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City still awaiting payment for sale of Greenlight



David Suarez

Florida Cable has until Friday to pay \$1.3 million

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Florida Cable and David Suarez, the CEO/president, are down to their final 48 hours to make a

\$1.3 million payment to the city of Dunnellon, or City Attorney Virginia Cassidy will begin the process of filing a lawsuit for breach of contract with the telecommunications

system.

The Council on Jan. 16 gave Suarez until Friday to make good on the agreed purchase price of the city's failed telecommunications venture, which

triggered Regions Bank to file a lawsuit of its own against the city for failure to make a \$1.6 million bond payment in November 2013.

Overall, the City Council approved securing \$7.3 million in funds in Novem-

ber 2010 as officials sought to develop a long-term revenue generator.

However, the lofty expectations of Greenlight Dunnellon Communications never came to fruition as officials continued to See **AWAITING** page 8

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Paper seeks stories of wedded couples

The Riverland News is seeking couples who have been married 60 or more years for a Valentine's Day feature. Couples, or their children, are asked to submit a photo to editor@riverlandnews.com or bring to our office at 20441 E. Pennsylvania Ave. Deadline to submit information is Feb. 5.

In addition to the photo(s), we'd like the couple to answer the following questions: where did you meet?; what did you do for your first date?; was there a special moment when you knew they were the one?; and where did you marry?

Woman's Club to host Soup-a-Thon Saturday

The Woman's Club of Dunnellon will host its annual Soup-a-Thon fundraiser beginning at 11 a.m. Saturday at its clubhouse at 11756 Cedar St.

Cost is \$5 per person for all-you-can-eat soup and bread. Coffee and tea is included. Dessert and soda are extra. Takeout will be available.

In addition to the Soup-a-Thon, there will be a bake sale and cookbooks will be available.

For information about the Soup-a-Thon, call Holly at 465-8308.

Friends of the Library schedule meeting

The Friends of the Dunnellon Public Library will host its monthly meeting at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 4, in the Library Meeting Room at 20351 Robinson Road. The public is welcome. For information, call 438-2520.

Community Chorale to present show

The Dunnellon Community Chorale will present, "Broadway Memories," at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, at Dunnellon Presbyterian Church.

Medleys from favorite musical hits of the '50s and '60s will be presented and include solos and trios. Admission is free.

For information, call Judy at 489-2689.

'It's a miracle'



Photos by JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Meghann Jerrels, center, holds her 15-month-old daughter, Raegann, as rescue personnel with Marion County Fire Rescue attempt to examine Raegann after she and her mother were involved in a wreck Friday along U.S. 41. Meghann was driving a Ford F-250 truck when she was struck from behind by 23-year-old Steven T. Karger of Elizabethtown, Ky., who was driving at an estimated speed of 150 miles per hour in a 2003 Dodge Viper, authorities with the Dunnellon Police Department said he stole from Hometown Auto Mart.



Steven Karger discusses what substances he consumed prior to allegedly stealing a 2003 Dodge Viper from Hometown Auto Mart.

Mother, daughter walk away from wreck; 23-year-old man faces multiple charges, including grand theft auto, DUI

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

Meghann Jerrels has always been a firm believer in God.

After a harrowing experience last Friday, Jerrels' faith hasn't wavered. If anything, her faith is stronger now than a week ago.

Meghann and Raegann, Jerrels' 15-month-old daughter, were driving home from Don Pepe's northbound on U.S. 41 headed toward Rainbow Lakes Estates shortly after 2 p.m. Meghann was chatting with her mother, Janice Field, while Raegann quietly sat in the backseat of her mother's Ford F-250 pickup.

Neither of them realized their afternoon was about to abruptly change.

Several hundred feet behind them, 23-year-old Steven T.

Karger of Elizabethtown, Ky., was rapidly approaching, driving at an estimated speed of 150 mph in a stolen 2003 Dodge Viper. Authorities with the Dunnellon Police Department said he stole the car from Hometown Auto Mart.

Karger was passing traffic when for an unknown reason he drifted into the northbound lane driving underneath Meghann's truck, causing both drivers to lose control of their vehicles. The impact knocked Meghann off the road and her truck flipped multiple times before landing on its wheels.

Karger lost control of the Viper, driving off the road and into the tree line south of the B-Kwik Gas Station.

Karger abruptly turned back onto the road "like a missile

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District pushes for tax increase

Commission must OK referendum

JIM CLARK

For the Riverland News

OCALA — The push to get a property tax referendum approved to help fund Marion County Public Schools got off to a start Monday night when two members of Marion's United For Education presented a forum at the Ocala Police Department.

The 1-mill request would be for four years, but would also be renewable.

The referendum still has to be approved by the County Commission, which has to approve any countywide issues that go on the ballot. It would be voted on in November during the general election.

The proposed text of the referendum is "Shall the Marion County School District's ad valorem millage be increased by a total of one mill, beginning July 1, 2015 and ending June 30, 2019, for the necessary operating expenses including reading, physical education, art, music, library/media and vocational programs, meeting class size requirements, and retaining State Certified teachers and paraprofessionals with oversight of these expenditures by an independent citizens financial oversight committee?"

The League of Women Voters conducted the event. Speakers included Ray Seaman and Nancy Noonan, co-founders of Marion's United for Education.

Noonan explained the financial situations that led up to the need for the referendum, including depletion of reserve funds. "They (School Board)

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Swan song: Senior preps for final SEYF Show

► Editor's Note: The Southeastern Youth Fair will be from Feb. 23 to March 2. During the next few weeks, the Riverland News will feature youths participating in the event, which will be at the Marion County Livestock Pavilion at 2232 NE Jacksonville Road in Ocala.

Brown to present swine, heifer

BECCA FRECHETTE
For the Riverland News

Whether it's showing up to early morning meetings or spending your valuable school days off working with your show animal, this will be the last time it happens for senior Madison Brown.

This is Brown's seventh year in Dunnellon's FFA program and her fifth year participating in the Southeastern Youth Fair.

Brown began showing pigs at the fair as an eighth-grade student in Dunnellon Middle School's FFA chapter.

"My first time at fair I said, 'Oh my gosh, I have to do this next year,'" Brown said. "It's been fun ever since."

Brown will show her pig, Otis, as well as the chapter heifer, Loretta.

"I wanted to try something new by showing

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Photos by BECCA FRECHETTE/For the Riverland News

Dunnellon High senior Madison Brown cuddles with her pig, Otis, recently at her home. For Brown, this will be her final opportunity to compete in the Southeastern Youth Fair.

NEWS NOTES

Barbershoppers offer musical Valentine's

Tell your loved ones you care with a song this Valentine's Day. The Big Sun Chorus of the Barbershop Harmony Society will offer singing Valentines to benefit Youth in Harmony, a musical education program for young men. For information about pricing, scheduling or to arrange for the Barbershop Quartet to sing to your loved one - male or female - and present gifts of love, call Daniele Cupid at 804-7464.

Author to speak at public library

Kathryn Taubert will provide a Power-Point presentation about the five weeks she spent living with members of the Ewe Tribe in West Africa in 2009, which was the subject of her 2012 book, "Yevu (White Woman): My Five Weeks With The Ewe Tribe in Ghana, West Africa," at 3 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 6, at the Dunnellon Public Library.

The event is free and open to the public. For information, call 438-2520.

Friends prepare for Valentine's sale

The Friends of the Dunnellon Public Library are preparing for their one-week Valentine's Sweet-heart Book Sale, which will be from Monday, Feb. 10, through Friday, Feb. 14. All items will be half price, including specialty books. Store hours are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday. All proceeds from the bookstore, membership fees and other fundraisers benefit the Dunnellon Public Library. For information, call 438-2520.

Valentine's Day dinner/dance slated

The Men's Club of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will host a Valentine's Barbeque Dinner & Dance from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 15, in the parish hall at the church at 7525 U.S. 41. Tickets are \$7.50 per person. Doors open at 5:30 with dinner served at 6:30 and dancing until 10. The Suncoasters will provide the music.

For information or tickets, call the church office at 489-3166; Joe at 522-0169; or John at 585-7317 or 445-9964.

State park to host Cracker Days

Rainbow Springs State Park will host Cracker Days from 9 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 22 and 23. The park is 1 1/2 miles north of Dunnellon on U.S. 41. Admission is \$2 per person; children 5 and younger are free.

Cracker Days features people whose skills echo pioneer life in 1800's frontier Florida, from an authentic Cracker Camp where fire, soap, butter, candles and biscuits are made, trappers and traders tell stories, spinning wheels turn to the weaver, potter, wood-carver, wood turner and corn grinder and to basket, rug and broom makers and more.

For information, call Jo Ann at 465-8246.

Fun-filled activities highlight Dr. King celebration



ABOVE: Jaylen Witherspoon looks for an opening as he runs with the football as youths enjoyed playing a game of football at Ernie Mills Park during the recent Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day festivities.

RIGHT: Darion Baker drives to the hoop as he tries to get a shot off as Dennis Thomas attempts to block it during a pickup game at Ernie Mills Park.

BELOW: Jashaun Peoples smiles as he sprints toward a makeshift end zone while playing two-hand touch football.

Photos by JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News



United Way offering free tax assistance

United Way of Marion County will offer free income tax preparation through a variety of VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) locations.

The Dunnellon Chamber of Commerce will host the local VITA site, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays. Those wishing to take advantage of the free tax preparation must call 211 to make an appointment.

All volunteers providing tax assistance are trained by the Internal Revenue Service. Residents will need to bring the following information with them:

- Government-issued photo ID.
 - Valid Social Security cards, ITN numbers, and birth dates for taxpayer, spouse, and all dependents.
 - All wage and income statements (example: W-2, W-2G, 1099-R forms).
 - Interest and dividend statements from financial institutions (Form 1099), if applicable.
 - A copy of last year's federal tax return.
 - Proof of day care expenses including: provider's name, address and federal identification number.
 - For direct deposit of refund bring checking/savings account and routing numbers.
- If married and filing a joint return, both spouses must come to the VITA site. Volunteers will not prepare Schedule D (complex), Schedule E, request for Social Security Numbers, Employee Business Expenses, Moving Expenses, Non-deductible IRA or minor investment income.

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'Rescuing Max' takes center stage



Photos by JULIE MANCINI/For the Riverland News

ABOVE: Max, Z. Joseph Guice, center, and Chow Chow, Jim Brown, now old dogs, reminisce about the past and tell the story to Peppy, Jillian Capps, during a recent production of "Rescuing Max" at the Dunnellon Historic Depot. The play was penned by Glenn Munyan, who is also the author of "Max City Dog. Both are loosely based on his mother's real-life experiences. Proceeds from the event helped benefit Hospice of Citrus County/Hospice of the Nature Coast.

BELOW: Katie Wallace, Leanza McLean and Kaitlyn Hanley play "Aussies with perfect show dog genes" being trained by their breeder in Florida, played by Kayla Reed.



AARP offering free tax assistance

AARP will provide free income tax assistance Feb. 5 through April 14 at two locations near Dunnellon. It is not necessary to be a member of AARP or a retiree to use this service. Tax assistance is available from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays at the American Legion on U.S. 41 north of Dunnellon and noon to 5 p.m. Mondays and 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturdays at the Dunnellon Public Library, starting Feb. 8. An ap-

pointment can be scheduled at the library reference desk by phone, but appointments are not required. The Rainbow Lakes site will not be open this year.

The following documents will be needed when having taxes prepared by volunteers: Photo ID; Social Security cards; copy of your 2012 tax return; check (not a deposit slip) for direct deposit of your refund or electronic funds transfer of taxes

due; statements of any estimated taxes paid in 2013; 1099s from banks, financial institutions and others; statements of sales of stocks or mutual funds; Social Security statements, W-2s, K-1s, etc. for 2012; statement of property taxes, medical expense, charitable contributions, college expenses and mortgage interest are also needed.

Both signatures are required on joint returns.

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find themselves in a very precarious situation, not being able to dip into reserve funds," she said.

Noonan also noted temporary layoffs of first-year teachers last year, most of whom were rehired, and the layoff of paraprofessionals, most of whom were not retained.

Citing a defeat in 2012, Noonan and Seaman both said they felt there was a good chance of passage this time. The proposed tax lost by a narrow margin.

Seaman spoke about the financial problems of the schools, also citing many teachers were not only in classes that exceeded the limit, but had no aides.

He said Marion County was the worst in the state for class-size amendment violations.

Seaman called the referendum "probably the most comprehensive ballot measure this community has seen in 25 years."

Asked why a property tax and not a sales tax, the speakers said state law limits the use of funds from a sales tax and does not allow the use of those funds for operations.

A member of the audience also asked why the group feels the referendum would pass now. Seaman said a poll was commissioned, showing 55 percent of likely voters favor the property

tax initiative.

With the crowd mostly made up of senior citizens, Seaman commented on what he called the stereotype of those people being against school taxes. He said along the State Road 200 Corridor in 2012, the referendum was narrowly defeated, but the southern part of the county, near Summerfield, voted negatively more than the people on S.R. 200. He said the people on S.R. 200 are more closely aligned to Ocala, while

those in Summerfield are more oriented toward The Villages. However, he added, "We do not feel the senior vote is aligned against us."

Another selling point, he said, is the appointment of a financial oversight committee, something that was not on the ballot in 2012.

While information is available on the website marionsunited.org, the political arm that will conduct the publicity for the referendum will work as "Yes for Marion Schools."

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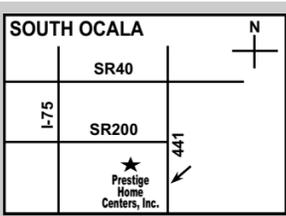
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THE JERSEY GIRL

No shadow to be seen here

On Feb 2, more than a half century ago, in the town of Little Falls, N.J., a tiny groundhog named Audrey was born. Now this groundhog was premature, so she had no eyebrows or eyelashes, or so I'm told anyway. My mother's doctor asked if she'd like to wait until the following day to deliver me, but my mother said having her baby daughter born on Groundhog Day would not bother her at all.



Audrey Beem

It's a good way for friends to remember the date of my birth, I have to admit. And except for being teased and called the name of that timid creature, there has actually been no downside to being born on that particular day.

But what is the history of Groundhog Day and how did it all get started?

Everybody knows the groundhog emerges from his den Feb. 2 to determine whether spring is near or if

there is more winter weather in store. Tradition has it, that if the groundhog sees his shadow, there will be six more weeks of winter, and if he doesn't see his shadow, a warm spring is soon to follow.

According to Pittsburg.about.com, the enduring tradition of Groundhog Day in the U.S. began when early Europeans sought ways to predict unknown weather events. While in the depths of cold, they would look for signs that better weather would soon arrive and they relied on the hedgehog and

his shadow to make an appearance to signal the end of winter. When German settlers arrived in Pennsylvania to find no hedgehogs, they began to watch the groundhogs, and the observance continued into modern times.

The first official Groundhog Day was celebrated Feb. 2, 1886, in Punxsutawney, Pa., when Clymer Freas, the town newspaper editor, proclaimed that it was so. Freas used his editorial clout to announce that Phil, the Punxsutawney groundhog, was the one and only official

weather prognosticating groundhog.

Phil's fame began to spread and newspapers from around the world began to report his predictions while growing legions of fans started making the annual trek to Punxsutawney in February. Phil's yearly predictions are even entered into the Congressional Record.

For most of the year, Phil lives in a climate-controlled home at the Punxsutawney Library. He is taken to Gobbler's Knob and placed in a

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LETTERS

America has lost another member of greatest generation

Robert Kramer died Jan. 15 in Ocala. He was born Oct. 27, 1912, in Brooklyn, N.Y.; he was 101 when he died. Kramer lived in rural Dunnellon with his daughter, Dorothy, and son-in-law, LeRoy Conro.

Mr. Kramer worked in Brooklyn as an engineer at a large manufacturing company. When Pearl Harbor was bombed, he wanted to help.

The day after Pearl Harbor, he left his wife and two children to join the Navy. After boot camp, Kramer was assigned to the USS Massachusetts, a battleship. The captain assigned Kramer to be the crow's nest lookout during general quarters.

Kramer often described seeing a Japanese kamikaze pilot flying a zero aircraft skirt about 20 feet from his post high atop the battleship. He vividly described seeing the Japanese pilot's face just prior to his crash into the water.

I wonder how many now would leave their wife and two children to go and fight for their country. Yes, Kramer was truly part of the greatest generations our country will ever know.

It was our privilege to help him celebrate his 100th birthday, and Veterans Helping Veterans honored Kramer with a Navy lapel pin, hat and certificate of honorable service.

Well done thy good and faithful servant; sailor rest your oar.

John Deakins,
Dunnellon

Paper, editor need to be positive voice for community

I would just like to take a minute to respond to the article, The Other Voice from Jan. 23.

It has been more than a year since Mayor Nathan Whitt took office, and as his wife, I have been quiet through much of the good and the bad that has taken place in this time.

I have seen many of his supporters continue to support him through thick and thin. I have seen many others turn their backs on him wearing the mask of impatience. Some are even continuing to sue the city, creating more chaos and uncertainty. I have seen many disconnected, just going by what they read or hear from the paper or those around them.

However, what shocks me the most is that many do not know or care what the new mayor has changed and choose only to focus on the negative. Much of that negativity is generated or fed by this

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GUEST COLUMN

Editor shows bias in story

BURT ENO

Specail to the Riverland News

As anticipated, your report on the Jan. 13 hearing concerning the Dunnellon/developer settlement agreement was incomplete, erroneous and biased. You mostly printed paragraphs from the settlement agreement itself as though this limited selection of claims was somehow valid while completely missing the issue of the dispute and the legal arguments. The dispute evolves from the Rainbow River Ranch developer's repeated attempts to circumvent legal processes by which a proposed plan receives public review and approval in accordance with development rules, ordinances, and state statutes.

When the developer bought the Cubbage property in 2005, there was in place a state approved land use plan which limited development of the property to protect the Rainbow River and sensitive adjacent wetlands. The developer's early proposal, which is effectively the same today, called for intense development on agricultural and conservation designated parcels, including the riverfront. This runs counter to Dunnellon's comprehensive plan and ordinances as well as the state comprehensive plan.

Rather than compromise, the developer chose to file a Bert Harris lawsuit under Florida Statute 70 against the city, claiming a loss of vested rights. The city defended against this lawsuit initially, but when past City Manager Lisa Algieri and City Attorney Marsha Segal-George wanted to turn attention to securing funding for Greenlight Communications, they conspired behind closed doors to capitulate to the developer. Thus evolved the so-called settlement agreement was sprung on the public March 17, 2010, and quickly approved by the city council on March 19, 2010. I would venture to say that none

of the council members had read the agreement.

Because this agreement is so egregious in terms of potential harm to the river and its environment Rainbow River Conservation (RRC) and 15 individuals legally intervened in opposition. They were soon joined by the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA). Only after Gov. Scott's elimination of the DCA did the developer conspire to push the settlement agreement through the newly formed Department of Economic Opportunity (DEO) which, frankly, ignored the requirements of the Growth Management Act, Florida Statute 163. The settlement agreement, which for all intents and purposes remained the same, was agreed to by the developer, the city and the DEO. RRC was then invited to comment, but the developer hung tough and RRC was rebuffed.

In court Jan. 13, the developer's attorney tried to argue that FS 70 takes precedence over FS 163 when, in fact, FS 70 does not claim that and FS 163 specifically states that it takes precedence over all other statutes pertaining to growth management. The intervenors' attorneys, Ralf Brookes and Tom Pelham, who used to be the secretary of DCA, argued very effectively that the developer and the city was attempting to circumvent the rights of the public and the growth management law.

Pelham expressed concern that the settlement agreement amounted to a "sweetheart deal" for the developer and could set a precedent for other such egregious settlement agreements by use of the Bert Harris statute. He indicated this would most likely be a precedent setting case that would be felt throughout the county and state. He further told the court that this settlement agreement amounted to "contract zoning," illegal in the state and not in

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TIME TO SMILE

Senility or stupidity?

This old age business is doing a number on my twentysomething mind.

Seriously, one minute you are 20 and then next you are wondering if you should invest in a cemetery plot. Time flies the closer you get to the end of the yardstick.

Senility and stupidity seem to be passengers on my flight. Some days I think the only gray matter I have left is on top of my head and not in it. It drives me crazy when I cannot think of the name of something. No matter how long I stare at the item the name of the item won't surface.

My house is full of thingamajigs and whatchamacallits. It doesn't worry me when I can't remember anyone's name. That affliction was given to me at birth. It is a requirement when one grows up in a large Irish Catholic family. Calling a sibling by a wrong name flows like water from a fountain. In our house, it was a natural form of forgetfulness. I never worry if I call you Brenda and your name is Jennifer.

It's the name of inanimate objects that keep me awake at night. For example, I wanted to rearrange my computer and printer so I wouldn't be tripping over the wires. I needed to purchase a surge protector in order to do that.

Not a problem except for the fact that I could not think of the word surge protector. I stared at the one by the TV willing it to tell me its name. I got the silent treatment.

Later that day, I stopped at an electronics store. I am no closer to remembering the name of it so I decide to describe it. I ask the guy, "do you sell those electronic stick things — holding my hands about a foot apart I say — it's about yay big. He gave me the oddest look — kind of a smile and a question mark. I guess he is not used to senile women in their 50's looking for an "electric stick."

I ignore the strange look and continue, "It plugs into the wall and you put other plugs into it."

Relieved, he said, "You mean a surge protector?"

"Yes!" I screamed, that's it."

I was talking to my friend Jane and telling her how the guy gave me a strange look because I was so senile. She said, "That is not why he gave you a strange look. Dunnellon doesn't have those kinds of stores."

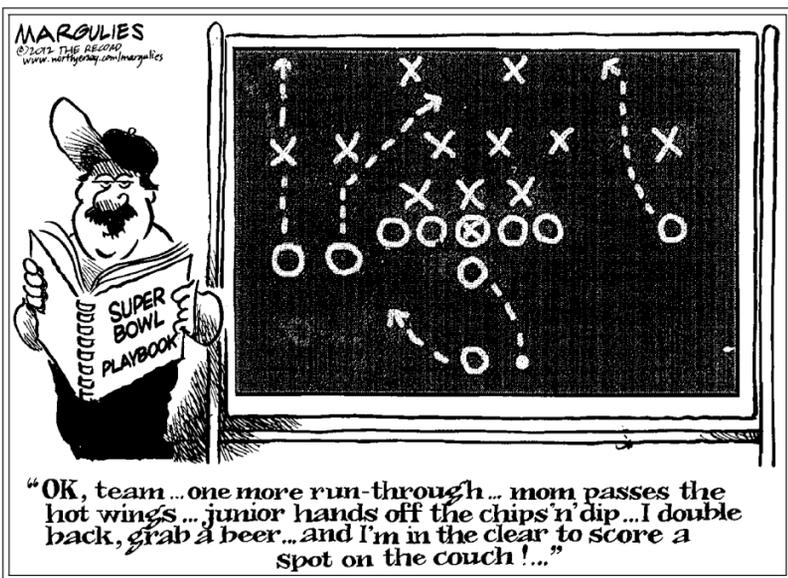
Confused, I ask "electronics?"

"No, porn stores," she replied.

Silence, ton of bricks and "oh, my gosh, electric stick!" Yep, I won't be showing my face in that store again.

Then, there was the morning I was in a rush to get to a club meeting. I grabbed my purse, my keys, my craft bag and head for the door. I step outside and think to myself it's chilly today. It sure was standing there in my bra and jeans! I was never so

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"OK, team...one more run-through...mom passes the hot wings...junior hands off the chips n dip...I double back, grab a beer...and I'm in the clear to score a spot on the couch!..."

SMILE

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happy to live in the middle of nowhere.

I have found that when I am rushed I do the dumbest things.

One morning I left a Chamber of Commerce meeting heading for my next appointment when I realized the idiot light was flashing on my dashboard. Oil and gas, remember oil and gas make the car go. I was on fumes so I coasted to Murphy's gas station. They were closed. I don't know why but it would have been nice if they had put up a sign or some cones. I limped along to the nearest station, the Sunoco by the fruit stand. Annoyed with the loss of time, I quickly open the cap, slide my card, push the button and jam the pump in the hole.

La-de-da, waiting, glance at the price. Wait, what does that say? I immediately let go of the pump and read \$4.59 a gallon. What happened? Did someone blow up all the pipe lines? Why on earth is it \$4.59 a gallon? I look at the sign and it reads Super Unethanol.

What happened to regular unleaded? I didn't pull up to the correct pump. Again, I call Jane and ask her to check with her mechanically inclined son and husband:

A) Will the car blow up?;

B) Did I just ruin my gas tank?

Lucky for me it was:

C) Neither.

I can hear my mom saying "You are so impatient, slow down."

Senility or stupidity? I'll let you be the judge.

You may not want to judge too harshly.

Remember one day it may be you looking for an "electric stick."

JERSEY

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heated burrow underneath a simulated tree stump on stage before being pulled out at 7:25 a.m. on Groundhog Day, to make his prediction.

Phil is reputed by townspeople to be more than 100 years old, surviving beyond his normal life span thanks to the strong constitution of his wife, Phyllis, and a steady diet of Groundhog Punch.

With the release of "Groundhog Day" in 1993, the visitors to the site began to number in the tens of thousands. In case you missed it, the movie is a comedy starring Bill Murray as a weatherman named, what else, Phil.

Phil doesn't like the town, the assignment or the holiday especially when he's forced to re-live Feb. 2 over and over and over again.

Punxsutawney is in a very rural area with few highways, so Columbia

Pictures decided to film the movie in Woodstock, Ill., a more metropolitan area. The actual Gobbler's Knob is a wooded hill with a beautiful view. The one in the movie is moved to the town square, though, it is re-created to scale based on notes and videos the crew made on its visit there.

If you plan to go, arrive by no later than 6 a.m. in Punxsutawney in order to catch one of several shuttles providing transportation to Gobbler's

Knob. Or, arrive a day or two earlier for a weekend of action-packed events including a chili cook-off, ice carving exhibitions, trivia contests, Groundhog Day weddings, sleigh rides, wood-chuck whittling, the Phil Scavenger Hunt, music, food, fun and games.

If you happen to be celebrating a birthday Feb. 2, you are then invited to join others who share the special day for Phil's Birthday Celebration and a free souvenir. I might just have to take

them up on that one.

There are other weather-predicting groundhogs out there but Alan Freed, Webmaster for Punxsutawneyphil.com said: "We'll take them seriously just as soon as a major motion picture is created in their honor!"

Anyway, in three days we'll know whether Phil sees his shadow or not.

As for me, I'll be sure not to see mine, as I'm a Florida girl now and more than ready for spring to arrive.

GUEST

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public interest. The settlement agreement itself states that it contravenes the city's ordinances and comprehensive plan.

Quoting sections of the settlement agreement out of context and in complete disregard for the intervenors' objections is disingenuous. For instance, the 100-foot buffer is meaningless when the developer retains the right to cut down 30 percent of the trees and all the under-

story to the river, thus destroying the wildlife habitat. Clearing 35 lots along the river and around the cove in such a manner and erecting new docks and gazebos is not protecting the river or its environment, let alone abiding by established legal limitations.

Numerous other quotes from the settlement agreement use language that makes the proposal sound like state-of-the-art and environmentally friendly when, in fact, it is a travesty. Probably the worst rendition of what is in the agreement is where you

have stated that "the property owner does not waive any rights or claims under the Bert Harris Act for actions taken by the city after the date of this settlement agreement." You failed to add that the settlement agreement "tolls" or "suspends" the Bert Harris suit against the city and leaves the city open to future charges by the developer under Bert Harris while severely limiting the right of the city government to defend itself against future charges.

It is amazing to me how you can continue to show such bias in your reporting and not

properly state facts which are in evidence. I have repeatedly provided materials pertinent to these matters and repeatedly invited you to attend RRC meetings and events to get educated but you have neglected to avail yourself of these opportunities. I would rather you write nothing than to continue distorting the facts and showing such bias.

For now, we wait the opinion of Circuit Court Judge Steven Rogers.

Burt Eno, Ph.D., is the president of Rainbow River Conservation Inc.

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OBITUARIES



Larry A. Garcia, 66

Larry A. Garcia, 66, of Dunnellon, Fla., died Jan. 21, 2014, at home, under the care of his loving fiancé, Barbara Carver. Larry was born Dec. 12, 1947, in Houston, Texas, to Jimmie A. Garcia and Barbara A. Lastrapes. Larry was a military medic for over 15 years. He spent the remainder of his life serving in the health care field. As a nurse, he worked in a variety of specialties including cardiac care; emergency care, and neonatal care. He finished his career working with the elderly in several nursing homes in the area. Larry immersed himself in his work in a loving and compassionate way, and will always be remembered by those he touched. His final act of compassion was to donate his body to science in hope of helping find a cure for the terrible disease that took his life. He will be greatly missed by all those who know him.

Larry is survived by his fiancé, Barbara Carver, of Dunnellon. He is also survived by his daughter, Andrea Garcia; his brothers, Martin A. Gracia, Tommy A. Gracia, Wade A. Garcia, Jimmy A. Garcia; sisters, Shelly Campbell, Anita White and Janet Harbeson. He is further survived by two grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of Larry's life will be announced at a later date.

Norma J. Bradley, 88

Norma J. Bradley, 88, of Dunnellon, Fla., died

Friday, Jan. 24, 2014, at home under the care of her loving family and Marion County Hospice. Norma was born July 22, 1925, in Bristol, Pa., to Herman and Clara Alexander. She married the love of her life, Clarence T. Carver Jr. on July 13, 1944. They resided in Yardley, Pa., where they were blessed with five children. Norma was a wonderful mother, grandmother, friend, and enjoyed many years as a homemaker and a floral designer. Norma and Clarence relocated to Florida in 1973.

Norma is survived by her children, Clarence T. Carver III and his wife Mary, Kenneth E. Carver, Vaughn F. Carver and his wife Ruth, Barbara A. Carver, Nancy L. Courtney and her husband A.D.; grandchildren, Nathan Carver, Jason Carver, Meredith Carver, Kacey Carver, Jared Carver, Mariah McSweeney and husband Ralph, Bridget Carver, Scotty Williams and wife Darbi, Kristi Coulter and husband David, Tina Roberts and husband Brian, Sydne Bradley, Danielle Cash and husband Greg; eight great-grandchildren; her dear friends, Alma Manns, Betty Bradley; and her church family at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church of Inverness, where she was a member of the Daughters of the King. She was predeceased by her husband, Clarence T. Carver Jr., and her two sisters and brother.

The family is planning a celebration of Norma's life at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church of Inverness at a later date. The family wishes to thank Marion County Hospice for their kind and compassionate care.

VFW scholarship essay recipients



Photos by JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News
ABOVE: Dunnellon Christian Academy student Alison Carameros, left, was presented with a certificate, a medal and a \$500 scholarship from Wayne Howard of VFW Post 4864 in Citrus Springs after she placed in the Voice of Democracy essay contest.

BELOW: Dunnellon Christian Academy student Alexandria Hastings, left, was presented with a certificate and a \$75 scholarship from Howard after she placed second in the Patriots Pen essay contest.



CHURCH EVENTS

Photos, stories wanted of Holy Faith Church

Parishioners of Holy Faith Episcopal Church in Blue Cove will celebrate its 50th anniversary Sept. 20 and 21.

As part of the celebration, the 50th Anniversary Committee is working to compile a history of the church in the community. All past and present members of the church, friends, neighbors and families can help by searching their memories and scrapbooks for stories and photos related to Holy Faith.

Photos would be promptly copied and returned. The goal by September 2014 is to share the past and continuing relationship of Holy Faith with the Dunnellon community.

Committee members will be happy to do at-home interviews. Inter-

views can be arranged by calling 489-2685.

Church to host tailgate party Sunday

Dunnellon Community Church will host the second annual Super Bowl Tailgate Party after its 11 a.m. worship service Sunday.

The church meets at American Legion Post No. 58 in Dunnellon. Among the activities planned, are a bounce house for children, flag football games and food.

For information, contact Danielle Stevens at ds@boundlessdata.com.

Church schedules Chinese auction

The Altar and Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will host a Chinese auction from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, in Father Stegeman Hall. An envelope of 20 tickets is \$5 and can be purchased at the door.

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OUT TO PASTOR
How to deal with Mother Nature's cold shoulder

I have a little confession to make. I do not often make public confessions, but the confession is good for the soul. My confession, however, has nothing whatsoever to do with my soul. Simply put, I am cold to the bone!

I guess I have been colder but I am suffering from brain freeze right now. I was hoping all that chatter about global warming was somewhere in the neighborhood of being true. If so, nobody happened to send the memo to Mother Nature. With the sophistication of our communication technology today, I am not sure how this memo failed to get to her. Of course, they could have sent the message with one of those infamous government computers. We all know how reliable they are.

Another thought along this line is that maybe Mother Nature got the memo all right, but, like all good mothers do, ignored it and went about her own business. After all, mothers really do know best even when it does not seem so at the time.

However, I am cold and need some encouragement or at least some warm thoughts along this line. The warmest thought I have had recently has been that I have relatives in colder areas than I am. I must confess it does make me feel a little better, just

not that much warmer. Where I live we don't have that cold stuff that piles up on the ground like they do up north keeping you from getting to where you want to go.



Rev. James Snyder

Whoever was singing, "I'm Dreaming of a White Christmas," please stop singing;

Christmas is over. Start dreaming about something a little warmer than all of that white stuff, like a Green Easter.

This probably has been the coldest winter in a good long time and it got me to thinking, after all, what else can you do when everything is frozen?

With all the advancements in science and technology, why is it we cannot control the weather? Something as simple as the weather and nobody seems to be able to control it.

Politicians will get up and spout off at how they are going to change things and control things and improve things. Well, Mr. Politician, why don't you begin with the weather? Change the weather for a change.

Why can't these big shots control the weather? They spend a lot of time (and our money) trying to control us. They now want to tell us what we can eat and cannot eat and how much soda we can drink at any one time. They tell us how much of our money we need

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to send back to the government so they can raise their salaries and increase their benefits.

It seems quite a paradox that when our country is going through hard times and people who pay the taxes have to tighten their belts that it is time for politicians to vote on a raise in their salary. For once, I would like to see these political big shots vote on decreasing their salary and standing alongside the American people. The danger of that is, it would be such a shock to the American people that people would be dropping dead left and right.

So why can't these people control the weather? Why can't they pass a law regulating the temperature? They have a law regulating everything else. Why not the temperature? Why not the weather?

I am for having some of these politicians put together one of their infamous "subcommittees," sit down with Mother Nature and negotiate something that will make everybody happy, like warm weather. I would like to see some of my tax dollars go for something that would benefit everybody instead of some party at some insignificant political convention.

Personally, I think Mother Nature would be easy to work with under such circumstances as we have today. Every mother has a nurturing side and I believe there is no exception here with good old Mother Nature. Maybe she does not know how inconvenient this cold weather has been for us. I think she would be willing to negotiate along these lines.

I would like to select the politicians to be on

this committee myself. I have my own list and would be happy to set it up. The reason is, I know that when one of those politicians throws his chest out and begins one of those mind-numbing speeches, and you know they will, they always do, it will irritate Mother Nature. Boy, would I love to see her light into one of them. Nothing is more awesome than the fury of Mother Nature.

Besides, nothing is more idiotic than men or women, big in their own eyes, pontificating on things they cannot control as if they had any say in it.

I think if you cannot control something as commonplace as the weather you had better find out who can and align yourself up with that person.

The Bible tells us exactly who that is. "The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked: the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet" (Nahum 1:3).

I do not have to deal with Mother Nature, who incidentally does not exist; I deal with God who controls all things and I am happy to have him control my life as well.

The Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship in Ocala. Call him at 866-552-2543 or email jamesnyder2@att.net. His website is www.jamesnyderministries.com.

CHURCH EVENTS

'Sunday Afternoon Musicales' slated

The annual "Sunday Afternoon Musicales" variety show at First Congregational Church, 7171 SW State Road 200, will be at 3 p.m. Sunday. Church members and friends will sing, dance and play their way through an afternoon of music and fun. Admission is free, but an offering will be taken to help support the music program. A variety of solos, duets and instrumentals will be performed, including a medley of songs by Jerome Kern and a performance by the church's bell choir. Light refreshments will be served following the program.

Church schedules concert series

Dunnellon Presbyterian Church will host its annual concert series on the following days. Concerts are free and open to the public. All love offerings received are gifted to the performers. Dunnellon Presbyterian Church is at 20641 Chestnut St.

• 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9 — The Dunnellon Community Chorale will present "Broadway Memories" directed by Jeanne Wolfanger. Connie Hart will be the accompanist.

• 3 p.m. Sunday, March 17 — University of Florida cello students under the direction of Dr. Steven Thomas.

Women's Bible study meets monthly

Women's Cross Denominational Bible

study called One Woman'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 information, check us out on Facebook at One Woman's Prayer.

Church hosts bingo weekly

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church hosts bingo at 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and 5:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Prizes up to \$250. Doors open at 10 a.m. Tuesdays and 4 p.m. Wednesdays. The church is at the corner of U.S. 41 and State Road 40.

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.

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by Linda Thistle

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Police: Man, 55, charged with DUI

JEFF BRYAN
Riverland News

A 56-year-old Dunnellon man was charged with driving under the influence and disorderly intoxication Saturday at the City Boat Ramp, a Dunnellon Police Report stated.

According to the report, Michael A. Burns drove into the parking lot in a small blue truck with his son in the passenger seat. Burns exited the truck and became aggressive

with Brandon Spillman, an off-duty Marion County sheriff's deputy, who advised Burns was also yelling. Spillman told Officer Adam Robinson of the Dunnellon Police Department he detected a strong odor of alcoholic beverages emanating from Burns' breath and body.

The report stated Spillman identified himself as a deputy with the Marion County Sheriff's Office and repeatedly advised Burns to walk home. Spillman told Robinson the

defendant stated he did not care Spillman was a deputy and then Burns told his son to "take the truck home and leave before the cops got here."

According to the report, Robinson arrived on scene at approximately 6:20 p.m. when he made contact with Burns. Robinson noted he observed Burns to have bloodshot, watery eyes, low slurred speech, dilated pupils, unsteady motor function and the strong odor of

alcohol emanating from his breath and body.

The report stated Robinson then requested Burns submit to field sobriety exercises to which he agreed. Robinson, in his report, wrote Burns failed in the horizontal gaze nystagmus, walk-and-turn, the finger-to-nose and Romberg Balance exercises.

According to the report,



Michael Burns

Burns was then handcuffed, placed into the patrol vehicle and transported to the Marion County Jail, where he consented to the lawful test of his breath. The report stated Burns results show he blew a 0.128 percent and 0.132 percent. The legal limit in the state is 0.08 percent.

Burns' bond was set at \$500. He posted bond Sunday.

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pump money into the fiber to the home program with the hopes a customer base would develop.

Among the funding officials used to keep Greenlight afloat, the city depleted most of its reserves from its water/sewer enterprise, transferring more than \$2 million from the system as well as approved a loan of more than \$1 million.

Not only did the Council approve an extension for the \$1.3 million payment, which was initially due Dec. 23 at the close of the sale between Florida Cable and the city, officials and Suarez also agreed to an initial fine of \$48,000 stipulating from revenues still coming into city coffers, but a daily fine of \$2,300 until Suarez paid for Greenlight. In addition, Suarez agreed to pay for the legal costs associated with additional paperwork.

Also, Suarez is supposed to send the funds straight to City Attorney Virginia Cassidy as opposed to establishing an escrow account. The fines are to be paid directly to the city.

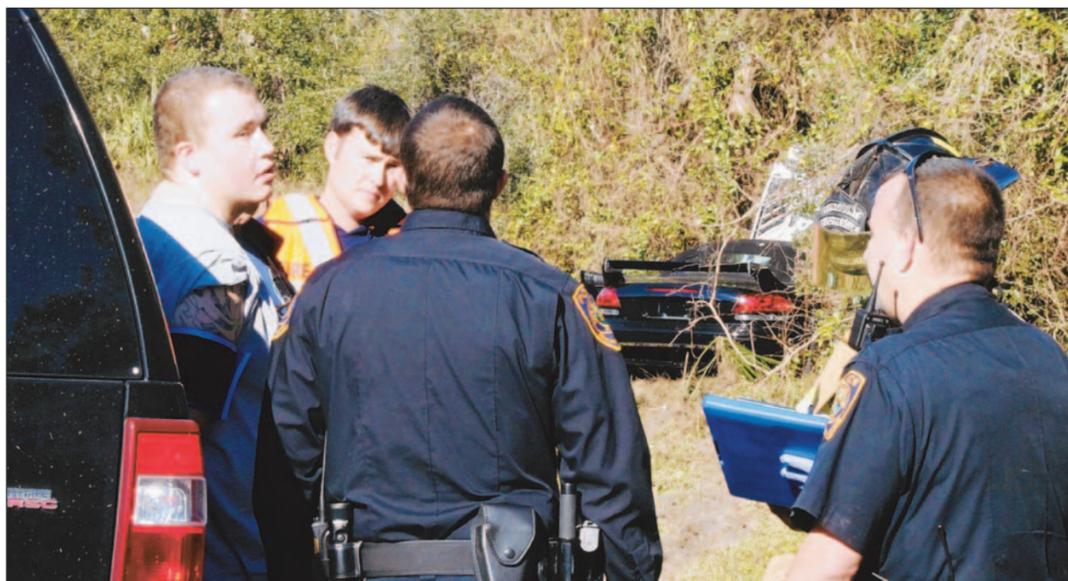
However, Eddie Esch, interim city manager, said as of Monday Suarez and his attorney had yet to sign the supplemental agreement to be paired with the initial contract. The state's Better Business Bureau website stated Florida Cable is not an accredited business within the state. The website did state: "Businesses are under no obligation to seek BBB accreditation, and some businesses are not accredited because they have not sought BBB accreditation."

According to an email string between Suarez and Cassidy, Suarez told the city attorney he was still awaiting approval for the changes to be OK'd by his board of directors.

Suarez did not return multiple phone calls seeking comment. When Suarez struck the deal regarding fines for not having paid for the system on time, the head of Florida Cable refused to nullify the sale of the system and turn Greenlight back into the hands of the system.

The city's financial woes, particularly those with Regions Bank, forced officials to declare a state of emergency with Gov. Rick Scott's office. The city filed its initial request in November. The state had 45 days to respond to the officials' requests to file for bankruptcy. However, the state has yet to make a ruling because of renewed negotiations with Regions Bank.

"We're still monitoring the situation," a spokesman with Gov. Rick Scott's office said Friday.



Photos JEFF BRYAN/Riverland News

Steven Karger talks with emergency personnel and law enforcement officers at the scene of Friday's crash in which Karger allegedly stole a 2003 Dodge Viper, seen in the background, from Hometown Auto Mart.

MIRACLE

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and hit the truck and both cars exploded," two witnesses told authorities.

Several passers-by stopped after seeing the incident unfold, immediately rushing to Meghann's truck to assist the 27-year-old mother and her daughter.

"I remember talking to my mom," she said Monday, three days after the wreck. "The next thing I know we're flipping, it was happening so fast. I don't think I had time to react. After landing, I remembered I had been on the phone with my mom and began screaming for help. It was like a daze."

As people came to her aid, she said, her lone thought was about freeing her daughter from her car seat and making sure she was not injured. "She was crying like crazy," Meghann said. "I had people coming up and asking if I was all right and I just keep telling them to get my baby."

Jeanine Klimedinst of Ocala was driving southbound on U.S. 41 when the wreck occurred. She said she immediately pulled to the shoulder as other motorists slowed to a crawl after the incident happened to avoid causing another wreck.

"There were several of us who raced to the truck first," she said, noting Karger had already exited the Viper, shouting "I passed out, I passed out. I don't know what happened."

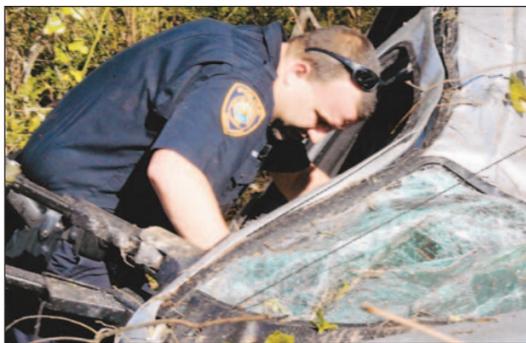
Klimedinst said helping Meghann and her daughter free of the wreckage was surreal.

"It was very emotional," she added. "Here's this mom asking for everyone to help her daughter, seeing them both crying. It was very emotional for everyone."

Both Meghann and her daughter were freed from the crumpled F-250, walking a short distance to be examined by rescue personnel from Marion County Fire Rescue. Both were transported to Munroe Regional Hospital, examined and released a few hours later. Meghann said both her and her daughter's injuries were minor. Meghann has a mild case of whiplash and a cracked rib while Reagann is sore.

"If anyone doesn't believe in God, they need to go look at my truck and see how bad it is," she said. "Then they'll believe. It's a miracle neither of us was hurt badly, or worse."

As rescue personnel were assessing both her and her daughter, law enforcement officers were



Officer Adam Robinson of the Dunnellon Police Department surveys the damage to Meghann Jerrels' Ford F-250 pick-up truck.

piecing together evidence involving the alleged theft of the Viper. According to reports, Karger stopped at Hometown Auto Mart to look at the Dodge Viper. Ryan Balcomb, an employee with the used car lot, popped the hood and started the engine as both listened to the car from the passenger side. That's when Karger took off for the driver's seat, jumping into the car and locking the door as Balcomb attempted to stop him.

The report stated Karger then sped out of the parking lot, traveled southbound on U.S. 41 before making a U-turn at U.S. 41 and Brooks Street and heading north. "He nearly ran me over leaving the lot," Balcomb said, adding he immediately jumped in his truck and began following Karger.

"I came upon the wreck, saw the truck and rushed to help them first," said Balcomb, who's been employed at Hometown Auto Mart for the past seven

months.

Richard Schreff who has owned and operated the used car dealership for the past six years said Friday's incident was the "craziest" thing he's ever heard of in his 25 years as a car salesman. Despite the loss of what Schreff called "the nicest car I've ever had on any lot," he was overwhelmed to hear no one had been badly injured.

"I was crying when I heard no one was seriously hurt or worse," he explained.

According to the report, Karger continued to accelerate his speed before crashing into the back of Meghann's truck. While being assessed by emergency personnel, Karger told authorities he had smoked marijuana, taken Prozac and "huffed an entire can of dust off."

The report stated Officer Adam Robinson read Karger his Miranda rights and Karger said he understood his rights and wished to speak with law

enforcement officers. Karger told police "he was back" and he was "Jesus Christ." Robinson then completed his traffic crash investigation and was beginning a DUI investigation. Robinson requested Karger participate in field sobriety exercises to which Karger agreed.

According to the report, Karger failed in the horizontal gaze nystagmus, walk-and-turn and the walk-and-turn exercises. Robinson then requested fire rescue personnel draw blood from Karger on scene.

Karger was charged with one count of grand theft of a motor vehicle; one count of aggravated assault with intent to commit a felony; two counts of driving under the influence causing great bodily harm; two counts of driving under the influence causing property damage; one count of operating an unregistered motor vehicle; and one count of reckless driving. All told, his bond was set at more than \$20,000. Karger remains in the Marion County Jail.

According to Karger's Facebook page, he wrote an expletive-laced tirade about pop singer Justin Bieber, who was recently charged with driving under the influence and reckless driving. "These kids are gonna see this (expletive) and then go that (expletive) wow," Karger wrote Friday, the same day he allegedly stole the Dodge Viper and was charged with multiple crimes.

NEWS NOTES

Concealed weapons class available

Riverside Trading & Loan will host a Florida concealed weapon carry permit class at 9 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, at Riverside Trading at 20419 E. Pennsylvania Ave. This class is the two-hour prerequisite to apply to the state for your concealed weapon permit. Space is limited. To reserve a spot, call 533-4350.

AARP Driver Safety Class slated

An AARP Driver Safety Program 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 \$20 per person for all materials, except pen or pencil. However, if you are an AARP member, the cost is \$15. Bring your AARP card with you.

The course will be from 1 to 4 p.m. March 6 and 7 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.

Kiwanis changes meeting place

The Kiwanis Club of Dunnellon will begin meeting at Carmela's Restaurant at 8 a.m. Wednesdays for its weekly meetings and breakfast. However, on the third Wednesday monthly, the club will continue meeting at 5:30 p.m. at the Rainbow Springs Golf & Country Club.

For information, contact Ellie Pollock at 465-6803 for a reservation by the previous Tuesday weekly.

Agency in need of volunteers

The Annie W. Johnson Service Center and the Annie W. Johnson Thrift Store are in need of volunteers. Volunteers should be flexible, compassionate and energetic toward the commitment for the better good of the community in need. For information, call 489-8021.

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LETTERS

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very paper — our hometown paper.

Do you even remember the state of our city a year ago?

Mayor Whitt promised big changes and most of them were delivered in his first year. Red-light cameras are gone; a dysfunctional city manager and city attorney are gone; and the Greenlight losses have stopped. Not to mention the endless effort he is making to bring an end to the divide between the city and our neighbors in Rainbow Springs.

I was an English major and love journalism, and I know the power of the pen goes far and cuts deep. The Riverland News should be a positive influence in our town.

There are so many good people in this community, so many places to celebrate, and businesses to appreciate. The truth should always be told, but with truth come facts, not opinions.

The paper should print the facts; then the readers can decide for themselves what opinion to make. Negativity does not benefit a community, it divides a community.

Unfortunately, even many of the letters to the editor are hurtful and just full of bullying, mean nonsense. What purpose does this serve?

Then, there is, The Other Voice, a column written to express opinion, which so happens to be that of the editor more often than not. Trying to make your readers follow you down the "right path" or not to believe in their city officials is not helpful.

If they would choose to follow you, it would only be to take a few steps next door to find the company of a friend to complain about your lack of a "resort on the river" all the while doing nothing to make a change.

The Other Voice seems a bit like a version of the National Enquirer, sensationalized with just a hint of Dunnellon. We get it. We know you want ecotourism.

My husband and I, among many others, are working toward a Dunnellon that will thrive on ecotourism. It is happening. Surely you are aware of the convergence of two major bike trails coming into Dunnellon as I write?

This is a massive leap toward the ecotourism-based future you seek. As you must know, most of us believe we should embrace the amazing natural resources that surround Dunnellon.

What I do not understand is, are you just complaining about the need for ecotourism in hopes someone else will make it happen? Are you and your friend just talk?

I have heard all of the excuses and how it is everyone's fault, but your own. I am tired of hearing just talk. If this is what you imagine, help make it happen. There are still plenty of lots for sale in the area and several are zoned commercial. In my opinion, Dunnellon is primed for an ecotourism rebirth and these properties will not be available much longer.

I, for one, plan to make my community a better place. I plan to give to charities, visit local businesses on a regular basis, work on my own ecotourism-based business, love my neighbors, and help others when I can. I love this community, and I know we would all do better with a more positive outlook from our own hometown paper.

Deidre' Whitt, Dunnellon

Friends of the Library bookstore open

Special to the Riverland News

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

There are novels, bios, cook-

ing, 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.

An all-volunteer staff operates The Friends Bookstore, with all proceeds benefiting the Dunnellon

Public Library. The Friends are committed to giving a monthly book endowment (new books), in addition to providing office equipment, landscaping, and various other library enhancements. For information, call the library at 438-4520.



Senior Madison Brown attempts work with Loretta, the DHS FFA chapter's heifer. Brown will show Loretta during the annual Southeastern Youth Fair at the Marion County Livestock Pavilion. The event will be from Feb. 23 to March 2.

Photos by BECCA FRECHETTE/For the Riverland News

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Loretta, because it's my last year," Brown explained.

As for Otis, he tugs on her heart a little more than her other pigs, not just because he will be her last one, but also because of his dedication to her. "I've never had a pig that acts like a dog and follows me around," Brown said.

FFA is important because it teaches you life skills, she explained.

"It's different than just getting a puppy," Brown said.

Brown said "she really did have no clue how to raise a pig" the first time she attempted it.

"I thought it was just like dog food or something," she explained. "But then you have to pick up poop and make sure it has shavings on cold nights and make sure it is getting exercise."

Brown does not plan to pursue farming in the future. She is currently leaning toward cosmetology school after she graduates from Dunnellon High in June.

"You have to work with your animal, especially a heifer, or they won't want to move and be bothered," she explained. "It's different



Brown gives Loretta a snack after recently working with the chapter heifer.

than a pig because you can't just feed it and leave. You have to work with this animal and know what you're doing."

Brown still feels like raising an animal for the fair was a valuable experience. "I've learned ... how to not just take care of myself but something else and learning how to do this in middle school was a huge step," said Brown. "It's a very sad experience also seeing it grow and knowing it's going to be someone's dinner. It's sad, but it's life — the farm life."

The pigs cost between \$175 and \$300 and the students get them around the first of November. In addition to

sive too, but you get your money back with a good buyer," Brown said, adding "that's why you should get your buyer letters out" referring to letters the students send each year to invite people to bid on their animals at auction.

"I remember one year I was freaking out cause I thought my piggy wasn't going to make weight at weigh-in," Brown recalled. "I had so many nerves and that feeling when they say, 'you're good, it's 225' or whatever, it's a huge weight lifted off your shoulders cause then you're not looking for someone to buy your pig and all that stress and money loss."

the initial cost of the animal, there's the food and other necessities. "It's kind of expen-

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NEWS NOTES

Church men's club plays horseshoes

The Men's Club of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church will play horseshoes at 9 a.m. Saturdays at the church.

Horseshoes will be provided to anyone needing them and instructions in pitching, scoring and court maintenance will be provided. The public is welcome.

For information, call 489-5954.

United Way to host St. Paddy's Day 5K

United Way of Marion County's high school youth program will host a St. Patrick's Day 5K run/walk at 8 a.m. Saturday, March 8, starting and ending at the downtown square to benefit the United Way.

Entry fee is \$20 prior to Monday, March 3, and \$25 afterward. Race forms can be downloaded at www.uwmc.org or participants can register at Active.com.

For information, call Katrina Ganzler at 352-732-9696.

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, commanding officer, at 212-5473 or email tdunn@manateediv.org.

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 program offers 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.

Catholic church collecting box tops

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

Stormwater education grants available

Educators must apply by April 4

Special to the Riverland News

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

Through April 4, educators serving students who live in unincorporated Marion County may receive funds under the 2013-2014 Stormwater Education Grants Program. Grantees may receive up to \$750 to use for stormwater/water resource

education and up to \$1,000 to purchase equipment related to these projects.

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

The Office of the County Engineer launched the Stormwater Education Grants Program

in 2010 to help students who live in unincorporated Marion County learn about stormwater pollution prevention, karst topography and what the water quality of the Floridan aquifer and other water bodies mean to them.

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

Down and out



MATT PFIFFNER/For the Riverland News

Dunnellon High School sophomore Tyra Thomas drives to the hoop Tuesday night for a basket against Crystal River High School in the District 5A-6 girls semifinals at Lecanto High School. Thomas scored a game-high 23 points as the Lady Tigers season came to a close with a 64-44 lose to the Lady Pirates.

Lady Tigers bounced from district tournament

STEVE MCGUNNIGLE

Special to the Riverland News

LECANTO — Jitters, nerves or any adjective that can be given, the Crystal River girls basketball team shook them off after the first quarter, going on to cruise to a decisive 64-44 win over Dunnellon in Tuesday's District 5A-6 semifinal matchup from Lecanto High School.

Crystal River returns to Lecanto High School on Thursday for a 7 p.m. district championship game against No. 1 seed Citrus.

Megan Wells led the second-seeded Lady Pirates with 19 points and four assists, going 5-for-8 from

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Dunnellon High's Sierra Oliver knocks the ball away from Crystal River's Cassidy Wardlow during second-half action at Lecanto High School. Despite pulling down 16 rebounds, the Pirate defense held Oliver scoreless.

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

School honors service workers

The week of Feb. 3 to 7, we would like to recognize our school counselor, psychologist, social worker, behavior specialist, resource specialist and school nurse for their dedication and ongoing service to the students, teachers and families. We appreciate everything you do.



Jane Ashman
Romeo
Principal

'Terrific Kids' Romeo Elementary School is proud to announce January's

Terrific Kids, which is a part of the Kiwanis Kids program. It is an award that is given to one child per class monthly who is outstanding, succeeding or overall terrific. Each child is awarded a certificate signed by their teacher and the principal as well as a sticker, bumper decal, pencil and a coupon from a local business.

VPK: Abigail Beal. KINDERGARTEN: Kendall Britt, Jaidyn Harrell, Bradley Lemanski, Khanya Singh and Raina Valentine. FIRST GRADE: Madison Conner, Analiz Hernandez-Diaz, Juliana Ignacio, Blake Marra, Ayden Nicholes, Carlos Perez and Alexa Swaney. SECOND GRADE: Abigail Beville, Consuelo Davila, Nadia Esther, Gracie Howell and Michael Shelton. THIRD GRADE: Adrian Arreola, Marroquin Florian Bonanerges Lizandro, Angela Jaimes, Yanet Palomo-Barragan and Madisyn Smith. FOURTH GRADE: Josue Alvarado, Sully Anderson, Caleb Beville, Delaney LaMon, Miranda Snyder and Nayeli Vargas. FIFTH GRADE: Dakotah Beebee, Roman Gonzalez, Jason Hibbitt, Antonia James, Bayleigh Johnson, Calista Neal, Nicholas Place, Michael Rey and Justin Tweedy.

PTO News

The Parent/Teacher Organization (PTO) meets at 2:30 p.m. the third Tuesday monthly in the Media Center. The next meeting will be Feb. 18. We will discuss upcoming events coming up at Romeo Elementary. We invite you to join in and share your ideas with us.

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Dunnellon Middle School preps for 'Yerd Day'



Delbert
Smallridge
DMS
Principal

"Yerd Day" will be Tuesday, Feb. 4. A "Yerd"

is a yearbook nerd and these hard-working yearbook students will greet the buses as they announce the beginning of the DMS yearbook presale for the 2013-14 school year.

The "Yerds" have chosen the theme of "Stick To

PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

It" and have been hard at work creating a 92-page color yearbook with a custom cover. The presale cost of the yearbook is \$30. Presale will run through Friday, March 21.

Yearbooks are expected to arrive for distribution

in late May. A limited number of yearbooks will be ordered, so please order yours during the presale. After presale, the yearbooks will cost \$35 and will be sold on a first-come, first-served basis.

Would you like to give

your student a surprise? Why not place a dedication ad in the 2013-14 DMS Yearbook. The informational flier about how to place a dedication ad was sent home Jan. 24 with the DMS Newsletter and report cards. If you would like a flier, call 465-6720.

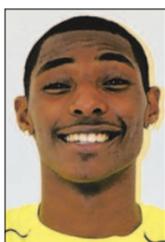
The DMS FFA will offer

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Andre Hairston, boys basketball

Hairston had 41 points and 29 rebounds for the Tigers during a three-game span in which the team posted a 2-1 mark. The lone loss was in overtime. In Dunnellon's victory against Crystal River, the Tigers clinched the regular season district championship.



Andre
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a Valentine's Day flower presale beginning Tuesday, Feb. 4. During lunch time, FFA members will be available to take orders for beautiful carnations at \$1 each. Delivery will be Friday, Feb. 14, Valentine's Day. So if you would like to tell someone you think they are special and help support the DMS FFA at the same time, take advantage of this Valentine's Day fundraiser. You will be sure to give someone a smile.

Dunnellon Middle School students will enjoy an early release day at 1:40 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 5. Also on Wednesday, Feb. 5, students will participate in their individual classroom spelling bee competitions in their language arts classes. The classroom winners will move on to the annual schoolwide spelling bee on Monday, Feb. 10, during the morning in the auditorium. The first-, second- and third-place winners of the schoolwide spelling bee will move on to the Marion County District Spelling Bee, which is scheduled for Feb. 26 at Marion Technical Institute.

The DMS girls' and boys' basketball teams will host Fort McCoy Middle School on Thursday, Feb. 6. The girls' game will begin at 4:30 p.m. and the boys' game will tip off at 5:30. Come out and cheer our wonderful young athletes on to victory. Admission is free. We would also like to thank our basketball players for the after-school hours spent in practice. Thank you for wanting to represent yourselves and your school in such a positive manner.

The DMS MathCounts Team will test their math skills and knowledge Saturday, Feb. 8, as they compete with their Marion County peers at the MathCounts Competition at Maplewood Elementary School. Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. Competition times will be announced as soon as available. Good luck to our MathCounts team and thank you for the time you are investing in yourself and the building of your math skills for competition and beyond.

These math whizzes and their sponsor are: Ashley Dunne, Gabriel Felix, Kayla Gandy, Jacob Hicks, Charles Hill, Michael Santiago, Emily Weaver and William Menietti, team sponsor.

Everyone knows DMS students love to read and coming Feb. 10, the school will host its annual Spring Book Fair in the Media Center. We are very excited about the new titles being offered for our reading pleasure. The Spring Book Fair selections offer a wide variety of topics and genre for

Schedule of Events TODAY

● 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. — Chorus practice.

FRIDAY

● FFA District Contest

MONDAY, FEB. 3

● 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Tiger Fit Club.

● 3:45 to 5:15 p.m. — Advanced Band Practice.

TUESDAY, FEB. 4

● 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. — Chorus practice.

● 3:40 to 4:55 p.m. — Brain Bowl practice.

● 3:40 to 5 p.m. — Boys and girls basketball practice.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 5

● Classroom Spelling Bee.

● 1:40 p.m. — Early release day.

THURSDAY, FEB. 6

● 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. — Chorus practice.

● 4:30 and 5:30 p.m. — Girls and boys basketball vs. Fort King Middle School.

even the pickiest of readers. Mark your calendars to stop by the Media Center beginning Feb. 10. Parents are welcome to attend the DMS Book Fair from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Please be sure to sign in at Building No. 1 for a visitor badge before going to the DMS Book Fair.

Report cards were issued Friday, Jan. 24, along with the February DMS Newsletter and Calendar for your information. Parents, we hope you have reviewed your child's report card with them and use this "Be There" moment to discuss with your child how they feel about their academic performance and their school experience.

If you feel a parent/teacher conference will assist you in understanding how your child's academic growth is progressing, call the guidance office at 465-6720 and arrange a parent/teacher conference. You may also wish your child to be in attendance at a parent/teacher meeting for direct feedback.

Attendance matters

DMS administration and staff requests parents, guardians, grandparents and the community to support and discuss how attendance matters with your children. Attendance is an important facet for success, now while in school and in the very near future when our children move into the workforce.

To put it simply, coming to school daily promotes academic achievement and builds a daily habit that will serve our children and our community for the rest of their lives. Please take a few minutes to discuss with your children how attendance impacts their academics and how it will impact their earning power in the future.

DMS TV students honored at Kennedy Space Center



Special to the Riverland News

Celebrating their victory with first lady Ann Scott, from left, are eighth-grade students: Elizabeth Centeno, Emily Weaver, Olivia Peterson, Carly Chinnners and Darby Langworthy. This year's Celebrate Literacy, Florida! Week focus was literacy in STEM education: Science, Math, Engineering and Technology. NASA and Kennedy Space Center were among the contest sponsors. The DMS students interviewed first lady Scott and Brazilian astronaut Marcos Pontes, who flew a mission to the International Space Station in 2006. Their feature story will

air on the Morning Madness broadcast. As guests of Kennedy Space Center, the students were invited to spend the day touring the attractions, including the retired Space Shuttle, Atlantis. Other members of the PSA production team, not pictured, included eighth-graders Kayla Gandy, Adrienne Sikora, Luis Montalvo, Jacob Hicks and Timothy Greaves. Seventh-grade student Kendal Waldrop assisted with the animation. The winning PSAs can be viewed on the Florida Department of Education's Facebook page.



Florida first lady Ann Scott, who has a passion for reading and improving literacy in Florida schools, traveled throughout the state during Celebrate Literacy, Florida! Week promoting her cause. In a presentation at Kennedy Space Center, first lady Scott handed out the awards for the Celebrate Literacy PSA contest to the state's top student entries. Dunnellon Middle School took second place with the PSA "Reading Accelerates Success," which combined live action, time lapse and animation. The school will receive \$500 to purchase reading material for the school's media center. LEFT: "Jumping for Joy" are student producers, from left, Olivia Peterson, Darby Langworthy, Carly Chinnners, Elizabeth Centeno and Emily Weaver in a victory leap for their feature story's final shot with the KSC Rocket Garden as their backdrop.

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Gearing up



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Angel Padilla researches code Jan. 11 for the DHS Robotics Club's robot. The club is operating on the offensive as they prepare to compete in the FIRST Robotics Competition in April in Fort Lauderdale.

DHS Robotics Club preps for statewide competition

Riverland News

In its second year, the Dunnellon High School Robotics Club is operating on the offensive.

That is to say they are building an offensive robot to compete in the FIRST Robotics Competition in April in Fort Lauderdale.

Last year's robot was a defensive robot only. The task they were given was to build a robot that either could fling flying disks or one that could prevent another robot's thrown disk from scoring.

Last year's robot was the only strictly defensive robot at the competition, which meant that scoring points was only possible by deflecting the flying disks from scoring. They still beat out some of their competitors, placing 42nd out of 60.

This year, the club has received its challenge and they have decided to build an offensive robot. The robot needs to be able to pick up a ball that is 2 feet in diameter and score by either throwing it into a scoring area that is approximately 7 feet high or getting it into a low goal by rolling it.

They've begun to build, and are forging ahead with construction after securing several grants.

On Jan. 11, eight or so students came and went from the Power Generation room to assist with the building and work on code to program the robot under the supervision of teacher Donald Slocum.



Charles Cross and Randy Oram check the size of the ball against the robot to make sure they are heading in the right direction with the design of the robot.

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three-point range. Wells did all of her scoring in the second and third quarters, with Crystal River outscoring the third-seeded Tigers 48-16 over that span.

As Pirates head coach Jason Rodgers explained afterward, "They came out a little tight and they had to find their legs. Once the girls settled down and found their rhythm, it was pretty much a done deal after that."

Crystal River (20-5 overall, 5-2 in district play) started out sluggish, shooting 2-for-14 from the field in the first quarter that ended with them leading 7-6. But after that, the offensive floodgates opened up as the Pirates utilized a post game that Dunnellon had no answer for, and the outside shots began to drop in bunches.

The Pirates opened the second quarter with a 9-0 run, as Jasmine Eason fed Kaylan Simms down low in the post for an easy turnaround score with no Tiger defender in position. Wells hit a pair of free throws, then added a three from the wing off a feed from Kiersten Coyle. Coyle then converted on two from the line to make it 16-6.

Dunnellon (8-18, 2-5) later pulled to within 23-14 on a three pointer by Tyra Thomas, but it was the last time the Tigers would trail by single digits, as Crystal River closed out the quarter with a 7-2 spurt.

"If we executed like we're capable, we could have scored sixty points in the paint," Rodgers said. "And Megan Wells was really on fire tonight. It's time for them to be on fire. It's time for them to find their shooting rhythm, put the ball in the hole, and they did that tonight."

After another Thomas three to make it 35-20 midway through the third, Crystal River emphatically put Dunnellon down, closing out the quarter with a 20-2 run, as Wells hit four three pointers in that stretch and Eason scored six of her nine points on the night.

Of the Pirates' slow start then offensive explosion, as well as her own, Wells explained.

"We settled down and just made our plays," Wells said. "I was off and I was frustrated, but I got myself to the free throw line and knocked them down, and it got me into a rhythm for the rest of the game."

After leading by as many as 33, Rodgers played four freshmen and a sophomore for the entirety of the fourth quarter.

Katelyn Hannigan had 12 points, six rebounds and two steals for Crystal River, as Coyle finished with four points, five rebounds and three assists.

Thomas led all scorers with 23 points (4-of-7 from three point range), to go with six rebounds for Dunnellon. Tigers center Sierra Oliver pulled down 16 rebounds, but was held scoreless by the Pirate defense.

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Candy Gram

The Valentine Candy Gram sale will be Feb. 3 to 13. The Candy Grams will consist of a sweet treat with a Valentine greeting. Candy Grams will be delivered to the classrooms Friday, Feb. 14. Students may purchase Candy Grams for classmates, teachers, friends and family. The cost of each Candy Gram is 50 cents. If you wish to purchase candy grams, complete the order form and return to school with cash or check (payable to R.E.S. PTO).

Yearbooks

Parents be sure to place an order for your child's 2013-14 Romeo Yearbook today. Yearbooks are \$15, payable to Romeo Elementary

Schedule of events

- Feb. 3 to 13 — Candy Gram sale, 50 cents each.
- 12:05 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5 — Early release day.
- Friday, Feb. 7 — Honor Roll Ice Cream party.

School. Send your order(s) in with your student or place your order(s) at the front office.

Parents can also take advantage of our special "Love Gram" offer available until Feb. 7. A "Love Gram" is a special message placed in the yearbook from you to your child. For \$5, you can write a 20-word message to let your child know how proud you are of their efforts this year in school.

The deadline for book orders and Love Grams is Feb. 22.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Families urged to apply for Florida KidCare

Florida KidCare is enrolling families every day and United Way of Marion County continues to assist families with enrollment to help more uninsured children receive health care at a price their families can afford through Florida KidCare.

Florida KidCare accepts applications year-round from families with uninsured children, 19 and younger. Children enrolled in the program have access to preventive care such as regular doctor's visits, immunizations, dental and vision benefits.

Most families pay a monthly premium of \$15 to \$20, or nothing at all.

Families can apply in person at United Way or other convenient locations in Marion and Citrus counties by calling 211 to make an appointment.

For information, call Faith Beard at 352-732-9696 or at fbeard@uwmc.org.

Young Marines seek new members

The Dunnellon Young Marines is seeking new recruits. Interested youth, ages 8 through high school age 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.

Agency needs items for homeless program

The Annie W. Johnson Senior and Family Cen-

ter is in need of items for its Project Homeless program, which is designed to help the homeless with food, tents and coolers.

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Literacy takes center stage at DES



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Dunnellon Elementary School kindergarten students listen to Principal Fredna Wilkerson read about "Pete the Cat" as part of Literacy Week activities at Dunnellon Elementary School.

Dunnellon Elementary School celebrated Literacy Week Jan. 13 through Jan. 17 with numerous events. The week before, students decorated bags from Winn-Dixie, and they were returned to the store for your groceries. The children colored the bags with pictures from their favorite books or messages encouraging the community to grab a book and read. The children were excited to be able to decorate the bags and Winn-Dixie deserves a big thank you for supporting the school in this way. During literacy week the children were treated to special character readers, including Dr. Seuss, Pete the Cat and Amelia Bedelia, who visited and read to the children. The readers were thrilled with the children's response and the students were treated to some very special presentations. Literacy week concluded with a pajama day read-in and book exchange. Students and teachers wore their pajamas and read books at different times in the day. Every child was encouraged to bring in gently used books and exchange them for a book another student might have brought in.

RIGHT: Dunnellon Elementary School student Jayden Yoder smiles while sitting with Karla Irwin, an occupational therapist at the school, while the two listened to Principal Fredna Wilkerson read about "Pete the Cat" in the school's multimedia room.

BELOW: Rebecca Melton, a librarian at the Dunnellon Public Library, dressed as the "Cat in the Hat" reads Dr. Seuss' well-known tale, "The Cat in the Hat," to school-age students.



COMMUNITY NEWS

American Legion activities slated

American Legion Wall-Rives Post No. 58 will be at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5, with dinner proceeding at 6. The Women's Auxiliary will meet at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 5.

The Four Chaplains Memorial Service will be at 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 9, followed by Post No. 58's birthday celebration. Refreshments served. The public is welcome.

Cub Pack No. 469 meets from 7 to 8 p.m. Mondays.

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

The outdoor flea market and pancake breakfast will be at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 15. Cost is \$5 per person.

Free AARP Tax service will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays, Feb. 5 through April 9.

For information, call Wayne Sloan at 489-5066.

Penno VFW Post plans events

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

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Plan to join us for dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Fridays. Tickets are \$8 each.

The canteen is open Sunday through Saturday at noon; and closes at 8 p.m. or later Monday through Saturday except for meeting nights, and 6 p.m. Sundays.

For information, call 465-4864.

Writers Group meets first Saturday monthly

The Rainbow River Writers Club meets at 1 p.m. the first Saturday monthly, except January and July, at the Dunnellon Public Library, 30351 Robinson Road. All writers of all genres are welcome.

Writers hear and critique each other's creative efforts, socialize and talk shop as is the tradition and custom of all writers regardless of time or place.

For information, visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/wgdunnellon> or email waltersylvester@yahoo.com

TOPS welcomes members, visitors

TOPS (Taking 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 SW Deepwater Court, Rainbow Lakes. Take U.S. 41 to Rainbow Lakes Boulevard, 4.5 miles to the Community Center. For information, call 465-5807.

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.

Group to distribute toiletries, clothing

Christians In Action (CIA), a charitable organization formed to assist local food pantries, will provide toiletries and clothing to families who qualify under federal guidelines.

Free toiletries, such as dish and laundry detergent as well as shampoo, lotion, deodorant and toothpaste, and clothing will be distributed from 9 a.m. to noon the first Saturday monthly at New Second Bethel Missionary Baptist Church at 1940 W. Henry Blair Lane. The church is behind Dunnellon Mulch and Stone.

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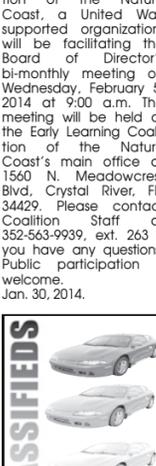
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443-0130 RIV 2/14 sale PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: Tow Pro's Of Ocala gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and intent to sell these vehicle(s) on 2/14/2014, 8:00 am at 1914 N. Magnolia Ave Ocala, FL 34475, pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes. Tow Pro's of Ocala reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids. 1 F A L P S 2 U S S A 2 2 6 6 5 6 1995 Ford Jan. 30, 2014.

Meeting Notices

445-0130 RIV 2/5 Bd. Of Directors PUBLIC NOTICE The Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast, a United Way supported organization, will be facilitating the Board of Director's bi-monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Early Learning Coalition of the Nature Coast's main office at 1560 N. Meadowcrest Blvd., Crystal River, FL 34429. Please contact Coalition Staff at 352-563-9939, ext. 263 if you have any questions. Public participation is welcome. Jan. 30, 2014.

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Notices to Creditors/ Administration

436-0130 RIV Hardee, James Walter 2013-CP-1950 Notice of Administration PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 2013-CP-1950 Division: Probate

NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATION

The administration of the estate of James Walter Hardee, deceased, is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 101 N.W. 1st Avenue, Ocala, Florida 34475, file number 2013-CP-1950. The estate is testate and the date of the decedent's will and any codicils are Last Will and Testament dated August 9, 2012. The names and addresses of the personal representative and the personal representative's attorney are set forth below. The fiduciary lawyer-client privilege in Section 90.5021 applies with respect to the personal representative and any attorney employed by the personal representative.

Any interested person on whom a copy of the notice of administration is served who challenges the validity of the will or codicils, qualification of the personal representative, venue, or the jurisdiction of the court is required to file any objection with the court in the manner provided in the Florida Probate Rules WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY LAW, which is on or before the date that is 3 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on that person, or those objections are forever barred.

A petition for determination of exempt property is required to be filed by or on behalf of any person entitled to exempt property under Section 732.402, WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY LAW, which is on or before the later of the date that is 4 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on such person or the date that is 40 days after the date of termination of any proceeding involving the construction, admission to probate, or validity of the will or involving any other matter affecting any part of the exempt property, or the right of such person to exempt property is deemed waived. An election to take an elective share must be filed by or on behalf of the surviving spouse entitled to an elective share under Section 732.201 - 732.2155 WITHIN THE TIME REQUIRED BY LAW, which is on or before the earlier of the date that is 6 months after the date of service of a copy of the Notice of Administration on the surviving spouse, or an attorney in fact or a guardian of the property of the surviving spouse, or the date that is 2 years after the date of the decedent's date. The time for filing an election to take an elective share may be extended as provided in the Florida Probate Rules.

Personal Representative: By: Justine Hardee Smith 517 SE Sharon Lane, Lake City, Florida 32025

Attorney for Personal Representative: Kelleen K. Truesdell, Attorney for Justine Hardee Smith Florida Bar No. 0935360 Law Firm of Kelleen K. Truesdell, P.A. 200 N.W. 52nd Avenue, Ocala, FL 34482 Telephone: (352) 873-4141 Fax: (352) 873-4855 E-Mail: lawfirm@truesdell.net Secondary E-Mail: kelleen.truesdell@truesdell.net January 23 & 30, 2014.

Notices to Creditors/ Administration

437-0206 RIV Gaillard, Perkins 2014-CP-22 Notice to Creditors PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File Number: 2014-CP-22

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of PERKINS GAILLARD a/k/a PERKINS G. GAILLARD a/k/a PERKINS G. GAILLARD, JR., Deceased.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE TIME OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate must file their claims with this court WITHIN THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE WILL BE FOREVER BARRED.

NOTWITHSTANDING THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH ABOVE, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is January 30, 2014.

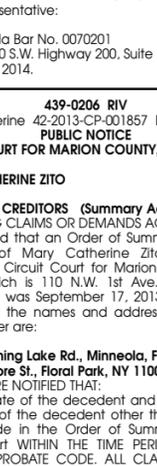
Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. P.O. Box 296, Melstone, Montana 59054

Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. P.O. Box 296, Melstone, Montana 59054

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Notices to Creditors/ Administration

439-0206 RIV Zito, Mary Catherine 42-2013-CP-001857 Notice to Creditors PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File No. 42-2013-CP-001857

NOTICE TO CREDITORS (Summary Administration)

TO ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS OR DEMANDS AGAINST THE ABOVE ESTATE: You are hereby notified that an Order of Summary Administration has been entered in the estate of Mary Catherine Zito, deceased, File Number 42-2013-CP-001857, by the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is 110 N.W. 1st Ave., Ocala, FL 34475; that the decedent's date of death was September 17, 2013; that the total value of the estate is \$712,224 and that the names and addresses of those to whom it has been assigned by such order are:

Name Address Stephen Zito 385 Brimming Lake Rd., Minneola, FL 34715 Cynthia Brush 194 Bellmore St., Floral Park, NY 11001

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE NOTIFIED THAT:

All creditors of the estate of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the estate of the decedent other than those for whom provision for full payment was made in the Order of Summary Administration must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE TIME PERIODS SET FORTH IN SECTION 733.702 OF THE FLORIDA PROBATE CODE. ALL CLAIMS AND DEMANDS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER APPLICABLE TIME PERIOD, ANY CLAIM FILED TWO (2) YEARS OR MORE AFTER THE DECEDENT'S DATE OF DEATH IS BARRED.

The date of first publication of this Notice is January 30, 2014.

Person Giving Notice: /s/ Stephen Zito 385 Brimming Lake Rd., Minneola, Florida 34715

Attorney for Person Giving Notice: /s/ David Pilcher, Esq. Florida Bar Number: 0001562 2601 Technology Dr., Orlando, FL 32804 Telephone: (407) 578-1334 Fax: (407) 578-2181 E-Mail: DPilcher@bojinnmunn.com Secondary E-Mail: KB@bojinnmunn.com Adcl E-Mail: BVMService@bojinnmunn.com January 30 and February 6, 2014.

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440-0206 RIV McKee, Edythe A. 2013-CP-2067 Notice to Creditors PUBLIC NOTICE IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR MARION COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION File Number: 2013-CP-2067

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of EDYTHE A. MCKEE, deceased, whose date of death was November 3, 2013, File Number 2013-CP-2067, is pending in the Circuit Court for Marion County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Box 1030, Ocala, Florida 34478-1030. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below.

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice is served must file their claims with this court WITHIN THE LATER OF THREE (3) MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE OR THIRTY (30) DAYS AFTER THE TIME OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

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