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## Algieri: City must inspect wells

*RS residents with irrigation systems will bore costs*

JEFF BRYAN  
Riverland News

Rainbow Springs residents who've dug their heels in by hiring a well company to install irrigation wells to escape po-

tentially higher water bills and the 25 percent surcharge might be in for a surprise.

New irrigation system owners, however, aren't the lone folks who fall under city codes. Those who had irrigation wells

before the city purchased Rainbow Springs Utility must also have their systems inspected by city officials.

That's because, City Manager Lisa Algieri said, those who have had irrigation wells in-

stalled, or those who already have them, must have a back-flow preventer in place and checked by city officials. The reasons, she explained, are simple.

Because they are now customers of the city-owned utility system and because they fall under the 180-district, which

allowed the city to purchase the system and tack on the 25 percent surcharge, any wells are subject to annual inspections by city officials. Also, Algieri said, it is the city's responsibility to protect public water sources, per state law

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### Michelle-O-Gram schedules fundraiser

The Michelle-O-Gram will host a yard sale Saturday, March 3, at the Lion's Club on State Road 40 in Historic Downtown Dunnellon.

The foundation needs items for the event; however, it clothes and shoes will not be accepted. The staging and drop off location will be at Elaine Hobb's home at 20962 Second Ave., behind First Baptist Church of Dunnellon.

If you have large items and need a pick-up, call Susie Blauser at 489-4885 or 433-5353.

In 2011, the Michelle-O-Gram assisted 131 women obtain mammography testing.

#### Girl Scouts seek stories for project

Dunnellon Girl Scouts Troop 320 is seeking information for its 100th-year project "Every Girl Scout has a story."

In 100 years, Girl Scouts have produced many girls of courage, confidence and character. Dunnellon Girl Scout Troop 320 is collecting short stories from anyone who was once a Girl Scout.

Your story can be about you, your daughter or your mother. Any memories you care to share with us will help celebrate the Girl Scout's 100th birthday.

The stories will be entered into a Troop 320 keepsake of Girl Scout history. All stories can be emailed to Dawn Horton, Troop leader, at dawn212@gmail.com or mailed to 480 S.W. Big Tree Road Dunnellon, FL 34431.

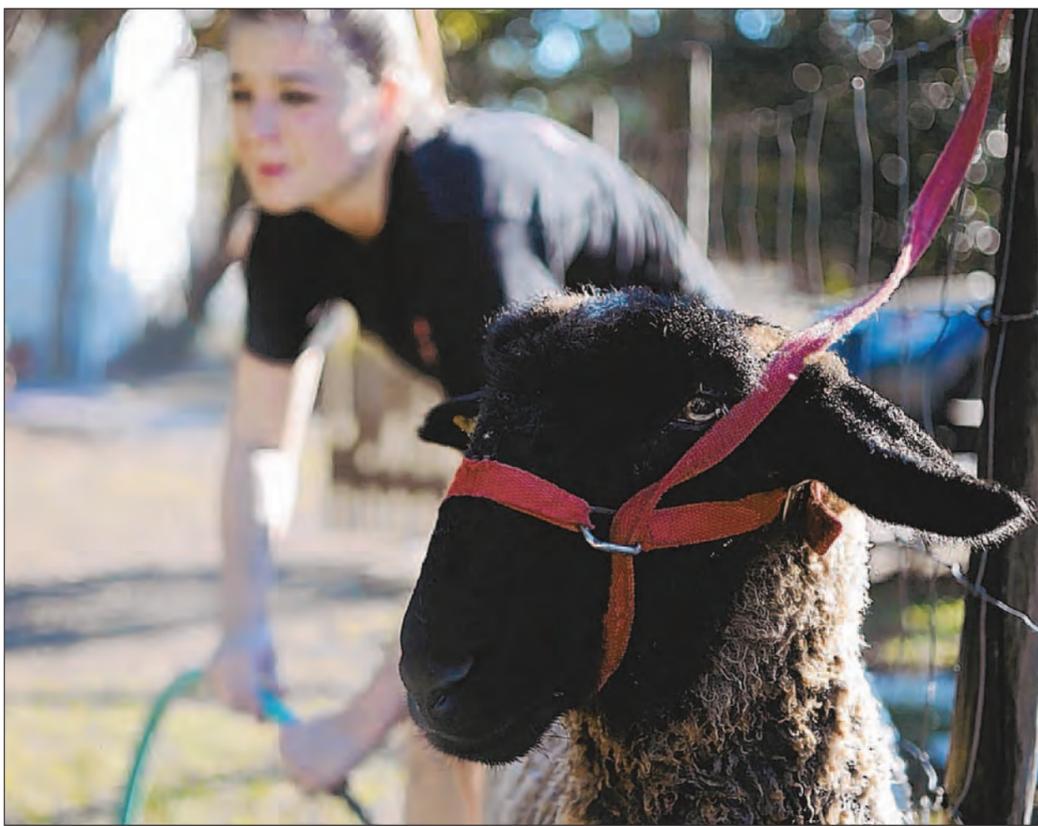
#### RS Garden Club to meet Feb. 23

The Rainbow Springs Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, at the American Legion Hall, 10730 U.S. 41. The program, presented by Nancy Myers and Terri Grier, will be "Hot Plants for Spring" and "Proper Grouping for Your Yard." Annual membership (September through May) is \$10; guest fee is \$5 per visit for two visits, after which you become a member. For more information, call Barbara Roberts at 489-9680.



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## Family tradition



Photos by JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Clyde, a lamb, poses for his close-up while Casey Weber gives him a bath. Casey's lamb, Clyde, is her breed lamb who won last year. This is Clyde's second visit to the fair. His first was last year when he was 3 or 4 weeks old with his mom. At weigh-in, he was 129 pounds, and now he is around 165.

### Sisters share lifelong love of Southeastern Youth Fair

LIZZY WRIGHT

For the Riverland News

**Editor's Note:** The Southeastern Youth Fair concludes Saturday, Feb. 26, at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion at 2232 N.E. Jacksonville Road, Ocala. This is the final story in a series highlighting high school youths who participate in the annual event.

Growing up, Casey and Jody Weber knew what the Southeastern Youth Fair was by the time they could walk.

Their father, Harry, participated in it when he was in high school, and when they were just toddlers they were going to watch close friends and their cousins at the annual event, which wraps up Saturday at the Southeastern Livestock Pavilion at 2232 N.E. Jacksonville Road, Ocala.

Even though they

were too young to participate, their parents went out and bought them baby pigs they raised and butchered themselves. But once they turned 8, they started showing.

Ten years later, Casey, a senior at Dunnellon High, has many memories to cherish and a lifelong love for the Fair and animals.

The Fair has been a decade of memories for Casey, who has been showing in the youth fair since she was old enough to compete. She had found that she enjoys showing hogs best, this being her 10th and final year.

Casey has also shown lambs during eight of her Fair years and once showed a heifer. She found that she was a fan of animals bigger than her that cost more money and have a higher risk of danger.

"Pigs are easier, and I know people think

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Jody Weber giving her steer Willis a bath.

## Trail plan aims to draw cyclists

*Council adopts master plan*

JEFF BRYAN  
Riverland News

If city officials follow through with plans presented in the Bicycle Pedestrian and Blueway Master Plan the Council formally adopted Monday night, they'll split East Pennsylvania Avenue right down the middle, to an extent.

After hearing a special presentation by Kimley-Horn at its Feb. 8 workshop, tentative plans call for running a multi-use trail along the south side of Pennsylvania Avenue from Blue Run Park and into the Historic District. That means officials would eliminate the sidewalk on the south side of East Pennsylvania Avenue and strategically place landscaped medians along the road with a turn lane as well in an effort to "calm traffic."

Plans also call for streetscaping and standard signage throughout town to promote the newly constructed bicycle trail, which city officials plan to work with state agencies to provide a temporary connection to the Withlacoochee Rails to Trails.

That highly popular trail currently runs through Citrus, Hernando and Pasco counties. City officials are hopeful to create a new trailhead at Blue Run Park, which has undergone major renovations throughout the past year to improve parking as well as a newly constructed tubers' exit and canoe/kayak launch ramp.

"One of the most significant projects in the Explore Dunnellon Bicycle, Pedestrian and Blueway Plan is a Withlacoochee Trail Extension to extend the trail north into Dunnellon," the report stated. "This trail extension involves multiple segments completed over several

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## Cracker Days set for weekend

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Cracker Days will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 25 and 26, at Rainbow Springs State Park. Exhibitors and demonstrators will tell you about the early pioneer history of Florida.

Staff and volunteers will be in period dress in the cow camp, along with a Cracker horse and many

exhibits about early Florida. There will also be an archeological exhibit.

The Crafty Ladies will have Cracker dolls and other handcrafted items. Nature Quest will run trams in the parking lot to the entry and from the Felburn Pavilion to the Cow Camp.

Copies of the Cracker Times will be available to show you where and when everything is taking place.

Storyteller Sam will talk about his adventures.

At the entrance to the park, there will be native plant sales and information. Several Florida musicians will perform throughout the day in the Felburn Pavilion. Entry fee is \$2 per person; children 6 and younger are free.

For more information about Cracker Days, call 465-8555.



Jimmy Janeczek shows off his whip-cracking skills during last year's Cracker Days event.

Riverland News file photo

# Boomtown days scheduled April 21-22

Dunnellon's mining town roots will be remembered Saturday and Sunday, April, 21 and 22, with food, crafts, music and more, during the annual Boomtown Days celebration.

The weekend will be filled with Arts & Crafts, a festival of music, food and antique car show. About 125 crafts displays will line Dunnellon's beautiful tree lined Historic District along West Pennsylvania Avenue and Cedar Street, which will be closed to vehicle traffic.

A beauty pageant to crown the Queen of the Rainbow will Sunday afternoon and the Little Miss & Mr. Dunnellon pageant will be Saturday afternoon.

The 2012 Queen of the Rainbow pageant applications are now available. Females ages 15 to 20 are encouraged to participate in this Boomtown tradition. Prizes include trophies, tiaras, cash prizes, flowers and more.

Applications are available at the Chamber of Commerce and in the front office of Dunnellon High School. The applications are due to the Dunnellon

Chamber of Commerce by 3 p.m. Friday, March 4. For more information, contact the pageant directors, Amber and Heidi Schwiier at [Dunnellongirl@hotmail.com](mailto:Dunnellongirl@hotmail.com) or call the Chamber of Commerce at 489-2320.

Applicants for the Lil' Miss & Mr. Pageant must be between the ages of 5 through 7. Their birthday must fall on or before the day of the event. Winners will receive a crown, trophy and a Walmart gift card. Encourage your children, nieces, nephews and friends to join us in making this a great pageant. Applications may be picked up at the Chamber office or email a request to [dunnellonchamber@bellsouth.net](mailto:dunnellonchamber@bellsouth.net).

Interested in volunteering? We need your help. Various positions are available. If you or your group would be willing to donate some time for this event, call the Chamber at 489-2320.

Don't have time to volunteer? Be a sponsor! For more information or if interested in being a Boomtown Sponsor, call 489-2320 or email [dunnellonchamber@bellsouth.net](mailto:dunnellonchamber@bellsouth.net).

# Will McLean Festival, March 9 to 11

*Special to Riverland News*

More than 50 of Florida's finest acoustic singer/songwriters will converge in the woods at the Sertoma campground for the 23rd annual Will McLean Music Festival March 9 to 11.

Beginning at noon Friday, March 9, stages, workshops, crafts and food booths open and festivities continue until 6 p.m. Sunday. On Friday and Saturday, the event closes at 11 p.m.

Stages open at 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday. Besides performances on three stages, workshops are offered, free to attendees. These include basic finger style guitar, with instructor Pete Price; mandolin by Red and Chris Henry; harmonica, Stan Geberer; fiddle, Katie Bailey; advanced finger style, Clyde Walker. Amy Carol Webb will present a workshop entitled "Empowering Your Voice"

and Dale Crider will conduct a session entitled "Environmental Songs."

Performers come from all over the state, from Lucky Mud and Wayne Martin from the Panhandle to Grant Livingston, Ellen Bukstel and Amy Carol Webb from Miami.

Along with featuring veteran performers, who return to the festival, the venue is dedicated to supporting young performers in a special "Young Performers Showcase" on Saturday afternoon. Musicians in this showcase range in age from 9 to 25 years of age.

Will Fest presents a children's area and a variety of

original crafts, as well as a food area with a varied menu.

One of the most popular aspects of the festival is that guests may camp together with performers, giving them an opportunity to meet face-to-face with their favorite musicians and join with them in the campfire jams after the stages close down.

The campground is at 85 Myers Road, Brooksville, Fla. Weekend tickets in advance are \$32; at the gate, \$37. Children 12 and younger are free. Camping is \$22 a night.

For information, visit [www.willmclean.com](http://www.willmclean.com) and Facebook or call 352-465-7208.



Amy Carol Webb will host a workshop at the event.

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**Agency needs items for homeless program**

The Annie W. Johnson Senior and Family Center is in need of items for its Project Homeless program, which is designed to help the homeless with food, tents and coolers. All three items are needed at this time. If you are able to assist us in this matter, contact the Annie W. Johnson Center at 489-8021.

**TOPS welcomes members, visitors**

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 375 Rainbow Lakes welcomes new members and visitors. TOPS meets at 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Rainbow Lakes Community Center 4030 S.W. Deepwater Court, Rainbow Lakes. Take U.S. 41 to Rainbow Lakes Boulevard, 4.5 miles to the Community Center.

For more information, call 465-5807.

**WELLS**

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and city code.

Algiere said she isn't aware if the irrigation wells recently installed do or do not have a backflow preventer; however, she said those residents who have recently had irrigation wells installed haven't notified the city to have an inspection completed. Those with irrigation wells must also have their systems installed. Cost of the inspections, per city code, are borne by the customers, not the city.

Either way, she said, it boils down to a matter of following city regulations. Residents must notify the city for an inspection of their irrigation wells to confirm the use of a backflow preventer as established by City Code, Section 70-55, under utilities.

According to city code, the city manager, or their designee, shall be responsible for the protection of

the public potable water distribution system from contamination or pollution due to the backflow or backsiphonage of contaminants or pollutants through the water service connection.

If an approved backflow prevention device is required at the city's water service connection to any customer's premises, for the safety of the water system, the city manager, or his designated agent, shall give notice in writing to the customer to install such an approved backflow prevention device at each service connection to his premises.

The customer shall, within 30 days of the date of the notice, install such approved device at his own expense. Failure, refusal, or inability on the part of the customer to install the device within

such time period shall constitute a ground for discontinuing water/sewer service to the premises until such device has been properly installed.

"We have to enforce that," she said.

Algiere also cited City Code 70-56, Section F under utility.

The codes states it shall be the duty of the city at any premises where backflow prevention devices are installed to have certified inspections and operational tests made at least once per year.

In those instances where the city manager or their designee deems the hazard to be great enough, they may require certified inspections at more frequent intervals. These inspections and tests shall be at the expense of the water user and shall be performed by the device

manufacturer's representative, or by a certified tester approved by the city manager or his designee.

The city shall charge the customer-user the actual costs incurred by the city for these inspections and tests. The costs shall be billed to the customer on the next water bill following the inspection and test.

The costs for inspection and testing shall be deemed water charges and shall be subject to this chapter, including but not limited to section 70-86, the code states. It shall be the duty of the city manager, or their designee, to see that these timely tests are made.

The customer-user shall notify the city manager, or their designee, in advance when the tests are to be undertaken so that he or

his representative may witness the tests if it is so desired, the code states. These devices shall be repaired, overhauled or replaced at the expense of the customer-user whenever the devices are found to be defective. Records of such tests, repairs and overhaul shall be kept and copies sent to the water distribution office, utilities department of the city.

Algiere said she intends to have a letter issued to those customers who have irrigation wells to notify them of the need for an inspection or potentially have their water/sewer services disconnected.

To see the complete city codes guidelines for irrigation wells, visit [library.municode.com/index.aspx?clientId10669&stateId9&stateNameFlorida](http://library.municode.com/index.aspx?clientId10669&stateId9&stateNameFlorida).

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## GUEST COLUMN

## Blame or accountability? A challenge for society

Every school day, more than 99 percent of our 42,000 students in the Marion County Public School District make great decisions and do what we expect them to — study, do their homework, participate in learning and earn a good education. And most of the 23,000 students on our buses do the same. Unfortunately, we don't hear about these students because they don't generate many news headlines.

The ones that do garner news coverage, at least since Jan. 6, fall in the minute portion, less than one-half of 1 percent, out of 42,000 students. Of course, I'm talking about seven students arrested for beating a fellow student on the bus.

By now, our district has made headlines in nearly every newsroom around the country. We've helped private media

companies increase their ratings and sell more newspapers. Six weeks after the incident, we continue dealing with interview requests "for our viewers" and questions "for our readers."

Most media and many people are most interested in pointing fingers and blaming someone, and justifiably to a degree.

Bus drivers have one of the toughest jobs around. They pick up students in the morning when they don't want to go to school and they take them home when they're rambunctious and full of energy. We expect our drivers to drive safely, efficiently, and in a timely manner. With few exceptions, they do. They shouldn't have to be distracted with bad bus behavior from any student.

In Marion County, 275 buses hit the road every school day pulling double

duty. They run multiple routes every morning and afternoon, picking up and dropping off elementary students. Then they turn around and repeat the process with middle and high school students.

Some people believe the answer to this incident is buying more buses and hiring more bus aides. In a perfect world, that would be wonderful. However, Marion County is larger than the state of Rhode Island, more than 1,650 square miles. We simply don't have the money to buy that amount of buses. We cannot afford it. We have 130 bus aides, 116 who are dedicated exclusively to serving the needs of special-needs students. The remaining 14 aides and a handful of other transportation employees are available to ride problematic routes and fill in as needed.

While most people focus on the bus fight thanks to the state attorney's office releasing the video, we're focusing on

equipping our bus drivers with even more skills to resolve student conflicts. We're involving more people in the student discipline process. We're training, teaching, and turning to better communication, hoping something like this will never happen again.

While we continue the process, our community — and society as a whole — must also come to grips with a basic principle that's been lost in this entire experience — holding children accountable for their actions.

Teenagers know right from wrong, good from bad, and befriending over bullying. Holding students accountable for their choices teaches them consequences, responsibility and character.

Our district and school board will hold students accountable.

Will we as a society?

*Jim Yancey is the superintendent of Marion County Public Schools.*



Jim Yancey

## LETTERS

### What was bad then, still bad today

In 1898, 22 phosphate companies tore up the landscape around Rainbow Springs so badly that it took 30 years for Mother Nature to recover all that had been lost.

And now today, the city of Dunnellon is plundering the same area all over again. It wasn't good back then and it isn't any good today.

Duke Stoetzer  
Dunnellon

### Greenlight future of city's growth

Re: Answer to Alan Abele's letter in Feb. 16 edition of the Riverland News.

Hey Alan, there just may be a tomorrow for Dunnellon!

Alan Abele's response to Lisa Algere's statement is understandable if one's vision only sees the past.

Lacking a 21st-century infrastructure, the city would continue to be a haven for snowbirds and a bedroom for folks that make a living on State Road 200 and such.

Not the brightest prospect for a DHS graduate who spends four years in college or the university.

So, the city is investing in a fiber optic backbone that will make many opportunities available to us.

So, what does that all do, you say? Let me relate an observation I made years ago.

After the military, I settled in Seattle and completed my degree at the University of Washington in mathematics.

In 1972, a computer cost millions of dollars. The math department shared time on the computer used by the registrar's office. Often, I had to work late at night when two high school students also used the machine for a project for the university and to learn more about programming.

They both went on to college and made a difference in our lives. Sadly, I did not make myself indispensable to these fellows and if I had I would more likely have retired in Boca Raton than Dunnellon. Their names are Bill Gates and Paul Allen.

The point here is in the time when computers were very uncommon Bill Gates and Paul Allen had access to the technology and brought their talents and vision back to their hometown.

The technology was there for them, and the entire Pacific Northwest is far better off for their efforts. We may not see a Google or a Facebook originate in Dunnellon, but the support will be there for the Class of 2014 at Dunnellon High.

Possibly the next Bill Gates or Steve Jobs will graduate, go on to college and bring their brilliance back here. It all starts by having the right environment, ecologically and technologically.

Alan, I am glad you wrote in what you did as it reflects a lot of what I hear of late. It also highlights the need for the new position with Greenlight as a publicist.

With their webpage down, there is no message getting out there or otherwise.

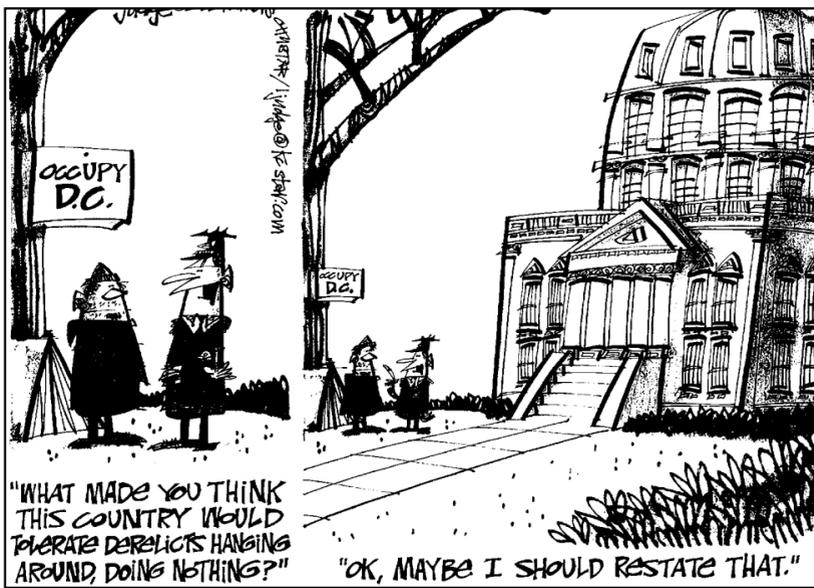
I look for a better understanding soon. The city administration has been taking an undeserved tongue lashing due to misunderstanding of the vision for the future.

Dan Lumsden  
Dunnellon

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## WAYNE'S WORLD

### It takes a village to care for seniors

Will the 'Village concept' be a long-term care model for Rainbow Springs area?

On the first day of this month, The House voted to repeal a portion of Obama's health care law called the Community Living Assistance Services and Support Act (CLASS ACT), which was intended to provide affordable long-term care insurance for the elderly and the disabled.

This part of the 2010 health care law has been in trouble for some time, with Health and Human Services Secretary Kathleen Sebelius acknowledging that the program — which allows workers during their working years to buy insurance, that provides them with a daily cash benefit for home health care — could not be made financially sustainable and, in the long run, would add greatly to the national debt.

While the repeal of the measure may get stalled in the Democratic Senate, the program is considered by most to be another ill-fated attempt to fund long-term care for the disabled and the elderly.

The cost of long-term care in nursing homes is so expensive that few families can afford to pay for it themselves without risking bankruptcy. There are legions of lawyers and estate planners all across the country who specialize in advising the elderly on how to transfer their assets to their children and still be able to legally qualify for Medicaid, the government program that will pay for long-term care in nursing homes, but only for the documented poor. The cost of long-term care in America's nursing homes is therefore a huge burden on Medicaid, which will increase exponentially with the aging of the baby boomer generation.

One solution that has been offered by the private insurance sector is long-term care insurance that pays for long-term care in assisted living facilities and nursing homes — for those who can afford to pay the insurance premiums.

For most middle-class families who are struggling to pay their household bills, health insurance premiums, college education costs for their children and save for their retirement, paying long-term care insurance premiums is not an option.

In view of the losses suffered by present retirees in the recent recession to the value of their homes and retirement accounts, long-term care insurance premiums are out of the question, even for those who were in a position to be able to afford them just a few years ago.

And for those seniors who had planned to sell their homes to raise the monies needed to enter an upscale independent-living or continuing-care

retirement community that typically charges an entry fee of several hundred thousand dollars and monthly maintenance fees, the recent huge drop in home values has taken that option off of the table.

The one sensible alternative solution to expensive long-term care in an assisted living facility or in a nursing home is "aging-in-place," i.e., allowing the elderly to remain in their homes for as long as possible.

Unfortunately, even the cost for private help in the home, even just part-time assistance on a continuing basis, can become financially unsustainable for many seniors.

Spouses provide assistance when able, as do extended family members; however, in many cases the spouses are no longer physically able to be caregivers and family members live far beyond commuting distance from their elderly relatives to be able to be there to help.

Indeed, the National Institute on Aging estimates there are now about 7 million long-distance caregivers who try to manage the care of their loved ones by phone and Internet contact, with the number growing as more and more young people have to move to wherever they can find work in this post-recession economy.

So for all the seniors who are not independently wealthy or who cannot afford to maintain long term care insurance coverage, what solution is there to this financially devastating long-term care crises?

One possibility may be in self-help. If there is a way seniors can provide themselves with affordable help in their homes akin to the kinds of help that they would receive in assisted living communities they could avoid these facilities altogether and could also shorten the time spent in more expensive nursing homes.

The more time seniors can spend in their homes means the less time they live in nursing homes, resulting in a direct savings to themselves, their families and the taxpayers by lowering Medicaid costs.

AARP surveys regularly reflect that 90 percent of all seniors older than 65 want to remain in their homes as long as possible.

A current aging-in-place, self-help, volunteer-driven movement to achieve this goal gaining adherents around the country is known as the "Village Concept." This approach to long-term care began in the Beacon Hill neighborhood of Boston in 2002. A simplified explanation of the concept is that neighbors join together in a self-governing, nonprofit corporation run by a small staff and volunteers to fulfill the

## THE JERSEY GIRL

### Temporary insanity

A woman in Texas was accused of pre-meditated murder and sentenced to life in prison. It really wasn't fair. She didn't mean to hold that pillow over her husband's face for that long. Obviously, none of the jurors live with a snorer.

How many women can sympathize with her?

Do you live with a spouse who snores? I do. Let me tell you, it is not fun.

We have tried everything — the pills, the nose strips and the drops on the back of the tongue. We even tried the tennis ball attached to the back of his pajamas. Yeah, that one lasted about five minutes. But still he snores.

I gave ear plugs a try, but they made me claustrophobic. I tried dreaming the noise was supposed to be there, like a rabid dog was in my room or a locomotive was charging toward me. I even tried turning the television up really loud, but RCA and Zenith haven't created a volume control to combat that sound. I even tried sleeping pills, but apparently they don't make one strong enough.

Now, don't get me wrong, I love my husband dearly. From morning till night, that is. But once night time arrives, it's every man for himself. Yes, I know this whole thing sounds mean. Please don't judge me until you've heard this man snore.

For a couple of years, we played musical beds. If I couldn't sleep, I went into one of the other rooms and then when he woke up in the middle of the night, he would come find me and we'd switch back. Then, we'd both have to fall back to sleep again, which takes him 12 seconds and me 20 minutes.

So now we sleep apart. Yes, OK, I'm making another confession here.

Oh, don't worry, we are OK. We watch TV together, cuddle, read or whatever and then, when one of us is about to fall asleep, we go our separate ways. It's OK, really.

We come together again in the morning, well rested and happy.

I know it sounds odd, but it works and we both get a good night's sleep. Yes, I know I could try to fall asleep before him, but my husband is in bed every night by 9 o'clock, so that won't work either.

Dr. Phil was on TV not long ago saying there is something wrong with a marriage if the couple doesn't sleep together. Believe me, there is nothing wrong with our marriage. I'm here to tell you right here, right now. If Dr. Phil starts snoring, his wife Robin will be sleeping as far on the other side of the house as she possibly can. You can count on that.

Actually, there's a new study out that says that 21 percent of married couples sleep in separate beds.

Can you believe that? Can you believe there are that many men out there keeping their poor wives awake?

I know it can be the women, too. However, most studies show it's the man who snores, for some reason. More women nag their husbands while they sleep, but the snoring belongs to the man.

I know it's probably a medical problem and my husband needs to attend one of those sleep-study programs, but I also know he's not going to do it.

Honestly, his snoring doesn't bother him. He says he doesn't even hear it, which is baffling to me since I hear the neighbors can probably hear him.

So for all you women who are suffering and losing sleep let me just say this — put down those pillows, women. Don't resort to murder.

There's a better solution — it's called separate beds.

Aubrey Beem, The Jersey Girl, can be reached via email at [abeemer22@att.net](mailto:abeemer22@att.net).

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**LETTERS**

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**Boycott of Greenlight is fair, just**

Just to put into perspective about the revenue lost in Rainbow Springs alone due to the Greenlight boycott, which I think will be very well supported, here are some estimates I offer.

I believe Mr. Lynn Black received more than 1,200 signed boycott letters, so I base my opinion on boycott support on his fine efforts.

I am going to assume that 500 residents in Rainbow Springs might have signed up for Greenlight before the purchase of the utility. Based on 1,500 residences on the Country Club side alone, I think this is a "fair" guess, 500 customers at \$100 (you know it will cost more). Monthly would equal \$50,000; \$50,000 times 12 months would equal \$600,000 yearly or \$3 million in five years. Compare this to the \$86,000 a year, or \$432,000 for a five-year contract the school board signed that was front page news in the Feb. 17 edition of the *Riverland News*.

I guess that with the decision to add Rio Vista to the utility system, the city had no choice but to make the Rainbow Springs Utility purchase and alienate its largest customer base for Greenlight.

Here are two quotes I got from the *Riverland News* on Sept. 15, 2011, edition when they covered the Greenlight budget meeting.

Vice Mayor Stark said: "If we don't get this in the ground soon, we're going to have big problems, big problems."

Perhaps Mr. Stark can let

us know, did or is Greenlight going to make the "soon" target date? However, at the same meeting City Manager Lisa Algieri stated Greenlight should be fully operational by November perhaps mid-December at the latest "to have the full package."

I assume she meant 2012. You can see why we are all a little dubious of the city's ability to manage the Greenlight operation.

Just wondering how much of the \$7.3 million of borrowed money is left? Just remember it is the city of Dunnellon doing business as Greenlight Communications.

I am sure capitalist Adam Smith is rolling over in his grave.

Dunnellon residents, would you invest in Greenlight?

I believe you have; your city revenue secured the loan.

Rainbow Springs residents are concerned and justly upset that their utility revenue rates will be used to offset the terrible financial decisions of the city management. The general consensus is that Rainbow Springs utility purchase was to create an immediate revenue stream for the shaky city finances.

This perception is based on the statements and actions of the city leaders. The city management decided to get us into this position because "they can."

We will boycott the poorly managed Greenlight because "we can."

Rainbow Springs residents wanted no part of the city government at any level; it was unfairly forced upon us.

**Rosemarie Kleuker  
Dunnellon**

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needs that people require in order to remain living in their homes.

Each member pays an affordable yearly membership fee of about \$700. To keep the membership fees low, villages obtain additional funding through grants and donations in cash or in kind. In many cases, those who work as the directors and managers running the day to day activities of village organizations waive their wages in whole or in part. There are also new public and private sector programs that support the village concept of aging-in-place in one's own home and neighborhood.

For example, AARP and the National Association of Home Builders have created a program where builders, architects and tradesmen can be certified as aging-in-place specialists by being trained to design, modify and remodel residences to be senior-friendly.

While health experts have long warned against seniors doing strenuous caregiving tasks, new Boston University research shows that light caregiving duties improve both senior cognitive and physical functionality.

Indeed, the Sloan Center on Aging and Work estimates that 30 percent of the professional home-care workforce

will be comprised of women 55 years of age and older by the year 2018, up from 22 percent in 2008. One national private home-care firm currently employs more than 26,000 women 60 years of age and older.

For more extensive and arduous work needed by their membership, village staffs screen, select and negotiate discounted rates with a full assortment of local handymen, suppliers and vendors, including home health care providers, whose services and products would not be otherwise affordable to individual homeowners trying to negotiate with vendors and service people on their own.

The recent vote by the House of Representatives should send a clear signal to seniors that if they want to solve the problem that long term care poses for them that self-help may be one of their few options.

The Village Concept provides a present alternative for those who want to stay in their own homes and avoid long-term care facilities entirely or for as long as humanly possible. However, because all of the existing village organizations are so new, it is not yet clear whether they will be viable over the long term.

It may not be a coincidence, however, that the numbers of communities embracing the village concept is increasing

rapidly as the Boomers join the ranks of the retired and investigate their long-term care options.

At the present time, according to the Village to Village Network, a national peer-to-peer network to help communities establish and sustain their own of villages, there are currently 55 operating village communities around the country, with an additional 120 in various stages of development.

Surprisingly, at least to this writer, there are no operating village communities in Florida, but the first one is presently being developed in Indalantic in Brevard County. The state of California, in comparison, now has eight operating villages — with 21 more in development.

Last September, the Archstone Foundation, a California private grant making organization with the mission of helping society meet the needs of an aging population, awarded \$1.3 million to expand Villages in California by awarding each selected town or city a \$100,000 grant to support their development of a "grass roots village model" for their senior citizens as part of its ongoing "Expansion of The Village Movement

Initiative." So why not establish a "Village Community" here in the Rainbow Springs area?

Based upon the cited AARP national surveys, 90 percent of our seniors most likely also want to remain in their homes as long as possible. Obviously, creating a "Village Community" and sustaining it will require planning, organization and ongoing work, but what worthy endeavor does not?

Others have already taken the lead and are so willing to share their knowledge and experience that they have created a website for that specific purpose — [vtnetwork.clubexpress.com](http://vtnetwork.clubexpress.com).

So the question that constitutes the title of this piece can only be answered by finding out the answer to another question which is whether or not there are a sufficient number of committed volunteers in the Rainbow Springs area who want to make this community into a Village, in the long-term care sense of the word. I suspect that the answer to that question boils right down to whether or not this community is a village in the truest sense of that word.

Contact Walt Wayne by email at [waltwayne2004@yahoo.com](mailto:waltwayne2004@yahoo.com).

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Applications of interest are now being accepted for the Pre-K/VPK (voluntary pre-kindergarten) program operated by the Title One Office of Marion County Public Schools. This full-day program takes place during the normal 2012-2013 school year and is not related to Summertime VPK

programs. Applications are available at participating school sites, the Title One Office at 306 N.W. Seventh Ave. in Ocala, and online at [www.marion.k12.fl.us/dept/fep/index.cfm](http://www.marion.k12.fl.us/dept/fep/index.cfm).

This program is widely popular, but has limited seating. Admission is based on a random selection of applications submitted or postmarked by the 5 p.m.

March 6 deadline.

Parents or guardians of students accepted into the regular school-year program will be notified via telephone call from the district's Title One Office starting March 13. Those not selected will be placed on a waiting list in random order and notified in a letter from the Title One office.

Title One Pre-K/VPK applications may be returned in four ways:

- in person at the Title One of-

• mailed to the Title One office at 306 NW 7 Ave., Ocala, FL, 34475;

- faxed to the Title One office at 352-620-7604; or
- completed online.

To be eligible, children must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2012, and live within the attendance zone of their participating school. Regular school-year Pre-K/VPK will be offered in 18 classrooms at 15

public elementary schools: Anthony, Belleview, College Park, East Marion, Emerald Shores, Evergreen, Fessenden, Ft. McCoy, Oakerest, Reddick-Collier, South Ocala, Sparr, Sunrise, Stanton-Weirsdale and Wyomina Park. Transportation is provided for those students accepted into the program and meeting eligibility requirements.

For more information, contact the Title One office at 352-620-7652.

### EDUCATION BRIEFS

#### Riverland Christian Academy to host event

Riverland Christian Academy will host the inaugural Women's Gale from 10 a.m. to noon Feb. 25. Sample some of your favorite beauty products, fashion, jewelry and home decor while enjoying some light snacks. Riverland Christian Academy is at 19455 SW 61st St. Take U.S. 41 North, turn right on Southwest 61st Street. For information, call 489-6171 or 489-6671.

#### Harmony Preschool accepting registrations

Harmony Preschool is now accepting student registration for its 2- to 3-Year Class. The preschool is also accepting students enrolled in the School Readiness (Vouchers) program.

The school is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The preschool is at 21501 W. State Road 40, Dunnellon. The school is housed in the First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon. For more information, call 489-9552.

#### Master Gardeners sponsoring contest

The UF/IFAS Marion County Master Gardeners invite local youth to grow their creativity by participating in the Spring Festival 2012 poster and essay contest.

The poster contest is open to youth in kindergarten-eighth grade (divided into three groups by grade level), and the essay contest is open to youth in grades 9-12. Poster and essay submissions must illustrate the theme "Attracting Wildlife to the Home Landscape." Interested students should check with their schools for participation and homeschooled students should submit entries through their home school groups.

First-place poster contest winners in each category at the county level will receive \$50 and the first place essay contest winner at the county level will receive \$75. For more information or an entry form, visit [www.marion-countyfl.org/springfestival.htm](http://www.marion-countyfl.org/springfestival.htm) or call 352-671-8400.

#### Church collecting box tops for education

The Altar and Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church is continuing to support Box Tops for Education and Campbell Soup UPC labels for one local school. Containers for these labels can be found at Winn Dixie (ask for box at cigarette counter), Ace Hardware, To Your Health Spa and in the Narthex of St. John's Catholic Church.

For more information about this program, call 489-5954.

## Dissecting nine lives



AMANDA ORTMAN/For the Riverland News  
Anthony Burnham and Emily Tracy observe a cat just taken out of its bag by Tia Brown, their Anatomy/Physiology teacher.

### DHS anatomy students get inner glimpse of feline

BRITTANY BENNETT

For the Riverland News

The students from Tia Brown's anatomy and physiology classes were excited to find out that they were going to dissect cats for part of the curriculum this year. News spread around quickly, and the students were getting anxious.

The day that they got to cut the cats open, some students were complaining that the cats smelled bad and even had students and faculty from other classes running away from the room, including the principal Michelle Lewis.

"They smelt as bad as they looked," Lewis exclaimed.

The cats were skinned and vacuum-sealed in large plastic bags. The stench was noticeable immediately

after they were taken out of the bags and students plugged their noses.

Even though she did a poll at the beginning of the year, with cats winning, Mrs. Brown decided to go with the students' choice of dissecting cats because she knows that they have better muscle tone and organ development than the fetal pigs. She told the students that they were going to be dissecting the cats after they finished the digestive system, which is Mrs. Brown's favorite part.

The students get to open up the cat one more time after they finish the urinary and respiratory systems.

"Opening them (the cats) up and seeing internal organs and how they are put together as a unit is my fa-

vorite," Brown explained.

A very special surprise was found when one group, in her second period class, had a pregnant cat that had "snuck" in, because usually the buyers have to pay extra for a pregnant cat. There were four fetuses that were in the female and Mrs. Brown has saved them in a jar of formaldehyde, along with the tapeworms and roundworms that were also found in the cats.

Students cut open the cats first by trying to view their muscles, the biceps, triceps, abdominals, and pectorals. Then they examined the digestive system, which included the liver, stomach, pancreas, and both of the intestines. The stomach was full of cat food and the intestines had the worms inside.

### PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

## DMS students prepare for FCAT testing

Interims will be issued to Dunnellon Middle School Students on Friday, Feb. 24. Students will also be bringing home the March DMS Newsletter, March Calendar and the Spring Picture Order Form.

On Tuesday, Feb. 28, DMS eight-grade students will put their writing skills to the test as they take the FCAT Writes portion of the mandatory statewide test. We will follow a testing bell schedule in the morning during testing.

Our sixth- and seventh-grade students will perform a Demand Writing exercise during this testing time. Parents, please make sure your child has eaten a well-balanced breakfast and arrives at school on time. Good luck, relax, and use the knowledge you have learned here at DMS.

Friday, March 2, is Spring Picture day at DMS. We are very excited that the "Buddy Groups" package is offered this time round. The Buddy Group photos are a fun way to celebrate friendships and memories made at Dunnellon Middle School and they are reasonably priced at \$10 per person in the group.

The Pre-Pay Order Form from SWI Photographers will come home with the Interims and March Newsletter Friday, Feb. 24. SWI Photographers are offering five main photo packages and many add-ons for those folks interested in ordering photographs of their children. Parents, please note, students must have the Pre-Pay Envelope completed and checks made payable to SWI Photographers to take advantage of the DMS Spring Picture Day Friday, March 2. Thank you.

Dunnellon Middle School Boys and Girls Basketball teams will compete in the County Basketball Tournament at 9 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at West Port High School. Coach Rumsey has been putting our DMS athletes through their paces as their hone their skills on the basketball court and off. Teamwork, sportsmanship, court courtesy and just the rules of the game are all part of the winning combination. We wish all our players the best of luck and a big thank you for being such fine representatives of your school and the pride you demonstrate at being a DMS Tiger. Have fun.

The Percussion Band will have its weekly practice with

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### PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

## Romeo students prep for Benchmark testing

Interim reports for Romeo Elementary School students will be sent home Friday, Feb. 24. The interim grades represent the mid-point progress for students in the third nine-week period. Please review these reports carefully and conference with teachers if you have questions or concerns.

The week of Feb. 27 marks the beginning of Benchmark

testing for students in grades three through five. These tests will mark students' progress on critical skills that are necessary for success on the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) in April. Results of the Benchmark test will be available by March 15, so that teachers and parents will have time to review weak skills prior to FCAT.

Feb. 28 is a big day for fourth-grade students. FCAT Writes will be administered to assess writing skills. Fourth-graders have been practicing their writing skills all year and are anxious to show off their polished skills. A motivational breakfast to celebrate student progress will be enjoyed by fourth-grade students and teachers Monday, Feb. 27.



Kathy Hultman  
Romeo  
Principal

## Education grants available

Public and private educators wishing to teach their students about stormwater quality topics may benefit from a Marion County Office of the County Engineer grant program.

Through March 30, 2012, educators serving students in unincorporated Marion County may apply for a grant under the 2011-12 Stormwater Education Grants Program. Awardees

may receive up to \$750 to use for stormwater/water resource projects and up to \$1,000 to purchase equipment related to these projects. Interested applicants may visit [www.marioncountyfl.org/stormwater.htm](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/stormwater.htm) to download grant application instructions and forms.

For more information about the grants program, call Gail Mowry at 352-671-8686.

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Mr. Noell from 3:40 to 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 27. Any student interested in after school band help/practice please see Mr. Noell to make arrangements. Parents of sixth-grade students, if your child received a recommendation letter for follow-up with an eye doctor, pediatrician or dietitian with his/her health screening result letter sent home in October 2011, please be sure to return the parental reply.

If your child has already been seen for a medical evaluation, just mark the reply section found at the bottom of the school screening result form and return it to the DMS Clinic. Your child's school health record will then be marked "complete."

It is very important to have pediatric medical evaluations done on a regular basis since factors such as poor eyesight, diet, elevated blood pressure, high cholesterol and undiagnosed diabetes can not only affect your child's school work, but his/her overall health and chance for a successful future.

If you have any questions or need help regarding your child's health screening results, call the Dunnellon Middle School nurse, Mrs. Bartolet, R.N., at 465-6720 and ask for the health clinic.

Sixth-grade students entering the seventh grade in August 2012 are

required to have the following shots as mandated by the state of Florida. Students will not be permitted to attend school without these shots being updated.

— TDAP Booster Shot (tetanus, diphtheria, whooping cough).

— Varicella (a total of two vaccines against chickenpox).

Parents, if your child needs the above shots the Marion County Health's Clinic on Wheels (COW) is available the first and third Tuesday monthly as well as the fourth Thursday monthly at the American Legion Building at 10730 U.S. 41. If you have any questions, call the Marion County Health Department at 629-0137.

The Yearbook pre-order is well under way. The yearbook pre-order will run through April 13 at the cost of \$25. After the pre-sale period, a limited number of yearbooks will be available for purchase at the end of the school year at a cost of \$35. Yearbooks may be pre-ordered before school in the Café or the Media Center. Make checks payable to Dunnellon Middle School.

It is still not too late to return your parent survey. We ask you to please take advantage of this opportunity of parental involvement in the DMS School Improvement Process (SIP). There is a small reward for your student in the form of a "The Dog Ate My Homework" pass and a small sweet treat. We thank our parents who have returned the survey. Your feedback is an important

and meaningful communication regarding student academic learning and other school activities.

We are very proud to relay the following student achievements.

Michael Bones, an eighth-grade TV Production student, was selected one of three regional winners in the first Florida KidCare Essay contest. Bones was honored Feb. 17 in a ceremony at Florida Hospital in Orlando. According to Monica Johnson, Florida KidCare official, "we received hundreds of entries, but Michael's work and creativity stood out from all the rest."

All of the advanced TV production students participated in the essay contest, because it was a real-world opportunity to write for a client. The purpose of the essay was to tell students the advantages of affordable health coverage. For his efforts, Bones received a \$300 scholarship check and DMS was awarded \$100.

DMS also won district honors for the Florida KidCare commercial contest, "Follow Your Heart to Florida Kid Care," which was produced by Jamie Kulik, Shelby Webb, Dustin Houliker and Kaleb McNelly.

DMS has participated in the commercial contest since it began four years ago, and each time, has come up with a winning entry. The commercial contest is a real challenge because middle school students compete "head-to-head" with high school entries.

**COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Artist to host art workshops**

Artist Sidney Ann Pitchford, a resident of Rainbow Springs, with more than 20 years of experience, will host oil painting classes from 2 to 4 p.m. Tuesdays at Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce. Classes are for beginners to intermediate. For more information, call 465-0702.

**Garden Club fashion show Saturday**

The Dunnellon Garden Club's annual Fashion Show will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at the First Methodist Church in Dunnellon. For more information, call Erlene Likens at 465-4656 or Sandy Robinson at 489-2785.

**Boys and Girls Clubs seek donations**

Many Boys and Girls Clubs are benefitting from car donations. The cars are sold at auction and the funds generated help support their many programs. Now is the time to donate for the upcoming tax season. People wishing to donate their cars or for more information call (800) 246-0493.

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phases through coordination with multiple entities."

The plan, if implemented, calls for the project to be completed in four phases:

Phase 1: Cross Florida Greenway — Dunnellon

Trailhead and Trail: The first segment of the Withlacoochee Trail Extension is the construction of the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trailhead and Trail. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Greenways and Trails currently has both completed design plans

and funding for the Cross Florida Greenway segment that would extend from Citrus County Road 39 to the Dunnellon Sports Complex, the report stated. These plans include a bridge over the Withlacoochee River at the Marion County-Citrus County boundary. This section of the Withlacoochee Trail Extension

has received approval from the Florida Department of Transportation's Environmental Management Office, and is in the process of being advertised for bids from contractors for construction.

Phase 2: Blue Run Park Spur Trail: The initial plan for the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail included a spur through Blue Run Park to connect to Pennsylvania Avenue. In order to complete the design in time for a deadline to receive federal funds, the spur was removed from the design. Although removed from the initial design, the Blue Run Park spur is a vital connection from the trail to the City of Dunnellon. Providing this connection will allow bicyclists and other trail users to easily access

Pennsylvania Avenue and the local businesses located along the corridor, and to travel into the city via Pennsylvania Avenue.

Blue Run Park is currently in the process of being reconstructed to include improvements to parking, restroom facilities and stormwater management. The future spur is planned and will be a 10-foot-wide paved multi-use trail through the park until it reaches the proposed restroom facilities, at which point the trail will widen to 16 feet to accommodate high numbers of different users, such as tubers, hikers and bicyclists. The point where the river access and the trail intersect is expected to be used heavily, especially during the summer weekends.

Phase 3: Withlacoochee Trail Connection — Short Term: To provide a connection from the Withlacoochee Trail Gulf Junction Trailhead to the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail, a short-term connection can be made while a long-term connection can be planned, designed, and constructed. The short-term connection would be made by signing West Magenta Drive from the trailhead to West G Martinelli Boulevard, West G Martinelli Boulevard from West Magenta Drive to North Academy Drive, North Academy Drive from West G Martinelli Boulevard to Denice

See TRAIL page 11

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**American Legion activities slated**

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The Dunnellon Young Marines meet at 6 p.m. Tuesdays.

Free AARP Tax Services will be available from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays now through April 11. For more information, call Wayne Sloan at 489-5066

Bingo will be at 6 p.m. Thursdays. Doors open at 4. Smoking is not allowed. Refreshments are available.

The Third Saturday Outdoor Flea Market and Pancake Breakfast will be from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. March 17.

**Penno VFW Post plans events**

Edward W. Penno VFW Post 4864, 10199 Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs, announce the following events.

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**Ocala Elks to host 'Army for Hope'**

The Ocala Elks will host the second Annual Army of Hope at noon Saturday, March 3, at the Elks lodge on Northeast 25th Avenue. Among the events planned include: clowns, face-painting, child ID program, bouncy house, static military and law enforcement displays, plus two special highlights - a warbird fly-over and a huge display of vintage Corvettes. Admission is \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 10 and younger. Admission includes lunch and drink. In addition, there will door prizes and raffles, plus music. Proceeds from the event go to needy military families in

our area. For more information, call Mike Monigeluzzo at 636-4127.

**Art in the Park slated for March 3, 4**

Art in the Park will be from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, March 3 and 4, at Rainbow Springs State Park.

This year's show and sale will include artists from the Nature Coast Painters, Ocala Digital Art Group, the Ocala Art Group, Gallery East and Florida Artists Gallery.

As in previous years, there will be an assortment of art work from framed pictures to small cards, something in all price ranges. Jewelry will also be available.

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# Skipping to the beat



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Dunnellon Elementary School students take part in the annual Jump Rope for Heart, a fundraiser for the American Heart Association. Here students take part in a team jump. Students at the school exceeded their fundraising total of \$5,500 by raising more than \$6,000. School officials will host a special celebration for the students efforts. Read the Riverland News to find out what teachers have planned for students.



Kara Magee shows off her leaping abilities.



Carly Loftin, right, smiles as she finds her rhythm jumping rope as classmate Kamau Simon, background, laughs with other classmates at the Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser recently at the school.



Joseph Santiago gets some airtime as a classmate looks on during the schoolwide event.



Om Patel skips along while clearing the rope during a skill-station for students.



Ethan Cook tries to escape from a rope after getting tangled up in one during the event.



Sabrina Bennoon's hair flies through the air as she participates in the schoolwide fundraising event.



John DeRose, right, Peter Doyle, Maxumus Rampersaud grab a plum students were given to eat after the Jump Rope for Heart drill. DeRose is wearing a sticker on his forehead to show his participation in the event.

# Students busy with SEYF-related activities

In addition to the students featured in stories during the past several weeks, dozens of other Dunnellon-area students participate in the Southeastern Youth Fair in affiliation with both 4-H and Future Farmers of America (FFA) programs.

At least two Dunnellon

High students — Kali Janosik and Isabella Ryan — are Youth Fair Ambassadors. The ambassadors help educate the public about the Fair and help out during the fair where needed. In order to be an ambassador, students must apply for the position. According to the Fair's website,

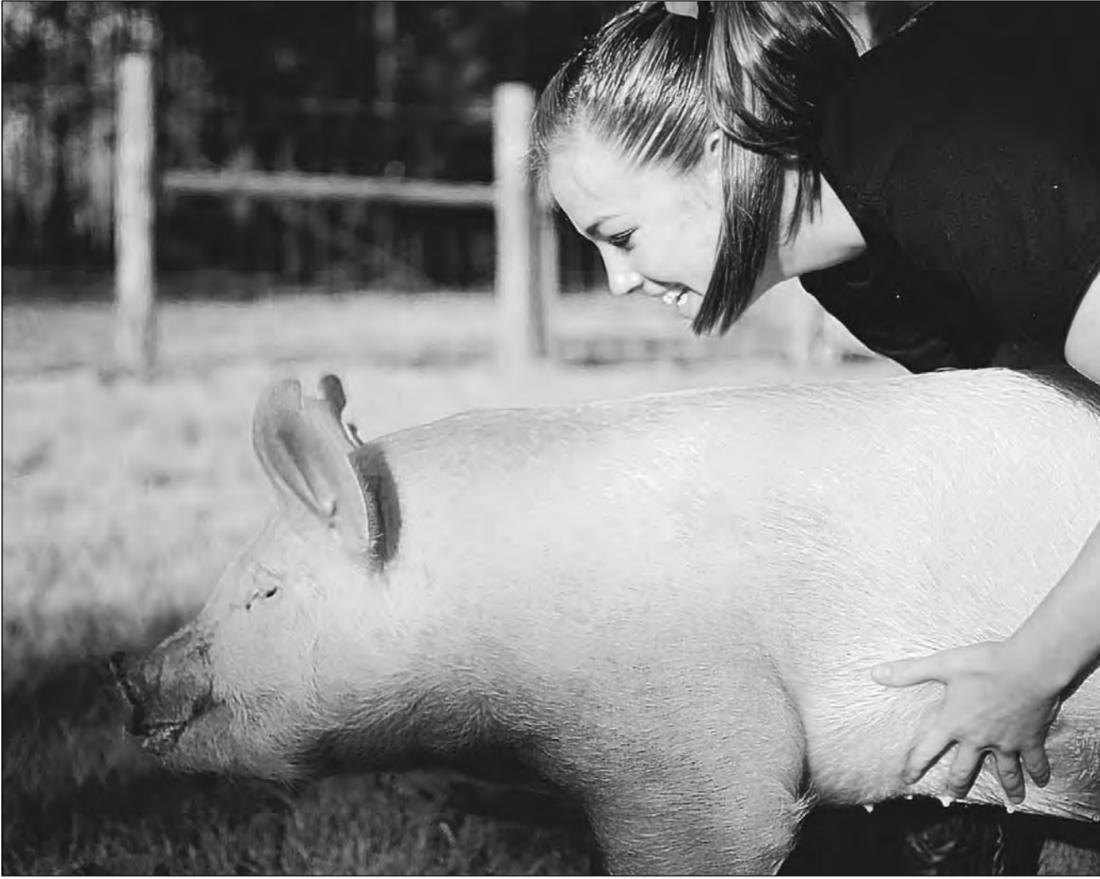
they receive training in public speaking and serve a one-year term.

Dunnellon High's Kaylie Hiers and Ryan will show horses and Jamie Haught will show a rabbit.

The Dunnellon High School chapter of FFA will show a lamb and a hog. The chapter lamb is being

shown by Madi Hannah and the chapter hog is being shown by Derrek Boykin.

Seven DHS students are showing steer. Five DHS students are showing their own lambs and 16 are showing their own hogs, six of which were raised on campus.



Photos by JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Casey gives Prissy a belly rub.

## FAMILY

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"I'm weird, but I like pigs," Casey said.

Casey knows success, she has won her class three times, placed top four every year but two, and has won Reserve Grand Champion twice with her hogs. She also has placed four times in Showmanship, one year she won; and twice in Record Book; and placed four times in Skill-a-thon, one year she won. In her 10 years, she has won High Point twice in the swine division.

Casey goes to the same place every year to purchase her hog, Lyons.

"I don't really have a method of picking them out, when I first get there one will just jump out at me," said Casey. "I will keep looking but that is always the one I pick."

"Naming them is similar, I just wait a couple of weeks and a name will just seem right."

Casey's hog, Prissy, is a Yorkshire/Landshire cross. "She is my favorite hog; she is like a dog."

Casey has always fed her hogs Show Tec brand feed, and has won two jackets and a vest from them. If you feed Show Tec and win, you fill out an application and send it to them and they will reward you with something.

Casey has also shown a hog at the State fair. "I didn't really like it, it was a good experience but just wasn't for me," she explained. "I show because I enjoy it, the money helps for college and my future."

Casey has had many good years but she also knows the flip side of the fair. In 2010, her hog didn't place and it was the lowest price she ever got. "It wasn't my best pig, and I didn't work with it as much as I wanted to," Casey said. "I was busy that year, but that was a learning experience for me."

Casey's lamb, Clyde, is her breed lamb who won last year. This is Clyde's second visit to the fair. His first was last year when he was 3 or 4 weeks old with his mom. At weigh-in, he was 129 pounds, and now he is around 165.

Casey has won Grand Champion once in the Lamb Show. She has won Showmanship once, placed in Record Book four times, Skill-a-thon four times, and Class Champion twice.

"Clyde plays with my two dogs, it's funny, sometimes he will butt heads with them and chase them around."

Casey puts a lot of effort into this project. This year, she sent more than 30 Christmas cards out, and over the past 10 years she estimates she has sent 400 buyer's letters, letters inviting buyers to bid on her animal. This year,

Casey also mentored Gavin Szydlo, a friend's son who is showing his first hog this year. "I learned the value of money," Casey explained. "I'm sad this is my last year, but when I'm done with dental school, I will definitely get involved in the fair again."

Casey is attending NOVA Southeastern next year after straight A's, perfect attendance, and 40 credit hours at the College of Central Florida during high school.

Jody Weber is a 16-year-old sophomore at Dunnellon High and has also been showing since she was 8. This is her eighth year participating in the SEYF. She started out showing hogs and then switched to steers. This is Jody's fourth year showing a steer. She has also shown four lambs and two heifers.

"Steers are better, you can't completely control a hog like you can with steers," Jody said.

Jody stopped showing lambs when she started showing steers.

"It cost too much to start a steer and do a lamb, and that was around the time I started doing travel softball, so I didn't have time for both," said Jody, who also plays varsity softball at the high school.

"I got three of my four steers from Buddy Heirs, and I've always done well with his steers and they only cost \$600," said Jody.

Jody feeds her steer, Willis, a bag of feed a day, which is 50 pounds and costs \$12.25 per bag. "He is the best one I've had," Jody said of Willis, an Angus cross. "He is built similar to the one I placed second in class with."

Jody's first year she placed second, her second year she placed sixth and her third year she placed third. Her second year she placed second in Skill-a-thon and her third year she placed ninth in Showmanship.

"My favorite (steer) was my first year; it was a puppy dog," Jody explained. "When it was lying down, I would sit and lay on him."

Jody said it's not easy letting the animals go.

"I cry every year," she explained. "They are so easy to get attached to. The worst part is selling them, you have to walk them to the trailer and take off the halter and walk away."

Jody gets her steers at the end of July, early August, so raising Willis was a commitment of more than six months. Even though the work is spread out over so long, the weekend of the Fair is still the busiest time. "I have a lot to do to prepare for the Fair. We basically live there."

"I'm nervous; I haven't



ABOVE: Prissy had gotten a bath the day before and was still clean here until she found some mud leftover from Jody's steer's bath. She then took the opportunity to wallow in the mud

BELOW: Jody Weber brushes the side of her steer, Willis, during his bath.



had a lot of time to work with him with weightlifting in the morning and softball after school," said Jody. "The weekends are the only time."

"I've learned how to act around large animals so you don't get kicked, and I've only been kicked three

times," Jody said. "I learned how money works, and to use it wisely, budgeting is important. Also, I have learned to be a good sport; you're not always going to win. You don't know what the judge is looking for, or if your animal is going to freak out."

## TRAIL

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Point, and Denice Point from North Academy Drive to US 41. Denice Point will need to be paved for approximately 0.4 mile. The intersection of Denice Point and U.S. 41 is located across from the intersection of C.R. 39 (W Withlacoochee Trail) and U.S. 41. This intersection is the location where the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail project begins.

This phase will provide an important connection between the trailhead and the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail, and ultimately, to the city of Dunnellon via the Blue Run Park Spur at a relatively low cost. Bicyclists currently travel from the Gulf Junction trailhead to the city of Dunnellon by going through privately owned property, the report states. Signing this route as a bicycle route and posting the hours of operation as sunrise to sunset, consistent with the Withlacoochee State Trail, this route can provide a connection from the trailhead to the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail. The city of Dunnellon should coordinate with the FDEP Office of Greenways and Trails for funding the signage. Because the roads are located in Citrus County, additional coordination with Citrus County will be necessary.

Phase 4: Withlacoochee Trail Connection — Long Term: The planned Dunnellon Trail portion of the Cross Florida Greenway is incongruous with the existing Withlacoochee State Trail. However, if the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail is extended south along U.S. 41, additional opportunities to connect to the existing Withlacoochee State Trail would be available, the report states. Extending the Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail south to North Country Club Way could allow for travelers on the Withlacoochee Trail to cross U.S. 41 and travel north into Dunnellon.

Withlacoochee Trail Extension Implementation: The city of Dunnellon should continue to coordinate with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Office of Greenways and Trails on the development of the Cross Florida Greenway — Dunnellon Trailhead and Trail. The city of Dunnellon should also coordinate closely with Marion County on the construction of the Blue Run Park Spur Trail, the report states. The short term Withlacoochee Trail Connection from the Gulf Junction Trailhead to the future Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail will require coordination with Citrus County, because the roads that will need to be signed are within the jurisdiction of Citrus County. The long-term connection from the Gulf Junction Trailhead to the future Cross Florida Greenway Dunnellon Trail will require coordination with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Office of Greenway & Trails, Withlacoochee State Trail.

As part of the plan, the report stated, input received during the stakeholder interviews, and the feedback received during the public workshop, recommendations were developed for this Bicycle, Pedestrian and Blueway Master Plan. The following elements contain the recommendations specific to bicycling, pedestrian, and blueway facilities and policies:

- Bicycle Plan.
- Pedestrian Facilities Plan.
- School Connectivity Plan.
- Blueways Plan.
- Wayfinding and Signage Plan.
- Parks Plan.
- Implementation Plan.

The report called for the implantation to be done in four phases, calling it the Downtown Enhancement Project.

Based on estimated return on investment, levels of public support, and relationship to the overall plan, the following down-

town enhancement project is recommended, the report stated. The recommended implementation strategy for this project is phased into five sub-project areas. Each area of the downtown enhancement project will include two phases. Phase I of each area includes survey, engineering design, and permitting. Phase II of each area includes bidding, project construction, and construction phase services.

These areas include, in order of priority, the following:

Area 1 — East Pennsylvania Avenue: The Pennsylvania Avenue East area should include the portions of the corridor that lie east of the railroad crossing (near the U.S. 41 intersection) eastward to the west side of the Rainbow River Bridge. As described in the Bicycle Plan section of this Master Plan, the concept is to construct a multiuse trail along the southern side of Pennsylvania Avenue to provide linkage between downtown Dunnellon and the trail system at the Blue Run Park trailhead. This project will utilize landscape medians to provide traffic calming and to beautify the entrance to the City.

Area 2 — C.R. 40/U.S. 41 Intersection: The U.S. 41/C.R. 40 intersection area should be limited to the section of Pennsylvania west of the railroad crossing and all crosswalks at the U.S. 41/C.R. 40 intersection. The concept is to construct safe and aesthetically pleasing pedestrian cross walks and additional landscape improvements. This project will utilize brick paver pedestrian crossings, enhanced crossing signalization, and landscaping to provide traffic calming and to beautify the entrance to the City.

Area 3 — U.S. 41 North: The U.S. 41 North area should be limited to the portions of U.S. 41 from the U.S. 41/C.R. 40 intersection to the Walmart entrance near the northern City limit. The project in this area should utilize landscaped medians to provide traffic calming and to beautify the entrance to the City, and should include the striping of designated bicycle lanes along the corridor. Planters can be utilized to provide barriers between the roadway and pedestrian facilities.

Area 4 — U.S. 41 South: The U.S. 41 South area should include the portions of U.S. 41 south of the U.S. 41/C.R. 40 intersection to the Withlacoochee River Bridge. The project in this area should utilize landscaped medians to provide traffic calming and to beautify the entrance to the City. Designated bicycle lanes should also be striped along the corridor. Planters can be utilized to provide barriers between the roadway and pedestrian facilities.

Area 5 — West Pennsylvania Avenue: The Pennsylvania Avenue West area should be limited to the portions that lie west of the U.S. 41/C.R. 40 intersection west to Hale Street. This project should involve widening the existing sidewalks along Pennsylvania Avenue to provide linkages between downtown Dunnellon and the projects resulting from Areas 1, 2, 3 and 4. Streetscaping should be leveraged in this area to provide continuity with the projects.

That's not all officials hope to accomplish with the plans, hoping to run the trail through the heart of town and into a potential new recreational park on a 160-acre site of state owned property near Rio Vista and along the Rainbow River.

An official with Kimley-Horn said the potential to construct a bridge over the Rainbow River existed, allowing cyclists a path across the majestic river, eventually paving the way for a path to Dunnellon High and elementary schools.

"That'll be a cold day in hell," Councilwoman Penny Fleeger said about plans for a bridge crossing over the Rainbow for cyclists.

## CHURCH BRIEFS

### Church to host annual flea market

Dunnellon Presbyterian Church will host its annual flea market from 8 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 25. The church is at the corner of Ohio and Chestnut streets in the Historic District. For more information, call the church office at 489-2682.

### Church to host foods festival

Join us for the 18th Annual International Foods Festival from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, in the Enrichment Center at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 7171 S.W. State Road 200.

Enjoy food specialties from Italy, Germany, Spain, England, Ireland, Sweden, Poland Jamaica, Greece, Mexico and many more. Food samples are between \$1 and \$2. For more information, call the church office at 237-3035.

### Church to host Southern Express

The Southern Express 18-piece Big Band will perform from 6 to 8 p.m. Saturday, March 3, at First Congregational United Church of Christ, 7171 S.W. State Road 200. Refreshments served following the program. Donation is \$10 per person. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the

church office from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday at 237-3035.

### Church to host monthly fish fry

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at the corner of U.S. 41 and State Road 40 East in Dunnellon hosts a fish fry the first Friday monthly. Cost is \$7 for adults; students and children are \$3.50. The fish fry is open to the public and is in the church pavilion.

### Advent Sunday school programs slated

The Episcopal Church of the Advent has started a series of Sunday school classes for children ages 3 to 12 from 10 to 10:45 a.m. Sundays. Immediately following Sunday school, the children may participate in the Celebration of Holy Eucharist with the congregation. Children do not need to be church members to attend. The curriculum is called Godly Play and is taught by

Maryann Brennan and her helpers. Advent is 1.2 miles west of State Road 200 on County Road 484, across from the Fire House. For more information, call the church at 465-7272.

### Rainbow Springs church to host LIFT ministry

Join the ladies at the Rainbow Springs Village Church for Ladies in Fellowship Together (LIFT) fellowship. The goal is to LIFT one another in encouragement, LIFT our missionaries in prayer and LIFT the name of Jesus Christ.

If childcare is desired, call the church office for arrangements. LIFT meets at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday monthly.

For more information about this ministry, e-mail Cindy Greaves at women@caringpeople.org.

Rainbow Springs Village Church is at 20222 S.W. 102nd St. Road, Dunnellon,

south of Winn Dixie and west of U.S. 41). For more information, contact the church at 489-0249 or at www.caringpeople.org.

### 'Forget-Me-Not' program open to public

The First United Methodist Church is opening its "Forget-Me-Not" Program to the community. This is a program provided by the church to offer four hours of respite care for caregivers of early dementia and Alzheimer's patients. The program is also including seniors who just need to get out of the house for a few hours and socialize with other seniors. This program is free and meets from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the church Friendship Hall. Trained volunteers provide activities and refreshments.

For more information, call Grace Burks at 489-2580 or Joey Weisbaum at 489-6963.

### Reverend to present special sermon



Rev. Lora Kim Joyner

Rev. Lora Kim Joyner will present a special sermon at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 26, at the Nature Coast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 7633 N. Florida Ave., Citrus Springs.

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# RIVERLAND SPORTS

## Lady Tigers split pair, blast Lake Weir for first win

DHS losses nail-bitter to Tavares, 9-8

AMANDA BARNEY  
For the Riverland News

The Dunnellon High School varsity softball team had once more a difficult week against teams that they have never faced before considering they are in a new district.

To start the week off, on Valentines Tuesday the Lady Tigers decided they would skip the dates and do what they love, compete in softball. Dunnellon faced Lake Weir, blasting the Purple Hurricanes, 13-2 for its first win of the season in non-district action.

Alora Thompson went 2-for-2 with an RBI. Leslie Maddox also went 2-for-2 with two RBIs. Jody Weber and Bianca Pierro went 1-for-1 with an RBI and two walks each.

Bianca Pierro and Alexandra Kozlowski combined for the two-hit shutout.

After their big win Tuesday against Lake Weir, the Lady Tigers competed at Tavares Fri-

day night for the first time in recent team history. Never having faced this team before, Dunnellon had no idea what was coming, but they expected the competition to be tough. The final result indicated that to be true, as Tavares posted a narrow win, 9-8, against the Lady Tigers (1-2).

Alora Thompson went 2-for-4 with two RBIs. Nicole Drew went 2-for-3 with three RBIs.

Drew, who got the starting nod on the mound, had four strike outs.

Dunnellon played Wednesday against Nature Coast. Results were not available at press time. The Lady Tigers play at 7 p.m. Thursday against Hernando. Dunnellon will play Wednesday, Feb. 29, at Forest. The junior varsity plays at 5 p.m. with the varsity slated to take the field at 7.

### SPORTS BRIEFS

#### Gonzalez bumped from state tourney

Alex Gonzalez's first-ever appearance at the Class 1A State Wrestling Championships didn't carry him into the second day of competition at the two-day, double-elimination event.

The junior 182-pounder dropped his first two matches Friday, losing his opening round contest to eventual fourth-place finish Dante Reed of Godby by pinfall in the second round. In the opening round of the consolation bracket, Gonzalez lost to Christian Hadragre of Tampa Berkeley Prep by pinfall in the second round. The junior finished the season with a record of 38-15.

#### Golf tournament to benefit local charities

The sixth annual Ocala Open Golf Tournament will be March 14 to 16 at Candler Hills Golf Club at On Top of the World Communities in Ocala. The three-day tournament will be played Wednesday through Friday with a guaranteed winner's prize of \$12,000.

The Pro-Am is scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, and will feature local amateurs paired up with pros in a fun round of golf all for charity. Spectator admission to the professional tournament is free. The tournament will benefit Hospice of Marion County Inc. and Interfaith Emergency Services. For more information, visit [www.OcalaOpen.com](http://www.OcalaOpen.com).

#### DHS football schedules Spring game

The Dunnellon High School football team will host its annual Spring football game at 7 p.m. Friday, May 18, at Ned Love Field against Lake City Columbia. In addition to the annual Spring game, the football team will host Tiger Football Alumni Night at 5 p.m. At halftime of the Spring game, the football program will honor all former players from the 1978 and 1979 state championship teams, host a special sign dedication and honor alumnus Ernie Mills.

All tickets to the game will be \$5 per FHSAA rules.

For more information, call the school at 465-6745.

## Tigers yet to roar



JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Pitcher Shelby Payne throws a pitch to the mound as catcher Shane Williams waits the ball. The Tigers dropped their first three games of the season and are looking for their first win of the year.

JEFF BRYAN  
Riverland News

The start of the 2012 baseball campaign has been a rough one thus far for Dunnellon High School as the Tigers dropped the first three games of the season on the diamond.

On Friday night, Dunnellon dropped an 8-3 decision to Belleview. Pitching proved to a problem for the Tigers as they allowed six earned runs against the Rattlers, who collected eight hits but also drew four walks, had three batters hit by pitch and benefited from two wild pitches.

Dunnellon, which led 3-1 after three and half innings of play, allowed

Belleview to strike for five runs in the bottom of the fourth inning to take a 6-3 lead. The Rattlers added two more runs in the fifth as the Tigers (0-3 overall) couldn't mount a comeback.

Offensively, Dunnellon didn't fare much better. The Tigers collected just four hits and left seven runners on base. Connor Hannah was 1-for-2 with two RBIs. Gage Honeysette, Connor Wentz and Jordan Boley had one hit apiece for Dunnellon.

On Thursday, Feb. 16, the Tigers tangled with Williston as the Red Devils dispatched Dunnellon, 15-0, in a mercy-rule contest. Williston roughed up Tiger pitching for 11 earned runs and 14 hits.

Connor Clayton led the Red Devils with three RBIs, while Max White and Christian Morris had a pair of RBIs.

Dunnellon's offense didn't fare well against Clayton, who stymied the Tigers in three innings of work. He allowed just three hits and struck out, facing 14 batters. Trevor Phillips led Dunnellon, going 2-for-2. Shelby Payne and Boley had one hit apiece for the Tigers.

In Dunnellon's season-opener against Citrus on Tuesday, Feb. 14, the Tigers' seventh-inning rally from 11-2 deficit fell short as the Hurricanes posted an 11-7 victory.

Hannah led Dunnellon's offense, going 1-for-4 with a homer and three

RBIs. Honeysette was 4-for-4 with an RBI, while Francisco Rosario was 1-for-4 with a pair of RBIs while Payne had an RBI for the Tigers, who collected a season-high 12 hits.

Dunnellon pitchers yielded seven hits, but allowed eight walks, hit two batters and threw five wild pitches against Citrus in the opener. Of the 11 runs the Hurricanes scored, seven were earned.

Dunnellon played Tuesday at home against Eustis. Results were not available at press time. The Tigers play at 7 p.m. Friday at Crystal River and at 6:30 p.m. Monday at home against Van-guard.

## Women's outdoor seminar slated

Special to the Riverland News

Wanted — adventurous and outdoorsy women wishing to learn more about Florida's great outdoors in a comfortable, noncompetitive, hands-on environment.

If this could be you, contact the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) to participate in the Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) workshop near Ocala.

The three-day workshop takes place March 9 to 11 at the Ocala Conservation Center in the Ocala National Forest. The workshop begins at 10 a.m. Friday and ends Sunday with lunch.

Although designed with women in mind, the workshop is open to people 18 years and older who want to improve their outdoor skills and enjoy several recreational activities.

The program offers a fun and supportive atmosphere for participants wishing to try new things and enjoy the camaraderie of other women wanting to do the same. In four, three-and-one-half-hour sessions, the BOW workshop teaches some of the basic skills associated with fishing, hunting and other forms of outdoor recreation, at all levels of physical activity, with hands-on experience.

The cost for the three-day workshop is \$175, and there are discounted slots available for low-income participants, single parents and college students attending the workshop for the first time. The workshop is restricted to 100 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

For more information about the BOW workshop or how you can register, visit [MyFWC.com/BOW](http://MyFWC.com/BOW) or call Lynne Hawk at 561-625-5122.

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from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, March 2, at Blich Plantation at 13200 N.W. 110th Ave., Reddick. Registration deadline is Thursday, March 1. The event is hosted by UF/IFAS Marion County Extension Service and related state agencies.

Food plots are large areas

of land (typically between one and three acres) that are planted with vegetation that's specifically chosen to maximize the nutrients wildlife receive.

Attendees will learn from forest and forage experts and visit successful food plots. The \$10 registration fee in-

cludes lunch and materials. For more information, contact UF/IFAS Marion County Extension Service at 352-671-8400 or visit [www.marioncountyfl.org/extensionservice.htm](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/extensionservice.htm). Register online at [fsworkshop030212.eventbrite.com](http://fsworkshop030212.eventbrite.com) or by calling 352-671-8400.



## Girls tennis drops match, shows improvement

RACHEL HORNE  
For the Riverland News

The Dunnellon High School tennis team is showing signs of improvement.

The Lady Tigers won two matches against Tuesday, Feb. 14, against

April Hargabus won her first prep match Tuesday, Feb. 14, against Ocala West Port.

JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

West Port High School, falling 5-2. Despite the odds being against them because of the wind, and not having the home court advantage, two girls prevailed.

Jade Gardner, competing in the No. 2 seed slot, was able to dominate her

opponent, posting an 8-4 victory.

"I made sure to keep moving up when I could," Gardner, who transferred from Chanute, Kan., at the beginning of the school year, said. "She was good at just getting the ball back in play, but so was I. The wind made things difficult at first, but I got used to it."

The other winner of the night was April Hargabus, who won 5-3 after her match was cut short.

"Her serves were a little tricky (to return)," Hargabus said. "She used short balls on me and those were tough to return, too."

Dunnellon (0-4) plays at 4 p.m. today at home against Santa Fe High School.

### DUNNELLON HIGH ATHLETES OF THE WEEK • PRESENTED BY RAINBOW'S END GOLF CLUB

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#### Gage Honeysette, Baseball



Gage Honeysette

The senior pitcher/second baseman pitched 3 1/3 innings with six strikeouts against Belleview and went 4-for-4 against Citrus High School in the team's season-opening game.



# Church to host Lenten series about Civil Discourse

Special to the Riverland News

Civil Discourse will be the topic for this year's Lenten Series at First Congregational United Church of Christ of Ocala. Beginning at noon Feb. 29 and running for the following four Wednes-

days, Dr. Harold W. McSwain Jr., the church's pastor, will lead and facilitate the series regarding how to engage in and enhance civil discourse.

In addition to identifying specific methods, protocols and procedures for engaging in civil dis-

course, each session will include an opportunity to address a topic of current public interest, such as political debate, interfaith dialogue, religious pluralism, sexual orientation, abortion, etc.

"When the Diaconate of our church met to dis-

cuss possible topics for this year's Lenten Series, all in attendance agreed that this topic is of paramount importance not only to the spiritual welfare of our community of faith," Dr. McSwain said, "but also to the orderly and civil conduct of the community and society of which our church is a part.

"We contend that

derogative criticism of uncivil discourse does little to foster regard for the integrity of all people, so we are determined to provide for public discourse a more hospitable environment."

Dr. McSwain serves on the board of The Interfaith Alliance of Marion County, which is proud to endorse this important community outreach.

The public is welcome. A light soup lunch will be served following the program. First Congregational United Church of Christ is at 7171 S.W. State Road 200, approximately 4 miles southwest of Interstate 75, and about 2 miles toward Ocala from Top of the World. For more information, contact 352-615-7677 or visit uccocala.org.

## OBITUARIES

### Steven Daniel Carroll Jr., 36

Steven Daniel Carroll Jr., 36, died Monday, Feb. 6, 2012. Private cremation will take place under the direction of Brown Funeral Home & Crematory in Lecanto. A memorial service will take place at 12 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012 at the family's home, 11228 N. Riverbend Rd, Dunnellon, FL 34433.

### Betty Martin Stephens Sims, 98

Betty Martin Stephens Sims, 98, of Dunnellon died Tuesday, Feb. 14, 2012. She was born Aug. 13, 1913 in Shellman, Ga.

She taught school in Levy and Marion counties for over 31 years, worked as a rural mail carrier and real estate agent. She was active in several organizations including The Women's Club of Dunnellon, Historical Society, Order of Eastern Star #235, the NRLCA (letter carrier's association), was a former member of Delta Dapa Gamma Sorority. She was a member of The First Baptist Church of Dunnellon where she taught Sunday school until the age of 90. After moving into an assisted living facility in 2008 she enjoyed the bus ministry of Riverland Baptist Church.

Survivors include three sons, Martin Stephens of Ocala, Dix Stephens of Trenton and Stan Stephens of Bradenton; stepsons, George Stephens of Inglis and Judson Stephens of Leesburg; stepdaughters, Ellen Teague of Gaithersburg, M.D. and Mary Hay of Hawthorne; 31 grandchildren, 60 great-grandchildren and 37 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, 2012 at The Roberts Funeral Home, Dunnellon. Visitation will be 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 24, 2012 at the funeral home.

Online condolences may be offered at robertsofdunnellon.com. Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon provided information.

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### Kenneth A. Lahti, 73

Kenneth A. Lahti, age 73, of Dunnellon died Thursday, Feb. 16, 2012, at his residence following a long illness.

Ken was born in Quincy, Mass., to Wilho and Mildred (Lovering) Lahti. A retired police officer with the Plymouth, Massachusetts Police Dept., he was a member of the Massachusetts Police Association. He and his wife moved to Marion County in 1989.

Survivors include his loving wife, Teresa; daughter, Karla Kristin (Marwan) Khalil of Land of Lakes; stepdaughter, Deanna (Christopher) Frey, Raleigh, N.C.; adopted daughter, Briana (Greg) Carson of Buford, Ga.; son, Stephen (Marie) Lahti of St. Petersburg; brother, Keith "Buster" Lahti of Tyler, Texas; sister, Kim Chicchetto of Northwood, N.H.; six grandchildren, Alexa, Aidan, Christopher, Katie, Danica and Evan; and two nieces.

Private family services to be scheduled at a later date in Quincy, Mass.

Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon in charge of local arrangements. Online condolences to www.RobertsofDunnellon.com.

### Daniel J. Connors II, 74

Daniel J. Connors II was called home to Christ, Sunday, Feb. 19, 2012, after a long battle with cancer. He passed away peacefully under the care of hospice. Dan was born March 15, 1937, in Jersey City, N.J., and graduated from St. Aloysius High School in June 1955.

After high school, Dan served in the Navy for six

years, stationed at Millington Naval Base near Memphis where he met his wife Ann Elise Longhill. They were married April 8, 1961, in Memphis, Tenn. He attended Wichita State University then worked for Boeing Aircraft for three years and for G.E. Medical Systems in St. Louis, Mo. as a senior field engineer for 30 years. Dan was active in Mary Queen of Peace parish in St. Louis and in St. John the Baptist parish in Dunnellon where he and Ann Elise (Nikki) retired in 1998. One of his greatest joys was sitting on his dock watching the Rainbow River and all the wildlife. He also enjoyed the family visits from his children and grandchildren whom he loved so much.

Daniel is pre-deceased by his mother, Mary Graper, and his father, Daniel J. Connors, Sr., and his sister, Mary Connors, and is survived by his devoted wife, Ann Elise (Nikki); his loving children, Mary Elise, Kristin (Keith), Kathy (Joe Clare), Daniel III (Christeen), Maggie, Angela, John (Katinka), Molly and David (Johnna); his beloved grandchildren, Sean (Jackie), Erica (Logan), Ashleigh, Lauren, Kyle, Brendan, Joey, Nick, Daniel IV, Gabrielle, Haley, Caitlyn, Alex, Cristian, Olivia, and Elian; great-grandchildren, Riley and Ryan as well as his dear sisters-in-law Margaret Longhill, Chris Lyle, and Jean Longhill and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Wednesday, Feb. 22, 2012 from 3 to 6 p.m. at Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Thursday, Feb. 23, 2012 10 a.m., at St. John the Baptist Roman Catholic Church. Interment will follow at Florida National Cemetery.

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**SYDNEY COHEN**  
For the Riverland News

The Dunnellon High School cafetorium and the vicinity was all abuzz last Thursday as drama students and drama club members passed out programs and set the stage for the year's first talent show.

After a series of auditions, the field was narrowed to about a dozen acts of singing, dancing and acting. The stage crew was made up of drama students, and the show was emceed by Victor Chicas and Serenity Skillman.

The three judges were Carlye Creamer, faculty member; Drew Rondeau, student; and Tracey Baldeo, community member. They were tasked with compiling scores on the variety of acts, narrowing the field to one winner in each category and one overall winner.

In the vocal category, Abigail Hatfield won with her rendition of Adele's "Take It All."

In the dance category, Elizabeth Bonet-Cartagena and Angel Ibarraza earned the top spot with their Spanish-style dance.

Tracey Anthony and Katie Wallace outperformed the other actors with a skit from "Oz."

After a short intermission due to some technical difficulties, the faculty group ended the night with a



OMAR DESARDE/For the Riverland News  
**Abigail Hatfield won the vocal category with her rendition of Adele's "Take It All."**



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**Nick Rodriguez was the overall winner of the Dunnellon High School talent show.**

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You are notified that the property stored by you with **STOR-RIDGE, INC.**, P.O. Box 1107, 1807 W. Lockport Lane, Dunnellon, FL 34430-1107, 352-489-5858, believed to be household goods will be sold to the highest bidder for cash, at the above address on **March 2, 2012**, at the hour of 10:00 A.M. to satisfy the delinquent rentals. We reserve the right to refuse any and all bids.  
February 16 and 23, 2012.

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251-0223 RIV PUBLIC NOTICE 3/2 Sales NOTICE OF SALE  
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**Notices to Creditors/Administration**

**250-0223 RIV Rivelvato, Joseph 2012-CP-097 (F) Notice to Cred.**  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
File Number.: 2012-CP-097 (F)  
IN RE: ESTATE OF JOSEPH RISELVATO, Deceased.  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
The administration of the Estate of JOSEPH RISELVATO, deceased, whose date of death was August 7, 2011, 2011, and whose Social Security Number is 099-22-9882, File Number 2012-CP-097 (F), is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1030, Ocala, Florida 34478-1030. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.  
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NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIOD SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.  
The date of first publication of this Notice is February 16, 2012.  
Personal Representative: /s/ BERNADETTE KURATINICK  
20 Glenn Road, Apalachin New York 13732  
Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. /s/ Robert J. Reynolds, Esquire Florida Bar No.: 0021415 8810 S.W. Highway 200, Suite 122, Ocala, FL 34481 February 16 and 23, 2012.

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**Notices to Creditors/Administration**

The administration of the estate of Stephanie J. Mintel, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 NW 1st Avenue, Ocala, Florida 34475, file number 2012-CP-02 (F). The estate is testate and the date of the decedent's will and any codicils are the Last Will and Testament dated January 16, 2007. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. The fiduciary lawyer-client privilege in Section 90.5021 applies with respect to the personal representative and any attorney employed by the personal representative.  
Any interested person on whom a copy of the notice of administration is served who challenges the validity of the will or codicils, qualification of the personal representative, venue, or the jurisdiction of the court is required to file any objection with the court in the manner provided in the Florida Probate Rules WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY LAW, which is on or before the date that is 3 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on that person, or those objections are forever barred.  
A petition for determination of exempt property is required to be filed by or on behalf of any person entitled to exempt property under Section 732.402, WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY LAW, which is on or before the later of the date that is 4 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on such person or the date that is 40 days after the date of termination of any proceeding involving the construction, admission to probate, or validity of the will or involving any other matter affecting any part of the exempt property, or the right of such person to exempt property is deemed waived.  
An election to take an elective share must be filed by or on behalf of the surviving spouse entitled to an elective share under Section 732.201 - 732.2155 WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY LAW, which is on or before the earlier of the date that is 6 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on the surviving spouse, or an attorney in fact or a guardian of the property of the surviving spouse, or the date that is 2 years after the date of the decedent's date. The time for filing an election to take an elective share may be extended as provided in the Florida Probate Rules.  
Personal Representative: /s/ Jeffrey W. Mintel  
3211 SW 56th Avenue, Ocala, Florida 34474

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Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Kelleen K. Truesdell, Florida Bar No. 0935360 Attorney for Jeffrey W. Mintel Law Firm of Kelleen K. Truesdell, P.A. 200 N.W. 52nd Avenue, Ocala, Florida 34482 Telephone: 352-873-4141 Fax: 352-873-4855 E-Mail: lawfirm@truesdell.net February 23 and March 1, 2012.

**Notices to Creditors/Administration**

**258-0301 RIV Wolfe, Myrtle 2012-CP-118 (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.: 2012-CP-118 (F)  
IN RE: ESTATE OF MYRTLE WOLFE, Deceased.  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
The administration of the estate of MYRTLE WOLFE, deceased, whose date of death was November 23, 2011 and whose Social Security Number is XXX-XX-1146, 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 Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.  
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The date of the first publication of this Notice is February 23, 2012.  
Personal Representative: LEAMON T. WOLFE  
10899 S.W. 86th Court, Ocala, Florida 34481  
Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ AVONELLE R. MACKERELL, Florida Bar # 521980 AVONELLE R. MACKERELL, P.A. 20743 W. Pennsylvania Ave., P.O. Box 717, Dunnellon, FL 34430 352-489-2264 Phone 352-489-6890 Fax 7 February 23 and March 1, 2012.

**Notices to Creditors/Administration**

**259-0301 RIV Jacobson, Rosalie Marie 2012 CP 130 (F) Notice to Cred.**  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
File Number.: 2012-CP-130 (F)  
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSALIE MARIE JACOBSON a/k/a ROSALIE M. JACOBSON, Deceased.  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
The administration of the Estate of ROSALIE MARIE JACOBSON a/k/a ROSALIE M. JACOBSON a/k/a ROSALIE JACOBSON, deceased, whose date of death was Dec. 24, 2010, and whose Social Security Number is 371-42-2335, File Number 2012-CP-130 (F), is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1030, Ocala, Florida 34478-1030. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.  
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The date of first publication of this Notice is February 23, 2012.  
Personal Representative: /s/ ERIC J. GUERIN  
8285 W. Long Lake Drive, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49048  
Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. /s/ Robert J. Reynolds, Esquire Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No.: 0021415 8810 S.W. Highway 200, Suite 122, Ocala, FL 34481 February 23 and March 1, 2012.

**Notices to Creditors/Administration**

**260-0301 RIV Breedlove, Rosemary K. 2012 CP 129 (F) Notice to Cred.**  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION  
File Number.: 2012-CP-129 (F)  
IN RE: ESTATE OF ROSEMARY K. BREEDLOVE, Deceased.  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
The administration of the Estate of ROSEMARY K. BREEDLOVE, deceased, whose date of death was December 21, 2011, and whose Social Security Number is 306-32-9394, File Number 2012-CP-129 (F), is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1030, Ocala, Florida 34478-1030. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.  
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Personal Representative: /s/ BARBARA R. BREEDLOVE  
100 Coconut Street, Pomona Park, Florida 32181  
Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. /s/ Robert J. Reynolds, Esquire Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No.: 0021415 8810 S.W. Highway 200, Suite 122, Ocala, FL 34481 February 23 and March 1, 2012.

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Feb. 23, 2012.

**Fictitious Name Notices**

255-0223 RIV PUBLIC NOTICE Fictitious Name  
Notice under Fictitious Name Law, pursuant to Section 865.09, Florida Statutes. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, desiring to engage in business under the fictitious name of Veggie Oil Sol located at 19330 SW 83rd Place Road, Dunnellon, Florida 34432,



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