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## 'SAVE THE PARADE': Lack of entries casts doubt on event

Annual parade tentatively slated for Dec. 15

JEFF BRYAN  
Riverland News

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus.

And maybe, there'll be a Christmas Parade, too.

Right now, plans for the annual Dunnellon Area

Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade, tentatively scheduled for 5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 15, are in a state of flux because of the lack of entrants for the parade.

"It's 'Operation Save the Parade' at this point,"

said Ariel Bruns, the coordinator for this year's event, having replaced Charlene Williams as the taskmaster. "If we don't have enough entries, it'll be canceled. Right now, we need support, support, support, from en-

tries to volunteers."

Brun is optimistic the Christmas spirit will come alive in the next week as the deadline to enter the annual parade has been extended. Initially, entries were being taken through this Friday; however, because of the lack of entrants, Bruns said the deadline

has been extended to Thursday, Dec. 15, for those businesses and nonprofit groups seeking to have a place in the parade line-up.

"I am hoping everyone comes together and makes it happen," Bruns said. "I believe we'll pull it off. It might not be as big as it was last year, but

it'll happen."

This year's theme is Whimsy Christmas. 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,

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### WHAT'S HAPPENING

#### Relay for Life kick-off party tonight

The 2013 Relay for Life kick-off party will be at 6 to 7 p.m. today at First Baptist Church of Dunnellon, 20831 Powell Road. There will be food and door prizes. If you are interested in forming a team, serving on the committee or helping on the day-of event, join us for the event kickoff. To RSVP, call Traci Mason at 352-629-4727, ext. 5822.

#### BBQ fundraiser slated for teen

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 489-2730.

#### Annual RC Santa Fly-In slated for Saturday

The 14th annual Santa Fly-In, hosted by the Tri-County RC Club and the Nature Coast R/Cers 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 Dunnellon Fire Rescue's annual Needy Children's Christmas Party.

#### Free Christmas dinner open to public

The American Legion Post No. 58 and Families in Need of Dunnellon will host a Christmas Dinner from noon to 4 p.m. Christmas Day, Tuesday, Dec. 25, at the Legion Post Hall on U.S. 41. The public is welcome. The dinner is free. Donations are accepted but not necessary.

## 'Heart of the community'



Charlene Williams, front, a local community activist and branch manager at Cadence Bank, recently revealed her year-plus long health struggle in which the mother of three is currently undergoing daily dialysis treatments. Pictured with Williams are here three children, Alexis, left, Ashley, right, and Kris, background.

### Local banker's kidneys failing, Williams now on dialysis

JEFF BRYAN  
Riverland News

For the better part of a year, Charlene Williams kept the news quiet.

Only her family and close friends knew why the long-time community cheerleader of sorts was slowly withdrawing from actively participating in organizations such as the Chamber of Commerce, the Boys & Girls Club, the Kiwa-

nis Club and other vital groups key to making Dunnellon a better community.

Her health was declining and she lacked the energy. Despite the urging of her family and friends to let people know the reason for her sudden withdrawal of being a key figure in community events, Williams chose to keep the news silent.

"I didn't want the attention to turn from what we were doing

for the community, to do what we can for Charlene," said Williams, who made public her battle end stage renal failure, or kidney disease. "I still don't want this to turn into a pity party."

Yet in announcing the news, Williams knew she couldn't keep the lid on her health closed any longer. The long-time banker, who is the branch manager of Cadence Bank, had been out of work since

mid-October. Her presence and laughter noticeably absent when customers would come in, just hoping to say hello and see Williams' trademark ear-to-ear grin.

"It was just getting tougher for (the employees) to explain the situation," she said. "It's been tough, the whole ordeal. Not being active, withdrawing like I had to

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## Police: Man, 26, charged with DUI

Greer refused to provide breath sample

JEFF BRYAN  
Riverland News

A 27-year-old Inglis man found slumped over the steering wheel of his vehicle parked in the drive-thru at a local fast food restaurant, was charged with driving under the influence, according to a police report.

According to the report, Jacob S. Greer was found slumped



Jacob S. Greer

over his steering wheel with his left arm hanging out of the driver's window with the keys in the ignition Sunday morning while parked in the drive-thru at McDonald's. Witnesses said Greer's vehicle had been parked in the drive-thru for 20 minutes after the fast food establishment had closed.

The report indicated when law enforcement personnel from the Dunnellon Police Department arrived, Cpl. Bruce Arnold noted in his report that the keys in the ignition were turned forward; however, the vehicle was not running. Cpl. Arnold and Officer Scott Houts then attempted to wake Greer up, at which time "he seemed very disoriented and agitated" at the presence of law enforcement personnel.

According to the report, Cpl. Arnold asked Greer if he was OK to which Greer gave an incoherent response due to slurred speech. Cpl. Arnold observed Greer had bloodshot watery eyes and he could detect the odor of alcoholic beverages emanating from his breath and body.

The report stated Cpl.

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## Residents make appearance in front of 'Judge Judy'

Dispute about car lands father, son on TV

AUGIE SALZER  
For the Riverland News

A foolish mistake turned into a trip to Hollywood, Calif., and 15 minutes of fame on the "Judge Judy" Sheindlin Show.

On Oct. 16, Austin Moore and his dad, Tom Bonaccorso, were defendants in a civil case in front of Judge Judy. They agreed to accept her ruling in the case.

Moore's ordeal started a while back when he bought a motorcycle and

the people he was working with at a local horse farm offered to co-sign on his loan.

"He was doing well until he moved to North Carolina to go to school, but he made stupid decisions," his father said. "He traded the motorcycle even for the car, because it was cold outside and he was working by making deliveries for a restaurant. Then the car blew up."

At about the same time, Moore had received a small settle-

ment from a previous accident and he used the money to purchase another car and decided to head back to Florida. His dad helped Moore title the car and knew he was behind in the first car payments.

"I went to my dad's house and left the keys in the car," Moore remembered. "My dad wasn't there, but then I looked out the window and saw the people I owed money to taking the car. They wouldn't

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Austin Moore, left, and his dad, Tom Bonaccorso, were defendants in a civil case in front of Judge Judy. The show will air in the next four to six weeks.



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# Man, 19, charged with battery, criminal mischief



**Giovanna Cintron**

**JEFF BRYAN**  
Riverland News

A 19-year-old Dunnellon man faces multiple charges after an altercation Friday in the Walmart parking lot. According to an arrest report from the Dunnellon Police Department, Giovanna Cintron faces charges of

simple battery and criminal mischief after Cintron punched another man twice and kicked and broke a headlight on a vehicle. The report stated he did intentionally and unlawfully strike a male victim with a closed fist twice, once in the upper left arm and again on the right side of his ribs.

The victim attempted to leave the parking lot, entering his girlfriend's vehicle when Cintron kicked the right front headlight, causing damage. According to the report, when law enforcement officials arrived at the scene, Cintron had already left. Officer Scott Houts and Cpl.

Bruce Arnold both reviewed the security footage from the incident, which concurred with the statements from both victims. The report stated authorities found Cintron at his residence in the 21000 block of Southwest Plantation Street. He was advised of his Miranda rights and

chose not to speak with authorities. Cintron was observed wearing the same clothing he was wearing during the incident in the Walmart parking lot. Cintron was booked into the Marion County Jail. His bond was set at \$1,000. He made bail Saturday morning.

## DUI

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Arnold asked Greer for identification, at which time Greer pulled out his cell phone and began looking through it. Cpl. Arnold again asked for ID at which time Greer rummaged through his pockets and attempted to hand Cpl. Arnold his bank debit card, then stated, "I don't have my license."

According to the report, Cpl. Arnold asked Greer for his name and date of birth to which Greer stated, "I am going to sit right here until my lawyer comes, which will be about two to three hours." Again, Cpl. Arnold asked Greer for his personal information at which he stated, "I am not that guy, I am going to wait for my lawyer who will be here in two to three hours. I used to be a police officer, I know what to do."

Officer Shane Yok, who had arrived at the scene, informed Cpl. Arnold of the vehicle owner's information, and when over-hearing this, Greer then provided his personal information, which I later verified, the report stated.

According to the report, Cpl. Arnold asked Greer to step out of the vehicle to which Greer again stated: "I am going to sit right here until my lawyer gets here." Cpl. Arnold then opened Greer's door at which time he stated: "OK, I will get out."

Upon exiting the vehicle, the report stated, Cpl. Arnold requested Greer walk to the rear of the vehicle, at which time he observed Greer sway from side to side and then stumbled, losing his balance.

The report stated Greer then propped himself up against the rear of the vehicle to keep his balance. Cpl. Arnold requested Greer submit to field sobriety exercises to which he stated, "I am standing here until my lawyer gets here in two to three hours." Cpl. Arnold in-

formed Greer if he did not participate in the field sobriety exercises, he would be placed under arrest to which Greer responded: "I am waiting on my lawyer."

According to the report, Greer was placed in handcuffs and transported to the Marion County Jail. During a search of Greer's vehicle, Cpl. Arnold discovered a 1.75-liter of Sailor Jerry Rum, which was half empty.

The report stated once at the Marion County Jail, he refused to submit to the lawful test of his breath to determine its alcohol content. Greer advised he would not submit to the test to his breath without his lawyer, who would arrive in two to three hours, yet stated he was not refusing. Cpl. Arnold then read Greer Implied Consent to which he again stated he would not submit to the test of breath to determine its alcohol content until his lawyer arrived.

According to Marion County Jail records, Greer's bond was set at \$500. He made bail late Saturday morning.

## Community Thrift store donates to Cops for Kids



The Dunnellon Community Thrift Store made a \$500 donation Monday to the Dunnellon Police Department's Cops for Kids program, which is slated to take place Friday, Dec. 14. Presenting the check to Dunnellon Police Chief Joanne Black, from left, are: Marguarette Shelton, Joann McCullough, Pam Smith, Barbara Brown and Chief Black. Special to the Riverland News

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Watch-Clock Collectors meet once 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 MRC Medical Park at Timber

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

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### OUR VOICE

# It's time we make the leap

For many years now, the oft-maligned and oft-criticized debate is whether Dunnellon is, or should be, an eco-tourism destination. Should we or shouldn't we promote the natural beauty of our quaint community and let outsiders share in our joys? We already do, to an extent, but we've failed to capitalize on the full economic impact to our local coffers and more importantly, to our businesses.

Frankly, we believe now is the time to act before it's too late. If you missed the *Ocala Star-Banner's* Nov. 29 editorial, we suggest you check it out, because they (Marion County officials along with state and city officials) pieced together a solid plan to save Silver Springs. We believe, before it's too late, residents, business leaders and elected officials of Dunnellon recognize that our future is inextricably

tied to our environment. It follows then that economy is inextricably tied to our environment. The *Star Banner* pushed the 3 E's approach: "Environmental, Economic and Educational." This plan soberly recognizes that choosing nothing is a choice and that there are consequences. What will happen in the absence of tourism may be far more detrimental than the tourism could ever be...

Adena Springs Ranch. The years of residential growth that fueled our economy are over and there is no reason to believe they are going to return soon. Maybe that is a good thing. But there are, in fact, people who are still working or perhaps not working and every area will seek an economy. Our choices are to continue to fight against tourism and ignore the real environmental dangers confronting our rivers, i.e., the

fact that the river has not been a free flowing river in more than 50 years.

- No. 1 environmental threat to the Rainbow River is the dam on the Withlacoochee River.
- No. 2 environmental threat. Consumptive use permits for large-scale livestock operations.
- No 3. is not paying attention to Nos. 1 and 2.

The city, county and state

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### LETTERS

#### Kudos to Norm Gazaille for stepping up to help kids

It's that wonderful time of the year, and have you seen the sign at Norm's Clean Cuts? There is a big sign reading: "Toys for Tots." Well, Norm Gazaille, the owner, has been collecting toys for needy children for a few years now. It would be great if we all could make this a special holiday for more kids, since the need is there and seems to be growing. Also, Gazaille accepts donations of food for the Food 4 Kids program, which provides needy children with food on the weekends. Our small community, with the help of many, could do a lot of good. It all starts with one person to get the ball rolling. Kudos to Norm Gazaille, and I hope many will follow.

Rosemarie Kleuker  
Dunnellon

#### Thanksgiving dinner for needy a success

Thanksgiving dinner was a family occasion. The volunteers from Families In Need Dunnellon, who served, had a wonderful time. We were excited that the Cub Scouts, the Dunnellon Key club and the Teens Impact ministry from Grand View Church, were part of our volunteer team. Thanks to the Dunnellon Police Department which help get food to others. Thank you all so much.

Leo and Jan DeWitt  
Families In Need of Dunnellon

#### Boycott of Greenlight is residents' only course of action

The letter published in last week's *Riverland News* alluding to the low cost and benefits of Greenlight had to be satire. Surely, regular readers of the *Riverland News* or Dunnellon residents who follow events know that it is no myth that Dunnellon City just borrowed \$1.4 million dollars at .001 percent interest from the water/sewer fund in addition to transferring \$300,000 from the CRA fund, a total of \$1.7 million dollars. The loan is payable in 2017 if the money is available. Unfortunately, it is only available from the water/sewer fund. This is in addition to the more than \$7 million of borrowed money already sunk into Greenlight. Surely, the author of the letter knows the collateral for the Regions Bank loan is the taxes collected by Dunnellon putting the city at risk for this failing venture. It is true Greenlight did create new jobs. The total salary/benefit amount for FY 2012-2013 is more than \$800,000 dollars. The total

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### THE JERSEY GIRL

## From One Direction to, ladies and gentlemen, the Beatles

My granddaughter's infatuation with One Direction reminds me of my own obsession with The Beatles when I was a kid. After all, they're both from England, they're both cute and they can both cause mad passionate screaming from their teenage fans.

In case you're not aware, One Direction is the latest "boy band" to come from the show "The X Factor" in Great Britain. Of course, the natural progression to stardom involves getting acquainted with the U.S., and get acquainted they did. You cannot turn on any awards show or daytime TV program without seeing them or hearing about them.

The funny thing is they seem so young to me where the Beatles seemed so old. Guess that's due to my progressing years. Actually, the One Direction guys are all 19 and 20 years old.

Likewise, The Beatles were all in their early 20's the first time they came to America to play in 1964. I guess it's my age that's changing, not theirs. The new group all have modern names you're not likely to forget: Liam, Harry, Louis, Zayn and Niall. Not like John, George or Paul, simpler names from my youth.

Back in 1964, and beyond, there's

no denying I was an avid Beatles fan. My older brother shared this enthusiasm and we had every single album the group ever recorded. We used to imitate the popular band and, for some reason, I was always Ringo, the drummer. But Paul was and continues to be my favorite. Seeing him in concert is one of the items on my bucket list that I hope to mark off one day.



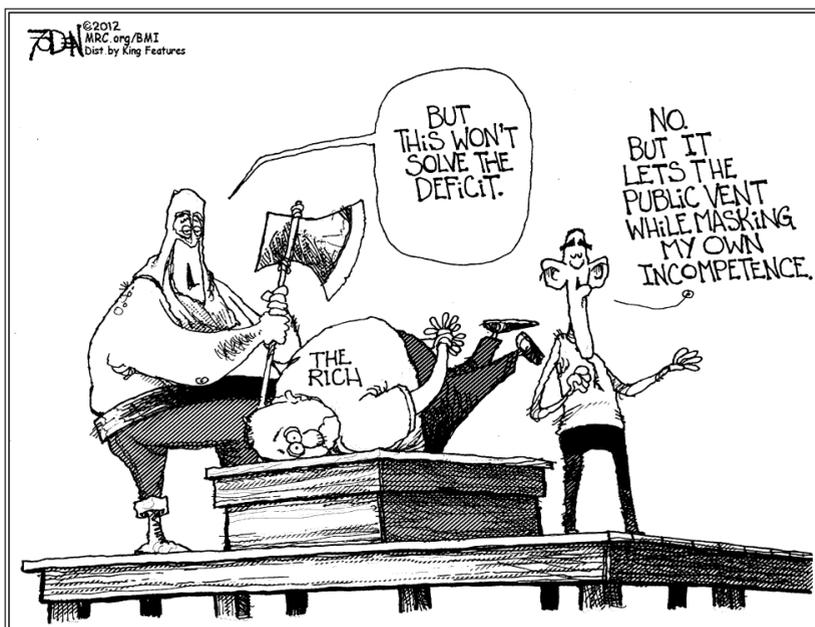
Audrey Beem

Who can forget watching The Beatles perform that very first time on the "Ed Sullivan Show?" We begged my mother to let us stay up to watch. I don't think I'll ever forget that excitement.

Of course, back then the only way you could see them play was to catch a five-minute segment on a television show. So you waited all week or all month for the show to come on. Nowadays you can catch your favorite stars on TV, the Internet, Netflix, or even on your cell phone. Kids today have it made.

Now Dominique is going through the same things we did. She knows the words to all of their songs, she talks about them constantly and I'm sure in her mind, she pretends she'll meet them one day. I think that's something all girls do. By the time I

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### TIME TO SMILE

## No, not this year Virginia

I won't be playing Santa this year. It's not a bah-humbug thing. I still love Christmas, although I will never get used to a snow-free Christmas.

It's a matter of not having the funds. It doesn't make sense to go into hock to buy Christmas gifts. I have my dear sweet mother, six brothers and sisters — with spouses — nine nieces and nephews (four with spouses, significant other or main squeeze) and three grandnieces and grandnephews. My family has kept the economy going for generations.



Kathleen Wallace

For decades, I have bought at least one gift for every one. My siblings got away easy because I didn't have kids they had to buy for. I shouldn't say that, because my sister always bought a present for my dog when he was alive.

I think I deserve to take a year off. Up until the last few years, I have bought my nieces and nephews birthday gifts. Most are in their late 20's and early 30's. They all make more money than I do. The wealthiest among them must have a broken arm, because I have never gotten a thank-you letter from her.

Honestly, I really enjoyed shopping for unique gifts. For instance my sister-in-law, Charlene, likes salt and pepper shakers so if I was at an antique store I would always check them out.

My sister, Maryellen, has a great collection of Whiting and Davis purses — made in America beaded evening bags. Adding to hear collection made my day, especially if I got a good price for it.

Carolyn loves the color purple and Japanese art. Kathy likes Jim Shore and miniature houses. Tim and Bill will love anything from the hardware store.

During the year, I would look for these gifts. There is no way I am setting up a tent and standing in line for anything. The Christmas rush and Black Friday meant nothing to me. My gifts were wrapped and ready by then.

I must confess to a moment of weakness this November.

My niece Kelsey, who loves crafting, got married on Nov. 17. Walgreens had what I thought was a great deal on photo gifts — mugs, mouse pads, notebooks. I spent hours posting photos from the wedding to each gift online. I was able to buy more than \$200 worth of gifts for every member of the family for \$97. Yeah haw!

That moment of glory didn't last too long when I submitted the order and found the shipping cost \$60. They would only ship to my address. The majority of the gifts would then have to be re-shipped out of state. My deal was turning into an ordeal! I hit the delete button and sighed.

One year, I gave handmade scarves, hats and sweaters. My sister got a beautiful red wool sweater with one arm longer than

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**LEAP**

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have partnered together to bring a bicycle trail through Dunnellon. That is going to happen. This will complete connectivity with the cross Florida barge canal and could be a huge boom for Dunnellon, both economically and environmentally.

If we work together to place the necessary infrastructures to see to it that dollars do not end up in communities that already have such items in place.

The more revenue this area can generate to the state with tourism taxes, the more protected the water will be right where it belongs — in the river bed. This does not happen without a resort or hotel located on or along the river. For many years now local officials have given lip service to the idea of eco-tourism while avoiding the obvious, namely that tourism in Dunnellon does exist.

However, the real economic beneficiaries are Ocala, Crystal River and Inverness. We need to do more to help our local businesses thrive, because if the tourism dollars are pouring in, those businesses are likely going to assist financially to make sure the Rainbow River remains healthy, and city governments are not going to have to look for "alternative" revenue sources.

We believe we can build an eco-friendly hotel or resort along or near the Rainbow River without threatening the livelihood of the wildlife or disturbing the environment. In fact, we believe we can use Leeds (environmentally friendly building practices) and create a shining example for the world to see of just how we can, as mature adults, both protect and interact with our unique environment.

The points have been made and it's time to act.

Not only does the future of the Rainbow River need it, so does Dunnellon.

If we don't move toward embracing what the city has to offer, then a few years from now, we'll be buying bottled water from Nestle who will own Rainbow Springs.

**LETTERS**

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Greenlight budget for FY 2013 is \$4,693,599.

The city's own in-house study done in 2010 projected 1,993 customers for total revenue of \$2,390,404 in the third year of operation. This flawed, unprofessional in-house study is the basic reason that the city went into millions of dollars of debt.

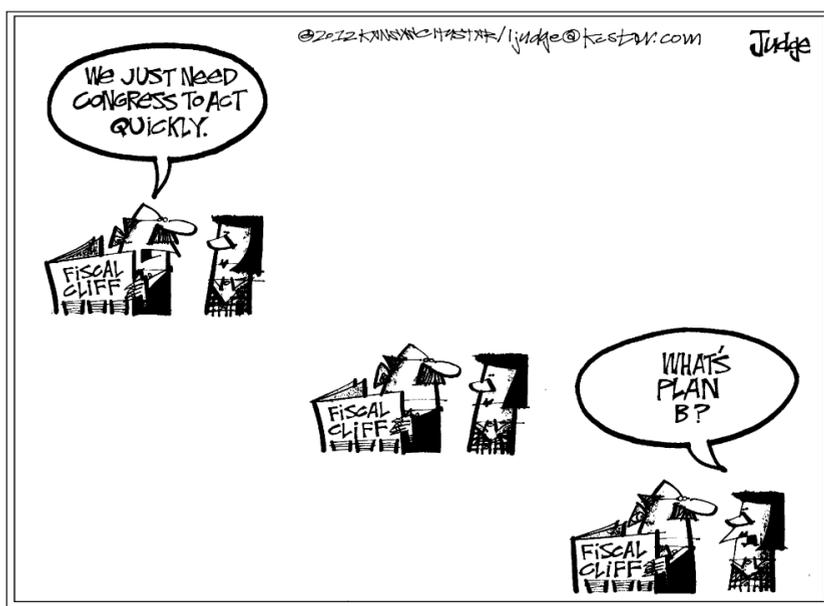
Greenlight has no operational manager, but they do have a communications manager at the cost of \$42,000 annual, plus benefits. At least when Dunnellon creates jobs, they are great ones. This is just another example of the poor decision-making and management that has plagued Greenlight from day one.

The low rates the satirical letter referred to are subsidized by the raid on the water/sewer fund and borrowed money secured by Dunnellon tax money.

If Greenlight were a private enterprise, it would be bankrupt and no venture capitalist would loan money due to the massive debt load.

To give the customers of Greenlight low initial rates and to allow the teaser rates of free installation, free months etc., the taxpayers and utility customers of Dunnellon are footing the bill.

If you are a resident of Dunnellon and cannot afford cable at all, your



utility money and city tax money is at risk to provide service to Greenlight customers, does not seem right to me.

Rainbow Springs is not boycotting the business community or any other entity but Greenlight. To suggest that we should support Greenlight in the mistaken belief that it will eventually succeed and reduce taxes/utility rates is a great leap of faith or again great satire.

It would be bad enough if the \$1.4 million from the water fund went to help a financially mismanaged and unsustainable Dunnellon, but to throw money into the money pit called Greenlight calls for action.

It may be true that

many of Rainbow Springs' residents are social security or pension recipients, but is that in any way a relevant or negative fact? I missed the satirical point of that statement, but I believe Rainbow Springs' residents are good citizens, who earned what they have and give more to the area than they receive.

Rainbow Springs' residents never asked or took from Dunnellon coffers. The boycott of Greenlight is not petty, vindictive or uncalled for. It is the only method we have to show our dis-

approval and frustration at the unfair, devious and undemocratic manner we have been treated by an arrogant government entity in which we have no representation in any form.

Steve Swett

Rainbow Springs

**Kiwanis Club's annual fashion show a big hit**

A very special "thank you" to all who participated in the annual La Chic Fashion Show sponsored by the Kiwanis Club of Dunnellon.

Fashions by Belk's, narrated by Stephanie Perkins, general man-

ager, was the highlight of the show, especially with our very own super models. I might add male and female.

Jenifer of Jenifer's Hair Studio gave a styling demonstration and Doug Snyder, the Lancome make-up artist from Belk's, fascinated all with a make-up demo.

Jewelry by Karin Hopkins was displayed.

A fabulous lunch was served by Chef Ernie at the Rainbow Springs Golf and Country Club.

Those participating in any way gave generously of their time, spirit and giving. The proceeds from this show will be used to further the Kiwanis projects in the Community of Dunnellon.

Ellen "Ellie" Pollock  
Kiwanis Club  
of Dunnellon

**Solution to puzzle on Page 16**

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**JERSEY**

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was a teenager the Beatles were already busted up. So whenever I'd daydream it was always about David Cassidy unable to live without me. And if David was taken, then I would switch to Keith Partridge. I'm hoping some of my readers can relate.

I wonder if guys do the same thing? Do they sit around and fantasize that Selena Gomez is their girl? I would like to think they do.

A few years back, Dominique was excited about Jesse McCartney. I took her to see him in concert twice, and then there was Justin Bieber. I was hoping to get her to a One Direction concert, but unfortunately, ticket prices have more than doubled since then.

I guess there's always going to be a "boy band" to drool over. When my girls were younger it was

N'Sync and The Backstreet Boys. Oh and we can't forget New Kids On The Block, but I think this is the first time another young band from Liverpool has captured our hearts.

I guess the biggest difference between the two groups, other than the number and their names, would be that when The Beatles appeared on the scene they were long-haired hippies out to ruin the world.

But now One Direction is described as nice, clean cut boys with good morals. Can it be we were looking for a bit of excitement back then and now we're looking to save the world?

But as long as there are good looking, young charismatic boys jumping around on stage there will always be young, enthusiastic teen girls waiting to catch a glimpse of them, at least in their dreams.

Let the excitement continue.

**SMILE**

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the other. What? It took me months to make and I was tired of it by the time I got to the second arm. My knitting needs to improve before I go that route again.

My family in Florida can use only so many scarves. My sister-in-law said it doesn't matter since the world is supposed to end Dec. 21, according to the Mayan calendar.

If I only believed it I would be on a spending spree. Wouldn't it be nice to never have to worry about a bill coming in the mail? Could you imagine being those recent Lotto winners and the world ends before you have a chance to spend your millions? Now, that's poor timing.

On the positive side, I can say I will not be contributing to the Chinese economy. If I had the cash, I would shop local and buy handmade items. It is the only way to shop.

I like the idea of keeping American money in our community. Thank goodness we have so many mom and pop stores

downtown. The thought of the parking hassles of a mall is frightening. I avoid the mall like the plague. A mall is China in a box. Very few stores carry American made products. It is very sad.

So, no Virginia there is no Santa this year. The sled is broken. Rudolf and Blitzen were laid off. The elves are on strike.

Besides Virginia, didn't your mother ever tell you that Christmas isn't about the gifts? It's about the love of family and I have that in abundance.

**JUDGE**

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even let me get my things out."

"I feel they strong-armed him out of the vehicle," Bonaccorso said. "Then I called police and made a report over the phone. They wouldn't even come out. They said it was a civil matter."

On Sept. 6, father and son went to the Marion County Court House Small Claims Court and filed a counter suit to get the car back. They were being sued by the plaintiffs to get back the money for the first car loan.

A few weeks later, Bonaccorso was called by the plaintiffs asking if they had heard from the representative of the "Judge Judy" show.

"I thought they were joking, but they gave me the phone number and Austin called," Bonaccorso said. "A couple of weeks later we were on a plane to California."

Both the defendants and the plaintiffs had to agree to the judge's ruling and they both signed an Arbitration Agreement before they left. Each group took a different plane to California and stayed in separate hotels.

They were able to stay two nights and three days with all expenses paid by the show. The first night was to get settled, the next day was the show and then they were on their own, according to Moore.

The day of the show, the father and son spent several hours waiting in the Green Room eating and drinking

soda and watching Judge Joe Brown on television before they appeared in front of Judge Judy.

Judge Brown's show was being filmed at the same time in the building. Out of 10 cases heard by Judge Judy, they were the last ones to be filmed.

"I was nervous at first and once it got started it was okay," Moore said about being on TV. "The cameras are well hidden so we couldn't see them that much. It took about 20 minutes, but I'm sure they are going to do a lot of editing."

After the filming, they rented a car and did a lot of sightseeing. Bonaccorso enjoyed the end of the day the best when they returned to their hotel and sat next to the owner during dinner.

"I don't remember his first name, but his mother was Beverly Garland, the star of the 'My Three Sons' show. She was the second wife of Fred MacMurray on the show," Bonaccorso said. "We had a long conversation and he told me about his life as a kid and all about his mom. He was a cool guy."

On the flight back home, they were telling everyone that they were on the "Judge Judy" show.

"At the end of the show we were all friends," Bonaccorso said.

**NEWS NOTE**

**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.

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**HEART**

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do was tough. I enjoyed being active in the community, helping making it a better place. Hopefully, one day, I can be involved again. I just wish I had the stamina right now to do it all."

Williams, whose kidneys began failing her more than a year ago, now goes through a daily regimen of dialysis. The mother of three is able to do it at home, while she sleeps, or if she can sleep, she added. She said the sounds of the machine don't keep her awake, but it's the final cycle. "It's the last 20 minutes because it's the 'pain drain,'" she explained. "So that's not comfortable."

"I miss seeing everyone, from my coworkers to our customers to the people of Dunnellon," she said. "I miss it terribly. I'm ready to go back to work, but I know I have to wait."

How long of a wait she has, even Williams admits she's unsure of. She said her goal is to make it back to her office, especially after her doctors informed her she technically qualifies to file for disability.

"That's not me," she said. "I miss working."

Beth Wear, who's worked with Williams for 3 1/2 years, said she and the other employees at Cadence miss her "more than you'll ever know."

"She's a got a heart and soul that can't be replaced," Wear said. "She's the lifeblood of this office. We're doing what we've got to do

but the team is incomplete. She completes us."

She cares so much about us and our customers. People keep asking, 'Where's our Charlene at?'"

Wear said there'll certainly be a celebration of sorts upon her return to work.

"Absolutely, we'll have lots of hugs," Wear said. "I'm sure the phone will be ringing off the hook and there'll be a lot of visitors. We'll treat her very gently and take good care of her."

When Williams shared the news via Facebook, the outpouring of support was overwhelming, she said.

"The people here have been very nice and supportive," she explained. "I cannot say enough to thank them all."

Williams is 50-50 about seeking a kidney transplant. If she does, she said she'll have to lose 25 pounds. How-

ever, the thought of taking anti-rejection medications for the rest of her life leaves her with an "uneasy" feeling at the moment.

"I'm going to wait and see," Williams said.

Her presence in the community is certainly missed by those who know Williams well.

"She has a very warm heart and she always goes out of her way to help somebody," Dunnellon Police Chief Joanne Black said.

"Whether it's personally or contacting the right organization or people, she always goes out of her way, because she has a warm heart. She's very much the heart of the community."

Williams, known for an "upbeat, positive attitude," said she's done her best to keep that with her and even laugh about what she's going through.

"Some days are better than others, but I am still laughing and smiling," she explained.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Santa Over the Rainbow kicks off Friday, Dec. 14**

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 under 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 465-8555 or email Nicky.Aiken@dep.state.fl.us.

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### Thrift Shop donates to local food pantries



Photos by Joann McCullough

Ladies of the Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop met with representatives of two local food pantries to present \$1,000 checks to assist them in feeding needy families in the Dunnellon area.

ABOVE: Anita Peloquin, left, Thrift Shop secretary, and Carmen Fisher, Thrift Shop vice president, present Pat Marten, food pantry representative from First United Methodist Church,

with a donation. BELOW: The Rev. Marcella Pasay of Church of the Advent, center, accepted a donation from the Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop to purchase food baskets for local families. Pictured, from left, are: Helen Willis and Anita Peloquin, Thrift Shop secretary, presenting check to the Rev. Pasay, Phyllis Knight and Eileen Toney, volunteers.





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including the line-up. For more information, contact Bruns at 352-229-4606, or email [dunnellonxmasparade2012@gmail.com](mailto:dunnellonxmasparade2012@gmail.com) or call the Chamber of Commerce at 489-2320.

"Even if someone doesn't want to make a float, but is interested in sponsoring someone else's float, that would be wonderful just to make it a bit more glamorous," Bruns explained. "If prices are an issue, we'll work with you."

If the parade does go off as currently planned, the route will be reserved. Instead of starting with the line-up at Dunnellon Middle School and winding its way through the Historic District and ending near Blue Run Park, the line-up will be at Hendrix Drive. From there, the parade will move west along East Pennsylvania Avenue, proceed to Chestnut Street and come to a conclusion.

"Mostly, it's for safety

reasons," Bruns said for the route reversal. "There's not any lighting in the area at the end of the parade, so we decided to make the switch this year and see how it goes."

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# RIVERLAND SPORTS/EDUCATION

## EDUCATION BRIEFS

### 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, 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.

### Polar Express Brunch slated 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 funcharmonypreschool@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 per 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 352-465-6745.

### Boys & Girls Clubs seek donations

Many Boys & Girls Clubs are benefitting from car donations. The cars are sold at auction and the funds generated help support their many programs.

People wishing to donate their cars or for more information, call (800) 246-0493.

## BMX racer captures title at Disney Cup

### Cooke ponders future in U.S. Navy or potential pro career

RACHEL HORNE

For the *Riverland News*

Dunnellon High School senior Austin Cooke has rode his way to victory yet again. The 17-year-old BMX rider competed Oct. 27 and 28 at the Disney Cup in Orlando, taking home another first-place prize in the 17-plus Open Division.

Cooke was able to leave opponents in the dust when he took the lead from the starting line and never strayed from his position in first the entire 40-second race.

This was the first time he had been back to the Orlando track since he had broken both his arms there last year.

"In the beginning, I was freaking

out because it was the first time I had been back since I had injured both my arms, but in the end I was proud because I had won the race that had hurt me so badly before," Cooke said.

The talented teen is now being scouted by the Nitrocross BMX Team in Texas, which he would represent as a Florida rider.

Through this sponsorship, he would receive free riding gear and parts and have discounts on the parts and other items that aren't free.

Cooke, despite his interest in serving in the U.S. Navy, hasn't ruled out the possibility of turning his talents into a profession.

"If I have the opportunity I would go pro. I like doing BMX because I like having it all on me and being independent," Cooke said.

## Learning to fly



JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Members of the Dunnellon Christian Academy basketball team, front row from left, are: Alexa Hastings, Ryan Rowles, Levi Suarez, Danny Casanova and Norianne Nelson; back row, Joshua Hastings, Charlene Hall, Bret Howard, Michael Nelson and coach Shane Arnold. The Eagles recently snapped their four-year losing streak, posting a 25-24 victory against Grace Christian Academy of Ocala.

### DCA basketball team notches first victory in four years

JEFF BRYAN

Riverland News

Four years ago, American sports fans celebrated the New York Giants stunning upset of the previously unbeaten New England Patriots, 17-14, in Super Bowl XLII.

Four years ago, the Boston Celtics finished as NBA World Champions, knocking off the Los Angeles Lakers in the NBA Finals. In the Eastern Conference Finals, the Celtics toppled LeBron James and the Cleveland Cavaliers in seven games.

Four years ago, NASCAR fans cheered, or jeered, Jimmy Johnson's third straight NASCAR Championship.

Four years ago, the Philadelphia Phillies won the World Series

against the Tampa Bay Rays in five games, 5-1. It was their first world championship since the Mike Schmidt-led Phillies in 1980.

Four years ago was also the last time the Dunnellon Christian Academy basketball team secured a victory on the court; but that all came to an end when the Eagles broke their streak with a 25-24 victory against Grace Christian Academy of Ocala.

Dunnellon Christian Academy found itself trailing by 14 points throughout most of the first half, until the Eagles began whittling away at Grace's lead during the second half, DCA coach Shane Arnold said.

The second-year coach explained one key for his squad was taking Grace's star player out of the equation. Arnold said the

standout had gotten into early foul trouble in the first half and during half time, he told his players to attack in the second half.

"We were really aggressive, we really went after him," Arnold said.

From there, Arnold said his team just kept chipping away at the lead until Michael Nelson hit the game-winning shot with two seconds remaining in the contest. Nelson has been on the team for the past four years.

"You'd have thought we won the world championship," Arnold said about the ensuing celebration.

The victory, Arnold said, has been a major boost to the confidence of the team.

"You could really sense we were close earlier in the season,"

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## BOWLING SCORES

Parkview Lanes Weekly News League scores for the week ending Nov. 30:

**Monday Night Special:** Handicap: Larry Fritz 276, 722; K.E. Conrad 274, 718; Saad Bouve 255; Pat Tutewohl 254, 731; Myla Wexler 688. Scratch: Larry Fritz 265, 689; Todd Cridland 256, 663; Dorine Fugere 224, 588; K.C. Cridland 220, 633.

**Preserve Pinbusters:** Handicap: Desi Sidote 269, 703; Don Armstrong 257, 660; Carolyn Hylton 272, 722; Pat Metcalfe 238; Sharon Mason 656. Scratch: Ken Sprague 224, 587; Desi Sidote 262; Emile Guay 566; Carolyn Hylton 216, 554; Elaine Shea 181, 481.

**Suncoast Seniors:** Handicap: John Marcucci 258, 690; Bob Becker 242, 664; Mary Skourn 238, 657; Barb Steffen 232, 626. Scratch: John Marcucci 230, 606; Bob Becker 185; Jerry Ness 546; Mary Skourn 173, 462; Barb Steffen 170, 440.

**Late Starters:** Handicap: Ron Gable 257; Myron Paliwoda 250, 655; David Rogers 661; Helen Herr 242; Joan Cothorn 230, 645; Vicki Soletto 624. Scratch: Ted Rafanan 216, 619; David Rogers 215; Rich Soletto 607; Debbie Chung 184; Sandy LePree 181, 502; Joan Cothorn 468.

**Wednesday Night Men:** Handicap: Matt O'Brien 294, 796; Charlie Stein 287; Mark Smith 781. Scratch: Charlie Stein 278; Matt O'Brien 267, 715; Tim Lawrence 738; Mark Smith 712.

**Women's Trio:** Handicap: Peggy Murdock 242; Maggie Savarese 241; Alice Cline 661; Dianna Kirk 650. Scratch: Peggy Murdock 203, 506; Maggie Savarese 200, 480.

**Good Time Bowlers:** Handicap: Bill Montross 245, 610; Gaynor Stoner 216; Jim Harvey 614; Grace Navarratte 234, 661; Lucille Lalanc 227, 639; Diane Collier 227. Scratch: Bill Montross 204, 487; Rocky Sincore 172; Dave Messenger 482; Janet Murray 183, 522; Diane Collier 168; Lucille Lalanc 453.

**Holder Hotshots:** Handicap: Chuck Hindbaugh 295, 774; Frank Papa 271; Stoney Sincler 742; Kathy Calcagni 254, 676; Lynda Morgan 251, 683. Scratch: Chuck Hindbaugh 267, 690; Frank Papa 203; Jim Van Gilder 569; Kathy Calcagni 195, 499; Diane Mauck 172, 442.

**Parkview Owls:** Handicap: Arta Norris 267, 734; K.E. Conrad 267; Les Burdick 256, 739; Marsha Jamnik 279, 736; Shirley Tenity 276; Sandy LePree 733. Scratch: K.E. Conrad 228, 592; Les Burdick 208, 595; Shirley Tenity 223, 572; Rosemary Burdick 210; Sandy LePree 556.

**Bowlers of the Week:** Carolyn Hylton, 122 pins over her average, and Matt O'Brien, 115 pins over his average.



REBECCA FRECHETTE/For the *Riverland News*

The Dunnellon High School boys' soccer team huddles up before its Nov. 15 game against North Marion. Injuries have hit the team hard in the past week.

## Soccer teams work through struggles

### Both squads remain winless; season still young

LAURA RILEY

For the *Riverland News*

The Dunnellon High School boys' soccer team had a week of firsts.

The Tigers competed in three games in a five-day span, the most so far this season.

On Monday, Nov. 26, Dunnellon played at West Port, losing 2-0.

On Tuesday, Nov. 27, the Tigers played at home against Palatka, falling 5-2 to the Panthers. Gio Bencini, with an assist by Austin Cooke, and Shane Williams scored for Dunnellon. This was also Williams' first game playing offense for Dunnellon.

Finally, on Thursday, Nov. 29, the boys traveled

to Bellevue High School and the Tigers' defense held the Rattlers until the final three minutes of the game when Bellevue struck for a 1-0 victory.

Additionally, the team had four serious injuries plague them during their three-game span.

Jared Byrd sprained his ankle toward the end of the Westport match.

Byrd was kept out the remainder of the week, but return for future games.

A season-ending injury will sideline goalkeeper Bobby Langley, sending first-yearsoccer player Robert Segarra into the box. Toward the end of match against Palatka, Segarra was taken out of the game after hurting his shoulder, forcing third-string goalkeeper Jake

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## ATHLETES OF THE WEEK • PRESENTED BY GREENLIGHT DUNNELLON COMMUNICATIONS

### Michael Nelson, DCA basketball

Michael Nelson, an seventh-grader at Dunnellon Christian Academy, tallied 15 points and 12 rebounds, including the game-winning shot as the Eagles snapped a four-year losing streak with a 25-24 victory against Grace Christian Academy. "His enthusiasm is infectious," coach Shane Arnold said.



Michael Nelson

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### Sierra Oliver, DHS girls basketball



Sierra Oliver

Oliver averages 8 points a game and averaged 12 points per game last week. Additionally, she is averaging 5 rebounds a game and 2 steals per game as well. "Sierra is a great student and teammate who makes everyone around her better," said coach Tony Maldonado.

## HONOR ROLL

**Dunnellon High School First Quarter Honor Roll**  
**All As**  
**Ninth Grade:** Christina Bauer, Kasey Bernstein, Cloe Botelho, Ella Botelho, Douglas Easom, Kelly Haines, Austin Howell, Sara Janosik, Olivia Pryor, Dylan Pujol, Michelle Ruiz, Briana Singleton and Hailee Smith.

**10th Grade:** Sergio Aponte, Christine Calvert, Diaraliz Cruz, Kendal Destin, Kevin Fagan, Carrissa Figueiredo, Annie Hannah, Jacob Hilliard, Jademarie Johns, Savannah Joiner, Shannon Jones, Taylor Kouba, Robert Kruger, Dillon Lamb, Valerie Langley, Thomas Reilly and William Thomas.

**11th Grade:** Chloe Cook, Nicole Dunne, Gabrielle Jones, Azalea Kemp, Malaina Mills, Rylie Nonnemacher, Randy Oram, Ashley Paden, Courtney Pike, Sharda Ram, Laura Riley and Miguelito Villon.

**12th Grade:** Amanda Barber, Storm Bazarsky, Meranda Bettis, Anna Carmona, Michael Chung, Melissa Clarke, Cassidy Duff, Jade Gardner, Aaliyah Gilbert, Eric Goicochea, Jesenia Guillen, Codi Hart, Kevin Hitt, Gavin Honeysette, Harley Hoste, Marcus Jennings, Lee Joiner, Zachary Main, Christopher Miller, Ryan Molloy, Alex Nonnemacher, Danielle Prinz, Nicholas Rodriguez, Kayla Sears, Christopher Smith, Alexander Stetz, John Torres, Connor Wentz, Ashley Wonderly, Elizabeth Wright and Sarah Young.

**A/B**  
**Ninth Grade:** Haley Akins, Cynthia Boley, Alexandria Bowers, Charnyla Carter, Desiree Chozinske, Sydney Clemons, Jessica Dominguez, Tanirelis Fernandez, Terralynn Ford, Arthur Grant, Kinsley Grant, Jamie Kulik, Abigail Long, Brett Mayes, Kaleb McNelly, Eddie Nieves, Elliott Nieves, Crystal Risher, Khali Robinson, Talia Rodriguez, Chevelle Simms, Rudolph Sinflorant, Brandi Smith, Tyra Thomas, Kayla Thonen, Kyron Topley, Alex Waldrop, Shelby Webb, Allyson Wedlick, Brihana Willingham and Tiana Wright.

**10th Grade:** Sean Anderson, Amanda Barney, Courtney Bassett, Jacob Boris, Jessica Brown, Tessa Carneccchia, Codey Chester, Kaylanee Crespo, Madeline Duran, Korine Eugene, Tamera Fichtner, Brittany Ford, Haley Grant, Amanda Hargabus, Jamie Haught, Amber Joice, Kristen Ledbetter, Gabriel Long, Leesha Marlett, Jordan Morgan, Tiffany Murry, Marc Navetta, Sierra Oliver, Olana Osborn, Kacie Pye, Kayla Reed, Kimberly Reid, Daniel Rivera, Sunita Roberts, Jacob Umana, Hali Valeo, Savanna Walker, Cheyann Walls and Destiny Watkins.

**11th Grade:** Beth Acevedo, Jade Allen, Maggie Blausner, Jonathan Coleman, Alissandre Eugene, Lacey Ford, Jasleen Herrera Alvarez, Jessica Jenner, Kelynn Lorigan, Jesse McMahan, Libby Medrano, Kelly Meyer, Janise Monterio, Angel Padilla-Ramos, Rebecca Perpenete, Lauryn Reddick, Kelsey Rittli, Kalyn Rodriguez, Robert Ruiz, Keith Sabolesky, Lyle Savage, Serenity Skillman, Bryce Thalacker, Cierra Thompson, Nathan Thompson, Angela Tuiyot, Esther Vazquez, Paige Volker, Jody Weber, Edward White, Emily White, Ashlee Winn and Rebecca Wooten.

**12th Grade:** Danny Alejandro, Danielle Blake, Jordon Boley, Megan Caranci, Christopher Cartagena, Brianna Casanova, Kerri Ciaramella, Ellaina Crooks, Marissa Daly, Patricio Delgado, Jenny Duran, Joseph Fernandez, Erin Fitzgerald, Danielle Flores, Staci Golding, Alexander Gonzalez, Brittany Harrod, Shakera Hilbert, Rachel Horne, Jacilyn Indelicati, Shawna Jeroski, Caitlin Jungwirth, Brittany Landers, Michael Litterine, Jaime Lopez, Tia Love, Jordon Loyola, Terrence Magana, Shannie Marrero, Amber McDuffie, Jamilee McFarlane, Kaila McKee, Daisy Morris, Omar Novoa, Amanda Oram, Zahyrimar Otero Diaz, Michael Roberson, David Roberto, Selena Ruiz, Jose Guadalupe Sanchez Higuera, Sara Mia Sanchez Perez, Ashley Segarra, Roberto Segarra, Ngqabutho Sigogo, Taylor Spoto, Roland Stamm, Brittany Swaney, J'Von Swoll, Kelsie Tomaine, Emmily Valeo, Jovon Vargas, Shane Williams and Erica Wygant.

## DMS band members tune up for holidays



**Delbert Smallridge**  
**DMS Principal**

The Winter Concert at Dunnellon Middle School will be from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the DMS auditorium, under the musical direction of Ms. Kristina Roblow, DMS Band Director.

Our Beginning and Symphonic band members have worked very hard to make this performance one of

### PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

their finest. We will also be delighted by the sweet harmony of our DMS Chorus members as they add their magic to the evening. An invitation is extended to the Dunnellon community to attend the concert and join DMS as we get into the

holiday spirit.

The DMS Beginning band will have a rehearsal from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 6, in the DMS band room. We would like to take a moment to recognize the following musical artists for their dedication and time com-

mitted to mastering their chosen instrument and to our parents for the generous gift of their time.

**Beginning Band:** Levi Aliza, Judy Allen, Jamil Bess, Alicia Colon, Jeramie Cristello, Cole Gordon, Jacob Harris, Allan Maxwell, Kayla McClure,

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## Fundraisers a cake walk



JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Tania Garcia Milan, Bellmalyz Chevere, Celina Garcia Milan and Melissa Clarke chose cupcakes after their number was called Nov. 16 at the United Way cupcake walk fundraiser.

## DHS students raise \$1,812 for United Way of Marion Co.

### CHRISTINA BAUER

For the Riverland News

How many laps does it take to win a cupcake?

Senior Brittany Harrod knows.

"I walked two laps and won a chocolate cupcake!" Harrod said.

But why did Harrod, alongside a crowd of 530 other students, walk laps around Dunnellon High's track to simply win cupcakes?

"We all paid \$2 and the money was for United Way," freshman Jessica Morgan said. "It's good that we can help the county and all. And I got 7 cupcakes, so I guess I was just really lucky, right there every time."

With an abundance of delicious cupcakes made by staff, teachers and student government, Dunnellon High collected 1,186 cupcakes, which resulted in a total of 296,500 calories consumed by Dunnellon students.

All of these cupcakes and \$2 ticket sales resulted in Dunnellon High collecting \$1,060 to send to



At the faculty versus student basketball game Nov. 20, Michael Watson bats the ball away from senior Tanika Jackson.

United Way, which was then turned around by the charity and given back to the Dunnellon community to local children's groups, such as the Boy Scouts.

Dunnellon High has also offered another way for the students to donate to such a charitable foundation through Dunnellon

High's annual Student versus Staff basketball game Tuesday, Nov. 20, when members of the girls' and boys' basketball teams faced off against some very well experienced teachers on the basketball court, such as chemistry and physics teacher Robert Ayton, and boys basketball coach Travis Licht.

Senior Chris Jackson took off full speed after recording a steal, ending in the one and only slam-dunk of the game, rattling the staff's composure, and lifting the student's spirits as their skills excelled with the boosted play from Jackson.

"I'm a dunker. that's what I do," the senior basketball player said. "I do it all the time."

The same as the cupcake walk, admission into the game was \$2 per student, but with 325 students opting to attend the game, a grand total of \$752.70 was raised to go toward United Way's charitable actions in the community.

The students played well, keeping the game close until the end, but ultimately falling to the staff, on what some spectators say was due to "biased referees."

None-the-less, great plays came from many students, including a few well-planned plays from brother and sister Tanika and Andre Jackson and Jordon Loyola.

### EDUCATION BRIEFS

#### Stormwater education grants available

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

Through March 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](http://www.marioncountyfl.org/stormwater.htm) to download grant application instructions and forms.

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

#### 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.

#### Church collecting box tops for education

The Altar and Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will continue to collect Box Tops for Education and Campbell Soup UPC labels for one of the local schools here in Dunnellon. Box Tops and labels can be dropped off at the office of the church or put in the container in the church narthax. For more information, call 489-5954.

#### Cub Scouts meet Tuesdays at church

Cub Scout Pack 508 meets at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Episcopal Church of the Advent, 11251 S.W. Highway 484, Ocala. For more information, call 465-7272.

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## Gifts make a difference to teachers

December is always that time of year when kindness becomes a daily focus. We want to give others something to recognize how much we appreciate them, how hard they work and what they have done for us during the past year.

Frequently, school administrators are asked: "What can I get for this teacher, assistant, cafeteria worker,

dean or bus driver?" The list could be endless; but let's start with the least expensive — sit down with a piece of paper and by hand write a note thanking them for helping your child. These handwritten notes mean more to them than any "thing" you could purchase. Another no cost, but great idea is to send a letter to the editor of a local paper ex-

pressing what a wonderful job your child's teacher is doing. Rarely do happy parents write good news to the papers. Next might be something from \$1 to \$10 food gift cards — such as McDonald's or Subway. That morning cup of coffee on the way to work would be great, or lunch at Subway when you forgot to pack one or ran out of money for the café. On now to deluxe, where the sky is the limit: adopt the class for the remainder of the year. Send \$150, which

would give the teacher \$25 per month to spend on the class. Or get a \$150 gift card for your favorite department store so they can shop the after Christmas sales.

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**Jane Ashman**  
**Romeo Principal**

### Chi Zeta donation



Special to the Riverland News  
 Regina Lazear, right, presented Chi Zeta Sorority's donation to Fredna Wilkerson, principal at Dunnellon Elementary School. The funds will be used to purchase a Document Camera for classroom use.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Ocala Lions Club to host pancake breakfast

The Ocala 200 Lions Club will host a pancake breakfast and outside yard sale Saturday, Jan. 5, 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 from September until June. All proceeds benefit local charities.

### Knights to host dinner dance

The Knights of Columbus Council No. 8510 of Dunnellon will sponsor a dinner dance Saturday, Jan. 12, at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church. The parish hall is located south of the intersection of State Road 40 and U.S. 41.

Tickets are available from the parish office or by phone from the Knights of Columbus. Tickets are \$15 per person. Country Sunshine

Band will provide live music. To reserve a table (10 to 16 people) or to pre-order tickets, call 489-6221. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30. Proceeds go to local charities.

### Annual Day of Caring scheduled Feb. 23

United Way of Marion County will host the 20th Annual Day of Caring on Saturday, Feb. 23. Day of Caring offers businesses, individuals, organizations and civic clubs the opportunity to help local nonprofit human service agencies accomplish much-needed projects during one day of organized volunteerism.

Volunteer work teams who are interested in participating or community organizations that have projects that need to be completed can fill out an application at [www.uwmc.org](http://www.uwmc.org). The deadline for team and project applications is Monday, Dec. 31.

For more information, contact Tina Banner at 352-732-9696 or [tbanner@uwmc.org](mailto:tbanner@uwmc.org).

## BAND

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Ciara Melchionne, Samuel Mengual Campo, Darius Michels, Nisa Nombrano, Jose Ortiz, Rebecca Ray, Teddy Rivenburg, Destiny Sharp, Christopher Sirolli, Carl Smith, Paul Strong, Samuel Velez, Hailey Weatherford and Kaylee Wyckoff.

### Symphonic Band:

Mathew Baillargeon, Daniel Burchfield, Ethan Burns, Christopher Cronon, Steven Cruz, Cecelia DeLorenzo, Christopher Doyle, Eduardo Escalante, Kayla Gandy, Mikayla Goins-Villon, Cristina Gonzalez, Tyler Hart, McKenzie Ingram, Niya Jaglal, Joshua Kerrick, Jacob LeBlanc, Abigail Lolly, Megan McClure, Shelby Meyers, Dustin Morgan, Emily Newsom, Heather Noll, Kyrstin Nottke, Destiny Ray, Dana Roberts, Jason Smith, Kenneth Staggs, Kaylah Starks, Kristen Starr, and Samuel Torres. Chorus: Jasmine Aguilar, Emily Begin, Tyler Berzett, Melanie Brenwald, Jillian Capps, Cody Caraballo, Cassie Corrie, Daisy Dutkiewicz, Francisco Granados, Tyler

Houlker, Shawn Judkins, Baylie Kerswill, Kirsten LeBlanc, Jacqueline LeBlanc, Cody McBride, Toni Morgan, Lulani Mulligan, Nayadeth Muniz-Hernandez, Briana Nassar, Heather Noll, Kyrstin Nottke, Devon Potter, J'Ree Reeves, Felicia Rossi, Caroline Shank, Sierra Shepard, Adrienne Sikora, Sadee Stephens, Emily Sweat, Naomi Watson and Samantha White.

Our DMS Symphonic Band will perform around 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 8, at the Ocala Christmas Parade. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the parade and listen to the beautiful melodies our talented young DMS band students will perform for us.

### Welcome back

The Dunnellon Middle School eighth-grade students who participated in our annual Washington, D.C., trip will return from their DC adventure around 8 a.m. Friday, Dec. 7, in the DMS bus loop. We know they will be weary from their trip but they will also be filled with exciting tales of the sights, smells, and feel of

the city they just experienced. We are looking forward to the stories these young folks will share with us.

Welcome back to: Haley Below, Ariel Benjamin, Breanna Bergeron, Savannah 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, Irwin River, Alexis James, Ruthie Johnson, Kaci Jones, Christian Knapp, Phillip Laird, Renae

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## NEWS BRIEFS

### Norm's Clean Cuts accepting toys, food

Norm's Clean Cuts Barber Shop at 11941 Bostick St., Dunnellon is a drop-off point for the U.S. Marine Corps annual Toys for Tots drive as well as a drop-off location for food donations for Food 4 Kids Inc., which provides backpacks full of food on the weekends for needy children in the area. For more information, call 465-3666.

### 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.

### 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 need 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 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.

### RS Garden Club to meet today

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.

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.

### WAR slates quarterly meeting, turkey dinner

Withlacoochee Area Residents (WAR) will host 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.

### Garden Club to have Christmas luncheon

The Dunnellon Garden Club will meet at 11 a.m. Dec. 13 for its Christmas luncheon at Abigail's Restaurant on Pennsylvania Avenue.

The Dunnellon Garden Club's next general meeting will be Jan. 17 at the Dunnellon Woman's Club, 11756 Cedar St. Plans for the annual fashion show, which is slated for 11 a.m. Feb. 9 at the First United Methodist Church, will be finalized. For more information, call Pam Ricker 489-3545.

# City seeks to fill voids on boards

## Slots available on Planning Commission, Historic Preservation

Special to the Riverland News

The city is accepting applications for the Planning Commission and Historic Preservation Board.

Planning Commission members serve three-year terms. Board members must be residents of the city or business owners for more than three years.

The Planning Commission

hears planning and zoning applications, forwarding a recommendation for action to the City Council.

The Planning Commission meets the third Tuesday monthly in Council Chambers at City Hall. The length of the meetings depends on the length of the agenda. Occasionally it may be necessary to hold special meetings; these will be scheduled as needed.

Members of the Historic Preservation Board serve three-year terms. The Board hears building and zoning permit applications that affect the Historic District for the City of Dunnellon.

The Historic Preservation Board meets the second Tuesday monthly in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The length of the meetings depends on the length of the agenda. Occasionally it may

be necessary to hold special meetings; these will be scheduled as needed.

Interested parties may download an application for either board at [www.dunnellon.org](http://www.dunnellon.org) or by contacting the Community Development Department at [jrehberg@dunnellon.org](mailto:jrehberg@dunnellon.org), calling 465-8500, option No. 3, or in person at 20750 River Drive, Dunnellon, Florida and return to: City of Dunnellon, 20750 River Drive, Dunnellon, FL 34431. Attn: Community Development.

## City lights up for Christmas tree ceremony



Photos by STEVIE WHITE/For the Riverland News

Holding the microphone for the Dunnellon Community Corral, newly elected Dunnellon Mayor Nate Whitt enjoys the choir's second performance of the night during the city of Dunnellon's second annual Light Up Dunnellon event. The Christmas tree lighting ceremony was Friday on the grounds of City Hall, 20750 River Drive. The event included performances from the Dunnellon Community Chorale and the Dunnellon Community Youth Choir. Dr. Abraham Robinson, New Second Bethel Missionary Baptist Church, provided the invocation during the ceremony. In addition to the musical performances, Santa Claus made an appearance.



TOP LEFT: After the lighting of the Dunnellon Christmas tree, Jewel, 4, gathered alongside many other children to help decorate the tree with many different types of ornaments. TOP RIGHT Front and center, good friends Alecia, 8, and Kiana, 8, sing along with the Dunnellon Community Youth Choir. BELOW: Anxiously awaiting their musical performance, Mirrica, 9, and the rest of the kids in the Dunnellon Community Youth Choir sit patiently under the pavilion in front of City Hall.



## Students pitch in for 'beary' holiday season

BRITTANY HARROD  
For the Riverland News

Adults are not the only ones who give back to the community.

Dunnellon High School's FBLA students are dressing teddy bears and stuffing stockings for the less fortunate.

Club sponsor Linda Molloy has been leading students in this project for the past 28 years. A group of retired telephone workers called the Telephone Pioneers provide the bears and stockings, and all one must do is call the Salvation Army and let them know how many bears and stockings they would like to

order. Molloy's students teamed up with Julie Edison's Advanced Fashion Design students, who hand-made the clothing for their bears. The FBLA students receive two community service hours for each stocking and one hour for each bear dressed.

"I've always been taught that it is better to give than receive," said Molloy, whose son, Ryan, a senior, led the group by dressing a total of five bears.

Local business, Cuttin' Loose Salon, added four bears to the mix.

In total, 58 bears and 45 stockings will be distributed to children in the community.



ARIEL BUCHKO/For the Riverland News

FBLA students Jessica Baker, Lakiya Scott, Brittany Harrod, Tunisha Chest-Moore, Selena Ruiz, Jackie Hooker, Doug Castell, Catherine Jager and Ashley Knerr pose Nov. 20 with their sponsor Linda Molloy and the stockings and bears they are donating to the Salvation Army to be given to less fortunate children.

## Chamber awards dinner slated

Event will be Jan. 12

Special to the Riverland News

The Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce is busily preparing for its annual awards/installation dinner at 6 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 12, at the Rainbow River's Clubhouse.

During the evening's festivities, awards will be given out and newly elected board members will be sworn in.

The chamber will present awards in the following categories:

- **Community Service Award:** The Community Service Award was first presented in 1986 and its purpose is to recognize one or more persons who have been instrumental in serving our Community.

- **Community Youth Award:** The Community Youth Award recognizes one or more persons who have been instrumental in Youth Services in the Dunnellon Area.

- **Making A Difference Award:** This award is presented to an individual who has done an outstanding job of making a difference in Dunnellon.

- **Community Involvement Award:** The Community Involvement Award is to recognize one or more persons who have been instrumental in making Dunnellon area a better place in which to work and live.

- **Service Above Self Award:** This Award is to honor someone of good moral character who is well respected and has given outstanding service to the community without thought of personal gain or recognition.

- **Business Leader Award:** The Business Leader Award is given to a business leader who enhances the Chamber and the local business community, demonstrates a commitment to community and civic affairs and serves as a business leader in the community.

- **Heritage Award:** While the following award is not presented every year, the Heritage Award is given to a person or persons who have contributed and promoted the historical heritage of the community.

Tickets for the event are on sale now and are \$25 per person. The cost includes the price of dinner as well as appetizers, deserts, wine and drinks. Seating is limited, Leisure noted, so reserving your tickets now is important. For more information or to purchase a ticket for the event, call the Chamber of Commerce at 489-2320 or e-mail [dunnellonchamber@bellsouth.net](mailto:dunnellonchamber@bellsouth.net).

**ASHMAN**

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good manners, "Yes, ma'am" or "No, sir" are habits that will take them far as adults. Sitting at the kitchen table in the evening overseeing the homework reinforces the teachers having them practice to learn. Enjoy your children they become adults over night!

**'A very merry and musical holidays'**

Come one, come all. It is the Holiday time again, and this year is set to be the best ever for Romeo.

It's time for our Holiday Concert Series 2012, starting with our all-school event, A Holiday Extravaganza! A Holiday Sneak Peek and A Holiday to Remember!, at 5:45 p.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11. Kindergarten, first, second, and third grades will perform "A Holiday Sneak Peek" starting at 5:45 in the cafeteria, per the order listed.

There will be no specific time that each grade level begins or ends, therefore students will need to be in the cafeteria by 5:45 to ensure that they are able to participate in the performance. The Romeo Concert Chorus will meet in the music room at 6:15, in order to prepare for the main event. At 7, the main event, "A Holiday to Remember: A recognition of the Holidays in December" will be performed by the Romeo Concert Chorus, comprised of both fourth- and fifth-grade students.

This is unlike any other musical evening at Romeo, and will surely be an event to remember and cherish. So don't miss it. Mark your calendars and be ready to see our students spread some wonderful holiday cheer.

A second performance of our all-school event, A Holiday Extravaganza! A Holiday Sneak Peek and A Holiday to Remember!, will be performed Friday, Dec. 14, during school. Third-, fourth- and fifth-grade students (along with

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

- 5:45 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11 — Holiday Music Concert in the Cafeteria.
- Thursday, Dec. 13 — Grandparent readers' visit.
- 8:30 and 9:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 14 — Holiday Music Concert in the Cafeteria.
- Noon Friday, Dec. 14 — Early Release Day.
- Monday, Dec. 17, to Tuesday, Jan. 1 — Winter Break.

lot to park and enter the gates. Our performance will begin at approximately 6:15 and last until 6:45, when Santa floats up the river. There must be at least one family member present during the concert, as students will be dismissed directly following the concert to their family member. Come join us for a lovely evening to enhance your holiday season and spread some holiday cheer!

**Art Room news**

The art studio at Romeo Elementary School has been very busy. We have produced many wonderful pieces of original art as we study the old masters, the impressionists and cubists' painters of the past. Each grade level and many classes are working of different projects. We continue to transform our knowledge in the art room into new masterpieces. Most grade levels are learning science in the art room as we become little chemists with paint mixtures.

The fall shows are over and we really made a splash with our work at the FAFO (Fine Arts for Ocala) show this year. Those pieces will come home soon. As your student reads about new things in their studies, have them draw a picture of it. They will understand the new ideas more completely if they can draw and imagine things about the new ideas they read about.

the Romeo Concert Chorus) will attend and perform at the 8:15 a.m. performance and kindergarten, first, and second (along with the Romeo Concert Chorus) will attend and perform at the 9:15 a.m. performance. Visitors must first visit the Main Office by 8 a.m. — located in the front of the school — to receive a visitor pass. Please bring your Driver's License for this purpose.

Our final performance of our Holiday Concert Series 2012 will be the Romeo Concert Chorus' performance of A Holiday Extravaganza!: A Holiday to Remember at Santa Over the Rainbow on Friday, Dec. 14, in the Rainbow Springs State Park. Parents of performing students are asked to drop off their students with Mrs. Collins in the volunteer parking lot at 5:30 p.m. at the latest, and then proceed to the main parking

**Dunnellon 4H Club elects officers**



Special to the Riverland News  
The Dunnellon Elementary School 4H Club recently elected its officers. Pictured, from left, are: Dale Morgan, treasurer; Emily Fowler, secretary; Michael Livingston, reporter; Rosie Bailey, president; and Megan Sereda, vice president.

**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 Hos-

pice 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.

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**CHURCH NEWS**

**Peach Lutheran slates Advent services**

Advent services at Peace Lutheran Church will be at 4 p.m. Dec. 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.

For more information about Peace Lutheran, visit [www.PeaceLutheranOnline.com](http://www.PeaceLutheranOnline.com).

**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. For more information, call 489-1490 or 489-7787.

**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.

**Church to host Christmas Cantata**

First Baptist Church of Rainbow Lakes Estates will host a Christmas Cantata at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, at its church at 19756 S.W. Beach Blvd.

**Tyler/Hensley Engagement**



Mr. and Mrs. Daniel and Tammy Tyler of Dunnellon are pleased to announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Renee Tyler, to Cody Hensley, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike and Sabrina Hensley of Dunnellon.

Renee is a 2011 graduate of Dunnellon High School and recently graduated from the College of Central Florida with a degree in cosmetology. She is the granddaughter of

Bud Pratz and Jean Dowd and Sandra and Bob Heller.

Cody is a 2009 graduate of Dunnellon High School and is currently employed at Progress Energy Florida in Crystal River. He is the grandson of Phyllis and the late T.J. Peterson and Jerry and the late Gloria Hensley.

The couple will wed Feb. 9, 2013, at Black Diamond Country Club in Lecanto.

**OUT TO PASTOR**

**What holiday does a holiday tree celebrate?**

I will confess right up front to a certain degree of confusion. The Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage will corroborate this confession. So many things confuse me; I am not sure where to begin, and once I begin, where in the world will it stop?

I have been married for over 41 years but I must confess, not to the same woman. Oh yes, it is the same woman with the same name but it is not the same woman I married 41 years ago. Where is that young woman I married?

When first married, I thought I knew everything there was to know about women and wives in particular. I do not know if it is the ensuing years but I am rather confused about this whole matter of being married. I suppose that is the mystery of romance. If you ever figure it out it loses its charm. Romance without charm is just an old man and an old woman who have lived together for 41 years.

That is just one area of confusion. I harbor no aspiration of unconfusing my level of confusion

in that area. There are other areas I could work on that might be a little more productive in this regard.

An area particularly that has me greatly confused is the Christmas season with all the Christmas decorations including the ominous Christmas tree. Oh, how I love that old Christmas tree and decorating it and celebrating the whole Christmas spirit.

What has been confusing me for the last several years is this uncertainty about the season. Some people do not want to call it the Christmas season; rather they refer to it as the holiday season. What I want to know is, what holiday are we celebrating in December?

I know the holiday we celebrate in November, and the other holidays sprinkled throughout the year.

In July, for example, nobody calls it a "holiday parade." It is the Fourth of July parade, for Pete's sake! In February, nobody calls it a "holiday banquet." It is a Valentine's banquet.

Just so everybody See PASTOR page 16



Rev. James Snyder

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

**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](http://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. This program is free and meets from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the church Friendship Hall. For more information,

call Grace Burks at 489-2580 or Joey Weisbaum at 489-6963.

**New AA group to meet 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](mailto:fendryck@tampabay.rr.com).



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by Linda Thistle

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## DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★ ★

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Puzzle answers on Page 5

## BRIDGE SCORES

### Rainbow Springs Country Club Bridge Results from Nov. 27:

Winners: 1. Jean Bozak, 5,150; 2. Irene Komorowski, 4,610; 3. Luise Pellett, 4,470; 4. Brian Norris, 4,190. Slams: Luise Pellett and Irene Komorowski, 6 Spades.

### Results from Nov. 20:

Winners: 1. Millie Morales, 4,590; 2. Wilma Jester, 4,500; 3. Wes Hannington, 4,470; 4. Tomiko Vasey, 4,150. No slams.

### Results from Nov. 13:

Winners: 1. Robert Pitterman, 5,260; 2. Tomiko Vasey, 4,360; 3. Wes Hannington, 4,180; 4. Billie Barnes, 4,010. 5. Brian Norris, 3,640. No Slams.

## PASTOR

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knows, nobody will catch me singing a "holiday carol."

I suppose with all the holidays in this country throughout the year it would be simpler just to call everything a "holiday." That would simplify things and help those who cannot keep up with the calendar. I am all for that.

It seems the only squabbling that goes on is during the month of December. Actually, the squabbling begins before our turkey dinner has finished digesting. Maybe some people get too much turkey in their system and it clouds their thinking. All they have to do is squabble about something and so the only thing in front of them is the Christmas season. I get that.

What I do not get is the level of anger directed in this direction. It would seem that the Christmas season offers a huge threat to our society. We cannot call our Christmas tree a Christmas tree; it has to be called a holiday tree. Everybody knows, the word "Christmas tree" is some kind of code inviting disaster on our society. I have never heard

anybody define or describe what that disaster would look like.

What amazes me is simply that this is a huge issue in some people's minds. Nothing is more dangerous to society than this.

The word "Christmas" carries with it more danger to our society than the ominous financial cliff we are facing, the threat of terrorism in our own country and Lindsay Lohan at 4 a.m.

What is more confusing to me is that these people who are trying to protect our society from anything religious wants to substitute the word "Christmas" for the word "holiday." It just shows the level of education in our country has not kept up with the times.

I know it has been a long time since I have been in school, but I do know that certain words have certain definitions. Do the people who object to anything religious understand that the word holiday comes from the phrase "holy day?"

I am not a PhD but I do know that the phrase "holy day" has religious roots.

So, I am really confused along this line. On the one hand, we are not to use the word "Christmas" because of its religious connotations. At the same time, we are supposed to use the

word "holiday" which in every dictionary in the land means "holy day."

I could be corrected along this line, but in my thinking the phrase, "holy day" has some very distinct religious roots. When I hear somebody complaining along this line, and they do it so vehemently, I have a question as to their sanity. It does not make sense to me.

Christmas is a holy day but we are not allowed to think of it as a holy day just use the term "holiday." Now I am really confused. Is it a holiday or a holy day? Is it sacred or is it secular? What holiday does a holiday tree really celebrate?

I like what the apostle Paul wrote, "Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an holyday, or of the new moon, or of the Sabbath days" (Colossians 2:16 KJV).

I will not allow any man's objections affect my celebration of the Christmas season. To quote from a great secular classic, "God bless us, everyone."

Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship in Ocala. He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 866-552-2543 or email james.snyder2@att.net.

## CHURCH NOTES

### Women's group slates Christmas program

The Women's Fellowship at First Congregational United Church of Christ, at 7171 S.W. State Road 200, will present a Christmas program at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Dec. 11, in the Sanctuary. The public is invited to attend. For more information, call 352-509-4218.

### Catholic church to host 'Clothe the Children'

The Altar & Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will host a "Clothe the Children" drive from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 13, in the church hall. New and used clothing will be distributed to families in need. Applications will be available at the door. For more information, call 489-1984.

### New women's bible study slated

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

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# Sunday Sampler welcomes Carly Bak, Too Many Smiths

Special to the Riverland News

The Sunday Sampler offers music lovers the opportunity of being entertained by Carly Bak and Too Many Smiths at 2:30 p.m. Dec. 9 at the historic Dunnellon Depot, 12061 S. Williams St., Dunnellon.

Too Many Smiths consist of

Ocala's Linda and Glen Smith. They met at the Will McLean Festival eight years ago and have been performing together ever since at many Florida Folk Festivals and venues around the state. This will be their first performance at the Sunday Sampler. Their repertoire includes a wide variety of song styles, in-

cluding country, jazz, Irish, classic rock and present day pop.

Carly Bak is a singer/songwriter who weaves soulful vocals, rhythmic Americana melodies and a blend of folk/roots/blues textures — drawing on influences such as Joni Mitchell, Patsy Cline, Emmylou Harris, Etta James, and Cleo

Lane. Bak's "Boil That Sugar-cane Down" is a prize winner in the Will McLean Songwriting Contest. To listen to Bak's music or view her schedule of events, visit [reverbnation.com/carlybak](http://reverbnation.com/carlybak) or [broadjam.com/carlybak](http://broadjam.com/carlybak)

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## Veterans mark Veteran's Day at living facilities



Special to the Riverland News

In commemoration of Veterans Day, six members of American Legion Post No. 58 visited three assisted living homes — Quiet Oaks, top; Hampton Manor Gardens, middle; and Hampton Manor West, bottom. A total of 21 veterans were present. Following introductions, Post Chaplain Eugene Thomas led us in prayer and the pledge of allegiance. Each veteran was introduced and thanked for their service to our country. Everyone enjoyed cake and refreshments and a few good service tales. It was a pleasant experience shared with the veterans and Post No. 58 comrades.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### American Legion activities slated

American Legion Wall-Rives Post 58 and the Women's Auxiliary will meet at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday monthly. Dinner will be served at 5:30.

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

Bingo will be at 6 p.m. Thursdays. Doors open at

4. Smoking is not allowed. Refreshments are available.

The outdoor flea market and pancake breakfast is the third Saturday monthly. Cost for the breakfast is \$5 per person.

### Police collecting used cell phones

The Dunnellon Police Department is collecting

cellular phones with chargers for domestic violence victims. The collected phones are turned over to domestic violence shelters and provided to victims to use to call 911 for any emergency. Please drop off all unused cellular phones along with the chargers to the police department, 12014 S. Williams St. Dunnellon or at Repeat Boutique.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### Agency needs items for homeless program

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

### New Writers Group meets monthly

The Writers Group of Central Florida (Dunnellon), a new group open to

all writers, will meet at 1 p.m. the first Saturday monthly at the Dunnellon Public Library. For more information, email [wg\\_dunnellon@yahoo.com](mailto:wg_dunnellon@yahoo.com).

### Penno VFW Post plans events

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

Join us for Darts at 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Bingo at 1 p.m. Mondays. \$1 Hot Dogs are available for lunch on those days.

Dinner is from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Fridays. Tickets are \$8 each.

The canteen opens at noon daily.

For more information, call 465-4864.

### TOPS welcomes new members, visitors

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter 375 Rainbow Lakes welcomes new members and visitors. TOPS meets at 9:30 a.m. Tuesdays at the Rainbow Lakes Community Center 4030 S.W. Deepwater Court, Rainbow Lakes. Take U.S. 41 to Rainbow Lakes Boulevard, 4.5 miles to the Community Center. For more information, call 465-5807.

## FLY

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Arnold said, noting the team had lost three to four games by five or less points. "You could also sense there was some frustration that we were close, but not able to pull it out."

Now that his team has that first win the books, Arnold expects a different outlook for the remainder of the season.

"We know how to win," he explained.

For Arnold, the past season and half has been equally as challenging for him as his players. Arnold had served at Ocala Meadowbrook Christian Academy's athletic director and coach for several years prior to taking the job at Dunnellon Christian Academy. At Meadowbrook, victories came

on a frequent basis.

"I knew I had a hill to climb coming here," Arnold said. "But I looked forward to the challenge. I think I've become a better coach from this experience. It's really allowed me to teach the kids the game, because basketball isn't just about shooting the ball. You really have to be a student of the game."

After his inaugural season, Arnold challenged his players to hone their skills throughout the summer. Several players participated in a Summer Recreational League in Ocala, where they competed against players their own age. The Eagles' roster consists of players from fifth through eighth grade. Most of their opponents' rosters are a mix of sixth-through eighth-graders. In addition to the age gap,

Dunnellon Christian Academy has three girls on this year's team after allowing a girl to compete last year.

"We really have a mixture of talent on this team," Arnold said. "They're getting better on a daily basis. We just have to continue working toward improving every day."

Not only are the Eagles in the win column, Arnold will certainly get his dose of exercise the remainder of the season. During the victory, Arnold never took a seat as he had done throughout the early part of the season.

"Looks like I'll be standing every game through the end of the season," he joked.

But he's OK with it, because if it means he's walking, then the Eagles can spread their wings and fly.

## SOCCER

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Timik to play.

Segarra was back for the Thursday game and will be for the rest of the season.

Bencini will likely miss the remainder of the season after tearing his ACL during the Palatka game, while trying to stop himself on the field.

The Tigers played at home Tuesday against Lake Weir. They will play

again at 6 p.m. today at North Marion; and at 5:30 p.m. Friday at Forest.

### Girls' soccer round-up

The Lady Tigers soccer team began their week Monday, Nov. 26, playing at West Port.

At half time, Dunnellon trailed, 2-0, and showed promise. However, the Wolf Pack dropped the Lady Tigers, 5-0.

On Tuesday, Nov. 27, Dunnellon competed against Palatka, falling 6-0.

An ankle injury for Alysha Johnson questioned whether she would play against Bellevue Thursday, Nov. 29, but the junior midfielder was able to work through the pain and competed against the Rattlers, who secured a mercy-rule victory with 13 minutes left in the contest.

The girls played Tuesday at Lake Weir. Dunnellon will play today at North Marion and Friday at Forest. The Lady Tigers play after the boys' contests each night.

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PROBATE DIVISION: JUDGE ROBBINS FILE NO. 2012-CP-1692-F  
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332-1213 RIV  
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PROBATE DIVISION, Division F, File No. 2012-CP-1722  
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Deceased  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**  
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Attorney for Personal Representative: Mary F. Trotter, Florida Bar Number: 0377600 541 Fieldcrest Drive, The Villages, FL 32162 Telephone: (352) 205 7245, Fax: (352) 205 7305 December 6 & 13, 2012

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File No.: 2012-CP-1623 Division: Judge Robbins  
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