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Lake Levels

14.54 feet

Last Year: 13.27 feet

Source: South Florida Water Management District. Depth given in feet above sea level



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Office Depot helps kids with supplies

By Antorris Williams
Special to The Sun

Age-appropriate music and the vibrant sound of cheers and high-fives from Office Depot ambassadors filled the cafeteria of Belle Glade Elementary School on Tuesday, Aug. 14. Students and teachers were recognized by Boca Raton-based company Office Depot under its Start Proud! initiative, which donates school supplies to selected schools throughout the nation.

The Start Proud! Assembly was staged at Belle Glade Elementary to give back to the community by donating new backpacks filled with essentials to help students start the school year off confident, prepared and proud. The students also went home with \$20 Office Depot gift cards to assist their parents and guardians with other school supply-relat-

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The backpacks await, lined up on tables, as students gather for the assembly in the Belle Glade Elementary School gym.

PMSHS band camp hits sweet high note



Special to The Sun

PAHOKEE — Pahokee Middle Senior High School (PMSHS) started the year at full volume, sending its new and experienced band students to the Hope Symphony Summer Band Camp at Palm Beach Atlantic University. Summer Band Camp is a comprehensive five-day summer band camp that provides a high-quality college experience for approximately 45 elementary and mid-

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City gets another \$1 million grant for marina

By Chris Felker
The Sun

PAHOKEE — The City Commission met Tuesday night and acknowledged receipt of a new, additional \$990,000 state grant for improvements at the Pahokee Marina & Campground park along Lake Okeechobee.

Regular viewers of the city's YouTube channel where the meetings are broadcast missed out on

the commissioners' actions, however, due to a lightning strike sometime Monday evening that knocked out power to the building near the tail end of a commission budget workshop.

"We had a budget meeting Monday night and we lost power while we were there, and then of course we left," said City Manager Chandler Williamson, "and ... our I.T. guy is pretty sure that lightning hit the building afterward, which

shorted out a lot of the electrical stuff that was in there, including the system that was left up and running." The city just purchased its state-of-the-art sound and video-recording system to broadcast commission meetings in the fall of 2017. He added that repairs are under way.

The nearly \$1 million marina grant from the

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Nitrogen from the air helps fuel blue-green algae

By **Katrina Elskan**
INI Florida

Tests by the University of Florida show the cyanobacteria bloom in the lake has changed.

At the start of the summer, the dominant type was a species of *Microcystis*, according to Florida Department of Environmental Regulation (FDEP) tests. In late July, the *Microcystis* bloom appeared to die off. A new bloom that has grown in size in August is a different type of cyanobacteria.

Changes in the cyanobacteria in Lake Okeechobee have been tracked this summer by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration using satellite imagery to detect cyanobacteria in the

water column. The NOAA imagery cannot determine what kind of cyanobacteria is present.

The Aug. 10 image showed cyanobacteria in about 38 percent of Lake Okeechobee, according to satellite oceanographer Dr. Sachi Mishra of NOAA.

Most of the cyanobacteria was in the northeast quadrant of the lake according to the Aug. 10 image.

Cyanobacteria, commonly called “blue-green algae” although it is not technically algae, was detected in 90 percent of the lake in July, then dissipated to about 10 percent of the big lake, according to the NOAA imagery. The most recent imagery shows the cyanobacteria concentra-

tions in about 38 percent of the lake.

The cyanobacteria in the NOAA imagery may not be visible on the water surface, according to Dr. Mishra. It could be in the water column. The satellite can detect cyanobacteria that may not be visible to the human eye.

On Aug. 7, Dr. Dail Laughinghouse, an assistant professor of applied phycology at the UF/IFAS Fort Lauderdale Research and Education Center, collected water samples from Lake Okeechobee. He found the samples of blue-green algae included three species of *Microcystis*, which dominated the bloom that started in June, and six species of *Anabaena*.

Dr. Karl Havens, director of Florida Sea Grant, said the original bloom that started in June appeared to dissipate before another bloom resurged on Lake Okeechobee.

“We use the word resurging because two weeks ago the bloom appeared to be dissipating – perhaps due to weather conditions or because the algae ran out of dissolved nitrogen in the lake water. We speculated that the bloom might reemerge and be dominated by a species, like *Anabaena*, that could obtain the nitrogen it needs to grow from the atmosphere. The last update confirmed that this predicted change in the kind of algae did happen, and this latest image indicates that the bloom is steadily growing in size,” Dr. Havens wrote on the Florida Sea Grant website on Aug. 11.

According to Dr. Havens, “it is impossible to say how long the bloom will persist,

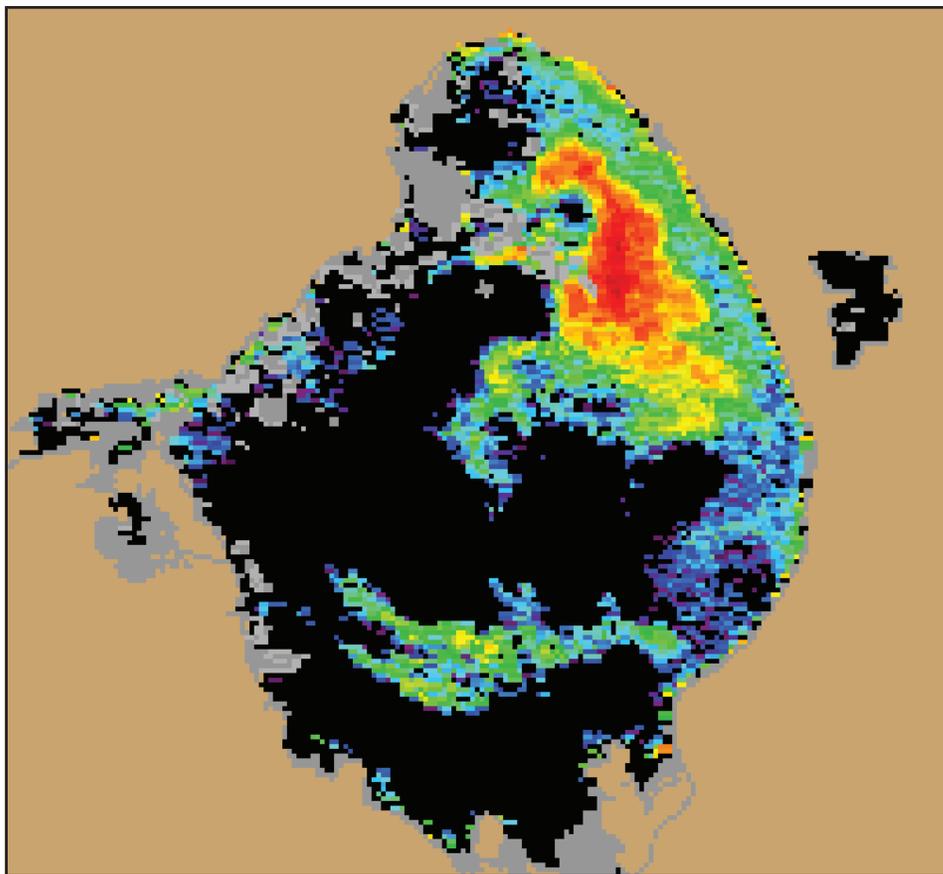
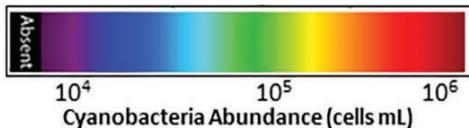
because it is controlled in part by wind, rain and cloud cover, which are unpredictable. However, the bloom now includes *Anabaena*, a species that can obtain, or fix, the nitrogen it needs from the atmosphere. With continued sunny days, warm water, abundant phosphorus from the lake sediments and an unlimited source of nitrogen from the atmosphere, this bloom has the ingredients it needs to grow. This is different from the original bloom of *Microcystis*, which needed nitrogen from the lake water.”

Dr. Havens noted that the releases from the lake to the coastal estuaries may or may not have seeded blue-green algae blooms in those waterways.

“Finding the same kind of blue-green algae dominating the blooms in the lake and in one of the estuaries neither confirms nor negates a physical connection,” he wrote. “*Microcystis* is a common bloom-former in lakes across the United States, Europe and Asia.”

Most of the water – and the nutrient load – that goes in the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries comes from the local watersheds, not from Lake Okeechobee, he noted.

“On average, 60 percent of the total fresh water going into both the St. Lucie and Caloosahatchee estuaries originates from the local watersheds, and 40 percent originates from Lake Okeechobee,” Dr. Havens wrote.



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Writers shine in Literacy Showcase

By Fernando Lopez, Ed.D.,
Programs director

South Bay Correctional & Rehabilitation Facility

This past spring, six residents from South Bay Correctional & Rehabilitation Facility (SBCRF) participated in an adult essay writing contest presented by the Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County. The purpose was to showcase the writing skills and talents of students enrolled in adult education programs. The topic of the essay was to write a letter to your younger self. Hundreds of essays throughout South Florida were submitted for a chance to be showcased at the annual reception held in the Hilton Palm Beach Airport in April.

Of the 80 awards distributed that evening, six were given to students from SBCRF

— it was a first for correctional education as well as the institution. Cherry Doctor, ABE Instructor for SBCRF, was present at the ceremony and accepted the six awards on the inmate's behalf. The goal for the following year is to double the number of entries and award winners as well. Congratulations to the following winners: Robert Davis, Marcus Gosa, Joseph Kelley, and Aaron Rhone. Honorable Mentions: Kenneth Jones and Dominic Zakery.

A special note of recognition goes to Ms. Doctor and her ongoing devotion and dedication in enlightening minds, encouraging students, and engaging in rewarding activities for SBCRF students.

The Literacy Coalition is a not-for-profit organization committed to ensuring that every resident of Palm Beach County is able to read by ensuring that individuals who need

to improve their literacy skills receive the help they need.

The Programs Department of South Bay Correctional & Rehabilitation Facility is dedicated to providing its clients with enhanced in-custody offender rehabilitation programming integrated with post-release support services. The enhanced intervention provides a path towards successful reintegration and transition through individualized learning with effective, evidenced-based programming in the areas of academics, vocational, cognitive behavioral, faith-based, and substance abuse. Our innovative approach treats and supports the culturally unique population served in an environment which fosters successful growth for all.

Early vote ends Aug. 26 for the Aug. 28 primary

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PALM BEACH COUNTY — Early voting for the Aug. 28 primary began on Monday, Aug. 13, and ends Sunday, Aug. 26. All locations will be open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily. Early voting will be available at the Belle Glade Branch Library, located at 725 N.W. Fourth St. in Belle Glade.

The last day to request a vote by mail ballot for the Aug. 28 primary is Wednesday, Aug. 22. If you would like to request a vote by mail ballot, you may do so by visiting www.pbcelections.org or by calling the Vote

by Mail Department at 561-656-6200.

The primary election will take place on Tuesday, Aug. 28. On Election Day, voters must vote at their assigned polling location. Polling locations can be found on your voter information card or by visiting www.pbcelections.org and clicking on "Where Do I Vote." On Election Day, all polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

For more information, please contact the Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Office at 561-656-6200, by email at mailbox@pbcelections.org, or visit www.pbcelections.org.

'Strike Out Hunger' event in Port St. Lucie

The Treasure Coast Food Bank's (TCFB) "Strike Out Hunger" Night will take place from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 23, at First Data Field in Port St. Lucie as the St. Lucie Mets take on the Tampa Bay Yankees. The St. Lucie Mets players will be wearing custom "Strike Out Hunger" jerseys, which will be auctioned to support the Treasure Coast Food Bank's efforts to fight hunger.

TCFB will be holding a food drive at the field. Anyone donating an item of nonperishable food will be entered in a drawing for a chance to win an autographed jersey. Tickets cost \$9 for a premium box seat or \$8 for general admission; purchase through this link: <https://stophunger.org/event/strike-out-hunger-2/>. The park is located at 525 N.W. Peacock Blvd. in Port St. Lucie.

Sun Spots

Immunization shots offered

The Department of Health will be offering appointments and accommodating walk-ins for immunization school shots through Aug. 17 at the C.L. Brumback Health Center, 38754 State Road 80 in Belle Glade. For information, call 561-625-5180.

Scavenger Hunt set Aug. 18

Children, teens and parents are invited to the sixth annual Back to School Scavenger Hunt for all ages on Saturday, Aug. 18, at 2:30 p.m. at the Loula V. York Library, 525 Bacom Point Road in Pahokee. For information, call 561-924-5928. Preregister. (60 minutes)

PATCH meeting is Aug. 21

The Glades PATCH (Planned Approach To Community Health) will meet on Tuesday, Aug. 21, from 9 to 10:45 a.m. at The

Glades Initiative, 141 S.E. Ave. C in Belle Glade. The meeting is open to the public.

Fair Housing clinic scheduled

The Glades Initiative, 141 S.E. Ave. C in Belle Glade, and the Legal Aid Society of Palm Beach County will present a workshop on Fair Housing and Legal Aid's Low Income Taxpayer Clinic on Monday, Aug. 20 at 10 a.m. and Aug. 23, at 10:30 a.m. For information, call 561-996-3310, or izaragoza@gladesinitiative.org to RSVP.

G.I.R.L. Talk

P.r.a.H.I.S invites young ladies to attend G.I.R.L. Talk on Saturday mornings from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Lakeshore Park in Belle Glade under the banyan tree between 11th and 12th Street. Girls will have meaningful discussions, guided from a biblical perspective, on life matters.

WGSC offers dental services for seniors

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The West County Senior Center (WCSC) will offer free oral health examination and oral cancer screening services on Thursday, Aug. 16, at 10 a.m. to seniors 60 and older.

Preventative dental services:

- Oral hygiene instructions
- Oral prophylaxis
- Fluoride varnish applications
- Silver diamine fluoride application.

Denture services:

- Denture repair
- Denture adjustments
- Denture relines
- Denture labeling

The West County Senior Center is located at 2916 State Road 15 in Belle Glade. For information, call Willie A. Miller II at 561-996-4808 or Melinda Estime at 561-996-4809.

Crime Stoppers

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PALM BEACH COUNTY — Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County needs your help in locating Errol Thomas, 28, 6 feet 1 inch tall, black, male, 150 pounds, black hair, brown eyes and he has multiple tattoos.

His last known address was on South Jordan Boulevard in Pahokee.

Thomas is wanted on a misdemeanor warrant for failure to appear to answer to charges of criminal mischief, petit theft and battery, and violation of probation for charges of domestic battery, violation of an injunction for protection against domestic violence.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Crime Stoppers at 800-458-TIPS (8477), or remain anonymous by downloading the new app "Connect & Protect," "See Something Say Something" for any Apple or Android smartphone.



Errol Thomas

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ed financial expenses.

"Today is so exciting because our school was selected as one of the 10 Start Proud! schools across the nation," Principal Robera Walker said excitedly to students.

Ms. Walker served as the mistress of ceremonies for the program and she kept the crowd lively, introduced dignitaries and unveiled over six pallets of school supplies for teachers and their classrooms. Office Depot donated more than 1,000 backpacks to the school and 800 additional bags to the Educational Foundation of Palm Beach County for students in other municipalities.

Ariana Murphy received special recognition as the Office Depot All-Star teacher. This recognition awarded incentives and supplies for Ms. Murphy and her classroom.

The students were excited to have the support of district officials, faculty and staff, along with the Office Depot ambassadors. After several motivating speeches and announcements, the students begin receiving their backpacks.

Palm Beach County Schools Superintendent Dr. Donald Fennoy delivered a motivating and encouraging oration to the students. He reminded each young scholar to read daily for 10 minutes or more. He encour-



Special to The Sun/**Antorris Williams Superintendent Donald Fennoy and Media Relations Specialist Julie Houston Trieste strike a pose while the Office Depot Ambassadors welcome students to the assembly.**

aged the young men to always have a firm handshake and look at a person in the eyes when shaking hands and conversing.

Dr. Fennoy also encouraged the young ladies to ensure that they are always treated with respect. Also during his speech, he had each grade level stand up and yell, "Thank you, Office Depot!" to showcase their gratefulness.

"One of the things I realized is that, by the way you all came in this room, it shows that you were taught well by your teachers," Superintendent Fennoy said. "You all deserve this opportunity, so be thankful," he added.

at Palm Beach Atlantic University at no cost to the students."

Mr. G further expressed, "The camp is much more than music; it's about giving our kids opportunities and placing the idea of going to college in the minds of our students at an early age."

Students arrived at camp never having played an instrument and, five days later, left playing a concert on the final day. Band camp was made possible through the partnership and the support of the Hope Symphony, The Honda Classic, Palm Beach Atlantic University and the School District of Palm Beach County.

hired allegedly defaulted on its contract and was terminated by the Pahokee City Commission months ago. Not only is the city suing that contractor, Technomarine of North Palm Beach, for \$125,000 that had been advanced for the work, but the commission also was forced to pass an emergency ordinance allowing the competitive bidding requirement to be waived due to the time constraint.

The state Department of Environmental Protection and DEO, which are in effect overseeing the lakefront project, extended the deadline earlier this year to Aug. 30, a date that Mr. Williamson has said the city's new contractors will be able to meet.

The planned pier had been withdrawn from the original plans several months ago, and the project was split into two phases, which are now set to be completed by next June 30.

Also Tuesday night, the commission voted to approve on first reading an ordinance to repeal that emergency suspension of competitive bidding. Mr. Williamson said the repeal ordinance will be altered for its second reading and probably will end the emergency waiver as of Oct. 31.

HENDRY COUNTY AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will conduct a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan. The hearing will take place on **August 29, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the amendment is consistent with the *Hendry County Comprehensive Plan*.

The recommendations of the LPA will be made to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). The BCC will consider whether or not it wishes to transmit the amendment to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. This hearing will be held on **September 11, 2018, at 5:05 p.m.**, at the Clewiston City Hall, Commission Chambers, 115 W. Ventura Ave., Clewiston, Florida. NOTE, the County advertised public hearings on this subject on August 2, 2018. The dates for both public hearings have been changed and the location of the second public hearing has changed.

Petition Number: CPA18-0003

Applicant: Joe Marlin Hilliard, Trustee of the Joe Marlin Hilliard Revocable Trust dated November 5, 1973; Joe Marlin Hilliard as Trustee of the Marlin W. Hilliard Revocable Trust dated November 5, 1973; Joe Marlin Hilliard, II and Chelsa R. Hilliard; and Bryan R. Hilliard and Shea Hilliard

Project size: 904 acres +/-

Location: 6000, 5800, 5670, 5600, 4640, 4550 and 4520 W. US 27, Clewiston, FL 33440 (Parcel IDs: 1-33-43-10-A00-0001.0000; 1-33-43-10-A00-0002.0000; 1-33-43-10-A00-0005.0000; 1-33-43-10-A00-0006.0000; 1-33-43-11-A00-0003.0000; 1-33-43-11-A00-0004.0000; and 1-33-43-11-A00-0005.0000)

Request: The applicant is requesting to amend the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map by changing the future land use designation from Agriculture to Multi-Use Development on the subject property.

Ordinance title:

AN ORDINANCE OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE 91-05, AS AMENDED, SPECIFICALLY BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP, MORE SPECIFICALLY BY CHANGING APPROXIMATELY +/- 904 ACRES OF LAND DESIGNATED AS AGRICULTURE TO MULTI-USE DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All interested parties are invited to appear and be heard. Oral and written comments will be accepted. A copy of the petition and ordinance are available for inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners' office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

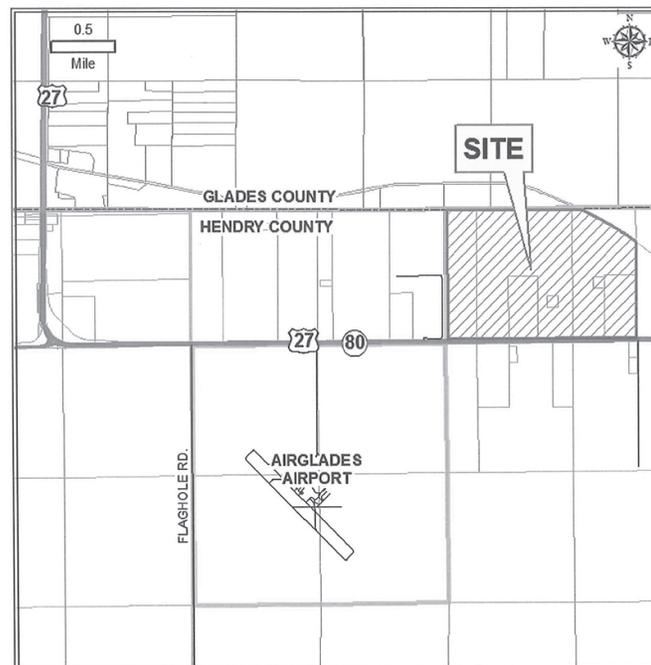
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Any questions pertaining to this matter should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department by phone (863-675-5240), email (mjohnson@hendryfla.net), U.S. mail (P.O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863-674-4194).

If you have a disability that will require special assistance or accommodation for your attendance at either meeting, please contact Hendry County Planning and Zoning at (863) 675-5240; Hearing Impaired: Florida Relay 7-1-1; or e-mail mjohnson@hendryfla.net.

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dle school students from PMSHS and Glades Academy.

The band director and founder of the camp, Alain Goindoo, better known to the students as "Mr. G," said, "We created this camp to give our students a crucial head start by providing the highest quality musical instruction through private, small group and large group instruction by the highest quality music directors and undergraduate mentors

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Florida Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) is in addition to a \$1.2 million state legislative appropriation Pahokee accepted last year that is funding its current renovation and repairs project for the marina, docks, restaurant building and campground facilities. The new funding will pay for "a linear park with sidewalks, benches, trash receptacles, a concrete restroom building conversion and landscaping," plus "a 12- by 125-foot fishing pier on concrete pilings, structurally connected to the marina."

The City of Pahokee's grant agreement with the DEO sets an end date for the project of June 30, 2019. It is a cost reimbursement agreement but specifies that "DEO may provide grantee an advance of award funds."

Timing has been an issue for the marina, campground and restaurant work because the original state appropriation was supposed to have been spent by June 30 of this year, which proved impossible. The first contractor the city



Obituaries

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Billie Joyce Wiseman Borst

A burial of cremains of Billie Joyce Wiseman Borst will be held at 3:00 p.m. Friday, August 17, 2018, immediately followed by a celebration of her life held at the Clewiston Inn. There was a funeral director error in last week's newspaper.

Debra A Hughes, 59

MOORE HAVEN — Debra A Hughes passed away Aug. 10, 2018 in Loxahatchee.

She was born Nov. 2, 1958 in Pensacola, to the late George and Julie (Gann) Harris.

Survivors include one son, Robert (Jackie) Dunson; two daughters, Leslie Whitehead and Shelley (Matt) Farnam; three brothers, Paul Harris, Steve Harris and Ronnie Harris; two sisters, Carol Whitehead and Donna Dixon; five grandchildren, Jenna Smith, Kaitlyn Dunson, Chase Dowd, Paisley Farnam and Everley Farnam.

Memorial services will be held Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018 at 11 a.m. at Alvin L. Ward Boat Ramp, Moore Haven.

Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

Philip Earnest Mann, 75

CLEWISTON — Philip Earnest Mann passed away Aug. 13, 2018 at home.

Philip was born Mar. 25, 1943 in Light, Arkansas to Earl and Margaret (Barber) Mann. Mr. Mann married Linda L. Shannon on March 13, 1965 in Brooklyn, Arkansas. He served in the United States Air Force from January 1961- January 1965. After he was discharged from the Air Force, he worked for many years as a corrections officer for Glades Corrections Institute retiring as a Sergeant. He enjoyed wood working, building items with wood. He just built a display of wood working tools the day before he passed away. He was a member of the PBA.

Philip leaves behind his loving wife of 53 years, Linda Mann of Clewiston; four sons, Tony Mann and wife Suzie, Steve Mann and wife Sheri, Troy Mann, Tracey Mann and wife Lindsey; sister, Barbara Treadway; grandchildren, Heather Issac and husband Ryan, Brandon Mann, Josh Mann and wife Katherine, Trent Mann, Elizabeth Smith, Savannah Mann, Kyle Mann, Elly Mann, Cooper Mann, Colton Mann, Kayci Gillean and husband Ty, Braden Compton, Alexis Diliberto; great grandchildren, Lily Issac, Noah Issac, Gannon Gillean, Sawyer Mann, Sloan Mann, Stella Mann, Liam Bradley, Callen Pitt and Weston Smith.

Memorial gathering of family and friends will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 18, 2018 at Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston.

Cremation arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - Clewiston

Reflections from the Pulpit

When people aren't heard for the wrong reasons; and what to listen for

By The Reverend Samuel S. Thomas, Ph. D. +

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

Somehow I was involved with a discussion on oil consumption when on vacation one year and where I disagreed with the people around me. I don't remember all of the details, but I remember someone asking me "Where are you from?" I replied that it doesn't matter where I am from, the points I was trying to make did not depend on my geography. My answer wasn't satisfying and my comments were dismissed by others in the group. I hung on nevertheless, and continued to make my points. When we ended, nobody had changed their mind and each kept reiterating what was previously said. Other than disagreeing, the dialogues were useless!

All too often I've heard that "People from ... are like that" or "That's typical of those ..." or "You can always expect people from ... to think that way."

A few years back, one of my colleagues was identified as trying to "understand" immigrants from a Caribbean country in the Church he served and apparently didn't make much headway. When I began ministry there, one parishioner said to me "You don't understand us." My reply was "Well, you all don't think alike!" and I let it go at that. So did the people in the congregation and we got along very well for my tenure there.

My parents came from different backgrounds and disagreements were sometimes attributed to the differences. For awhile I dated someone whose parents came from the same country, disagreements being attributed to the fact that they were from different towns! As I began to explore the New Testament, I noted that people were identified by their professions or where they came from.

Paul writes about "Alexander the coppersmith ... (2 Timothy 4:14) and is himself known as "a man from Tarsus named Saul (Acts 9:11). In those days there were no last names; people being identified by where they were from or what they did. However, it also told something about their backgrounds, beliefs, politics and customs. These were factors that would shape them for their lives too.

Jesus Himself had this problem too. He has fed 5,000 people and then goes off by Himself with His disciples (John 6:22-25). The crowds search and find Him and He tells them "I tell you the truth, you are looking for me, not because you saw miraculous signs but because you ate the loaves and had your fill (6:26)." Jesus tells them that He is the Bread of Life; what He will give is more than just nourishment here on earth; declaring "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty (6:35ff)." Then those who followed began to "grumble (v. 41)." "Is not this the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know. How can he now say 'I came down from Heaven'?" (v. 42)." Jesus reiterates that He is the bread that came down from Heaven and calls for

belief. The dissenters continue to argue and were divided among themselves; "How can this man give us His flesh to eat?(v. 52)."

The ploy is to assail the person and ignore what he is saying; to look for weaknesses in what is being proclaimed; to point out "we know him, he's outside of his field" and find a rationale to dismiss what is being said. I've been told that it is an effective tactic, even if it has nothing to do with the topic at hand.

It was a problem in Jesus' day and is still

with us. Jesus chose to stay above the fray. His words are still with us and have lasted.

I have found that I do better when I listen to what people say rather than worry about where they're from or what their lineage may be.

Jesus' "lineage" didn't bother Him; He made use of it by opening the doors to all of humanity. His mandate was to "Go into all of the world..." and that's the way that overcomes dismissing others for reasons that don't matter after all.

Lakeside Ranch STA contract approved

Special to INI Florida

The South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) Governing Board last week awarded a contract to build the final piece of the Lakeside Ranch Stormwater Treatment Area (STA) project, the S-191A Pump Station.

In cooperation with the other coordinating agencies, the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, SFWMD's project will improve the hydrology and water quality of Lake Okeechobee.

The Lakeside Ranch Stormwater Treatment Area in western Martin County is a key component of the Northern Everglades and Estuaries Protection Program. It is one of the restoration projects included in the Lake Okeechobee Basin Management Action Plan that will improve the quality of water flowing into the lake.

SFWMD previously constructed 2,700 acres of wetlands in two phases, capable of treating stormwater runoff from the Taylor Creek and Nubbin Slough basins flowing into Lake Okeechobee. The 1,200-acre first phase was completed in 2012 and the 1,500-acre second phase will be completed this year. The treatment area uses wetland plants to remove phosphorus from stormwater runoff naturally.

The S-191A Pump Station is the last component of the Lakeside Ranch project. Taylor Creek and Nubbin Slough basins have the highest phosphorus levels of any incoming watershed into the lake, with average total levels of more than 400 parts per billion (ppb). Phosphorus levels leaving Lakeside Ranch after treatment have been measured as low as 20 ppb. The STA can remove nearly 21 tons of phosphorus each year from the waters feeding the lake.

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Gove Elementary School News

Special to The Sun

Gove has a Successful Meet and Greet Event

Gove Elementary's first event of the school year, "Meet and Greet," was a huge success thanks to the support of their entire Gove family. With over 600 parents that signed in, the event was well attended by students and parents. Students and parents toured the school and met their teachers. Students had the opportunity to choose books to take home and were given two school uniforms. This was possible thanks to Back to Basics, a non-profit organization that provides over 13,000 new school uniforms to needy children at the beginning of each school year. Kudos to Ms. Amezcua for submitting the request, Ms. Michno for picking up the uniforms, and ALL the staff and student alumni volunteers that assisted with the distribution of approximately 900 uniforms.

As Gove begins this school year, school officials ask that parents continue to assist them by encouraging their children to attend school regularly and on time (8 a.m. to 2:35 p.m.), abide by school rules, observe the uniform policy, read every night and complete all assigned homework. With your support, the children will succeed!

Upcoming Events

- Aug. 28: PDD no school for students
 - Sept. 3: Labor Day
 - Sept. 10: Fall Holiday
 - Sept. 12: PTO/SAC 5-6:30 p.m.
 - Sept. 19: Fall Holiday
 - Sept. 25 through Sept. 28: Vision and hearing screening grades: KG, 1st, 3rd, & 6th
 - Sept. 28 through Oct. 4: Scholastic Book Fair 7 a.m. – 4 p.m. Media Center
- Follow GES on Twitter <https://twitter.com/Gove>
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Special to The Sun/GES

Parents sign in to receive their child's assigned teachers and classrooms at Gove Elementary's Meet and Greet event. Six hundred parents signed in, making the event a huge success.



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Students received two uniforms thanks to Back to Basics, a nonprofit organization that provides new school uniforms to needy children.

HENDRY COUNTY AMENDED NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency of Hendry County (LPA) will conduct a public hearing on a proposed amendment to the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan. The hearing will take place on **August 29, 2018, at 6:00 p.m.**, at the Hendry County Courthouse, Commission Chambers, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave, LaBelle, Florida. The LPA will determine if the amendment is consistent with the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan.

The recommendations of the LPA will be made to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC). The BCC will consider whether or not it wishes to transmit the amendment to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity. This hearing will be held on **September 11, 2018, at 5:05 p.m.**, at the Clewiston City Hall, Commission Chambers, 115 W. Ventura Ave., Clewiston, Florida. NOTE, the County advertised public hearings on this subject on August 2, 2018. The dates for both public hearings have been changed and the location of the second public hearing has changed.

Petition Number: CPA18-0004

Applicant: Southern Gardens Groves Corporation

Project size: 682 acres +/-

Location: W. US 27 (NE corner of Whidden Corner), Clewiston, FL 33440
(Parcel IDs: 1-32-43-01-A00-0003.0000; 1-33-43-06-A00-0001.0000;
1-32-43-12-A00-0001.0000; 1-33-43-07-A00-0001.0000;
1-32-43-12-A00-0005.0000; 1-33-43-07-A00-0002.0000;
and 1-33-43-07-A00-0001.0100)

Request: The applicant is requesting to amend the Hendry County Comprehensive Plan Future Land Use Map by changing the future land use designation from Agriculture to Multi-Use Development on the subject property.

Ordinance title:

AN ORDINANCE OF HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE HENDRY COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, ORDINANCE 91-05, AS AMENDED, SPECIFICALLY BY CHANGING THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP, MORE SPECIFICALLY BY CHANGING APPROXIMATELY +/- 682 ACRES OF LAND DESIGNATED AS AGRICULTURE TO MULTI-USE DEVELOPMENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF LAW; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION AND SCRIVENER'S ERRORS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All interested parties are invited to appear and be heard. Oral and written comments will be accepted. A copy of the petition and ordinance are available for inspection at the Hendry County Planning and Zoning Department, 640 S. Main St., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, and at the Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners' office, 25 E. Hickpochee Ave., LaBelle, FL between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

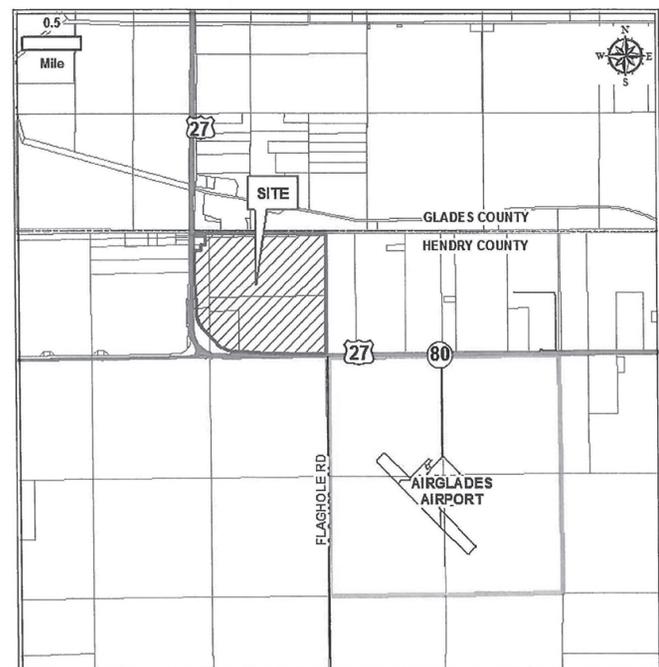
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Any questions pertaining to this matter should be directed to the Planning and Zoning Department by phone (863-675-5240), email (mjohnson@hendryfla.net), U.S. mail (P.O. Box 2340, LaBelle, FL 33975) or by fax (863-674-4194).

If you have a disability that will require special assistance or accommodation for your attendance at either meeting, please contact Hendry County Planning and Zoning at (863) 675-5240; Hearing Impaired: Florida Relay 7-1-1; or e-mail mjohnson@hendryfla.net.

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PB County history is unearthed inside its shellrock mining pits

By Bob Davidsson
Palm Beaches Information

Most Palm Beach County subdivisions rest over landfill material excavated from one of South Florida's shellrock mining pits.

Long lines of railroad cars filled with limestone aggregate are often observed passing through the Palm Beaches daily as they make their trek from the Lake Belt mines, an 89-square mile area between the Everglades and suburban areas of Miami-Dade County, to four rock distribution centers located in central and northern Florida coastal cities.

In its promotions, the Florida East Coast (FEC) Railway reports, "We move hundreds of thousands of aggregate carloads" to the service areas along its rail.

Limestone aggregates are used to produce cement, concrete and asphalt needed to build roads, bridges, runways, homes and public facilities. Limestone, shell and dolomite are types of marine sediment deposits formed in Florida over millions of years.

Limestone and its aggregates is South Florida's leading mining product. About 153 million tons of rock are mined per year for Florida construction projects or for export, according to industry estimates.

The Florida Department of Transportation, a major user of shellrock aggregates, has established specifications for its use (Section 913A). It states, "Materials used for shellrock base shall be defined as naturally occurring heterogeneous deposits of limestone with embedded layers or lenses of loose and cemented shell, to include cemented sands (Calcific sandstone)."

"This material shall be mined and processed in a manner that will result in a reasonably homogeneous finished product," the FDOT rule states. "Approval of mined aggregate sources shall be in accordance with Section 6-3.3."

Shellrock formations vary from unconcentrated sand to loosely compressed shells. It includes "coquina" (Spanish word for small shell) formations found in Florida coastal areas from St Johns County south to the Florida Keys.

Limestone excavating, commonly called "rock mining" in Florida, began in 1672 when King Charles II of Spain authorized the construction of the "Castillo de San Marcos" fortress in St. Augustine. Locally mined Anastasia Island coquina was cut into blocks and used to build the fortress walls and internal barracks.

Today, the "Castillo" remains the oldest European masonry fortification in the United States.

During the First Spanish Colonial Period (1513-1763), coquina also was the building material used for Fort Matanzas (Torre de Matanzas), guarding the southern gateway to St. Augustine in 1742, and the St. Marks garrison outpost in 1753.

One of earliest companies involved in a "rock and sand hauling" business in Palm Beach County was the Rinker Materials Corp., founded by Marshall E. "Doc" Rinker (1904-1996) as the "Rinker Rock and Sand Company" in 1926.

Rinker provided construction services throughout Florida, including Disney World and Epcot. The West Palm Beach-based company was valued at \$515 million when it was sold to CSR Ltd. in 1988. The company was the largest producer of ready-mix concrete in Florida at the time of its sale. CEMEX acquired the Rinker Group in 2007.

The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) is the oversight agency responsible for evaluating ecological impacts and the restoration of mining sites. According to the DEP, there are currently six licensed mining sites in unincorporated Palm Beach County:

- Palm Beach Aggregates mine and expansion sites located west of The Acreage near State Road 7;
- Stewart Mining Industries — Palm Beach County Mines, northwest of the Palm Beach Aggregates;
- Fine Stone Mine — Gilbert Pit, south of the Martin-Palm Beach County line near Lake Okeechobee;
- U.S. Sugar Corp. — Lake Harbor Quarry in western Palm Beach County, south of Lake Okeechobee;
- Bergeron Sand, Rock and Aggregate's Florida Rock Quarry in western Palm Beach County; and
- CEMEX Construction Materials — South Bay Quarry, located west of the Loxahatchee Refuge.

Palm Beach Aggregates (PBA), the largest active mining operation, broke ground in 1993. The 3,000-acre site in Loxahatchee mines about 100 acres annually for fill material used in construction.

PBA mining operations include the 2,200-acre C-51 Reservoir, which stores 61,000 acre-feet of water available for use as a water supply, stormwater storage and flood control. Broward County and five municipalities have expressed interest in the mining reservoir as a future water source.

South Florida's rock mines have long been the targets of conservationists and other critics who question their impacts on the Floridan Aquifer and future water supply. Without the use of the rock mining industry's aggregates, however, the infrastructure of our county — roads, housing, masonry buildings, airports — would not exist.

Rocking mining was and remains an important part of our history.

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Sugar farmers push back on attacks from media

Special to INI Florida

Farmers around Lake Okeechobee are attempting to push back against attacks from politicians and media outlets around South Florida.

After toxic algae blooms began to take over waterways in South Florida, some politicians running for election began to single out one scapegoat, 'Big Sugar.'

During a campaign event in Fort Myers in early July, Republican Florida governor hopeful Ron DeSantis blamed sugar farmers for the algae crisis and claimed his opponent Adam Putnam was controlled by "Big Sugar."

"I want to clean up the waterways here in South Florida," said Mr. DeSantis. "He (Putnam) is captive to big sugar. He won't do anything they don't want him to do" — the implication being that "Big Sugar" is responsible for the algae crisis, and that their goal is for it to continue.

Opponents of "Big Sugar" claim that sugar farms around Lake Okeechobee are responsible for the increased phosphorus in the lake that blue-green algae feeds on, and water released from the lake by the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers is responsible for the both the algae crisis on the east coast of Florida and the red tide disaster on the west coast.

However, about 90 percent of the phosphorus load into Lake Okeechobee comes from the watershed north of the lake. A majority of the sugar farms in Florida are located south of Lake Okeechobee.

According to the South Florida Water Management District, only 4 percent of the phosphorus entering the lake comes from south of the lake.

University of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) regional sugarcane extension agent Stewart Swanson thinks this disconnect between rhetoric and reality is a function of so few people being involved with agriculture.

"Everybody looks for a word that'll catch everybody's attention you know that's how you get 'Big Sugar' and everything," said Mr. Swanson. "But there isn't that much acreage of sugarcane north of the lake. There's a couple thousand acres near Highlands County, that's about it. But in the watershed that runs all the way to Disney World, you have 140,000 acres of citrus. So it's 140,000

acres of citrus versus about 2,000 acres of sugar cane that's in the watershed north of the lake."

Mr. Swanson also stated that sugar cane has the lowest requirements of nutrients for many crops grown in South Florida, only requiring a fraction of the nitrogen and phosphorus compared with a vegetable or citrus crop.

Neither Mr. DeSantis nor any of the governor hopefuls on the Democratic side have run ads attacking "Big Citrus."

Judy Sanchez, senior director of corporate communications and public affairs for U.S. Sugar, says both U.S. Sugar and the Clewiston Chamber of Commerce are conducting public tours and bringing coastal residents out to tour sugar farms and processing facilities to get a firsthand look at how their food is grown and processed in hopes of telling their side of the story.

"The farming community is disappointed that farmers, who are natural caretakers of their land and water resources, are being falsely accused of harming the coastal environment," said Mrs. Sanchez. "These accusations absolutely come from misunderstanding, some of which has been deliberately spread by anti-farming activist groups. In 2018, communities south of Lake Okeechobee contributed barely 2 percent of the water into Lake Okeechobee, and that was for flood control for the city of Clewiston. It had nothing to do with protecting sugarcane farmers or farm land."

In an article published in the Tampa Bay Times on Aug. 6, reporter Craig Pittman called out Adam Putnam for being the only candidate in the governor race to take money from Florida sugar companies in the midst of the algae crisis. In the article, Mr. Pittman correctly pointed out that Florida's best management practices (BMP) program, which consists of cost-effective actions that agricultural producers can take to conserve water and reduce the amount of pesticides, fertilizers, animal waste and other pollutants entering our water resources, is an essentially voluntary program for most of the state. However, Ardis Hammock, co-owner of Frierson Farms located near Moore Haven, released a statement attempting to correct Mr. Pittman's article in regard to BMP practices in the Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA), where a majority of sugar farms operate.

"Mr. Pittman claims that the sugarcane farmers' best management practices that have successfully reduced phosphorus by 57 percent are some sort of 'voluntary' program," said Ms. Hammock in statement released by Florida Sugarcane Farmers. "Nothing could be further from the truth. Sugarcane and vegetable farmers in the EAA are required by law to reduce phosphorus by 25 percent annually, and they bettered that by more than twice what is legally required of them for more than two decades. Every single drop of water flowing off their land is cleaned, and the farmers pay 100 percent of the cost to clean the water flowing off their property — the vast majority of which flows south to the Everglades."

UF/IFAS regional sugarcane extension agent Stewart Swanson backed up Ms. Hammock's claims.

"In the entire EAA south of the lake, the BMPs are mandatory," explained Mr. Swanson. "I managed a research station for the University of Florida in that area. I had an auto collector that collected water samples once every hour, and those samples were sent off to a lab and the phosphorous content was tested."

Some of the attacks on the sugar industry in Florida from politicians and media have

led to threats being made to the communities south of Lake Okeechobee. The sheriff's offices in Glades, Hendry and Palm Beach counties are currently investigating some of the veiled threats that were made online.

Hendry County Sheriff Steve Whidden was quoted as saying the threatening language was posted by several vocal people online and was generally aimed at people living near Lake Okeechobee. One person criticized the sugar industry for causing the algae problem and declared they'd show up "2nd Amendment in hand." Another said protesters should gather near the lake "to draw police," "take physical action" on Lake Okeechobee and said "I got a welder and an AR (assault rifle) but it's gonna take a big group to stand up to local law enforcement."

"Agriculture is an easy target," concluded Mr. Swanson. "Few people are involved in it anymore. I think nationally we only have half of one percent of people that are actually involved with agriculture. But I think we need to do as good a job as possible protecting our water resources here in Florida and I've spent years working in this program to do just that."

Is your boat prepared for a hurricane?

By Samantha Grenrock

UF/IFAS

GAINESVILLE — When a hurricane is on the horizon, boat owners need to do more than batten down the hatches to get ready, according to an expert with the University of Florida. Hurricane season started June 1, but boaters in the sunshine state can take steps now to make sure their vessels don't end up beached, underwater or in pieces, said Britany Scharf, a Florida Sea Grant agent with UF's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Extension in Hernando County.

"It is important to do a trial run of how you would secure your vessel so you will know how long it will take. Factor in possible road closures or low lying areas that may make your action plan difficult. Vessels will need to be moved 48 to 72 hours before a storm is predicted to hit an area," she said.

"Boat owners should develop a plan of

action and practice this plan. Are you going to secure your vessel in a marina? Are you going to remove it from the water and secure it on land? Do you need to moor your vessel? What materials would you need to make this possible?" Ms. Scharf said.

If you can, plan to move inland. Storing your boat in a garage or building is ideal, but if that's not an option, the leeward side of a building will offer some protection, Scharf said. If you store your boat outside, place it away from trees and power lines.

"Overall, the best place for your boat during a hurricane is on dry land that's far away from coastal areas," Ms. Scharf said. "This is definitely easier to do with smaller boats, but these boats are also the most vulnerable to damage from a storm."

"Make sure your insurance policy is current and that you know what your policy covers," Ms. Scharf said.

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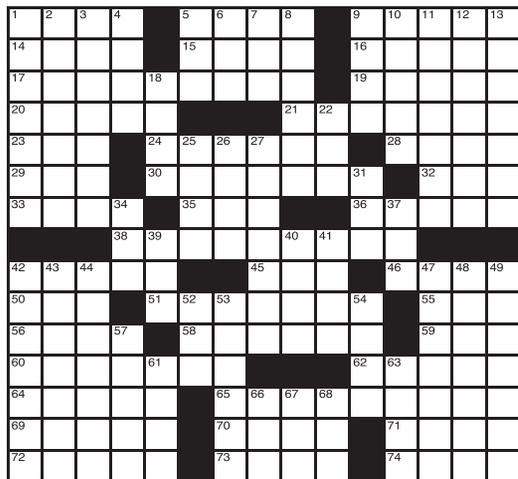
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 - 5 Slide downhill on runners
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 - 15 Frankfurt mister
 - 16 Chat room troublemaker
 - 17 Thanksgiving, casually
 - 19 "Humble" home
 - 20 River through Rome
 - 21 Actress/activist who was Ossie Davis' life partner
 - 23 "Give me ___!": start of a Hoosier cheer
 - 24 Becomes slippery, as a road
 - 28 Dirty dishes site
 - 29 Negative aspect
 - 30 Hot chili pepper
 - 32 Parisian summer
 - 33 Wood choppers
 - 35 When repeated, a former breath freshener
 - 36 Hard luck case
 - 38 Crooked craps cube
 - 42 "My bad"
 - 45 ___ Nineties
 - 46 Nepalese staple
 - 50 Tres menos dos
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 - 55 Doze briefly
 - 56 Alpha follower
 - 58 In the best shape
 - 59 Part of TGIF: Abbr.
 - 60 Anonymous man
 - 62 Storage auction buys
 - 64 Argentine icon played by Madonna
 - 65 "Where Are You!" toon pooch
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 - 72 Garbage
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 - 2 Semiannual astronomical event
 - 3 Many a windmill
 - 4 Sushi bar cupful
 - 5 Hardly outgoing
 - 6 Was in first place
 - 7 Stretch of history
 - 8 Practice session
 - 9 Wild guess
 - 10 Fast food chain known for its roast beef
 - 11 Halloween treats
 - 12 Like firm spaghetti
 - 13 More smooth
 - 18 Guitarist Clapton
 - 22 "Star Trek: Enterprise" network
 - 25 Bambino's home
 - 26 Watched with suspicion
 - 27 Mali neighbor
 - 31 Yale student
 - 34 Digital camera type, for short
 - 37 Poet's "above"
 - 39 Popeye's Olive
 - 40 See socially
 - 41 Salon colorings
 - 42 Topic
 - 43 Bogey, vis-à-vis par
 - 44 Nest egg named for a Del. senator
 - 47 Nonbeliever, to some
 - 48 Moving day stack
 - 49 Show in a television series
 - 52 "Look what I found!"
 - 53 Shaw's "___ and Cleopatra"
 - 54 Ticket part you keep
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CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT has tentatively adopted a budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2019. A public hearing to make a FINAL DECISION on the budget AND TAXES will be held on AUGUST 22, 2018 at 7:00 pm at the District Office, 475 S. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, Florida 33470.
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 GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
 "Glades County Debris Monitoring Services"

The Glades County Board of County Commissioners (BoCC) requests that interested parties submit formal sealed proposals for the above-referenced project.

SCOPE OF WORK:
 The BoCC Request for Proposals (RFP) is seeking responses from qualified (per Florida Statutes Section 287.055) firms to provide debris monitoring for disasters in Glades County Florida.

The BoCC reserves the right to withdraw and cancel this invitation at any time, without liability to any responders or prospective responders. The BoCC reserves the right to retain all responses submitted and to use any ideas in a response regardless of whether that proposal is selected.

The specifications and requirements informational package which governs this request must be obtained from Angie Snow-Colegrove, Emergency Management Director, 1097 Health Park Dr. (P.O. Box 1527) Moore Haven FL 33471, by Phone 863-946-6020, or EMAIL Asnow@myglades.com.

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ACREAGE, LAND & LOTS

- Res. Lot 402 Pinecrest, Moore Haven \$7K
- 6 Buildable lots available in Sky Valley, Clewiston Starting at \$19K
- 2755 Milum Dr. Lakeport, 3.18 ac. Lake Access, waterfront, MAKE OFFER! \$175K
- 28 ac. Hwy 27 Frontage \$16K per acre, Venus, FL
- 77 ac. \$11.5K per acre, Venus, FL (great hunting)
- 10 ac. \$12.5K per acre, Venus, FL (weekend retreat)
- 901 Yacht Club Way \$8.9K
- Moore Haven Lots Starting at \$10K
- 20 Acres Hwy 80 Frontage \$18.5K per acre Owner financing

3/2 800 W. Alverdez Ave \$170K

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There is no pre proposal meeting for this Request for proposal.

Due date/time: August 28, 2018, 4:00 PM EST. All responses (7 copies and 1 Electronic copy) shall be placed in separate, sealed envelopes with the titles clearly indicated on the outside: RFP #08-2018 Glades County Debris Monitoring Services", with delivery to the Emergency Management Director and which must be received at the Emergency Management Director's office at 1097 Health Park Dr. Moore Haven FL 33471 no later than the response deadline of 4:00 PM EST on August 28, 2018. RFP's received after such time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened. Responses delayed for any reason shall not be considered. Faxed and electronically mailed responses will not be accepted. All costs and expenses related to the preparation and submission of a response are the sole responsibility of the responder.

All prospective respondents are cautioned not to contact any member of the BoCC or members of the evaluation team. All questions should be directed to Angie Snow-Colegrove, Emergency Management Director, 1097 Health Park Dr., (P.O. Box 1527) Moore Haven FL 33471 Phone questions will not be answered all question must be submitted by EMAIL to asnow@myglades.com.

It is anticipated that the qualified responses to this RFP will be considered and a decision on the selection of a qualified responder will be made by the BoCC. The County reserves the right to reject any or all responses in its sole discretion. The County also reserves the right to waive irregularities and technicalities, to readvertise for additional responses, and to select the responder, who, in the BoCC's sole opinion, is in the best interests of Glades County.

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Public Notice

HENDRY COUNTY

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

ON LEVY OF NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION BY THE UNIFORM METHOD FOR MOSQUITO CONTROL MUNICIPAL SERVICE BENEFIT UNIT

TAKE notice that a public hearing will be held before the Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County, Florida, at 5:30 p.m. on September 11, 2018, at the Commission Room, Clewiston City Hall, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida, for the purpose of considering the levy of a non-ad valorem assessment on additional parcels within the Mosquito Control Municipal Service Benefit Unit.

The purpose of the non-ad valorem assessment is to cover the costs necessary to provide mosquito control services to the assessed parcels. The proposed assessment amounts are as follows:

Residences:	\$30.00 per dwelling unit/\$500 maximum per parcel
Vacant lots:	\$30.00 per lot/\$400 maximum per parcel
Commercial:	\$0.10 per square foot, with a minimum of \$30 and a maximum of \$200 per parcel
Vacant acreage:	\$1.00 per acre, with a minimum of \$1.00 and a maximum of \$100 per parcel

The additional parcels proposed to be assessed are depicted on the four adjacent maps.

The proposed assessment will be collected by the uniform method (on the tax bill) by the Tax Collector and the assessment will be collected every year indefinitely until the County Commission discontinues it.

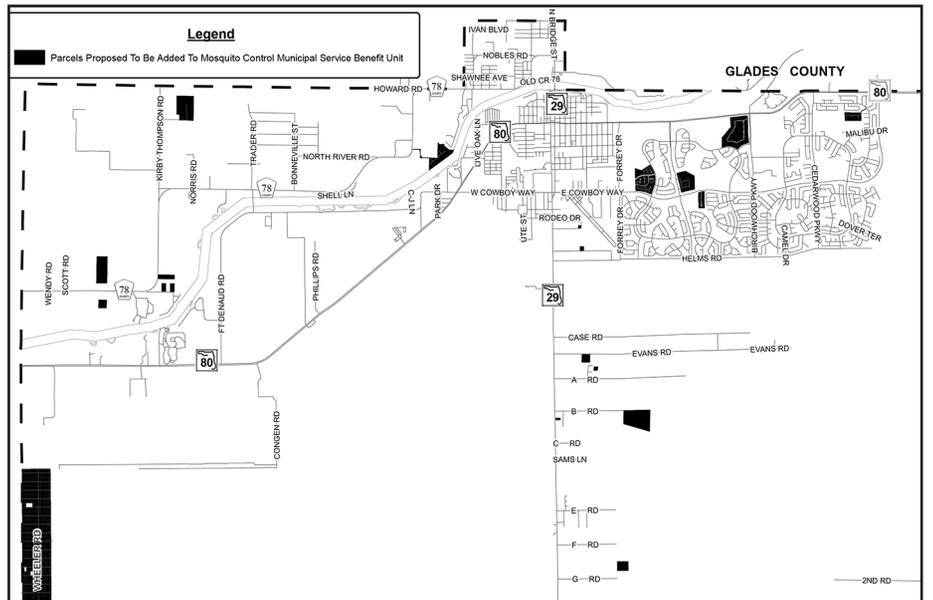
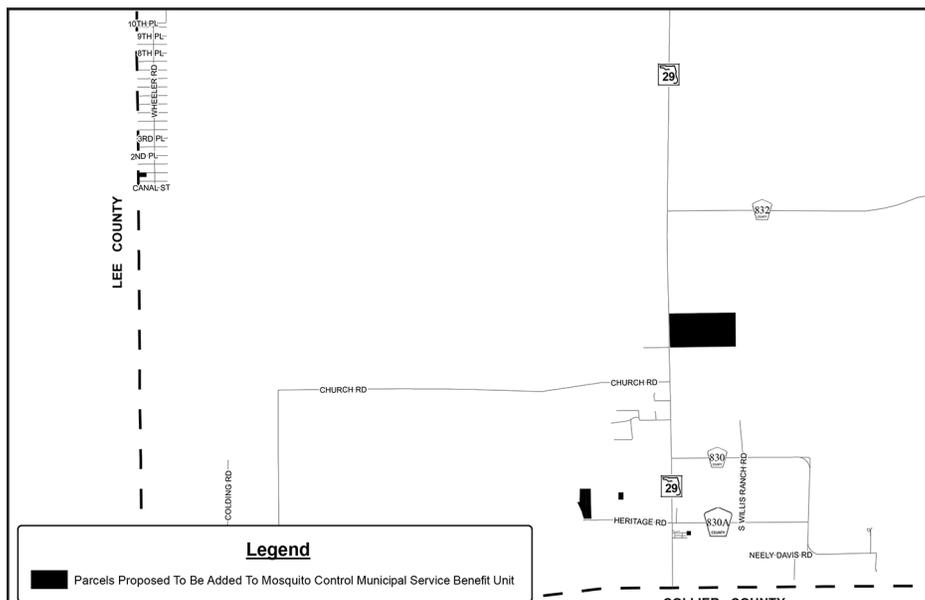
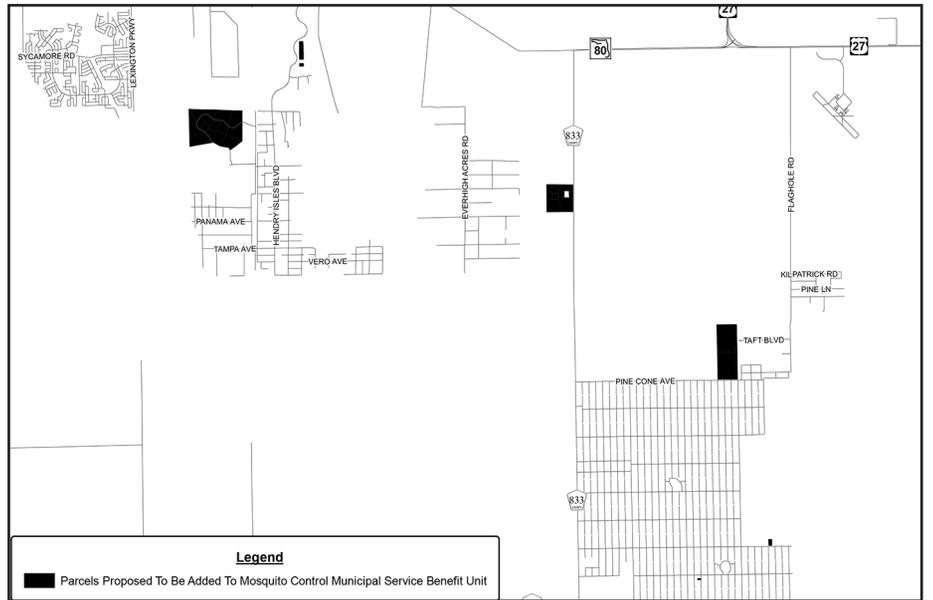
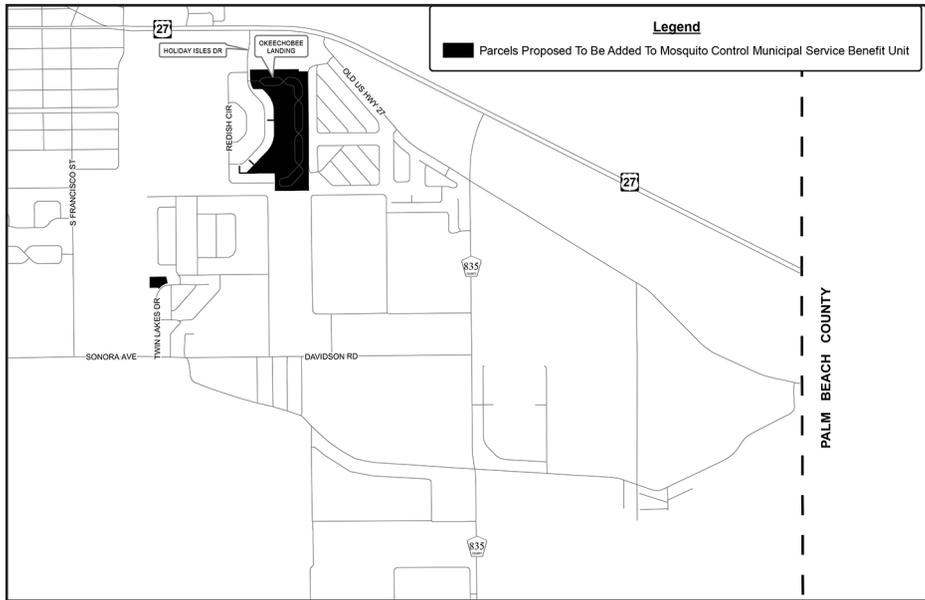
All affected property owners may appear and be heard at the public hearing and also have the right to file written objections with the Hendry County Administrator, Post Office Box 2340, LaBelle, Florida 33975, at anytime within 20 days from the date of this publication.

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

If you have a disability that will require special assistance or accommodation for your attendance at the meeting, please contact Hendry County Administration at (863) 675-5220; Hearing Impaired: Florida Relay 7-1-1; or e-mail keitha.daniels@hendryfla.net.

Hendry County is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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



Tammy Jackson-Moore accepted into LPBC Engage Program

Jackson-Moore one of 56 professionals selected for esteemed program

Special to The Sun

WEST PALM BEACH — Local consultant Tammy Jackson-Moore has been accepted into the 2018-19 Leadership Palm Beach County (LPBC) Engage program. The Leadership Engage program is a highly competitive 10-month program that offers participants a powerful new network and a transformative learning experience, with the intent to better Palm Beach County.



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Tammy Jackson-Moore

Participants, who come from diverse industries and backgrounds, will gain a deeper understanding of their own leadership styles as well as understand the ways in which they can make significant improvements in the community.

The class members were selected for their leadership and service in their professional and civic lives. They will meet as a group for one full day each month, from September to May, and travel on a bus to all areas of the

county, exploring program topics such as agriculture, education, public safety and health-care. They will also break up into smaller groups to do community engagement projects, benefiting local nonprofits and aimed at tackling challenges facing the region.

Leadership Engage is the flagship program for LPBC, which unites leaders to improve Palm Beach County and deepens their civic commitment and awareness of diverse issues and industries.

Leadership Palm Beach County Inc. is an educational 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization designed to foster awareness of community issues and promote efficient communication and cooperative relationships between existing and emerging community leaders. LPBC's stated mission is to educate and unite leaders to build a better community. Initiated in 1983 through a collaborative effort of the local chambers of commerce, LPBC has prepared more than 2,800 adult and youth graduates for enhanced community leadership roles. Learn more about LPBC here: LeadershipPBC.org.

Schools to close for Election Day

Palm Beach County schools will be closed on Tuesday, Aug. 28, after the School Board approved a revision to the 2018-19 school calendar.

Aug. 28 is Primary Election Day in Florida, and many School District of Palm Beach County schools are used as polling places. The board proposed the change following discussions with Palm Beach County Supervisor of Elections Susan Bucher.

Students will not have classes on Aug. 28, but the day will be a Professional Development Day (PDD) for teachers and a regular work day for all other school district employees. District administrative offices will be open.

U.S. Navy photo by Mass Communication Specialist 2nd Class Jeanette Mullinax

Belle Glade sailor serves in Pearl Harbor, Hawaii

PEARL HARBOR, Hawaii — Operations Specialist 1st Class Dora Mapp, from Belle Glade, communicates with landing craft air cushion (LCAC) pilots of Assault Craft Unit (ACU) 5 from the combat information center of the amphibious assault ship USS Bonhomme Richard (LHD 6) during an LCAC launch. Bonhomme Richard is currently underway in the U.S. 3rd Fleet area of operations.



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