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Rainbow Springs course for sale

Owner says now is time to sell; asking price \$3 million

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Almost three years after an exhaustive search of North and South Carolina and Florida to find the golf course of his dreams, Mark Kaprelian found

it here.

In October 2010, the Massachusetts native completed his purchase of Rainbow Springs Golf and Country Club.

Now, he's selling it. Price tag: \$3 million, though he has not officially listed the course with

a broker. Originally, he purchased it for \$2.4 million.

Kaprelian said his No. 1 reason to sell the course now, is a family reason.

He has three children, all age 10, who live in the Jacksonville area. Currently, a 2 1/2-

hour commute, he and his wife would like to live closer to his children, two girls and a boy.

"I want to be close to my three kids, they're triplets," he explained, noting he hopes to live within 30 minutes of them. "They're all involved in sports and other stuff, and I just want to be closer to them."

His second reason for choosing to sell now was the controversy that arose when he took over ownership of the course and country club.

"There's been a little bit of chaos and community issues we've had, which doesn't help matters," Kaprelian said. "The

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BACK TO BUSINESS



ABOVE: Jill Peterson, secretary at Dunnellon Middle School, provides teacher Johanna Stark with first-day paperwork to be filled out as teachers and staff returned to work in preparation for the first day of school Monday. BELOW: Kristen Vanderpool, a first-year teacher at Dunnellon Christian Academy, decorates her classroom.

Teachers, administrators spend week prepping to welcome students back

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Set the alarms, dust off the books, set out the new cool threads, Marion County schools are back in session for another year beginning Monday morning.

Teachers reported for work this past Monday and area schools will host a series of orientation dates today and Friday. With new students

and new schedules this year, parents may wish to visit their child's school during orientation sessions, a Marion County School District news release stated.

These events give parents and students the opportunity to become accustomed to their new or returning school outside normal class hours, the release stated. They also offer

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Hearing set for Ranch lawsuit

Group wants to intervene in city's deal

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Judge Frances S. King will hear from attorneys involved in the lawsuit against the city involving 14 individuals, Rainbow River Conservation Inc., as well as the state's Department of Community Affairs' (DCA) right to intervene regarding the city's deal with developer Jerry Dodd in regard to the Rainbow River Ranch.

The hearing is slated for 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 8, at the Marion County Courthouse. The hearing is open to the public, but citizens will not be allowed to speak.

The interim secretary of the DCA, which has been eliminated by Gov. Rick Scott, called the parties, or their representatives, together in May in an attempt to see if the dispute could be mitigated. The developer made an argument for the city/developer agreement, which resulted in a stalemate.

Subsequently, the four attorneys involved, including DCA, have agreed to a hearing in front of Judge King.

The group's lawsuit stems from an agreement the city reached with Dodd in March 2010, and signed in July 2010, for his company to drop a lawsuit for \$7.7 million in which Conservation Land Group, LLC and Rainbow River Ranch, LLC were submitting claims against the city under the Bert Harris, Jr. Private Property Rights

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NOT YOUR ORDINARY 'IDOL' INTENTIONS

Ware preparing for auditions in Texas

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"Look, if you had, one shot, or one opportunity to seize everything you ever wanted — one moment would you capture it? Or

just let it slip?" — *Eminem*

For Andrew Ware, he's certainly hoping for the best when the Dunnellon resident travels to Houston, Texas, for a tryout for the wildly popular "American Idol," a reality-based television show on

Fox, that's made Kelly Clarkson, Carrie Underwood, Chris Daughtry and Jennifer Hudson household names.

The 27-year-old will make the trek to Texas in an attempt to make the 11th season of the show, which provides the winner with a

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Andrew Ware, 27, fires the crowd up during a recent fundraiser. Ware plans to audition for "American Idol."

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

DPD to participate in DUI campaign

The Dunnellon Police Department will participate in "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over," to crack down on DUI violations from Friday, Aug. 19, through Sept. 5. Saturation patrols will be Fridays, Aug. 19 and 26 and Saturdays, Aug. 20 and 27. A DUI Checkpoint has been scheduled from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, in the 11500 block of U.S. 41. For more information, contact Sgt. Jacob Gonzalez at 465-8510 or by email at jgonzalez@dunnellonpd.org.

Boys & Girls Club registering for after-school club

The Boys & Girls Club of Marion County Dunnellon branch is having sign-ups for its after-school club hours from 9 a.m. to noon and 2 to 5 p.m. today and Friday or contact James Corne at 352-682-4347 or Betty Nagele at 352-427-9733. The cost is a \$15 annual membership fee. If child needs transportation from Dunnellon and Romeo elementary schools or Dunnellon Middle school, the fee is \$30 per child or \$50 per family for the month.

City Council to host budget workshop Monday

The Dunnellon City Council will host a budget workshop at 2 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, at City Hall. The proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2012 will be presented during that time. The Council has all ready approved the 2011 certification of taxable value for the Fiscal Year 2012. The proposed millage rate is 7.1408, higher than last year's figure of 6.9101. A public hearing has been scheduled for Sept. 12 with the final public hearing slated for Sept. 26.

Boys & Girls Club to host pancake breakfast

The Boys & Girls Club of Marion County Dunnellon branch will have a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 27, at the American Legion Post 58 Hall on U.S. 41 North. Tickets for the event are \$5 each. Proceeds will benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Marion County Dunnellon branch. For more information, call contact James Corne at 352-682-4347 or Betty Nagele at 352-427-9733.

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Kids Day Out fest set for Saturday

The Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce will present Kids Day Out/Back to School festival from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, at Ernie Mills Park at 11908 Bostitch St.

There will be fun and game, ponies and cows, hot dogs and ice cream, face painting and music. Play games to test your skills and win prizes and make your own sand art design. Compete in games to win trophies and medals, hosted by the city of Dunnellon, which will include a Water Balloon Toss, 1-2-3 Red light and Simon Says. Ride ponies through an obstacle course or pet and feed a goat, miniature cow and other animals. There is nominal fees for some games as well as food and drinks.

Learn to make an Origami bird and make a beaded bracelet with your initials on it. Get a free "Back to School Hair Cut" and girls have your nails

choice. Parents now have an opportunity to meet 50 of these providers at a Tutoring Fair at College Park Elementary (1330 S.W. 33rd Ave., Ocala) from 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25.

Parents wanting their child to participate in this free tutoring program must complete an SES enrollment form and return it to one of the following locations: the designated table at the SES Tutoring Fair; the Title One Office at 306 N.W. Seventh Ave., Ocala, FL 34475; or the secretary at their child's school.

For more information, contact the Title One Office at (352) 620-7652.

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Free tutoring services available

Students eligible for free and reduced lunch may also be eligible for free tutoring services offered through the Title One Office of Marion County Public Schools.

Supplemental Education Services (SES) offer academic help to eligible students attending Dunnellon Elementary as well as other elementary and middle schools throughout Marion County.

Free tutoring in reading and math will be offered after the normal school day or on weekends. Parents may decide which state-approved tutoring provider best meets their child's needs — it is the parents'

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Stand up and cheer!



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Taylor Spoto, top, is held up by Allina Storch, left, Kelsea Owens, volunteer junior varsity coach, and Chelsea Dominey during the Dunnellon High School cheerleading team practice recently at the school.

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE — DMS

DMS parents: What do your children really need for school?

Are you getting ready for your children to return to school Monday, Aug. 22? Please be conservative in spending.

Physical Education Clothes: All children will be taking physical education, which means they should have two sets of PE clothes (one in the wash and one at school). We suggest dark-colored, elastic-waist shorts, plain white T-shirts, socks and lace-up tennis shoes. It also is a good idea to use a Sharpie permanent marker to put their last name in large block letters on the outside of the garment. It makes it easy for your child to realize they forgot to put them in the locker!

Notebook: Look for a 3-ring notebook that will zip closed or has a flap to close it. A really handy accessory is the canvas, not plastic, zip pouch that fits on the rings to hold pens, pencils and a short ruler.

Supplies: Buy the lined notebook paper while it is on sale, but hide the extra packages. They should not need more than 50 to 100 sheets at a time. Pencils are still the best buy, but many students really like the mechanical pencils as they don't have to wait in line to use the sharpener. Ballpoint pens in medium blue or black ink. Colored pencils are nice to have, as they allow them to color code some of their work to improve their organization. Just say no to any permanent markers;

they will not need them, and the only thing they are used for is graffiti in the restrooms.

Back-to-School Clothes: Most students usually wear jeans/jean shorts or khakis with a short-sleeved shirt. We do not have uniforms, but do enforce the School Board policy on school dress. Tank tops are not allowed at any time: you might save yourself an argument that everyone else is doing it, if you just don't buy any tank tops. Please wait until after Labor Day to see what the "style" is for the year before stocking up. Middle school children prefer to dress like their friends. Ladies handbags should be smaller than a sheet of notebook paper, about 8-by-11 inches.

Lunch Money: Apply for the free/reduced lunch prices when the form is sent home on the first day. Prepay during open house in the cafeteria, so the students will not have to remember every day to bring lunch money. Busy parents sometimes forget to give them money or to get change for a larger bill.

No book bag: We send a set of books home, so they don't carry any text books back and forth! Save your money!

Come out and visit during the Orientation Open House scheduled from 5 to 7 p.m. today. Signs will be out to direct you around campus. Faculty and staff will be on hand with student academic schedules. Transportation staff will be on campus to help with bus schedules.

The first day for Marion County students is Monday, Aug. 22.



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DMS Principal

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Post 58 in Dunnellon will host a Celebration of Life and Appreciation Event at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 10, to mark the occasion.

The ceremony will begin with several current active military personnel giving memorial

and inspirational talks. Those present at Ground Zero will also speak about their experiences there at the time of the tragedy.

The event is open to the general public. Tickets are \$5 per person.

There will be hors d'oeuvres and a deejay after the official ceremony. The after-ceremony celebration will be a BYOB for those interested, and the post will provide soft drinks. RSVP at 489-4453.

Kayaking the Rainbow



JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Jon Huntley and his son, Austin, both of Dunnellon, complete an afternoon kayak ride recently down the Rainbow River.

District prepares for students, fewer teachers

Special to the Riverland News

With the sluggish economy, only 90 newly hired teachers will start their Marion County teaching careers today with New Teacher Orientation at Forest High School. Just four years ago, that number topped 400.

This Monday, another 2,900-plus returning teachers head back to their classrooms in Marion County's 49 public schools.

Meantime, a projected 41,540 students are expected on the first day of school come Monday, Aug. 22. This is 332 fewer students than last year's peak attendance.

The new school year's shaping up for Marion County Public Schools as the district deals with issues like cutting budgets, maintaining class size limits, and meeting higher academic standards and unfunded mandates.

Parents can ease their frustrations and avoid long waiting lines by registering their children before school starts. This includes kindergarten students, who will "stagger start" their first days, meaning they'll attend just one day of class during the first few days of school, lowering the student-teacher ratio dramatically to enhance the transition into school.

Students, especially seventh-graders, must have their immunizations up-to-date as required by Florida state statute by Aug. 22. If not, they won't be allowed in class on the first day. Last year, 488 seventh-graders lacked proper immunizations and were not allowed to attend first-day classes.

School times remain virtually the same as last year. Most elementary schools start at 7:45 a.m. Most middle schools start between 9:10 and 9:35 a.m. except Liberty (8) and Osceola (7:50). Finally, high schools start between 8:50 and 9:30 a.m. with the exception of MTI (7:15).

AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) transfer requests total 246. All requests were granted, including 181 with district-provided transporta-

tion. Approximately 1,121 students could receive Supplementary Education Services (free tutoring) in the first round of enrollment, which means parents have until Sept. 2 to apply for these first-round services through the district's Title One Office (352-620-7652). If funds permit, SES enrollment forms will continue being accepted so additional students can be placed throughout the year.

As well, 130 Dunnellon High students have requested reassignment under the Florida Opportunity Scholarship program.

Food Services

- Meal prices remain unchanged: students \$1.60 (elementary), \$1.75 (middle & high), and adults \$2.75.

- Approximately 64 percent of students were eligible for free and reduced meal plans last school year. Program applications will be sent home the first week of school. Parents may also apply online starting August 15.

- The Summer Feeding Program served more than 98,000 meals to students during the past three months using 21 central kitchens.

Transportation

- Transportation Hotline - (352) 671-7050, open 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

- Bus stop information is available on the Transportation Homepage.

- Students and parents

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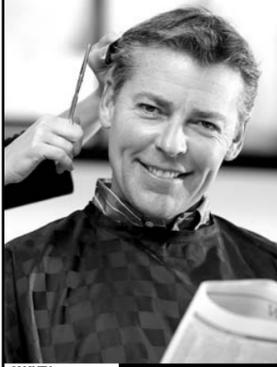
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kids are over there anyways, we'd like to be over there, it's the right time to sell."

When he originally purchased the venue, Kaperlain had planned for renovations to the facility. He believes they've accomplished most of those goals, including redoing the tennis courts, the swimming pool, adding an outside patio at the clubhouse, installing a new pumping system and a new fitness center. The items, Kaperlain explained, they never accomplished were installing "big ticket items" such as a new sprinkler system for the golf course.

"The golf course has been pretty successful," he said. "We didn't do everything we wanted to, but we did a lot of it. We put a lot of money into it, it's not the same course."

With the changes, Kaperlain admitted it caused a rift within the community.

"We inadvertently created division with the community," he said. "We didn't want that, but there's a separation that wasn't intended. The

timing (to sell) is probably right."

Kaperlain notified members via email of plans to sell the facility, which he said went viral throughout the entire community.

"It was a balanced email, it had more relevance to the members," he explained. "We knew it's gone to non-members, but (the email) couldn't have been more honest."

Kaperlain said the club is in better financial shape than when he originally purchased it.

"It's not a financial issue," he noted, adding the club is making money. "That email, talks a little about it. Probably, done a few things, top of the list are the positives, sometimes it's more of happiness."

Currently, he said, there is interest from a private party and from the membership to purchase the facility. Kaperlain plans to gauge the interest before listing it with a private broker to save on costs for each side.

"We want to see where the interest level is, and we figure if we can save each side a little money from having to involve a third party, there's nothing wrong with that," he said.

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THE OTHER GUY

First year down; let's make year No. 2 just as exciting

So I'm fairly certain I'm not the only one shaking my head in disbelief about the start of school Monday morning throughout Marion County.

Didn't we just bid farewell to the Class of 2011 a few weeks ago?

OK so maybe it was several weeks ago we said our goodbyes to tomorrow's future leaders in their respective fields. Time certainly does fly when you're having fun.

In the past few weeks I've certainly celebrated a few milestone moments in my household.

First, I recently marked my first year as the editor of Riverland News. It's hard to believe it's been 12-plus months since I walked through the door. I believe I've learned a lot about community journalism since then and hopefully the improvements — whether big or small — we've made at the paper

have been enjoyed by you, our readers.

Whoever said Dunnellon was a sleepy little old town certainly was missing out on what this community has to offer, excluding red-light cameras. But we already know that's a different story.

While some folks and I have learned we can agree to disagree, I must admit I certainly didn't expect my transition here to progress as quickly as it has. But the wonderful folks that are the fabric of Dunnellon have been welcoming.

I've made a lot of wonderful friends, and a few gracious fans who've so eloquently told me I'm No. 1, during my brief time here.

If I took the time to list everyone I'd likely have to print a special edition and would be remiss if I missed someone. So to avoid any hurt feelings I won't name names but I'm confident you know each one of you I call friend has made an impact in my life. For others

I'm sure I've snuck up on you at one of the many events in town and snapped an unbeknownst photo of you. Still for others I've ever so kindly gotten you to subscribe to the paper. (P.S. Don't forget to renew your subscription when it comes due.)

Let's make the second year here just as much fun as the first.

Secondly, I'm a year older; however, the debate can certainly be made if extra wisdom came with the candles on the cake. For those curious of my age, I'm old enough.

Lastly, and perhaps one of the biggest milestones with the exception of the February arrival of the stork at the household, both of my boys are in school now.

Jackson is officially in VPK as it's called. Sure it sounds fancy but it means he's growing up even quicker now. I was certainly anticipating a few tears of shock when we dropped him off on Day One, instead he kissed us goodbye and bolted for the table of toys and

friends to be.

For Jayden it was a lot harder than I imagined it would be; however, the little guy took it pretty hard he didn't get to stay. As we walked away from Jackson's classroom, Jayden's bottom lip hung out and those sweet innocent (OK, maybe not so innocent) green eyes began to well up.

It took me a few minutes to realize it but then it hit me like a ton of bricks. He missed his best friend and playmate. Less than a year separates my two monkeys, there's never been a time they truly haven't been together. Playing with mommy is fine, but it's much more fun with your best friend, who after all, does a pretty darn good dinosaur imitation. He's not too shabby with those monster truck sounds either.

However, mommy secured a job at another local preschool where Jayden has been content to leave mommy's side.

They're growing up way too quickly. Next they'll be asking for the car keys.



Jeff Bryan

LETTERS

Recent editorial didn't sound like style of staff

Last week's "Our View" just doesn't sound like the style of Riverland News staff writers. It does resemble the well-known style of a Blue Cove malcontent.

I'd recommend that you allow this lady's restless desire to "throw hand grenades into the dark" to be published openly under her name. Lurking in the shadows and throwing dirty devices into the dark without cause or reason belongs more to the likes of Al Qaida than to "ghost writers."

Ron McAndrew
Dunnellon

Fishing for the Fight a huge success

Wow! This was a very exciting weekend for the Michelle-O-Gram — the Fishing for the Fight on Saturday, Aug. 6.

The tournament and the golf cart raffle generated more than \$9,000 for the cause.

Recently, we received a call from the Bunco Babes in Ocala and they want to donate the proceeds from their fundraiser in March 2012.

I can only say God has His hand in this and things we could not imagine or have asked for are happening and we can only say "thank you Jesus on behalf of so many women who have nowhere else to turn."

The Health Department is no longer providing mammograms, so we have that whole population to help, but we can do it.

All of you have gone above and beyond to make this possible. The "girlfriends" are the best girlfriends anyone could ever have — sister, brother, mom, cousins, friends from childhood, high school and adulthood and extended family have all made this possible.

I don't have addresses for so many of the friends so please share with Jessica, Tiffany, Elaine, Becca, Valerie, Roz, Lisa, Jill, Paulette, Paula, Angie, Patti and especially BJ for putting up, taking down, hooking up and unhooking, unloading and loading, hanging signs, etc. He did whatever had to be done!

A very special thank-you to Joey and One Stop Custom Carts in Palatka; they donated the golf cart and it was a huge fundraiser. A special thank you to Jack Duley and John Edward Morris for measuring and doing the weigh-in, we say thank you for your expertise!

TJ's Bait and Tackle, of Dunnellon, once again hosted the event, and for that we express our thanks to Jason, his mom, Phyllis, and wife, Jill. The fishermen, those who bid on the Calcutta, those in the community who came forward to buy raffle tickets, sponsorships, donated door prizes; whatever you did, we appreciate you!

Michelle-O-Gram Foundation
Dunnellon

National Night Out thank you

The Dunnellon Police Department would like to thank all of the city and county businesses along with our volunteers, that assisted with our second annual National Night Out Program on Aug. 2.

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GUEST COLUMN

What Dunnellon are we talking about?

BILLY WEAKLAND
For Riverland News

As I read the latest letters in the Riverland News from July 21, it caused me to wonder if there was another Dunnellon, Fla.

After a few searches online, I figured out the person writing was talking about the same town that I work, shop and have a little fun in! Some can blame the economy or city officials for a lot of things, but I have to ask what have you done lately to support your local community?

I don't remember seeing you around! How ironic, on the Friday before your letter was posted, I came to the "derelict" town you describe and the first thing I did was stop at a local gas station and filled up. Yep it took 20 gallons and, yep, I may have paid a few cents per gallon more, but I didn't sell out a local business for \$1. I ask is it worth a dollar a week to help keep a local business open?

My wife and I then went to a long time local Italian restaurant — great baked ziti, calzone's and pizza's for a fair price and great service. We then went across town to see the newly upgraded Blue Run Park; and, yes, I guess it's hard to believe the county and city would create such a beautiful place and try to protect the

Rainbow River out of a piece of borrowed-rented land with a muddy lime rock parking lot. By the way, the porta-potty is being replaced with a new restroom facility, in case you decide to go tubing with the new local business across the street.

For water fun, why not try the City Beach? There are picnic tables, grills and restrooms as well as an attendant to keep it all clean. Anyway, after the visiting the park, we went to the new local ice cream shop to support an 18-year-old business owner; great homemade ice cream and great service (it defies the derelict thing).

We took a stroll down the street as I wasn't aware of all the derelict-ness of the city and discovered four other new local businesses. Derelict, I beg to differ.

How about the nearby First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon having around 150 of our local youths attend Vacation Bible School as well as some youth leaders helping, derelict you say? So much for new local business and family values, we're going home to Romeo.

Once again, being a glutton for punishment, I came back to the derelict town you imagine Saturday morning.

As I started doing my errands, oh yeah

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TIME TO SMILE

Don't mention it

My friend Richard C. has called me several times and left messages. I haven't returned a phone call. I am not being rude and he knows not to take it personally. I won't call Richard C. because I know what he wants to talk about.

It is a subject I have been avoiding for months.



Kathleen Wallace

Having my head in the sand, not listening to the news, turning off the radio was working just fine for me. I was happy as a clam in my sheltered world until Richard C. called to talk politics.

I don't want to talk politics because it depresses me. My blood pressure goes through

the roof and the acid in my stomach turns. I don't want to talk politics because I have lost faith in our government. Both sides have their own agenda. Nothing matters to them except the next election.

This last debt-ceiling debacle was embarrassing, eye-opening and disgraceful. I am tired of the behavior of people who only care about their side winning.

I don't want to talk politics because I don't want to admit I have lost faith in the American people to do the right thing.

I can't remember the last time I heard a "feel good" story where people came together and put their differences aside. We have become apathetic to the nth degree. We no longer care about each other. We've become "It's my way or the highway" citizens.

Talking politics will only make me admit to the fact we are fighting a semi-bloodless civil war (Gabby Gifford would disagree with that statement.)

It is no longer the North against the South.

It is the fanatically religious against the moderates.

It is big business against the middle class and what's left of the blue collar world.

How dare Exxon/Mobil make billions in profits and not pay a dime in taxes!

It is rich against poor. How long will we continue to say, "the rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer?"

I don't want to discuss politics, because I am sick of it seeping into everything we do. I can no longer decipher between religion, politics and big business. They have become one. It all looks alike to me.

Now small business is getting involved.

Being bombarded by someone's political stance does not make for an enjoyable shopping experience.

I liked it better when a store was just a store and not a talking head for politics. Do I really need to know who a business is stumping for when I go to buy a carton of milk? I don't need anyone telling me who to vote for. I can make up my own mind.

I don't want to talk politics because my own beliefs have been shattered.

Ever since I could vote, I have always worked for the campaign of my candidate. If you want the right to complain about the United States, you have to pay your dues and work to change it.

Whining doesn't help matters if you aren't willing to get off your butt and do something.

I am not sure I still believe this. Only the faces change.

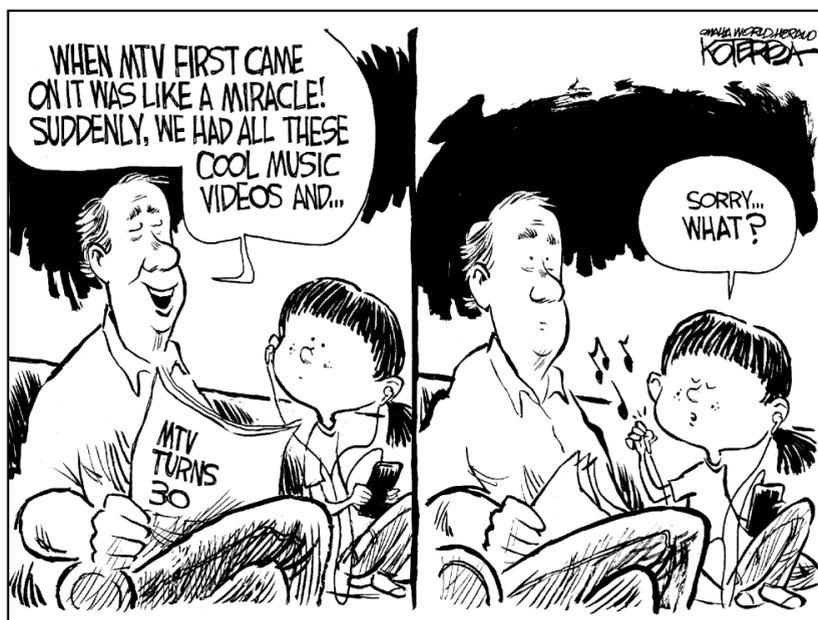
It all boils down to this: Big business and the wealthy have to pay more than their fair share in taxes and the poor need to learn to live within their means.

Just because you want it doesn't mean you are going to get it or that you deserve it.

Yes, that is a big generalization, but it is also the truth.

So, Richard C. this is me not talking politics because it will only remind me that the world is a horrible place, my IRA is worth squat and I don't see a light at the end of the tunnel.

EGADS, I can feel the heartburn coming on.



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Youths enjoy playing in the water being sprayed over them from Dunnellon Fire & Rescue's pumper truck. The fire department set the truck up along State Road 40 providing a cool respite during the the eighth annual "Hot Summer Night" Block Party in the Downtown Dunnellon Historic District. Money raised during the event will benefit the Special Olympics.



Three-year-old Yanelis Espinosa samples her cotton candy while enjoying a ride in her stroller during "Hot Summer Nights."



Samantha Winkler smiles as she examines the face painting she received during "Hot Summer Nights." The North Carolina youth is visiting her grandmother, Lynn Shott, of Ocala.



Carolyn Malcolm, left, and Joe Chavka admire this 1966 Chevy Corvette during the event. Car lovers were treated to a car show during the event, with several classic and modern-day automobiles lining the street.



Brittany Lakhani, Miss Gainesville Teen USA, reacts after missing the target during the Dunnellon Police Department's Dunking Booth. The Dunnellon teen hit the target on her first attempt, but narrowly missed on her final throw.

SIZZLIN' SUMMER NIGHT



Photos by Jeff Bryan/Riverland News
 Alexie Foyteck high-fives a trainee from the Police Academy at Withaloochee Technical Institute at the police department's dunk tank.



ABOVE: Samantha Perez, 6, runs through the spray from pumper truck set up by Dunnellon Fire & Rescue. BELOW: Carson Long, 20 months, rides atop his mother, Cara's, shoulders tugging her hair while Cara was too late to notice the photographer capturing the moment.



TOP: Sarah Perkins takes a shot at making a roll of cotton candy at a booth set up by Perkins Dentistry. MIDDLE: Moonshine enjoys a cool drink given to him by Cpl. Caroline Rolfes of the Dunnellon Police Department. BOTTOM: Sarah Berry polishes a section of this 1959 Ford F100 prior to the start of the Antique Car Show at "Hot Summer Nights."

Benefit dinner, fish tourney planned

A benefit barbeque dinner to raise money for Justin Drew, a Dunnellon man seriously injured in a car wreck in 2008, is scheduled for 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19, in the parking lot at Local Legends along Pennsylvania Avenue. Barbecued chicken dinners will be available for \$8. At 6:30, the Captains meeting and Calcutta Boat Auction will begin.

There will also be an auction for a Mossberg Model 835 Camo Turkey 12-Gauge Pump Shotgun. There will also be a chance drawing for a CZ-USA Redhead Deluxe 103 DE 20 Gauge 26-inch Barrel. Tickets are \$20 each.

On Saturday, there will be a saltwater fishing tournament with three categories: heaviest redfish, heaviest trout and biggest "other" fish, excluding sharks. Weigh-in begins at 1 p.m. and ends at the Waccasassa Fish Camp.

All proceeds go directly to Drew for his care and therapy in Texas. For more information or to make a donation, call Sebrina Hensley at 489-5135 or 489-2419.

BUSINESS

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advance notice of class schedules, bus routes and stop times, extracurricular activities, and other school-related opportunities.

Orientations for each school are:

- Dunnellon Middle School, 5 p.m. today, Aug. 18.

- Dunnellon and Romeo elementary schools, 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 19.

- Dunnellon High School, 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 19; for Marion Oaks students, 10 a.m. Friday, Aug. 19, at Horizon Academy.

"I get so excited every year, I can hardly wait for the kids to come back," Jane Ashman, principal at Dunnellon Middle School, said. "I don't hear the sound of kids around me, it's a definite sound. You know what it sounds like if you've ever been in a school. When they're not, I miss that; I like to have my kids back here around me."

Changes are coming for schools districtwide with the implantation of the my-



Faculty from Dunnellon Middle School gather in the media center to watch an informational session with School Superintendent Jim Yancy.

marion portal, a Web-based program that will allow teachers access to their files when they're not at the school.

"It's a real benefit to teachers," Ashman explained. "They'll have access to all of their information from home where they couldn't do it before. Now, they can go home and cook dinner and if they need to review their lesson plan or change it, they can do that. It's a great benefit for them."

For students at Dunnellon Middle, they'll see several changes, too. Ten new teachers will be joining the staff and, instead of block periods, Ashman explained, the school is switching to a seven-period

day, allowing each teacher the time to have a lesson study period to do remediation with kids to improve their own skills and to enrich their curriculum for their other classes during the day.

Another aspect of the switch will allow students to register for one elective of their choice, Ashman said.

"So many children who were non-proficient in reading, it never allowed all the children to take an elective, such as physical education, art, music or computers," she explained. "Now this year every child will be able to have an elective. With the children being allowed to choose something they want to

take and they enjoy, we believe their learning will improve. So it's going to do two things, it's going to improve teacher skills and allow students to have an elective. That's one really good thing we've done this year."

Michelle Lewis, principal at Dunnellon High, echoed those sentiments.

"We're excited about the upcoming year," she said, adding Dunnellon High will have three new teachers this year. "We hope students come ready and excited about learning."

She said the mymarion portal will be a boon for not only teachers and students, but parents as well.

"It's going to change not only for teachers, but students as well, the ability to interact with each other," Lewis explained. "They'll be able turn in projects and assignments, be able to do a lot of things outside of what the teacher is requiring of them."

Because teachers will be able to grade those assignments and other classroom work online, it'll reduce the need for students and teachers to print them out, saving parents and the

school district money.

Lewis said when the technology was presented to the district, the keynote spokesperson who works for Microsoft explained Marion County was on the cutting edge of technology throughout the nation.

"The super higher-up in Microsoft talked about how we're really breaking ground and how we can use these resources," she said.

Dunnellon Christian Academy will also start its new school year Monday.

The school will host an Open House at 7 p.m. today at the school at 20831 Powell Road. Principal Kristy Nelson, entering her second year in the position, said students wishing to enroll at school can do so up to the first day of school. She explained all materials parents need are available online at www.dcaeagles.com.

"We're absolutely ready for a great year," Nelson said. "It's always wonderful to welcome back students, who are eager to learn, and we've got a great staff that is excited about the year beginning."

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at local businesses, I remembered seeing a sign at a local business about a Girl Scout Troop having a car wash. So I pulled up and sure enough there were a slew of happy Girl Scouts and their brothers happy to wash my car asking only for a donation in return.

Don't worry: their moms and a dad were there to keep the derelict town from getting them. I was happy; they were happy, and I'm sure the bank didn't charge them for the water.

As I left there, I remembered seeing in the local paper (Riverland News, which I happily pay for a yearly subscription) that a local business was having a grand re-opening (Aunt Bobbies Antiques), so I stopped by and browsed for a while. Wow, what cool

metal art, some of which was done by a local artist.

I'm back to the errands. When finished, I was ready for some good old-fashioned fun, a cold drink and a snack! I headed for the first annual Annie W Johnson Center's Dunk for Hope. It benefits a local charity — I hope you were there!

After my drink and snack came the good old-fashioned fun like the 50's, a dunking booth, and for a bonus it had almost all those city officials you mentioned in line to get dunked!

Sorry, but I missed the chance to get any of the local fire fighters that volunteered on their own time to help the community, just a little late getting there — must've been held up by some derelict.

I wasn't too late to get the mayor though, oh so sweet! He went down a few times.

This is how you take out your frustrations not by boycotting local businesses. Next up was the local police chief.

I thought I was having fun dunking the mayor!

Are you kidding? A chance to dunk the person charged with keeping the city safe and, oh yeah, those red light cameras, she went down a few times, too! Wow, I'm starting to feel like a derelict, you know throwing baseballs at all those local officials, local firefighters, local police officers and, yes, even a local Pastor. I did not dunk him.

Does it count if I donated throws for our young future derelicts to have some fun and they dunked him? Many others came together that day as a local community to support the local community, such derelicts. I don't think our local Sears charged them for water ei-

ther. I still wonder if you have supported some of your city's other new local businesses along Williams Street and Pennsylvania Avenue — I have. That's how small town businesses survive.

What about some of the established ones? I have.

Because as I see it, we can be part of the problem of businesses leaving or closing and spend "good money" in Ocala or some other town as you put it or we can actually stop-shop and use all of the great resources we already have to make the city something you can be proud of again.

After all isn't this the small town vibe you're looking for?

Back to that whole pesky red-light camera thing. I made several right turns on those red lights those two days and not one ticket.

I guess because I stopped at the red light, and then turned right, not even a flash. By the way, the person in front of me chose not to stop and cruised right through not very slowly either and got flashed (was that you)? Minutes later at Powell Street, I saw another flash, yep another person taking the corner on red without as much as a brake light (was that you)? Then finally, the fast yellows to red got me at Brooks, but low and behold because I was driving the speed limit — I did not floor it to get through, either — and my tires were already past the white line when it turned red like the law says, alas no ticket.

Maybe you don't realize it, but we have an exceptional local police department whose officers and staff put in many, many volunteer hours to benefit this

community and promote family values with the National Night Out, the Law Enforcement Torch Run, Relay for Life, Rainbow River Clean-up and many others not so obvious.

Maybe we should support and thank them just a little more since most would not want to walk in their shoes for a day!

Remember they risk their lives every day to protect ours!

Are you that committed to your community? If everyone tried to be "Hometown Customers" a little more just think what a town we would be!

Who says there's no family fun, recreation and new businesses in Dunnellon?

I'll be back to support our local businesses.

Thank God for small towns!

Billy Weakland is a resident of Dunnellon/Romeo.

LETTERS

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This event, sponsored nationwide by law enforcement, was our second time for participating in the event. The citizens in the Dunnellon community took the time and the opportunity to build a lasting partnership with our agency. Through information and education, the citizens have helped our officers strengthen our crime prevention commitment with the community.

The hayrides through the local streets and residential areas were well received and a big hit with those that attended. The local businesses were so gracious to provide food, drinks and supplies to make this annual event a great success.

We would like to thank the following contributors: AT&T, Ricks Performance Equine Supply, KFC, Sonic, Checkers, Aaron's Rental, Cheney Brothers, Pepsi, Golden Flakes, Dunnellon Public Works, Dunnellon Fire and Rescue, the Riverland News and cadets from the Withlacoochee Public Safety Academy.

It is always wonderful, to have such welcoming support from our community, to make our event so successful.

Thank you again, Chief Joanne Black and the Dunnellon Police Department

Thank you for Hot Summer Nights

The Dunnellon Police Department, along with the Florida Special Olympics, would like to thank everyone that made the 2011 Hot Summer Nights in Dunnellon a great success.

However, I want everyone to know how much the donations mean to the Special Olympics that attend the summer Olympics. Through the donations from Florida Law Enforcement, Publix Supermarkets and other businesses, the athletes of all ages are provided, lodging, meals, team uniforms, medical screenings and, of course, the opportunity to participate in a statewide sports event.

The winners receive medals and ribbons down to eighth place. As a law enforcement officer, it is an honor to take part in this state and nationwide event. To see the smiles on the athlete's faces when they receive the accolades of winning or placing in their specific event is at times, overwhelming, even, for the assisting law enforcement officers.

So to have the Dunnellon community and surrounding areas become a large supporter for the Special Olympics is very humbling. The Dunnellon community alone has made it possible for several athletes to compete at the state level.

There are so many indi-

viduals and businesses to thank for the success of this event. It is not intentional if an individual or a business is not mentioned. We thank you again.

The following individuals and business supported the event through donations of money, gift cards, gifts or other items needed to set up our booths. The dunking booth dunkers: Julio Granados, Bruce Arnold, Jacob Gonzalez, Shane Yox, Matt Bailargeon, Jeff Bryan, Kyle Robinson, Shawn Houle, Christine Fernandez at Abigail's Café and Coffee shop, Hometown Auto, Dr. Perkins Dentistry, Superior Bank, Riverland News, Bellissima Spa and Salon, Bounce with Us, The Historic Village Shops, Dunnellon Fire and Rescue, My New Old Chair, Grumbles House, Bogarts Smoke Shop, Anglers Resort, Gould Tire, Fans are a Breeze, Southside Automotive, The Bakery, Walmart, Sweetbay, Dunnellon Florist, Pavarotti's, Curt Bond Signs, Blue Gator, China Wok Buffet, Always Something, Stitch Nitch, Café Majens, Aunt Bobby's Antiques, Perfect Touch Detail, Sisters Garden Glass, Scallys, Charlies Produce, Creations by Clovis, Ace Hardware, Badcock, Tractor Supply, Annie Johnson, Injun Joes Cutlery, Going Postal, Pets Plus, Captain Bob's Airboat Tours, Finer Things Gift

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I would also like to thank my officers and staff members that donated their time by volunteering in the dunking booth, the lemonade stand, shirt sales, silent auction security and the sight setup. It is their continued dedication and energy that keeps the Dunnellon Police Department working so hard to raise money for our many special organizations.

It is the group effort of all the above that has currently raised slightly more than \$3,000 at this time. We will continue to receive and accept donations throughout the rest of this year, and look forward to working and partnering with everyone again, in the months ahead.

Chief Joanne Black and the Dunnellon Police Department

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by Linda Thistle

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Dunnellon football off and running



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Dunnellon running back Joe Reyes attempts to elude a pair of defenders during a recent football practice. The Tigers opened practice Monday, Aug. 8, in preparation for their preseason scrimmage at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 26, at Lecanto High School. Dunnellon opens its regular season at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 2, at West Port High School. The Tigers home opener will be 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 9, against Ocala Forrest.

GOLDEN GIRLS



Special to the Riverland News

Team North Florida, which is comprised of players from Dunnellon, Williston, Ocala and other areas throughout the state, featured Sami Fagan and Ashlee Winn. The team is coached by coach Kevin Fagan, who led Dunnellon High School to back-to-back state championships during his six-year tenure as head coach of the Lady Tigers.

Kevin, Sami Fagan, Winn lead team to national title

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Winning is synonymous in the Fagan household.

For Kevin Fagan, there was a National Title during his collegiate career at the University of Miami, then two Super Bowl championships with the San Francisco 49ers.

Fast forward to present day, he guided the Dunnellon High School softball team to back-to-back Class 4A State Championships, including the ESPN Rise National Title in 2010 with the help of his daughters, Kasey, Sami and Haley.

Add one more piece of hardware to the trophy case in the Fagan household.

Kevin, behind the play of Sami, who's off to Florida, and Ashlee Winn, a former Dunnellon High standout, Team North Florida captured the 18U ASA Gold National Championship recently in San Diego, Calif. It's just the second time in ASA history a squad from Florida won the title.

And the ASA Gold National Tournament isn't your average tournament. To qualify, a team must win a regional qualifier, or in Team North Florida's case, finish high enough in a specific region. Team North Florida was ranked in the top sixth in the Southern States. Overall, the field boasts the top 64 teams in the nation.

"That's why college coaches follow this tournament," Kevin explained, noting his

team had finished as runner-up in 2010 and in fifth place in 2009. "It's a true national championship.

"We felt like we had a chance to win it all after how we've done the past two seasons. We don't go there just to do well; we go there with a mindset that we're going to win it all."

Win it all they did. Team North Florida posted a 8-1 record, capping their tournament run with a 2-1 win Saturday, Aug. 6, against Newtown Rock of Holland, Pa., at the Sportsplex USA Santee in San Diego. The victory against Newtown Rock also allowed Team North Florida to avenge a 5-2 loss, its lone setback in the tournament.

Offensively, Sami led Team North Florida with a .438 average, going 14-for-32. She scored nine runs and had four stolen bases. Sami noted most of her base hits were bunt singles, something that is tough to accomplish at the collegiate level because of the caliber of catchers.

"I wish I would have done more to slap it through the five-six hole," she explained, referring to the gap between shortstop and third base.

In her prep career, she's been a part of the two state championship teams, the second one finishing No. 1 in the ESPN Rise poll; and now a member of a team to capture a national title.

Does one stand out more than another?

"That's a tough one," Sami

pondered. "It's certainly up there; but we worked hard to win the state titles as well as this one. Certainly each one is special; I just can't say which one is better."

Finishing No. 1 in the nation entering her freshman campaign at Florida is a plus, she said.

"It's definitely the perfect way to end your high school career, so to speak," Sami explained. "It gives me great confidence going into college."

Winn, a high school teammate of Sami's, appeared in four games, scoring twice. Kevin Fagan brought her on-board because of her speed on the bases. A freshman for Dunnellon last season, Winn said competing in the national tournament was a new experience.

"It was amazing, just to be out there, involved with the talent and the girls that are going to be heading off to college," said the soon-to-be sophomore, who hit .405 her first season. "It was a rush actually; an amazing experience."

Seeing the talent level in the field, Winn explained she's working on her game on a daily basis as well as running.

"It really has made me work a lot harder, to see what level I have to get to," she explained, noting she wants to play at the University of Tennessee. "I'm doing all that I can; it opened my eyes a lot, to see what you have to work toward to become a (NCAA) Division I player."

BOWLING SCORES

Parkview Lanes Weekly News League and Tournament scores for the week ending Aug. 7:

Fall Leagues' Meetings: The leagues' meetings for the fall season begin Aug. 22. There are six mixed leagues, two for women only, and one for men only. Call the center for information.

Monday Summer Special: Handicap: Mark Kinser 286; Jake Duncan 273; Tom Curtis 273; Charlie Caruso 738; John Coleman 732; Debbie Coleman 271, 732; Lori Ciquera 265, 681. Scratch: Mark Kinser 265; Jake Duncan 256, 661; Wes Foley 612; Lori Ciquera 228, 570; Katrina Hamby 193, 536.

Suncoast Seniors NoTap: Handicap: George Simonson 321; Rick Lewis 315, 836; Arnold Engling 819; Joyce Cusimano 316; Dette Stry 315, 837; Helen Simonson 315; Marylou Halovich 836. Scratch: George Simonson 266; Jerry Ness 264, 667; Rick Lewis 638; Anna Dooley 242, 621; Marian Steenstra 224; Reda Portnoy 636.

Young & Restless: Handicap: (adult) Charlie Stein 282, 749; Gene Allen 270, 720; (youth) Lucas Craig 263, 705; Chandler Carney 245, 683. Scratch: (adult) Charlie Stein 264, 695; Brian Carney 256, 749; (youth) Matt Allen 191, 485; Michael Andriuolo 176, 492.

Wednesday Night Scratch: Sam Bass 269, 683; Ronnie Mesick 268; Wayne Hill 649; Dorine Fugere 244, 636; Sandy LePree 203; Judy Timmons 553.

Holder Hotshots NoTap: Handicap: Nick Waters 251, 697; Robert Stein 238, 661; Andrea Kish 282, 774; Ellen Bowman 277, 782. Scratch: Shorty Williams 174, 515; Nick Waters 159, 421; Ellen Bowman 220, 611; Saad Bouve 201, 568.

Summer Owls: Handicap: Ray Colon 316, 729; Fred O'Hern 269, 759; Peggy Moore 252; Linda Ethridge 249, 688; Betty Rauch 695. Scratch: Sam Bass 248, 666; Ray Colon 226; Fred O'Hern 504; Pat Tutewohl 152; Peggy Moore 152; Betty Wood 152; Betty Rauch 150, 431; Marian Steenstra 437.

Bowlers of the Week: (youth) Lucas Craig, 57 pins over her average; (adults) Dette Stry, 87 pins over her average, and Rick Lewis, 86 pins over his average.

League and tournament scores for the week ending July 31:

Congratulations: Jerry Ness rolled 12 natural strikes in the Suncoast Seniors Summer NoTap league to record his third 300 game, his first at

Parkview Lanes. **Summer Holder Hotshots:** The league decided to bowl a six-week session, which will end Sept. 1. New teams or individuals may sign up prior to Aug. 11 and make up the week(s) missed. The next 12-week session of the Holder Hotshots league will begin with a meeting Thursday, Sept. 8.

Monday Summer Special: Handicap: Mark Kinser 286; Jake Duncan 273; Tom Curtis 273; Charlie Caruso 738; John Coleman 732; Debbie Coleman 271, 732; Lori Ciquera 265, 681. Scratch: Mark Kinser 265; Jake Duncan 256, 661; Wes Foley 612; Lori Ciquera 228, 570; Katrina Hamby 193, 536.

Suncoast Seniors NoTap: Handicap: Arnold Engling 317; Richard Fendenheim 315, 853; Don Stry 782; Pete Mavros 782; Marylou Halovich 322; Anna Dooley 320; Wanda Klik 843; Dette Stry 836. Scratch: Jerry Ness 300, 736; Richard Fendenheim 261, 691; Anna Dooley 249; Marylou Halovich 228; Wanda Klik 567; Marian Steenstra 549.

Young & Restless: Handicap: (adult) Brian Carney 290, 733; Charlie Stein 265, 755; (youth) Chandler Carney 251, 653; Michael Andriuolo 250; Abigail Linton 641. Scratch: (adult) Brian Carney 290, 733; John Saltmarsh 246; Charlie Stein 695; (youth) Michael Andriuolo 200, 348; Chandler Carney 134, 312.

Wednesday Night Scratch: C.H. Crockett 257; Dan Curry 256, 693; Wayne Hill 256; Sam Bass 720; Dorine Fugere 208, 603; Sandy LePree 203, 545.

Holder Hotshots NoTap: Scratch: Shorty Williams 207, 510; Robert Stein 171, 391; June Williams 210, 545; Betty Wood 207, 510.

Summer Owls: Handicap: Sam Bass 283, 725; John Ethridge 260; Shorty Williams 708; Betty Wood 260, 732; Sharon Casey 255, 720. Scratch: Sam Bass 279, 713; John Ethridge 216, 568; Anna Dooley 168, 474; Betty Wood 165; Pat Tutewohl 450.

Bowlers of the Week: (youth) Chandler Carney, 15 pins over her average; (adults) Wanda Klik, 93 pins over her average, and Richard Fendenheim, 104 pins over his average.

Bowling Golfers: The initial turnout for the nine-hole event had 10 players. Jon Hylton won the Poker Putts with a diamond flush, and Larry Kirk won the closest-to-pins money. There will be another outing on a Thursday morning soon. If interested in joining the group, or for more information, contact a staff member.

Junior golfers celebrate wins



Special to the Riverland News

Gavin Szydlo and Charlie Molaties, both of Dunnellon, placed first at the Citrus Hills Junior Golf tournament recently. Szydlo placed first in the 11- to 12-year-old division, as well as first in the skills challenge. Molaties placed first in the 9- to 10-year-old division. Szydlo, who competed in the NSJGA junior golf league this summer, qualified for the tournament of champions, in which he placed third. He also received an additional award for lowest stroke average for the entire season for his age group.

Fall baseball sign ups slated

Dunnellon Little league will host sign-ups for Fall Ball the next two weeks, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays and from 10 a.m. to noon Saturdays at the Little League Complex. Cost is \$45 per player. For more information, call Dustin Hickey at 352-547-9699.

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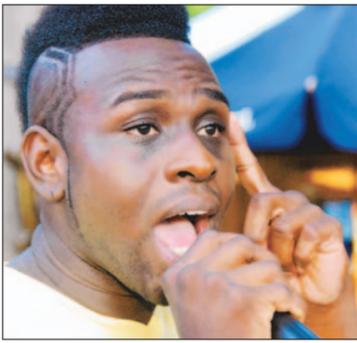
"I've been plotting on it for the past four years," Ware, a 2002 graduate of Lecanto High School, said. "I didn't have the confidence, the self-esteem, I was overweight, insecure and just had my son; there was a lot going on."

Now adjusted to fatherhood, Ware has shed the weight and "let things go."

"I'm more secure with myself, more secure about my voice and well-being," Ware explained, noting he wants to set an example to his 4-year-old son by "chasing after his dreams and not letting go."

Auditions for "American Idol" will be at Reliant Park, in the southwest corner of the loop around the city's center. Registration will occur Aug. 24 and Aug. 25. Auditions will occur Aug. 26. Wristbands will be distributed from approximately 7 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 24, to approximately 8 a.m. Friday, Aug. 26. Auditioners will not be permitted to camp out. Once auditioners obtain their wristbands, they will be asked to return to Reliant Park by 5 a.m. Friday, Aug. 26.

Ware plans to be in Houston by Aug. 23 in time to fill out the proper paperwork and obtain his wristband



JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Andrew Ware performs at the Blue Gator during a recent fundraiser. The 27-year-old resident will have a fundraiser from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday at Gruff's Tap & Grille.

for auditions.

Currently, he's working on raising money to fly to Houston. So far, he's done three and has one more fundraiser — from 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday at Gruff's. In terms of preparation, he's done a show at his church, participated in karaoke at the Blue Gator and performed an a capella session during the annual Hot Summer Night block party. Ware said he needs to raise \$2,500 for airfare, hotel and other miscellaneous expenses.

"I'm trying to raise the funds to get there," Ware, who runs his own fitness business, said. "Business has been kind of slow. I'm just someone trying to do something from this small town; just trying to become something and bring it back to Dannelon and represent my city."

He's also been focusing on learning different genres of musical selection from country to rock to pop. Ware said one of his favorite songs is "Midnight Train," by Journey.

"I'm learning a lot of new songs — a little bit of country and rock songs," he explained. "I'm just expanding my horizon, so I can be able to do a little bit of everything so it's not just R&B or Hip Hop. I want to be able to give it a little bit of everything."

"It actually makes it fun for me because it opens doors for me; just something new in my life."

Ware is confident in his abilities; he said he's sung for "years" in church as well as participated in open mic nights during his days at Lecanto High School.

"I have the ambition to make it past the first round," Ware said. "I want to be able to raise enough money to keep going. I don't know how they work out the financial aspects if you make it past the first round."

BRIDGE SCORES

Rainbow Springs Country Club Bridge

Results of play from Aug. 9: Winners: 1. Betty Quigley, 5,910; 2. Betty O'Neal, 5,250; 3. Gordon Quigley, 5,080; 4. Regina Lazear, 4,660. No slams.

Results of play from Aug. 2: Winners: 1. Luise Pellett, 5,340; 2. Wes Hanington, 4,900; 3. Billie Barnes 4,840; 4. Wilma Jester, 4,770. No slams.

HEARING

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Protection Act. The City Council unanimously approved the deal.

The act is a state law that gives landowners who believe their property rights are restricted by local government actions, the opportunity to file for compensation. The act is named after its author, who was a Democratic state representative from Lake Placid.

The owner claimed actions by the city had caused a loss in the fair market value of the properties. Specifically, it was the city approving changes to its comprehensive plan in development density and

adopting ordinances on river protection, water and sewer, and trees and vegetation.

The plaintiffs are seeking a judgment declaring that the March 19 settlement agreement by city over the Rainbow River property is inconsistent with Dannelon's comprehensive plan. The individual plaintiffs are identified as owning or residing on property that is adjacent, nearby or very close to the subject development. The document includes aerial maps showing the plaintiffs' property locations. It also lists their distance from and proximity to the proposed development.

Dodd is the property owner trying to develop the 257-acre site.

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OBITUARIES

Gene C. Leonhardt, 53

Gene C. Leonhardt, 53 of Dunnellon, died Thursday, Aug. 11, 2011, at home.

Survivors include his wife, Dianne; daughter, Jessica Rose; mother, Monica Porter; father and stepmother, John and Mary Leonhardt.

Condolences may be made to robertsofdunnellon.com.

Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon was in charge of arrangements.

Roland Vas, 64

Roland "Jay" Vas, 64 of Dunnellon, died Sunday, Aug. 14, 2011, at the Legacy House in Ocala.

Survivors include his wife, Linda "Lindy;" four sons, Doug, Matt, John and Casey; two daughters, Elizabeth and Tiffany.

Memorial services will be Saturday, Aug. 20, 2011, at 3 p.m. from the Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon.

Condolences may be sent to robertsofdunnellon.com.

Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon was in charge of arrangements.

Dunnellon Thrift Shop makes donation to Romeo Elementary



The Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop delivered cartons of school supplies Aug. 11 to Romeo Elementary School to help the needy children in the district. Principal Kathy Hultman, left, accepts the supplies, presented by Joann McCullough, center, president of the Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop, and Melissa Duke, volunteer.

CAROLINE SPITZNOTLE/Special to the Riverland News

CHURCH EVENTS

Hope Evangelical to host Sept. 11 ceremony

A candlelight act of remembrance for the Sept. 11, 2001, Terror Attacks will be Sunday, Sept. 11, 2011, at Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church in Citrus Springs. A time of prayer will be held during worship. Several candles will be lit in remembrance of the terrorist attacks on our country. Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church is at 9425 N. Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs. Worship service begins at 9:30 a.m.

Congregation Beth Israel opens school

Congregation Beth Israel of Ocala announces open registration of its school, Congregation Beth Israel School of Jewish Education. The school currently meets once a week on Sunday mornings at various places in the community. The curriculum consists of Jewish life cycle and history, Hebrew, Bible, holidays and traditions as well as courses on Israel and pre-bar and bat mitzvah and confirmation classes. The school caters to the individual needs of the students and parent participation is encouraged. The staff consists of experienced teachers. Suzanne Boetger is educational director. For more information about, contact Suzanne Boetger, educational director, at theboetgers@yahoo.com or Judi Segal at 352-237-8277.

Church preps for annual Trash to Treasure Sale

The Church of the Advent will present its annual Trash to Treasure Sale Saturday, Sept. 24. (Rain Date will be Oct 1.) Crafters, Flea Market and Food Vendors are invited to participate. The church is at 11251 County Road 484, in front of the new fire station. For registration and information, call Al Sickle at 352-208-5664 or Maryanne Brennan at 352-347-2428.

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On joining the Over-the-Hill gang

A friend of mine said to me recently, "Old boy, how's it feel to be a member of the Over-the-Hill gang?" I mumbled something as politely as I could, but on the inside, I was a little furious. I may be getting older, but I definitely am not old! In fact, I plan to get older every day.

Once I got my blood pressure under control, I looked into this a little more closely. I am not quite sure I want a membership in such an organization. I checked out the dues, and I am not quite sure I am up for it.

In order to be a part of this elite group, if elite is the word I want, there are certain dues required of each member. I understand every organization has its dues, but some dues may not be worth the membership.

OUT TO PASTOR

Here are some dues associated with the Over-the-Hill gang:

First, I must complain about something every day. I know there are most days where it is easy to find a half a dozen things to complain about. But what about those days when everything seems to be going right? What about those days, rare though they may be, when there is nothing to complain about?

According to the rules manual, I must find something to complain about every day I get out of bed — and the more vehemently I

complain, the better. This may explain why many members of this infamous

Over-the-Hill gang stare into space with a faraway look in their eye. They are trying to find something to complain about.

There is a little secret here about the complaining aspect. If I do not remember complaining about something yesterday, I am fully entitled to complain about it today. This, also, may explain why so many people in this membership complain about the same thing every day.

The second rule has to do

with matters of health. In order to be a part of the Over-the-Hill gang, a member must become proficient in medical-sounding terms and words. I use the word "sounding," because they do not have to be real medical terms or words; all they have to do is sound like medical terms and words. This is also a reason why many of the members mumble a lot.

Every day, I must find something wrong about my health. If I do not have anything wrong with my health, I need to make something up.

"How are you feeling today, Jake?"

"I'm not quite sure," Jake responds, "the day's early and there's plenty of time

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for things to go wrong."

Personally, I really do not like talking about health issues. For one reason, I do not have any health issues to talk about. There is a question about my being sound in mind, but there is no question about my being sound in body. Actually, my body makes more sounds than I am comfortable with, especially in public.

I have no health issues to com-

plain about when I am in public. If I suspect someone to be part of the Over-the-Hill gang, I avoid him or her like the plague. I know as soon as I say hello, that will open the floodgates for complaining about health issues. What I hate the most is when somebody goes into great detail in explaining his or her health problems. I'm not a doctor. Some things should be kept between the patient and his or her doctor.

If another old person, and I say this most respectfully, tells me their surgery was worse than anything their doctor had ever seen in his life,

I'm going to start complaining for real. To take at face value what some of these old people say, we have some pretty inexperienced doctors in this country.

Another membership due is the constant referring to the "good old days." I am at the age now when I remember those "good old days" being referenced. The only good thing about those days is the fact that they are gone. I think when you get old a person's memory filters out negative things and all you can remember is how wonderful those good old days were. The fact being, they were not

wonderful then and they are not wonderful now and the only pleasure I get in their regard is the fact that they are long gone.

I was at the point of tearing up my membership application to the Over-the-Hill gang when a certain incident happened. I was walking in to a store to get something and I must have looked a little absent-minded to the public. I probably was thinking of what I was going to get and if I had enough money to get it. Whatever the case, as I reached for the door, it suddenly opened and a very cheerful voice said, "Here, Sir,

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This getting older is going to be great fun. As the Bible says, "The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness" (Proverbs 16:31 KJV).

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260-0825 RIV PUBLIC NOTICE 9/2 Sales
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August 18 & 25, 2011.

Notices to Creditors/Administration

261-0825 RIV Bunting, Helen Louise 2011-CP-811-(F) Notice to Cred.
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO.: 2011-CP-811-(F)
IN RE: ESTATE OF HELEN LOUISE BUNTING s/k/a HELEN BUNTING, Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of HELEN LOUISE BUNTING s/k/a HELEN BUNTING, deceased, whose date of death was June 11, 2011 and whose Social Security number is XXX-XX-9998, is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 NW 1st Avenue, Post Office Box 1030, Ocala, Florida 34478-1030. The names and addresses of the Co-Personal Representatives and the Co-Personal Representatives' attorney are set forth below.
All Creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.
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262-0825 RIV Vs. Reserve at Healthbrook, LLC 11-811-CAN Notice of Sale
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE FIFTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA Case No. 11-811-CAN
MULTIBANK 2009-1 RES-ADC VENTURE, LLC, Plaintiff,
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NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that, pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in the above-captioned action The Clerk of Court will sell the property situated in Marion County, Florida, described in attached Exhibit A, at public sale, to the highest bidder for cash, in the Jury Assembly Room of the Marion County Judicial Center, 110 NW 1st Avenue, Ocala, Florida 34475, at 11:00 a.m., on September 8, 2011 in accordance with Section 45.031, Florida Statutes.
Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of its date of the lis pendens must file a claim within 60 days after the sale. The court, in its discretion, may enlarge the time of the sale. Notice of the changed time of sale shall be published as provided herein.
WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court on August 8, 2011.
DAVID R. ELLSPERMANN, Clerk of the Circuit Court
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By: /s/ E. Bridges, Deputy Clerk

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Retired Nurses planning meeting

The Citrus Marion Chapter of the Registered Nurses Retired (RNR) will meet at 1 p.m. Aug. 22 at the Sandwedge Restaurant in Spruce Creek. For more information, call Gladys at 352-854-2677 or Mary Jane at 352-726-6882.

Altar & Rosary Society distributes clothes

The Altar & Rosary Society at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will distribute gently used and new clothing to families in need from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 25, at the church at 7525 S.W. U.S. 41 in Dunnellon. For information, call Pat at 489-1984.

New Crime Stoppers discount cards available

The new 2011-12 Crime Stoppers of Marion County Discount Card is available and free for the asking. The card, featuring the local Crime Stoppers tip line phone number (368-STOP), offers yearlong discounts at a dozen Ocala businesses. It's available at Soapy's Car Washes in Ocala and at State Road 200 and Southwest 93rd Court or call 843-1499 or e-mail rhauck@embarqmail.com.

Harmony Preschool registration open

Harmony Preschool is now accepting student registration for their 2- to 3-year-old class and their morning and afternoon VPK Classes for 4-year olds. The preschool is also ac-

cepting students enrolled in the School Readiness (Vouchers) program. The school is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and wrap around care is offered for VPK students for an additional fee. Stop by the preschool at 21501 W. State Road 40 in Dunnellon. The school is housed in the First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon or call (352) 489-9552 for more information.

Group raising funds for Honor Flight

Marion County Continuity of Care Council will host the third annual Antiques & Collectibles Appraisalthon from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 20, at the Angela Santos VFW Post 4781, 9401 SW 110th St., just off SR 200 (across from Oak Run) in Ocala to raise funds for the Ocala Honor Flight.

Besides the appraisals, there will be a silent auction, food and a LifeSouth blood drive for the Veterans Hospital.

Marion County Continuity of Care Council is hoping to raise \$2,000 or more to aid Honor Flight in its mission to take our World War II vets to Washington D.C. to visit the World War II memorial. The next Honor Flight is Oct. 27.

For more information, contact Al May at 352-239-0091 or e-mail amayinfo@gmail.com or Trey Adams at 352-433-6660 or e-mail Treyaadams@northporthealth.com.

Taking a break



JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News
Nicole Carter enjoys the scenic view of the Rainbow River recently from the dock at Victoria's Restaurant while chatting with a friend who was also taking a break from work with a quick dip in the cool waters of the river.

Get ready for fall gardening

Broccoli, cauliflower, collards, onions and turnips are good vegetables to look at planting at the end of this month.

September should see Brussel sprouts, carrots, cabbages, lettuce and leeks being planted. The cooler weather will give these vegetables the breaks required to grow and flourish.

Germination at the lower ground temperatures is generally better for many of these varieties. Seedlings will get a better start with the cooler temperatures. It is important that if you are going to do some fall planting not to wait too long.

The weather here can go from cool to cold. If you want to get some victory in the garden, make sure the more tender plants give you a crop before succumbing to the cold, and frosts that can suddenly arrive.

If it is warm, you may manage to get a few tomatoes going, with a crop before the cold snap. You could even try a few beans and cucumbers. We have tomatoes in tubs that we move about on skateboards.

When a cold night arrives we simply push them into the garage for the night and return them in the morning to the sun, which arrives quickly most days. This helps to keep them protected; the tubs are quick and easy to move, and we have cropped right through the winter using outgrown skateboards. If doing this, choose an indeterminate variety (constant producers). Getting seeds

going now means that you should get the first fruits around late-October, early-November.

Make sure beds are prepared, and weeds removed. Mix in your organic compost or bagged compost to the beds and work it together with your existing soils. With the rain, we are getting soil moisture will be good, with little watering required. Only add the fertilizers before planting, as it will wash out before anything has a chance to



Tracy Jenner
Riverland Gardener

benefit. I recently discovered a canning place that is open all year round. This will give you a chance to can your own homegrown vegetables and fruits or order through them from the markets. Prices are rising every week it seems, and quality is not keeping up in some places. I have mushrooms, tomatoes and corn in the pantry now. The taste is better and I can use my own recipes with each.

The number is 352-540-4306 and is run by Miss Flossie. Although it is currently run by Citrus County it is going into private ownership in October, and to remain open will need support. Getting the initial stock of jars can be expensive, but look at yard sales, and keep those jelly jars, and sterilize them. It is fun to do, and rewarding. Teaching youngsters now will help to keep alive traditions we may all soon need to use!

Contact Tracy Jenner, the Riverland Gardener, by e-mail at tracyjenner@aol.com.



17th Annual Rails to Trails Bike Ride!

Sunday, Oct. 2, 2011

on the Withlacoochee State Trail

Start Time:

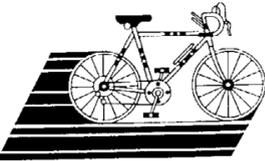
7 a.m. - 9 a.m. (No mass start) Rain or Shine.

Location: The ride will begin at the North Apopka Avenue Trail Crossing in Inverness. Continental Breakfast available, Lunch from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Entry Fee: \$20 per rider up to 9/12/11.

\$25 per rider thereafter including ride day.

Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.



Door Prizes for pre-registered riders ONLY. At least one bike will be included in door prizes.

For more information or applications log onto: www.railstotrailsonline.com

For information call (352) 527-9535 or e-mail wiltz@tampbay.rr.com

NOTICE

Thank you for participating in our past Bike Rides. To be eligible for door prizes and be guaranteed a T-shirt you must be registered by **September 12, 2011**. Therefore, we encourage you to sign up early. Again, our price is still \$20.00 for the ride if you register by September 12, 2011. We hope you will join us this year and enjoy a day of fun as well as support the

Withlacoochee State Trail.

SIGN UP EARLY!



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WHEN IS A PUBLIC NOTICE NOT PUBLIC?

Don't let Florida officials remove your right to know from the newspaper.



Proposed legislation SPB 7204 and HB 89 would remove your right to read public notices in newspapers – restricting them to government web sites only. The public's right to know cannot be abandoned in favor of presumed cost savings, which are elusive.

Public Notices must be publicly accessible

- 53.6% of Floridians over 65 do not have access to the internet*
- 28.1% of African-Americans in Florida do not have access to the internet*
- 34.6% of Hispanics in Florida do not have access to the internet*

In addition to printed newspapers, Florida's newspapers provide a supplemental public notice web site, www.floridapublicnotices.com, allowing free and unlimited searchable access to public notices aggregated from Florida newspapers.

Government posting of government notices on government websites takes away third-party neutrality

Making government officials responsible for notifying the public on their own websites carries with it a potential for abuse. For example, it may create the temptation to change or manipulate the timing of public notices. If a scheduled public notice is not published or contains false information, the newspaper is more likely to catch the mistake.

Public Notices must be archived in a secure and accessible format

The internet does not provide as reliable an archival history of public notices as newspapers due to its vulnerability in the form of hackers, viruses, and downed servers.

Governmental websites do not provide legal affidavits and written proof of publication and a secure and verifiable paper trail

State and local governments, attorneys and private citizens rely on this documentation to ensure that these notices were published timely and lawfully, as newspapers are required by law to do.

*Scarborough Research Multi-Market study 2010 Release 2



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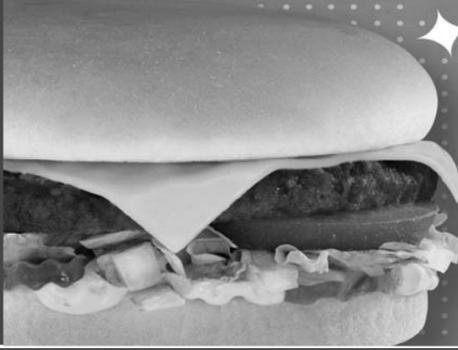
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