.

Notice: Inspection and copying of all written materials constituting public records submitted to the agency regarding draft rules may be obtained by request, in writing, to the Superintendent of Schools.

Notice: The School Board may recognize any material which may be judicially noticed and to incorporate them into the record of the rule making proceeding. The School Board may incorporate material by reference into the proposed rule.

Notice: If you need an accommodation in order to participate in this process, please notify the Superintendent of Schools at (863) 674-4642 or at the Hendry County Courthouse, LaBelle, Florida 33935 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting or workshop.

Notice: If the School Board adopts the proposed rule, one certified copy of the proposed rule shall be filed in the Office of the Superintendent of Schools pursuant to 120.54(3)(e), F.S.
408690 CN 2/2,9,16 CB 2/16/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

HENDRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULE

SUBMITTED BY: C. Gordon Swaggerty DATE: 2/28/12

SUBJECT AREA: 221A Terminal Pay

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF PURPOSE: The proposed rule establishes the policy for terminal pay for administrative support, non-instructional bargaining and non-bargaining personnel.

CITATION OF LEGAL AUTHORITY: 1012.61, 1012.65, 1012.27, 1001.42 and 1001.43 F.S.

CITATION OF SPECIFIC LEGAL REFERENCE: 1012.61, 1012.65, 1012.27, 1001.42 and 1001.43 F.S.

FULL TEXT: A copy of the full text of the proposed rule may be obtained, without cost, at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: The proposed rule establishes the policy for requirements for terminal pay for administrative support, non-instructional bargaining and non-bargaining personnel.

STATEMENT OF REGULATORY COSTS: The proposed policy revision will create no additional district economic impact in excess of \$100.00 except for the costs of printing and distributions.

LOCATION OF MEETING, TIME AND DATE: Hendry County School Board Meeting Room, 25 E. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, FL at 5:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard on February 28, 2012.

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408692 CN 2/2,9,16 CB 2/16/2012

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Area Housing Commission of Clewiston, LaBelle, and Hendry County will hold the Regular monthly meeting on **February 9, 2012 at 5:00 P.M.** at The Greentree South Community Center in LaBelle, Florida, Hendry County. The purpose of the meeting is to conduct the general business and consider any other matter that may be brought before The Housing Commission. Any person or persons wishing to appeal any decision made at such meeting must ensure that a verbatim record is made upon which the appeal is to be based. The meeting will include and business before the "Hendry County Non-Profit Housing, Inc." 408857 CN/CB 2/2/2012

NOTICE OF MEETING

The Barron Water Control District Board of Supervisors will conduct a Board of Supervisors' Meeting at 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at the office of the District, 3293 Dellwood Terrace, Port LaBelle, Florida.

The purpose of this meeting will be to conduct routine business.

This meeting is open to the public. Mark D. Colbert, Chairman
408863 CN/CB 2/2/2012

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on February 6, 2012 at 2:00 PM at AAA Self Storage, 657 Hwy 27, Moore Haven, FL, the undersigned, AAA Self Storage, will sell at Public Sale by competitive bidding, the personal property heretofore stored with the undersigned by:
Cortney Porter #87
407845 GCD 1/26;2/2/2012

Public Notice

Public Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE AIR PERMIT
Florida Department of Environmental Protection
Air Resource Section, South District Office
Draft Minor Source Air Construction Permit
Project No. 0430024-001-AC
Site: Vulcan Materials - Witherspoon Sand Plant
Glades County, Florida

Applicant: The applicant for this project is Golf Agronomics Supply & Handling. The applicant's authorized representative and mailing address is: Richard G. Colyer, President, Golf Agronomics Supply & Handling, 2165 17th Street, Sarasota, Florida, 34234.

Facility Location: Golf Agronomics Supply & Handling proposes to construct a new Sand Dryer and Wet Sand Crusher system to be located in Glades County at 11655 SR 78 in Moore Haven, Florida.

Project: The project consists one (1) Vibrating Fluid Bed 25 ton/hr. Sand Dryer with air cooling chamber and Baghouse, Conveyors, Storage Silo and Truck Loadout System, (The facility also includes one (1) "Relocatable" 180 ton/hr. Sand Crusher that is permitted on a separate permit, No. 7774821-002-AG). The Sand Dryer is fired by LPG gas and the relocatable crusher is powered by a diesel engine. Emissions from the dryer are air cooled and are controlled by a fabric filter baghouse. The sand dryer is subject to NSPS requirements of 40 CFR Part 60, Subpart UUU and the sand crusher is subject to NSPS requirements of 40 CFR 60, Subpart OOO. Particulate (PM) emissions for the total project are estimated at 14.5 tons per year.

Permitting Authority: Applications for air construction permits are subject to review in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 403, Florida Statutes (F.S.) and Chapters 62-4, 62-210 and 62-212 of the Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). The proposed project is not exempt from air permitting requirements and an air permit is required to perform the proposed work. The Permitting Authority responsible for making a permit determination for this project is the Department of Environmental Protection's Air Resource Section in the South District Office. The Permitting Authority's physical address is: 2295 Victoria Avenue, Suite 364, Fort Myers, Florida 33902. The Permitting Authority's mailing address is: P.O. Box 2549, Fort Myers, Florida 33902-2549. The Permitting Authority's telephone number is 239-344-6400.

Project File: A complete project file is available for public inspection during the normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday (except legal holidays), at the physical address indicated above for the Permitting Authority. The project file includes the Draft Air Permit, the Technical Evaluation and Preliminary Determination, the application and information submitted by the applicant (exclusive of confidential records under Section 403.111, F.S.). Interested persons may contact the Permitting Authority's project engineer for additional information at the address and phone number listed above. In addition, electronic copies of these documents are available on the following web site:
<http://www.dep.state.fl.us/air/emission/apds/default.asp>.

Notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit: The Permitting Authority gives notice of its intent to issue an air construction permit to the applicant for the project described above. The applicant has provided reasonable assurance that operation of proposed equipment will not adversely impact air quality and that the project will comply with all appropriate provisions of Chapters 62-4, 62-204, 62-210, 62-212, 62-296 and 62-297, F.A.C. The Permitting Authority will issue a Final Permit in accordance with the conditions of the proposed Draft Permit unless a timely petition for an administrative hearing is filed under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. or unless public comment received in accordance with this notice results in a different decision or a significant change of terms or conditions.

Comments: The Permitting Authority will accept written comments concerning the proposed Draft Permit for a period of 14 days from the date of publication of this Public Notice. Written comments must be received by the Permitting Authority by close of business (5:00 p.m.) on or before the end of the 14-day period. If written comments received result in a significant change to the Draft Permit, the Permitting Authority shall revise the Draft Permit and require, if applicable, another Public Notice. All comments filed will be made available for public inspection.

Petitions: A person whose substantial interests are affected by the proposed permitting decision may petition for an administrative hearing in accordance with Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be filed with (received by) the Department's Agency Clerk in the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Environmental Protection, 600 Commonwealth Boulevard, Main Station #35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000 (Telephone: 850/245-2241). Petitions filed by any persons other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S. must be filed within 14 days of publication of this Public Notice or receipt of a written notice, whichever occurs first. Under Section 120.60(3), F.S., however, any person who asked the Permitting Authority for notice of agency action may file a petition within 14 days of receipt of that notice, regardless of the date of publication. A petitioner shall mail a copy of the petition to the applicant at the address indicated above, at the time of filing. The failure of any person to file a petition within the appropriate time period shall constitute a waiver of that person's right to request an administrative determination (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to intervene in this proceeding and participate as a party to it. Any subsequent intervention (in a proceeding initiated by another party) will be only at the approval of the presiding officer upon the filing of a motion in compliance with Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C.

A petition that disputes the material facts on which the Permitting Authority's action is based must contain the following information: (a) The name and address of each agency affected and each agency's file or identification number, if known; (b) The name, address and telephone number of the petitioner; the name, address and telephone number of the petitioner's representative, if any, which shall be the address for service purposes during the proceeding; and an explicit explanation of how the petitioner's substantial rights will be affected by the agency determination; (c) A statement of when and how the petitioner received notice of the agency action or proposed decision; (d) A statement of all disputed issues of material fact. If there are none, the petition must so state; (e) A concise statement of the ultimate facts alleged, including the specific facts the petitioner contends warrant reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action; (f) A statement of the specific rules or statutes the petitioner contends require reversal or modification of the agency's proposed action including an explanation of how the alleged facts relate to the specific rules or statutes; and, (g) A statement of the relief sought by the petitioner, stating precisely the action the petitioner wishes the agency to take with respect to the agency's proposed action. A petitioner does not dispute the material facts on which the Permitting Authority's action is based shall state that no such facts are in dispute and otherwise shall contain the same information as set forth above, as required by Rule 28-106.301, F.A.C.

Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the Permitting Authority's final action may be different from the position taken by it in this Public Notice of Intent to Issue Air Permit. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the Permitting Authority on the application have the right to petition to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

Mediation: Mediation is not available for this proceeding.
408909 GCD 2/2/2012

Public Notice

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

SALVADOR ESQUENAZ, Plaintiff

V. BENITO LOPEZ, et. al. Defendants.

SALVADOR ESQUENAZ, Plaintiff Case No. 08-150CA

V. BENITO LOPEZ, et. al., Defendants.

ESTHER GREENSHER, Plaintiff Case No. 08-151 CA

V. BENITO LOPEZ, et. al., Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE

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

Notice is given that pursuant to Final Judgment dated December 20, 2011, in Case No. 08-149 Consolidated of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida in which Salvador Esquenazi is the Plaintiff and Benito Lopez and Lisette Lopez are the Defendants, I will sell to the highest and best bidder, at the Hendry County Courthouse, 25 East Hickpochee Avenue, Second Floor Lobby, LaBelle, FL 33975 on February 22, 2012 at 11:00 a.m., the following described property set forth in the Final Judgment:
Dated January 18, 2012.

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

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

IN RE: ESTATE OF CLEOPATRA CONTRERAS, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of CLEOPATRA CONTRERAS, deceased, whose date of death was JUNE 12, 2011; is pending in the Circuit Court for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida, Probate Division; File Number 2011-118CP; the address of which is P.O. BOX 1760, LABELLE, FLORIDA 33975-1760. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE 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.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this notice is January 26th, 2012.

Personal Representative:
Yvette Contreras
1661 Sassy Road
Clewiston, Florida 33440

Attorney for Personal Representative:
Andrew Dickman, Esq.
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 20TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO. 09-213-CA

COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. Plaintiff,

VS. RICHARD J. MARQUITH A/K/A RICHARD MARQUITH; PATSY A. MARQUITH A/K/A PATSY MARQUITH; Defendants.

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 18, 2012, August 30, 2011, and entered in Case No. 09-213-CA, of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida. COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS SERVICING, L.P. is Plaintiff and RICHARD J. MARQUITH A/K/A RICHARD MARQUITH; PATSY A. MARQUITH A/K/A PATSY MARQUITH; are defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY, IN FRONT OF OFFICE OF CLERK OF COURTS, ADMINISTRATION BLDG, HENDRY CO. COURTHOUSE, at 25 EAST HICKPOCHEME, LABELLE in HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA, at 11:00 a.m., on the 22nd day of February, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to wit:

LOT 57, TANGLEWOOD OAKS UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 6, PAGE 176, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A 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 with 60 days after the sale. Dated this 25th day of January, 2012.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
As Clerk of said Court
By: J. S. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

As Deputy Clerk

This notice is provided pursuant to Administrative Order No.2.065. In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act , If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to provisions of certain assistance. Please contact the Court Administrator at 25 East Hickpochee, LaBelle, FL 33935, Phone No. (941)335- 2299 within 2 working days of your receipt of this notice or pleading; if you are hearing impaired, call 1-800-9588771 (TDD); if you are voice impaired, call 1-800-995-8770 (V) (Via Florida Relay Services).
Kahane & Associates, P.A.
8201 Peters Road, Ste. 3000
Plantation, FL 33324
Telephone: (954) 382-3486
Telefacsimile: (954) 382-5380
408625 CN 2/2,9/2012

Public Notice

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

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

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

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

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

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County of Hartford
State of Connecticut
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY
Case #: 2011-CA-000865

Bank of America, National Association, Plaintiff,

-VS- Marc Thomas Helfrich a/k/a Marc T. Helfrich; Rainee Dawn Landry a/k/a Rainee D. Helfrich; Unknown Parties in Possession #1, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devises, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Unknown Parties in Possession #2, If living, and all Unknown Parties claiming by, through, under and against the above named Defendant(s) who are not known to be dead or alive, whether said Unknown Parties may claim an interest as Spouse, Heirs, Devises, Grantees, or Other Claimants; Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION FORECLOSURE PROCEEDINGS-PROPERTY

TO: Rainee Dawn Landry a/k/a Rainee D. Helfrich; ADDRESS UNKNOWN BUT WHOSE LAST KNOWN ADDRESS IS: 1691 Caloosa Estates Court, Labelle, FL 33935

Residence unknown, if living, including any unknown spouse of the said Defendants, if either has remained and if either or both of said Defendants are dead, their respective unknown heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, creditors, licensees, and trustees, and all other persons claiming by, through, under or against the named Defendant(s); and the aforementioned named Defendant(s) and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants and such of the aforementioned unknown Defendants as may be infants, incompetents or otherwise not suri juris.

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

LOT 2, CALOOSA ESTATES UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGE 77, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

more commonly known as 1691 Caloosa Estates Court, Labelle, FL 33935.

This action has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, upon SHAPIRO, FISHMAN & GACHE, LLP, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 4630 Woodland Corporate Blvd., Suite 100, Tampa, FL 33614, within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice and file the original with the clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

WITNESS my hand and seal of this Court on the 26th day of January, 2012.

BARBARA S. BUTLER
Circuit and County Courts
By: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, 1700 Monroe Street, Suite 1213, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 (239) 533-1521 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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Public Notice

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

CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2009-CA-000741

BAC Home Loans Servicing, LP Plaintiff,

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

NOTICE OF SALE

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

THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF THE SOUTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 34, TOWNSHIP 43 SOUTH, RANGE 31 EAST, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA. ALSO KNOWN AS LOT 1, BLOCK L, PIONEER PLANTATION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION. TOGETHER WITH THAT CERTAIN YEAR: 1984, MAKE: GREEN, VIN: FFL2AE193205795 AND VIN: FFL2BE193205795, MANUFACTURED HOME, WHICH IS PERMANENTLY AFFIXED TO THE ABOVE DESCRIBED LANDS, AS SUCH IT IS DEEMED TO BE A FIXTURE AND A PART OF THE REAL ESTATE.

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, 1700 Monroe Street, Suite 1213, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 (239) 533-1521 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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

/s/ J. Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
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4630 Woodland Corporate Blvd.
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Tampa, FL 33614
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Public Notice

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

CIVIL DIVISION
Case #: 2010-CA-000818

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

Plaintiff,

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

NOTICE OF SALE

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

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

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

If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. Please contact the ADA Coordinator, 1700 Monroe Street, Suite 1213, Fort Myers, Florida 33901 (239) 533-1521 at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification of the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days. If you are hearing or voice impaired, call 711.

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

/s/ J. Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
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Public Notice

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

CIVIL ACTION
CASE NO.: 26-2010-CA-000085

WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, Plaintiff,
VS.
HECTOR CALERO, et al., Defendant(s)

NOTICE OF RESCHEDULED FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Rescheduling Foreclosure Sale dated January 20, 2012, and entered in Case NO. 26-2010-CA-000085 of the Circuit Court of the TWENTIETH Judicial Circuit in and for HENDRY COUNTY, Florida wherein WELLS FARGO BANK, NA, is the Plaintiff and HECTOR CALERO; SUNI M. CALERO, are the Defendants, The Clerk of the Court will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE COURT, BEING THE SECOND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING CORNER OF HIGHWAY 80 AND 29TH SOUTH, LABELLE, FLORIDA at 11:00AM, on the 22nd day of February, 2012, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment:

LOT 5, BLOCK B, GOLFVIEW ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 2, PAGES 90, INCLUSIVE, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

A/K/A 1115 W VENTURA AVENUE CLEWISTON, FL 33440

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

WITNESS MY HAND and the seal of this Court on January 25, 2012.

Barbara S. Butler
Clerk of the Circuit Court
By: /s/ J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk
Florida Default Law Group, P.L.
P.O. Box 25018
Tampa, Florida 33622-5018
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**See Americans with Disabilities Act in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact the Deputy Court Administrator whose office is located at Lee County Justice Center, Room 3112, 1700 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, Florida 33901, telephone number (813) 335-2299; 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service, not later than seven (7) days prior to this proceeding, 408617 CN 2/2,9/2012

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

/s/ J. Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
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Public Notice

IN THE CIRCUIT OF THE 20th JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY
Case #: 2009-CA-000868

Citibank, N.A., as trustee for the Merrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-HE2 Plaintiff,

-VS- Jose Antonio Herrera and Maria Theresa Herrera, Husband and Wife; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as Nominee for Ownit Mortgage Solutions, Inc.; Defendant.

AMENDED NOTICE OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order rescheduling Foreclosure sale dated January 20, 2012 entered in Civil Case No. 2009-CA-000868 of the Circuit Court of the 20th Judicial Circuit in and for Hendry County, Florida, wherein Citibank, N.A., as Trustee for the Merrill Lynch Mortgage Investors Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-HE2, Plaintiff and Jose Antonio Herrera and Maria Theresa Herrera, Husband and Wife are defendant(s), I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash IN FRONT OF THE OFFICE OF THE CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT IN THE HENDRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE, (BEING THE 2ND FLOOR HALLWAY OF THE HENDRY COURTS BUILDING), LABELLE, FLORIDA, AT 11:00 A.M., February 22, the following property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOTS 15, BLOCK B, RIDGEVIEW ESTATE ADDITION NO. 1, A SUBDIVISION IN THE CITY OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 4, PAGES 85 AND 86, INCLUSIVE, PUBLIC RECORDS OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA.

ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM WITHIN 60 DAYS AFTER THE SALE. DATED AT LABELLE, Florida, this 24 day of January, 2012.

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

/s/ J. Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK OF COURT
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF:
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Crappies are high-profile fish with their own enthusiasts. CrappieUSA kicked off its 2012 season with an event at Flagler County's Crescent Lake in January. Darrell Van Vactor, president of CrappieUSA, said, "The 2.63-pound crappie that won the big fish award on Crescent Lake was definitely a great crappie. In more than 25 years of crappie tournaments all over Florida, it is the best single fish weighed in, and the winning weight of 14.5 pounds for seven fish was also the best winning weight."

He went on to say, "Crescent Lake is truly the best crappie water we have found in your state, and your agency is evidently doing a great management job there."

Bass Pro Shops Crappie Master Tournament Trail will have its Florida State Championship in February on the Harris Chain of Lakes around Tavares. Anglers can find books, magazines, web sites and television shows dedicated to great crappie fishing. The fast action, once you have located a school, makes crappie a great fish for families and youth.

Black crappies are also known as "speckled perch" or "specks" and are silver-white, speckled all over with black blotches. The fish are deep-bodied with two symmetrical fins along the top and bottom of the body. The Florida state record is 3.83 pounds, and the Big Catch Angler Recognition qualifying size is 14 inches or 2 pounds.

Steward points out that reports from local anglers, as well as data from trawling, electrofishing and

creel surveys compiled by fisheries biologists, and knowledge of habitat trends all go into selecting these lakes. The list focuses on larger water bodies that have good access and can sustain more fishing effort, so even if your local lake isn't on the list, don't be afraid to try it. One of the best things about crappie fishing in Florida is that you can find them in almost all of our lakes.

Unlike many panfish, crappies spend much of their time offshore, feeding on small fish. Successful anglers drift through deeper water, fishing with small minnows or freshwater grass shrimp until they find a school. Try a light wire #4 hook and small split shot below a float. Speck anglers typically use several rods or poles, fishing at different depths until they pinpoint concentrations of fish. In the extreme, these are referred to as "spider rigs" for the way the rods look like spider legs sticking out from all sides of the boat. Specks move inshore to spawn during early spring, gathering in large numbers around heavy cover.

Crappie also strike artificial baits. Tipping a jig with a live minnow makes it especially effective. Night fishing for crappie with baits fished near a light can produce nice stringers, especially once it warms up.

After black bass, crappies are the second-most popular freshwater species in Florida, followed by bream, in terms of angler effort. Angler success rates over the past five years averaged approximately 1.2 crappie per hour statewide (compared with 1.9 for bream and 0.7 for bass).

Crappie provide a great fishing opportunity, especially this time of year, and can be an exciting way to introduce new anglers both young and old to the lifetime sport of fishing. Moreover, many anglers think they are one of the tastiest of freshwater fishes, so give them a try.

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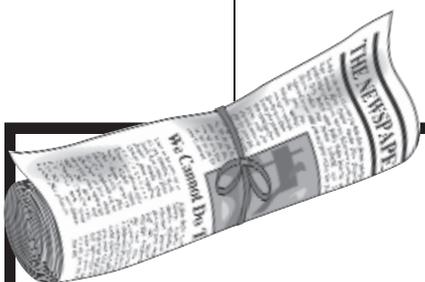
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nement to focus on spawning bass and flipping baits, however, he added that anglers will be presented with opportunities to use a variety of techniques and baits. When asked about the Alabama rig, the hot-topic controversial bait system that took the tournament world by storm at last year's Lake Gunter'sville Tour event, Martin offered his opinion with no hesitation.

"I don't think the Alabama rig will be a factor," Martin said.

As the reigning Forrest Wood Cup champion, one might think that he has a target on his back and every angler in the field will be looking to dethrone him, but Martin doesn't think that's the case.

"This is Lake Okeechobee," Martin said. "There's so many good places to fish right now on this lake and so many different ways to catch them that I'm going to really have to put my thinking cap on and buckle down and find the winning pattern and the winning fish. There's going to be lots of guys catch them.

"Tournaments are tournaments," Martin added. "These guys aren't focusing on beating me. Fishing is fishing. You've got to beat the fish. That's what it always boils down to. I don't think I have a target on my back to say the least. Everybody's going to be going against the fish. The guys who fish against the fish are the guys that are going to do well. The guys that fish to try to beat some other angler ... that's the wrong attitude."

In FLW Tour competition, anglers are also vying for valuable points in hopes of qualifying for the 2012 Forrest Wood Cup, the world championship of bass fishing. This year's Cup will be in Duluth/Gainesville, Ga., Aug. 9-12 on Lake Lanier and anglers could win as much as \$500,000 – the sport's biggest award. Anglers are also vying for the prestigious 2012 Walmart FLW Tour Angler of the Year presented by Kellogg's title that will be determined by the most points accumulated over the six Tour Majors.

Anglers will take off from Roland & Mary Ann Martin's Marina & Resort located at 920 East Del Monte Ave. in Clewiston at 7:30 a.m. Thursday and Friday morning and from the Clewiston Boat Basin at 7:30 a.m. Saturday and Sunday morning. Thursday and Friday's weigh-ins will also be held



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at Roland & Mary Ann Martin's Marina & Resort beginning at 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday's final weigh-ins will be held at the Walmart located at 1005 West Sugarland Hwy. in Clewiston beginning at 4 p.m.

Fans will be treated to the FLW Outdoors Expo at the Walmart on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. prior to the final weigh-ins. The Expo includes Ranger boat simulators, the opportunity to interact with professional anglers, enjoy interactive games, activities and giveaways provided by sponsors, and fans can learn more about the sport of fishing and other outdoor activities. All activities are free and open to the public.

As part of the FLW Tour's community outreach initiative, select FLW Tour anglers will be speaking to third grade students at Eastside Elementary School located at 201 West Arroyo Ave. in Clewiston from 9-10 a.m. Feb. 8. The anglers' wrapped boats and tow vehicles also will be on display at the school.

Coverage of the Lake Okeechobee tournament will be broadcast in high-definition (HD) on NBC Sports Network when "FLW" airs March 18 from 1 to 2 p.m. ET. "FLW" is hosted by Jason Harper and is broadcast to more than 559 million households worldwide, making it the most widely distributed weekly outdoors-sports television show in the world.

For complete details and updated information browse FLWOutdoors.com. For regular updates, photos, tournament news and more, follow the FLW Tour on Facebook at Facebook.com/FLW-Fishing and on Twitter at Twitter.com/FLWFishing.

About FLW

FLW is the industry's premier tournament-fishing organization, providing unparalleled fish-

ing resources and entertainment to sponsors, fans and host communities. FLW is offering anglers of all skill levels the opportunity to compete for millions in prize money nationwide in 2012 over the course of 191 tournaments across five tournament circuits, each providing an avenue to the sport's richest payday and most coveted championship trophy – the Forrest Wood Cup. FLW is committed to providing a lifestyle experience that is the "Best in Fishing, On and Off the Water," through a variety of platforms including tournaments, outdoor expos and the world's richest fantasy sports game – FLW Fantasy Fishing. For more information about FLW and FLW Fantasy Fishing, browse FLWOutdoors.com or visit FantasyFishing.com and look for FLW on Twitter and Facebook.



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Travel Companies Pay County Back

Gannon Successfully Recovers Over \$1.9 Million

Anne M. Gannon, Constitutional Tax Collector for Palm Beach County, reached a significant settlement agreement with major Online Travel Companies (OTC), also referred to as Third Party Intermediaries. Defendants include Expedia, Orbitz, Priceline and Travelocity. Defendants agreed to collectively pay the county more than \$1.9 million in uncollected Tourist Development Tax aka "bed tax."

Gannon filed suit against OTCs in the Palm Beach County Circuit Court in July, 2009. The suit alleged the OTCs did not pay the county's tour-

ist development tax as authorized by Fla. Statute 125.0104 and County Code 17-111. A "bed tax" of 5 cents per dollar is levied on all Palm Beach County hotel stays for a period of six months or less.

"This is great news for our county," said Gannon. "Our county has realized serious reductions in property values which have impacted the amount of revenues collected and services provided to our citizens." Revenue derived from bed tax collections is used to promote Palm Beach County tourism, fund cultural programs and beach restoration. Tourism is a major industry of the county and Florida.

The settlement is not an admission of liability by the OTCs that they are subject to the "bed tax". If the Florida legislature does not pass leg-

islation in the two year period, litigation by Gannon against the OTC's regarding their liability for the "bed tax" may begin again.

The chart at the end of the release describes the process OTCs use to book and remit bed taxes to Florida counties. Central to the dispute over OTC bed tax payment is the issue of how OTCs calculate state and local hotel bed taxes. The Commission Model is when a guest pays the retail room rate to the hotel, and the hotel pays a commission for bookings secured OTCs. The bed tax is calculated on the retail room rate and has the same taxes paid as rooms sold directly by hotels. The hotel remits the bed tax on the full retail amount to the tax collector.

Gannon's legal team includes Palm Beach County attorneys Jeff Liggio, Esq., Lou Silber,

Esq., and John Romano, Esq. Liggio, lead attorney for Gannon, says "This litigation in Palm Beach County is similar to litigation against the OTC's elsewhere in Florida and throughout the nation."

Numerous other counties in Florida have filed suits including Broward, Flagler, Leon, Manatee, Pinellas, Polk, Nassau, St. Johns, Alachua, Escambia, Charlotte, Hillsborough, Pasco and Volusia.

Once again, competing legislation has been filed for the 2012 legislative session over how the bed tax is calculated and/or has the potential for exempting OTCs from any payment of bed tax to counties in Florida.

School Board Schedules Interviews for Superintendent Finalists

The School Board of Palm Beach County has scheduled informal and formal interviews and two "Meet and Greet" events for the four superintendent candidates.

Informal interviews will be conducted by the board members, who will meet individually with each of the applicants, from Monday, February 6 through Wednesday, Feb. 8, at District Headquarters, 3300 Forest Hill Blvd., in West Palm Beach.

The public is invited to meet the four finalists at a "Meet and Greet" on Monday, Feb. 6, in the School District's Board Room from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. A second "Meet and Greet" is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 7, at Glades Central High School, Cafeteria, 1001 S.W. Ave. "M" in Belle

Glade, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The formal interviews will be conducted by the board members at the District Headquarters in the Board Room on Wednesday, Feb. 8, and are open to the public. The times are as follows:

- 12:30 to 1:55 p.m. for Tom Watkins
- 2 to 3:25 p.m. for Constance Jones, Ph.D.
- 3:30 to 4:55 p.m. for James Browder, Ed.D.
- 5 to 6:25 p.m. for Janis Andrews, Ed.D.

Board members are expected to vote to select the superintendent at the board meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 15. The meeting begins at 5 p.m.

For more information, please contact Frieda Proctor at 561-434-8953.

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can view their creations in the Expo Center at the fair. We are very proud of their accomplishments. While you're visiting the fair, make sure to take in the "100th Birthday of the South Florida Fair" Art Projects.

All Palm Beach schools were invited to decorate a giant "100." Gove Elementary Art Club participates in this competition annually and we are proud to say that we have received top honors almost every year.

The judging is done by visitors; so make a point to stop by the booth and vote for Gove Elementary. Special thanks to Mrs. J. Schmidt, Art Teacher, for ensuring that our students and our school participate in this annual event.

PAWTASTIC Behavior

Congratulations to the following primary classes for their "Pawtastic Behavior"; each class collected fourteen paws by demonstrating exemplary conduct around school: Mrs. McAllister, Mrs. Malbog, Mrs. Collier, Mrs. De Jesus, Mrs. Blandon, Mrs. Dixon, Mrs. Charron, and Mrs. M. Collins. Mr. Edgecomb, Principal, will treat each class to a "Read Aloud" in his office and a trip to his "treasure chest."

The students are anxiously awaiting their special time with the principal. We thank Mrs. G. Zavala for overseeing this new initiative and for making the arrangements for the classes to be recognized for "Pawtastic Behavior."

Upcoming Events

Feb. 4 and 25: Saturday School from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.

Perfect Attendance

Congratulations to the following classrooms for having the highest student attendance for the month of December: First Place- Ms. Rimes' Homeroom (the class will be receiving a special cookie celebration delivered to their classroom). Second Place- Ms. Marrero's and Ms. Hansen's Homerooms; Third Place- Ms. Rice's Homeroom; Fourth Place- Ms. Charron's Homeroom.

All of the winners received special recognition during morning announcements. We thank Dr. Riker (Guidance Counselor) for overseeing this program.

Art News

It is time again for the South Florida Fair and every year, Gove Elementary has two outstanding artists representing our school in the Student Art Exhibit. This year, the exceptional artwork was created by Lacey Pender (Gr. 6) and Ivana Ramirez (Gr. 4).

Lacey's work is a mixed media representation of Van Gogh's famous "Starry Night." Lacey included the silhouette of a ferris wheel and entitled her art, "Starry Night over the Fair." Ivana worked in the media of colored pencil. She did an incredibly detailed drawing of fun at the fair. You

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