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Report: Electrical problem caused fire



File photo

Investigators determined an electrical problem started the fire that destroyed the Sunoco Gas Station.

Investigation into blaze that destroyed gas station complete

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Fire investigators closed the books on their investigation into what caused an early morning blaze April 16, which destroyed the Lakhani's 17-year-old business, causing half a million dollars in damage.

The fire, which destroyed the Sunoco Gas Station at 10211 N. U.S. 41, was ruled accidental, stated a report by the Florida State Fire Marshal's office.

The cause of the blaze, which consumed most of the 2,400-square-foot building, was caused by faulty electrical wiring near or in the breaker box. Exactly where

the fire started could not be determined, said Deborah Cox, a spokeswoman with the state Fire Marshals office.

"It was impossible to pinpoint the exact point of origin," she explained, noting they were able to determine it was part of a 220-volt

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Friends preparing for June book sale

The Friends Book Store, inside the Dunnellon Public Library at 20351 Robinson Road, will host the June Jubilee book sale through June 30. All proceeds from the store and other sales are for the benefit of the Dunnellon Public Library. All hardcover books are \$1; paperbacks, large and small, are 25 cents each. This sale does not include specially priced books. The Book Store hours are from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday.

For additional information, call the library at 438-2520.

Murder mystery party on tap

Tickets are now on sale for the Murder Mystery Party "Death is a Caberret Ol' Chum," sponsored by the players of the Dunnellon Depot and the Altar and Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at 7525 U.S. 41 in Dunnellon.

The show will be at 7 p.m. June 16 in the parish hall. Doors open at 6:30 and the show starts at 7. Tickets are a \$10 donation, which includes light refreshments. Tickets are available in the church office.

For more information, call 489-3166.

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.

Also, the Annie Johnson Thrift Store is in need of volunteers Monday through Saturday. For more information, call 465-7957.

Memorial Day tribute



ABOVE: Boy Scouts Austin Hatfield and Ryan Burns carry flags to place on veterans' graves at the Dunnellon Community Cemetery on May 26. LEFT: Ralph Guckenberger walks the perimeter of the Dunnellon Community Cemetery looking for veterans' graves on May 26. BELOW: On Sunday May 28, Bea Fischer places a flag in the wreath to honor each of the recently deceased veterans whose name were read by Chaplain Eugene Thomas during a Memorial Day Observance ceremony at the American Legion post.



Officer rises in rank

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

In two and half years as a member of the Dunnellon Police Department, Bruce "Robbie" Arnold has made quite the impact within the department.

Within his first year on the job, Arnold wrapped up one high-profile case, the armed robbery at SunTrust Bank in which the suspect, Todd Kobielus,

confessed to the SunTrust robbery as well as the one at Capital City Bank in Citrus Springs.

Kobielus struck a plea deal, agreeing to a 20-year prison sentence.

He capped his first on the department by being selected as the agency's Officer of the Year. Arnold earned another accolade later in 2011, being honored with Brian Lutz Excellence in Law Enforcement Award, which is named after a Marion County K-9 officer who was slain in the line of duty. Arnold is the lone officer from the Dunnellon agency to win the prestigious accolade.

Now, Arnold can add another honor to his personnel file, and a stripe to his sleeve. The one-time U.S. Marine, who spent one year serving in Iraq during the second Gulf War, recently was promoted to the rank of corporal.

Arnold had served as acting corporal for the previous nine months before passing a rigorous test, which included a written exam and oral board with

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Bruce Arnold

Woman completes internship with State Department

Dunnellon resident applied for federal position online

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For 21-year-old Chelsea Redd, she's always dreamed big.

As a freshman at Dunnellon High School in 2005, Redd was selected as People to People Student Ambassador and spent weeks traveling to New Zealand, Fiji and Australia, earning Honorable Mention Student Ambassador of the year accolades.

The 2009 Dunnellon High graduate is currently working on completing her Associate of

Arts degree in anthropology at Santa Fe College in Gainesville. Redd plans to have it done by December, where she has her sights set on enrolling at the University of South Florida in Tampa. Her long-term goal is earn a degree in anthropology, become Cultural Anthropologist and live in Africa.

However, she might be making an addition to her list, especially after spending three months in Washington, D.C., serving as a student intern at the U.S. Department of State Office of Civil Rights.

She learned about the opportunity online, applying for position through usajobs.gov.

"I applied, did all of the paperwork and then had to go through the clearance process," she explained, noting the process was extensive and lengthy. Redd said she applied last July and learned in late November she was ac-

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Dunnellon resident Chelsea Redd recently completed a three-month internship with the U.S. State Department.

Special to the Riverland News



Annual Coin Show Opens to Public

BY DAVID MORGAN
STAFF WRITER

This year the annual International Coin Collectors Association will open its doors to the general public. The five day coin show is a unique opportunity for anyone that has coins, whether it's a single coin or an entire collection. They can meet with and sell directly to the International Coin Collectors Association. Admission is free and there is no obligation to sell. The types of coins the collectors are

looking for include silver dollars, half dollars, quarters and dimes dated 1964 and before. Actually, the half dollars can date all the way to 1970. The government used silver to make most U. S. coinage until 1965 when they started using cheaper clad. Silver coins made before 1965 are made with 90 percent silver and are worth many times their face value because of today's high silver market. Recently, silver has been trading for about \$32 per oz. Five years ago, silver was just over \$4 per oz. This dramatic in-

crease has raised the price of these silver coins dramatically. Therefore, people that have these coins are selling them to take advantage of the record high prices. During this five day event, those who have coins they wish to sell will be able to do just that. This show isn't just for silver coins either. They are also interested in gold coins, paper currency, nickels and pennies too. The United States government started minting coins in 1792. If those early coins are in good condition, they can be worth big money.

For instance, a 1792 silver dollar could be worth as much as \$20,000 if it's the right one. Compare that to a common wheat back penny from the 1960's— still collectible but only worth a few cents. Old paper currency can be worth a lot too. A common silver certificate is only worth a couple of bucks but an 1890's \$20 bill in excellent condition could be worth thousands.

NEWS IN BRIEF

STAFF REPORT

Mary Childs was amazed at the value of the coin collection she had taken to the local coin collectors' show. Mary's uncle had collected coins throughout his entire life. Harry was 12 years old in 1965 when he took an interest in coin collecting. Going through his father's pocket change became a daily ritual.

That's around the time when the government stopped using silver to make coins and started using the much cheaper clad. Harry was intrigued by the silver coins—they were colder to the touch than the newer clad coins and they sounded different when they clanked together. Harry thought these silver coins would eventually be taken out of circulation and may be worth something more than face value some day. He was right. Through the sixties and much of the seventies it was not uncommon to find these silver coins in pocket change. However, when they made their way back to the mint, they would be replaced with the newer clad coins. The silver coins would be melted down and gone forever.

Harry accumulated quite a collection over the years. The silver coins he collected were not very rare—in fact, they were mostly heavily circulated and had common dates. But in the past 4 years, silver has risen to record high prices. Currently, silver is trading for around \$33 per oz. That makes coins dated 1964 and earlier worth many times their face value.

Uncle Harry was right—these coins were worth keeping. Harry enjoyed collecting these coins throughout his life and now he could do something special for someone close to him. Harry never had children of his own, but was very close to his brother's only child, Mary. Mary had worked hard and was very independent. She took out student loans to get through college and had recently graduated. She had just landed her first job and was starting to build a life for herself. Harry decided to give his coin collection to Mary and have her sell it to pay down her student loans. At first, Mary didn't accept the offer because she wanted to do things on her own, but Uncle Harry was pretty persistent.

After separating the coins by denomination and type, Mary loaded up the coins and headed to our coin show. After a short registration, Mary was seated in front of one of the coin experts. The volume of coins Mary brought in prompted the collector to summon the help of two additional collectors. After counting all the coins and totaling them up, (\$2374.75 in face value alone) the offer was made: \$37,996.00. Mary had to ask the collector to repeat the offer again. She started crying tears of joy and said "SOLD!" Neither she nor her uncle had any idea that his collection was worth that much. The student loans would be paid in full, with money left over. It was a good day for Mary...a very good day!

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line. "It may have just been before the breaker box itself, but the damage was so extensive, we just were unable to pinpoint it."

According to the report, investigators came to following conclusions about the fire:

- Weather did not cause the fire.
- The fire originated in the southeast quadrant of the store.
- The walk-in cooler was not the origin of the fire.
- The inoperable free-standing cooler and freezer were not the origin of the fire.
- There is no information; observed or inferred that implicates the bathrooms as the area of origin of the fire.
- The fire patterns and damage to structural components of the building tend to reveal a fire originating in the area of the master breaker box, which was affixed to the interior east wall of the structure.
- The damage to the master breaker box, both internally and externally is significant. Further, a failure of this device is a competent ignition source.
- The previous loss of phase of the power line associated with this device is significant.
- The point of origin of the fire is the 220-volt line or associated electrical components within the

building. The point of origin is within the building. According to the report, investigators wrote in detail about the extent of the fire damage inside the building:

- The breaker box exhibited extreme fire and heat damage. Additionally, the rear and side areas of the breaker box exhibited extreme arc damage, particularly in the area of the 220-volt inlet.
- The conduit associated with the 220-volt line exhibited extreme melting and arc damage, included areas within the conduit in the wall. The damage to the rear of the breaker box is significant and is consistent with prolonged heat and arcing activity, to the extent that the metal case of the breaker box had been consumed in electrical arcing activity. An examination of the interior of the box revealed extreme to complete fire and heat damage.
- A secondary breaker box, possibly associated with a branch line had failed and fallen to the floor in the vicinity of the primary breaker box. This item exhibited severe to extreme fire and heat damage. Additionally, the interior breaker mechanisms had been exposed to prolonged heat to the extent the Bakelite had been powered. The damage to the interior and exterior of the secondary breaker box is consistent with exposure to radiant heat and there were no indications of a failure associated with this device.
- The east interior wall of the structure was the most damaged area of the store, the report stated. Additionally, roof supports, beams and other roof

associated materials had been consumed in the fire. The interior portions of the east wall had failed in several places and the structural integrity of the wall is compromised in this area. This is the area of most structural damage in the building. Three-quarters of the east interior wall is occupied by a walk-in cooler. The exterior and interior of the cooler was examined.

The cooler or its cooling components were not the source of the fire. The door to the walk-in cooler was examined and it exhibited severe to moderate fire and heat damage. The lintel over the door had been compromised as a result of heat damage. The insulated door to the cooler was examined and revealed that the greatest amount of heat and fire damage occurred to the exterior (south-facing) portions of the door. This is consistent with the fire and heat damage associated with the southeast corner of the building. The cooler door was in the closed position at the time of the fire.

— The south interior side exhibited complete to extreme fire and heat damage. The interior southeast corner was presumably a bathroom. The bathroom area exhibited complete to extreme fire and heat damage. This corner and an area extending northward along the east interior wall, which is the back wall of the structure, were the most heavily damaged areas of the structure.

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cepted for the 10-week program.

Yet, what was supposed to be 10 weeks, turned into 12.

"They gave me an extension," she explained. "They actually offered me a full-time position, but I really wanted to finish school. I miss the money, but I really want to get my education first then think about going back."

Redd said the experience was eye-opening from both a personal and professional stand point. Growing up as a self-described "military brat," she was taught at an early age to call everyone "sir" or "ma'am."

"Being in the workforce, you quickly learned you called everyone by their name," she said. "That took some getting used to. But I feel like I have the chance to go back to work there, because I felt like I established a professional relationship with everyone."

During the three months Redd served as an intern, she worked in the Intake and Resolution Section, which handles all complaints surrounding employment discrimination in both the informal/counseling process and the formal complaint process.

The Intake and Resolution section manages the department's Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) program and the counseling program. Redd said any employee or applicant who believes he/she has been discriminated against on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, religion, sexual orientation, or reprisal for protected EEO activity.

"Wow, it was very intense," she said of the process. "There was a lot of information that you have to take in. You have to be dedicated for that section, be committed to helping people and have a lot of patience. Some people can be a little irrational, but you still have to go through the process."

"Learning how to take

in the information was so complex. Regulations change all the time and if you didn't follow procedures, it could be a problem, because you have to make sure you cover everything about what the person has filed a grievance about. You have to be very accurate or the agency can be in a lot of trouble."

Learning to adjust to being back in a big city did take time for Redd, who was accustomed to growing up on large military bases.

"It had been a while since I've been in a city, it was a bit of culture shock," she said. "I'm used to a slow pace. But there, they have the metro, the buses, the traffic - the high traffic. Thank goodness, I didn't drive to work."

The lone disappointment about the position, if one would call it a dis-

appointment, would be not meeting the No. 1 boss of the whole organization - Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton.

"I worked around the corner from her, on the same floor, but she was almost always gone," Redd said.

But it wasn't though she never saw her. She received the chance to her speak at the Dean Acheson Auditorium, which is located on first floor of the State Department.

"I was 12 rows away from the front," she said with a smile. "I saw her." Redd said she considers the former first lady as a role model.

"I like her demeanor, she always has this poise when she speaks and she's very open to suggestions," Redd said. "She likes to help. Based on what I've seen, I admire that."

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members of the police department and city officials.

The significance of the achievement is certainly not lost on the father of three, one daughter and two sons.

"I'm really excited about the opportunity to move up in the ranks at the Dunnellon Police Department," said Arnold, who finished his eight years in the Marine Corps. "I'm fortunate to work with some great people here who have years of experience. I'm eager to be able to learn from them, as well as those I have the opportunity to oversee."

"I believe the time I spent serving in the U.S. Marine Corps and the training I received there

will be beneficial in my new role at the police department."

That is one of many aspects Chief Joanne Black believes will make him a strong leader in the department.

"He is an asset to this department and through his knowledge and experience, not only as an officer but a Marine, he was able to advance in his career and has the ability to mentor other officers under his command," Black said.

Despite his past accolades and achievements, Arnold said he has much to learn as he progresses in his law enforcement career.

"I'm still learning, you learn everyday in this job," Arnold said. "I look forward to continue learning and serving the citizens of Dunnellon."

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THE OTHER GUY

Editor needs a healthy overhaul

While I'm still a couple of years from hitting a birthday milestone, I'm slowly learning that I'm not the spry young pup I once was.

Frankly, it sucks getting old, and I feel like I'm falling apart. Sure, it could be worse, but it could be a lot better.

Perhaps it's my own doing, I don't work out or exercise or whatever folks are calling it today, and there's a new fad about healthy, whatever that is.

I firmly believe that will kill people, after all, most of the folks reading this probably remember Jim

Fixx, the jogging guru from the 1970s. He died from a heart attack, while running.

I rest my case.

OK, I know I'm wrong here, but that's not the point.

Exercise is important; I just don't get enough of it. Kind of odd especially considering a couple of certain boys who believe running laps around the yard is enjoyment, pure unadulterated bliss, if you will.

They make it seem like they're the drill instructors at a Marine Corps boot camp. I'm not sure if I want to blow chunks or curl up in a fetal position, start sucking my

thumb and crying for my mommy.

Um, OK, so maybe I wouldn't go that far ... then again, it's not like I'd really admit to it.

What I have learned in the past few years is that I need to start exercising moderately, eating better and, of course, that means vegetables. Eh, gads!

I realize there are some folks who can graze all day on fruits and vegetables, but I also believe God created cows, pigs and chickens so I could grill 'em, with an adult beverage in hand. That my friends, is part of the American Culture: man, meat, grill and a cold drink.

Secondly, Dennis Leary said it best when he noted "broccoli is a

side dish folks, always has been, always will be."

Then again, that might not be entirely true.

Still, what I've learned after a week of vacation is that I'm no spring chicken. Being dragged into the pool for countless hours by two boys, dragged around a theme park for hours as they went nonstop, I learned I need to kick it up a notch to keep pace with them.

So, maybe it is time to start savoring a big bowl of sprouts.

Then again, we're not going on vacation anytime soon, so can someone pass the remote and bag of Doritos? I think I need a break.



Jeff Bryan

LETTERS

Fight back Rainbow Springs-Country Club Estates residents

Are you unhappy with all the coercion, threats and fist waving coming out of Dunnellon City Hall? How would you like to tell Lisa Algieri and Fred Ward to take a long walk on a short pier?

Letters to residents and newspaper articles have detailed in depth all the dire consequences we face because we have had the temerity to drill irrigation wells. Terms like "backflow preventer" and "cross connection" have been bandied about by people who are ignorant of Florida law and applications of same.

There actually is no Florida statute dealing with cross connections and backflow preventers.

FL DEP, Section 62-555.360, issued as amended Aug. 28, 2003, is an administrative code. Subsection three deals with c-c & b-f as part of a "potable public water supply."

There is no mention of private water systems (wells). The DEP authorized form for public water systems to establish a "Policy on Control of Backflow and Cross Connections," Section 1.1.1 stipulates that this is "to protect the potable water supply," while Section 1.2.1 stipulates that PWSs are "responsible for the public potable water distribution system."

Nowhere in Florida regulations is there a statement about installing backflow preventers on private water systems (wells). The sole intent of the code is "to protect public potable water supplies."

Our wells with submersible pumps have wonderful backflow prevention built into them - a check valve on the pump and normally closed solenoid valves on the irrigation legs.

Our homes have one design flaw, which Lisa and Fred can exploit to get their minions on your property and stick you with a backflow preventer, which must be replaced every five years: an expensive, radio broadcast water meter and who knows how many costly inspections.

Hoses, which run on municipal water, are considered cross connections. The hose bibs (sill cocks where I come from), on the outside of the house, must be disconnected and capped.

New hose bibs, when connected to your well, cannot be cross connections. They are easily installed while a well is being drilled. Otherwise, it will require a plumber but will be worth it quickly.

I do not have hose bibs connected to a public potable water system, so I'm inviting Lisa and Fred to come on our property, once, to see the lack of a cross connection, and then take a long walk on that short pier.

Dan Techentin
Rainbow Springs

Food pantry thanks residents for donations

Many thanks to our Dunnellon postal workers and area residents for their selfless contribution to the recent food drive.

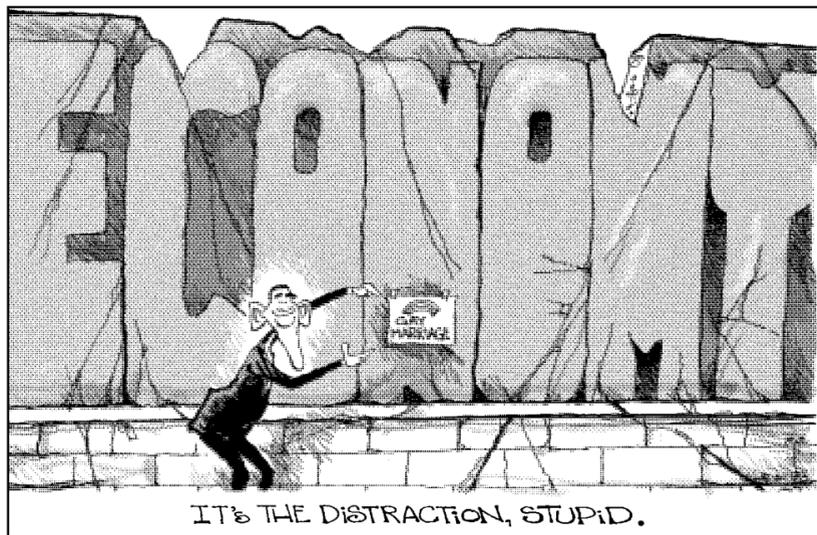
Our church food ministry was one among many recipients and we greatly appreciate all food items we received and are able to distribute to those in need.

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THE JERSEY GIRL

Horrific story

I had another story all ready to go for this week. Then I heard the most horrific story I've ever heard in my entire life. And I felt so passionately about it that I knew I had to write about it and put my feelings down on paper. I still may not ever forget it.

A mother shot her four teenage children this week down in Orlando.

Now that right there is horrible enough without any details. But when I tell you that they didn't die with the first shots and she shot each one at least four times how does that make you feel? When I tell you that she called them back in from the neighbor's house so she could finish killing them doesn't that just send a chill down your spine? And when I tell you that she then turned the gun around and shot herself, doesn't that just make you sick to your stomach?

It has been hard to get this story out of my head since I heard it on the news last week. Tears run down my face every time I think about it. I just cannot fathom something like this happening. I just cannot imagine hurting your children, let alone killing your children. Things like this aren't supposed to happen. It is breaking my heart right now.

A mother's job is to protect her child. She is the one that keeps the bad things away. What would make a person do something like this?

There's no doubt it was mental illness. I mean, no woman in her right mind could harm her children.

I imagine just a few short weeks ago they were celebrating Mother's Day together.

And I know this is not the first time we've heard a story like this one. And unfortunately it won't be the last. But something about this one really struck my heart. Maybe because they were teenagers and knew what was happening? Maybe because she called them back into the house? Or maybe because nobody could save them?

I remember when my grandson was a toddler I was strapping him into his swing and I pinched the skin on his little belly. He howled, I cried and I was upset about it all day. I can still remember the way I felt. And that tiny red mark haunted me all day.

Some people don't deserve to be parents. And then there are the unfortunate ones that want a child so bad and cannot conceive. Every child deserves to be loved, protected and nurtured. In a perfect world they all would be.

Part of me wants to hear more about this story. Part of me wants to know the details, what was the reason behind this crime and what this woman was going through. But the other side cannot hear one more word about it. I just have to write about it and try to forget it.

I hope these children are at peace now. And I hope their family and friends can find a way to live without them.

Sorry to my readers. I know I usually try to write a light-hearted pick-me-up story but I just couldn't let this one go. I hope you forgive me and I also hope this story touched everyone the way it did me. And if somebody we know is in this kind of pain we must step in and protect the children at all costs.



Audrey Beem

TIME TO SMILE

Grumpy People

Since I have started my fitness kick over a year and a half ago, I have met a lot of people. By now you know I am the type of person who will talk to anyone. In my quest to meet true Floridians I ask people where they are from. I look for ways to see how we are alike as humans. Are they from a state I visited? Are they from my home state? Do we know the same people? Do we share the same interests?



Kathleen Wallace

For instance I was at the Post Office mailing something to my sister in Amherst, Ohio. Fred the guy behind the counter has a cousin that lives in Amherst. It turned out that his cousin and my sister taught Sunday school together. It is a very small world.

You may ask am I using my friendliness as an excuse too stop and rest or if it is a genuine curiosity? Some days it is a little of both. For the most part I have narrowed down the people I meet into three categories. The first are my favorite people - the friendly folk. Gloria and her sister-in-law from England are a prime example of friendly folk. They are walkers too. In fact Gloria and my niece Carolyn were my inspiration for getting in shape. After breaking her leg Gloria walks with a limp. She has been walking for years. I figure if she can walk with a pronounced and painful looking limp I can get off my butt and walk.

I see a few people on bikes. Vinny is always looking for a breeze since he doesn't have air conditioning. There is a young man that rides a bright green Region's bike. He always gives me a high five or thumbs up. I get a wave from the early birds like the gentleman at the Tiger Car wash or the folks at Dunnellon Tire and Auto. Dottie from Pavarotti's gives me a honk and a wave when she drops off Julianna at school. Nice friendly happy people. They make this world a pleasant place to be.

The second group of people is what I call the "stranger danger" type. The alarm bells go off. Give them their distance. There is one guy in a green truck with dark blue/black stripes that likes to pull into whatever space I am walking by. He goes out of his way to do this, making u-turns and slowing down. Then he stares at me. Didn't your mom teach you it's not polite to stare? He may be totally harmless but I am not taking any chances. Say hi or introduce yourself. Otherwise it is creepy to stalk a woman walking alone. Luckily there are only a few others that I say hi to and move on. Some people give off the "don't mess with me vibe" and I pay attention.

The last category of people is the one I understand the least, the grumpy and miserable people. I often see a woman on a bicycle. I say "Good Morning". She doesn't make eye contact or acknowledge I am alive. I see her everyday. I know some people aren't "morning people." How hard is it to look some one in the eye and say hello? Maybe she is blind, deaf or autistic. Another regular is a guy who lives down the street from me. I have to drive by his house to get out of my development. I wave and I wave. He looks directly at me and ..Nothing! Nada! Zip! Zilch! I want to stop the car



Pastor used to believe in Leprechauns

OBITUARY

I must make a confession. It has taken me a long time to get to the place where I am willing and comfortable to make such an admission. I think some of my friends will be shocked at what I have to say. I think it is time I come clean and confess. Sort of, clean the air, so to speak.

Simply put, I used to believe in leprechauns. I know that comes as a shock to all of my friends. At a distance, I look like a very reasonable, well-adjusted person. And the further away the better I look. The same thing goes with my distant relatives. The more distant they are the more I like them.

Nobody would suspect that I had such a problem. You cannot tell what burdens people are carrying just by looking at them.

It all came to me by way of reading books. When I was a young person, I read many books that had to do with leprechauns, rainbows and pots full of gold at the end of those rainbows. I was young and naive at the time and believed everything I read.

Once while my father was sleeping on the couch I ask him if he believed in leprechauns and he grunted in such a way that I took it to mean that he also believed in them. If you cannot trust your father while he is sleeping, who in the world can you trust?

Many a day I spent in the woods at the end of our property looking for leprechauns. I can testify that they are rather elusive creatures but several times, I almost caught one. They always were just a few seconds quicker than I was. I looked where I thought they were

OUT TO PASTOR

but they were nowhere to be found.

Do not get me wrong here. I was never frustrated in my fruitless search of leprechauns. There is no better way to spend a day in the woods than searching for the elusive leprechaun. I began to think what I would do if I actually caught one. Then what would I do in the woods? It is always better to seek and not find than to find something and have to quit the seeking.

I think it is something like fishermen. Few fishermen really fish for fish. They fish so they can go home and brag about the one that got away. It is hard to brag about the fish you caught and then there is the messy job of cleaning those fish. No, it is better to have fished and not caught anything than to have fished and caught something that you have to take home and clean.

Such was my thoughts concerning my leprechaun pursuit.

Many an evening I entertained my parents with the exciting exploits of searching and almost catching a leprechaun today. I am sure they got tired of hearing, but I never tired of telling.

Then the time came when I really had to face the facts. After almost a decade of diligently searching for leprechauns, I had to conclude that they were simply a figment of my imagination. And you know what happens to figs if you keep them around for a long time. I had

to realize there were no such creatures as leprechauns.

I must confess that it was a rather sad day for me. It was the beginning of many sad days like this.

For instance, the day I realized Santa Claus was not real. Every year I diligently prepared my Christmas list starting out with, "Dear Ole Santa," and dictated my list of Christmas hopefuls. Often I would sit on his lap and carefully read my list to him. The last time I did this my wife made me get off his lap. Something about being too big or something like that.

To my recollection, he never made good on any of those requests. Jolly old soul? Phooey!

Then there was the Easter Bunny. This had me for quite a while. After all, I love the chocolate Easter bunnies he brought me along with the rest of the candy. Unlike Santa Claus, the Easter Bunny was very generous in dousing me with candy galore. I truly hated putting the Easter Bunny away.

Probably the last one I will mention would be when a politician says, "I feel your pain." At first, I thought this was a genuine concern for my state of affairs. When I found out he was just playing me in his political theater I wanted him to feel some more of my pain.

Pondering this I begin to realize that many things that I have believed in turned out not to be true.

It is quite disconcerting when something you have believed in for



Rev. James Snyder

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Margaret Jane Polter, 92

Margaret Jane Polter, 92, of Dunnellon, passed away Friday, May 25, 2012 under the loving care of her family and Hospice. She was born in Toledo, Ohio on May 8, 1920 and was married to Gerald Alvin Polter for 72 years.

She is survived by her children, John and wife, Charlene Polter of Ocala, Sue (Dobson) and husband, Larry Kyle of Gillette Wyo., and Linda and husband, Curtis McKeown of Citrus Springs; 6 grandchildren, Gale and husband, Orville Hill of Texas, Anne Marie (Dobson) and husband, Steven Berry of Citrus Springs, Chris and wife, Mary Ann Polter of Ocala, Stephanie (McKeown) and husband, Benton Gardner of Citrus Springs, Cori (McKeown) Boney of Crystal River and Scott and wife, Tawnie Dobson of Sheridan Wyo.; 14 great-grandchildren, Ashley Hill, Steven Hill, Brady Berry, Brien Polter, John Christopher Polter, Amber Collins, James Collins, Ethan Gardner, Jack Gardner, Collin Boney, Caralyn Boney, Mikel Dobson, Kole Dobson, and Trace Dobson; 2 great-great-

grandchildren, Eric Flores and Abriana Flores.

She was preceded in death by her parents John Vincent Cooper Sr. and Autha Mae Bueno Cooper. She was a home maker and worked beside her husband for her adult life farming in Ohio before moving to Florida 1958. They owned a chicken farm in Longwood, Fla. until 1970 and moved to Crystal River in 1971 where she and Gerald owned a chicken farm in Homosassa. They moved to Dunnellon in 1978 and operated Dunnellon Ace Hardware until she retired with Gerald.

Margaret was a member of the Eastern Star while living in Ohio. She was a member of the Dunnellon United Methodist Church.

Visitation was on Saturday, May 26, 2012 from 5 to 7 p.m. Services were held on Sunday, May 27, 2012 at 3 p.m. at Roberts Funeral Home. Interment followed immediately at Dunnellon Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, a donation may be made to Citrus County Hospice. On line condolences may be made at www.robertsofdunnellon.com. Roberts Funeral Home of Dunnellon provided information.

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Teachers, students to be 'Energized' with \$15k grant

Funding comes through Progress Energy Foundation

Special to the Riverland News
 Ocala — The Public Education Foundation of Marion County has won a \$15,000 grant from Progress Energy to support science, technology, engineering and energy curriculum

in Marion County Public Schools. The "SEEK a Challenge" grant provides training for teachers, experimental learning opportunities for students, and career awareness through field experiences and mentor coaching.

Secondary teachers in Marion County Public Schools will participate in the grant funding this month for next school year. This grant provides opportunities for teachers and students to study, practice and connect to the energy and tech-

nology workforce through Progress Energy. The Progress Energy Foundation will invest \$500,000 this year to fund energy education classroom projects as well as workforce development at high school career academies throughout Florida. The funds will support public-education foundations, science centers

and career academies. Over the past 10 years, the Progress Energy Foundation has invested \$17 million to assist education initiatives in Florida. "Every dollar we contribute to education is an investment in the future of our state," said Vincent Dolan, president and

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EDUCATION BRIEFS

Preschool approved to accept infants

Harmony Preschool will expand its program and has recently been approved to accept infants; children from 6 weeks to 23 months will be accepted into the Infant Class. The preschool is also accepting 2-, 3- and 4-year-olds for other classes.

The preschool accepts students enrolled in the School Readiness (Vouchers) program. The Preschool is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday and wrap around care is offered for VPK students for an additional fee.

For more information, stop by the Preschool at 21501 W. State Road 40, Dunnellon, (the Preschool is housed in the First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon), or call 489-9552.

FUMC SPARK! Summer Camp slated

The First United Methodist Church will host the SPARK! Summer Camp, for children ages 5 to 12, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday starting Monday, June 11, through Friday, Aug. 3.

Some of the exciting activities this year will include: Messy Week, Talent Week and Silly Science Week. Water, park, and bowling field trips! The first 20 applications who make a four-week commitment will receive a \$20 per week discount.

For more information, call 352-489-9552, or stop by Harmony Preschool in the Education Building at the church at 21501 W. State Road 40, to register for camp.

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, call 489-5954.

National spotlight



Futch received a student commendation from Dunnellon Mayor Fred Ward and City Manager Lisa Algieri.

Futch receives award from CSPAN official

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Taylor Futch still hasn't grown accustomed to being in the spotlight.

On May 23, the Dunnellon Middle School eighth-grader was right back in it, front and center when she was officially presented with the third-place plaque she won in CSPAN's annual nationwide Student Cam competition.

Futch, who will attend West Port High School and continue her education in video production, initially learned of the distinct honor March 6, but was presented with the award itself May 23 in front of classmates, district and city officials in the DMS Auditorium.

"It was really cool," Futch said. "It was nice to have everyone here, I'm just glad it went well."

CSPAN officials combed through more than 1,200 entries earlier this year in search of the top 27 videos in the nation. At the end of the

judging, Futch's video, "Preparing to Become Responsible Voters," was chosen as one of the best in the nation.

"She made it into her own story," CSPAN's Jennifer Curran said. "She included superior interviews and really did a great job. Each of you should be very proud of her."

In addition to the plaque she received, Futch was also awarded \$750 and did a Skype interview with CSPAN, which aired in April; however, for those who didn't see the original piece can still watch it online, Curran said.

"What Taylor might not realize is that 100 million people can watch CSPAN," Curran said of the daunting figure. "That means her interview could have been seen by that many people."

Futch was applauded by Principal Jane Ashman and city officials, who presented the teen with a student accommodation.

"We are extremely proud of your accomplishments," Ashman said

about Futch, an honors student with a 3.6 GPA who will be dual enrolled at both West Port and the College of Central Florida.

Mayor Fred Ward echoed that sentiment.

"We're very proud of you, we know your school is proud of you and we know your parents are very proud of you," Ward said. "You have made Dunnellon very proud. Keep up the great work."

"And to the teachers here, we are very proud of you too. Keep up the great work."

The ceremony was filmed for the school district's cable channel, to be aired at a date to be announced.

Curran encouraged those in the audience to enter next year, giving them advance notice about the subject matter for next year's contest: "A Message to the President."

"It doesn't matter who is in office; your message to them is important because their decisions affect you, too," Curran said.

Winding down the school year

Dunnellon Middle School students will enjoy Early Release at 1:40 p.m. during the last three days of school on Monday, June 4th, Tuesday, June 5, and Wednesday, June 6. This is two hours earlier than normal.

On Friday, June 1 DMS begins the Common End of Course Exams (CEOCE Part # 2). The CEOCE exams will continue through to the last day of school on Wednesday, June 6. We would like to stress that these are important year-end tests and ask our parents to ensure your child is in school on time and has enjoyed a good breakfast. The block test schedule is as follows:

- Friday, June 1 - Block #7 - Normal School Hours
- Monday, June 4 - Block's #2 and #4 - Early Release Day
- Tuesday, June 5 - Block's #1 and #3 - Early Release Day
- Wednesday, June 6 - Block's #5 and #6 - Early Release Day

Final Report Cards will be ready for pick-up at Dunnellon Middle School on Monday, June 18.

The FFA State Convention will be Orlando beginning on Wednesday, June 27 through Friday, June 29.

Summer office hours at Dunnellon Middle School will begin on Monday, June 11 and run through Friday, Aug. 10. The DMS Offices will be open Monday through Thursday and closed on Friday. Office hours are 8 to 11 a.m. in the morning and 1 to 4 p.m. in the afternoon. Our offices will be closed during the week of Monday, July 2 through Thursday, July 5.

Camp Kiwanis will once again be offering week long camping sessions this summer beginning Monday, June 18. Their program is a

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Romeo Elementary's final days of the school year

Romeo is winding down for the final days of the school year with a variety of activities. Wednesday, May 30 will see the cafeteria full of proud 5th grade students, parents, and dignitaries

as students march in for DARE Graduation. Under the direction of Deputy Donna Blair, students will share essays about what they learned about the dangers of drug use. The program will

conclude with students taking an oath to remain drug free.

Friday, June 1, is a celebration day for 4th and 5th grade students. Fourth grade students who scored at least a

level 3 on the statewide FCAT Writes exam, will celebrate their success with a picnic in the courtyard at 11 a.m. Fifth grade students will cele-

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Woman's Club of Dunnellon awards scholarships



Leeann Callejas, second from right, a senior at Dunnellon Christian Academy, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Woman's Club of Dunnellon. Pictured, from left, are: Susan Taylor, president; Kristy Nelson, DCA principal; Callejas' mother, Janet; Callejas; and Treva Matthews, scholarship committee chairwoman.



Madeline Tourne, second from right, a senior at Dunnellon High School, was awarded a \$1,000 scholarship from the Woman's Club of Dunnellon. Pictured, from left, are: Susan Taylor, president; Callejas' father, Edison; Tourne; and Treva Matthews, scholarship committee chairwoman.

Photos by JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

CHURCH BRIEFS

Knights to sponsor Luau dinner

The Knights of Columbus Council No. 8510 in Dunnellon will sponsor a Hawaiian Luau dinner dance at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, June 9, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church parish hall at 7525 S. Highway 41. Doors open at 5:30 and dinner will be served at 6:30. The dinner will be genuine imitation Island cuisine. Tickets are \$15 per person and are available from the church office, in the parish hall after Sunday Mass or from any Knight. Music will be provided by "The Carriers." To reserve a table for 10 or for information, call 352-489-6221.

Lutheran church to host VBS

Joy Evangelical Lutheran Church will host its vacation bible school from 9 a.m. to noon July 23 to 27 for children 5 through fifth grade. The cost is \$12 per child and scholarships are available.

This year, the theme for vacation bible school is "Adventures on Promise Is-

land." Registration for vacation bible school is available from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday throughout June at the church office at 7045 S.W. 83rd Place at State Road 200 in Ocala.

For further information, call Joan Greve, VBS coordinator, at 304-8711 or the church office at 854-4509, ext. 221.

Beth Israel joins new affiliation

Congregation Beth Israel of Ocala announces its affiliation with the Reconstructionist Jewish Federation. Congregation Beth Israel warmly invites those on a Jewish spiritual path to experience the joy of a Reconstructionist service. Intermarried couples, families and individuals are encouraged to join. The congregation has a Hebrew School and an active Sisterhood.

Starting in August, the community will welcome its part-time rabbi, Karen Allen. A student from the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College will lead High

Holiday services in the fall. Rabbi Allen will conduct Shabbat services once a month following the fall festivals.

For more information, check the Beth Israel website at bethisraelocala.org or email bethisraelocala@embarqmail.com or contact Judi at 352-237-8277.

New women's bible study slated

New Women's Cross Denominational Bible study called One Women's Prayer meets at 7 p.m. the third Monday monthly at the Dunnellon Women's Club Clubhouse at 11756 Cedar St. Doors open at 6:30. For more information check us out in Facebook at One Women's Prayer.

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.

Nar-Anon hosts weekly meetings

The Nar-Anon Family Group hosts the "Together We Grow" meeting at 6:45 p.m. Wednesdays at the Dunnellon Presbyterian Church at 20641 Chestnut St., Room 204. Nar-Anon is for family and friends of addicts, sharing experiences, strength, hope, and providing a path to serenity and peace of mind. For more information, visit www.NARANONFL.org.

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 9 to 9:45 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.

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a long time turns out to be phony. While I am confessing here, I must confess that only one thing has turned out not to be disappointing. That one thing has been the Bible. It has been the only thing that has not let me down in life. I take great comfort in Psalms 119:105,

"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

Many things disappoint me and I have given them up. I start each day with the only thing that will never let me down, that is the Word of God. I believe the Bible.

The Rev. James L. Snyder

is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, P.O. Box 831313, Ocala, FL 34483. He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 352-687-4240 or e-mail jamessnyder2@att.net. The church website is www.whatafamilyofgod.com.

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ABOVE: Crystal, Nita, Mavis (played by Tia Love), Carlene and Sugar Lee have a toast to new beginnings as they accept the challenge of creating a day spa out of an old church in Eden Falls, Georgia. **LEFT:** Brittany Gorman gets aged by student makeup artist Dianna Meier prior to the Sunday performance of "Hallelujah Girls." **BELOW:** Rachel Horne takes a picture of Kayla McMann and Tia Love in their wigs and makeup before the Sunday performance of the Hallelujah Girls.



TOP LEFT: Brittany Gorman, left, and Tia Love primp in front of the mirror after putting on their wigs before the Saturday evening show of Hallelujah Girls.

ABOVE: Sugar Lee, Crystal and Carlene, played by Alysha Johnson, Heather Curtis and Brittany Gorman give Nita, played by Rachel Horne, a pep talk about how to deal with Ronnie, her deadbeat son.

LEFT: The cast and crew of "Hallelujah Girls," front row from left, are: drama teacher Dianne Sellner; middle row, Bre'anna Curtis, Brittany Gorman, Kayla McMann, Alysha Johnson, Rachel Horne, Heather Curtis; back row, Serenity Skillman, Rebecca Strobel, Amanda Ortman, Tia Love, Jacob Furr, George Lucin, Matt Torres, Diana Meier and Kaitlyn Hanley.

DHS baseball coach resigns to finish college degree

Baly to attend USF, complete BA in American History

Continuity has always been a strong spot with the Dunnellon High School baseball program.

In the past dozen years, there have been a total of four coaches who've guided the team.

First there was Mike Payne Sr., followed by George Welch, then former Tiger standout Tommy Boss.

When Boss departed for St. John's Community College, officials didn't have to look far for a replacement. They went right after Dunnellon alum, Shane Baly, who had spent the previous five seasons working as an assistant with Boss.

However, after just one season, Baly announced his resignation last week.

His reason: the lure of completing his college degree was too much to ignore any longer.

Baly said he'll take classes at the University of South Florida in Tampa. He explained he has about a year and a half of classroom work left to complete his bachelor's degree in History. He said he obtained his AA from St. John's Community Col-

lege and spent a year at the University of Auburn at Montgomery before a shoulder injury derailed his collegiate career.

"I'm pretty excited," said Baly, who noted he has about a year and half of classroom work to finish before acquiring his Bachelor of Arts in History. "It's something I need to do, and possibly get myself into



Shane Baly

coaching baseball in college afterward."

Initially, when he joined Boss' staff he had only intended to stay at Dunnellon to help coach his brother throughout his prep career. However, developing relationships with players year after year made it tough.

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BOWLING SCORES

Parkview Lanes
Weekly News

League scores for the week ending May 18:

Summer Leagues: All summer leagues are now under way, and space is available for additional teams or individuals. For information, call the Center at 352-489-6933.

Summer Open Bowling: Open bowling opportunities and specials are increased during the summer months. For information, call the Center at 352-489-6933.

Suncoast Seniors 9-Pin NoTap: Handicap: Bob Desmeules 342, 923; Ernie Wiemann 333, 838; June Williams 321, 881; Wanda Klik 300; Reda Portnoy 854. Scratch: Richard Fendenheim 300, 753; Nick DiCostanzo 278, 771; Reda Portnoy 233, 662; June Williams 229, 605.

Holder Hotshots: Handicap: Bill Sullivan 278; Bob Chester 275, 748; Shorty Williams 735; Kathy Calcagni 265; Andrea Kish 254, 719; Diane Mauck 691. Scratch: Bill Sullivan 212; Bob Chester 192; Norm Patch 522; Leon Wierzbinski 505; Kathy Calcagni 204, 489; Andrea Kish 166, 455.

Bowlers of the Week: June Williams, 131 pins over her average, and Bob Desmeules, 173 pins over his average.

GOLF SCORES

Rainbow Springs
LGA Results

On Thursday, May 17, the LGA played "two best balls of four" tournament. The winners in the first flight were: Toni Bulson, Karen Mikulik, Sally Brunworth and Nancy Meyer.

The winners in the second flight were: Pat Sorensen, Karin Hopkins, Shari Harris and Sherrie Schaefer.

The winners in the third flight were: Gwen Baker, Katie Aufderheide, Rhea Raw and Diane McGrail.

Birdies: Rhea Raw and Pat Sorensen.

Chip-Ins: Rhea Raw, Pat Sorensen and Gwen Baker.

Greenies: Rhea Raw, Pat Sorensen, Gwen Baker and Beth Stroble.

On May 10, there were 10 LGA players who played Low Gross/Low Net. There was only one flight.

First low gross: Janice Villa; first low net, Corinne Boos.

Second low net: Nancy Meyer.

Third low net, tie: Janice Botzenhart, Diane McGrail, M.A. Pletcher and Beth Stroble.

Greenies: Janice Villa and Rhea Raw.

GOLF SCORES

Golf course hosting
Twilight League games

Rainbow's End Golf Course's Tuesday Twilight League has begun. The points game starts at 5:30 p.m. Tuesdays, running through October. Entry fee is \$20 and includes fees, cart, closest to pin prize, year ending championship and three-place payout prizes. The event is open to all players. Show up by 5:15 p.m. and the pro shop will establish your points quota. Also, a side skins game is available. For more information or to sign-up, call 489-4566 to reserve a spot. The event is limited to the first 40 players.

Chasing the dream



Photos courtesy of the University of Kentucky
Taiedo Smith runs out of bounds after recording an interception against Tennessee, clinching a 10-7 victory over the Volunteers on his last collegiate play. Smith recently participated in the Cincinnati Bengals' Rookie Camp. Despite going undrafted in April, the former Dunnellon High standout is hoping to latch on with an NFL team this summer.

Former DHS standout attends Bengals' Rookie Camp; hopes to play in NFL

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Not since Ernie Mills was drafted by the Pittsburgh Steelers in the third round of the 1990 NFL Draft, has a former Dunnellon High School graduate made it to the NFL.

Taiedo Smith is hoping to change that.

However, Smith, a former Tiger standout, will have to take a different route.

The former defensive back for the University of Kentucky didn't hear his name called in April when NFL executives completed the three-day draft, nor did he sign a free agent contract once the dust settled from the frenzy of rookie free agent signings.

What Smith got is a chance to show he can be a rookie contributor when the Cincinnati Bengals extended Smith an invitation to their Rookie Camp early this month.

"It was a great experience," Smith said of participating in the Rookie Camp. "Overall, I think I did really well. I felt I held my own and competed well."

Now, he's playing the wait-



Smith is flanked by family members during Senior Day at the University of Kentucky this past fall.

ing game.

"I won't know about a contract until OTAs or by the time training camp starts," he explained. "You never know, and you have to wait, sometimes a

week or two weeks."

Smith who played safety in college was moved to corner during the camp, but he said he felt like he made the necessary adjustments during the

three-day event. Having played in the Southeastern Conference (SEC) for the past four years, he felt the speed of the practices was no different than what he'd taken part of during his time in a Wildcat uniform.

"I do definitely think playing in the SEC helped," he said. "Even though I played safety in college and played corner, I don't think the speed of the practices was a factor. It was what I've been going up against the past four years; there were some others who were struggling with the speed, but it was just regular to me. I think having seen that, having been used to it, gave me a leg up on everybody else."

Despite what he felt was a good showing, even Smith acknowledged he has to become more versatile to earn a spot in the ranks of the best professional football players in the world.

"For my first time really playing an outside corner position, I was getting a lot of work in," he said. "I'm still

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Camp Kiwanis continues unique program

Parents can register students online for summertime camp

For more than 60 years, thousands of Marion County students have called Camp Kiwanis their temporary summer home. Once again, Camp Kiwanis will offer hundreds of local children a wilderness adventure in a cooperative overnight camping program sponsored by Marion County Public Schools and the Kiwanis Club of Ocala.

The traditional program puts kids, ages 7 to 13, in a summer camp setting at Mill Dam Lake deep in the heart of The Ocala National Forest. The five-day camp offers a variety of activities including archery, swimming, arts & crafts, canoeing, games, sports and more.

Transportation to and from camp will be provided by a single bus on

Mondays and Fridays. The bus will load and unload at Marion Technical Institute (1614 S.E. Fort King St., Ocala). Families in private vehicles may also transport their campers to and from Camp Kiwanis.

This year's program kicks off Monday mornings and run through Friday afternoons. Four one-week sessions are

being offered June 18 to 22, June 25 to 29, July 2 to 6 and July 9 to 13. Space is available for 104 campers each week. Campers may attend more than one session if space is available. Meals, instruction, and accident insurance are included in the weekly fee of \$200 per student.

The Marion County School Board employs Camp Kiwanis staff mem-

bers; the camp director is a school district administrator, instructors are teachers, and the counselors are local college and high school students. Camp Kiwanis started in 1948.

Parents and students interested in Camp Kiwanis should log on to www.CampKiwanisOcala.com to download application forms.

For more information, contact the camp clerk at 352-236-5401.

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"You get those attachments to the kids and it makes it hard," Baly explained. "This year, I made my decision. Part of it was, I wanted to see Shelby (Payne) finish through. I had his dad (Mike Payne Sr.) as a coach and I really wanted to be able to see Shelby finish and graduate. That was a big thing, kind of like a tribute to coach Payne, seeing his boy through."

In his first and only season guiding the Tigers, the baseball team finished at 4-20-1 after having won three straight district championships, advancing as far as the Final Four in 2010. Despite a down season, Baly believes whoever takes over will be successful in

the coming years.

"I think we'll be down a little, but then it'll start picking up because our younger group is really good," Baly explained. "So once they become sophomores and get experience, they really, really should help the program. There's a good foundation for whoever it is they hire."

Baly explained his long-term goal is to become a coach in the college ranks, he's hopeful acquiring his bachelor's degree will lead down that road. He said he's hoping to become a student assistant for the Bulls' baseball program, but isn't sure that will happen this year.

"No, my shoulder is shot. The chances of that happening are about zero," he said, laughing at the thought of returning to the ranks of college

athletics. "It's a nice thought, but no, my playing days are over."

Bruce Wentz, the Dunnellon High School activities director, said the school hopes to have a replacement named in two to three weeks.

SMILE

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and ask him if his arm is broken. Why are some people so unpleasant? What is wrong with a friendly wave? It doesn't mean I want to come in for coffee. I am saying hello. That's all.

I haven't given up. I wave to this man every time I see him. I am going to keep waving until one of us moves out of the neighborhood or one of us drops dead - which is probably what I would do if he waved back!

SMITH

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getting a lot of work in."

Smith, who measures at 6 feet and tips the scales at 200 pounds, said being a bigger cornerback could certainly have its advantages in the pro ranks.

"It did help me," he said of his size. "I was the biggest corner there, but nobody outmuscled me at the line and they matched me up on the tight end a lot."

Even if he doesn't earn a contract, Smith admitted he'll try to earn another shot. He said many NFL personnel said it was important to keep

playing if a player truly wants a shot at competing in the NFL. To keep playing means going north of the border to the Canadian Football League (CFL) or latching on with an Arena League Team.

"It's good to be playing football, a lot of people say you come back after a couple of years, but that the most important thing is to keep playing football," he said, noting he has had some initial conversations with a few CFL teams.

Asked if a chance to latch on with NFL doesn't work out, would the CFL be an option and Smith said, "I would hope so."

He said he won't weigh any potential options until after teams begin training camps later this year.

"I think most of the teams know where they're headed by June or by mid-June," said Smith, who completed his undergraduate degree in psychology a year and a half ago and has been working on his master's degree. "But all I need is an opportunity."

"This has been my dream ever since I started playing. I'd be blessed to have an opportunity with any team. All I need is a chance to prove I can play and belong."

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five-day camp offering a variety of activities including archery, swimming, arts and crafts, canoeing, games, sports and more. To learn more about Camp Kiwanis program please call 352-625-2620 or check-out their website: www.CampKiwanisOcala.com.

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 - Have older children read to younger children.
 - Even as children grow older don't give up the routine of reading aloud before bedtime.
 - Set the reading example! Be a reader yourself and let your child see reading for pleasure.
- We would like to repeat the information about the DMS Summer Reading Program. Read for the World Record an interactive, web-based challenge inviting kids to join a global team to help set a

new summer reading world record for most minutes read. Students simply join the school team, choose their own books to read, and then log their reading minutes online (or with a paper/pencil log). All minutes will add to the global challenge, but the top 20 schools will be listed in the 2013 Guinness Book of World Records. The goal for our school is 1,000,000 minutes read. DMS students can Read for the World Record from May 1st through Aug. 31. Students who log their minutes online or via a paper reading log by Aug. 31, and have logged at least 1,800 minutes will be entered into a drawing for prize baskets in the Media Center.

This is a fun reading challenge that everyone can do and how awesome if our students would put their school, Dunnellon Middle School, into the Guinness Book of World Records! We could do it!

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Reminder to Parents:

Incoming 7th grade students must have their shot records up to date to attend school in August of 2012. If you have any questions regarding this please call the office at: 352-465-6720.

This is our final DMS Riverland newspaper article for the 2011-12 school year and we the Administration and Staff of Dunnellon Middle School would like to say thank you to our students, parents and community for your support. We are proud of all the positive contributions each and every person who comes to DMS daily provides and the caring guidance given to every young person who walks through our doors. Dunnellon Middle School has enjoyed an exciting and successful year and we look forward to many more wonderful success stories to share with you in the 2012-13 school year.

On behalf of the entire staff of Dunnellon Middle School we wish our Dunnellon community a wonderful and safe summer. We will see you back at school on Monday, Aug. 20.

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Sue Plummer recipient of May's Volunteer of the Month

Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop

Sue Plummer, long time winter Dunnellon resident, was presented a certificate of excellence May 15 by the Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop for her dedication to the shop's goals and for sharing so graciously of her talents. Her artistic work can be seen on the red bench which graces our front porch, the yellow back door flower scenes, and several signs displayed throughout the shop. In addition, Plummer is an extraordinary talented seamstress who measures and prices fabric and notions, sews many items for the shop, paints and makes covers for numerous chairs and stools. She's also the one we count on to check out donated sewing machines to be sure they're in working order before putting them up for sale.

Plummer has been actively involved in the "Dresses and Britches for African Children" project and when she returns to Michigan for the summer, volunteers at a thrift shop there. She's been an active member of our organization for over ten years and it's our pleasure to honor her as our Volunteer of the Month.



Photograph by Joann McCullough
Sue Plummer receiving her certificate of excellence on Tuesday, May 15.

MCSO Honor Guard



Special to the Riverland News

The Marion County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard performed Monday, May 14, in the 10th Annual Fraternal Order of Police Steve Young National Honor Guard Competition in Washington D.C. MCSO placed first out of 17 teams representing law enforcement agencies throughout the United States and Canada. Each team has eight members.

The three-part competition includes a team inspection (MCSO took first), a color guard presentation (MCSO took first), and an exhibition/drill (MCSO took first). For the first time, MCSO's Honor Guard included in their routine a tribute to Marion County's fallen officers by hanging embroidered black sashes on our county's flag representing each fallen brother. Their routine was eight minutes long and they have been practicing since February 2012.

Prior to the competition, the teams had the opportunity to escort family members of fallen officers from the airport to their hotels to commemorate Fallen Officer Memorial Week. On Tuesday, May 15, the top three honor guard teams lined up at the Capitol to meet President Barack Obama.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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RAINBOW RIVER CLEAN-UP



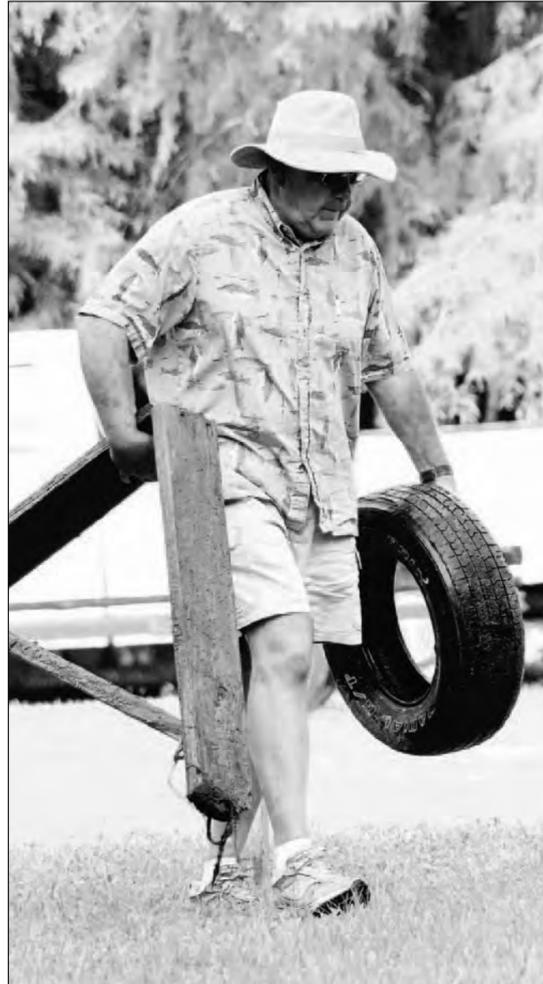
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Sue Rossi, left, and Ashley Cannon look over the trash volunteers collected recently during the annual Rainbow River Clean-Up, which was sponsored by Rainbow River Conservation Inc. RRC has sponsored river clean-ups since 1980. For more information about the RRC, visit www.RainbowRiverConservation.com.



ABOVE: Casey Donahue from Dunnellon participated in the annual Rainbow River Clean-Up for the first time May 19, taking to the water in an inflatable raft. Donahue said he signed up during Boomtown Days with several friends.

FAR RIGHT: Chuck Warren hauls a tire and wood-frame from a dock he found at the bottom of the river. The Venice-native was a college roommate of Jerry Rogers, vice president of RRC. **RIGHT:** A turtle sunbathes itself while resting on a log.



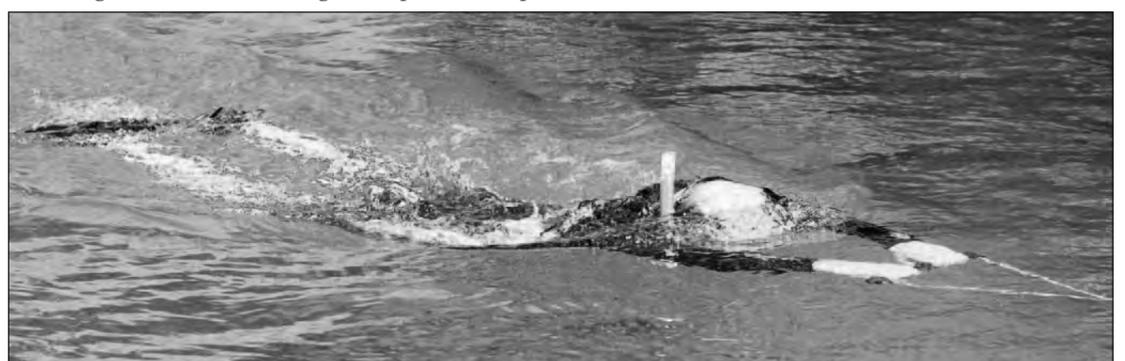
Tires, timber and other assorted trash was pulled from the Rainbow River May 19, as hoards of volunteers needed to help with in the annual clean-up, taking to the water in boats, kayaks and canoes. Debris collected was brought back to Rio Vista Park, where volunteers were provided with food and refreshments.

Prizes were awarded for the largest amount of trash collected by an individual, the largest individual item of trash recovered from the river and the most unusual item recovered (a home-made crack pipe).

Rainbow River Conservation Inc. has sponsored river clean-ups since 1980. For more information about RRC's mission statement, visit www.RainbowRiverConservation.com.



ABOVE: Brandon Evans and his sister, Alexandria, ride in a canoe with their father, Matthew Holden, as the three of them participate in the river clean-up. **BOTTOM:** Volunteers used a variety of methods to find trash in the bottom of the river. Here, this volunteer donned snorkeling equipment while being pulled on a ski rope searching for trash. **LEFT:** An Egret sits perched atop a duck box.



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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.

River Watch Program seeks volunteers

The Rainbow River Watch Program will start another season this spring and duties are expanding, requiring additional personnel. The Marion County Sheriff's Office is seeking more volunteers to participate in this program, which the sheriff's office sponsors.

The purpose of the program is an effort to protect the Rainbow River and allow to be used in a safe and prudent manner by all. As volunteers, the primary purpose is to assist, inform and advise people regarding the rules and regulations pertaining to the river as well as provide a visual presence to discourage those who ignore safe boating procedures. All volunteers will receive necessary training to be qualified in all aspects pertaining to patrols.

Those wishing to volunteer or those who need more information, should call the Dunnellon District Office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at 402-6050.

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

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brate the end of their elementary career with a dance in the cafeteria from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m.

The last week of school, June 4 to 6, will be early release days with students dismissing 2 hours early. Monday will be kindergarten graduations beginning at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday is the day to

shine for students in third and fourth grade as the Awards Assembly honors student achievement beginning at 8:30 a.m. The fifth grade Awards Assembly and graduation will be on Wednesday, June 6, beginning at 8:30 a.m. At 11:30 a.m. all Romeo students and staff will be in the courtyard to cheer 5th graders on their last walk to the buses marking the end of the 2011-12 school year.

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.

Annie W. Johnson needs items for 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.

American Legion activities slated

American Legion Wall-Rives Post 58 will host its regular meeting of the Post and Auxiliary at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday monthly.

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

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 is from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. The public is welcome.

Workforce Connection job fair June 5 for Granny NANNIES

Workforce Connection will hold a job fair on Tuesday, June 5 for those interested in applying for positions with Granny NANNIES, a company specializing in assisted home care.

Granny NANNIES is hiring Licensed Practical Nurses (LPNs), Registered Nurses (RNs), Certified Nursing Assistants

(CNAs) and Home Health Aides (HHAs). Applicants are directed to apply in person from 1 to 5 p.m. at Workforce Connection, 1003 E. Inverness Blvd., in Inverness.

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The Progress Energy Foundation provided funding to 18 education foundations throughout its service territory to support math and sci-

ence education programs with an emphasis on those that include energy efficiency, renewable energy and environmental education. Education foundations from Alachua, Citrus, Gulf, Franklin, Hernando, Highlands, Lake, Levy, Madison, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia counties received funding.

For more information, call the Public Education Foundation of Marion County at 352-671-4167 or visit www.pefmc.org. More details from Progress Energy are available at www.progress-energy.com.

needs.

For more information, call 352-637-2223 or 800-434-JOBS (5627).

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Above: Members enjoy a salad bar luncheon recently for the 90th anniversary celebration in which the club presented two local high school seniors with \$1,000 scholarships. Right: Past presidents who attended the recent 90th anniversary celebration, from left, were: Lesley Mack, Susan Taylor, Edythe Hulbert and Treva Matthews.



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Notices to Creditors/Administration
The administration of the estate of Barbara Jean McGaha, deceased, whose date of death was November 29, 2011, and file number 2012-CP-267, is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Division F, the address of which is 110 NW 1st Avenue, Ocala, Florida, 34475. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is required to be served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE TIME OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM. All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate, including unmatured, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE. ALL CLAIMS NOT FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is May 31, 2012.

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247-0531 RIV 6/6 Meeting PUBLIC NOTICE The Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast will be facilitating the Bi-Monthly Board of Director's Meeting on Wednesday, June 6, 2012. The meeting will begin at 9:00a.m. at the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast's main office at 1560 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429. Please contact Coalition Staff at 352-563-9939, ext. 263 if you have any questions. Public participation is welcome. May 31, 2012.

Fictitious Name Notices
246-0531 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: Outback Self Storage located at 19545 W Hwy 40, Dunnellon, FL 34432, in the County of Marion, intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations of the Florida Department of State, Tallahassee, FL. Dated at Ocala, FL, this 23 day of May, 2012. /s/ Brady Neumann Managing Member Stop&Store LLC May 31, 2012.

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