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City still seeks deal for Greenlight



Nathan Whitt

City owes \$1.6 million by Nov. 1 to Regions Bank

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Negotiations with both Cablevision of Marion County and Hotwire for the respective right to purchase Greenlight Dunnellon Com-

munications continue as city officials are racing against the clock to unload the financially beleaguered telecommunications system before a \$1.6 million payment is due to Regions Bank in Orlando.

Eddie Esch, interim city manager, and John Pierpont of Pierpont Consulting LLC are also still engaged in discussions with Regions Bank to see if a deal can be reached on the looming bond payment as well as

the remaining \$7.3 million in bond obligations.

Mayor Nathan Whitt sounded hopeful a deal can be reached with bank officials, but he, as well as other officials, remain adamant in the need to sell the fiber to the home program launched in 2010.

"There's nothing to speak of," Whitt said about discussions with potential buyers and banking officials. "We're hoping Regions is going to work with us. It sounds like they are, they know the situation we're in, because they

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WHAT'S HAPPENING

Veterans group offers dental care

Veterans needing dental cleaning, examinations or extractions may call Veterans Helping Veterans in Ocala at 433-2320, or John Deakins, board member, at 427-0020 to apply for an appointment. You must be an honorable discharged veteran. Family members are not eligible.

Veterans Helping Veterans has made a special arrangement with a dentist on State Road 200 to see 50 veterans free of charge on Veterans Day, Nov. 11.

You must call the Veterans Helping Veterans Office at 433-2320 to make an appointment.

Woman's Club meeting today

The Dunnellon Woman's Club will meet at noon today at its clubhouse.

Lunch will be a "make your own salad." Members are asked to bring something for the Salad Bar. Fire Chief Joe Campbell and Michelle Zimmerman will give a demonstration about CPR and the use of a defibrillator. Visitors are welcome.

For information about the activities of the Woman's Club, call Gerry Hess, second vice president and membership chairwoman, at 465-8195.

Agency in need of volunteers

The Annie W. Johnson Service Center and the Annie W. Johnson Thrift Store are in need of volunteers. For information, call 489-8021.

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 information, call 465-3666.

Musical milestone

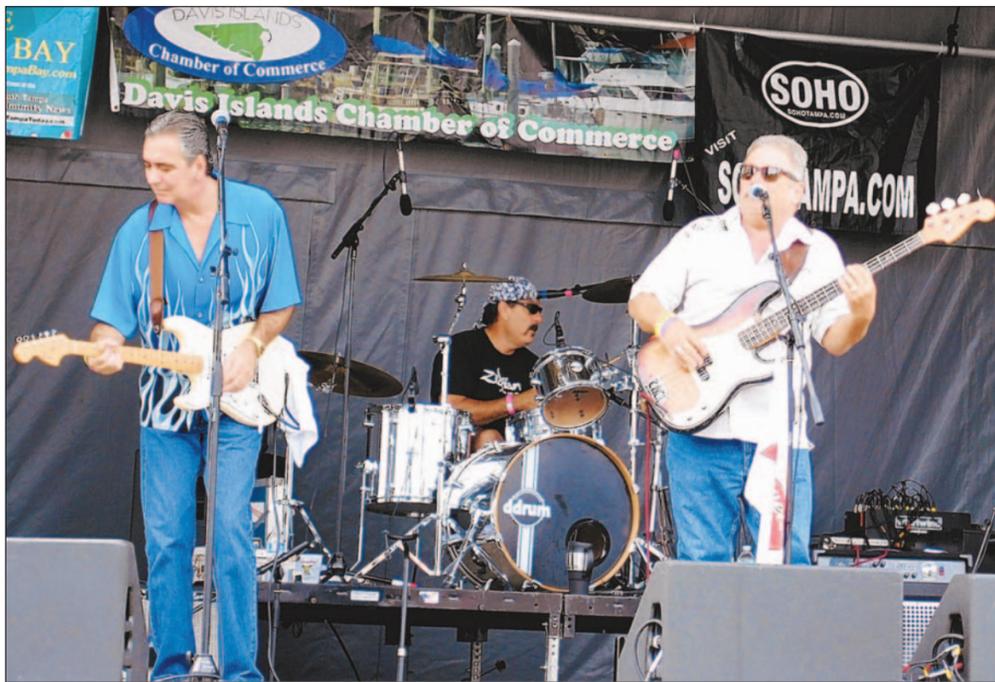


Photo provide by Keith Caton/Bluz Busters

Lifelong Dunnellon resident Keith Caton, left, and his bandmates, Troy Strawdder, who plays bass, and Chris Osborne, who handles the drums, will perform from 5 to 9 p.m. Saturday at Always Something during the 15th annual Jazz Up Dunnellon. The Bluz Busters, as they are known, have performed at the annual event 14 out of 15 years. "The people, the crowds, they really appreciate the music. They're receptive to it. It's a wonderful atmosphere. I'm proud of how it's really grown," Caton said about Jazz Up Dunnellon.

Caton, Bluz Busters back for 14th year of festival

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For the better part of 30 years, Keith Caton has rubbed elbows with the who's who of Blues, from Bo Didley to B.B. King.

"It's amazing, you do a recording session with someone or finish a show with them and you hang out and watch them with your mouth open," he said.

But for the Dunnellon native who spent much of his early musical career traveling and recording in the studio for some of the Blues' greats, nothing beats being at home. Or more likely, nothing is better than creating a beat at home, especially if that opportunity comes at the annual Jazz Up Dunnellon Festival.

"It's a fun thing to do," said Caton, who's appearance this year with his original band, the Bluz Busters, will mark the 14th time he's performed in the annual event. "When they first started it, I remember the phone call I got from the

Chamber. I was on the road playing, and they were like, 'hey, we're thinking about doing a Jazz Festival. Do you know any Jazz bands that would play free?' I was like no, but if you want to incorporate some blues, we'd play."

And the rest, they say, is history.

"It's just fun, it's just good to see people I grew up with," and went to high school the 1974 Dunnellon High graduate explained about performing at Jazz Up Dunnellon. "The people, the crowds, they really appreciate the music. They're receptive to it. It's a wonderful atmosphere. I'm proud of how it's really grown."

"I run into more people during the course of the year who have been so supportive of me playing music that I've known for years. I've been in St. Augustine and in the Keys and run into someone from this area, and they never ask how's the real estate business, it's always, 'are you playing anywhere?'"

Caton understands the work

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Organizers set to rock 15th Jazz Up

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You might be a little bit country, or you may be a little bit rock 'n' roll, but when it comes to Jazz Up Dunnellon there's a little bit of something for everyone.

The 15th annual Mardi Gras-style festival will cover East and West Pennsylvania with the sounds of music and the smell of foods wafting through the air from the numerous vendors who set up shop in the streets and nearby parking lots.

Jazz Up Dunnellon kicks off at 5 p.m. and concludes at 9, as 15 bands and numerous vendors will be posted along the city's main thoroughfare and the Historic District. And it has been in the past three years, speed limits

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Start it up!

Hubbard key in launch of inaugural event

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Eighteen years ago, Bette and Scott Hubbard relocated to Dunnellon via Delray Beach.

Within Bette's first year living in the area, she was volunteering at the Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce and organizing a concert at Rainbow Springs State Park.

Through her connections, the former human resources representative at IBM convinced the Air Force Jazz Ensemble Band to make a stop in Dunnellon in between a concert in the Panhandle and St. Petersburg.

"It was a cold, cold night, but we filled the open bowl area at the park for this concert," she recalled. "You knew then, people wanted something like that here in Dunnellon."

It led her to believe Dunnellon could host a large-scale event featuring musicians throughout downtown Dunnellon. Having been a part of Delray's quarterly, Art & Jazz on the Avenue, Bette believed it was worth a shot at creating an event similar in nature in town.

"I planted the seed," she explained. "I spoke with Bob Ferhing, who was the president of the Chamber at the time and he frequently visited family in Delray Beach. I told him, if he could, to find out

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Never say Never, Pirates pair up for camp

Second annual event will be in Clearwater

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These pirates don't plunder and pillage.

They're not a "band of misfits," nor are they pirates "who don't do anything."

No these pirates, they have a different motto and take on life. These pirates "Never Say Never," and come Saturday morning they'll be sailing along one of the seven seas, so to speak.

The Never Say Never Foundation, led by Nick Stillwell and Regas Woods, will once again partner with the Pirates of the Care Free Being for the second annual "Never Say Never Pirate Camp" at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at the Clearwater Community Sailing Center. The Never Say Never Foundation is a nonprofit organization aimed at providing opportunities for youths who have had limbs amputated,

showing them they can do anything an able-bodied person can do.

The Pirates of the Care Free Being are a group of free spirited, well, pirates, aimed at showing anyone anything is possible. "It's about following your dreams, because anything is possible," said Kayne McPhillips, a 2004 graduate of Dunnellon High and founding member of the organization. "I'd say

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JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Nick Stillwell, left, co-founder of Never Say Never, and Kayne McPhillips, a founding member of Pirates of the Care Free Being discuss the second annual Never Say Never Pirate Camp.



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Michelle-O-Gram donation



Special to the Riverland News

The Dunnellon Elementary School Tiger Country 4-H Club raised and showed a lamb for the Southeastern Youth Fair last spring and donated the proceeds to the Michelle-O-Gram. Terri and Bobby Latner donated the lamb to the 4-H Club. Len and Lescia Owens along with their daughter, Brielle Owens, are the Club leaders. Savannah and Glory Thompson raised and showed the lamb for the Tiger Country 4-H Club. The Michelle-O-Gram provides funding for women who are either under-insured, or uninsured, to receive screenings, as well as diagnostic mammograms and also breast ultrasounds. Accepting the donation on behalf of Michelle-O-Gram are Elaine Blausler Hobbs, left, Michelle Standridge's sister, and Sherry Roberts.

Fire Rescue to wear pink

Funds will benefit Michelle-O-Gram

Special to the Riverland News

They respond to emergencies in red trucks with red lights, but this month, Marion County Fire Rescue crew members will be using another color — pink — to spread life-saving messages. From Oct. 21 to 26, crews will trade their blue uniform tops for pink shirts to support a local breast cancer charity.

Many MCFR crew members have been personally affected by breast cancer and are passionate about supporting afflicted families and efforts to find a cure. The Marion County Firefighters Benevolence Fund (MCFBF) spearheaded the pink shirt initiative to benefit Michelle-O-Gram, a local nonprofit established in honor of an MCFR fire-

fighter's wife who lost her battle to breast cancer several years ago. Michelle-O-Gram (www.michelleogram.com) raises funds to provide mammograms to women who otherwise would not be able to afford them.

"We're excited to wear pink and show our support for everyone who has had their lives changed by breast cancer. Breast Cancer Awareness Month gives all of us an opportunity to work together to raise awareness and move toward a cure," said MCFR Lieutenant Scott Chappell, who helped organize the fundraiser.

The MCFBF created and sold shirts to crew members, raising more than \$2,500. The shirts, nearly identical to the usual uniforms, are pink and feature a pink ribbon at the center of the MCFR logo.

"Our firefighters and EMS professionals are held with high regard in the community, and their decision to support such a worthy cause makes a strong statement. I hope residents will see our crews in pink and stop to think about risk factors they can eliminate from their lives and encourage others to do the same," said Marion County Fire Rescue Chief M. Stuart McElhaney.

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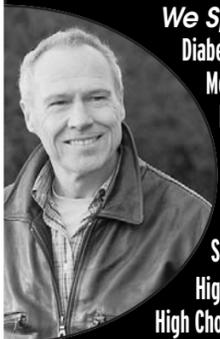
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know we're in quite a pickle here. We can see the forest through the trees."

That doesn't mean there isn't still cause for concern, the first-term mayor said.

"We need to be fully prepared to make that payment to them," he said of the impending \$1.6 million bond payment due Nov. 1.

The city's hopes of selling the system and making the bond payment on time were dashed in late September when Wideband Networks called off discussions to purchase Greenlight. Wideband had offered \$3.85 million for the system, and had the deal gone through, it was expected to be completed by Oct. 26. In addition to offering a better purchase price, Wideband also sought to acquire the city's head-end equipment.

When the city acquired the money to fund Greenlight in November 2010, then City Manager Lisa Algiere and Marsha Segal-George, the former assistant city attorney, pledged the city's share of excise taxes should officials default on the bonds. For Fiscal Year 2014, which began Oct. 1, the city's share of state excise taxes was slightly more than \$700,000.

Because of the unknowns surrounding if Regions Bank would take a portion, or all, of the excise taxes, the Dunnellon City Council on Sept. 23 approved a budget calling for a 17 percent cut to \$2,716,311. In 2013, the general fund budget was set at \$3,543,836. However, the Council also approved a tax hike of 6.67 percent, increasing the millage rate to 7.1403, compared to the 2013's rate of 6.672.

Thus far, city officials have been able to hold off on declaring a financial state of emergency with state officials. Doing so could impact any potential sale of the

telecommunications system.

Both Cablevision and Hotwire offered significantly less for Greenlight in their initial Letter of Intent (LOI) than Wideband. Those bids, however, remain confidential until the City Council approves negotiations begin with the next company selected as the potential buyer for the system.

J.M. Pierpont Consultants LLC has been in discussions with officials from All-American Leasing, which owns the lease deal for the head-end equipment currently used by Greenlight. The city still owes \$1.1 million on the equipment lease. However, no updates have been given about the progress of ongoing talks with All-American Leasing.

"I'm optimistic we can move forward as quickly as possible," Mayor Whitt said. We still have a ton of work to do. I have every faith and confidence in Eddie, city staff and John Pierpont. Everybody has been trying their hardest. They all have a tall task in front of them."

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

CEE meeting scheduled Oct. 17

Citizens for an Engaged Electorate will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, at the Williston Community Center. The main topic continues to be the Florida Water and Land Legacy Amendment.

The amendment seeks to return to the lawful formula the state has followed for decades under the "Florida Forever" and "Florida 2000" projects. Republican and Democratic administrations have honored them in the past, but that is no longer the case. The formula dictates that one-third of Real Estate documentary stamp taxes collected be used to acquire and maintain waterways and state lands.

For information, call 465-4862.

Garden Club slates meeting

The Rainbow Springs Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24, at the American Le-

gion Hall, 10730 U.S. 41. A Marion County water specialist representative will be the guest speaker.

New members and visitors are welcome. Annual membership is \$10, September through May. Visitor fee is \$5 per visit applicable toward membership; two visits and the annual membership fee is paid.

For information, call Alice Kennedy, president, at 465-3002.

Chi Zeta Card Party planned Oct. 30

Chi Zeta will host its annual card party from 1 to 4 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 30, at the Blue Cove Episcopal Church. Bridge, mah jongg and several other games will be offered.

There will be a 50/25/25 chance drawing as well as a Chinese auction. Proceeds benefit Romeo and Dunnellon Elementary schools, the Boys & Girls Club, the

Dunnellon Public Library children's reading program, Food for Kids backpack program, Rainbow Springs State Park children's educational program and gift baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas through the Guardian ad Litem program.

For information, call Betsy Davis at 465-0442.

AARP Driver Safety Class slated

An AARP Driver Safety Class for those 50 and older which, with certain exceptions, qualifies graduates for a discount on their automobile insurance, will be given over two days, three hours each day. Cost is \$14 per person for all materials, ex-

cept pen or pencil. However, if you are an AARP member, the cost is \$12. Bring your AARP card with you.

The course will be from 1 to 4 p.m. Nov. 7 and 8 at the Marion County Sheriff's Substation on U.S. 41. Class size is limited and reservations are required. For information or reservations, call 465-6359.

Church to host Halloween event

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will host a Halloween trick-or-treat event from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 27, in the church's classrooms. The church is at the corner of U.S. 41 and State Road 40.

CLARIFICATION

Mayor Nathan Whitt's comments at the Sept. 18 City Council workshop need clarification. Mayor Whitt said, "if you're going to act like that, stay home. We need folks who are here working on the solution. Mending fences takes both sides."

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OUR VIEW

Folks, this is no laughing matter

The Doomsday clock is moving closer to Nov. 1 and the window to sell Greenlight Communications is closing by the minute. In 22 days, city officials will be required to cut a check for \$1.6 million to Regions Bank in Orlando.

If officials cannot sell the financially beleaguered telecommunications within the next 21 days, the alarms going off throughout the city will have a ripple effect felt for years to come.

Honestly folks, we all know what looms. It's the current situation, or better yet, the reaction of several people that has us baffled and scratching our heads.

It appears there are several people, whether they are city residents or nonresidents, who are amused Wideband Networks ended negotiations a few weeks ago to purchase the city's telecommunications system.

And when we state they are amused, they're laughing, or at least chuckling, at the disheartening news the No. 1 choice to buy Greenlight Communications, which has drained city coffers and has put the city on the verge of financial collapse.

Folks, it's not funny. This is no laughing matter. Seriously, why aren't we working together to promote the sale of Greenlight? Too often, we hear people say they care about the city; they care about its future. Yet, here they are laughing. What's so amusing?

Is it funny because this is the moment some of you have been clamoring?

To watch the city of Dunnellon fall apart, because it's best for the county?

Is it best for the folks who don't live inside the city and don't pay taxes? What about the people who live and work here? The small mom-and-pop businesses, hanging on by a thread, are wondering what will happen if the city files for bankruptcy. Young men and women who work here wonder if filling out applications or sending out a hoard of resumes will leave them to watch and wait.

Is it really that funny? Now many residents and nonresidents will immediately point the finger at "past management" and "past City Councils" — we've yet to define which "past management" and "past City Councils" — for approving decisions, that in hindsight, have proven unwise.

Frankly, if we're going to point fingers, we might as well stand in front of the mirror and point the finger right at ourselves. Everyone one of us, directly or indirectly, have played a part in the city's demise.

It's time to put aside the petty differences about who wants what and roll up our sleeves and work toward giving the city a helping hand. Then, it'll be time to keep those sleeves rolled up and work toward providing a better future for residents, nonresidents and business owners.

Seven years ago, former Mayor John Taylor resigned after a controversial vote regarding the proposed development of Rainbow River Ranch.

We bet he's not laughing at the current state of affairs in the city.

THE JERSEY GIRL

Columnist marks milestone

Happy anniversary to me as I celebrate 100 columns in the Riverland News. Actually, this is my 101st column.

Believe it or not some of you have now read 100-plus stories about my life and my family. This is quite a milestone. Most people celebrate the big 100 with a huge cake, so I think I'll bake one tonight, gluten-free, of course.

It thrills me when people recognize me and I am over the moon when they tell me my column is the first thing they read each week. They seem to like the ones about the grandchildren the most, although they've told me my stories about my husband are hilarious.

I also love when people take the time to call or email me specifically about a story. I know that something resonated with them and usually they include positive feedback. In fact, one reader has become a pen pal and we converse back and forth mainly about our dislike for gluten.

I guess you have to be a bit voyeuristic and narcissistic to be

a column writer. The first comes from letting people see into my life every week. Nothing seems to be off limits. It's funny when I run into an old friend and they ask how I've been doing.



Audrey Beem

"We went on a family vacation last month."
 "Oh yeah, you went to Tennessee."
 "We had a huge party for my dad last week."
 "I read it was his birthday."
 "My grandson is doing really well in school."
 "I know, he got all A's."

OK, it seems there are no secrets in my life.

The second comes from wanting to be the center of attention. It never seems to get old.

A couple of months ago a reader seemed unhappy with me for voicing my vision of what a trip down the river could be like. However, I took it as a compliment. It's quite a good feeling the public is reading my column. Also, I know in my heart that there isn't one person who wouldn't enjoy a juicy burger and ice cold drink while floating down

the Rainbow River.

But the pros of writing this column definitely outweigh the cons.

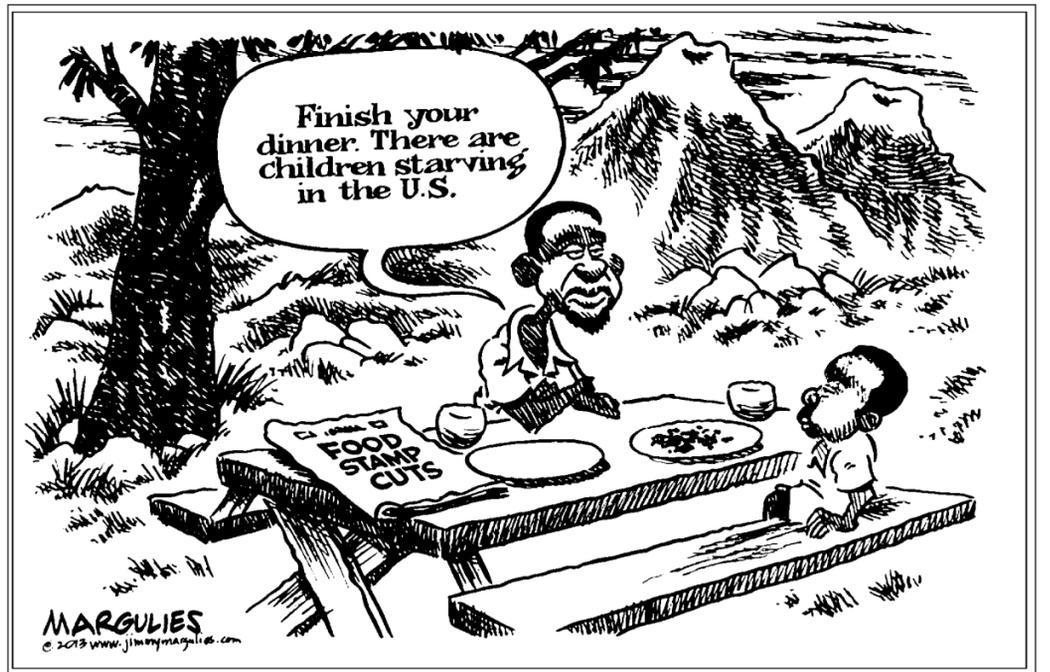
People want to know how I come up with ideas of what to write about each week. Well, anytime I have a good idea or a unique thought I write it down. It may be on a napkin or the back of a receipt. I may write two or three more sentences or key words at that time. When I get to a computer, I type it up and then it gets saved.

Right now, I have at least 14 stories started. Some have one line and others have several lines. When the deadline looms near, I decide which one I'm going to finish. Unless it's a holiday or someone's birthday, of course, then that takes precedence.

There are also times that people give me ideas of what they'd like to read about. I'm always open for suggestions. But usually life is my material and I write what I know.

I tend to write and ramble, and then edit it when I'm done. Sometimes I'll change a column 10 times before I'm satisfied, and

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VIEW FROM THE RIVERFRONT

Summers of fun, life lessons

Birthdays and anniversaries have a way of sneaking up on us. Granted you know that special day is going to roll around again, whether you want it to or not, but still all of sudden that date shows up as today's date.

It was with surprise that I read a couple of weeks ago that the county was planning a celebration for the 60 years the KP Hole had been managed by them last Saturday. Sixty years seemed such a long time.

Then reality hit. I, too, was having another birthday, although not my 60th, the KP Hole had been a special place during my growing up years in Dunnellon.

Summer after summer, my sister and I, along with a bunch of other kid raised in the '60s and early '70s in Dunnellon took swimming lessons at the KP Hole.

Getting out to the KP Hole was a piece of cake and just matter of walking over to the school — this was back when the current middle school was home to all 12 grades — and riding the bus out to the KP Hole.

Before a strong union of bus drivers here in Marion County the swimming teachers are the ones that drove the bus out to the KP Hole, too. Our first teachers were the late John Littlechild Sr. and Harvey

Markham. Later, Johnny Jones was one of the teachers, too.

I still have those little cards we would get at the end of summer, certified by the American Red Cross, stating we had passed our beginner's swimming test, intermediate and etc. Those tests sometimes meant we had to go to Ocala to the city pool and be tested. Those of us who had learned to swim against the swift currents of the Rainbow River

fared really well in a city pool.

It is sad, but we didn't know any better back then, but to practice swimming underwater, we were instructed to dive down deep and pull up the native eel grasses that would tickle our legs as we swam out to the ropes. If no one was looking we would dive under the ropes and go out to the sandbar. The sandbar was a pretty cool place because we could all stand on it socialize with one another. There was a great rock in the boat area that served the same purpose.

I can still remember practicing for my senior lifesaving certification for hours on end. And hours it was since we were required to tread water for one hour before we could pass the test. An hour is not very long until you are swimming in 72-degree water and you are as skinny as a bean pole. Yet, we survived all of it.

As we got older and our parents no longer feared we would

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Time to move past who's to blame

Aw c'mon Jerry. Be honest. You didn't invite me for a chat. I invited myself at a mutual friend's suggestion. Good idea, too. You're not a bad guy once ya' get past that mad-on.

What's past is past. Who did what to whom isn't that important anymore. I don't think we're as far apart as you seem to think, but anger and frustration over what was, just screws up the now, and gets in the way of the next.

It's time for everybody to move on. For whatever it's worth, I'll support any statement made that's based on solid data and factual information. Adults can agree to disagree over the implications of

those facts, in the absence of more data to define it for them. But first, people have to understand what specifically they agree upon before working on their differences. (Maybe somebody should tell that to Congress.)

Don't forget what I said. The nail that sticks up will be hammered down.

But there ain't no way to keep a good nail down for long as they are willing and able.

So let's gather all the "nails" together and let the buildin' begin.

Kathryn Taubert,
Rainbow Springs

Help contribute to a child's needs

Child hunger is a major barrier to achieving academic success, and a sound education

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Michel Northsea



Michel Northsea, former editor of Riverland News, second from right, looks on with her classmates during swim lessons at KP Hole as instructor Johnny Jones, second from left, observes. For pictures from the 60th anniversary celebration of the KP Hole, see page 9 of today's edition.

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is the most important asset for America's children. As you may know, a federally funded program called the Community Eligibility Option will provide free school day breakfasts and lunches to all Marion County elementary students over the next five school years. What about food for the weekend?

It is important not to forget that there are children in our schools who face each weekend with little or no food. Food stamp programs that may be cut by billions of dollars cannot consistently fill the gap. The Feeding America website reports that "SNAP benefits don't last most participants the whole month. Ninety percent of SNAP benefits are redeemed by the third week of the month, and 58 percent of food bank clients currently receiving SNAP benefits turn to food banks for assistance at least 6 months out of the year."

The Dunnellon area is not covered by the Feeding America food warehouse network, so it is local church and civic organizations that take up the slack. Dunnellon Food-4-Kids is an all-volunteer local charity made up of local churches and civic organizations. Backpacks of food are provided to hungry schoolchildren to take home each weekend in the Dunnellon area.

If you would like more information on Dunnellon Food-4-Kids or on how you can help, call Jerry Meyn at 489-2115 or Linda Gosson at 566-8289.

Gerard Meyn,
Vice president,
Food-4-Kids

Support of Historical Society appreciated

We would like to thank everyone who came out in support of the fundraiser for the Dunnellon Historical Society.

Special thanks goes to our friends, Marie Vita and Sylvie Lightfoot, for the beautiful decorations, food and drinks. You really gave it class. Linda Franklin, how can we thank you too for all of the delicious cheese cake bites and butterhorn crescents?

The "Too Many Smiths," featuring Linda Ellis Smith, Glenn Smith and Mike Rausch, on bass, who gave so freely of their time played beautiful music.

For the little advertisement we had, we had a great turnout and people had a good time.

Thank you all.

Tina, Rosemarie and Juergen Kleuker,
Dunnellon

Friends of the Library grateful to community

The Friends of the Dunnellon Library are grateful to the Riverland News and, more specifically, to Jeff Bryan who has helped us to showcase our precious Dunnellon Public Library and the Friends Book Store.

The new library reached its five-year anniversary this past May and becomes more beautiful with each passing year as the Friends replace and add plants to the landscape. The views from the expansive windows are amazing. The library staff is outstanding. Need a library card? It's free. Need the use of a computer? It's free. The children's library is wonderful. One visit to this library will keep

you coming back.

The Friends of the Dunnellon Public Library Bookstore, which is inside the library, is at 20351 Robinson Road, behind Sweetbay.

There are novels, bios, cooking, gardening, inspirational, craft, self-help, finance, romance, children, VHS videos (Some DVDs), Books-On-Tape, history, politics, westerns, magazines and more. Daily sales are ongoing with books for as little as 10 cents. Store hours are now from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The Friends continue to accept gently read book donations daily at the store.

When donating or buying a book at the Friends Bookstore, or becoming a member — active or inactive — you are contributing directly to your library. Since opening the Book Store in May 2008 through May 2013, the Friends have been able to donate more than \$84,000 toward new books for the library. How exciting it is to open a book and see the acknowledgment that the book was purchased by the Friends?

The Friends thank the community and the Riverland News for their support. A special thanks goes to our 100 percent volunteer staff who donate their precious time to keep our book store open to the public for the benefit of the library.

Everyone is welcome to the Friends monthly meetings, which are the first Tuesday monthly, September through May.

Elena O'Mahoney,
Book Store Committee,
Friends of the
Dunnellon
Public Library

JERSEY

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sometimes I'll have more than 1,000 words and have to whittle it down. On a few occasions, the column has been perfect just the way it is, but that doesn't happen very often.

Once I'm satisfied with it, or sometimes even before, I forward it to my brothers for review. My older brother Dominic — the editor — checks it for accuracy, grammar and detail. My youngest brother, Robert, checks it for emotional value

and content. It seems to work.

Sometimes I ask my husband to read it before I send it out. He hates when I write about him, yet he provides my best material. He should be glad I'm not a famous comedian.

I've had a few favorites along the way and I've also had a few I wasn't crazy about. I love writing about James and Dominique and sometimes writing about life is therapeutic. In fact, I've quite often used my writing for just that reason.

The hardest article to write was the one about

my stepson, Erik, who died in a motorcycle wreck a few years ago and the easiest one was about my mother, my partner in crime. I've even thrown a few controversial ones during the past two years and, thankfully, the response was always positive.

I'm very thankful I've been given this opportunity and I never take it for granted. It remains very important to me, and I take it very seriously.

So here's to 100 more. May the tiny world of Dunnellon never grow weary of me.



RIVERFRONT

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drown, neighbors Ted and Dorothy Pescan were kind enough to take us to the KP Hole every day because our parents were busy working. The shrilling loud voice of Dorothy as she would yell out greetings to her friends at the KP Hole were worth enduring for an afternoon of fun and seeing our friends.

Eventually, the building of sand castles and swimming gave way to lying in the sun for hours without the thought of skin cancer ever crossing our minds. Those were the days there was not a grassy

bank leading down to the water's edge, but just a nice sloping area of white sand to spread our beach towels down on.

If rains happened to wash the bank of sand down into the river, then another dump truck of sand was ordered in. It was no big deal.

Tanning our skin a golden color was not our only concern though. A date for Friday or Saturday night often was the result of a chance, or deliberately planned, encounter with a specific boy.

One time that has always stood out in my mind was the Saturday afternoon I chose to go to the KP Hole instead of

waiting around for a phone call. Tentative plans were made on Friday evening for Saturday night; a phone call on Saturday afternoon finalized those plans.

I chose to go to the KP Hole with friends — girls at that — I told my parents that if "he" called I had gone swimming and would be home by 4 p.m. and to please call again after 4. He called while I was gone, but never called back again. He had such gorgeous eyes too. Oh well, water under the bridge and I found another prince.

Oh yeah, the KP Hole provided many fond memories of life in Dunnellon a long time ago.

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School accountability reports available

Info can be viewed at district offices, schools, online

Special to the Riverland News

Looking for data and information on your child's school? Maybe you're moving to Marion County and want to know the "best" school for your child.

There's plenty of information available in the SPAR, or School Public Accountability Report, required every year by federal and state laws. These documents

must be made available for public inspection, and SPARs for the last school year are now complete and ready for review.

SPAR reports cover every public school in Marion County, including charter and alternative schools. These reports contain additional information about Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) as required by federal "No Child Left Behind" (NCLB) legislation.

The SPAR report points out progress on state and local indicators from the 2012-2013 school year including October membership; kindergarten readiness; federal graduation rate; five-year graduation rate; high school dropout rate; student test results for reading, math, and science; National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) scores at the state level; new teachers and

staff; teachers by professional degree level; classes taught by those teaching in-field or out-of-field; classes taught by highly-qualified teachers; school grade; learning gains for the lowest quartile for reading and math; schools for Elementary and Secondary Education Act flexibility; and Annual Measurable Objectives (AMOs).

AMO information explaining what schools must do to meet proficiency targets in reading and math for all students tested

is also included. Additional detailed information on Florida's annual reporting of AMOs in compliance with the ESEA waiver is available at school grades.fldoe.org/default.asp.

SPARs can be viewed in each school's front office, the Grants and Federal Programs Office of Marion County Public Schools and at the district's Public Relations Office. Documents are also available online at doeweb-prd.doe.state.fl.us/eds/nclb/par/index.cfm.

EDUCATION BRIEFS

Young Marines seek new members

The Dunnellon Young Marines is seeking new recruits. Interested youth, boys and girls, ages 8 through high school, are eligible. The Dunnellon Young Marines meet from 6 to 7 p.m. Tuesdays at the American Legion on U.S. 41 in Dunnellon. The fee to register for the first year is \$45.

For information, call Capt. Rocky Chin at 352-873-9396.

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 Tuesday through Friday for children ages 3 to 5 years old. The cost is \$10 a week.

The Kiddie World programs offer an array of activities such as teaching centers, snack time, playground time, music, basic language skills (phonics) and math skills.

For information, contact Tracy Zellers at 465-6745.

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 or put in the container in the church narthax. For information, call 489-5954.

Sea Cadets Corps seeks members

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

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

For information, visit www.manatee.org or call Todd Dunn at 352-212-5473 or tdunn@manatee.org.

'Get Down. Get Out. Get On the Phone!'



Photos Special to the Riverland News

Dunnellon Elementary School students listen to a recent presentation from Marion County Fire Rescue about National Fire Prevention Week, which was Oct. 6 to 12; however, MCFR extended this weeklong national initiative into a monthlong local campaign in an effort to reach more children, prevent fires and save lives. Reaching out to kids during school hours helps spur conversations at home about the need for smoke alarms and the importance of establishing fire escape plans. MCFR's 2013 campaign includes: classroom curriculum, hands-on presentations, a video public service announcement and a countywide poster contest.



TOP LEFT: An airpack lies on the ground near Dunnellon Elementary School students as they listen about fire safety during a recent presentation at the school. TOP RIGHT: Students look at one of the sirens. BELOW: Firefighter/Paramedic Clint Balik shows children the inside of the engine.



PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Students to learn about fire safety

October is Fire Prevention month, and this year, students can

participate in a Fire Prevention Poster Contest with the chance to be recognized at the Board of County Commissioners meeting.



Jane Ashman
Romeo
Principal

This year's theme is "Get Down, Get Out. Get on the Phone!" and is designed to demonstrate the importance of having a family escape plan. Marion County Fire Rescue will be on campus Oct. 14 with a firetruck to do a presentation of Fire Prevention.

Romeo Round-Up

The time is once again upon us for the annual Romeo Round-Up, sponsored by Romeo's PTO. We would like to make this year better than ever. Round-Up will be from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25. This is an enjoyable evening full of fun and free games for our children and their families. Safe Halloween is also a part of Romeo Round-Up.

With the purchase of a pumpkin necklace, children and their siblings will be able to trick-or-treat at 20 different classrooms. And parents don't worry about cooking dinner. The PTO will sell hamburgers, hot dogs and other refreshments.

Mark your calendars to come join us for an evening of family fun. More information about Romeo Round-Up (including candy wars, room sponsorships, and pre-order pumpkin necklace forms) will be sent home soon.

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

October busy month for DMS students

October at Dunnellon Middle school has shaped up to be a very busy month for students and staff. There will be an early release day at 1:40 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16.

We lead off our weekly article with our ongoing request to our parents and to our community to assist



Delbert Smallridge
DMS
Principal

us in the delivery of the message on the importance of attendance. Speaking to your children and grandchildren about the benefits of attendance is a great "Be There" opportunity.

As parents, we are the first and greatest teachers in the lives of our children. We are the key component in de-

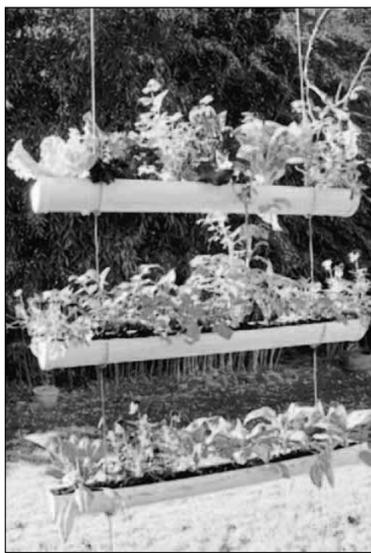
veloping the understanding in our children, from youngest to oldest, that attendance does matter, and going to school and arriving on time is an everyday priority - a priority that will lead them to success throughout their entire lives.

A thought that may get your conversation started could include how school is their first job and the most important job of their life. Going to school every

day and arriving on time develops the habit that prepares our children to be ready for the work force upon graduating from high school. The good attendance habit benefits not only our children, but also the schools and community.

Free tutoring is available from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is no tutoring on early release

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The rain-gutter garden at Dunnellon Middle School is one of several projects funded through a variety of grants obtained by staff. This particular grant was awarded by Marion County Engineers Stormwater Office.

Special to the Riverland News

Still sparkling



JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Michael Gilstrap, owner of Rainbow Jewelers, works on creating a medical ID bracelet in the back of his homeowned and operated store. Gilstrap recently celebrated, albeit subdued, the store's 28th anniversary.

Rainbow Jewelers marks 28th anniversary

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Rainbow Jewelers has come a long way from its initial beginnings 28 years ago.

Returning to Dunnellon after 11 years, owner Michael Gilstrap set up shop inside Bella's Beauty Salon, which is now home to Citrus Grill.

There, he would ply his trade as a jeweler and goldsmith, offering his wares which had been safely organized into several brief cases. Ten years after starting his own business, Gilstrap moved a few doors to the east where he's met the needs of his clientele since returning to Dunnellon.

Gilstrap remembers purchasing display cases from Mr. Stuart, who owned a jewelry business along U.S. 41 in the 1980s; however,

the business had a problem with a "shootout" at the store, forcing it to close its doors. "I bought his cases and remember patching the bullet holes in them," he recalled with a touch of laughter.

Yet, he hasn't had to patch any bullet holes since, and instead meets the needs of customers looking for a business that would take care of its customers.

"That's the key to my success," said Gilstrap as he worked in the back of his shop on creating a medical ID bracelet for a customer a few weeks past a subdued 28th anniversary. "I want my customers to know we care about them. We're going to treat them the way we would want to be treated."

Gilstrap, who

learned his trade while living in North Carolina after a short stint in the U.S. Navy, said an essential part of his business is for customers to know he's going to do right by them and meet their needs. For example, he said, if a customer needed to spend \$2,000 on jewelry or a repair, but could get it done for \$1,000, he'd make sure they knew they could save the money.

"I'm going to give my customers the whole truth," Gilstrap explained. "It's how I'd want to be treated, and I certainly know it's how my customers appreciate being treated."

Rainbow Jewelers is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturdays and is located at 20372 E. Pennsylvania Ave.

For information, call 489-7400

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days and non-school days. Tutoring takes place in the DMS Media Center with highly qualified instructors. Parent permission forms are available at the front desk if you would like your student to attend tutoring. Please fill out a parent permission form and return it to the front desk. Transportation must be arranged prior to students staying for after-school tutoring. Due to tight budget constraints, we must insist parents arrive promptly at 4:45 to collect students.

DMS FFA members will host a fundraiser at 7:30 p.m. Friday at the Dunnellon High School football game at Ned Love Field. Students will sell boiled peanuts. Stop by and support these great kids and enjoy a yummy treat.

The school nurse and a staff of trained technicians will conduct the annual sixth-grade health screenings throughout the day, Tuesday, Oct. 15. All sixth-grade students are eligible for the state-mandated health screenings, which include height, weight, BMI results, scoliosis, vision and hearing evaluations. Later, students will be given the results of their screenings to take home for parents. For information regarding the health screenings, call the school nurse at 465-6720.

The DMS SAVE Club will host a dance from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18, in the DMS Café to kick off Red Ribbon Week at Dunnellon Middle School. The cost of the dance is \$5 plus a trial-sized personal hygiene item. We invite all of our students to come

Schedule of Events

- 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 3:45 to 4:45 p.m. — Daily tutoring in the Media Center. There is no tutoring on early release and non-school days.
- Monday, Oct. 14**
- 3:40 to 4:30 p.m. — Cross Country practice.
- 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Tiger Club meeting.
- 3:40 to 5 p.m. — Volleyball practice.
- Tuesday, Oct. 15**
- Sixth-grade health screenings.
- 3:45 to 4:55 p.m. — Academic Brain Bowl practice, with Mr. Williams.
- 7:30 a.m. — FFA Meeting Parliamentary meeting in the Ag room.
- Wednesday, Oct. 16**
- 1:40 p.m. — Early release day.
- Thursday, Oct. 17**
- 7:30 a.m. — FFA Meeting Parliamentary meeting in the Ag room.
- Friday, Oct. 18**
- 4 to 6 p.m. — SAVE Club Dance to kick off Red Ribbon Week in the DMS Café.

out and show your support for our SAVE Club members (Students Against Violence Everywhere).

We are extremely proud to announce that Dunnellon Middle School, through continued persistence of our science department, has been awarded several grants. Academic grants, as you know, are money awarded to schools by companies and organizations that want to help support public education.

In today's difficult financial environment, these grants are needed more than ever.

DMS has received the following grants: Whole Foods Foundation will

allow the Summerfield company Verti-gro, to install a 600-pot, state-of-the-art hydroponic garden for students to learn from.

Additionally, Duke Energy awarded a grant via the Public Education Foundation to DMS to fund an advanced aquaculture program used to enrich seventh-grade life science classes.

DMS is now finishing up two separate grants from the Marion County Engineers Stormwater Office. The first grant funded an automated Florida groundwater model where students could visually see how pollutants contaminate the aquifer.

The second grant funded a rain barrel collection system that feeds a gutter garden design students constructed to grow lettuce and herbs in a soil-free environment.

Finally, last year, the Southwest Florida Water Management District awarded a grant that allowed students to collect and sample water from around the area springs.

This school year, the SPLASH grant will fund a student field trip to the Citrus County Marine Science Station where students will board a boat and travel to the mangrove islands to conduct estuarine sample studies.

As you can, see STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education is flourishing at DMS.

Solution to puzzle on Page 12

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and time the Chamber of Commerce puts into the festival. "They do feature a lot of quality musicians; there are a lot of good performers," he added.

Caton is eager to hit the stage, or ground, for this year's event. He'll reunite with his longtime bandmates, Troy Strawdler, who plays bass, and Chris Osborne, who handles the drums. They recently reunited for the Starke Bike Festival at the end of August. They had one practice session before playing live.

"We're rehearsing and saying to each other, 'do you remember this? Do you remember how we did this?'" Caton said. "It didn't take us long to fall back into sync with each other. We've played together so long, we can read each other's thoughts about the music.

"We sure enjoy playing, and we're looking forward to having a great time this year."

Why Blues? Why not rock 'n' roll, or even pop music?

"To me, it's the original American art form," Caton explained. "I don't care what you say about the history of American music, or music in general, but most of it can be attributed to Blues. Led Zeppelin, one of the most prominent bands ever, they got sued by Willie Dixon for stealing Willie Dixon songs. The Rolling Stones, The Beatles, when they came to America, they wanted to meet these Blues guys.

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when the next Art & Jazz on the Avenue would be and plan his trip then and he did.

"When he came back, he told me 'we can do this' and I said 'I know.' That's how Jazz Up really began."

Fifteen years later, Jazz Up Dunnellon is still rocking the streets of East and West Pennsylvania Avenue.

"Oh my god, that means I'm 15 years old," she jokingly said.

She certainly isn't surprised it's endured the past decade-and-half.

"I think this community was looking for something like that," Bette said. "You didn't have a lot of music events, and even when I arrived here in Dunnellon and moved to Rainbow Springs, there were a lot of people that wanted more opportunities to have entertainment.

"I remember going out of the entrance to the Chamber of Commerce. I couldn't believe it the sidewalks were filled with people. None of us had seen before, especially in the evening. I hope it continues to be a healthy outlet for our community."

Those who assisted her or saw her in the planning stages weren't surprised at the success of the inaugural event.

"She was a very hard working person," said Janie Keele, a longtime

"I had a big relationship with Bo Didley, and when Paul McCartney came here in 1964, he told the media, the first thing he wanted to do was see Muddy Waters. And the media asked where that was? He said you don't know who your own heroes are. You can trace all forms of music back to Blues, because it's from the heart. It moves me, it's not pre-programmed. You have to play your instrument; it's about feel more than anything else. It's about the song. It's just always grabbed me and moved me. I never wanted to do anything else. It's down to the earth."

Caton also credits "The Blues Brothers," doing an original skit on "Saturday Night Live" before landing on the silver screen in 1980, for playing an integral role in bringing Blues back to the forefront of the American public.

"It did a lot," he said. "When we first put this band together, we wore the sunglasses and did a lot of their tunes. But the biggest thing is it opened the door for so many or helped kick start careers again of so many people such as James Brown and others. They all got better gigs and made more money. It's a class movie, but the music in it was just incredible.

"Bo Didley had a role in the sequel. He was already friends with Dan Aykroyd. He told me how cold it was shooting the film, but that exposure, helped kick his career up again."

volunteer/board member. "She was interested not only in the Jazz Up, but the walking tour of the Historic District. She was just a very hard worker.

"We were hoping it would become a big, annual event. We never dreamed it would get as big as it has."

Beverly Leisure, executive director for the Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce, said though she never worked directly with, or for, Bette Hubbard, she admires her to this day.

"She put so much work into this," Leisure explained of the annual festival.

Her husband, Scott, said he was not surprised at the efforts of his wife to organize the inaugural event, or that it was a success and continues to remain a popular event today.

"I remember when Bob came back all fired up, telling everyone we've got to do this," he said of planning a festival similar to Delbray's quarterly event. "Bette took it and ran from there. She reviewed the applications, interviewed the bands and various food vendors. She negotiated for lights from Florida Power and the generators to run them. She really did a lot to pull that thing together. It was the only time, you saw people on the streets after dark. I tell people it's the biggest thing to ever happen in Dunnellon."

Come this Saturday, it likely will be the biggest thing to happen again.



Riverland News file photo

Staggard Strait rocks out during last year's annual Jazz Up Dunnellon event. The Ocala-based band, which performs both country and classic rock, will appear at this year's event, playing at Babcock Furniture. The 15th annual festival kicks off at 5 p.m.

JAZZ

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will be reduced to 20 mph throughout the night of the event.

"We're really excited, we believe we have a great list of performers," said Beverly Leisure, executive director for the Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce. "We just want everyone to come out, enjoy the musicians, the food and everything we have to offer. And, of course, we want everyone to have a safe night."

There will be no parking allowed on East Pennsylvania, but there will be designated areas for paid parking on East Pennsylvania. Traffic will not be allowed through the Historic District along West Pennsylvania and Chestnut Street (State Road

40). Roads will be closed beginning at 4 p.m.

The artists, their musical genre(s) and performance location include: Deja Blues, blues/funk/classic, Insurance Center; Nino Castaneda World Latin Jazz Band, Latin jazz, Chamber of Commerce; Bob Cubbage, Red Fox Gallery; Al "Jazzman" King, jazz, Pawn Shop; Struts, Crocks Pub; R-Style, classic rock, Michael Evans Attorney; Cote Deonath, Elvis Presley Tribute Artist, and Phantastic Sounds, 50s, 60s and 70s, Comcast/Vista; Joe Michel, jazz/swing, Bob Rogers Reality; Helen Blazes Band, rock 'n' roll, Gaetono's; Susanne Smith Band, light rock/jazz/country, Gigi Hunter/State Farm Insurance; Staggard Straight, country/classic rock, Babcock Furniture; Ocala Jazz, 50s Jazz standards, Greenlight Com-

munications; Bluz Busters, Blues, Always Something; Smith Brothers Band, country/jazz/calypto, 7th Inning; Final Note, jazz/pop/rock, Penn Plaza; and Liz Pennock & Dr. Blues, blues/boogie woogie, Community Thrift Shop.

"There's a lot of variety for everyone," said Jackie Stevio of Phantastic Sounds, who was in charge of securing performers this year. "There's not just jazz, but we've got country, classic rock and rock 'n' roll. There really is something for everybody, and the talent this year is really good. The streets should really be hopping."

Initially, Deonath wasn't able to perform during Jazz Up; however, an opening in his scheduled allowed event organizers to secure him.

"He's got a huge following, a very large fan

club," said Stevio, who has been Deonath's voice coach since he was 3.

Four beer gardens will be set up; however, only chamber-approved cups will be used for alcoholic beverages on the streets during the event, and a volunteer staff will monitor and enforce the rules. Those without such a cup drinking alcoholic beverages will be required to empty their drink or potentially be fined, law enforcement officials said.

Mardi-Gras themed accessories and Jazz Up Dunnellon T-Shirts will be on sale. The Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce will have designated driving offered by Scally's. For information about Jazz Up Dunnellon, visit www.dunnellonchamber.org or call the Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce at 489-2320.

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Kayakers pass by the K.P. Hole Park heading upriver during the KP Hole 60th anniversary celebration.

Birthda splash bash



ABOVE: Gina Peebles, Marion County Parks and Recreation director, welcomes visitors Sept. 28 to the KP Hole Park 60th anniversary celebration. **BELOW:** Jamie Wyman, 11, gets a glitter tattoo from Becky White as his sister Joslyn Robidoux and grandmother Yvonne Forand watch. Although Forand has lived in Ocala for 18 years, this was her first visit to the KP Hole.



Joshua Moore, 8, looks over the side of the pontoon boat for fish during the free rides offered at the KP Hole 60th anniversary celebration.

"It doesn't get any better than this," said Joe Foster of Citrus Springs, who has been coming to the KP Hole and enjoying the Rainbow River since first coming to Citrus County in 1992.

Foster attended the KP Hole's 60th Anniversary celebration on Sept. 28 with his children. He reminisced about days when he would visit with groups of 20 or 25 friends and relatives. "I always had a blast," he said of the scenic setting.

Under an overcast sky, the KP Hole Park was celebrating its 60th anniversary as a Marion County public recreation area, but it has been a destination for much longer.

According to the program, beginning in the 1920s, the park location was used by the Dunnellon Lodge of the Knights of Pythias as a boys retreat. Women were granted access in the late 1930s. Back then, the area was called the "K of P Hole".

The K of P Hole was sold to a private developer in 1952 and was purchased the following year and designated a

public recreation area by Marion County.

In 1993, Marion County assumed operation of the recreation activities available at the park, previously provided by a private contractor. Renovations to help protect the Rainbow River began in 1994 and continued for several years.

The celebration was attended by old-timers and first-timers alike. Alice and Jon Cradler regularly swim at the KP Hole. "As of last Friday (Sept 20), he has swum 900 miles," said Alice, who had done 744 miles herself before a recent injury.

"We would do anything for them," she continued, adding that they had helped clear hydrilla in the past.

Clearwater resident Mindy Wells chose to float the Rainbow River with Marty Blue. "I have not floated since I was a kid," said Wells.

Ocala resident Yvonne Forand and her grandchildren were enjoying their first visit to the park on Saturday. Forand said that now that she has dis-

covered it, she will be returning.

The festivities began promptly at 11 with a welcome by Gina Peebles, Marion County parks and recreation director. Marion County Commissioner David Moore gave the invocation, which was followed by a site blessing by Ken Gordon.

Dunnellon Mayor Nathan Whitt then sang a song about the park he had written to the tune of the Eagles' "Hotel California."

Admission to the KP Hole was free for the event. Children and adults alike were able to enjoy games and free boat rides during the event. Vendors provided Italian ice and temporary tattoos. Pizza and cookies were served. A drawing was held for several prizes including gift cards for Swampy's Restaurant and the Blue Gator, Captain Bob's Airboat Tours and johnboat rentals from Angler's Resort. The grand prize was a kayak package provided by the Dunnellon Walmart, which was won by Danielle Liles.

— Compiled by Julie Mancini



Tubers Marty Blue and Mindy Wells, from Clearwater, launch themselves for a float down the Rainbow River.

GOLF SCORES

Rainbow Springs LGA

Tournament play Sept. 26 was "T&F" individual tournament gross and net. After all the holes are played, add holes that begin with the letters T and F for gross score and subtract handicap for net score.

Flight A

First Low Gross: J. Villa, 48; first low net, D. Emery, 40; second low net, J. McWilliams, 41.

Greenies: C. Oman, hole No. 4, 6 feet, 1 inch; C. Oman, hole No. 8, 5 feet, 1.5 inches; C. Oman, hole No. 13, 6 feet, 7.25 inches; J. McWilliams, hole No. 16, 2 feet, .25 inches.

The Rainbow Springs Ladies Golf Association competed Sept. 19 in a "Two Best Balls of Four" format. Four-person teams, ABCD, were chosen. Each player played her own ball and gross and net scores were recorded for each. The two best net scores were circled and the total recorded.

First Low Net: T. Bulson/K. Mikulik/R. Davis/A. Carey, 133; second low net: T. Richard/L. Baker/D. Takahashi/M. Sackett, 134

Birdies: T. Bulson, hole Nos. 8 and 16; and J. Villa, hole Nos. 13 and 16.

Chip-Ins: I. Kemp, hole No. 5, and T. Richard, hole No. 17.

Greenies: G. Baker, hole No. 4; T. Bulson, hole Nos. 8 and 16, resulting in birdies; and J. Villa, hole Nos. 13 and 16, resulting in birdies.

After the game, the ladies met at the Rainbow Springs community park for pizza and desserts, followed by the first business meeting of the year.

Rainbow's End WGA

The Rainbows End Ladies Golf Association competed Sept. 18.

Flight A was won by Jean Montville with a gross of 46. Sharon Stark won first net with a 35, and second net went to Nancy Suskie, who also shot a 35.

Flight B was won by Ramona Soutar with a gross of 55. Faye Branach won first low net with a 39, and Debbie Hoff also had a 39 to take second low net. Jean Montville had a chip-in on hole No. 7 and won low putts with 12.

Bucking a trend

Dunnellon has lost 6 straight to rival Colts

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Since a disheartening Week 2 loss to Citrus High School, 14-8, the Dunnellon High School football team has reeled off four straight victories, including three consecutive District 5A-5 wins, including the Tigers' most impressive offensive outburst to date, a 56-14 thrashing of Belleview.

Still, there's plenty of work left for Dunnellon as it seeks its first playoff berth since the 2011 campaign. The Tigers' next task isn't an easy one either, as they host North Marion, a longtime county rival as well as district foe throughout each program's respective history. Dunnellon has lost six straight to the Colts dating to 2007.

But with one loss already in district play for the Colts, another setback could dampen their chances at another playoff berth. A victory for Dunnellon could prove critical with two district contests remaining against Live Oak Suwanee and Gainesville Eastside, which knocked off North Marion, 13-10, two weeks ago.

"It's another game to us, we're going to prepare the same way we also prepare and see how it goes," said

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JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Dunnellon running back Kane Parks strolls into the end zone Friday night against Belleview. Parks scored four touchdowns against the Rattlers, one rushing and three receiving.

DUNNELLON VS. NORTH MARION

- **WHEN/WHERE:** 7:30 p.m. Friday at Ned Love Field.
- **RECORDS:** Dunnellon 5-1 overall, 3-0 District 5A-5; North Marion 4-2, 2-1.
- **LAST WEEK:** The Tigers dismantled Belleview, 56-14; the Colts toppled Crystal River, 31-16.
- **WHO TO WATCH:** Junior RB Kane Parks caught five passes for 158 yards and three touchdowns against Belleview. He also added one score on the ground. RB Bubba Sims had 177 yards and two touchdowns on 21 carries, while RB Josh Williams added 126 yards on 11 attempts. ... North Marion QB Jake Roddenberry threw for two scores, both to WR Freddie Swain, the first a 46-yard pass and the second a 12-yard score RBs James Allen and Cameron Mackey scored a touchdown apiece. Allen found the end zone from 2 yards out while Mackey scored on a 55-yard run.

Tigers throttle Belleview, 56-14

Special to the Riverland News

BELLEVIEW — Once Dunnellon got going, it was virtually unstoppable in its 56-14 win over Belleview on Friday night at the Strike Zone.

For the game, the Tigers rolled up 522 total yards and scored on seven of their nine possessions, while they scored 42 unanswered points to close the game.

"I'm proud of our kids," Dunnellon coach Frank Beasley said. "We had some



JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

Bubba Sims shakes a tackle against Belleview. The junior had 177 yards and two touchdowns against the Rattlers.

rough spots in the first quarter, but our kids kept battling and

The Tigers outscored Belleview 21-0 in the second quarter and gained 338 yards in the opening half on their way to a 35-14 edge at halftime.

"They've got a very good football team," Rattlers coach Phil Yancey said. "They kind of exposed some areas that we had trouble with in practice."

During its scoring barrage, the Tigers needed just seven

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DHS golf falls in 5 matches after week off

JESSIE FRANKLIN

For the Riverland News

After a week of canceled matches because of the weather, Dunnellon High School's golf team was back on the course Tuesday, Oct. 1, at Juliette Falls Country Club.

Playing against Lake Weir and Citrus high schools, Bryce Thalaker scored a 43, putting the Tigers in third with a total score of 197. Lake Weir's Caleb Conver earned a 42, giving his team a 191

overall. Dylan Nelson lead Citrus with a 38, landing the Hurricanes the top team spot with a 163.

The Tigers were at it again Thursday, Oct. 3, playing against Belleview and St. John's Lutheran. Austin Rotz and Jake Perkins led Belleview to a first-place finish, as each shot a 42, as the Rattlers finished with a 169.

After a day to recover from their last-place finish, Dunnellon finished second. The Tigers' Bryce Thalaker earned medalist honors with a 38, one of his best

rounds of the season. Michael Beach carded a 43 while Tanner Bergeron had a 50, Doug Easom came in with a 54, Gregory Stein a 59 and Dane Hobbs a 64.

"I did improve this season even though it was my first," said Austin Metzgar, a first-year golfer who carded a season-best 57. "I hope to improve in the offseason as well, and I think that this whole time was a great learning experience for me and I hope to come back a better player from it for next year."



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Greg Stein lies down to size up a putt Oct. 3 at Juliette Falls Country Club.

DHS ATHLETES OF THE WEEK • PRESENTED BY SUNCOAST PRIMARY CARE SPECIALISTS

Kane Parks, football

The junior running back scored four touchdowns, three receiving and one rushing, against Belleview. Two of his receiving TDs went for 58 and 60 yards as Parks finished with five catches for 158 yards as the Tigers rolled to an impressive 56-14 victory.



Kane Parks



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Jamie Haught, girls swimming

Haught won the 200-yard freestyle and the 500-yard freestyle against a very strong West Port High School swimming team. This is the second time this season Haught has been selected as Athlete of the Week.



Jamie Haught

OBITUARY

Edward Lee Soldano, 62

Edward Lee Soldano of Dunnellon, Fla., went to his heavenly father Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2013, in Ocala. Edward was a member of the United Methodist Church with Pastor Fulford. Edward was born April 20, 1951, in Key West. He is the son of the late William and Alice Soldano. He was preceded in death by his first wife, LaVoun Soldano; daughter, Sheena Lee Soldano; and sister, Frances Kulczyk; brother-in-law, Maxwell (Pookie); Stanley & Alton Bishop; Jerry Reagan; and sister-in-law, JoAnn Connolly.

Edward was a butcher for more than 30 years with Winn Dixie, Russells, Cash & Carry ending with Sweet Bay. Edward was a man that never met a stranger. He made friends at first meeting and kept them to heart. He had a great love for fishing, raising animals of all types, but most of all his love for family. A great story teller for all his grandchildren with whom he loved spending time with. Edward had a strong love for his church and Christ.

Edward is survived by wife, Ezalee Soldano; his children, Shawn Soldano (Natalie), Tim Peterson (Julie), James Peterson; sisters, Louie Soldano (Michael), Nancy Dowling (Matthew); step-mother, Judy Soldano; brother-in-laws, Peter Kulczyk, Jesse Bishop (Joann), Randy Bishop (Darlene), Ronnie Reagan, Ted Connelly; and sister-in-laws, Rhonda Hartley, Patsy Bishop, Candy Delawter, Ann Reagan, Shirley Nichols (Alvin); grandchildren, Keaton Soldano, Dylan Peterson, Olivia Peterson, Victoria Peterson, Emily Romero, Scott Romero, Justin Romero, Zachery Romero; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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CHURCH NEWS

Lutheran church to change schedule

Hope Evangelical Lutheran Church in Citrus Springs will change its Sunday morning worship schedule. There will be an early spoken service at 8 a.m. with Holy Communion. At 10, there will be a sung Holy Communion service beginning Sunday.

Christian Education classes are scheduled at 9 a.m. for all ages. For information, call the church office at 489-5511.

Church slates third annual Pig-nic

The third annual Pig-nic at First Congregational UCC, 7171 SW State Road 200, will be from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, in the Enrichment Center. Adults are \$7, and children 9 and younger are \$3. Tickets are available from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays through Thursdays at the church office or at the door the day of the event.

Church to host Saturday Supper

The Third Saturday Supper will be from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, at the Community Congregational Christian Church at 9220 N. Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs in the Dewain Farris Fellowship Hall. For information, call 489-1260.

Thrift Shop presented with collage



Photo by Joan Buchanan
Joann McCullough, right, president of the Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop, presents Anita Peloquin, secretary, left, and Jan Salter, a board member, with a framed collage of several of the appreciation plaques the organization has received during the past 10 years.

The Dunnellon Community Thrift Shop was presented with a framed collage of several of its appreciation plaques at its Sept. 17 meeting by president Joann McCullough. The collage includes a "Lifetime Honorary Member" award from the Florida Sheriffs Association for continued support of the youth ranches; a "thank you" plaque from Dunnellon Little League; the "Making a Difference Award" from the Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce; a Certificate of Appreciation from Dunnellon Middle School; an "Outstanding Support" award from Concerned Citizens for Chatmire; and many

others spanning the past 10 years. The collage will be on display in the Community Thrift Shop at the corner of West Pennsylvania Avenue and Cedar Street. The Thrift Shop, which has been in business since 1974, has donated money to 11 organizations and groups, four individuals needing medical help and four area schools during the past nine months totaling \$15,000. Clothing, toiletries, stuffed animals and suitcases are also donated to various organizations on a regular basis. The members of the Thrift Shop wish to thank the community who bring in gently used items to sell.

OUT TO PASTOR
Parsonage kitchen shutdown threat

A certain situation has been building in the Parsonage for the last several months. At first, I did not think it too serious but alas, we have reached a terrible impasse. It started a few months ago when I came home, walked into the house and was hit in the face so hard I almost passed out. At the time, I was hoping I would pass out, but no such luck.



Rev. James Snyder

I think everybody knows what it is like to be hit unexpectedly by something you do not actually expect. I guess that is why it is called unexpectedly. It happened to me and I am not sure I am over it yet.

been married 42 years, of which most of it has been happily, I did not see this one coming. Just when you think you have your spouse figured out, they do something off the radar. Every husband knows exactly what I am talking about.

This makes it hard to buy Christmas and birthday presents. What they liked last year is not what they like this year. I remember buying my wife a watch one year for Christmas of which she was so delighted that for the next four years after I bought her a watch for Christmas. How was I supposed to know she only wanted one watch!

I think we hit one of

Even though I have

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CHURCH EVENTS

Church to host ladies luncheon

Autumn's Hope, a ladies luncheon hosted by First Baptist Church of Dunnellon, will be from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19, at the church at 20831 Powell Road.

Tickets are \$5. Those who purchase one can bring a guest for free. Tickets are available at the church office, or call Janet Baker at 352-795-7474. Seating is limited.

Church plans concert series

The Dunnellon Presbyterian Concert Fall Series has scheduled the following appearances. All events will begin at 3 p.m. and are free will. The church is at 20641 Chestnut St.

• Oct. 20 — Megan Thompson, singer, and Donna Topp, pianist, presenting "Two Americans in Paris."

• Nov. 10 — Dunnellon Community Chorale presents a tribute to veterans and the American flag.

• Dec. 15 — The Central Florida Master Choir will present its annual Christmas program.

Holy Faith slates Harvest Festival

Holy Faith Episcopal Church will host a Harvest Festival from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Nov. 1 and 2, at its facility in Blue Cove.

The event will feature 20 vendors, who will offer customized children's books, artwork, handmade dulcimers, jewelry, candy, hand bags, and more.

For information, call 489-2685.

Church schedules monthly fish fry

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, on the corner of U.S. 41 and State Road 40 East, will host its monthly fish fry from 4 to 6 p.m. the first Friday monthly through May. Cost is \$7 for adults and \$3.50 for children. The public is welcome.

For information, call 489-5954.

Sunday Sampler



Mindy Simmons, "Florida's Sweetheart," will perform at the Sunday Sampler from 2:30 to 4:45 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13, at the Historic Dunnellon Depot, 12061 S. Williams St.

Her music combines folk, blues, country, originals, and beloved old standards into a true feast for the ear.

Simmons, who resides in Sarasota, has toured nationwide since 1980. She displays an artistry that has evolved during the past three decades. Simmons flows through her concerts mixing humor and emotion with style and grace.

Donation is \$10 at the door and complimentary refresh-

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those impasses.

Walking into the house, I was hit with the horrific smell of broccoli cooking on the stove. I do not know if you ever smelt such a smell as that but if you are not prepared for it and even if you are prepared for it, it can smack you in the face like you have never been smacked in the face before.

When I came to myself and gathered what little composure I could find, I queried the Gracious Mistress of the Parsonage who was in the kitchen.

"What is that awful smell?"

"I don't know, have you taken a shower yet?"

After being married for 42 years, I know when to respond to a question and when not to. I knew if I responded to this question the way I wanted to respond to this question, the smell of broccoli would be the least of my worries at the time.

"No," I said gathering a little bit of manliness about me, "Something in this house smells dreadful. I smelled it as soon as I walked in the door."

Then she chuckled. I hate it when she chuckles. "Oh, that must be the wonderful aroma of broccoli cooking on the stove. Isn't it marvelous?"

Adhering to my rules about questions, I tossed that one aside and opted for another one.

"You're not cooking broccoli for supper tonight, are you?"

I was hoping she would catch my attitude of disdain and disgust in this question. Obviously, for whatever reason, she did not catch the drift.

"Yes," she said as chipper as I have ever heard her chip, "I thought I would surprise you with a wonderful dish of broccoli for supper tonight, to go along with our pork chops."

Can you live with a person for so long and not know what they like or do not like? Nobody has to be around me for five minutes before they will understand that broccoli and I have had a feud that has been going on since before the Hatfields and McCoys.

"But I thought you knew I do not like broccoli?"

"Oh, that," she said with another chuckle, "I just

thought you were joking." Nobody jokes about broccoli, especially me.

Then a brilliant idea reverberated between my ears. I thought I could take advantage of this situation and sneak in something forbidden in our kitchen and house for that matter; a rare delicacy.

"I will then run to the store and get some fresh Apple Fritters for our dessert."

I figured if she wants to put in front of me broccoli the least she can do is allow me an Apple Fritter or two.

In a moment, all the chipper drained from her person and she looked at me and said, "Apple Fritters are not allowed in this house."

"Let's negotiate," I said as calmly as I have ever been in my life. "I will allow you to eat broccoli tonight if you allow me an Apple Fritter for my dessert."

I wonder if there is a husband living today, that has ever successfully nego-

tiated with his wife.

"This is how we will negotiate, we will have broccoli tonight without any Apple Fritter. I am only thinking of your health."

The way she glared at me I knew negotiations were off the table at this time and in its place was some steaming broccoli.

What I am going to do is sneak behind her back and eat two, not one but two, Apple Fritters and I will savor every bite.

If only we could act like grownups, come together, voice our differences and strike a compromise. After all, our government works that way.

I thought about this and came to a certain conclusion. The Christian life is not really negotiating your preference but rather honoring Christ. Jesus said, "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20 KJV).

When self is at the center of my negotiations, Christ is never honored.

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by Linda Thistle

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Dunnellon coach Frank Beasley. "We know this much: our kids are going to play hard."

Keys against the Tigers' nemesis are the same for any other opponent, Beasley said, stressing the need to protect the ball, move the chains and maintain possession. If the past four weeks are an indication of that, Dunnellon shouldn't have problems.

The Tigers have turned the ball over just twice in the past four games, a considerable improvement since the 14-8 loss to the Hurricanes. In that contest, Dunnellon committed four turnovers.

Though there were plenty of unknowns and what ifs prior to the start of the 2013 season, Beasley knew this year's offensive unit could be one of the best, if not the best, during his nine-year tenure. And for an offense lacking a preseason identity, the Tigers have apparently discovered who they are in the past four games: an offensive juggernaut.

Dunnellon's young offense has scored 27 points or more in the past four games, including the 56-point outburst against the Rattlers. Junior Kane Parks accounted for four touchdowns — two rushing and a pair receiving — while classmate Bubba Sims recorded his fifth 100-yard rushing game and fourth consecutive. Sims has rushed for 910 yards and nine scores this season and, barring injury, should be the first



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Tiger running back Josh Williams runs into the end zone for a score against Belleview. Williams had 126 yards on 11 attempts for Dunnellon.

Tiger to reach 1,000 yards since Bubba Black in 2009.

"We're running the ball really well, our offensive line is playing extremely great," said Beasley, whose team is averaging 276.6 yards rushing per game and 363 yards overall per contest. "I felt like (the offense) would get better each week. We're physical and we don't turn the ball over."

"Our run game opens up a lot of things. Kane made some plays on the perimeter, that's what he's expected to do. He's an athletic kid. Good things are going to happen when Kobie can get him the ball."

Defensively, the Tigers have been stingy. Since allowing a season-high 28 points in a Week 1 victory against West Port, Dunnellon hasn't given up more than 14 points in a game. The two teams to total more than double digits include Citrus and Belleview.

"We're playing great defense," said Beasley,

whose team is allowing an average of 187 yards per contest and defensively has yielded just 55 points to opponents. Overall, Dunnellon's opposition has scored 64 points this year.

That's not to say Beasley doesn't have concerns about the Colts.

"They're athletic," he said of North Marion, where the Tigers have had to play the past two seasons because of district realignments.

"They've got some kids that can really run."

They bring a lot of pressure, they blitz a lot."

Beasley is confident his sophomore signal-caller, Kobie Jones, can withstand the pressure. Thus far in his first season as a varsity start, Jones has proven he's up to the task.

"He's mature beyond his years," Beasley said. "He doesn't stress out. We talk to our kids about riding the wave, staying within yourself. If you do your job, it's going to work itself out in the end."

Kobie brings a calm to the storm when the storm happens."

As far as having the Colts come to Ned Love Field, Beasley said the venue doesn't matter. Typically, he said, his teams have always played well on the road. "We're thinking about driving them around the county for a while," Beasley joked. "Then bringing them back here at 6:30 and getting them ready for the game."

All jokes aside, Beasley said, it's a matter of preparing well and executing the game plan.

"We'll be fine," he said. "We have to execute, not turn the ball over and let the chips fall where they may. Our kids are playing hard, they're playing well and they'll give us everything they have at the end of the night."

"I just feel good about where we're at as a team. I go back to our preparation, the leadership. Our kids are going to come play this week, just like the past six weeks."

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plays to produce their three touchdowns.

Two of those scores were on wide-open scoring strikes of 58 and 60 yards from Kobi Jones to Kane Parks, who caught five passes for 158 yards and three touchdowns in the rout.

"That's what our running game can do to people," Beasley said. "We were able to (get BHS to pull its) free safety out of the middle and then we were able to take advantage of some mismatches."

Meanwhile, the aforementioned running game for DHS powered out 364 yards on 38 carries.

Bubba Sims led the way with 177 yards and two touchdowns on 21 carries, while Josh Williams added 126 yards on 11 attempts.

Dunnellon (5-1, 3-0 in District 5A-5) also picked up its defensive intensity following a 66-yard scoring run by Craig Riche in the opening quarter.

At that point, Riche had 102 yards on seven carries, but lost 12 yards on his final seven tries of the game.

"(Riche) is a great back," Beasley said. "We didn't do anything different against him as the game went on. Our kids did a better job of squaring their shoulders and making plays."

"This team has done a great job with preparation all year. I'm very pleased with the way we played tonight."

After Belleview tied things up at 14-all on a 6-yard run by Erik Pitts,

the Tigers received a 50-yard kickoff return by Parks, who needed just eight touches to total 243 all-purpose yards and four touchdowns.

Two plays later, Sims scored from 13 yards out. Belleview (3-2, 0-2) tried to battle back, but Corey Irwin was just short on a 47-yard field goal.

The Tigers then went to the air and Jones, who accounted for 175 yards on the night and hit on 5-of-9 passes, found a wide-open Parks for the second of their three scoring hookups.

"They've really got a good football team, but we helped them out a little bit also," Yancey said. "We've just got to go out and practice hard and get a little tougher."

"Dunnellon really took it to us tonight."

The Tigers needed just 8 minutes and 2 seconds of ball possession in the first half to produce their 35 points.

Dunnellon scored on its first five possessions and saw a sixth end in a turnover at the Belleview 24-yard line.

From there, the Tiger defense was just as dominant as the offense.

Belleview totaled 41 yards and one first down over the final two quarters.

Dunnellon kept pounding the ball and ended the game facing a third-down conversion attempt just five times.

After Sims, Jones and Williams scored on the ground in the second half, the Tigers let their foot off the gas with 3:10 left when it took a knee on four straight plays inside the Belleview 25-yard line.

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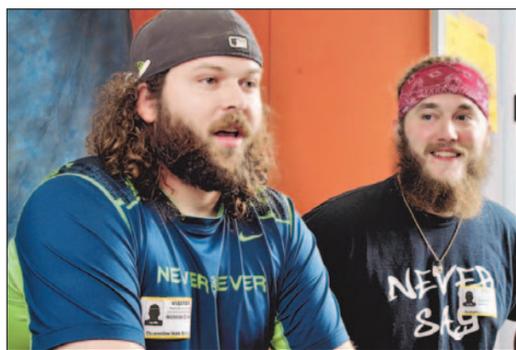
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the Pirates' mission and Never Say Never's mission are along the same lines. We want people to know you can do anything you want. Nothing is impossible."

Come Saturday, 60 youths and their families will get experience the life of a pirate, both McPhillips and Stillwell said. Last year's inaugural event drew 29 participants, but that was with three months of fundraising efforts to make it possible. With a year to raise monies — \$10,000 to be precise — develop contacts and resources, this year's event will be bigger and, hopefully, more memorable.

"You see the look in the kids' faces when there out on the water, and that's all you need to see," McPhillips said. "The Pirates have really taken on a life of its own, and we've gotten out and are trying to do more for others."

The weekend isn't complete without the "Pirate Party." Those who are part of the Pirate Camp are encouraged to dress up as "authentic pirates." Each camper will receive a wooden pirate sword, much like last



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Nick Stillwell discusses the role the Never Say Never Foundation plays in the lives of youths and their families as Kayne McPhillips looks on.

year's participants, and this year's party will feature three "pirates" with authentic peg legs. Stillwell, a double amputee, will be one of the peg-leg pirates.

"I've got the wooden leg for it," he said with a broad grin.

The party is an opportunity, McPhillips and Stillwell said, for the participants to be who they are and not have to self-conscious of what society considers a disability.

"Last year's party was great," the two recalled. "We had one kid who was confined to a motorized wheel chair and he was out there freestyling in it, and everyone just gathered in a big circle around him and started clapping. It was amazing."

But this is more than an adventure for those involved with Never Say Never or Pirates of the Care Free Being: it's about being there for family and supporting each other.

"It's a support group, too," Stillwell said. "But it's really turned into more than that. We are a family. We look out for each other; we're there for each other."

For more about Never Say Never Foundation, visit www.neversayneverfoundation.org. For more about the Pirates of the Care Free Being, visit piratesofthecarefreebeing.com or www.facebook.com/PiratesoftheCareFreeBeing.

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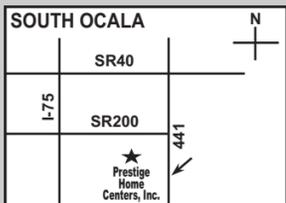


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