Ban on Importation, Transportation of Four Giant Snakes

Snakes threaten the Everglades area, ecosystem

BY VALERIE FALLOWS
FWS

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has finalized a rule that would ban the importation and interstate transportation of four nonnative constrictor snakes that threaten the Everglades and other sensitive ecosystems across the United States, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar announced today.

The final rule – which incorporates public comments, economic analysis, and environmental assessment – lists the Burmese python, the yellow anaconda, and the northern and southern African pythons as injurious wildlife under the Lacey Act in order to restrict their spread in the wild in the United States. It is expected to publish in the Federal Register in the coming days.

“Thanks to the work of our scientists, Senator Bill Nelson, and others, there is a large and growing understanding of the real and immediate threat that the Burmese python and other invasive snakes pose to the Everglades and other ecosystems in the United States,” Salazar said. “The Burmese python has already gained a foothold in the Florida Everglades, and we

SEE SNAKES • 11

The girls soccer team played hard against St. John Neumann, but unfortunately lost during the Terrier’s Senior Soccer Night. For more pictures, turn to page 20.
GLADES AT A GLANCE

The Muse Community Association
- Jan. 19: Regular meeting, Election of Officers for the coming year
- Jan. 21: Bingo at 6 p.m. (3rd Saturday of each month)
- Jan. 28: Country Jam Session and Pot Luck Dinner at 6 p.m.

All of the events will be held at the Muse Community Center Building on Loblolly Bay Road (Hwy. 720). For more information, please call 863-674-0467.

Glades County Gun Club

The Glades County Gun Club located on Hwy. 78 E. and Gun Club Road, will have an open shoot on Saturday, Jan. 28.

The gate is opened at 8 a.m., safety briefing then pistol shooting starts at 8:15 a.m. and long gun shooting begins at 9 a.m. All members are urged to attend and anyone interested in joining the Gun Club is welcome.

If you have any questions, please call 863-675-2487 and ask for Linda or David Whidden.

Annual Mammogram

The Glades County Health Department encourages readers to schedule their annual mammogram. For more information, call 863-946-0707.

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Glades Youth Athletic Association

Glades Youth Athletic Association will have a meeting Thursday, Jan. 19, at 5 p.m. at the city ballfield concession stand.

This meeting we be to elect new officers and to discuss general issues and sign-up dates for GCYAA this season. If you are interested in coaching or volunteering please attend this meeting. If you have any questions, please contact Jerri Lynn Schulter at 863-227-1201.

South Florida Reining Horse Association

Learn to stop, spin, and circle your reinb horse. South Florida Reining Horse Association (SFRHA) presents a clinic series on Saturday, Jan. 28, at the Fred Smith Arena in Brighton. These clinics held in conjunction with SFRHA Jackpot Shows on Jan. 28 and 29.
Audubon Bird-Watching Tours Spread Wings to Palm Beach County

New tour follows Christmas Bird Count documenting 118 species south of Lake Okeechobee

More than 50 Audubon volunteers made the trip to STA-5 just south of Lake Okeechobee in Hendry County for a day of intensive bird watching. Of the diverse array of bird species sighted within a 15-mile radius of the STA-5-Clewiston site, highlights included a snow goose, gray kingbird, Cassin’s kingbird and a white-throated sparrow.

The bird count at STA-5 once again served as a prelude to another partnership year of Audubon/SFWMD birding tours that showcase wildlife and public access on lands managed in perpetuity by the District for Everglades restoration.

The more than 6,000-acre constructed wetland, just south of Clewiston, is today one of 489 sites on The Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail. Served by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), the sites are selected for their prolific bird watching or bird education and wildlife-viewing opportunities.

The District provides a variety of recreational opportunities on public lands while continuing to manage them to support environmental restoration, water supply, water quality and flood control missions. At present, the District has opened 621,000 acres of land to the public. Many of these properties are in their natural state or have enhancements such as picnic tables, informational kiosks, campsites and hiking trails. For more information on recreational opportunities throughout the District’s 16-county region, visit www.sfwmd.gov/recreation.

Local photographers snapped shots of dozens of birds at recent bird-watching and Christmas Bird Count trips to Stormwater Treatment Areas. Pictured is a Peregrine Falcon.
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WEATHER

Weather forecast for Hendry, Glades, and Western Palm Beach counties collected from the National Weather Service.

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Tips To Prevent Memory Loss As You Age

You may not realize it, but you can take steps to keep your brain fit and flexible as you age. In fact, some experts now say that through proper diet and routine mental health exercises, you even can delay the onset of Alzheimer’s disease long enough to avoid experiencing the symptoms.

“The sooner you start to protect your brain against Alzheimer’s, the sooner you will notice improvement – not only in recall and mental focus, but also in energy level, mood, general health, and sense of well-being,” says Dr. Gary Small, M.D., Professor at UCLA, and author of the new book “The Alzheimer’s Prevention Program” (Workman Publishers).

Eat brain food
Stock up on food filled with antioxidants like berries, avocados, and raw vegetables; omega-3s; and whole grains and legumes; and memory-boosting spices like turmeric and cumin. Alcohol in moderation can be beneficial too, so don’t shy away from a glass of wine or beer at dinner.

Train your brain
You can cross-train your brain, by jumping from right-brain to left-brain workouts. “The Alzheimer’s Prevention Program,” offers great daily mental workouts that combine wordplay, letter scrambles, 3-D drawings, tricky equations, logic challenges, and number sequences.

For more information, visit www.drgarysmall.com.

Practicing yoga helps relieve stress, which can be very beneficial later in life.

Reduce your stress
Practice yoga, meditate; take a vacation or even just a bath. “Stress can temporarily impair one’s learning and recall,” says Small. “By taking away sources of stress, or reacting to stress differently, you can improve your memory.”

Seth Wyatt Garvey, 20
MOORE HAVEN — Seth Wyatt Garvey, age 20, of Moore Haven, passed away Friday, Dec. 30, 2011, in a tragic motorcycle accident in Glades County.

Seth was born April 16, 1991, in Fort Myers. He is the son of Everett “Buddy” William and Betty Kay (Browning) Garvey III.

Seth graduated from Moore Haven High School in 2009. Seth was quick to smile and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

He is survived by his father, Everett William Garvey III; mother, Betty Kay (Browning) Garvey; two brothers, Jesse Alan Wallace and Cole William Garvey; and grandmother, Sharon McCormick.

The funeral service was noon, Wednesday, Jan. 4, at First Baptist Church Of Moore Haven, with Rev. Sherrill Tillery and Pastor Earl Cline officiating. Interment was in Ortona Cemetery. Arrangements by Akin-Davis Funeral Home - LaBelle.

Obituaries
Obituaries should be submitted by sending e-mail to obits@newszap.com. Customers may also request photos and links to online guest books. A link to the obituaries is available at www.newszap.com.

Herman Goodson, 88
BELLE GLADE — Herman Goodson, age 88, of Belle Glade, died Wednesday, Jan. 11, 2012, in Belle Glade.

He was born Dec. 14, 1923, in Springfield, Ala., to David and Besie Goodson. Mr. Goodson proudly served in the United States Army during the WWII Conflict in the invasion of France. He moved to Belle Glade in 1964 coming from Alabama and was an Insurance Manager. In addition he was a member of the Church of Christ in Belle Glade, DAV member and enjoyed fishing, life, traveling and his family.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mildred Goodson; daughter, Judy Dianne; brothers, Fred Goodson and Gene Goodson; and mother, Besie Dowling.

He is survived by his children, Freddielyn, Wayne, Wanda, Inge, Judy Faye, David and Jennifer; sisters, Tommie Thompson (Tom), Jackie Faulkner (Forest); nephew, Marty Faulkner and family; 17 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and eight great-great-grandchildren.

The family will receive friends on Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012, from 1:30 p.m. until service time of 2:30 p.m., at the Buxton Funeral Home Chapel, 110 NE 5th Street, Okeechobee. Interment will be following in Port Mayaca Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Church of Christ Belle Glade, 125 NW Ave. D, Belle Glade, FL 33430.

Family Eye Care sells electronic focusing prescription glasses
Family Eye Care has always been an innovator in offering the newest technology in eye care to the residents of LaBelle and surrounding areas. They are very proud to announce that they now offer available Pixel Optics’ revolutionary emPower! eyeglasses, the world’s first electronic focusing prescription eyewear. They are the first and currently the only vision care practitioners in Hendry County to offer this new technology.

The eyeglasses feature composite lenses with a thin transparent LCD-like layer, microchips, micro-machine accelerometers and miniature rechargeable batteries. With all this they have the same weight, feel and look of your everyday high fashion eyewear design. The eyewear cost about $2,150 for a complete pair, which includes the frame, lenses, coatings, and all electronic components including a charger.

“We are happy to offer our patients this cutting edge vision correction option. Bifocals or the reading power in progressive lenses often interfere with daily activity. Walking up and down steps is a perfect example. Being able to have the reading power off to reduce it is a real breakthrough,” says Dru Parish and Youmans.

The microchip, micro-accelerometers, and miniature batteries are hidden discreetly in the temples of the frames. The transparent liquid crystal layer in each lens is able to electronically change and activate the near focus zone of the lens only when needed without making a sound or change in the appearance of the lens. Just touch the frame to adjust your view, or set it to do it automatically, emPower! offers instant, automatic vision correction for all ranges of sight, less distortion and wider fields of view compared to a traditional progressive lens. This gives you unprecedented control over your vision!

Weavers can choose to operate the eyeglasses in three different modes: manual on, automatic and manual off.

Family Eye Care offers a free quote! One charge of the battery allows operation for two to three days of use.

Stop by the optical at Family Eye Care and let Tom, Natalie or Tracy give you a no obligation demonstration. No appointment necessary. Office hours are Monday-Friday 8:30-5:00, except Thursday 7:30-7:00. We also have hours on some Saturdays.
Mark your calendar. The 15th Annual Great Backyard Bird Count will be held Feb. 17 to 20. Discover and help the birds in your community. The GBBC is fun, family-friendly, and educational. It is free and open to birders of all ages and skill levels. Everything you need to know to participate is on the GBBC website at www.birdcount.org including instructions, regional checklists, FAQ’s, classroom activities and a how-to-video.

For the past five years Clewiston has been in the Top Ten for the number of birds reported during the count. Students and adults from Clewiston, Belle Glades, Felda, LaBelle and Okeechobee submitted reports in 2011.

It is easy to participate in this four day free event. Just spend 15 minutes or more each day during the count then enter your tallies on the GBBC website. If you don’t have internet access you may request forms from Margaret England.

The Great Backyard Bird Count helps scientists learn about the distribution of bird species including the Black-crowned Night Heron. This is the most widespread heron in the world with a range that spans five continents. They live in various freshwater and salt water wetland habitats.

This medium-sized stocky heron has shorter legs, bills and necks than egrets or “day” herons. They have large heads. Their posture is normally hunched when they are resting, but they will extend their necks when hunting.

Adults have a thick black bill, black cap and back, gray wings and white underparts. Immature birds are brown with white spots on the wings with broad indistinct streaks on the underparts and mostly yellow bill. This bird’s call is a loud harsh high-pitched squawk.

During the day they often rest in trees or bushes. Black-crowned Night Heron are most active at dusk and at night where they forage in the same areas as other heron species for food. Their diet consists of “fish, crustaceans, small amphibians, reptiles, nest birds, mammals as well as other aquatic organisms “(Florida Breeding Bird Atlas). They grasp their prey instead of stabbing it with their bill.

Their nest is a platform of sticks placed in a tree or cattails near or over water. Three to five egg blue-green eggs will hatch in 24 to 26 days with the young fledging at about 42 days. These colony nesters will sometimes brood chicks that aren’t their own.

You are invited to join Hendry-Glades Audubon volunteers in their search for Black-crowned Night Herons and wintering and resident birds during birding trips to STA5 located 20 miles south of Clewiston. For reservations for these free trips or to receive the Hendy-Glades Audubon digital newsletter, e-mail Margaret England sta5-birding@embarqmail.com or call 863-674-0955 or 863-517-0202.

The schedule of STA5 trips through December 2012 and upcoming Hendry-Glades Audubon programs is available on the HGAS website at www.hendrygladesaudubon.org. Visit the Hendry-Glades Audubon Facebook page. Check out the Big “O” Birding Festival to be held in Hendry and Glade County March 28-31 at www.bigobirdingfestival.com Online registration is available.
Can You Hear Him Now?

BY PASTOR JOHN HICKS
First United Methodist Church

In 2005, Verizon Wireless created one of the most memorable marketing campaigns ever. In their commercials, a so-called "test man," accompanied by a crowd of network engineers, travels the country asking the simple question, "Can you hear me now?"

The “catch phrase” caught on. It seemed people could relate to the struggle to connect. Folks were tired of dropped calls and unreliable communication systems. Verizon sent a message that they wanted desperately to connect with its subscribers and wanted its subscribers to be able to connect with each other.

At the risk of selling Him short, God has done the same. God wants to connect with His people and wants His people to be able to connect with each other.

God is trying to reach His people with a message. The question is: Will they respond to God or put God through to voicemail? Will you?

The decisions we make and the actions we take affect not only us, but also those around us. Like it or not, all of us are influencers in our families, our companies, our schools, our neighborhoods, and our churches. Good decisions can have a positive impact, and bad decisions can have a negative impact.

And it’s not just our present times that can be affected. Think in terms of generations. The decisions you make today can impact future generations. What will your children say of you? What will your grandchildren say of you? What do you want them to say?

The good news is God has a plan and God can enter into our life and turn it into a story of great positive impact on others. God is calling out to you to connect with you to help make this happen.

Much like a call on your cell phone, you can hit the “accept” button or the “reject” button. You have the power to send God to voicemail and make Him wait. Or you can answer His call today. The decisions we make and the actions we take affect us and those around us. The network affects us and those around us. The decisions we make and the actions we take affect us and those around us.

But remember this—the wrong desires that come into your life aren’t anything new and different. Many others have faced exactly the same problems before you. And no temptations is irresistible. You can trust God to keep the temptation from becoming so strong that you can’t stand up against it, for He has promised this will do what He says, He will show you how to escape temptation’s power so that you can bear up patiently against it.

Limits to Growth: Healthy or Unhealthy?

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

When I worked with children in crisis, a part of the effort to be of help involved finding out how things came to be at home. Homes were sometimes transitory and lacked stability; parents, stepparents and guardians each had their own “spin” on why a child was a “problem” and needed outside help.

Staff learned a better source of information was often grandparents. They often weren’t the immediate problem, they were able to distance themselves from the day-to-day chaos, had some maturity that left them with fewer axes to grind, and were less defensive about being considered contributors to the problem situation. Many times people were afraid that family secrets would be revealed and then there would be real consequences.

“Don’t talk too much, keep the lid on things, be quiet about the things that we never mention.”

The hope was that things could limp along and nobody would be too disturbed, accepting the myths of well-being, ignoring festering problems and tolerating the mediocrity or putting on a good front.

When things got out of hand, the hope was to get things fixed up enough to allow a return to the semi-comfortable rut of the past but not to shake up the whole system. A part of the value of the program was to give children a “time out” or time away from the chaos and anger and dysfunctional system; then to see things from another view. A new perspective might bring healing and strength; and it sometimes did. Jesus encountered those from his home town after being away for awhile (Matthew 13:53ff).

He began teaching and people in his home town were “amazed.” They recognized He had gone beyond them and asked “Where did this man get this wisdom and these miraculous powers?” Then they pointed out that, after all, He was Mary’s son, and His brothers and sisters are also a part of the local community.

How could Jesus have gotten all of these things? Then came the resentment! Scriptures tell us “And they took offense at him! (vv. 57).” Why? Why would somebody be offended when a child grows, learns, develops, advances?

Are we seeing jealousy or fear, or a living testimony that there is a better way of living and that being bogged down in the old way of living isn’t always the best.

What did Jesus do that apparently upset everyone? I would conjecture that He simply told the truth of what it was all about: truth in reality is a big part of “wisdom.” Jesus comments on His teaching and what it will bring. “Hold on to my teaching, you are really my disciples, Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free (John 8:31-32).”

Want to help people grow? Want to help children in a chaotic and troubled world? We begin by telling the truth; even when painful and even when it points out our human weaknesses. Evidently, those in Jesus’ home town weren’t ready.

Sometimes...

BY JACKIE MILLER, EVANGELIST
First Christian Church

Sometimes. We must be hurt in order to grow. We must fail in order to know. We must lose in order to gain. Some lessons are learned best only through pain.

Sometimes ... Our vision clears only after our own eyes are washed with tears. Sometimes ... We have to be broken, so we can be tender; Sick so we can rest and think better; On things more important than work or fun; Trip near death, so we can assess how we’ve run.

Sometimes ... We have to suffer lack, so we can know God’s provision, Feel another’s pain, so we can have a sense of mission. So take to

Religion Columns

Janet Smith earns title of Certified Hand Therapist

Hendry Regional Rehabilitation Services is proud to announce that Janet Smith, Registered Occupational Therapist, has earned the distinguished designation of Certified Hand Therapist (CHT), after completing all required examinations and clinical studies in November of this past year. Janet has been with Hendry Regional Rehabilitation Services for 15 years, working in both the Clewiston and LaBelle offices. Janet’s CHT credential offers assurance to those in our community that she has achieved the highest recognition of competency in the profession of upper limb rehabilitation.

The Hand Therapy Certification Commission, Inc. (HTCC) is the only organization in the United States that grants hand certification. Janet has met all requirements set forth by the Commission. These requirements include at least five years of clinical experience as an Occupational Therapist, a minimum of 4,000 hours of direct practice in hand therapy, and successful completion of advanced clinical skills and therapy in upper limb rehabilitation. Along with Janet, there are approximately 5,400 individuals, world-wide, who hold this marked designation.

For additional information regarding hand therapy, call Hendry Regional Rehabilitation at 863-983-0100 (Clewiston) or 863-675-6600 (LaBelle).
Florida Citrus Hall of Fame Announces 2012 Inductees for 50th Anniversary Celebration

The Selection Committee for The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame has announced three distinguished leaders will be inducted into the Hall during the 50th Anniversary Citrus Celebration Luncheon on Friday, Mar. 2, at Florida Southern College in Lakeland.

In honor of the 50th Anniversary, a Golden Jubilee Gala will also be held the following evening highlighting the Florida citrus industry and recognizing all members of the Florida Citrus Hall of Fame, with several other events scheduled over the weekend to help celebrate the occasion.

Robert J. Barben, of Avon Park, Frank M. Hunt, II, of Lake Wales and Dr. W. Bernard Lester, of Lakeland, will be honored during the luncheon scheduled to take place at 11:30 a.m. in the Hollis Wellness Center at Florida Southern College in Lakeland on Friday, Mar. 2.

An Avon Park citrus and cattle producer, Barben is the President of Robert J. Barben, Inc. and was a founding member of both the Highlands County Citrus Growers Association and the Florida Agricultural Tax Council, which he also chaired. He served on the Florida Department of Citrus Marketing Advisory Council since its inception in 1969, chairing it for over 20 years during a lengthy legal battle that involved numerous trips to Tallahassee. A big research proponent of the University of Florida’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (IFAS), Barben has been active with the SHARE Council since 1973, serving on the executive board and as its chair, during which time he helped raise almost $2 million for a new building at the Citrus Research and Education Center in Lake Alfred.

He was a longtime board member for Florida Citrus Mutual, Adams Packing Company, and the Growers’ Administrative Committee, and has been on the board of Growers Fertilizer Company since 1953. He was a member and former chairman of the Florida citrus Production Manager’s Association since the early ’50s and served on the Highlands County Soil & Water Conservation District Board for over 30 years, chairing for over 20; served two terms as mayor of Avon Park; and was President of Florida Agricultural Services and Technology (FAST), Highlands Independent Bank Board of Directors and the Florida Hospital Foundation. Hall of Fame member Hugh English commented: “His wonderful public service and loyalty to the industry makes him truly worthy of the honor.”

A fifth-generation Floridian, Hunt is Chairman of the Board of Hunt Bros., Inc., an 83-year-old citrus company which was founded by his father, Deeley Hunt, also in the Florida Citrus Hall of Fame. He has played a key role in the development of the successful cooperative of Citrus World, Inc. – now known as Florida’s Natural, as well as in the fields of citrus processing, fresh fruit marketing, operating supplies and banking. He was a board member of Citrus World for over 50 years, serving as President and Chairman of the board from 1973 to 2003, during which time he led the shift from producing product to marketing it, resulting in the introduction of the Florida’s Natural brand.

Under his quiet, resourceful leadership, the cooperative has grown to be the largest citrus co-op in Florida, along the way also creating a supplies cooperative that is now known today as Highland Exchange Services Cooperative, or HESCO. In addition, he helped shape the future of the U.S. farm credit system as a member of the committee that formed what is now CoBank, and served on its board of directors during the pivotal formative years. He was President and chairman of the board of both Seald Sweet Growers and HESCO, and on the board of the Florida Citrus Packers and Florida Fresh Citrus Shippers Assn., to name just a few. A Bull Gator and a Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow, he is the recipient of the prestigious John T. Lesley award from the Florida Citrus Packers and a member of the Co-operative Hall of Fame. “He was always doing his job and serving the industry, and was very much admired in many different arenas,” said Hall of Fame member Ben Hill Griffin, III.

Dr. Lester worked for the Florida Department of Citrus from 1967 to 1986, beginning as a research economist and working his way up to Executive Director in 1979.

During his tenure, he dealt with challenges ranging from marketing some of the largest crops in Florida history to working through devastating freezes, trade and tariff challenges, increased imports, diseases, as well as sending orange juice adulterators to jail to maintain the quality of Florida juice products. He went on to join Alico, Inc., where he was on the board of directors for almost 20 years, and also served on the board of directors for Orange-Co, Inc., Gulf Citrus Growers Association, the Florida Land Board, and the Board of Trustees for Florida Gulf Coast University.

A member of the Florida Blue Key since 1960, he received the Florida Citrus Processor’s Award for dedicated services, as well as awards from the Florida Department of Citrus, Florida Assn. of County Agents, American Business Women’s Assn., Boy Scouts of America, and a number of awards from Alpha Gamma Rho for his outstanding service and guidance.

He has served in numerous capacities for a variety of educational and service organizations, including the IFAS Leadership Development Program, Hendry County Extension Advisory Committee, Southwest Florida Research and Education Foundation, South Florida Agricultural Council, Future Farmers of America, 4H, Farm Bureau and Future Business Leaders of America, and he always wanted what was best for the industry.”

The Florida Citrus Hall of Fame honors distinguished leaders who have made significant contributions to the Florida citrus industry.

The Citrus Hall of Fame display and Archive Center is located within the McKay Archive Building at Florida Southern College in Lakeland. For more information on the Citrus Hall of Fame or the Golden Jubilee activities, visit the website at www.FloridaCitrusHallofFame.com or contact Brenda Eubanks Burnette at 561-351-4314.

Tickets to the luncheon, which is sponsored by Florida Citrus Mutual and the Florida Department of Citrus, are $50 for general admission, $100 for reserved Patron Seating or $1,000 for a Sponsor Table, which includes preferred seating for 8, table signage, two tickets to the Gala and a listing in the program.

The event will be followed by an “OJ “Meet & Greet” with the inductees as they unveil their names on the Florida citrus Hall of Fame Tree, located in the McKay Archives Center.

An historic Citrus Exhibit will be featured, along with Oral History Presentations of industry pioneers, a Citrus Label Show & Sale and tours of the Citrus Archives. Shuttles will provide transportation between the Hollis Wellness Center and the McKay Archives Center, where the main parking lot is located. Ticket prices for the Golden Jubilee Gala the following evening are the same, with table sponsors receiving two tickets to the luncheon.
Roadwatch for the Week of Jan. 15

Glades County

• US 27: From the Bridge to SR 78 east: Maintenance contract project — Crews will be cleaning the sewers. No lane closures are anticipated and motorists should expect possible slow moving traffic.

Hendry County

• SR 80/US 27 Interchange Improvements: Construction project — This project modifies the SR 80/US 27 interchange by constructing an overpass for SR 80 eastbound traffic to US 27 northbound and for US 27 northbound traffic to SR 80 westbound. The project also realigns US 27. Motorists are advised to be aware of construction vehicles entering and leaving the work zone project and to use caution driving in this area.

• SR 29: South from CR 832 (Keri Road) to A Road: Maintenance permit project — Crews will be placing power poles and fiber in this area. Motorists should expect possible lane closures, weather permitting with flagmen on site to assist with traffic.

Glades County Historical Society Adds to Local History

BY ANNE COFFEY

The annual Christmas Open House sponsored by the GCHS was a gala occasion as local citizens shared Christmas punch and dozens of delectable foods. Folks from Lakeport, Buckhead Ridge, Lake Placid, Moore Haven Yacht Club and other resort parks admired the old-fashioned Christmas tree donated and decorated by secretary, Julie Wigton and member, Donald Miles. Tree ornaments were made of natural materials used in the early 1900s.

Evergreen boughs highlighted an antique china cabinet donated by the club’s treasurer, Al Schauseil. An antique chaise lounge, found in the first bank built in Moore Haven, seemed to be the most popular place to sit.

Other antique pieces such as a sewing cabinet donated by Janet Getchell of Lakeport and an electric cooking range donated by LaVerne and Dan Lawrence of M Resort, helped many visitors to recall stories of their childhood Christmases.

Griffin Electric may have to pay their employee John, overtime, because the conscientious man worked overtime to move the stove and get it in working order.

“Thanks to the city of Moore Haven, the front lawn had been well-mowed, and next door neighbor, Terry Gates, offered his overflow refrigerator for the groups perishable foods. Donations from neighbor, Pete Gouveia, and other friends helped make the fun event possible,” said Ms. Wigton.

The house, constructed by the first pharmacist in Glades County, Pieter Westergaard, is open to all and had been partially restored by our tax dollars.

Future plans include writing grants, fundraisers for an antique refrigerator, planning an event to highlight the history of this entire area over 1,000 years ago, and a firm calendar on the GCHS website to allow interested people to view these events and help schedule events, public and private. Private parties are asked to pay $25 for the use of the house.

Non-profit groups can use the house free of charge. All are asked to clean up afterwards and to donate items or cash to help with building maintenance. Vital donations include paper towels and other maintenance items. Members are always welcome to help maintain and keep the building clean.

Longtime treasurer, Al Schauseil, has asked to be replaced due to illness. Mr. Schauseil has been invaluable regarding his excellent bookkeeping skills and artwork on the computer.

He created an attractive brochure and logo along with member’s business cards and flyers for all the club events. It will be difficult to replace him or ever thank him enough.

The first meeting of 2012 is scheduled for Friday, Jan. 27 at 7 p.m. All are invited. We all hope you and yours had a wonderful holiday season and Christmas. We wish you a Happy Healthy New Year!

For more information, please call Ms. Wigton at 863-946-2060 or Ms. Coffey at 863-801-5199.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF NEW COUNTY COMMISSION DISTRICTS FOR THE HENDRY COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Notice is hereby given that the Hendry County Board of County Commissioners adopted new County Commission district boundaries by Resolution No. 2011-89 on December 13, 2011. The previous district boundaries were changed in several places. A map showing the new boundaries is included in this advertisement.

Board of County Commissioners of Hendry County
Tristan Chapman, Chairman
must do all we can to battle its spread and to prevent further human contributions of invasive snakes that cause economic and environmental damage.”

The four species were assessed by the U.S. Geological Survey as having a high risk of establishing populations and spreading to other geographic areas in that agency’s 2009 report, *Giant Constrictors: Biological and Management Profiles and an Establishment Risk Assessment for Large Species of Pythons, Anacondas, and the Boa Constrictor*.

Sixty days after publication of the final rule in the Federal Register, interstate transport and importation of live individuals, gametes, viable eggs, or hybrids of the Burmese python, northern and southern African pythons and yellow anaconda into the United States will be prohibited. None of these species is native to the United States.

“Burmese pythons have already caused substantial harm in Florida,” said U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Director Dan Ashe. “By taking this action today, we will help prevent further harm from these large constrictor snakes to native wildlife, especially in habitats that can support constrictor snake populations across the southern United States and in U.S. territories.”

Ashe said the Service will continue to consider listing as injurious the five other species of nonnative snakes that the agency also proposed in 2010 – the reticulated python, boa constrictor, DeSchauensee’s anaconda, green anaconda and Beni anaconda. Once that process is completed, the Service will publish final determinations on those species.

Most people who own any of these four species will not be affected. Those who own any of these four species of snakes will be allowed to keep them if allowed by state law. However, they cannot take, send, or sell them across state lines. Those who wish to export these species may do so from a designated port within their state after acquiring appropriate permits from the Service.

The Burmese python has established breeding populations in South Florida, including the Everglades, that have caused significant damage to wildlife and that continue to pose a great risk to many native species, including threatened and endangered species. Burmese pythons on North Key Largo have killed and eaten highly endangered Key Largo wood rats, and other pythons preyed on endangered wood storks.

In the Everglades alone, state and federal agencies have spent millions of dollars addressing threats posed by pythons – an amount far less than is needed to combat their spread. If these species spread to other areas, state and federal agencies in these areas could be forced to spend more money for control and containment purposes.

Interior and its partners, including the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), South Florida Water Management District, and others are committed to controlling the spread of Burmese pythons and other large non-native constrictors. For example, FWC recently implemented the use of a “snake sniffing” dog to help in its efforts to find and eradicate large constrictor snakes. This dog was present at the Secretary’s announcement today, along with a 13-foot-long Burmese python.

Under the injurious wildlife provisions of the Lacey Act, the Department of the Interior is authorized to regulate the importation and interstate transport of wildlife species determined to be injurious to humans, the interests of agriculture, horticulture, forestry, or to wildlife or the wildlife resources of the United States.

For more information on injurious wildlife and efforts to list the four species of snakes as injurious under the Lacey Act, please visit at www.fws.gov/invasives/news.html.

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- **Jan. 22** - Purchase $100 or more in Pro Shop get Free cart
- **Jan. 23** - Play All Day for $25
- **Jan. 24** - Ladies First Golf 8:30 a.m. (Ladies Golf Assn.)
- **Jan. 26** - Members Play for $9; Crooked Hook 8:30 a.m.; Twilight Thu. 4 p.m.
- **Jan. 28** - Purchase $100 or more in Pro Shop get Free cart
- **Jan. 29** - Purchase $100 or more in Pro Shop get Free cart
- **Jan. 30** - Play All Day for $25
- **Jan. 31** - Ladies First Golf 8:30 a.m.; Swinging Golfers Mtr. Homes 10:30 a.m.

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In the event the certificate is not reclaimed, the certificate shall be deemed to be void and no liability shall be attached thereon. The certificate number, year of issuance, description of property and the name in which it was issued are as follows:

CERT. NO. 57521 CN/1/18/0/2012

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT PURSUANT TO A Writ of Execution (issued in the County of Hendry, Florida), Case Number: 1494, 2007, Pilar Home Developers, Inc., has applied for a Tax Deed to be issued thereon.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Hendry County Court with respect to any matter discussed at such meeting or work session, he/she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made. The notice and the proceedings are both a preliminary and not a final decision.

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The Department of Environmental Protection (Department) gives notice of its intent to issue an Environmental Resource Permit (ERP) (Water quality certification: File Number 621188-002) to E. R. Jahna Industries, Inc., 202 East Stuart Avenue, Lake Wales, Florida 33853 for a major modification of a surface water management system for an expanding sand mining operation. The mine is located at 12535 West State Road 78, approximately 11 miles west of Moore Haven, in Sections 14, 22, and 23, Township 42 South, Range 30 East, Glades County. The subject of the proposed modification is a sand mine located in the unconsolidated sediments of glauconite sands and micas, approximately 17.46 acres in area, within the Caloosahatchee River Basin. The area proposed to be disturbed consists of 9.8 acres of emergent aquatic vegetation, 1.0 acre of a meandering canal, 2.99 acres of open water, 5.4 acres of wetland scrub, 1.1 acres of canals and locks, 3.5 acres of roads, 1.6 acres of emergent aquatic vegetation, and 1.0 acres of residential.

The Department currently operates under ERP No. 621188-001 issued by the Department on March 10, 2004. In this modification, the applicant proposes (1) changing the permit area (surface water system and emergent wetland mitigation) from 383 acres to 517 acres; (2) dredging or filling an additional 2.8 acres of wetland scrub; (3) converting the open water to emergent aquatic vegetation with a 0.3-acre reservoir; (4) dredging or filling some of the onsite wetland mitigation to the Spirit of the Will Wild Management Area, (5) relocating the sand pit to the expansion area, (7) timing the Start of the Dredging or Filling of new areas, (8) increasing the buffer for the new areas on the property to 60 feet, (9) revising the time limit for the proposed changes, and (9) changing the expiration date of the construction phase of the permit from December 14, 2014, to December 14, 2024. The total property area will remain at 5.94 acres. Water from SR 78 will continue to flow south through the project area. There will be no impoundment.

The permittee has an Industrial Wastewater Permit (Florida Administrative Code Section 260-10.0055) to discharge waters of the state under the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit No. FL260-77-002. The starting and ending dates of the permit are May 1, 2011, and May 1, 2011, plus 5 years. The permit includes the discharge of 4,641 acres of water of Kissimmee River base (Nutrient Category 2), 6.9 acres of water from wetland marshes (Nutrient Category 3), 3.9 acres of water from wetland meadows (Nutrient Category 3), 0.7 acres of water from canals and locks, 0.6 acres of water from disturbed land, 0.5 acres of water from emergent aquatic vegetation, 0.2 acres of water, and 0.3 acres of channelized waterway.

The statutory and regulatory authority for issuing this ERP is Section 262.05, Florida Statutes, and Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., which provides minimum standards for dissolved oxygen levels in the surface waters of the state. The variances from these minimum standards, listed in Rule 62-110.530(31), F.A.C., are allowed in this ERP only if the Department has determined that these minimum standards are inadequate or impractical to ensure the health and well-being of the aquatic ecosystem. The minimum standards for dissolved oxygen are 2.0 mg/L, 2.5 mg/L, and 5.0 mg/L for the primary, secondary, and hypolimnetic layers, respectively.

In accordance with Rule 62-110.106(3), F.A.C., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant must be filed with the Department of Environmental Protection, Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000. If the petition is filed timely, the petition must be received by the Department of Environmental Protection at least 20 days before the date set forth in the notice of publication provided by the Department pursuant to this intent to issue notice in the Florida Administrative Register. A timely petition for an administrative hearing may be filed only by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., except that an application made jointly by two or more persons under paragraph (7) of subsection (1) of Section 373.621, F.S., may be considered a timely petition for an administrative hearing.

In accordance with Section 120.57(1), F.S., as provided below. If a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the Department will issue an ERP. If no sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, but proof of publication is provided, if required by this intent, and if a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the Department will issue an ERP. The mine is located at 12535 West State Road 78, approximately 11 miles west of Moore Haven, in Sections 14, 22, and 23, Township 42 South, Range 30 East, Glades County. The ERP issued in accordance with paragraph (1)(a) of this intent to issue constitutes an order of the Department. Subject to the provisions of Section 373.114(1)(a) of the Florida Administrative Code, Section 373.4275, F.S., or Section 373.114(1)(a) of the Florida Administrative Code, the notice of appeal must be filed within 30 days from the date of publication, or within 10 days from the date of mailing of the notice of appeal, whichever occurs first. If a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the Department will issue an ERP.

The ERP issued in accordance with paragraph (1)(b) of this intent to issue constitutes an order of the Department. Subject to the provisions of Section 120.57(1), F.S., as provided below. If a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the Department will issue an ERP. If no sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, but proof of publication is provided, if required by this intent, and if a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the Department will issue an ERP. If no sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, and if proof of publication is not provided, if required by this intent, the Department will issue an ERP.

In accordance with Section 120.57(1), F.S., a person who has requested an administrative hearing for a permit or permit modification may appeal the order to the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) by filing a notice of appeal under Section 373.114(1)(a), F.S., within 30 days from the date of the order. The OAH must hold an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. The petition must contain the information set forth below and must be received (by the clerk) in the Office of General Counsel of the Department of Environmental Protection, Office of General Counsel, 3900 Commonwealth Boulevard, Mail Station 35, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-3000. The Department of Environmental Protection shall, within 60 days from the date of publication, issue the ERP for the proposed changes and to the extent necessary to effect those changes, or such a permit as the Department shall determine.

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In accordance with Section 373.114(1)(a), F.S., petitions for an administrative hearing by the applicant must be filed within 14 days of receipt of the written notice. Petitions filed by any persons other than the applicant, and other than those entitled to written notice under Section 120.60(3), F.S., must be filed within 14 days of publication of the notice or within 21 days of receipt of the written notice, whichever occurs first. If a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the OAH will hold an administrative hearing to determine whether the activity proposed in the permit application will cause a variance from the established water quality standard for dissolved oxygen within the lower layers of the glauconite mine. In accordance with Section 373.114(1)(a), F.S., as provided below. If a sufficient petition for an administrative hearing is timely filed, the OAH will hold an administrative hearing to determine whether the activity proposed in the permit application will cause a variance from the established water quality standard for dissolved oxygen within the lower layers of the glauconite mine.
New Straughn Extension Professional Development Center

Patrecia (left) and Alto Straughn stand next to a photo presented to them that shows the blueberry medallion that adorns the front of the new Straughn Extension Professional Development Center on the University of Florida campus, during a building dedication ceremony Jan. 12, 2012. The couple donated money to help make the building’s construction possible. The new center is located at 2142 Shealy Drive and will be used for professional development and training activities for extension faculty from UF’s Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences.

“We work from a mutually beneficial relationship between IFAS extension agents and Florida growers, ranchers and farmers is long and enduring.” — Jack Payne, UF’s senior vice president for agriculture and natural resources, called the new center “more than a building.”

“The building is named for Alto Straughn and his wife, Patrecia, who donated funds that helped support its construction. Straughn is a well-known blueberry farmer and a former state extension specialist.”

Addressing the group, UF President Bernie Machen noted Straughn’s farming efforts, in which he worked closely with IFAS researchers to establish North Florida as a national leader in blueberry production. The crop now generates more than $65 million per year.

“A thriving blueberry crop is new to the Sunshine State,” Machen said. “But the mutually

Three Panther Deaths This Year

Rough start but births may offset

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The FWC continues to work with many partners to conserve and increase habitat available to panthers on both public and private lands.

This is a critical step to ensuring the survival of panthers, the official state animal of Florida.

People are encouraged to report sightings of an injured or dead panther by calling the FWC’s Wildlife Alert Hotline at 888-404-FWCC (3922) or #FWC or *FWC on a cell phone. Another option is texting Tip@MyFWC.com (standard usage fees may apply).

For more information on Florida panthers, go to www.floridapanther.net.org.

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Notice of Adoption of Resolution No. 2012-04 Imposing a Moratorium on Unregulated Fires Within Hendry County

Pursuant to Section 1-9-22 of the Hendry County Code of Ordinances, Hendry County gives notice that a moratorium has been imposed on unregulated fires within Hendry County. An unregulated fire means any outdoor fire other than a cookfire which is not permitted by a governmental agency. The moratorium imposed hereby shall be effective immediately and shall remain in effect until further action by the County.

Aviso de Adapcion de la Resolucion No. 2012-04 Imposicion de una Moratoria en Materia de Incendios No Regulado en el Condado de Hendry.

Conformidad con la Seccion 1-9-22 delCodigo de Condado de Hendry de Ordenanzas, Condado de Hendry da aviso de que se ha impuesto un moratoria sobre incendios en el Condado de Hendry. Un incendio no reglamentado significa cualquier incendio exterior distinta de fuego para cocinar con fuego que no esta permitido por una agencia del gobierno. La moratoria impuesta por el presente sera efectiva inmediatamente y permanecera en vigor hasta nuevas medidas por el condado.

Weekly Gas Update

Average retail gasoline prices in Florida have risen 1.1 cents per gallon in the past week, averaging $3.44/g yesterday.

This compares with the national average that has increased 1.1 cents per gallon in the last week to $3.34/g, according to gasoline price website.

Including the change in gas prices in Florida during the past week, prices yesterday were 3.4 cents per gallon higher than the same day one year ago and are 18.4 cents per gallon higher than a month ago.

The national average has increased 10.3 cents per gallon during the last month and stands 27.2 cents per gallon higher than this day one year ago.

“Gasoline prices have slowed their rise in the last week as oil prices have temporarily stabilized,” said GasBuddy.com Senior Petroleum Analyst Patrick DeHaan.

“I’m sure this leveling off in retail price won’t last terribly long as tension mounts with Iran. I still expect 2012 to be a nasty year for the typical motorist, which is what our recently released 2012 gasoline price outlook also states,” DeHaan said.


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For Unincorporated Areas
Of Hendry County

Odds and Ends Leftover from minor Home Repair?

Put it out on trash day for pickup!

Up to two (2) cubic yards of residentially generated construction & demolition debris can be set out for curbside pickup monthly.

How much is two (2) cubic yards? Two cubic yards equals four 39-gallon trash bags.

Similar to the bags shown above.

Call us if you have questions.
Special Districts/Waste Management
(863) 675-5252