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Lake Levels

14.61 feet

Last Year: 13.65 feet

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



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Rehearsals for final Living Christmas Tree

Special to The Sun

It's hard to believe that it has been 30 years since the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center and the Glades Campus of Palm Beach State College presented the very first Living Christmas Tree. Back then, the set was very basic ... a rugged tree structure that held only a few choir members with some risers on the stage for the rest of the choir.

Over the years, that tree evolved into a beautiful engineer-designed structure that held the entire choir and then into a charming village set. This year, the beautiful large tree will return for this 30th and final production, and many audience favorites from the past 30 years will fill the program in "30 Years of Favorites."

To celebrate this special performance, the Dolly Hand plans to have a Dolly Hand Singers reunion! If you or someone you know have ever sung in the Tree, please join the choir, as they start rehears-

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Special to The Sun/DHCAC

The 2017 Living Christmas Tree choir.



Lake Okeechobee News: We're stronger together

Newspaper merger planned for publications around Lake Okeechobee

By **Katrina Elsken**
INI Florida

In the pioneer days when new cities were founded all around Lake Okeechobee, newspapers were established to bring community members together.

In order to organize a new city, town or county, they needed a way to communicate with the people. The newspapers in Okeechobee, Clewiston, Moore Haven and Belle Glade/Pahokee were founded for that reason. For decades they have carried out that mission.

Times have changed, and the newspapers have changed with them, while holding true to their core mission to give community members

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Boys or girls invited to Scouting event

Special to The Sun

The Gulf Stream Council of Boy Scouts of America announces their annual "Scout Me In" recruitment event set for 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 11, for local boys and girls who are in kindergarten through fifth grade and might want to join the Cub Scouts. It will take place at

the Community United Methodist Church, 401 S.W. First St. in Belle Glade.

Boys and girls are encouraged to come join the fun and adventures of Cub Scouts Pack 622, which engages in family camping, the Pinewood Derby, hiking, fishing, wall-climb-

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FDOT to hold workshop for SR 15 resurfacing project

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Four, will conduct a public information workshop to learn about the proposed improvements for State Road 15/U.S. 441/U.S. 98 resurfacing project from south of Morgan Road to south of Shirley Drive.

The public information workshop is scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 13, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the Pahokee Community Center Cafeteria, located at 360 E. Main St. in Pahokee. The workshop will have an open house format, and staff will be available to answer questions and provide assistance at any time during the workshop.

Notices are being sent to all property owners and tenants located within 300 feet of the project and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations and individuals interested in the project.

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Want to stop algal blooms? Stop feeding the algae

By **Katrina Elsen**
INI Florida

The cyanobacterial blooms that have plagued South Florida this summer have led to protests from the public, promises from politicians and blame (mostly targeted at farmers and Lake Okeechobee) from the coastal media.

But amid all of the slogans, sound bites and allegations, maybe we're asking the wrong question.

Instead of asking where the algae or cyanobacteria (which is not technically algae but is commonly called blue-green algae) is coming from, maybe we should be asking what — or who — is feeding it.

Algae is found naturally in lakes and streams, not just in Florida but all over the world. When freshwater algae has a plentiful source of food (as in nitrogen and phosphorus) combined with hot weather, low salinity and little water movement, it can reproduce rapidly into a bloom.

Humans can't control the weather and have limited control over water movement. What we could control — although it won't be easy and it won't be cheap — is the food supply.

Think about it. If alligators or birds or other potential nuisance animals are hanging around a boat dock, and are making a mess and/or creating a health hazard, the first step is to make sure no one is feeding them. The same goes for algae.

In South Florida this summer, algae has been feasting in waterways throughout the state, not just in Lake Okeechobee. But to focus on the big lake, the summer began with a massive body of water (1 inch on the lake is a staggering 12 billion gallons of water) that was high in phosphorus and nitrogen. According to presentations at U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and South Florida Water Management District meetings, the high levels of dissolved nutrients in the lake in the early summer were thanks to the aftereffects of Hurricane Irma. The hurricane, which hit a year ago next month, churned the lake, stirring up the build-up of muck that had accumulated in the "bowl" of the lake bottom. At one point, the hurricane winds were so strong that water was pushed up 10 feet higher on one end of the lake than the other. When the winds let up, the water sloshed back down. The storm also tore up the lake's natural vegetation, which is the lake's filter system.

High lake levels, also courtesy of Hurricane Irma, gave the lake little time to recover, as it dipped below 13 feet for only a short time before record rainfall hit in May.

When the algae bloom started on Lake Okeechobee, most of the tests indicated the dominant species was *Microcystis aeruginosa*. In July, the bloom grew to include 90 percent of the lake, according to Na-



tional Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration satellite imagery. Then something happened; the bloom started to dissipate. It shrank down to about 10 percent of the lake. At the time, Dr. Karl Havens, director of Florida Sea Grant, theorized that the *Microcystis* may have consumed all of the available nitrogen and was starving. Some algae can "fix" nitrogen from the air. *Microcystis* cannot. When the NOAA imagery indicated the algae concen-

tration was increasing again, Dr. Havens theorized that another species of algae — one that could fix nitrogen from the air — was present.

In his blog on flseagrant.org, Dr. Havens wrote "Appearance of *Anabaena* is consistent with the hypothesis that the bloom is going through a replacement cycle, where *Microcystis* has used up the nitrogen in the lake water and is being replaced by a different kind of algae that can get its nitrogen from the atmosphere, like *Anabaena*."

Dr. Havens' theory was later proved by testing water samples from the lake. On Aug. 7, 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* and six species of *Anabaena*.

Meanwhile, the *Microcystis aeruginosa* growing in the coastal waterways showed no signs of running out of nitrogen. In July, when lake releases to the St. Lucie Canal were suspended for nine days, the algae bloom at the St. Lucie Lock continued to grow in intensity, nearly 24 miles from Port Mayaca where the lake water enters that waterway. Even if the *Microcystis* bloom there was seeded by the lake releases — which is possible but has not been proven, according to Dr. Havens — the algae must have found a local source of food in the St. Lucie Canal.

South Florida Water Management District research has found the phosphorus levels in the St. Lucie Canal to be higher than the phosphorus levels in the lake water.

According to studies by Florida Atlantic University, the nitrogen levels in the St. Lucie Canal are higher than the nitrogen levels in Lake Okeechobee. The study also found the nitrogen levels grow highest closer to the populated coastal area.

"The solution to the algal bloom problem is to clean up the nutrient sources north of Lake Okeechobee and in the land around the two estuaries," stated Dr. Karl Havens. "Control of dispersed sources of nutrients in those watersheds will be a huge challenge, and while projects are underway by the state to accomplish them, it could take decades before substantive results are seen."

The Florida Sea Grant publication "Harmful Algae Blooms Affecting Florida Coast,"

says the most direct solution is to reduce nutrient inputs to estuaries, the coastal ocean, lakes and rivers before that happens.

Remediation measures include:

- Switching old neighborhoods from septic to central sewage;
- Reducing the use of fertilizer to recommended levels on crops or capturing and cleaning the runoff water from those lands;
- Controlling the export of nutrients in manure from animal agriculture;
- Smart development solutions that integrate better stormwater management options; and,
- Changes in land use, including in residential neighborhoods, to species of plants that do not require addition of nutrients because they are adapted to grow in our native soil.

"The overall costs are great, because there are places in Florida where past nutrient pollution has left a legacy of nutrients in wetlands, soils and on the bottom of rivers and canals — that all drain into lakes, estuaries and the ocean after heavy rainfall. Controlling that legacy pollution may take massive public works projects to capture water and treat it. Yet, inaction has the potential to allow massive, highly toxic blooms to impair the use of our inland and coastal waters in the future and increase the risks to human health. It is certain that if we wait until the waters are warmer, the costs will be much higher and the outcomes less certain to be successful," the Florida Sea Grant publication states.



Stephen Purvis, D.O. Orthopedic Practice

The offices of Stephen Purvis, D.O. Orthopedic Surgeon, located at 525 West Sagamore Avenue in Clewiston and 450 South Main Street in Labelle will be closing effective August 31, 2018.

For any immediate questions, call 863-902-3093. Copies of patient medical records may be picked up at the orthopedic office located at 525 West Sagamore Avenue, Clewiston, Florida.

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- To provide the information citizens need to make their own intelligent decisions about public issues.
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- To use our opinion pages to facilitate community debate, not to dominate it with our own opinions.
- To disclose our own conflicts of interest or potential conflicts to our readers.
- To correct our errors and to give each correction to the prominence it deserves.

- To provide a right to reply to those we write about.
- To treat people with courtesy, respect and compassion.



Belle Glade Branch Library Happenings

Special to The Sun

- Thursday, Sept. 6, at 3:30 p.m.: Pop Up! Arts & Crafts features a fun new craft that all children can enjoy! All ages. (60 minutes)
 - Friday, Sept. 7, at 10:30 a.m.: Browsers - Basic (hands-on) – Learn the basics of using the Microsoft Internet Explorer browser. Some computer experience is necessary. (60 minutes - 2 hours) Preregister.
 - Friday, Sept. 7, at 3:30 p.m.: After-school gaming and more. Drop by for Wii and PS4 multiplayer games. Ages 7 and up. (60 minutes) Preregister.
 - Saturday, Sept. 8, at 10:15 a.m.: Art Lab – Playdough squish, knead, mold, paint and create! Dress to get messy. Ages 3-6. (45 minutes)
 - Saturday, Sept 8, at 1 p.m.: Anime Club – If you like manga, anime, K-Drama, K-Pop, J-Pop, or cosplaying, then this is your chance to meet others just like you. Snacks provided. Grades 5-12. (60 minutes)
 - Saturday, Sept. 8, at 2 p.m.: Chess Club for Beginners – Learn the basics of chess and polish your skills. Ages 7 and up. (60 minutes)
 - Monday, Sept. 10, at 2 p.m.: Bead-Tastic Bracelets – Make your own to keep or share with a friend using our collection of cool beads. Ages 6 and up. (60 min.)
- The Belle Glade Branch Library is located at 725 N.W. Fourth St. in Belle Glade. For information, call 561-996-3453.

Sun Spots

Bereavement group to meet

A grief support program will be offered to all employees of Lakeside Medical Center, 39200 Hooker Highway in Belle Glade, on Thursday, Sept. 6. For information, call Trustbridge at 844-422-3648.

Donate blood at PHS

Residents wishing to donate blood may do so at Pahokee High School, 900 Larrimore Road in Pahokee on Thursday, Sept. 6 from 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. For information, call 561-924-6458 or visit www.oneblood.org

Teens sign up for Cadet West

Fire Rescue will be launching a brand new Cadet program in the Glades Area which they have deemed Cadet West. The cadet program allows teenagers an opportunity to attain real-life experience on the job within Palm Beach County Fire Rescue. Teenagers can join the Fire Rescue staff on Monday, Sept. 10 at 5 p.m. at West Tech Educational Center, 2625 State Hwy 715 in Belle Glade. Sign up now by emailing cadetadvisor@pbcb.gov

WCSC to host scam workshop

The Palm Beach County Division of Senior Services and the Florida Department of Financial Services will host a free Be Scam Smart workshop for seniors, their families

YOUR Government Watch

These upcoming meetings of local elected officials, scheduled during the next several weeks, are open to the public. As voters, YOU the public employ these people, and they're spending the tax dollars that you pay them for your municipal services. At these meetings, they decide how, when and where to do so, and what will be done, and YOU have the right to be heard.

Belle Glade – next City Commission meeting Monday, Sept. 17; workshop at 6 p.m., regular meeting at 6:30.

Pahokee – The City Commission will meet **Tuesday, Sept. 11**, at 6 p.m. for a workshop and 6:30 p.m. for its regular

meeting in the Council Chamber at the City Parks and Recreation Building, 115 E. Main St. in Pahokee. Printed copies of the meeting agenda will be available on a table at the rear of the room, and it usually is posted on the city's website, www.cityofpahokee.com, by the day before the meeting. From the home page, click on "Meetings & Agendas," then use the slide-over menu under "Agendas" to navigate to the current meeting date. Backup material is available in the "Agenda Packet" files, and all are in downloadable PDF format.

South Bay – next City Commission meeting Tuesday, Sept. 18, at 7 p.m.

Crime Stoppers

Special to The Sun

PALM BEACH COUNTY — Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County needs your help in locating Tymon Arnold, 38, 6 feet 1 inch tall, 200 pounds, black hair and brown eyes.



Tymon Arnold

His last known address was on Northwest Seventh Avenue in South Bay.

Arnold is wanted on a warrant for a violation of drug offender probation for a felony charge of robbery and grand theft of a motor vehicle.

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

and caregivers at the West County Senior Center (WCSC), 2916 State Road 15 in Belle Glade, on Tuesday, Sept. 11, from 10 to 11 a.m. For information, call 561-996-4808.

Join the Cub Scouts

Join the Cub Scouts Pack and Boy Scouts Troop 622 on Tuesday, Sept. 11, at 6:30 p.m., at the Community United Methodist Church, 401 S.W. First St. in Belle Glade. All girls grades K - 5th and all boys grades K - 12th are welcome. For information, call 561-996-6571, ext. 348421, or email Jbair@lmcpcb.org.

**CITY OF LABELLE
NOTICE OF PROPOSED
ENACTMENT**

Notice is hereby given that the Local Planning Agency and the City Commission, for the City of LaBelle, will hold public hearings on Thursday, September 13, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall on 481 West Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle, Florida for the purpose of receiving public comment on the following proposed ordinance:

ORDINANCE 2018-09

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA; AMENDING CHAPTER 4, ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4-77 OF THE CITY OF LABELLE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO THE AGRICULTURE ZONING DISTRICT; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. Interested persons may appear on their own behalf or by agent or attorney. If anyone decides to appeal a decision made by the Agency/Commission with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearing, a record of the proceeding will be needed for the appeal and for that purpose(s), may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL AID OR SERVICES AS ADDRESSED IN THE AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE CITY CLERK'S OFFICE AT 863-675-2872, NO LESS THAN FIVE (5) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ABOVE STATED HEARING DATE.

City of LaBelle City Commission
David A. Lyons, Mayor

**CITY OF LABELLE
BUDGET WORKSHOP/SPECIAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that the City Commission of the City of LaBelle will hold a workshop/special meeting to consider the proposed 2018-2019 budget for the City of LaBelle and any other matters to come before it, at **4:30 p.m., on Thursday, September 13, 2018**. The workshop/special meeting is open to the public and will be held in the Commission Chambers at City Hall, 481 W. Hickpochee Avenue, LaBelle. Everyone is invited to attend.

If you need assistance, as per the Americans with Disabilities Act, please notify the Clerk at least two days prior to the meeting at City Hall 863.675.2872.

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the information they need to make decisions on issues that affect their families, homes and businesses. In addition to the print editions, the newspapers around Lake Okeechobee now have websites updated regularly throughout the week, reaching a broader audience than ever before and giving the readers more information than ever before. The publications also have social media pages that draw readers to the websites, and allow others to share website information through their own use of social media.

As the Florida population grows, it is more important than ever for those who live and work around the big lake to stay informed, to work together to protect Lake Okeechobee as a precious natural resource, and to protect our way of life. While the future of Lake Okeechobee is important to all of South Florida, the communities around the lake have a special and personal interest in protecting the Big O. The lake is essential to fishing, tourism and agriculture, the mainstays of the local economy. For some, it provides the water we drink. For others, it is the source of water to irrigate crops. The lake is home to native fish and wildlife and provides critical habitat for endangered species.

Each of the communities around the lake has its own local traditions and history. While there are some good-natured rivalries (particularly among the high school sports teams), the small towns around the lake have much in common. We share a rural lifestyle and a pioneer spirit.

Starting Sept. 12, the communities around Lake Okeechobee will also share a newspaper. The **Lake Okeechobee News** will combine the circulation of the **Okeechobee News** Wednesday edition, **The Sun** (which serves South Bay, Belle Glade and Pahokee), **The Clewiston News** and the **Glades County Democrat**. This larger around-the-lake publication will focus on issues important to all the Big Lake communities, while still including the local news important to each community.

The newspapers will continue to be newspapers of record for Okeechobee, Palm Beach, Hendry and Glades counties, meeting the Florida Statute requirements for the publication of legal advertising.

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ing, swimming, woodcrafting, community service, sports, games and bow-and-arrow training.

Older boys, those from sixth grade up to high school seniors (or age 18), are being recruited to join Boy Scouts Troop 622, said committee chairwoman Johannis Bair.

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als on Monday, Oct. 1, from 7 to 8:15 p.m.

The rehearsals will continue every Monday

In addition to the print publication, we will maintain online web pages for Okeechobee, Clewiston, Glades County and the Glades, along with our social media pages, so that we can continue to provide news updates throughout the week.

Lake Okeechobee News

- The first around-the-lake edition will be Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018.

- Submissions from the communities are welcome and encouraged. We will maintain all of the current email addresses to make the change as easy as possible for current community contributors. If you already have an email address for the newspaper saved, you can continue to use that email address. Those who have not submitted news to the newspapers via email before are encouraged to send photos, press releases, community events items and letters to the editor to okeenews@newszap.com. All email submissions will receive a confirmation reply.

- **The Lake Okeechobee News** (a merger of **The Sun**, **The Clewiston News**, the **Glades County Democrat** and the **Okeechobee News** Wednesday edition) will be distributed weekly, on Wednesdays with a circulation of 10,000 in the towns around Lake Okeechobee — Okeechobee, Buckhead Ridge, Lakeport, Moore Haven, Clewiston, Belle Glade, Pahokee, South Bay and Canal Point.

- The **Lake Okeechobee News Wednesday** edition will be a newspaper of record in Okeechobee, Glades, Hendry and Palm Beach counties, following all regulations required by Florida Statute and the U.S. Postal Service. Since it is a merger of existing newspapers of publication, there will be no interruptions in legal advertisements.

- All advertising contracts for each of the merged newspapers will be honored.

- Advertising deadline for the Wednesday edition is noon Monday. (This is the same deadline we previously used for the Thursday editions of **The Clewiston News**, the **Glades County Democrat** and **The Sun**.)

- If you are already working with an advertising consultant with the **Okeechobee News**, **The Clewiston News**, **The Sun** or the **Glades County Democrat**, you can continue to work with that consultant. If you are not already working with an ad consultant, call 863 763 3134 or email okeeadsales@newszap.com to set up an appointment to discuss advertising options.

Every day there's another discovery waiting to be made for Cub and Boy Scouts. Those who join the Scouts get hands-on learning that's hands-down awesome.

For more information, contact Ms. Bair at 561-261-0015 or sweetblossom@bellsouth.net. To learn more about the Gulf Stream Council, call 877-4SCOUTS (877-472-6887) or visit their office at 8335 N. Military Trail in Palm Beach Gardens.

You can join the Scouts today by visiting the website www.beascout.org.

up until the public performance on Sunday, Dec. 2, at 3 p.m.

The Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center is located on the Belle Glade Campus of Palm Beach State College at 1977 College Drive. For more information, call the box office at 561-993-1160 or visit www.dollyhand.org.

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CITY OF LABELLE ORDINANCE 2018-XX REZONE

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LABELLE, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF LABELLE ZONING MAP FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 257, 277, 295, 351 EAST YEOMANS AVENUE, 51 NORTH RIVERVIEW STREET, AND 50 NORTH OAK STREET, CITY OF LABELLE, HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA; AMENDING THE ZONING DESIGNATION FROM GENERAL COMMERCIAL (B-2) TO PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT (PUD); PROVIDING FOR IDENTIFICATION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR INTENT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COPIES OF THE ORDINANCES AND COMPLETE LEGAL DESCRIPTION ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST AT LABELLE CITY HALL AND A GENERAL LOCATIONAL MAP IS SET FORTH BELOW.



All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard with respect to the proposed ordinance. Interested persons may appear on their own behalf or by agent or attorney. If anyone decides to appeal a decision made by the Agency/Commission with respect to any matter considered at the meeting or hearing, a record of the proceeding will be needed for the appeal and for that purpose(s), may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

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Reflections from the Pulpit

When the going gets rough:

Hard parts and victory

The Reverend Samuel S.

Thomas, Ph. D. +

Saint Martin's Church, Clewiston

One of the student counselors at the university where I attended spent his time with students who realized that going to college would be a lot of work and much more challenging than high school. He said "I used to tell them that nobody would play golf if the holes were the size of wash baskets."

The challenge to accomplish something meant that there would be some hard parts along the way and some sacrifices would be required; but the goal makes it worth all of the efforts required.

I remember John Kennedy's speech about the space race; saying we're going to go the moon "not because it is easy but because it is hard."

There have been times when young persons have told me that they were thinking about a career along the lines where I serve. I would outline how to get there and then remind them "It will be a lot of work to become...." Sometimes the reply would be "Oh!" or I'd get a long silence.

Some professional obligations go on long after college. My professional licenses and Church requirements now include continuing education; to be submitted and doc-

umented with indications of keeping up.

Requirements for entry in various fields keep going up and are more "challenging" as the years go on. I remember my offspring telling me that "math is hard." I spoke to her teacher, a professional who I regarded as a caring and dedicated educator. She told me that she'd be satisfied if my daughter did one page of math a day. "No," I told her, "tell her you'd be satisfied if she did four pages a day, and when she complains and says 'Well, can I do only two?' you frown and say 'Well, all right.'" My daughter was doing third grade math at the end of the first grade. I knew she was capable, I knew math can be hard, I also knew that it was important to rise to the challenge and develop an attitude of "I can do it!" I tutored and helped along the way; she accomplished on her own.

I attended a first-rate seminary in an academic community known for excellence (Northwestern University) and was able to rise to the challenges required, "...not because it is easy but because it is hard." Over the years, I've come to meet people that have drifted away from former religious commitments. Reasons have varied and many times have centered around having to make some sort of "commitment." I'll be the first to agree; faith takes commitment. One of my mentors said "It's like eating peanuts, once you get started you can't quit!" That's been my experience and the

experience of others but not everyone. The rewards, though, come with staying the course and going forward "...not because it is easy, but because it is hard."

Anybody can do the easy stuff but dedication comes with a cost. Fortunately, people go back to challenges that they once thought were beyond them, they grow in capacities or they see that doing the hard parts are really going to lead to worthwhile goals.

Often my most dedicated students were the ones who returned to college after some years in the work-a-day world. They saw the value of going on and were willing to happily pay the price.

Jesus is confronted with followers who have found that faith comes with a cost. He talks of abiding in Him, of worship, of becoming one with Him; what leads to eternal life.

John's gospel reports "Many of His disciples, when they heard it said 'This is a hard saying, who can listen to it?' (John 6:60)."

People come to faith with different expectations; those who follow through learn the reasons and joy that goes with believing. With faith comes demands on us; and they can sometimes be seen as "hard." When Jesus' followers complained He tells them "The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life (v. 63)." He recognizes the going will be hard, but reminds them (and us) that there are some that do not believe (v.

64) but the flesh won't be the answer and it will have to come from the spirit (v.63).

John tells us (v 66) that "After this many of His disciples drew back and no longer went about with Him." Jesus then turned to His twelve faithful followers and said "Do you also wish to go away? (v. 67)." Peter answers with the final insight that reflects the faithful are up to the challenge of doing the harder parts by realizing the gifts are worth all of the work needed; "Lord to whom shall we go?"

Ultimately the questions that confront people are questions about the meaning of life, our purpose for being here, knowing how to act and make choices, knowing that God is involved and behind all of life and gives the purpose to it. Peter affirms this realization and says to Jesus "You have the words of eternal life and we have believed, and come to know you are the Holy One of God. (v. 69)."

I have been called on to answer questions for people when they seek direction; often acknowledging that the more difficult choice is the better one or helping them reflect on the lesser of evils. When hard choices are to be made; God is there to sustain when we search and believe; hard perhaps but with peace in the long run. Jesus' true followers did not run off; in fact, they changed the world. Peter's question "Lord to whom shall we go?" has been answered by His disciples and the faithful ever since. Those who follow faithfully know why.

AAA study: 1 in 5 Floridians plan to move

Special to INI Florida

TAMPA — Summer for most people means warmer weather, backyard barbecues, family vacations and moving season. Nearly one in five Floridians (19 percent) in a recent AAA Consumer Pulse survey plan to move within the next year.

The majority of residents (53 percent) plan their move for the spring (April – June) or summer (July – September).

According to Penske, Tampa/Sarasota (5) and Orlando (6) were two of the top 10 moving destinations in the country in 2017.

"Most people pay for their moving expenses using cash or savings," said Matt Nasworthy, Florida public affairs director for AAA – The Auto Club Group. "During a move money can be tight, which means most consumers are looking for the best value for their dollar when paying for things like moving trucks and packing supplies.

Taking advantage of discounts, such as those at AAA, and timing your move correctly can save you a substantial amount."

Money-saving moving tips

- Timing – Most people move at the beginning or end of the month, during the weekend, or in the summer. These are the most expensive times to move because moving service and moving truck rental prices are at a premium. If possible, schedule your move mid-month, mid-week, or even during the winter months to get the best rates.
- Discounts – Before paying, be sure

you're getting the best deal. Get several quotes on moving services and rentals and search for discounts. For instance, AAA members can save up to 12 percent on Penske truck rentals. Visit aaa.com/Penske for more information.

- Get someone else to pay – If moving for work, your new employer could foot some of the bill. Some moving expenses are even tax-deductible, so be sure to keep all receipts associated with your move.

Is the cost of boxes daunting? Visit local businesses such as a grocery store, liquor store or office building and ask them for boxes. Many business pay to have their cardboard taken away and would be happy to be rid of them.

Tips for packing

- Plan ahead. Give yourself plenty of time. Start planning for your move up to six weeks before you intend to leave your current home. This will ensure that moving day is less of a hassle, regardless of whether you are using a moving company or doing it yourself.

- Label boxes. You'll thank yourself later. It will make your life a whole lot easier when it comes time to unpack if you have some idea as to which items are included in each box.

Label the tops and sides of each box and, perhaps, write the room of your new home where the contents of a particular box will go. If you are using movers, be sure to write "fragile" on any boxes that apply.

- Keep important records with you.

These could include your birth certificate, Social Security card, passport, tax documents, checkbooks, original copies of wills, drivers licenses and any investment papers. Don't pack these items into boxes, but keep them in a safe place where you won't lose them.

Obituaries

Tucker Scott and Jada Rae

HENDRY — Tucker Scott and his sister, Jada

Rae, both of Palmdale, Fla., went to be with our Lord and Savior Jesus on Friday, July 6, 2018. They leave behind their parents, Raymond and Brooke Hendry; brother, Allan Hendry; grandparents, Raymond and Denise Hendry and Bruce and Cynthia Balmer; also many family members, friends and loved ones.



Family and friends are invited to attend a Memorial Service in memory of Tucker and Jada at the Ortona Cemetery Pavilion, 8898 W. SR 78, Ortona, Florida 33471 on Saturday, Sept. 15, 2018 at 11 a.m.

Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.leememorialpark.com for the Hendry family. Info (239)334-4880.

GENERAL ELECTION Books Close

REGISTER TO VOTE: For the November 6, 2018, General Election at the Supervisor of Elections Office, LaBelle Courthouse, the Clewiston Office, any Drivers License Office, Public Assistance Office and all Public Libraries. The Voter Registration Books close on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

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Glades area native publishes book of poetry

By Antorris Williams
Special to The Sun

"We Are Legion" is a spirited, truthful and possibly offensive poetic journey with a twist of humor from an author writing about her pain.

Jennifer Alexander, 28, a professional bus attendant in Belle Glade, wrote this book to share her journey in Christianity while seeking to minister the Gospel to people she encounters.

"It has never been about me as an author, but about the author and finisher of my faith," Alexander said. She added that she wants local residents to read the book and be encouraged because the broken, used, abused and misused can be saved.

Various poem structures and imagery from Ms. Alexander's life are used throughout the book. Sonnet, tanka and haiku are a few of poetic forms used to encourage religious believers and future believers in the



Jennifer Alexander

Gospel of Jesus Christ.

On the cover of the book, viewers will see a picture of Ms. Alexander's Bible, "Sir Chips A lot" — a dog she owned — and the author herself lying in the grass.

"Don't be afraid to share your gift with the world," Ms. Alexander encourages her readers.

She published her book in 2017. It consists of 96 pages and comes in paperback format.

Ms. Alexander attributes her love for writing poetry to growing up in Belle Glade. Her literature professors in college also played an influential role in her decision to write "We Are Legion," she said. She is currently in the middle of editing her second book, with

hopes of having more poetry and making it more relatable.

Copies of "We Are Legion" can be purchased online at Amazon.com and through other major retailers. Ms. Alexander can be contacted on Instagram at @WritingFromJenn or by email at alexjen2008@gmail.com.



School District partners with NYU

Special to The Sun

WEST PALM BEACH — The Palm Beach County School District is partnering with New York University's Steinhardt School of Culture, Education and Human Development to collaboratively prepare new teachers through an innovative teacher education program.

Now in its fourth year, NYU Steinhardt's teacher residency enables students to earn graduate degrees by combining technology-enhanced coursework with full-time residency experiences in urban schools. Because coursework and mentoring with NYU Steinhardt faculty take place online, students will be immersed in classrooms in Palm Beach County schools without having to physically be on a university campus.

"We are excited to be working with schools across the country to create new on-site learning communities that cultivate the next generation of teachers," said Dominic Brewer, the Gale and Ira Drukier Dean of NYU Steinhardt. "Research shows that immersive experiences in schools are critical for preparing strong teachers. Our model marries practice with theory — working hand-in-hand with seasoned teachers in schools and delivering an intensive online curriculum — in order to give future teachers the foundational experience they need."

Approximately 15 NYU Steinhardt students will be embedded in Palm Beach County classrooms during the 2019-20 school year. The program has the potential to create a pipeline of highly qualified teach-

ers for the school district.

"This is a fantastic opportunity to partner with NYU to identify, train, develop and support future teachers who want to work in urban school settings. Participants in the program will have an opportunity to earn their master's degree while gaining valuable classroom experience, and the guarantee of a job in Palm Beach County after graduation," said Dr. Gonzalo La Cava, chief of human resources for the district. "We know that there is high demand for high-quality teachers, and this partnership with NYU is one way that we can 'grow our own' workforce in Palm Beach County."

The 12-month graduate program blends online learning to prepare secondary English, math, social studies, science and special education teachers with structured, full-time residency experiences. Students complete their coursework under NYU Steinhardt faculty guidance in tandem with observed classroom instruction and one-on-one student contact. Throughout the program, students are supported by both NYU Steinhardt faculty and experienced classroom teachers in their local schools.

For more information on the NYU Steinhardt Teacher Residency model, those interested can attend an information session on Thursday, Sept. 6, from 5 - 6:15 p.m. at the PEW Center, which is located at 9480 MacArthur Blvd, Palm Beach Gardens. A second event will be held on Thursday, Nov. 1. For more information, visit teachereducation.steinhardt.nyu.edu.

Rosenwald Elementary School News

Special to The Sun

Important Dates

- Sept. 10: Holiday, no school
- Sept. 12: S.A.C. at 5-6 p.m.
- Sept. 12: Open House to be held for kindergarten through fifth grades at 6-7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 19: Holiday, no school
- Sept. 26: Dads Take Your Child to School Day

Bus driver job fair set Sept. 8

WEST PALM BEACH — The Palm Beach County School District is hosting a bus driver job fair on Saturday, Sept. 8, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the School District Central Bus Facility, 3376 Summit Blvd. in West Palm Beach.

Successful candidates will be paid \$11.04 per hour for up to 80 hours during training. Once trained, bus drivers will receive a starting pay of \$14.42 per hour; full benefits, including medical, dental and vision insurance; and the ability to participate in the Florida Retirement System.

For more information on the job requirements, information on expediting the hiring process and to apply online, visit www.palmbeachschools.org/jobs.

For assistance with the application, call 561-242-6515 or 561-242-6512.

School News

• The first School Advisory Council meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, Sept. 12, at 5 p.m.

• Open House will immediately follow S.A.C. on Sept. 12, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. Parents are encouraged to come out for both events to learn about how they can partner with the school to make this a great experience for their children.

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Football around the lake

By Richard Marion

The Sun

Glades Central pulled off a comeback against Oakleaf, winning 32-25, bringing the Raiders to a 1-1 record for the year. Next they'll face the tough Dwyer Panthers in a home game on Sept. 7. The Panthers are coming off a 30-13 loss to Atlantic.

The Glades Day Gators bounced back from their loss against Benjamin in the season opener with a dominating 41-10 win against district foe Community School of Naples. Now the Gators are preparing to host their first home game of the season on

Sept. 7 against the King's Academy Lions. The Lions are coming off two impressive victories over St. John Paul II Academy and John Carroll Catholic and should be a tough test for the Gators.

Coming off their bye week, the Pahokee Blue Devils will face the Atlantic Eagles in Pahokee on Sept. 7. Atlantic is coming off a win against the Dwyer Panthers in which their defense dominated the Panthers' offense for the entire game. The stout Atlantic defensive line vs. the potent Blue Devil running game should make for one heck of a ballgame in the muck.

The Moore Haven Terriers got their

season started with a win against Lake Placid last week. The Terriers held off a late rally by Lake Placid to win 14-6. Now they'll enjoy a bye week while keeping an eye on what their next opponent, the Neumann Celtics, do in their game against Gateway Charter this week.

The Okeechobee Brahms have a bye week to recover from back-to-back blowout losses after falling to Lake Wales 46-6. Okeechobee has shown flashes on offense, but the Brahms' defense has been torn apart in both games they've played in 2018.

This could be just because of bad timing

in having to face two high-powered offenses back to back, but it could also be due to the fact that the team has struggled to get on the field to practice due to inclement weather.

The bad news: Clewiston has dropped its first two games of the year after losing 30-10 to Monsignor Pace. The good news: Neither loss was to a district rival.

The young Tigers team has the chance to gain some more experience before facing the majority of their district foes later in the season. Next, they'll face the LaBelle Cowboys at home on Sept. 7. LaBelle comes into the game with a 2-0 record.

GCHS advises public of new procedures

Special to The Sun

The Glades Central High School (GCHS) Raiders will play the William T. Dwyer High School Panthers on Friday, Sept. 7. Kickoff is at 6 p.m. Admission is \$6 (pre-sale tickets will not be sold). Ticket booths open at 4:45 p.m. To ensure the safety of ALL supporters, it is asked that you adhere to the following mandated procedures:

Only clear bags will be permitted entry into any high school stadium. This includes purses or anything similar to a purse (i.e., clutch or wristlet). The only exception will be diaper bags. All bags will be subject to search.

There will be no entry into games after the second-half kickoff. Tickets will continue to be sold through halftime, but sales will halt once halftime has concluded.

There is no re-entry. If you exit the stadium, you cannot return.

Loitering is prohibited outside of sta-

dium gates or in the parking lots before, during or after the game. Once spectators leave a game, they must leave the school campus.

All schools will move to 6 p.m. for home games whenever possible for the duration of the football season. Anyone planning to attend football games at any district high school should check with the schools to verify start times.

No outside food or beverages may be brought into the event.

Unruly conduct, disruptive behavior, or use of profane, obscene or abusive language of any type will result in immediate removal from the event.

In the event of an emergency, follow all instructions provided by law enforcement or school staff.

GCHS 2018 Football Schedule

Glades Central High School's football schedule had to be revised in accordance to the School District of Palm Beach County mandate as a result of the Palm Beach Central incident. Below is the revised schedule. Please pay special attention to the start times for each game.

- Aug. 24 - University School - 7 p.m.
- Aug. 31 - Oakleaf High School - 7 p.m.
- Sept. 7 - Dwyer High School - 6 p.m.
- Sept. 14 - Open
- Sept. 21 - Clewiston High School - 7:30 p.m.
- Sept. 28 - Cocoa High School - 6 p.m.

- Oct. 5 - Lake Worth - 6 p.m.
 - Oct. 12 - Boynton Beach High School - 6 p.m.
 - Oct. 19 - American Heritage Delray - Homecoming - 6 p.m.
 - Oct. 26 - Cardinal Newman High School - 6 p.m.
 - Nov. 3 - Pahokee High School - 5 p.m.
- Jessie Hester - head football coach
Melanie Bolden-Morris - principal
William Durgin - athletic administrator
Dennis Knabb - athletic director
Khadeidra Fletcher - assistant athletic director

Bowhunting course offered in Palm Beach County

Special to The Sun

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is offering a free bowhunting course in Palm Beach County.

All classroom materials are provided free of charge. Students should bring a pen or pencil, paper and all bowhunting equipment they have. An adult must accompany children younger than 16 at all times.

Anyone born on or after June 1, 1975, must pass an approved hunter safety course and have a hunting license to hunt alone (unsupervised). The FWC course satisfies

bowhunter safety training requirements for all other states and Canadian provinces.

The traditional bowhunting course will be held on Sept. 15 from 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. in Palm Beach County.

The specific location for this class will be given to those who register in advance. Those interested in attending a course can register online and obtain information about future hunter safety classes at MyFWC.com/HunterSafety or by calling the FWC's regional office in West Palm Beach at 561-625-5122.

Clewiston Chamber of Commerce and Everglades Marketing offering SOCIAL MEDIA 101

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Federal officials tour Everglades restoration projects

Special to INI Florida

On Aug. 15, South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) Governing Board Chairman Federico Fernandez and Executive Director Ernie Marks joined the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works R.D. James to highlight some of the major Everglades restoration projects targeted at reducing Lake Okeechobee discharges to the northern estuaries. Additional participants included U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) South Atlantic Division Director of Programs Alvin Lee and USACE Lt. Col. Jennifer Reynolds, the deputy district commander for South Florida.

"The assistant secretary and Army Corps are committed, just as we are at SFWMD, to getting these major projects approved, funded and built to realize their benefits for the Everglades and citizens of the state of Florida," said SFWMD Chairman Fernandez. "We are grateful to him for his time here in South Florida to see what is being done to address the current high water emergency and ultimately get the water right with these restoration projects. This board believes in this crucial partnership and invites Secretary James or any other member of the Army Corps or other involved federal agencies for future opportunities to see how these massive projects beneficially impact the lives of South Floridians."

The SFWMD and USACE tour included:

- C-44 Reservoir and Stormwater Treatment Area (STA) in Martin County. SFWMD expects to finish building the STA by next year, and USACE expects to complete the reservoir by 2020. The reservoir and STA will store and treat 50,000 acre-feet of local basin runoff, reducing freshwater flows to the St. Lucie Estuary and improving water quality.
- Caloosahatchee (C-43) West Basin Storage Reservoir, which is scheduled to be completed in 2022. This reservoir will have the capacity to store 170,000 acre-feet of water, or 55 billion gallons, to reduce estuary releases during the wet season and provide fresh water that the estuary needs during the dry season.
- Kissimmee River Restoration Project, which the USACE expects to complete by 2020. This project restores more than 40 square miles of the river and its floodplain,



Special to INI Florida/SFWMD
(From left) USACE Lt. Col. Jennifer Reynolds, SFWMD Governing Board Chairman Federico Fernandez, U.S. Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works R.D. James, SFWMD Executive Director Ernie Marks and USACE South Atlantic Division Director of Programs Alvin Lee stand in front of an SFWMD helicopter before taking an aerial tour of major restoration projects underway throughout the region.

including 20,000 acres of wetlands and 44 miles of historic river channel. It will restore the historic flow pattern to a large portion of the river, help slow down the flow of water to Lake Okeechobee and improve habitat for hundreds of species of birds, fish and other wildlife.

- Everglades Agricultural Area (EAA) Storage Reservoir, which would store 240,000 acre-feet of water and treat it to meet stringent state water quality standards before it flows south to the Everglades. The EAA Storage Reservoir is currently awaiting authorization from Congress as part of the Water Resources Development Act of 2018.

- Caulkins Water Farm, which is a public-private partnership between SFWMD and the Caulkins Citrus Company. The project, built on a 3,200-acre former citrus grove in western Martin County, stores stormwater runoff from the C-44 Canal that

would otherwise flow into the St. Lucie Estuary.

In addition, Mr. James and the other officials toured two components of Gov. Rick Scott's Restoration Strategies Plan that improve Everglades water quality. The components toured include the recently completed L-8 Flow Equalization Basin that will improve the performance of STA-1 East and STA-1 West and an expansion of STA-1

West that is scheduled to be completed this December.

"I am committed to securing state funding for building these projects, which are part of the long-term solution to better manage water in South Florida for the people who live here and our unique ecosystems," said SFWMD Director Marks.

"Working as partners, following the existing plan and by securing state and federal funding, we can get these important projects completed and start realizing their benefits."

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Jessica Figueroa, City Clerk
285313 CGS 9/6/2018

NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING OF LANDOWNERS
EAST BEACH WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the 2018 Annual Landowner's Meeting of the East Beach Water Control District is scheduled to meet Wednesday, September 19, 2018, at 8:30 A.M., at the office of said District located at 2832 N. Main Street, Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, Florida, 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; 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. Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodation to participate in these proceedings should contact the District at (561) 996-2940 at least five (5) days prior to the date of the proceeding.

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By: /s/ Roger Hatton, President

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF WORK PLAN

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to "The Water Rights Compact Among the Seminole Tribe of Florida, The State of Florida, and The South Florida Water Management District", the 1st Amendment to the 32nd Annual Work Plan of the Seminole Tribe of Florida has been submitted to the South Florida Water Management District (District).

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No further public notice will be provided regarding this Amendment. A copy of the Staff Report must be requested in order to remain advised of further proceedings. Substantially affected persons are entitled to request an Administrative Hearing regarding the proposed agency action by submitting a written request thereafter after reviewing the Staff Report. 283965 CN 9/6/2018

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LEGAL NOTICE

The City Commission for the City of Pahokee, Florida will hold a public hearing to consider the adoption of the following ordinance(s) on second and final reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2018- 03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, REPEALING SECTION 2-272(6) OF THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, PROVIDING FOR THE WAIVER OF COMPETITIVE BIDDING FOR PROCUREMENTS WHERE THE FUNDING SOURCE FOR THE PROJECT MAY BE JEOPARDIZED BY THE LENGTH OF THE NORMAL PROCUREMENT PROCESS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018- 04

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, PROHIBITING THE PARKING OF CERTAIN VEHICLES IN RESIDENTIAL ZONING DISTRICTS, INCLUDING THE CORE DISTRICT; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2018- 05

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTION 17-216 OF THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, PROVIDING FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF CITY NOISE ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS BY LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; PROVIDING A CONFLICTS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, INCLUSION IN THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

The City Commission will conduct the public hearing on Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as this matter can be heard, at the City Commission Chamber, 360 East Main Street, Pahokee, Florida 33476.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. For additional information, please contact Nylene Clarke, Interim City Clerk at (561) 924-5534.

CITY OF PAHOKEE
NYLENE CLARKE
INTERIM CITY CLERK
285516 SUN 9/5/2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR
HENRY COUNTY, CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2018 CA 000203

ST WEALTH PARTNERS, LP,
Plaintiff,

VS.
RUBY C. SULLIVAN; ESTATE OF RUBY C. SULLIVAN; and UNKNOWN HEIRS OF RUBY C. SULLIVAN,
Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION: CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE - PROPERTY

TO: Ruby C. Sullivan, 5400 Mountain Gate Circle, Lakeside, AZ 85929. Estate of Ruby C. Sullivan, 5400 Mountain Gate Circle, Lakeside, AZ 85929. Unknown Heirs of Ruby C. Sullivan, 5400 Mountain Gate Circle, Lakeside, AZ 85929.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to Quiet Title to the following property in Henry County:

Lots 33 and 34, Block 4486, Unit 63, Cape Coral Subdivision, according to the plat thereof, as recorded in Plat Book 21, Pages 48 through 81, inclusive, of the Public Records of Lee County, Florida.

-Has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Owen Sokolof, Esq., Sokolof Remtulla Stengel, LLC, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 224 Datura Street, Suite 515, West Palm Beach, FL 33401, on or before Thirty (30) days from Date of First Publication of this Notice and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on the plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you and the relief demanded in the complaint or petition. DATED on July 2nd, 2018.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
By: J. Bevis
DEPUTY CLERK

Sokolof Remtulla Stengel LLC
224 Datura Street, Suite 515
West Palm Beach, FL 33401
OSokolof@fordallatt.com
SRemtulla@fordallatt.com
SStengel@fordallatt.com
Attorneys for Plaintiff
Telephone: 561-507-5252
272688 CN 8/16,23,30/9/6/2018

NOTICE

The public is hereby notified that the City of Clewiston Code Enforcement Special Magistrate will hold a public hearing on September 19, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. The hearing will be held in the Commission Chambers, 115 West Ventura Avenue, Clewiston, Florida pursuant to Chapter 26 of the City of Clewiston's Code of Ordinances. All interested persons are invited to attend.

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

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

CITY OF CLEWISTON, FLORIDA

Debbie McNeil, Code Enforcement Officer
284358 CN 9/6/2018

Notice Calling For Bids on
Custodial Duties of County Facilities

A request for bids from a contractor or individual interested in a contracted Custodian position consisting of general cleaning duties for Glades County facilities. A position summary of the duties and essential functions may be obtained by calling the Human Resources Office at (863) 946-6009.

Notice is hereby given that the Glades County Board of County Commissioners of Glades County, Florida acting by and through its Governing Board, hereinafter referred to as "COUNTY", will receive up to, but no later than, 3:00 PM on September 19, 2018, sealed bids for the award of a contract for the above services. Bids shall be submitted to Gabrielle Ibietaorremencia, Human Resources Director, 198 6th Street, Post Office Box 1527, Moore Haven, Florida 33471, and shall be enclosed within a sealed envelope with the words: Bid for Glades County Custodian. Those bids timely received shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above stated time and place.

The COUNTY reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any bids or in the bidding process without disclosure of a reason. The failure to make a disclosure shall not result in accrual of any right, claim or cause of action by an unsuccessful bidder against the Glades County Board of County Commissioners. No bidder may withdraw any bid for a period of seven (7) calendar days after the date set for the opening of bids.

285059 GCD 09/06/2018

GLADES COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
REHABILITATION OF ONE (1) HOME
RFP #2018-Disaster-1 Thatcher Rebid

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) firms to rehabilitate one (1) homes at 829 Thatcher Boulevard in Glades County, Florida. This projects will be undertaken as part of the Glades County SHIP Program. Contractors must be qualified to bid on SHIP projects. If not pre-qualified, the Contractor's Application Documents may be obtained from the SHIP Administrator or http://www.mylglades.com/departments/community_services/ship.php The application for Contractor's must be turned in before pre-bid meeting.

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 Cindy Ricker, SHIP Administrator, 500 Avenue J (P.O. Box 1527) Moore Haven FL 33471. Phone 863-946-6124. EMAIL cricker@myglades.com.

A mandatory meeting and contractor review of this projects will be held on Thursday, September 13th, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the SHIP Office located in the Glades Court House at 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven, FL 33471. Any firm not represented at this meeting will not be able to bid. All potential bidders must be in the Conference Room no later than 10:00 a.m. in order to participate in these RFPs.

Due date/time: September 21st, 2018, 2:00 p.m. EST. All responses (7 copies) shall be placed in separate, sealed envelopes with the titles clearly indicated on the outside: GLADES COUNTY SHIP PROGRAM - RFP #2018-Disaster-1 Thatcher, with delivery to the SHIP Administrator and which must be received at the SHIP Administrator's office at 500 Avenue J, Moore Haven FL 33471 no later than the response deadline of 2:00 p.m. EST on September 21st, 2018. RFPs 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. All questions should be directed to Cindy Ricker, SHIP Administrator, 500 Avenue J, (P.O. Box 1527) Moore Haven FL 33471. Phone 863-946-6124. EMAIL cricker@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 re-advertise for additional responses, and to select the responder, who, in the BoCC's sole opinion, is in the best interests of Glades County.

Glades County does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, sex, religion, national origin, disability, or marital status. Glades County is an Equal Opportunity Employer, actively seeking Minority Contractor Participation and promotes Fair Housing. 284388 GCD ON 9/6/2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE TWENTIETH JUDICIAL
CIRCUIT IN AND FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
CIRCUIT CIVIL DIVISION
CASE NO.: 2017-CV-000536

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE, FOR MANUFACTURED HOUSING CONTRACT SENIOR/SUBORDINATE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATE TRUST 2000-1 Plaintiff(s), vs. GRACIETA ALVAREZ; CARLOS L. HERRING; GRACIELA ALVAREZ; MARY HARKER; STATE OF FLORIDA, DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY INTERNAL REVENUE; W S BADCOCK CORPORATION; UNKNOWN TENANT 1; UNKNOWN TENANT 2; Defendant(s).

AMENDED NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: GRACIETA ALVAREZ- Last known address - 693 Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, FL 33440 Previous address - 1782 Melissa Road, Clewiston, FL 33440 310 N. Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, FL 33440 129 N. Pearl St. Bridgeton, NJ 08302

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YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a civil action has been filed against you in the Circuit Court of Hendry County, Florida, to foreclose certain real property described as follows:

The Southeast One-Quarter of the Southeast One-Quarter of the Southeast One-Quarter of the Southeast One-Quarter of Section 24, Township 44 South, Range 32 East, Hendry County, Florida. Subject to an Easement for an Access Road on the South 40 Feet Thereof, Subject to an Easement for Access Road of the East 40 Feet Thereof. Also known as Lot 5319 and 5320 in Montura Ranch Estates Unrecorded. : and that certain 1999 MER, Mobile Home Serial Number(s):FLHML3B127320467A, FLHML3B127320467B.

Property address: 310 N Cabbage Palm Street, Clewiston, FL 33440

You are required to file a written response with the Court and serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to it on Padgett Law Group, whose address is 6267 Old Water Oak Road, Suite 203, Tallahassee, FL 32312, at least thirty (30) days from the date of first publication, 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. DATED this 21st day of August, 2018.

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT
As Clerk of the Court
By: J. Bevis
Deputy Clerk

283255 CN 8/30/9/6/2018

NOTICE OF ELECTION, ANNUAL LANDOWNERS MEETING
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE
CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Supervisors for the Central County Water Control District will be holding their Annual Meeting and Election on Saturday, October 20, 2018. The District will be open for voting from 9:00 a.m. through 3:00 p.m. at the Montura Ranch Estates Clubhouse located at 255 North Hacienda Street, Montura Ranch Estates, Clewiston, Florida. After the polls close for voting, the votes will be tabulated and the results announced at the annual meeting that will be held at 3:30 p.m., or immediately after the votes are tabulated, whichever ever occurs later. The District's regular monthly meeting will be held immediately after the annual meeting is adjourned. The annual meeting and regular meeting will be held at the Montura Ranch Estates Clubhouse at the above address. The purpose of the annual meeting is: to discuss the work performed during the fiscal year 2017-2018; to present the 2018-2019 annual budget; to receive the annual engineers' report; to vote on compensation of board of supervisors pursuant to Chapter 298, Florida Statutes; and, to transact any other business properly coming before the Board. The regular meeting is to conduct the regular monthly business of the District. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard.

Voters in the supervisor's election must present a picture I.D. to properly authenticate his or her qualification as a voter in the District election. In order to qualify to vote, you must own land in the District AND have paid your District assessments for the last year. Also, if you have paid your assessments for the District within 30 days prior to the election, please be prepared to present a receipt for payment of assessments prior to casting a vote in the election. Also, if you have acquired title to real property in the District within the past 30 days prior to the election and your name is not reflected on the Hendry County tax roll, please be prepared to provide proof of land ownership prior to voting.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board with respect to any matter considered at the above referenced meeting, that person will need record of the proceeding and may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceeding is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: IF YOU REQUIRE SPECIAL AID OR SERVICES AS ADDRESSED IN THE AMERICAN DISABILITIES ACT, PLEASE CONTACT THE DISTRICT CLERK'S OFFICE AT (863)983-5797, NO LESS THAN FIVE(5) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ABOVE STATED HEARING DATE.

CENTRAL COUNTY WATER CONTROL DISTRICT

285688 CN 09/06, 13, 20, 27/2018

Public Notice

Public Notice

*NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
Florida Department of Transportation Project

Bids will be received by the District One Office until 11:00 A.M. on Thursday, September 20, 2018 for the following Proposals:

E1R89 - BDI Sidewalk Repair in Hendry County. Budget Amount: \$20,000.00

E1R91-R0 - Canal Cleaning and Reshaping in Glades and Hendry Counties. Budget Amount: \$120,000.00

Z1065-R0 - Pre-Event Traffic Signal Repair District-Wide.

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. 282409 CN 8/30/9/6/2018

Administration of Estates

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR HENDRY COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No.: 18-CP-000085**

IN RE: ESTATE OF
CALVIN PERRY SMITH,
Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the Estate of Calvin Perry Smith, deceased, whose date of death was June 23, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Hendry County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1760, Labelle, FL 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 the 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 the 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 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 August 23rd, 2018.

Personal Representative:
Adele E. Smith
18140 Riverchase Court
Alva, FL 33920

Attorney for Personal Representative:

Kevin A. Kyle
Attorney for Adele E. Smith
Florida Bar Number: 9805995
GREEN SCHOENFELD & KYLE LLP
1380 Royal Palm Square Boulevard
Fort Myers, Florida 33919
Telephone: (239) 936-7200 Fax: (239) 936-7997
E-Mail: kevin@kylelaw.com
280747 CN 8/30/9/6/2018

**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR GLADES COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
File No. CP 2018-040**

IN RE: ESTATE OF
HAPPY JONES
Deceased.

PROBATE DIVISION

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of Happy Jones, deceased, whose date of death was April 8, 2018, is pending in the Circuit Court for Glades County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 500 Avenue J SW, 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 on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court ON OR BEFORE 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.

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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 August 30th, 2018.

Personal Representative:
Joletta Kay John-Carney
6350 N. 33rd Street
Hollywood, FL 33024

Jocelyn K. Skipper
SWAINE & HARRIS, PA.
Attorneys for Personal Representative
425 South Commerce Avenue
Sebring, FL 33870
Telephone: (863) 385-1549
Florida Bar No. 0118430
E-Mail Address: jocelyn@heartlandlaw.com
282700 GCD 8/30/9/6/2018

Palmetto berry rules draw questions

Special to INI Florida

The Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services has released answers to a few questions the public has been raising about the recent change in regulations that now requires harvesters of saw palmetto berries to get permits before offering Florida-grown berries for sale.

The new regulations took effect July 17.

They require, for a landowner harvesting palmetto berries for sale from his own property, that a Native Plant Harvesting Permit (no fee required) be obtained from the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Plant Industry. The permit application must be submitted 14 days prior to the intended date of harvest.

A contract harvester of palmetto berries on public or private land must possess written permission from the landowner or his legal representative prior to harvest, as well as a Native Plant Harvesting Permit from the department prior to harvest.

Any person transporting for sale, selling, or offering for sale saw palmetto berries, which were harvested from the person's own property, must possess a Native Plant Harvesting Permit from the department.

If found by law enforcement officials to not meet these requirements above, the harvester or person transporting for sale, selling, or offering for sale saw palmetto berries may be charged with a misdemeanor. The illegally harvested berries will be confiscated and returned to the owner. If the owner cannot be located, the berries will be destroyed.

• Question: Do you need multiple permits for each property you'll be harvesting on?

Answer: No, you can just list the multiple properties on one permit, attaching a separate sheet and listing the properties there, if necessary.

• Question: Do you need multiple harvesting permits for each person harvesting berries?

Answer: No, you can simply list the people on one permit in the space provided and make a copy for each person listed.

• Question: What if there are too many people to list in the space provided that will be harvesting?

Answer: Simply list whoever will be in charge, for instance the supervisors/crew leaders, so that they may vouch for those picking under them.

• Q: Do you need a permit if you are harvesting on your own land?

Answer: Yes, if you plan to transport and sell the berries.

• Question: Do you need letters of permission for each property?

Answer: Yes; however, if one person owns multiple properties, then they can just list those multiple properties on their one letter of permission for that individual.

• Question: Does a buyer, transporter or processor need a harvesting permit?

Answer: No. The only exception is if they are also the property owner of land where

the berries are being harvested.

• Question: Are buyers, transporters or processors required to carry copies of the permits and permission letters from the people they purchase berries from?

Answer: The buyers, transporters and processors must have the written permission letters in their immediate possession at all times; however, the buyers, transporters and processors are not required to have a permit.

• Question: What if you get permission to harvest on another property after you have already sent in your permit?

Answer: Make a copy of your current permit and send it in along with the permission letter for the new property.

• Question: What is the cost of the permit?

Answer: There is no cost for this permit.

• Question: Can you harvest on state or public land?

Answer: You should contact the state, county or city authorities for permission to harvest from public lands. Currently, the Florida Forest Service is not giving permission to harvest from Florida Forest Service properties. However, if access is received, you must have written permission from the agency.

• Question: How do you identify the property that you will be harvesting from on the application?

Answer: You can either provide the Section, Township, Range (STR), Latitude /Longitude (Lat/Long) coordinates, parcel numbers, address for the property, or print out a map showing the outline of the property obtained from the property appraisers website. If using STR or Lat/Long coordinates, a description of the location for those coordinates should be included.

• Question: How long does it take to process the permit application?

Answer: Review of the application may take up to 14 days depending upon the information provided.

• Question: Can you start harvesting prior to obtaining a permit?

Answer: No, you must have the permit and written permissions on your person while harvesting.

• Question: Is there any documentation needed for berries entering/exiting Florida?

Answer: Shipments should be accompanied by a bill of lading or similar document. This would include name and address of the shipper or consignor, name and physical address of the receiver or consignee, a description of the plants or products in the shipment, the place and state of origin, and finally the ultimate destination if different from receiver or consignee.

Public Notice

**NOTICE: AUCTION on Friday,
September 14th 2018
At 9:00 am
at 1225 N.W. Avenue L,
Belle Glade, Florida**

Property of: Cynthia Moreno:
Washer, Livingroom Suite,
Microwave, Dinette Set and Bags.

Property of: Jeffrey Tate:
Christmas Decorations, Bikes,
Boxes Miscellaneous Items.

Property of: Bobby Brown:
Washer & Dryer, TV, Headboard
& FT Board.

Property of: Bobby Wright:
Toys, Clothes, Boxes & Bins.
284613 SUN 9/6,13/2018

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
CLEWISTON TOWING & AUTO
SALVAGE** gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicles on 09/17/2018 10:00 a.m. at 600 E. SUGARLAND HWY Clewiston, FL 33440-3213, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. CLEWISTON TOWING & AUTO SALVAGE reserves the right to accept

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285261 CN 9/06/2018

PUBLIC NOTICE

To whom it may concern,
The Glades County Sheriff's Office has located a cow in the Muse area. The cow may be identified and claimed by the owner(s). Please contact Detective Sergeant Daryl Sherley at 863-946-1600 ext. 2111 if you have any information or to retrieve the cow.
AD 283708
GCD 08/30, 9/6/2018

When doing those chores is doing you in, it's time to look for a helper in the classifieds.

Find it faster. Sell it sooner in the classifieds

Fictitious Name

FICTITIOUS NAME

Let it be known that VFW Ride Group, P.O. Box 738, Moore Have Florida 33471 has filed for a fictitious name with the state of Florida on before August 1, 2018.
284627 GCD 9/6,13/2018

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO REGISTER FICTITIOUS NAME

The undersigned does hereby certify that Suzanne Mitchell Boutique business at 122 S. W.C. Owen Ave, Florida, under the fictitious name of Shelby's Boutique and that said firm is composed of the following persons whose names and places of residence are as follows:

Shelby Suzanne Mitchell
122 S. W.C. Owen Avenue
Clewiston, FL 33440
Ownership of Shelby's Boutique is as follows:

Shelby Suzanne Mitchell
122 S. W.C. Owen Avenue
Clewiston, FL 33440

It is my intentions to apply to the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations to register the said name of Shelby's Boutique under the provisions of Chapter 90-267, laws of Florida Acts of 1991.

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Gove Elementary awarded Everglades Champion School

It was another "Glowing Green Year" at Gove Elementary. Through team effort from students, families, the school and the community, Gove Elementary School received another grant plus recognition from the Everglades Foundation as a 2018 Gold Level Everglades Champion School. Shown are Green Team members Ellen Smith, Shelly Miller, Gayle Zavala and Bridget Lutz, Gove's volunteer extraordinaire, Florencio Zavala, and school Principal Kim Thomasson.

Glades Day FFA off to a remarkable school year!

By Camber Pope
Glades Day FFA reporter

This year on Aug. 24 and 25, there were three lucky student officers from Glades Day FFA who attended the Chapter Presidents Conference in Orlando. Peyton Pelham, Leena Bolanos and Camber Pope along with their advisor, Kalyn Hartley, had a blast learning ways they can improve their chapter as they made their "mark" advocating for agriculture.

Throughout that weekend, they attended several workshops where they developed leadership skills to benefit their chapter. Some of the workshops they attended, just to name a few, were: "Inclusion/diversity," "How to Run a Meeting," "Community Service" and "Science of Utilizing Social Media." These workshops prepared them to lead their organization in a positive and impacting way throughout the thrilling year ahead.

Through this and other events, Glades Day FFA is striving to meet the FFA Mission, which states, "FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing

their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education."



Special to The Sun/Courtesy photo FFA student officers Peyton Pelham, Camber Pope and Leena Bolanos attended the Chapter Presidents Conference in Orlando.

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