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Area youths place home-made decorations on the city's Christmas tree during last year's tree lighting ceremony. Area preschoolers were invited to create ornaments for this year's tree.



City tree lighting ceremony set for Friday

Event scheduled to kick off at 6 p.m. at City Hall

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

It's time to "light" it up. The grounds of Dunnellon City Hall, 20750 River Drive, will be aglow Friday, when the city's Christmas tree is decorated for the holiday season. The ceremony begins at 6:30 p.m. at the gazebo

at the corner of River Drive and U.S. 41 on the grounds of City Hall.

"The annual tree lighting is a way to bring the diverse community together to celebrate the holiday season," said Dunnellon City Clerk Dawn Bowne, who coordinated the event for the second consecutive year.

"We will have families join us for the festive event, and whether young or old, everyone enjoys seeing Santa join in on the fun."

This is the second year the city of Dunnellon has sponsored this event, Bowne added, taking over from a community group. The event attracted sev-

eral hundred people last year.

"We hope to exceed that amount this year," Bowne said.

Crews installed lights on the tree and around City Hall last week to get ready for the ceremony. Additionally, city officials invited area day care centers to have children make decorations to hang

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Letters to Santa, photos wanted

The *Riverland News* is seeking Letters to Santa as well as pictures of your children, grandchildren, nieces of nephews in Christmas pictures for its Christmas Card Cuties Holiday edition, slated for publication Dec. 20.

Letters and photos can be emailed to Editor Jeff Bryan at editor@riverlandnews.com, or mailed to our office at 20441 E. Pennsylvania Ave., Dunnellon, FL 34432.

Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if photos need to be returned. Photos submitted via email must be high-resolution images. Deadline to submit letters and photos is Dec. 13.

Donations sought for children's party

Dunnellon Fire Rescue is seeking donations for its yearly Needy Childrens' Christmas Party. Anyone wishing to help in this cause may send their donations to 12014 S. Williams St., Dunnellon, FL 34432.

The event will be at 6 p.m. Dec. 13 at the Dunnellon Bingo Hall.

RRC to host annual meeting Saturday

Rainbow River Conservation Inc. will host its annual meeting at 9 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Rainbow Rivers Club. Guest speakers include Mary Szafraniec, a research scientist at SWFWMD, who will discuss her work on "Tracking Ecological Change in the Rainbow River;" Dr. Holland, a professor of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management, and Ms. Croteau, a Ph.D. student from the University of Florida, will review their one-year study about the "Impact of Recreation Activity on the Rainbow River."

President Burt Eno will also provide an overview of RRC activities and accomplishments of the past year.

All RRC members and the public are encouraged to attend. For more information, visit www.rainbowriverconservation.com.



'Gentle giant'



Photos courtesy of the Stephens family

Daniel Stephens was required to wear a "halo" during his 57-day stint in the hospital prior to having experimental coated rods placed in his back. Since the rods had been removed and doctors were doing the allergy testing, his kyphosis progressed to such an extreme degree — more than 100 degrees — he had to be put in a halo and stay in traction to pull his spine as much upright as possible. When he was able to come out of the halo, Dr. Phillips put the first set of coated rods in his back.

Teen takes life in stride despite medical conditions

JEFF BRYAN
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Biblically, Daniel spent one night in the Lions' Den.

For 13-year-old Daniel Stephens, his entire life has been spent in the Lions' Den.

Yet, each time, he's overcome the odds.

However, for one to understand exactly the magnitude

of odds stacked against Stephens, one must understand what the teenager has undergone since birth.

Stephens was born several weeks early, his mother, Dawn Stephens, having to undergo an emergency C-Section. She had already dealt with a handful of complications throughout her third, and final, pregnancy.

Early in her second trimester, she went into pre-labor. Doctors ordered her on strict bed rest to stop the labor. Mrs. Stephens underwent numerous tests to determine if there were problems or other complications that would arise during her pregnancy with Daniel,

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Dunkin' robber caught

Frye prime suspect in Little Caesar's robbery

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A 24-year-old Dunnellon man was apprehended and charged with armed robbery Nov. 20 after authorities captured the suspect hiding in a wooded area off North Camp Drive.

According to arrest reports, Zachary D. Frye was charged with armed robbery, resisting an officer without violence, retail petit theft and violation of probation after Frye robbed Dunkin' Doughnuts at 11325 N. Williams St., shortly after 10 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 20.

Authorities said Frye is a main person of interest and suspect in the Nov. 17 robbery of Little Caesar's in which the suspect wore similar style clothing and brandished a knife.

The report stated Frye entered Dunkin' Doughnuts, walked behind a counter and made contact with two employees. During the confrontation with the employees, Frye brandished a knife so the victims could see it. He then ordered that one victim get off the phone and demanded money.

According to the report, the employees told authorities Frye raised the knife about his waist, pointing it at them. Both of them said they were in fear for their lives. At this time, the report stated, both employees emptied the contents of the drive-thru register and gave Frye an undetermined amount of money. Frye was reported to have been wearing a grey-color hooded jacket, black-color gloves, brown work boots and blue jean pants. Witnesses told authorities Frye was covering his face with a black in color bandana.

The report stated Frye then exited the store and traveled east toward Creeks Street as a third victim also exited the store yelling, "we've been robbed." Witnesses at Sonic at 11351 N. Williams St. began to follow Frye,

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Zachary D. Frye

Cheese worth 'goating' about

Local couple produce their own goats' cheese

JEFF BRYAN
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Nestled into the backside of Rainbow Lake Estates, Coffey Break Farms sits on multiple acres of farmland.

On the property are several goats, horses, dogs, cats and a large Koi pond.

There, Debra and Tom Coffey have their daily

routine down to a tee.

Tom heads to the constructed milking barn, a modest structure the couple had built in which they recently finished their own modifications, including a milking room for their goats.

Tom brings in the goats, has them hop onto a table where he gives them a morning portion of feed as he milks them. Cur-

rently, the Coffeys milk two goats a day after selling their two males.

While Tom is busy collecting a fresh supply of milk, Debra is in the kitchen, taking the haul collected the day before and whipping it into a fresh batch of cheese.

It takes 10 quarts of fresh milk to make one



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Debra Coffey shows off one of the many samples she and her husband, Tom, share with prospective buyers of their homemade goats' cheese.

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Hálpata Tastanaki Preserve to close for Hog Hunts

Special to the Riverland News

The Southwest Florida Water Management District's Hálpata Tastanaki Preserve will be temporarily closed to the public for wild hog hunts Dec. 4 to 6.

Only permitted hunters will be allowed on the property during these dates. All of the permits for these hunts have been sold.

Hálpata Tastanaki Preserve is approximately six

miles east of Dunnellon, south of the Dunnellon Municipal Airport. Public access is off County Road 484.

This activity is one of a series of wild hog hunts taking place on District lands in an effort to control the damage being caused to the natural habitat.

The District only allows hogs to be controlled through hunts when the damage they cause exceeds unacceptable levels,

and damage is occurring more frequently and with increasing severity.

Wild hogs live throughout Florida in various habitats, but prefer moist forests and swamps, as well as pine flatwoods. They are omnivorous and feed by rooting with their broad snouts, which can cause extensive damage to the natural habitat. In fact, they can leave an area looking like a plowed field. Wild hogs are not native

to Florida and are believed to have been introduced by explorer Hernando DeSoto as early as 1539. They can weigh more than 300 pounds and travel in herds of several females and their offspring.

For more information, please call the Land Resources Department at the District's Brooksville Headquarters at 800-423-1476 or 352-796-7211, ext. 4467.

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batch of cheese. A "batch," Coffey said, will make up to 14 5-ounce logs of cheese. When the Coffeys were at the height of production, their four goats would produce about 30 quarts of milk, allowing Debra to produce three batches of cheese, or about 42 5-ounce logs of cheese. During the height of their production, Tom would milk the goats twice a day, but now is doing the task once a day.

Overall, the process to make the cheese is a 24-hour process, Debra said. After chilling the milk, which takes up to four hours, Debra then takes the product she will use and freezes it for 24 hours. Once frozen, Debra begins adding a variety of ingredients to each log.

All told, the Coffeys produce seven different varieties of cheese: Garlic Basil, Plain Honey, Cranberry Honey Pecan, Chocolate Cherry, Herb Chili Pepper, Habanero Garlic Dill and Fig Date Walnut.

Debra Coffey said the Cranberry Honey Pecan is the biggest seller while the spicier logs are the second most popular flavors cus-



JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Tom Coffey milks one of the couple's two goats.

tomers seek.

"We get a lot of compliments," she said. "People really love our product."

Yet, it's getting those who've never tasted goats cheese to give it a try.

"You'll get strange looks from some, but once they try it, they're somewhat sold," she explained. "But we always get those who won't even attempt it."

Coffey said one positive comment customers give their product is the taste.

"They tell me it's not gamey like other goat cheeses they've tried," she said. "We've turned a lot of heads, but I think what makes the difference is what

we feed them and keeping them away from the bugs and such. Plus, we've got the new milking barn up and we keep it really clean."

Debra Coffey said she got the idea to begin producing goats' cheese while watching "The Martha Stewart Show," which had featured an author who had written about her endeavor making goats' cheese.

"It really inspired me to do

something," Coffey explained.

Prices for a 5-ounce log range from \$5 to \$9, Coffey said. Though the prices seem high, she said, it is mostly to offset the cost of the labor and other items used in the final product.

"This is very labor intensive," she said. "And while the prices seem high, the folks are paying for the feed and other items as well as the labor to make the cheese. We're certainly not making a killing."

The Coffeys ply their ware at the First Saturday Historic Village sale in Downtown Historic Dunnellon, as well as the Farmers Market the first and third Friday monthly at the Beverly Hills Recreation Center.

"So far, we've been pretty busy," Coffey explained. "There's a lot of people who've been placing orders for the holidays."

For more information about the goats' cheese or to place an order, call 352-489-1834.

DUNKIN

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who at that time retrieved his bicycle, which was parked behind the dumpster at Dunkin' Doughnuts.

Witnesses followed Frey to the rear of Dunnellon Plaza at 11223 N. Williams St., at which time Frey jumped off his bicycle and jumped over the fence into the retention pond and begin running east-bound toward Chatmire. Frey, the report stated, continued to travel through the woods and into North Blue Cove.

The Marion County Sheriff's Office assisted the Dunnellon Police Department, using the sheriff's office helicopter and located Frye in the woods west of Camp Drive.

A sheriff's office K-9 unit tracked Frye to his location and upon finding him, provided verbal commands to "give me your hand." According to the report, Frye then began swinging at the K-9 at which time the K-9 bit Frye on his lower left thigh. At this time, Frye

was only wearing blue jean pants and brown in color work boots. Frye also had multiple lacerations to his chest, back, arms and legs from running through the woods and was short of breath.

Once Frye was placed into handcuffs, the victims and witnesses positively identified him.

Post Miranda, Frey told authorities he "was just camping in the woods because" him and his mother were fighting. Frye, the report stated, told officials he was not involved in the robbery and refused to answer any questions.

According to Marion County Jail records, no bond was set for Frye.

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THE OTHER GUY

Taste buds will dance with delight

I vividly remember the first time my friend, Rose, slathered a cracker with a glob of goats' cheese on it for me to sample. My reaction wasn't the best. I wrinkled my nose and furrowed my brow. "Goats' cheese," I responded. Cheese comes from milk. Milk comes from cows. This was a simple deduction of reasoning, having seen a cow being milked up close and personal. Sure, this kid from Kansas did not grow up on a farm but



Jeff Bryan
Editor

he's been around plenty of them to know where milk, cheese and a variety of other dairy products come from. Goats? "Don't be ridiculous," Balki Bartokomous, a fictitious sheep farmer on the television sitcom, "Perfect Strangers," once said. My friend walked toward me, waving the cracker and cheese at me. I felt like I was a toddler trapped in a high chair as their mother was feeding them some substance

spooned out of a jar of baby food. The only thing missing was the sound of either a plane coming in for a landing or a train coming down the track. "Don't be such a baby," my friend said, shoving the cheese-slathered cracker in my hand. I looked at the object now in my hand. It was not a vegetable, nor was it green in color. Still, this was new territory. This wasn't the cheese my mother brought home to us. I sized up the cracker, which at this point looked the size of

a serving plate, and eyeballed it for the longest time. I sniffed the cheese. Nothing funny, my investigative skills detected. I lifted the cracker up as if I was looking under the hood of a car, knowing full well in either instance, I had no clue what I was hoping to find or discover, for that matter. Finally, I was given a stout verbal warning. "Eat it, it's not going to kill you," my friend interjected, giving me a stern look. Knowing full well I had procrastinated long enough, I said a quick prayer and put

911 on speed dial and eyed the edible object in my hand one final time. I wasn't going to take it one small nibble at a time. No, this was a matter of eating the morsel in one whole bite. Putting a whole cracker in my mouth is nothing compared to having inserted my foot there many times. Now that I have experienced. As I was about to say one final prayer, my friend glanced in my direction. Leaning against the kitchen counter, she crossed her arms.

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LETTERS

DHS baseball booster club says thanks for support at golf tourney

The DHS Baseball Booster Club would like to thank the players, sponsors and volunteers that supported the Aaron Deneau Memorial Golf Tournament. Thanks for helping to make our tournament a great success. We hope to see everyone again next year.

Gary Kudlack, president
DHS Baseball Booster Club

Vice mayor wrong in action; letter writer was boring

I am, and have been, a resident of Dunnellon for almost 30 years and I have never heard or read of a councilmember being so rude to its citizens and non-citizens.

Rainbow Springs residents have had ties with Dunnellon for years. They are a part of our businesses staying alive and providing jobs. Now comes a councilmember who took away another's right to freedom of speech. They have that right when when the City Council's decisions affect their wallets.

Yes, Mr. Dennis Evans, that is you. You should have said nothing and quietly left if you cannot handle the truth as many others see it, including myself. But no you acted like a dictator and a rude one.

I will say it again — the communication skills of Ms. Lisa Algiers is greatly lacking. I question her ability of knowledge and her pay and just what are her qualifications and degrees?

Obviously, her communication skills are lacking such that you felt being rude on her behalf was necessary. Mr. Evans enjoy this term, I do think it will be your last and know of one that is eye balling your seat. And no, it's not me. I just hope he runs for your seat.

OK, Mr. Burt Eno of Rainbow Springs I admire you and your fight for fairness, but your letters are long boring repetition. I really tried, but you lost me in only a quarter of your last letter. Minds need new refreshing articles.

I must take issue with all this bashing toward Greenlight Communications Dunnellon. I am a happy customer and we are actually getting services from Greenlight at a much lower cost than AT&T, Dish, DirectTV, Bright House and Comcast.

Service, if needed, gets immediate attention. Switches make it quick and fast without a house call. Now many of you preach boycott Greenlight, it is sucking our money from us. How?

With your preaching this boycott, revenues will be sought from other avenues, i.e., Rainbow Springs to support it without benefits for Rainbow Springs' residents.

I realize you are justifiably

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GUEST COLUMN

The hunt for Medicare, Part D

Hunting season is open. Rather than hunting for game, may we recommend setting your sights for the Part D Medicare prescription drug plan that's best for you? You'll have more time than usual this year, because open season is lasting longer than usual.

If you currently are enrolled in Medicare and are considering changes to your Medicare Part D plan, act now. The "open season" runs from October 15 to December 7.

The Medicare Part D prescription drug program is available to all Medicare beneficiaries to help with the cost of medications. Joining a Medicare prescription drug plan is voluntary, and participants pay an additional monthly premium for the coverage.

While all Medicare beneficiaries can participate in the prescription drug program, some people with limited income and resources also are eligible for Extra Help to pay for monthly premiums, annual deductibles, and prescription co-payments. The Extra Help is estimated to be worth about \$4,000 per year. Many people qualify for these big savings and don't even know it.

To figure out whether you are eligible for the Extra Help, Social Security needs to know your income and the value of any savings, investments, and real estate (other than the home

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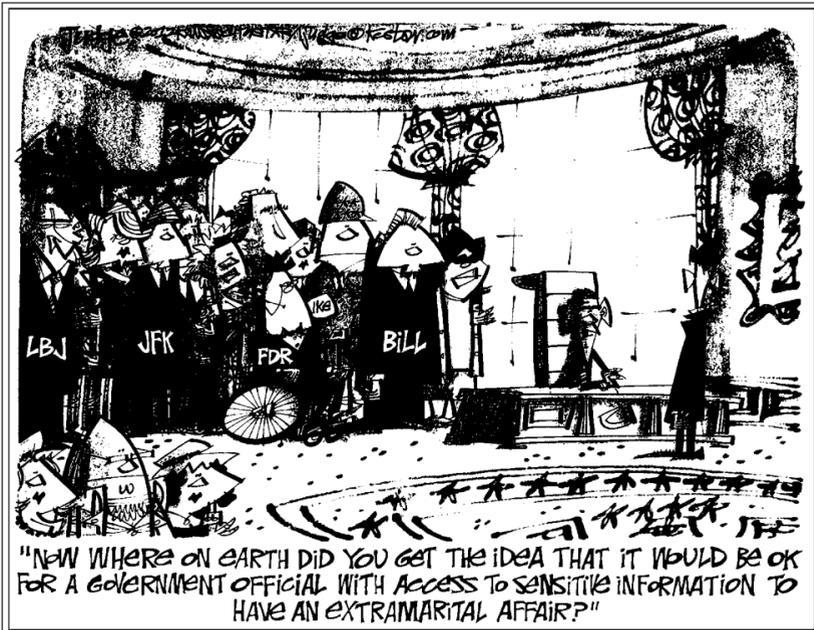
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Adon Williams

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JERSEY GIRL

Seeing family age is tough

It was hard watching my daughters grow older, become their own persons and then leave the nest.

However, it's even harder watching your mother and father growing older.

Suddenly, you're the parent and they're the child.

That's a role reversal that neither one of you can be comfortable with. How do you tell your parents to take their medicine or get some sleep? Especially when you have an old-fashioned father like mine who thinks he is and always will be the patriarch of the family. In most ways he's right, but right now he needs to relinquish just a bit of his power.

It's a very personal story and it's not mine, so I won't go into detail but suffice it to say we've had my dad at the VA hospital twice this month as an in-patient. I am discovering my dad has a vulnerable side. He's not the Superman I always thought he was, and that's OK. He's human just like the rest of us and he has fears.

It's been hard watching my dad lose weight and not having much of an appetite.

Thanksgiving was just two days away and we weren't sure if we were doing dinner at home or if we would be eating off trays in the hospital. But we did know we would not celebrate without him. One of my favorite Thanksgiving moments is when my dad carves the turkey. He does a tremendous job. It would be hard to find somebody to fill his shoes in that department.

When something bad happens in your life, that's when you know you have a good family, one that sticks together and is always there for each other. A family that doesn't say, "No I can't go with you today because I am busy." When we visit the hospital, we go as a group. Mainly so we can support each other. Also an extra set of ears is always good.

My oldest daughter, Mandy, has always been close with her Papa and she has so much patience with him. She's been over to his house every day helping them with whatever they need. My youngest daughter, Alicia, sits with my dad, talks to him and watches football with him. That is good for both of them.

I know we are most fortunate because although my dad's illness is serious, if he follows the rules and does everything he's supposed to, he can live another 20 years at least.

That's where I come in. As his only daughter it's my duty to make sure he does.

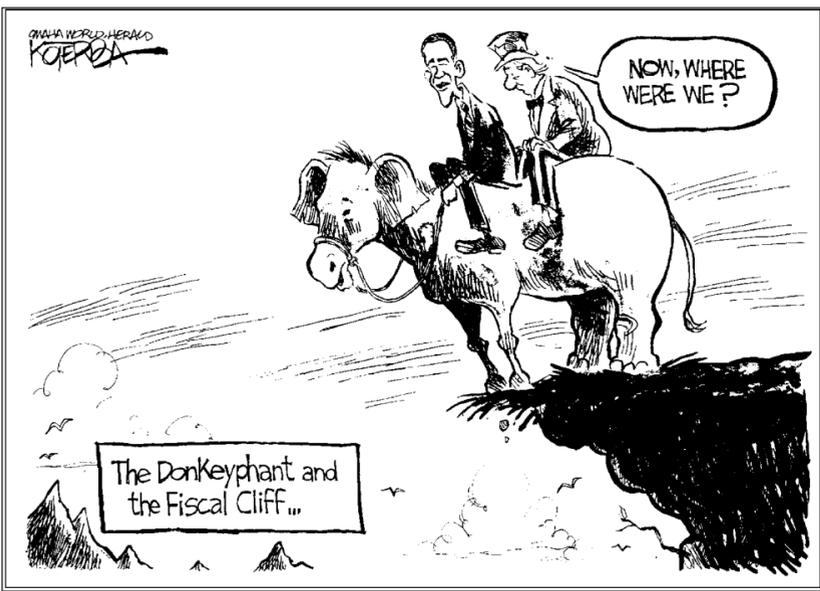
My husband asked me the other day: "How do you do it? Everybody depends on you."

I answered as simply as possible:

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Audrey Beem



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angry and fighting mad, but to bite off your nose to spite your face is stupidity. Greenlight is also creating jobs. It is something that is very much needed in Dunnellon and Rainbow Springs. Not every one can be supported by pensions and Social Security as in your retirement community.

Fight City Hall until the new mayor is confident in his new position and can be a positive tool in healing our two cities, but really I see no logic in battling away at Greenlight as customers will help them to become independent and offer more to all for less cost.

As I said, we get more and better services for less than all the companies listed above.

Mary Hacker
Dunnellon

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to thank everyone who came out and participated in our "Coffee Cuff's Café event" Saturday, Nov. 17, at the Victorian Nights holiday event, which was sponsored by the Historical Village Shops of Dunnellon.

During this event, we offered a place to sit and enjoy an evening of celebration as well as an array of hot beverages and a bountiful selection of sweet treats.

Refreshments included hot apple cider, hot chocolate, flavored coffees, cappuccinos and a large assortment of treats; from cupcakes and cookies to pies and caramel corn.

This evening was a huge success and enjoyed by all, but it would not have been possible without the support from the following sponsors: the Historical Village Shops of Dunnellon, Aarons' Rental, Dream-Believe-Achieve Learn-

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Joanne Black, chief Officers and Staff,
Dunnellon Police Department

OTHER

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If the cheese didn't kill me, she might.

"Cheers," I said with a sheepish grin on my face as she nodded.

Down the hatch it went. I closed my mouth and dug the back molars into the cracker, with about a pound of cheese nestled on top. It might have been an ounce, maybe less, but at this moment it felt like much more.

I was not sure what to expect, as I held my hand over the call button in case I tumbled to the ground. Instead, much to my delight my taste buds danced with delight. I chewed, I chewed some more as the cracker and cheese made its way into my system.

It tasted like cream cheese, only smoother and a better kick to it. Kraft had nothing on it.

"Wow!" I said. "That was pretty good stuff."

Not one to gloat about the goat product, my friend just smiled. She was right. I would have told her not to get used to it, but I wasn't about to debate the topic at hand. I was in a no win situation. She slathered up another cracker with a heaping of cheese and passed it to me.

I gobbled it up like a dog waiting for scraps at the dinner table. "I said the cheese wouldn't kill you, but if you don't chew, you're going to choke on the cracker," she said as I had inhaled the morsel in seconds.

I wasn't about to argue her second point as I washed down the remains of the second cracker with a glass of water.

So when I learned there was a local family producing their own goats' cheese, I was

pretty excited. For starters, I've developed a taste for the product. Secondly, it's exciting we have a local family venturing out into the business world with a product that's becoming popular for folks allergic to traditional dairy products.

I can certainly attest to the quality of the Coffeys' goat cheese. Granted I'm not an expert about goat cheese, but it definitely lit up my taste buds.

I would certainly recommend sampling their product, which they sell at the First Saturday event in Downtown Dunnellon and the first and third Fridays at the Farmers Market at the Beverly Hills Recreation Center.

And if I might suggest, don't wrinkle your nose at the thought of something you're unfamiliar with, I know from first-hand experience.

JERSEY

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"And that's what keeps me going."

Sure I'm tired, more mentally than physically. But I remember my dad always being there for me and always taking care of me and I can now repay the favor.

When we were kids and were sick with high fevers, it was my dad who would come in with the alcohol and rub us down. He would be the one who bandaged our bruises and removed our splin-

ters, and always with a gentle hand.

They sent my dad home recently with 12 new medications. Some have to be taken at night; some in the morning; and some have to be taken twice a day. He allowed me to straighten them out and fill his pill box. We are getting there. Baby steps.

My dad will always be my hero. I will always picture him as he once was all those years ago when he used to carry me to bed or let me sit on his lap.

I know he's going to

bounce back and be himself again in no time.

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Costs (SSA-1020). Or go to your nearest Social Security office.

And if you would like more information about the Medicare Part D prescription drug program, visit www.medicare.gov or call 1-800-MEDICARE (800-633-4227; TTY 877-486-2048).

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Social Security Q&A

Question: How many Social Security numbers have been issued since the program started?

Answer: Since 1935, we have assigned more than 465 million Social Security numbers and each year we assign about 5.5 million new numbers. With approximately 1 billion combinations of the 9-digit Social Security number, the current system will provide us with enough new numbers for several generations into the future. To learn more about Social Security numbers and cards, visit www.socialsecurity.gov/pubs/10002.html.

Question: How do I change my citizenship status on my Social Security record?

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pleted application and documents to your local Social Security office. All documents must be either originals or copies certified by the issuing agency. We cannot accept photocopies or notarized copies of documents. For more information, visit www.socialsecurity.gov.

Question: Can I receive Social Security benefits and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits at the same time?

Answer: You may be able to receive SSI benefits in addition to monthly Social Security benefits if your Social Security benefit amount is low enough for you to qualify. Whether you can get SSI benefits depends on your income and resources (the things you own). Social Security benefits you receive can make a difference in SSI eligibility and the amount you may be entitled to. You can find out more about the SSI program by going to www.socialsecurity.gov and selecting the SSI tab.

Question: I have never worked but my spouse has. What will my benefits be?

Answer: As a spouse, you may be entitled to one-half of a retired worker's benefit amount when you reach full retirement age. If you want to get a Social Security retirement benefit as early as age 62, the amount of your benefit is reduced. The amount of reduction depends on when you will reach full retirement age.

Adon Williams is the Social Security District Manager in Ocala.

SUPPORT GROUPS

New AA group meets Mondays at church

Light in Dark Places, a new Alcoholics Anonymous (AA) group, will meet at noon Mondays at First Baptist Church of Dunnellon at 20831 Powell Road. The public is welcome. For more information, call Francis Endryck at 352-476-2819 or email fendryck@tampabay.rr.com.

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.

'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.

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@caringspeople.org.

Rainbow Springs Village Church is at 20222 S.W. 102nd St. Road, Dunnellon. For more information, contact the church at 489-0249 or at www.caringpeople.org.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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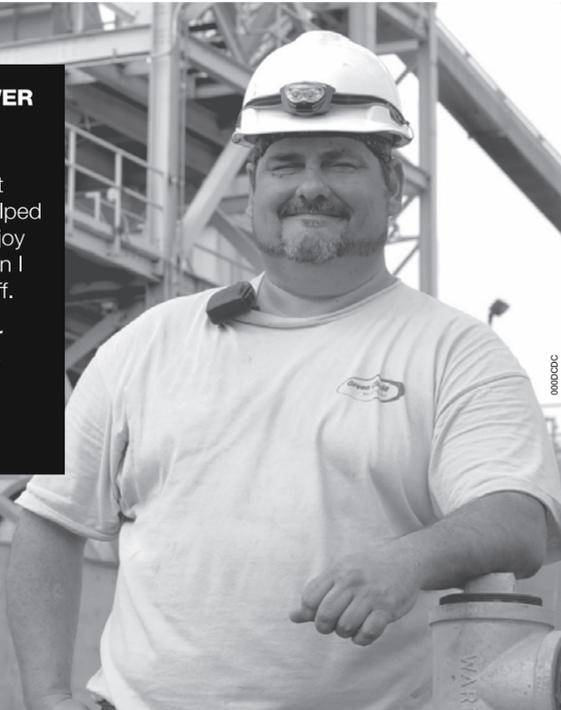
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COMMUNITY NEWS

Library Friends to host December book sale

The Friends of the Dunnellon Public Library will host a December Book Sale in the Friends Book Store Dec. 1 through Dec. 22, at the Dunnellon Public Library. The book store is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturdays. All items will be half price. The Dunnellon Public Library is at 20351 Robinson Road. For more information, call 438-2520.

Agency launches 'Coats 4 Kids' drive

Annie Johnson's "Cold Nites/Warm Hearts" program is in need of winter coats for children of Marion and Citrus counties. If you are able to support

this event, bring the coats to the Annie Johnson Center at 1991 West Test Court, Dunnellon.

For more information, call Larry, Christine or Mandy at 489-8021.

Group to distribute toiletries, clothing

Christians In Action (CIA), a new charitable organization formed to assist the Annie W. Johnson Senior & Family Center as well as other local food pantries, will provide toiletries and clothing to families in need who qualify under federal guidelines.

Toiletries will be distributed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the first Saturday monthly at New Second Bethel Missionary Baptist Church at 1940 W. Henry Blair Lane.

Clothing will be will be distributed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the third Saturday monthly at New Second Bethel Missionary Baptist Church at 1940 W. Henry Blair Lane. The church is behind Dunnellon Mulch and Stone.

Ocala Lions Club to host pancake breakfast

The Ocala 200 Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast and outside yard sale Saturday, Dec. 1, at the Lions Clubhouse, 20826 S.W. Walnut St., Dunnellon.

Breakfast is from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and the \$5 donation includes juice, sausage, pancakes and coffee. For coffee only, the cost is \$1.

This event takes place the first Saturday of the month through June. All

proceeds benefit local charities.

RS Garden Club to meet Dec. 6

The Rainbow Springs Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, at the American Legion Hall, 10730 U.S. 41, just north of Walmart, for its holiday meeting.

The program will consist of slide shows by various members who wish to share their pictures taken during their travels, outdoor experiences and sojourns during the summer months.

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.

Annual RC Santa Fly-In scheduled for Dec. 8

The 14th annual Santa Fly-In, hosted by the Tri-County RC Club and the Nature Coast R/C'ers in cooperation with Dunnellon Fire Rescue, will be at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at the Rainbow R/C Park, east of County Road 484 on Bridges Road. Cost to fly is a new unwrapped toy with a minimum value of \$10. Cash gifts will also be accepted. Toys will be distributed during the agency's annual Needy Children's Christmas Party.

WAR slates quarterly Meeting, turkey dinner

Withlacoochee Area Residents (WAR) will hosts its annual Christmas Turkey Dinner and Quarterly Meeting at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12, at the Yankeetown-Ingles Woman's Club at 56th Street. Cost is \$12 for adults; \$7 for children 12 and younger. For information, call 352-447-5434 or email warinc.directors@gmail.com.



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OBITUARY

Maureen Anne Wescott, 76

Maureen Anne Wescott, 76, of Dunnellon, Fla., passed away Oct. 10, 2012, at her son's home in Houston, Texas while fighting a courageous battle with cancer. Maureen was born July 20, 1936, in Lourdes Hospital, Binghamton, N.Y. to Ethel and John Mulrooney.



Maureen Anne Wescott

She is predeceased by her husband, Floyd Charles Wescott. Maureen is survived by her two sons and their spouses, Guy and Gail Wescott, and Gary and Jane Wescott; and three grandchildren, Geoffrey, Gregory and Garrett Wescott; siblings, Margorie Testani, John and James Mulrooney;

mother and brother-in-law, Peggy Poole and Donald Wescott.

Family and friends were Maureen's passion and delight. Early on she treasured gatherings at the family constructed log cabin in upstate New York. Later pleasant memories were made while spending time with her husband, children and grandkids and faithful dog "Buddy." Maureen also possessed well-known organizational skills and talents which lead her to the publishing of a series of American Rifleman Index books.

A memorial service will be at St. John the Baptist in Dunnellon, Saturday, Dec. 8, 2012, at 9:30 a.m.

OUT TO PASTOR
Broccoli is no laughing matter

Let me make it very clear right up front that I am in favor of as many "ha ha moments" as possible. I could not get through a week without my daily dose. I firmly believe that laughter is the appropriate medicine for the soul. Some people, according to their demeanor, need a little more laughter than they are presently getting.



Rev. James Snyder

That said, let me quickly point out that some things are not funny. Of course, most things in my life and about my person are marvelous targets of humor. I do not take myself very seriously. I am not sure any wise person would take

me seriously either. In fact, I would highly suspect a person who took me seriously. I can take a joke as well as the next person and I can give it back as well as the next person.

I have had some weeks

that if it was not for a little bit of humor I do not know how I would have gotten through. So, if you can't do anything you can at least laugh. I firmly believe that the best laugh is when you can laugh at yourself. You

might as well laugh at yourself, everybody else is.

Then, there are those serious moments in life that beg for no laughing. I would recommend that

See PASTOR page 9

CHURCH NEWS

Peach Lutheran slates Advent services

Advent services at Peace Lutheran Church will be at 4 p.m. Dec. 5, 12 and 19. A potluck supper will follow the services.

There will be a Christmas Eve service at 7 p.m. and a 10 a.m. service Christmas Day.

Toys-4-Tots are again being collected at the church. Toys should not be wrapped. Also, food is being collected for Food-4-Kids.

For more information about Peace Lutheran Church, visit www.PeaceLutheranOnline.com.

Catholic church to host craft fair

The Altar & Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will host a Craft Fair from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, in Father Stegeman Hall. The church is on the corner of U.S. 41 and State Road 40, north of Dunnellon. For more information, call Pat at 489-1984.

Baptist church to host spaghetti dinner

First Baptist Church of Rainbow Lakes Estates, 19756 S.W. Beach Blvd., will host a spaghetti and meatball dinner, from 4 to 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3 for children 10 and younger. Dinner includes salad, garlic bread, desert and a drink. Take-out is available.

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warning signs are put around these areas reading, "Positively No Laughing Zone." With this sign should come a severe penalty for those who violate it.

That said; let me explain an area in my life where the sign should be permanently erected.

The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage and I were having supper with another couple. We try to do this at least once a month and keep up with each other's progress or lack thereof.

We were having a great meal and as we came to the end, I stopped the waitress and said, "I would like some ice cream for dessert." As far as I am concerned, that is a rather reasonable request and quite in keeping with the environment I was in.

"What kind of ice cream," she queried, "would you like?"

When it comes to ice cream, ice cream is simply ice cream to me. If there is a flavor of ice cream I do not like, it has yet to be invented. I love ice cream. My favorite song is, "I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream." In my date book, there is no better ending to a wonderful meal than ice cream.

I remember my grandfather's favorite ice cream was vanilla. He would not eat any other ice cream; he thought they were polluting it with colors. To him an ice cream sundae was as close to blasphemy as he ever would get. "Why ruin," he objected, "the ice cream with all that slop?" He wanted nothing coming between him and the purest experience of ice cream he could get.

Me, I love ice cream regardless of the flavor or color or "slop."

I looked at the waitress and simply said, "I don't care what flavor you bring me. Surprise me. As long as it isn't broccoli." That was supposed to be a joke. Ha ha ha.

As the waitress left our table, we resumed our con-

versation and shortly she returned with the ice cream.

Upon her arrival, I looked at her and then the ice cream she was bringing and almost screamed aloud. Of all the blasphemous things to do to a customer, this has to take the cake.

First, she had an ice cream bowl with three scoops of ice cream, vanilla, strawberry and chocolate. No problem. However, on the side of the dish in plain view for everybody to see, especially me, was a piece of broccoli. Broccoli! The forbidden fruit or whatever it is.

My dining companions thought this was the funniest thing they had ever seen. Particularly, the dining companion that was going to come home with me that night.

Not only did they laugh. The waitress laughed. The table next to us began to laugh. The table next to them began to laugh. It was not long before everybody within 173 miles was laughing at my ice cream/broccoli dessert.

Actually, not everybody was laughing. I was not laughing. Broccoli, no matter the presentation, is no laughing matter in

my book.

If matters could not be worse, my wife, through her hilarity spasms, reached over, picked up the broccoli and began eating it in my presence. Talk about adding insult to injury, my injury was vastly insulted.

I may have been smiling on the outside, but I assure you I was more than frowning on the inside. Some things are funny; broccoli is not one of those things.

Driving home amid the muffled chuckles on the other side of the front seat, I thought of what the apostle Paul said in 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 (KJV), "Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you."

I know that when Paul said, "In every thing," it included things like broccoli. I must say that there are some things in life, like broccoli, where the thanksgiving is a matter of faith. I will never learn to love broccoli, but I can muster up enough faith to thank God for all things, including broccoli.

Contact the Rev. James L. Snyder, pastor of the Family of God at 866-552-2543 or email jamesnyder2@att.net.

Country Christian artist performs at church



Special to the Riverland News
Allen Frizzell, right, a country Christian award-winning recording artist, recently performed at Cross at the River Cowboy Church. Frizzell and his wife, Gayle, appeared at the church to perform for the congregation. Pictured with Frizzell and his wife are Pastor Ed Anthony, right, and his wife, Deb.

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Pickled Grapes

FAMILY FEATURES

Buffets are a great way to provide party fare for a festive holiday gathering. These beautiful and enticing self-serve recipes get fresh flavor and color with grapes from California.

Green, red and black grapes from California are still in-season during the holidays, so fresh grapes can be your “go-to” ingredient as an everyday treat, or in party foods like these.

Smoked Salmon Appetizers with Grapes — These elegant, open-faced sandwiches show how grapes complement the flavors of smoked fish and cream cheese with their refreshing tang — a balance of sweetness and acidity that is key to the grape’s versatility. The chopped grape garnish provides another color accent to these beautiful bites.

Pickled Grapes — Currently all the rage on “little plates” in fine and casual restaurants, they can provide that “wow” moment at your table, too. These easy-to-make accompaniments are perfect with bread, crackers, cheeses and sliced meats.

Grape Rosemary Martini — To create made-to-order craft cocktails like this, you may need to employ a barkeep of some sort. Whether that’s one of the hosts, a volunteer among the guests or someone you hire, you’ll be pleased with the green-hued, aromatic and spirited results. The drink works equally well without vodka, too.

Grape Salad with Feta and Olives — A green salad is always welcome at a holiday feast. The inclusion of grapes in this Greek-inspired salad balances the peppery arugula and salty olives, while also enhancing the flavor of the mint.

For more grape snack and recipe ideas, visit www.grapesfromcalifornia.com, or www.facebook.com/GrapesFromCalifornia.



Grape Rosemary Martini



Grape Salad with Feta and Olives

Set Your Table with Grapes for Heart Health

Grapes may be the perfect finish to a heavy holiday meal high in fat. In a small study of healthy adult males conducted at Ohio State University and supported by the California Table Grape Commission, grapes consumed along with a high-fat meal helped prevent the reduced blood flow typically observed with a high fat meal. Grape consumption also helped improve the function of blood vessels and increased the presence of antioxidants in the body.

Smoked Salmon Appetizers with Grapes

Makes 16 appetizers

- 1 cup finely diced red and green seedless California grapes
- 1 tablespoon chopped fresh dill
- 2 teaspoons rice vinegar
- 1 teaspoon sugar
- Pinch salt
- 4 tablespoons low fat cream cheese
- 4 slices (roughly 3 x 5 inches) Danish-style rye bread, each cut crosswise into 4 pieces
- 2 ounces thinly sliced smoked salmon

In small bowl, combine grapes, dill, vinegar, sugar and salt. Spread cream cheese on bread slices and top with pieces of salmon. Drizzle with the grape relish and serve.

Nutritional analysis per appetizer: Calories 37; Protein 1.6 g; Carbohydrate 6 g; Fat 1 g; 23% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 3 mg; Sodium 105 mg; Fiber 0.5 g

Grape Rosemary Martini

Makes 1 cocktail

- 2 ounces vodka
- 1 small sprig rosemary, plus additional for garnish
- 1 ounce freshly made green California grape juice*
- Ice
- Green California grapes for garnish

Combine vodka, rosemary, fresh grape juice and ice in a cocktail shaker and shake hard. Strain into a martini glass. Thread 1 grape on a rosemary sprig and place in glass. Serve.

*To make fresh grape juice, puree 1 cup seedless green California grapes in a food processor or blender and strain through a fine sieve. It will make about 1/3 cup.

Nutritional analysis per serving: Calories 160; Protein 0.3 g; Carbohydrate 8 g; Fat 0.2 g; 1% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 3 mg; Fiber 0.5 g

Pickled Grapes

Makes 3 pints

- 1 pound green, red or black seedless California grapes, cut into medium size clusters on stem, rinsed
- 1 cup unseasoned rice vinegar
- 1 cup sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon whole black peppercorns
- 1/2 teaspoon whole cloves
- Large pinch red pepper flakes

Accompaniments

- Wedge of Manchego or sharp cheddar cheese
- Multigrain crackers or toasted baguette slices

For pickled grape clusters: Place grapes in several large clusters into large bowl. Combine the vinegar, sugar, salt, peppercorns, cloves and pepper flakes in a small saucepan and bring to a boil. Stir just until the sugar has dissolved and pour over the grapes. Cover and refrigerate at least 1 hour. Place into serving dish of choice, and serve with the cheese and crackers or bread.

For more intense flavor: Remove grapes from stems. With a sharp paring knife, cut an X in the stem end of each grape. Divide between 3 pint-size canning jars. Make pickling sauce according to directions, then pour over the grapes in each jar. Cover and refrigerate at least one hour.

Nutritional analysis per 1/3 cup serving: Calories 40; Protein 0.2 g; Carbohydrate 10.2 g; Fat 0.06 g; 1.2% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 0 mg; Sodium 28 mg; Fiber 0.3 g

Smoked Salmon Appetizers with Grapes

Grape Salad with Feta and Olives

Makes 6 servings

- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 1 teaspoon Dijon mustard
- 1/4 cup extra virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon dried mint*
- Coarse salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 2 cups halved green seedless California grapes
- 2 cups halved red seedless California grapes
- 6 cups arugula (about 5 ounces)
- 1 cup crumbled feta cheese
- 1 cup pitted Kalamata olives

In small bowl, combine red wine vinegar, Dijon, olive oil, mint and salt and pepper to taste. Blend well.

In large bowl combine remaining ingredients. Pour dressing over mixture; season with salt and pepper, toss and serve.

*If you can't find peppermint in the herb section of your grocery store, just buy bulk peppermint tea.

Nutritional analysis per serving: Calories 269; Protein 5.2 g; Carbohydrate 22 g; Fat 19 g; 61% Calories from Fat; Cholesterol 22 mg; Sodium 650 mg; Fiber 1.5 g

34TH ANNUAL CHAMBER FARMS FALL POW WOW

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Native American men and women, boys and girls, young and old, wear complete, authentic headdresses and clothing during the 34th annual Chamber Farms Fall Pow Wow in Fort McCoy. The annual four-day event brings together Native Americans from across the U.S. to participate in several custom-style events such as drum circles and educational seminars.

Photos by JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News



Student-athletes earn all-county honors

DHS boys golf, volleyball teams vie for FSHAA award

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

A multitude of athletes from Dunnellon High School were recently recognized for their efforts on the field as well as their per-

formance in the classroom. The Marion County Inter-scholastic Athletic Conference (MCIAC), which comprises all seven public high schools in Marion County, selected all-county teams and all-county academic

teams for each fall sport as well as recognized the top performing academic teams. Overall, Forest High School ranked as the No. 1 performing academic school countywide with a 3.43 grade point average with

Dunnellon ranking fifth with a cumulative grade point average of 3.13 for all fall sports. Dunnellon's top three academic sports teams included girls golf (3.63 gpa), boys' golf (3.6 gpa) and girls cross country (3.45 gpa). Boys' and girls' swimming as well as volleyball also had cumulative grade point averages better than 3.0.

According to Bruce Wentz, the Dunnellon High athletic director, the boys' golf and volleyball teams qualified for the FHSAA Academic Team Champion Program. To qualify, Wentz explained, a team must have a qualified number of students participating and

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EDUCATION BRIEFS

Polar Express Brunch scheduled Dec. 8

First United Methodist Church and Harmony Preschool will host the annual Polar Express Pajama Brunch with Santa at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at the church at 21501 W. State Road 40.

Tickets are \$10 per adult and \$8 per child. Ticket includes full breakfast and drinks, the Polar Express show with performances and a visit with Santa at the end. Each child will receive a small gift from Santa's sleigh as well.

For more information, call 489-9552 or email fumcharonypreschool@yahoo.com.

DHS' Kiddie World has openings

Are you interested in a way to build your child's foundation for learning before kindergarten at a reasonable price? Dunnellon High School's Kiddie World is looking for new little smiles to join the Kiddie World family.

These services run from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday for children ages 3 to 5 years old. The cost is \$10 a week.

The Kiddie World programs offer an array of activities such as teaching centers, snack time, playground time, music, basic language skills (phonics) and math skills. For more information, contact Tracy Zellers at 465-6745.

U.S. Naval Sea Cadets Corps seeks members

Manatee Division drills at Coast Guard Station Yankeetown, in Yankeetown, the second weekend monthly.

The Sea Cadets are for youths, ages 13 through 17 years old. There is also a Navy League Cadet unit for youths, ages 11 through 13 years old.

For more information, visit www.manateediv.org or call Commanding Officer LTJG Todd Dunn at (352) 212-5473 or tdunn@manateediv.org.

Harmony Preschool registrations accepted

Harmony Preschool continues to welcome students for their Infant Class (6 months to 23 months) and 2- to 4-year-old class. Harmony can now accept VPK Transfers. Harmony also accepts students enrolled in the School Readiness (Vouchers) Program.

Harmony Preschool is open from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. To register your child(ren), stop by the preschool at 21501 W. State Road 40, the preschool is housed in the Education Building of the First United Methodist Church, or call 489-9552.

FAME accolades



Dunnellon Middle School video production students collected more trophies at this year's FAME/Jim Harbin state competition, winning honors in Comedy, News, PSA and Book Trailer categories. Attending the awards ceremony in Orlando, from left, were: Jamie Kulik, Michael Bones, Tyler La Mon and Constance Anderson, DMS Media Specialist and FAME member.

DMS video production students win statewide awards

Special to the Riverland News

For the seventh consecutive year, Dunnellon Middle School TV production students have created some of Florida's best student-produced videos.

Videos produced in the 2011-12 school year were recently honored at the FAME/Jim Harbin Awards in Orlando. FAME is the Florida Association of Media in Education and sponsors the state contest.

"Sparkle Eyes," placed first in the comedy category and was created by Brook Janicki, Sarah Lenz, Michael Bones, Tyler LaMon and Sarah Kerrick.

DMS also took first prize in the Public Service Announcement category with "Cruel Words," which was produced by the sixth-grade team of Kendall Tuggle, Matti Jenkins, Brandon Spaulding, Jillian Boys, Eduardo Escalante, Carly Chinnors, Carina Brown, Kyrstin Nottke, Starlett Tabares, Christopher Doyle and Javon Sherman.

"Cruel Words" was also named as a Best of Festival video at this year's International Student Media Festival.

The Morning Madness news team of Shelby Webb, Jamie Kulik, Dustin Houlker, Taylor

Futch, Kalib McNelly took third place at state and a Book Trailer featuring the novel "Tears of a Tiger," placed second in that category.

"Tears of a Tiger" was produced by Alexis James, Allie Howell, Katelin Cortese, Briana Nassar, Vanessa Gonzalez, Jeremiah Brooks, Kobie Jones and Dylan Kitchel.

To advance to the state level, the videos must place first in district and regional competition.

"I'm proud," said Beth Wood, the video production teacher. "It's fun to have kids in class that are working hard."

Stormwater education grants available

Special to the Riverland News

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 29, 2013, educators serving

students who live in unincorporated Marion County may receive funds under the 2012-13 Stormwater Education Grants Program.

Grantees may receive up to \$750 to use for stormwater/water resource education and up to \$1,000 to purchase equipment related to

these projects. Interested applicants may visit www.marioncountyfl.org/stormwater.htm to download grant application instructions and forms.

The Office of the County Engineer launched the Stormwater Education Grants Program in 2010 to help students who live in

unincorporated Marion County learn about stormwater pollution prevention, karst topography and what the water quality of the Floridan aquifer and other water bodies means to them.

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

Final preparations under way for annual trip



Delbert Smallridge
DMS
Principal

Tonight will be the final parent meeting for our Dunnellon Middle School eighth-grade students going on the annual Washington, D.C., trip.

The meeting will be 6 p.m. in the DMS Auditorium. Parents are requested to bring any medications your child will require while on the trip. If you have any

questions, call either Dean Thomas or Mr. Jones at 465-6720.

On Monday, Dec. 3, students going on the annual Dunnellon Middle School Washington, D.C., trip will report to Campus at 4:40 a.m. with buses leaving promptly at 5.

Students will return Friday, Dec. 7, at approxi-

mately 8 a.m. and parents may pick-up their students at the DMS bus loop.

The students going on this once in a lifetime journey are: Haley Below, Ariel Benjamin, Breanna Bergeron, Savanna Bond, Kenneth Boone, Jake Callaghan, Constance Cassell, Destinee Cochran, Katelin Cortese, Hunter

Day, Steven Deming, Shane Desena, Landon Futch, Madison Gamble, Garrett Gibbs, Tena Gilbert, Cristina Gonzalez, Zaria Hamilton, Jarod Hamm, Jacob Harden, Briana Hiers, Megan Howard, McKenzie Ingram, River Irwin, Alexis James, Ruthie

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SPORTS NEWS

DHS girls, boys soccer teams fall in matches

The Dunnellon High School boys and girls soccer teams had a short week due to the Thanksgiving holiday, but that didn't cause them to have a break in their schedule.

On Nov. 19, both teams played away at Gainesville Eastside. The girls played first, falling 7-0. The boys followed, losing 6-0.

On Nov. 20, the girls and boy teams played at Ned Love Field against Forest. Both groups put forth good effort, especially the boys, who earned their first goal of the season thanks to Gio Bencini. However, both teams lost with the girls falling, 8-0, and the boys losing, 9-1.

The Dunnellon soccer teams are back in action this week against West Port, Palatka and Belleview.

— *Compiled by Laura Riley*

BOWLING SCORES

Parkview Lanes Weekly News

League scores for the week ending Nov. 23: Monday Night Special: Handicap: Bill Levert 280, 710; Chris Carr 272; Eric Mesick 731; Jacque Iverson 270; Bridget Foley 265; Susann Brosius 727; Judy Timmons 682. Scratch: Chris Carr 269, 678; Matt O'Brien 258; Sean Fugere 701; K.C. Cridland 217; Stephanie Flory 215, 581; Dorine Fugere 591.

Preserve Pinbusters: Handicap: Ken Sprague 259, 659; Chuck Keaton 256, 663; Lucy Smallwood 259, 664; Jan Miller 246, 656. Scratch: Ken Sprague 246, 620; Jeff Koch 234, 655; Lucy Smallwood 190, 457; Jan Miller 182, 464.

Suncoast Seniors: Handicap: Jerry Ness 278, 725; Ernie Wiemann 234, 647; Mary Skourn 245, 625; June Williams 215; Helen Simonson 598. Scratch: Jerry Ness 278, 725; Bob Mannella 169; Jack Connell 474; Mary Skourn 179, 427; Barb Steffen 149, 407.

Wednesday Night Men: Handicap: Les Burdick 284, 768; Dalton Grudzas 281, 778. Scratch: Sean Fugere 258, 688; Charlie Stein 254, 715.

Bowlers of the Week: Susann Brosius, 100 pins over her average, and Dalton Grudzas, 125 pins over his average.

DHS ATHLETES OF THE WEEK • PRESENTED BY GREENLIGHT DUNNELLON COMMUNICATIONS

Shane Williams, Boys Soccer

"Shane is an exceptional defensive player and gives 110 percent on the field," coach Hans Vreibel said. "He leads the team by example ... he has quick reflexes and a natural instinct. Shane is a natural athlete in every sense of the word. Shane deserves to be recognized for his hard work and dedication."



Shane Williams

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Madilyn Duran, Girls Soccer



Madilyn Duran

"Madilyn is a newcomer to the girls Dunnellon soccer team, she is very hard working, dedicated and a great asset to the team," coach Rebecca Burton said, noting Rebbecca Burton the team's first goal of the season against North Marion. "She has provided leadership and enthusiasm to the team."

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Johnson, Kaci Jones, Christian Knapp, Philip Laird, Renae Lussier, Ivory Mack, Tyler Matthews, Maddie Maynard, Gabrie McMahan, Brittany Mello, Shelby Meyers, Hunter Miller, Barr Perpente, Robert Reed, Dana Roberts, Dylan Roy, Alexis Shutt, Daniel Spence, Kenneth Staggs, Gregory Stein, Emma Sylvester, Francisco Torres, Logan Townsend, Maddie Troutman, Mathew Tweedy, Kevin Vowell, Hannah Warren, Dominique White, Brianna Williams and Angeli-que Willis.

Our chaperones this year are: Dean Rose Thomas, Mr. Glen Jones, Mr. Nick Johnson, Ms. Cynthia Wise and Mrs. Jill Peterson. Bon Voyage!

Also, the FFA students participating in the Food Science, Tool Identification, and Par-Pro Practices will meet from 3:40 to 5 p.m. Monday, Dec. 3, in the Ag Room with Mr. Dettloff as they continue to hone their skills.

DMS eighth-grade students will enjoy a presentation Wednesday, Dec. 5, by the 2012 Magnet Caravan. The schools included in the caravan are: Forest High — EMIT; Vanguard High — IB; West Port High — MCCA and Early College; Dunnellon High — Power Generation Academy; Lake Weir High — IB; North Marion High — AICE; Belleview High — AICE. There is also a Magnet Expo coming up from 5 to 7 p.m. Jan. 24 that will be at the Staff Development Building on the MTI Campus.

The DMS Beginning Band will have a rehearsal from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, in the band room as our young musicians prepare to display their musical talents for the upcoming DMS Winter Concert. We would like to thank these students, their parents and Ms. Kristina Roblow, DMS band director, for their continued dedication to building their musical talent and skills we all will enjoy.

Basketball Practice for both boys and girls will be from 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 4, to Thursday, Dec. 6, in the DMS Gym. Coach Bettle and Coach Rumsey will continue both boys' and girls' practices. All students are invited to join in on the fun, but must have their parents complete a Parent/Guardian Consent Form before they may participate in this after-school program as they strengthen their skills and build their ability to work within a team.

As always, we welcome any donation of Box Tops for Education. These little coupons are a huge help in obtaining school supplies for those students who do not have the resources to do so. We thank everyone who has dropped off Box Tops for Education at either Building No. 1 or Building No. 10 and hope you will continue to remember us. Thank you for thinking of us.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Thursday, Nov. 29**
 ● 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Boys and girls basketball practice in the gym. Transportation must be arranged prior to staying for any after-school activity.
- Monday, Dec. 3**
 ● Eight-grade Students going on Washington, D.C., trip depart at 5 a.m.; students must arrive on campus by 4:40.
 ● 3:40 to 5 p.m. — FFA Food Science, Par-Pro Practice, Tool Identification in the Ag Room
- Tuesday, Dec. 4 to Thursday, Dec. 6**
 ● 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Boys and girls basketball practice in the gym. Transportation must be arranged prior to staying for any after-school activity.

Thrift Shop enjoys annual Fashion Show



Photo by Betty Poole

The Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop hosted its fifth annual Fashion Show Nov. 7 at Rainbow Rivers Club. Models, from left, are: Phyllis Knight, Marie Wells, Elaine Huett, Donna Stalter, Annabelle Dobbs, Jan Salter, Carmen Fisher and Marie Ponder. More than 60 guests enjoyed the show, had an opportunity to purchase clothing and jewelry brought from the Thrift Shop, win door prizes and enjoy refreshments of gourmet

tea sandwiches and numerous decadent desserts. This event showcases the quality clothing, jewelry and accessories available in the shop, which is located in the Historic District at the corner of West Pennsylvania Avenue and Cedar Street, across from the Blues Brothers statue. This all-volunteer organization donates its profits back to the Dunnellon community and welcomes new members.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Hospice schedules community tribute

Hospice of Marion County and the Interfaith Alliance of Marion County will host a free community tribute from 2 to 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 9, at the Hospice headquarters at 3231 S.W. 34th Ave., south of the Paddock Mall.

This service will honor those no longer with us through devotional music, inspirational readings, and a memory writing wall. Because the holidays may be a difficult time for many, the non-denominational memorial is open to anyone who wishes to remember a loved one in their own way.

To RSVP or learn more about the event, call Lisa Varner at 352-854-5230.

Watch-Clock Collectors meet monthly

The Chapter 156 of the National Association of Watch and Clock Collectors (NAWCC) meet at 8 a.m. the fourth Sunday monthly except December at VFW Post 4781 at 9401 S.E. 110 St., Ocala. The facility is off State Road 200, behind Sims Furniture and next to MRMC Medical Park at Timber

Ridge approximately 8/10 of a mile east of County Road 484.

The presentation topics are about repair and maintenance of Clocks and Watches and related subjects. The public is welcome to attend. There is a \$2 fee, which covers refreshments and expenses. For more information, call Roger B. Krieger at 352-527-0669 or Jim Beeman at 352-369-3924.

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a gpa of 3.0 or better. Girls cross country and both swim teams would have qualified, but they didn't have enough students participating, Wentz said.

On the field accolades were also given out as the Tigers' football team, which finished the season at 5-5, had five players honored as first-team all-county. Those players included seniors Connor Wentz, Alex Stetz, Jordan Boley and juniors Ke-Andre Brooks and Keiwan Jones. Honorable mention honorees were: Andre Jackson, Dana Washington, Cole Fagan and Chris Jackson. Wentz, Stetz, William Thomas, Nicklas Weissman were chosen to the all-academic football team.

Boley was the Tigers' offensive catalyst this past season. The senior signal caller led Dunnellon with 800 carries and scored 15 touchdowns while passing for an additional 853 yards and seven TDs. He also converted two 2-point conversions. Wentz had 14 catches for 157 yards and one touchdown while adding 25 tackles and a sack on the defensive side of the ball.

Jones, a junior defensive end, led the Tigers with 84 tackles and was second on the team with nine sacks

behind Washington's team-leading 10.5 sacks. Brooks played offensive and defensive line for Dunnellon. Fagan had 64 tackles from his linebacker position. Andrew Jackson had a team-leading 21 receptions for 518 yards and five touchdowns while recording 19 tackles and one interception.

In volleyball, the Lady Tigers' Jody Weber was the lone first-team all-county selection. The junior outside hitter/setter led Dunnellon with 30 aces, 74 assists and 53 kills this past year. Additionally, the Lady Tigers' Morgan Shalna, Nicole Drew and Zahyri-mar Otero earned honorable mention all-county honors. Weber, Otero and Elizabeth Wright were selected for the all-academic volleyball team.

Victor Chicas, boys' cross country, and Bryce Thacker, boys' golf, earned all-county honors for their respective performances in the MCIAC Cross Country and Golf championships. Thacker was one of three boys golfers to earn all-academic honors. The other two included Ryan Molloy and Michael Beach.

In girls' cross country and swimming, Danielle Prinz and Cierra Thompson were named to the all-academic team, respectively.

In boys swimming, both Thomas Reilly and Marc Navetta earned all-academic team honors.

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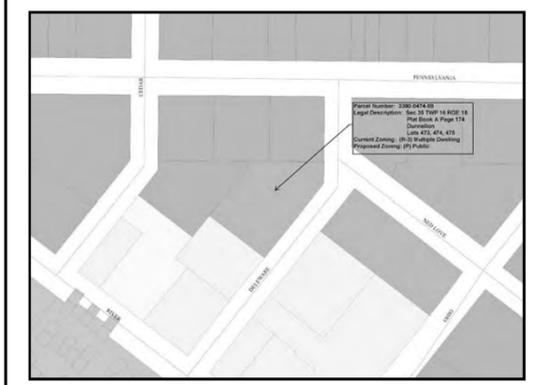
The City of Dunnellon City Council will hold a Quasi-Judicial Hearing on Monday, December 10, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, 20750 River Dr., Dunnellon, FL 34431 to consider the adoption of:

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ORDINANCE #ORD2012-08

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF DUNNELLON, FLORIDA; AMENDING APPENDIX 'A' ZONING OF THE DUNNELLON CODE OF ORDINANCES, SECTION 6.3, ENTITLED ZONING MAPS, REZONING 0.38 ACRES LEGALLY DESCRIBED ON THE MARION COUNTY TAX ROLLS AS PARCEL NUMBER 3380-0474-00 AND MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS SEC 35, TWP 16, RGE 18, PLAT BOOK A, PAGE 174, DUNNELLON, LOTS 473, 474, 475 FROM (R-3) MULTIPLE DWELLING TO (P) PUBLIC; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF INCONSISTENT ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

COPIES OF THIS ORDINANCE ARE AVAILABLE AT CITY HALL FREE OF CHARGE MONDAY THRU FRIDAY FROM 8:00 A.M. UNTIL 4:00 P.M. THE PUBLIC IS ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE PUBLIC HEARING AND PROVIDE COMMENT.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, ANY PERSON REQUIRING A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION AT THIS HEARING BECAUSE OF A DISABILITY OR PHYSICAL IMPAIRMENT SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY CLERK AT (352) 465-8500 AT LEAST THREE CALENDAR DAYS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDING. IF A PERSON DESIRES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THE ABOVE MEETING OR HEARING, HE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING, AND FOR SUCH PURPOSE HE MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED. THE CITY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY MECHANICAL FAILURE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT.



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but the tests were inconclusive.

The night he was born, Mrs. Stephens said, she remembers it well. He was born at 10:35 p.m. Nov. 18, 1999, and it would be 59 minutes before medical personnel could get the youngster to start breathing. In addition to the rare form of a restrictive lung disease he would later be diagnosed with, part of Stephens' liver and small intestine were exposed because there was a small hole in his abdomen where the skin didn't close around the umbilical cord.

"When they took him that night, he never cried, he never took a breath," recalled Mrs. Stephens, who already had three children at home, twin 4-year-old daughters and an almost 2-year-old son. "They already had the NICU (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit) doctor there with a team of nurses. They had a bag over his mouth, and that's what they were doing. He was blue. He never did cry, never took a breath. They raced him from the operating room to the NICU and put him on a ventilator. It took the doctors and nurses 59 minutes to get him breathing and stabilized and on the ventilator."

There was plenty of uncertainty if Daniel would make it through the night, let alone at all.

"It was extremely difficult," Mrs. Stephens said, noting the difficulty of explaining the situation to their three children at home. "The doctor said he wouldn't live through the night. I remember, I kept asking my husband, Bill, how the baby was

BBQ FUNDRAISER SLATED

First Baptist Church of Dunnellon will host the Daniel Stephens BBQ Fundraiser from 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, at the church at 20831 Powell Road. Cost of the meal, which will include a 1/4 chicken, green beans, baked potato and roll, is \$8 per person. All of the proceeds will go toward Stephens' medical expenses. Tickets can be purchased at First Baptist Church of Dunnellon or at Regions Bank in Dunnellon. For more information, call Scott Thomas at 352-804-8111 or the church office at 52-489-2730.

doing and he kept saying the doctors told him he wasn't going to make it. We didn't sleep. Bill spent a lot of time in the chapel the next few weeks."

Daniel did make it through the night, as nurses took Mrs. Stephens to see him the next morning.

"They said he was not going to live a week," she explained. "And even if he did, the diagnosis was bleak. We had everything checked out from head to toe, inside and out. Even if he does live, doctors said, his mind will be mush. He'd been deprived of oxygen way too long."

The Stephens continued praying, leaning on their faith in God and holding out hope. As Christmas approached, doctors and nurses at the

private, Catholic Birmingham, Ala.-based hospital approached the Stephens with two options - take Daniel off the ventilator and let him die or transfer him to the nearby Children's Hospital at the University of Alabama Birmingham.

"It was not a decision we told doctors we couldn't make right away," Mrs. Stephens said. "We didn't want to make a knee-jerk reaction. It was extremely emotionally draining. We just never had a peace about it. We eventually decided to move down the street, we were going to be his parents as long as possible, we were not going to turn the ventilator off."

However, the hospital switch couldn't take place immediately, because the Stephens had to wait

for available space at the Children's Hospital. As Christmas passed and the near year came, Daniel and his family "waited and waited" on a spot to open. But as the family waited, Mrs. Stephens said another "amazing miracle" occurred. Daniel had managed to pull his own tube out and started breathing on his own.

"The crash cart was always on stand-by next to him," Mrs. Stephens explained. "He had a nurse there who called for the medical team. They came in and just watched him, because he stayed pink and he was breathing on his own. That began the slow process of coming off the ventilator. He had to wear one of those bubble oxygen hoods and then we went onto nasal tubes."

Finally, 3 1/2 months after his birth, Daniel would come home. But the long nights and the journey was just beginning for the family.

"It was absolutely grueling, it was an extremely difficult time," Mrs.

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on the city tree.

"Since the event continues to grow, we are considering providing a larger venue in the coming year in order to include more community vendors and businesses," Bowne said.

Mayor Nathan Whitt, sworn in Nov. 13, along with other members of the Dunnellon City Council, will participate in the tree lighting ceremony.

The event will include performances from the Dunnellon Community Chorale and the Dunnellon Community Youth Choir. Each group will perform a variety of holiday songs. Dr. Abraham Robinson, New Second Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, will provide the invocation during the ceremony. In addition to the musical performances, Santa Claus will make an appearance during the event.

For more information about the event, call 352-465-8500.

Other Christmastime events planned for Dunnellon include:

• The Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce's annual Christmas Parade at 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15. This year's theme is Whimzy Christmas. Application deadline is Friday, Dec. 7. Commercial business entry is \$25 for chamber members; \$50 for non-chamber members; and \$10 for nonprofit groups. Volunteers are also needed to assist with the parade, including the line-up. For more information, contact Ariel, parade coordinator, at 352-229-4606, or email dunnellonxmasparade2012@gmail.com or call the Chamber of Commerce at 52-489-2320.

• Rainbow Springs State Park's annual Santa Over the Rainbow and Light Show will be Dec. 14 to 16, and Dec. 21 to 23 with Lights only Dec. 26 and 27. Admission is \$1. Annual passes are not accepted. Children 5 and younger are free. The Friends of the Rainbow Springs State Park is in need of volunteers to help assemble all that needs to be done and to act as elves. For more information about volunteer opportunities, call Nicky Aiken, park services specialist, at 352-465-8555 or email Nicky.Aiken@dep.state.fl.us.

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Stephens said. "But we had all of our family around, and amazing church support. We had a large outpouring of love and support."

Surgeries a way of life

Though he just recently turned 13, Daniel has been through 33 surgeries so far in life. He's scheduled for two more before the end of the year, his mother said. Of the 33 surgeries, 20 have been for his back.

Several of the surgeries have been very experimental, including having Daniel fitted for a VEPTR, which stands for Vertical Expandable Prosthetic Titanium Rib. When the Stevenses relocated to Florida, first Orlando and then Dunnellon, the family began going to Arnold Palmer Hospital in Orlando, where they were introduced to Dr. Johnson Phillips, a spine specialist who's treated Daniel for the past 10 years, realized Daniel's scoliosis was progressing so fast. So in 2005, Daniel had the device implanted.

"They were afraid, one day, he'd stop breathing, most likely in the night," Mrs. Stephens explained. "His ribs were crushing in on his lungs, so they put this rod system in to prevent that from happening."

While the device was working to help increase Daniel's breathing and protect his lungs, a problem with the metal device installed in his spine was lurking that was slowly killing the youngster.

"He just developed these mysterious symptoms and they progressively got worse," Mrs. Stephens said. "His breathing got difficult and he was just constantly itching. It looked like someone took a cheese grater to his body. Anywhere he could get to, he was just scratching."

An orthopedic surgeon, who is a friend of the Stephens family, alerted Mr. and Mrs. Stephens to

the potential that Daniel was allergic to metals. However, when Mrs. Stephens first broached the subject with doctors, they scoffed at the idea. Doing research online, Mrs. Stephens discovered a company in Belgium that would test Daniel's blood for any type of allergy. She ordered a testing kit, drew Daniel's blood and mailed the vials back to the company.

Soon, the results were returned.

"Daniel is allergic to every single metal there is," she explained. "Imagine you've got allergies and there's pollen stuck in your nasal cavity and you just cannot get rid of it. And he's got this metal stuck inside his body that's just killing him."

With the test results in hand, they took them to his doctors. Immediately, he had the rods in his back removed. Within three days, Daniel was no longer itching or scratching and his breathing had improved. About six months later, his doctor placed a piece of soft metal in his forearm to verify the allergic reaction.

"Sure enough, within two weeks, he started clawing at his arm," Mrs. Stephens explained. "We said there's your proof. So they took the piece out and he's been fine."

Still, he needed the rods in his back to protect his lungs from getting crushed. His doctor found an experimental diamond-like, carbon coated rod, but the material had yet to be approved by the federal government for use in a human.

"Because it was so experimental, Daniel's doctor had to get approval from Congress and the USDA," Mrs. Stephens explained, noting the specific use of the humanitarian medical exemption, which often allows for the use of experimental procedures if they can save a life. Now, when work or maintenance is completed on the rods, the Stephenses must



Photo courtesy of the Stephens family
Daniel Stephens, in his wheelchair, looks at a statue of President Franklin D. Roosevelt while on a family vacation in Washington, D.C., with his twin sisters, April and Morgan, and his brother, Matthew.

sign a waiver agreeing not to file a lawsuit if something goes wrong.

Recently, Daniel underwent surgery to upgrade his hardware from a small to a medium, because he'd outgrown the rods he'd previously had. The surgery wasn't without complications. He developed a staph infection, which hospitalized him for a few weeks. Daniel just returned home two weeks ago; however, the new rods caused one of his ribs to break and doctors will need to repair the rod and fix the broken rib. On the positive side, his mother said, the new rods have paid off, increasing his lung function to 50 percent, up from 35 percent prior to his most recent surgery.

"It's what we have to do," Mrs. Stephens explained. "It's pulling on his back and holding it upright. It's working. The proof is his pulmonary function test went up. It's allowing room for his lungs to expand and he's starting to breathe more. It's incredible."

Still, Daniel suffers from sleep apnea and must use a bi-pap. Right now, he's currently in need of a central line to provide much needed antibiotics to treat the staph infection. Once it clears, doctors can per-

form the next two surgeries he's in need of.

"He's getting better, it's just taken a good while," Mrs. Stephens said. "We have an amazing team of doctors, they've literally saved Daniel's life."

Medical bills take a toll

With all of the surgeries, medicines and formula Daniel has been through and uses throughout the years, the medical bills never take a break. Mrs. Stephens said the family has always made sure it carries a top notch insurance provider. Currently, the family uses Blue Cross Blue Shield, which covers 80 percent of the costs. However, that still leaves 20 percent of all of their costs to come from their own pocket. A \$50,000 bill typically requires the family to pay anywhere between \$4,000 to \$6,000.

"We have just always carried a large amount of medical debt," Mrs. Stephens said, noting their other son, Matthew, was diagnosed with juvenile diabetes a couple of years ago. "We always get the bills paid off, it might take us a few years, but it's in God's time. We take it one day at a time. It's tough."

Mrs. Stephens explained people generally ask what they can do to

help, but often she's left telling them, "Physically, there's not much you can do." With two children requiring much-needed medical attention, especially Daniel, date nights and lavish vacations are typically out of the question.

"We often feel bad that our kids don't have a normal life," she said. "When other families are going to Disney World, we're paying off medical bills. We've been fortunate to be able to take the kids to Disney World and SeaWorld with the help of family and friends."

When Daniel's recent medical problems arose, friend and fellow church member Sarah Joe Thomas approached and asked what could be done to help the family. An idea for a community-wide fundraiser came about, and that's exactly what's going to happen. First Baptist Church of Dunnellon, the Stephens' church, also assists with the Daniel Stephens Fund. Those who wish can make a donation to the fund which is used to pay medical bills for the family. It all goes through the church, Mrs. Stephens said, so those wishing to know where the money is being spent can view it if they wish.

"I don't want people to question where the money goes, not that there's ever been a time it's ever been done," Mrs. Stephens explained. "We just want them to know it's being used for the right reasons, not the wrong ones. That's why it all goes through the church."

Daniel a 'gentle giant'

Mrs. Stephens said there have never been milestone markers you'd look for in Daniel that you'd do for other children such as crawling, walking and talking.

"Daniel has never done anything 'on time,'" she explained. "We call it Daniel time, whenever he gets around to it, he's done

amazingly well."

Daniel is currently a sixth-grader at Dunnellon Christian Academy. Despite all he's been through in his life, Mrs. Stephens said he's only a year behind in school.

"He's basically holding his own," she said. "He's not a straight A student; he's an average B-C student, with occasional A's."

Mrs. Stephens described Daniel's personality as "very sweet, kind and loving."

"He's just always had that, he's kind of like a gentle giant," she said. "He's strong in a quiet way. He faces every battle and just takes it in stride. There are times he's fearful. He's always been such a happy child. He's just got the best little demeanor and personality, he's feisty. He's so positive and so happy."

Mrs. Stephens said Daniel had set a goal to reach 4 feet tall this past summer, which he did.

"He found a positive angle in everything," she explained, noting when he would have to have his rods readjusted, it would help straighten his back. "He went in for one 'tune-up' and they got him 3/4 inches taller."

Daniel was named after Daniel in the Old Testament, but Mrs. Stephens said she didn't have anything to do with selecting the name and the name was chosen well before he was born.

"It's funny, Bill picked that name way before he was born," she said. "I fought him on it. I really didn't like that name. I finally just caved and gave in."

A few years after Daniel was born, Mrs. Stephens said she looked up the Biblical meaning of his name.

"It literally means God holds your breath in his hand," she explained. "He's protected his breathing from the get go. He made him. He made him start breathing on his own. Daniel's just beaten every odd."

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Notices to Creditors/Administration

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The date of first publication of this Notice is November 22, 2012.
Personal Representative: /s/Thomas J. Quinn
Estate of Dorothy Q. Garrett a/k/a Dorothy Quinn Garrett 9201-B-S.W. 83rd Court, Ocala, Florida 34481
Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. /s/ Robert J. Reynolds, Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No.: 002145 8810 S.W. Highway 200, Suite 122, Ocala, FL 34481 Telephone: (352) 854-4011 November 22 & 29, 2012.

323-1206 RIV
Estate of Roush, Ralph File No. 2012-CP-1692-F Notice To Creditors
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION: JUDGE ROBBINS FILE NO. 2012-CP-1692-F
IN RE: ESTATE OF RALPH PAUL ROUSH Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of RALPH PAUL ROUSH, deceased, whose date of death was September 10, 2012, is pending in the the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 NW 1st Avenue, Ocala, FL 34475. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below.
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Attorney for Personal Representative: LORENZO RAMUNNO, Florida Bar Number: 765813 RAMUNNO LAW FIRM PA, 7500 SW 61st Avenue, Suite 100 Ocala, FL 34476, Telephone: (352)854-5570 Fax: (352) 854-9267, E-Mail: ramunnolaw@gmail.com Secondary E-Mail: ramunnolaw34476@gmail.com www.ramunnolawfirm.com November 29 & December 6, 2012

329-1206 RIV
Estate of Cole, Kenneth Case No. 2012 CP 1623 Notice to Creditors
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No.: 2012-CP-1623 Division: Judge Robbins
IN RE: ESTATE OF KENNETH SELA COLE Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
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Lien Notices

324-1129 RIV
12/13 Sale
NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE
Superior Towing/C&M Towing gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and in-

Meeting Notices

327-1129 RIV
12/5 Meeting
PUBLIC NOTICE
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Fictitious Name Notices

328-1129 RIV
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Lien Notices

tent to sell these vehicle(s) on 12/13/2012, 9:00 am at 36 NE 8th St., Ocala, FL 34470, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. Superior Towing/

Meeting Notices

of Director's Meeting on Wednesday, December 5, 2012. The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. at the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast's main office at 1560 N. Mead-

Fictitious Name Notices

the fictitious name of CORNERSTONE PHARMACY located at 2509 NE 14TH STREET, in the County of MARION, in the City of Ocala, Florida 34470 intends to register the said name with the Division of Corporations

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All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate including unmatrued, contingent or unliquidated claims, must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.
ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.
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 November 22, 2012.
Personal Representative: /s/Thomas J. Quinn
Estate of Dorothy Q. Garrett a/k/a Dorothy Quinn Garrett 9201-B-S.W. 83rd Court, Ocala, Florida 34481
Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. /s/ Robert J. Reynolds, Attorney for Petitioner Florida Bar No.: 002145 8810 S.W. Highway 200, Suite 122, Ocala, FL 34481 Telephone: (352) 854-4011 November 22 & 29, 2012.

323-1206 RIV
Estate of Roush, Ralph File No. 2012-CP-1692-F Notice To Creditors
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION: JUDGE ROBBINS FILE NO. 2012-CP-1692-F
IN RE: ESTATE OF RALPH PAUL ROUSH Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of RALPH PAUL ROUSH, deceased, whose date of death was September 10, 2012, is pending in the the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 NW 1st Avenue, Ocala, FL 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 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 November 29, 2012.
Personal Representative: /s/Kelly Yankaitis
3026 Stralow Lane, Machesney Park, Illinois, 61115
Attorney for Personal Representative: LORENZO RAMUNNO, Florida Bar Number: 765813 RAMUNNO LAW FIRM PA, 7500 SW 61st Avenue, Suite 100 Ocala, FL 34476, Telephone: (352)854-5570 Fax: (352) 854-9267, E-Mail: ramunnolaw@gmail.com Secondary E-Mail: ramunnolaw34476@gmail.com www.ramunnolawfirm.com November 29 & December 6, 2012

329-1206 RIV
Estate of Cole, Kenneth Case No. 2012 CP 1623 Notice to Creditors
PUBLIC NOTICE
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION
File No.: 2012-CP-1623 Division: Judge Robbins
IN RE: ESTATE OF KENNETH SELA COLE Deceased.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
The administration of the estate of KENNETH SELA COLE, deceased, whose date of death was September 18, 2012, is pending in the the Circuit Court for MARION County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 NW 1st Avenue, Ocala, FL 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 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 November 29, 2012.
Personal Representative: /s/Norsela Cole P.O. Box 317, Selkirk, NY 12158
Attorney for Personal Representative: /s/ Lorenzo Ramunno, Esq., Florida Bar No. 765813 RAMUNNO LAW FIRM PA 7500 SW 61st Avenue, Suite 100, Ocala, FL 34476 Telephone: (352) 854-5570 Fax: (352)854-9267, E-Mail: ramunnolaw@gmail.com Secondary E-Mail: ramunnolaw34476@gmail.com www.flprobate.net November 29 and December 6, 2012

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