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Sweetbay might become IGA in potential deal

Federal agency announces settlement with Bo-Lo

PAT FAHERTY

For the Riverland News

The acquisition of 73 Sweetbay stores by Winn-Dixie parent company Bi-Lo

Holdings is on hold in some communities including Dunnellon.

Last May, Bi-Lo announced it has entered an agreement with the Delhaize Group to

acquire Sweetbay and two other supermarket chains.

In October, Bi-Lo announced, once the transaction closes, it will retire the Sweetbay banner name and

those stores will convert to the Winn-Dixie banner to reduce overlapping market footprints. Conversion was expected to begin in the first quarter of 2014.

However, the Federal Trade Commission determined the acquisition would

harm competition in several local markets in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina.

Last week, the FTC announced a settlement with Bi-Lo that preserves grocery store competition in 11 local geographic markets in those areas. See SWEETBAY page 3

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Red Brick School House reunion set

The annual Red Brick School House reunion will be Saturday, March 15, at the First United Methodist Church of Dunnellon.

Following coffee and light refreshments at 10 a.m. the celebration of those school years will begin at 11:30 followed by a catered lunch. The reunion will conclude by 2 p.m.

Reservations are required and must be received by Saturday. The cost is \$15 per person. For information or to RSVP, contact Nancy Young Jackson at jacksonwacahoota@aol.com or call 352-372-0510.

Boys & Girls Club to open for Spring Break

The Boys & Girls Club of Dunnellon will host registrations for returning and new members, ages 6 to 18, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays through March 19, at its new location at 2007 SW 110 St. There will be two special Open Houses, the first from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday, March 20, and the second from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, March 21. On Monday, March 24, the new club will open to members for a special Spring Break Camp. For information, visit Facebook, Boys & Girls Club Dunnellon or go to bgcofmarion.com.

Chamber to host Casino Night

The Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce will host a Casino Night from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, March 29, at the American Legion Hall on U.S. 41, north of Walmart. The Chamber is in need of dealers to help with the games. If you would be interested in volunteering, call Beverly at 489-2320 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Civic group to host pancake breakfast

The Lake Tropicana Civic Association will host a pancake breakfast from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 22, at the civic association's clubhouse at 3380 SW 181st Court in Lake Tropicana. Tickets are \$5 per adult and \$3 per child 6 and younger. For information, call 208-5006 or 465-5039.

Championship bash



Terrence Brooks' family members, including his grandmother, Sara, left, applaud Terrence's entrance Sunday at Eugene Martin Park. Family, friends and city dignitaries gathered to honor the former Florida State standout for his collegiate career and his birthday as the NFL hopeful has his eyes set on May's NFL Draft.

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Family, friends celebrate title, birthday with NFL hopeful

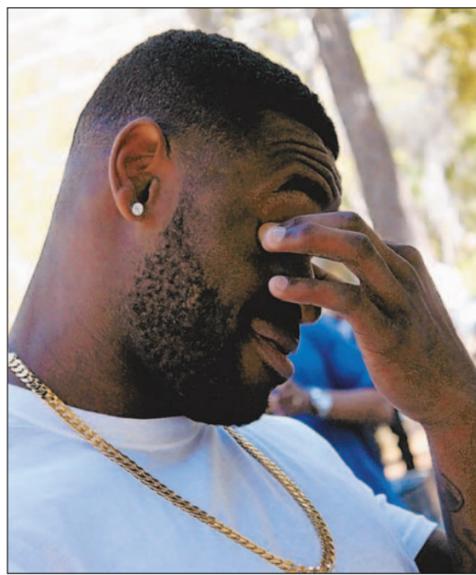
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Terrence Brooks isn't big on attention, so it came as little surprise when the Florida State standout was overcome with emotion Sunday afternoon at Eugene Martin Park.

Brooks, whose family surprised him with a "Welcome Home Birthday Celebration," was in the midst of thanking family and friends for their support, not just the past four years during his career as a Seminole, but as well during his endeavors throughout his youth and prep careers.

During his speech, Brooks paused in an attempt to choke back the tears. "I can do this," he said.

But it was all too much. "I can't do this," he explained, passing the microphone to a family member. "Thank you all so much."



Terrence Brooks attempts to keep his emotions in check while fighting back tears as he tries to address a large crowd, which included family, friends and city dignitaries.

His family and friends gave the NFL hopeful a raucous ovation nonetheless in his first return to home since the Seminoles captured the NCAA Championship with a 34-31 victory

against Auburn in the BCS title game in Pasadena, Calif. Since then, Brooks has been busy preparing for a shot at a career in the NFL.

Since the Semi-

noles' championship, Brooks spent time in Texas preparing for the annual NFL Combine, which wrapped up Feb. 25, where the former Dunnellon High standout wowed pro scouts with several spectacular performances in a variety of skill drills.

The two-year starter at free safety for Florida State had the fastest time in the 40-yard dash — 4.42 seconds — among all safeties as well as a top performance in the vertical jump. He was fifth best in the broad jump. All told, multiple draft experts and websites have Brooks ranked as one of the top six safeties available for the NFL Draft, which is slated for May.

But Sunday's focus was to congratulate Brooks for his accomplishments thus far, and what lies ahead. The NFL Draft aside,

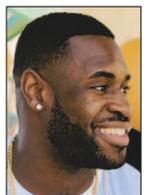
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Brooks wows at combine

Key performer in 3 events

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Entering the NFL Combine, Terrence



Terrence Brooks

Brooks was considered, by most experts' accounts, one of the top six safeties

available in the upcoming NFL Draft.

The former Florida State standout certainly did nothing to dispel that theory; instead Brooks might have raised his stock significantly after his performance.

The former Dunnellon High standout clocked the fastest time in the 40-yard dash at 4.42 seconds.

He was also a top performer in the vertical jump (38 inches) and fifth in the broad jump (119 inches).

"It's competition," he said. "I love to compete and really enjoyed the opportunity"

Entering the NFL Combine, Brooks was projected as anywhere from a third- to fifth-round selection. However, he might have boosted his profile into the second round.

Brooks isn't finished yet, far from it. He's got one more opportunity to impress professional scouts at Florida State's annual Pro Day, slated for later this month.

"It was definitely a good experience for me," he said about the combine.

Brooks said the weeklong event was more about players' mental abilities than their physical abilities. "There was a lot they threw at you," he explained.

Throughout the
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Bacon for ta-tas

Proceeds from sale of hog benefit Michelle-O-Gram

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For the past two years, Becca Frechette has gone hog wild, if you will, to raise not just awareness about the importance of mammograms, she's also been cognizant some women aren't able to afford the costs of the much-needed screening tool to detect breast cancer awareness.

During her sophomore year in FFA and while showing her hog at the annual South-

eastern Youth Fair (SEYF), Frechette watched with interest as a fellow competitor used his chance to raise awareness for Hillcrest Academy, a school for autistic children. The student donated the proceeds from the sale of his hog to the school.

Frechette was not only impressed, she was inspired.

So she began researching potential ideas to tie in with raising a hog while the proceeds from the sale could be used for some-

thing more than money in her bank account. When word spread about what the then-junior was attempting to do, Joey Weisbaum, a cancer survivor at First United Methodist Church, pointed her in the direction of the Michelle-O-Gram. The local nonprofit organization raises funds to help provide low-cost mammograms to women in Marion, Citrus, Levy and Sumter counties.

So Frechette set

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Becca Frechette walks her hog, Ginger, as they two made their way to the arena prior to the Swine Showman-ship at SEYF. The proceeds from the sale of her hog benefited the Michelle-O-Gram Foundation.

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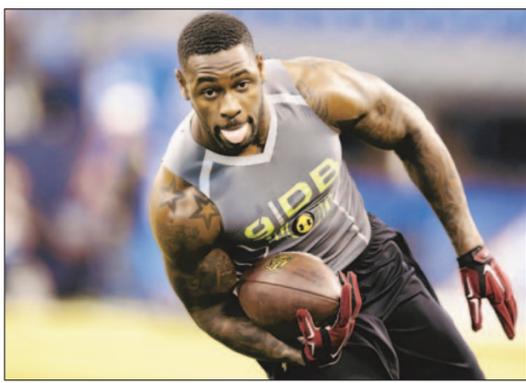
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event, Brooks said, players didn't get much sleep as the intense interview processes with interested teams would last for several hours. In addition to the one-on-ones with individual franchises, team executives would throw out potential schemes and scenarios. "They really test your knowledge of the game," he said of the interviews.

Among the teams Brooks interviewed with were the Denver Broncos, the Kansas City Chiefs, the Green Bay Packers, the Pittsburgh Steelers and the Miami Dolphins to name a few.

"I sat in a meeting with John Elway," Brooks said, still almost in shock from having a discussion about football with the two-time Super Bowl Champion and NFL Hall of Famer. "It was pretty amazing."

Brooks isn't overly concerned by where he has the opportunity to



Associated Press

Fomer Dunnellon High standout and Florida State defensive back Terrence Brooks runs a drill Feb. 25 at the NFL football scouting combine in Indianapolis. Brooks had the fastest 40-yard dash among safeties at the weeklong event.

play when it comes to the NFL, so long as he receives the chance.

"It really doesn't matter, honestly," he said about his team preference. "It's been my dream for a long time to play in the NFL, so I'm just hopeful I can live that dream."

Brooks does believe the team that drafts will him will land the best safety available in the draft.

"I don't say that, because I'm cocky," he explained. "I say it with confidence; it's how I carry myself."

Brooks also believes what he learned at the NFL Combine, he can carry with him into Florida State's Pro Day.

"There's a lot they teach you about how to improve your game," he said. "I have been and will continue to work on that."

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Art in the Park slated at state park

The Friends of Rainbow Springs State Park (FORS) will host Art in the Park from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Rainbow Springs State Park. A portion of the proceeds benefits FORS, which uses the money for park improvements. For information, call 465-8555.

Post-Polio group schedules meeting

The North Central Florida Post-Polio Support Group will meet at 2 p.m. March 9 at the Collins Center at Timber Ridge at 9401 SW State Road 200, Building 5000, Suite 5001. Dr. Earl Wingo will be the guest speaker. For information, call Carolyn Raville, president, at 489-1731.

Knights schedule St. Pat's dinner/dance

The Knights of Columbus will sponsor a St. Patrick's Day Dinner Dance on March 15

in the parish hall of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church at 7525 U.S. 41.

The dinner will be the traditional corn beef and cabbage. The event will feature a dessert table, cash bar, 50/50 raffle, prize basket raffles and a door prize. Music will be provided by deejay Joe Koos.

Doors will open at 5:30 p.m. with dinner served at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$15 per person.

For ticket reservations or information, call 489-6221.

Woman's Club plans brunch March 16

The Woman's Club of Dunnellon will host a benefit St. Patrick's Day Sunday Brunch on March 16 at its club house at 11756 Cedar St. There will be two sittings; the first at 11 a.m. and the second at 12:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10 per person, and are limited to 50 people at each seating.

For tickets or information, call Treva Matthews at 489-4512.

Garden Club slates meeting March 27

The Rainbow Springs Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. Thursday, March 27, at the American Legion Hall, 10730 U.S. 41, north of Walmart. George Aldrich of Plants-n-Things will be the guest speaker, sharing his popular program about bromeliads and ferns.

Rainbow Springs Garden Club is open to the public. Annual membership, September through May, is \$10. Visitor's fee is \$5, applicable toward annual membership. Refreshments will be available and Grow and Share plants will be sold. 50-25-25 tickets will be sold and door prizes will be awarded, so be sure to sign in to be included in the drawings.

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SWEETBAY

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three states. According to the FTC's complaint, Bi-Lo's proposed acquisition of the Delhaize stores would likely harm consumers through higher prices, diminished quality and reduced service levels in Dunnellon and 10 other communities. Dunnellon would go from three full-line retail grocery stores to two.

The proposed order settling the FTC charges requires the merged Bi-Lo/Delhaize to sell 12 stores. Subsequently, Bi-Lo has agreed to sell the Dunnellon Sweetbay to Rowe's IGA Supermarkets. Rowe's currently operates five supermarkets in the greater Jacksonville market.

The order states this remedy will restore the competition that otherwise would be eliminated in these markets as a result of the acquisition.

The agreement is subject to public comment for 30 days, continuing through March 27, after which the FTC will decide whether to make the proposed order final, withdraw it or modify it.

Mitchell J. Katz, FTC spokesperson, said the commission will respond to all public comments and the comments will be posted online. He said it is uncertain how long the process might take.

To comment visit www.ftc.gov and type Bi-Lo in the search bar.

Contact Chronicle reporter Pat Faherty at 352-564-2924 or pfaherty@chronicleonline.com.

Chamber preps for annual Boomtown festival

Annual event April 26-27

Special to the Riverland News

The Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce is preparing for Boomtown Days Dunnellon 2014 and organizers are in need of sponsors, vol-

unteers and vendors for the annual event. Boomtown Days is scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, April 26 and 27, in the Downtown Historic District. The event recognizes Dunnellon's mining town roots with food, crafts, music, antique car show and more.

A beauty pageant to crown the Queen of the Rainbow will be held on Sunday afternoon and The Little Miss & Mr. Dunnellon pageant will be Saturday, April 26, with the Queen of the Rainbow pageant slated for Sunday, April 27. Applications are now

available at the Chamber for the Little Miss & Mr. Dunnellon Pageant. Boys and girls ages 5 to 7 are encouraged to participate in the Boomtown tradition. The first practice will be Saturday, March 15. The deadline to have applications submitted is March 13.

Interested in volunteering? Organizers need your help for various positions. Don't have time to volunteer? Be a sponsor. For information about being a Boomtown sponsor or a volunteer, call 489-2320 or email dunnellonchambercommerce@gmail.com.

Mason honored for 60 years of service



Special to the Riverland News
Charles Homadue of the Dunnellon Masonic Lodge No. 136, right, recently received his 60-year certificate and pin for being a freemason for more than 60 years from Danny R. Griffin, the Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons of Florida.

UW seeks KidCare community partners

United Way of Marion County has joined a statewide effort to help more uninsured children receive health care benefits at a price their families can afford through Florida KidCare, and is currently seeking companies and agencies in Marion, Hernando and Citrus County that are willing to help by becoming a KidCare community partner.

Many families who are eligible for coverage don't even know it. United Way has found that community partners can help give greater access to families with uninsured children.

By helping families secure health care for their children, companies will receive monetary rewards for their efforts. The incentives for each KidCare commu-

nity partner is \$10 for each new approved application and \$5 for each renewal application plus a bonus paid for reaching a minimal monthly goal.

United Way's goal is to enroll as many eligible children as possible. If you would like to become a KidCare community partner or have questions, call Faith Beard at 352-732-9696.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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 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 Commu-

nity Center. For information, call 465-5807.

S. Dunnellon Civic Association meets

The South Dunnellon Civic Association Inc. meets at 4:30 p.m. the second Monday monthly at 1962 W. Test Court, South Dunnellon.

The facility is on the left side of street just before The Annie W. Johnson Center. The public is invited to come help, and give ideas to promote community improvement and safety.

For more details, contact Randy Campbell at 465-7135 or e-mail randolphcampbell@bellsouth.net.

Solution to puzzle on Page 11

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TIME TO SMILE

Columnist: Get off your duffs, folks

I need "y'all" to stand in for me. Can you do that for me?

I can't be in two places at one time. It's easy work, all you need to do is smile, be friendly and make people laugh. The strong among you may have to do a little light lifting. You will definitely have fun.

I would appreciate your help. You see, every year I volunteer to work at Boomtown Days, which falls on April 26 and 27 this year. I do a lot of volunteer work. It's rewarding and I



Kathleen Wallace

meet some really nice people. Well, this year I have a prior engagement. I won't be able to attend. Most of my volunteering will take place before the actual date, getting sponsors, putting up fliers, etc. Since we are not capable of cloning ourselves yet, I need y'all to stand in for me. I don't think I would clone myself given the chance. We

all know one of me is enough and if you don't believe me ask my family. I need a few of you to step

up to the plate. This newspaper sure prints a lot of letters from people who like to complain about the state of Dunnellon. This is a chance to put your money where your mouth is.

Week after week, the paper prints requests for volunteers to help at Boomtown. Guess how many people have called in? Nada, zip, zilch.

After the event, there will be plenty of opinions about why they didn't like the way this was done, or the way that was presented.

In other words, I think we have a lot of whiners and not enough doers. I am a doer; the

go-to girl. Can you stand in my shoes for a few hours and volunteer?

I don't mean to be negative, because we do have a nice core of people who volunteer for all the goings on in town. Year after year, we can count on Doug and Boy Scout Troop No. 452.

Last year, I worked with a young man who helped me take down the tents. I was very impressed with his civic attitude and willingness to help. The ROTC and Young Marines are also another group of fine young adults who care about their community.

We also have a great business community.

Harmony Pre-School, Home Outfitter, Perkins Dentistry, the Boys & Girls Club and Holy Faith Church are a few of the regulars who are willing to spend a few hours of their time doing something nice for the community they live in. There are folks you know you can count on year after year.

I am grateful to you all. The doers rock!

You don't have to be affiliated with any company or organization. We get some

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LETTERS

Did editor miss signals, fail to follow-up?

Here I am back on the defense again. So, I was a bit rough on the editor without being specific.

Well, when Greenlight Communications was being proposed there was a letter printed from a former cable company executive, now retired, who pointed out instances where communities tried fiber optic and ended up selling for pennies on the dollar. The letter was printed, but there was no follow up.

Next Lisa Algieri's whiz kid arrives and, soon thereafter finds, an excuse to quit. Was that a red flag? Obviously not enough to do some fourth estate archaeology. So, am I nit picking, or were these real signals that something was amiss?

I am still in Deidre Whitt's corner and fully understand Nathan's frustration with the process, particularly when the end result was that obvious.

This is a nifty little town that needs to succeed and I want to see Nathan and the Council do it. I am really tired of the schoolyard bullies to the north intimidating their neighbors and trying to do the same to us. Grow up. They have always worked against us and never tried to work with us. I wonder if that thought ever crossed their minds?

In summation, Jeff I am sorry you missed some good opportunities for in-depth reporting. Nathan, you do not owe me an apology as I share your frustration and pray for you to succeed.

Dan Lumsden, president
Blue Cove Civic Association

Mayor not the lone official to cross line

Reference is made in the "Our View" to the "Public Code of Conduct" and that Mayor Nathan Whitt breached it with his so called "outburst."

I have read the city's "Codes of Ethics" and thought they applied to all council members, staff and those in attendance.

How then do you excuse certain council members' lengthy criticism of Eddie Esch?

I left that meeting before it was adjourned, because I could no longer take the ridicule heaped upon Mr. Esch. I admire him for being the gentleman he is and sitting there listening to their bashing of him.

Are you "picking and choosing" who you apply the rules to? Perhaps Mayor Whitt "overstepped the line in the sand," but we are all human and I personally feel he reached his breaking point with the opposition he has bucked since he took office.

The City Council and staff will

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GUEST COLUMN



GARY KUHL/Special to the Riverland News

Rainbow Springs is a first-magnitude spring in Dunnellon.

NOT SO FAST, MY FRIENDS

Just when it was starting to feel like the governor and the Florida Legislature might be

Gov. Rick Scott recently suggested putting money in the state's budget to assist with Everglades management and improvement in water routing to minimize the disastrous impacts seen this past summer in the Indian River Lagoon — putridly polluted runoff waters released into the lagoon from Lake Okeechobee apparently killed hundreds of dolphins, pelicans and manatees over this past year.

Even though Scott's proposed budget amount for the Everglades is a pittance compared to what is needed, it seemed like a positive start. State monies were recently spent with great fanfare to clean up some of the state's springheads, including the Chassahowitzka spring in southwest Citrus County.

It is well known that it is going to take serious action upstream of these springheads to stop the nutrient and water consumption problems, but again, these springhead cleanup projects seemed to be a good start. And Southwest Florida Water Management District employees have tried hard to keep local citizens informed of progress on these spring projects. There seemed to be a few other good signs of recognition by elected state officials of our water problems and, hence, potential problems for Florida's future.

But not so fast, my friend: Enter Pam Bondi — Florida's attorney general, who surely receives direction and supervision from our own Gov. Scott — joining some 20 other state attorneys general with formal letters supporting a lawsuit by the American Farm Bureau Federation filed against the feds and the state of

trying to head in the right direction and "get the water right," things look like they are headed south again.

Maryland (for gasp!) cleaning up Chesapeake Bay! She, Bondi, claims her only desire here is to stop federal overreach, i.e., to stop a cooperative environmental cleanup program between six states, the District of Columbia and, yes, the federal government. How does her action make any sense? It's embarrassing. When's the last time you ate an oyster or crab harvested from Chesapeake Bay? That bay is a mess — kind of like Indian River Lagoon.



Gary Kuhl

Then right behind Bondi comes Florida Panhandle Rep. Jimmy Patronis with proposed legislation (HB 703) to eliminate or severely limit Florida counties and municipalities from managing and regulating their own local development and projects impacting our environment. Remember, the Florida Legislature two years ago dismantled Florida's growth management laws and the state department responsible therefore. The reason given was, gosh, the local county and city governments could handle all that stuff. Is there a pattern here?

Is there a decided approach to dismantle the substance of 40 some years of environmental consciousness promulgated by bipartisan Florida governors and legislators? Looks like no one will be overseeing development or long-term planning or "you name it" in Florida, a state that has now has almost 19 million residents and millions more annual visitors.

Guess who supports this bill, H.B. 703? Is it the same folks who are suing Maryland because they are trying to clean up

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JERSEY GIRL

Movie pulls at writer's heart strings

I've very rarely had such a strong reaction to a movie as I did "Conviction," starring Hilary Swank as Betty Anne Waters, a single mother who works tirelessly to free her wrongfully convicted brother, Kenny, of murder.



Audrey Beem

Now, I'm not sure the true story got to me or if it was the camaraderie I felt toward this woman and her feelings for her brother. Even though I may have taken a different approach, I have no doubt that I, too, would have never given up.

In 1983, Kenny was convicted of first-degree murder and sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole. When Kenny tries to commit suicide, his sister, Betty Anne, swaps waitressing for law school to become a lawyer and prove his innocence.

Against all odds, she unearths DNA evidence to clear his name and, after 18 years behind bars, her brother finally walks free. Along the way she sacrifices her marriage, as her husband is skeptical and unsupportive, and eventually they split up. At one point, her two sons decide to go live with their father, because she has limited time to spend with them.

But her faith never faltered as she stated: "I never doubted for a second that he was innocent."

At the end of the movie, Kenny tells her that her love for him was the only thing keeping him going. It was knowing that somebody out there loved him that much. That's when I really lost it and sobbed like a baby.

When you add the element of unconditional love for a sibling, or for anyone for that matter, you can't help but think, "Do I have that in my life?" That's an incredibly inspiring thing.

Nobody knows me better or loves me more unconditionally than my brothers. Your siblings have seen you at your best and your worst. They watched you grow, and they taught you things while learning from you at the same time. Your lives revolve around each other and intertwine through the years. They share your wildest laughter and deepest tears.

It's hard to believe, but I've never felt jealousy or malice toward my brothers. I would do anything for either one of them. If they need me, I'm there.

Back in 2011, Dominic went through a very painful divorce and I was there for him every step of the way, sometimes talking two or three times a day. Then in 2013, it was Bob who needed me and I never hesitated for a moment.

Likewise, they have both been there for me through life's trials and tribulations.

But how much are you willing to do or give up for your sibling? Could you donate a kidney

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CHURCH NEWS

Church schedules mission trip

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church is planning a mission trip in June to visit Haiti. The small group plans to do construction work on hurricane-damaged properties.

The group is collecting new/slightly used children's clothing and school supplies to bring with them for the children of Haiti. To make a donation, including monetary donations to help with shipping costs, call 489-3166 or make checks payable to St. John's to Haiti Mission 7525 S. U.S. Hwy. 41, Dunnellon FL 34432.

Church schedules Mission Festival

Rainbow Springs Village Church will host Missionary Toby Hull from March 7 to 9 as a guest speaker during the church's annual International Mission Festival. Hull and his wife, Kiersten, live and work in Burkina Faso, West Africa, with their four children.

The Mission Festival will begin at 6:30 pm Friday, March 7, with a get-acquainted time over "coffee and dessert." The youth will spend time with Hull on Saturday, March 8, then joining with the adults afterward at 6:30 p.m. at the church for pizza. Hull will host a "show and tell" session followed by a Q-and-A.

On Sunday, March 9, there will be a combined Sunday School at 9 a.m. in the Cove in the church, followed at 10 with Worship services in the sanctuary. Hull will teach Sunday School and preach at the worship service.

The public is welcomed.

Rainbow Springs Village Church is at 20222 SW 102nd St. Road, Dunnellon, just south of Winn-Dixie.

For information, call 489-0249 or find us on Facebook, or visit www.caringpeople.org.

Church schedules fashion show

Community Congregational Christian Church will host its annual fashion show from 1 to 3 p.m. Saturday in the DeWain Farris Fellowship Hall at 9220 N. Citrus Springs Blvd. Tickets are \$8 each. For information, call the church office at 489-1260.

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, March 16, The UF saxophone quartet, Collision, will perform a variety of traditional to jazz arrangements. The students are Gerard Weber, Jordan Jones, Michael Shine and Gregory Snider and are under the direction of Dr. Jonathan Helton.

• 3 p.m. Sunday, April 6 — The Dunnellon Community Chorale will present its spring concert titled, "Down Memory Lane."

• 3 p.m. Sunday, April 27 — The Central Florida Master Choir will present its spring concert, "Bernstein, Beatles and Beyond," under the direction of Dr. Hal McSwain, accompanied by GayLyn Capitano, with guest harpist Victoria Lynn Schultz.

• 3 p.m. Sunday, May 25 — Pianist/vocalist Renee Deuvall will present "Music For the Ages."

Church schedules Holy Week activities

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church has announced its Holy Week schedule:

Palm Sunday: Regularly scheduled Masses.

Holy Thursday: 8 a.m. morning prayer; 10 a.m. to noon, confessions; 7 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper; Adoration until 10 p.m.

Good Friday: 8 a.m., morning prayer; 9 to 11 a.m., confessions; noon, stations of the cross; and 3 and 7 p.m., Good Friday services.

Holy Saturday: 9 a.m., morning prayer/blessing of baskets; 10 to 11 a.m., confessions; and 8 p.m., Easter vigil.

Easter Sunday: Masses at 7 a.m., 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Spanish Mass, noon.

Fish Fry will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Fridays during Lent.

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ordinary folks looking to fill up their day with social activities.

People like Christine, Joe, Gladys, Jennifer, Emily, Liz, Jane, Lee, Rita and Sue. I think that makes them anything but ordinary. If you are new to the area, this is the perfect way to get to know the community you chose to live in.

Boomtown is a two-day craft fair with music, entertainment for kids, antique car show and food vendors.

This year, Boomtown celebrates its 62nd year of hometown festivals.

So all of you folks bickering about what is best for Dunnellon, I would respectfully ask that you stand by your words that you love Dunnellon. Here is your chance to prove it.

I know many of you volunteer for other things. Your hard work should be applauded. Boomtown is a community event. Are you a part of this community?

All the folks who tell me my column is the first thing you read, I ask that if I made you smile or

laugh, please help me by taking my place.

I try to bring joy and laughter to you. Now I am asking you to do the same for a few hours.

If you can stand in my shoes for an hour or two, contact Bev at the Dunnellon Area Chamber of Commerce at 489-2320 or email dunnellonchamber.com.

I wear a size 8 wide, but any shoe size will do. Who knows, maybe you will enjoy it so much you will want to volunteer next year.

I will be by your side, so I will need my shoes back.

GUEST

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their own Chesapeake Bay through planning and, yes, regulation of farming and development practices? Over the long haul, fair and well thought-out regulations are job savers, not job killers.

And finally, along comes Speaker of the House Will Weatherford, who proclaims he is "punting the water stuff" to next year's legislative session. He acknowledges that Florida's water issues are long and have been a long time in the making and will take a long time to solve. It is very hard to understand how a responsible leader in our state government could make such an ill-considered statement for non-action. It is a problem. It will take a long time to solve it. So ... let's put it off another year?

Kudos to State Sen. Charlie Dean, along with four other Florida senators, who have drafted a proposed bill aimed at protecting and enhancing Florida's dying springs,

and really, our fresh groundwater resources for drinking, irrigation and industry use.

Sen. Dean, in a recent presentation at the annual meeting of the Friends of the Crystal River Wildlife Management Complex, explained the bill he was instrumental in drafting. He cited the proposed bill as long overdue and the "right thing to do" for our state.

These five state senators and their proposed bill need our strong support through citizen letters and phone calls to elected officials, such as our governor and other state senators and representatives. Sen. Dean, along with getting his proposed bill passed, will need to fight to quash H.B. 703.

Patronis' bill opens the door to the old days in Florida — totally unmanaged growth along with an apparent path to privatization of our water resources. Guess who is already strongly lobbying against Sen. Dean's bill? You got it — lobbyists for agricultural and develop-

ment interests.

Don't get me wrong, I personally like agriculture, chambers of commerce and home builder folks — many of us have relatives and good friends in these groups. I like Rep. Patronis; several of us met with him this past summer to express our concerns about his bill that passed last year, further weakening water management districts in Florida.

I like jobs being created here in Florida and good pay for employees. Positive cash flow into our state is probably good. However, if we mess up what brings people and businesses to our beautiful

and unique state, we can kiss it all goodbye. Selling or polluting our natural resources to the highest bidder to get re-elected as governor or attorney general or legislator is dead wrong.

Maybe many have never seen a Florida spring in the wild and maybe some could care less about "the environment," but we taxpayers will pay the bill to try to fix the mess if our water is not properly managed.

Help Sen. Dean get his bill passed and kill HB 703.

Gary W. Kuhl is a former Citrus County administrator

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Brooks' life will be altered in May on two separate accounts.

First, he'll graduate from Florida State University with a bachelor's degree in sociology with a minor in psychology. Brooks will also become a father, as he and his longtime girlfriend, Caitie Cox, will welcome a son.

"We're blessed and so very proud of him," said Sara Brooks, his grandmother. "He's very laid back, not big-headed at all. He's stayed very level-headed during his time at Florida State and throughout the past few months."

His aunt, Joanne Jones, credits Terrence's ability to remain level-headed throughout the past four years to his upbringing in the church as well as the support from his family and the community. "He's always dreamed of this," she said about playing in the NFL. "Now, he's close. He's been a role model to so many and inspiration for others to do well."

A potential professional career and a standout collegiate career aside, everyone agreed what the biggest accomplishment is: a college education.

"That's the main thing," Sara Brooks said. "That's always been the main thing. He was able to use football to obtain his college education. Now, no matter if playing in the NFL works out for him or not, he's got the college degree to fall back on. That is what's important."

Added Jones: "They can't take that away."

Terrence also gained additional hardware to put in his budding trophy case. Mayor Nathan Whitt presented him with a "Key to the City." The last recipient to earn the honor was the Dunnellon High School softball team in 2010, which won the Class 4A State Championship as well as the USA Today National Title.

In addition to receiving a "Key to the City," Dunnellon Police Chief Joanne Black presented Terrence with the agency's "Warrior Medal." "We believe you stand for everything that this does," Black said upon presenting him with the honor.

Shortly afterward is when the 5-foot-11, 198-pound safety attempted to address the crowd, but broke down.

"Thank you all for coming out," he said. "My dream is getting every step closer."

Cox, who has dated Terrence for the past two years, said through his final two seasons with the Seminoles, he's always remained low-key.

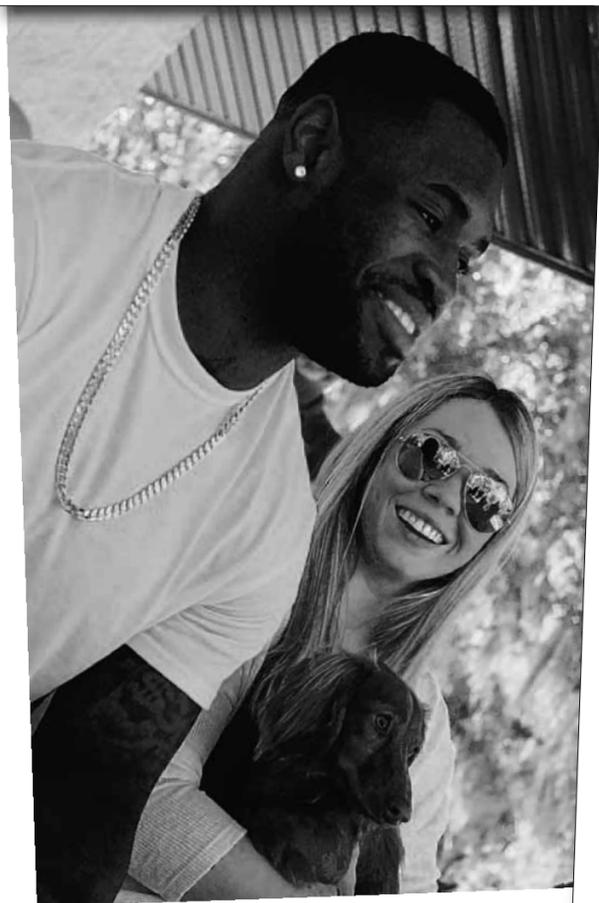
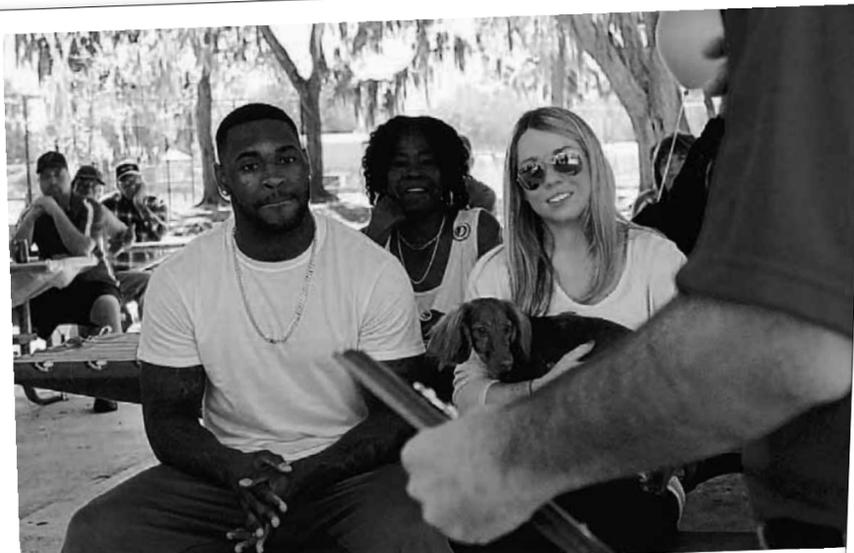
"He's one of a kind," she said. "He's not cocky, he's confident. There's a big difference between the two. He's stayed so calm and level-headed throughout this whole process. God is the biggest part of his life."

Cox said the whole process has been exciting to watch.

"He really handles himself well," said the Destin native, who graduated with a degree in international affairs and hospitality. "I'm there as his biggest supporter. I'm just blessed to be a part of his life."

Clockwise, from top left, Terrence Brooks and his girlfriend, Caitie Cox, listen to Mayor Nathan Whitt who presented Brooks with a "Key to the City"; Brooks' grandmother, Sara, waits for his arrival at the celebration; Brooks, center, walks with his grandmother, Sara, his aunt, Joanne Jones, and his brother, Ke'Andre; Brooks hugs his cousin, Blaze Jones; Brooks and Cox are all smiles during the celebration.

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Riverland News



JERSEY

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or bone marrow? I know in my heart I would do whatever it took. My brothers are two pieces of my life who I never want to be without.

Growing up the three of us were always together or never far away. As long as I had them around I was never lonely or bored.

Our childhood was magical. Exactly the way all kids should grow up. The houses were side by side and each was filled with numerous playmates. All you had to do was walk outside and suddenly you were surrounded by other kids.

I guess we all grow up with a neighborhood full of Bill Cosby characters. I've already talked about Ralphie, who was our version of Fat Albert.

My older brother, Dominic, was definitely Bill Cosby himself, always the successful leader. My younger brother, Robert, was Russell, Bill's younger

brother. Russell had a penchant for making blunt observations — much to his older brother's consternation — to insult and antagonize the older kids. His catchphrase was "no class", which I could very easily hear Bob saying.

Our Dumb Donald was Debbie, our Bucky was Linda and our-Mushmouth was Jimmy Bracchita, who had a habit of rubbing his lips when he talked. Ole Weird Harold was David, who worshipped vampires and carried around a plastic string, which we jokingly called his "wiggly worm." What a great childhood we had.

Yes, if you're lucky, you make happy childhood memories and your siblings are your best friends.

If you get a chance to watch this movie, please do so. Only make sure you have a big box of Kleenex nearby. I hope you enjoy it as much as I did.

P.S. Happy Birthday, Bob. We're so happy to be celebrating with you.

LETTERS

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not accomplish their goals let alone obtain them if they do not learn to work together.

Joan K. Duggins, Dunnellon

Cracker Days an event well worth attending

Kudos to whoever at Rainbow Springs State Park produces the Cracker Days weekend. I was so impressed I'm not sure where to start.

To begin with, a day of good family fun at \$2 a pop at such a beautiful venue is a tremendous value for anyone.

Also, the Florida Cracker theme is unique. I was born and raised here without ever knowing what one was. As a kid I was called a cracker. When I was called a cracker, it was not intended as a compliment and had nothing to do with herding cattle. As a teenager, I was on occasion referred to as a Florida Cracker by Yankees who were astounded that someone was actually from here.

I had a vague idea that Crackers were Florida

cowboys. I have known a few of those in my time and they were impressive men in their own right.

Only Saturday at the park, when reading the description of a cracker by the great Florida author Patrick Smith, I realized that I have been a cracker all along.

Next year, I will have a different outlook when I attend Cracker Days. These days \$2 will buy about 12 ounces of gasoline, or about 13 minutes of the latest movie in the theater, or a day at Rainbow Springs State Park. I would recommend the park.

Dwight Porter, Dunnellon

Pastor's musings very 'unchristian' like

Pastor James Synder, I have found your past two columns to be very "unchristian" like.

Twice, you have called someone stupid or dumb because their beliefs are different than yours. Are you stuck in second grade? Name calling is so offensive.

Just because someone has different beliefs than

you, it does not make them stupid, it makes them different. And you wonder why people are fed up with the Christians right. What happened to "love one another?" Disgraceful behavior from a man of God.

Kathleen Wallace, Dunnellon

Family Community Day draws large support

I want to thank all of you who attended Family Community Day on Feb. 26 at Bob Evans Restaurants for our "Clothe the Children" drive. It was very well attended and the Altar and Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church really appreciates it. The funds will be used to buy new clothing and distributed from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 7 to families in need in the community. God Bless you all.

Judie Heesch, Coordinator

Contributors made Cracker Days success

Thank you to all the musicians and storytellers,

who helped us to make this year's Cracker Day at Rainbow Springs State Park a success again.

I keep bragging that I must have the best job in the park to be able to listen to all that great music. I made my rounds to try to meet you all on my breaks.

Thank you again for sharing your talent and your time with us.

I hope I can count on you again in 2015.

Tom Ellis, the best sound man in Florida; The Shade Tree Pickers; James Tellier and Michael Coker; "The James Brothers;" Charles Hardwicke; Lee Kelly; Mary Young and her dulcimer players; The West Coast Blue Grass Boys and Girl; Glenn Smith & Linda Ellis Smith "Too Many Smith's;" Betty Breck, "The Fiddler Lady;" Bill Roberson, "Suwannee Cracker;" and Ed and Geraldine Berbaum, playing old time music.

I hope we meet again next year.

Rosemarie Kleuker, Dunnellon

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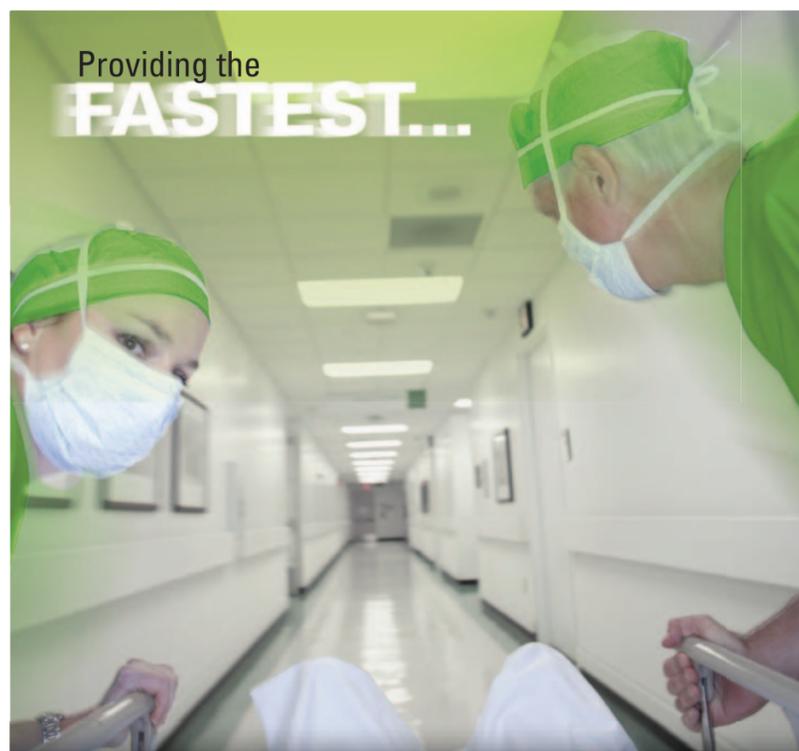
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about gathering all of the information she could about Michelle-O-Gram and spoke with several members of the group. She was hooked the Michelle-O-Gram was sold on the idea, so much so that several members of the GRITS Girls paid for her first hog. She received myriads of donations to help offset the cost of raising her hog. All told, when she sold her first hog at the SEYF her junior year, she'd raised more than \$3,000 to help women secure much-needed mammograms they would not be able to afford otherwise.

She was so pleased with her efforts Frechette opted to do the same for her senior year. This year, her hog, Ginger, might not have sold for nearly the same amount, but the money earned from the sale is more than enough for approximately 18 to 20 women to receive mammograms.

"It's still a significant amount," Frechette said of the sale proceeds. "Knowing that many women will benefit from (the funds) is amazing. To know that in some small way, I'm helping someone else out, helping them when they need it ... it's worth all of the effort and hard work."

Perhaps the heartbreak, too.

Frechette is well aware of where the hogs end up after the sale: the slaughterhouse.

"I cried so bad at the sale," she said, noting part of the sadness is because this was her final chance to be a part of the SEYF as a student. "You know it's a part of the cycle; you realize that it's going to end up on someone's table. It's bacon for boobies."

The hard work was arriving at the school early in the morning to feed the animals as well as clean the stall and work with the hog in preparation for the event. In addition to that, participants are given a list of potential buyers. Each participant then must write a letter to those would-be buyers explaining why they should purchase their animal. Plus, there is the book-keeping which is a necessity to show how much was spent on feed and other supplies to raise the animal.

"You really have to be organized," Frechette explained.

Elaine Blausen Hobbs, a member of both GRITS and the Michelle-O-Gram, praised the efforts of Frechette the past two years.

"I love it, I absolutely love it," said Hobbs, whose sister, Michelle Blausen Stan-drige, died almost five years ago from breast cancer. "It just goes to show you the impact of what Michelle went through and what we're trying to through the Michelle-O-Gram."

"It really shows how unselfish she is, because that's a lot of money she's personally giving up."

Frechette does have one concern as she looks toward the future: who will pick up where she left off?

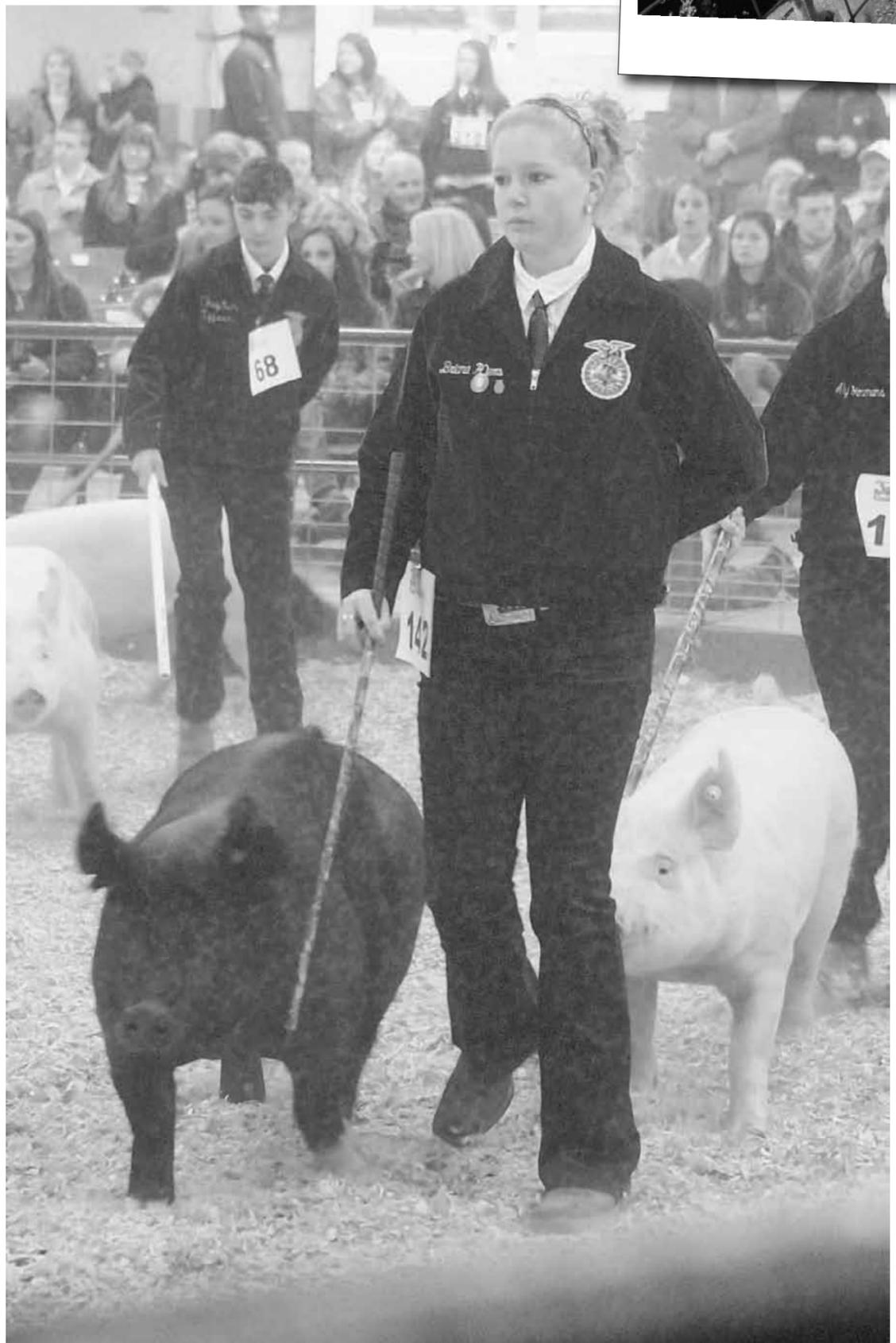
"I'm really trying to find someone who would be willing to do this," she said. "Because it is a lot of hard work, it takes a lot of effort and you really have to be selfless to give up the money you make from the sale."

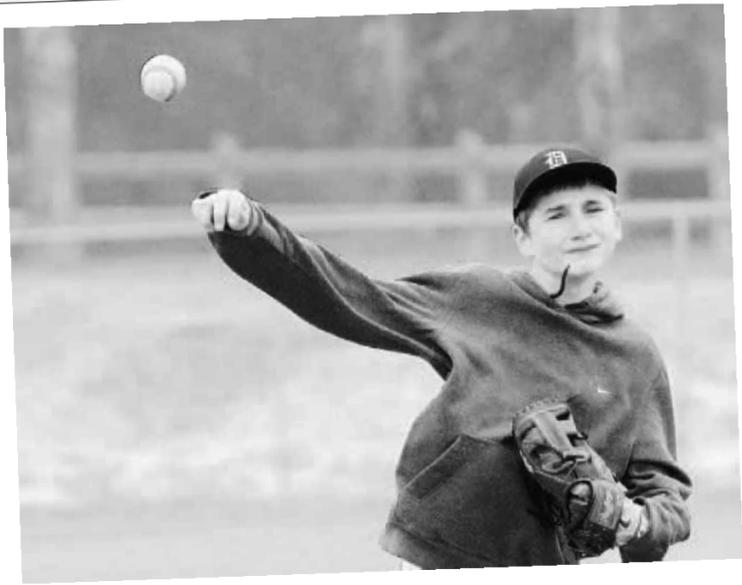
However, if her future plans pan out, she might not have to do that much persuading. Frechette plans to become an agriculture teacher and work with FFA students.

"I really have a passion for FFA and I want to share that with the next generation," she said. "I think the experiences and skills you learn from being a part of it all is something everyone should be a part of."

Clockwise, from above left, Jill Peterson writes the name of Garrett Gibbs' hog, Banditt, on a board outside his stall. Dunnellon High student Hannah Chung washes off her pig in preparation of the Swine Showmanship competition at SEYF. Brianna Hiers guides her hog along during the Swine Showmanship competition. Her hog was chosen as the Grand Champion Market Hog. Bryce Follett pins his number to the front of his FFA jacket. Garrett Gibbs moves his hog, Banditt, through the arena.

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Back in the swing

Dunnellon Little League is back in action for 2014, as the league kicked off its year Saturday with its annual parade and Opening Day Ceremonies.

Clockwise from above left: Gavin King tosses a ball during pregame warm-ups Saturday at the Dunnellon Little League Complex.

Jasmine Kyndybski, 6, waits to catch a ball during pregame warm-ups.

T-Ball player Brandon Thompson earned the honor of throwing out the first pitch of the season during Saturday's festivities.

Abby Beville makes her way toward the softball field prior to the start of her first game.

Brody Fessenden, left, and Adin Proctor walk through the outfield prior to the start of Opening Day festivities.

For more photos of the Dunnellon Little League Opening Day ceremonies, see the March 13 edition of the Riverland News.

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Friends of the Library bookstore open

The Friends of the Dunnellon Public Library Bookstore, which is inside the library, is at 20351 Robinson Road, behind Sweetbay. There are novels, bios, cooking, gardening, inspirational, craft, self-help, finance, romance, children, VHS videos (Some DVDs), Books-On-

Tape, history, politics, westerns, magazines and more. Daily sales are ongoing with books for as little as 10 cents. Store hours are now from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Saturday. The Friends continue to accept gently read book donations daily at

the store. 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.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

American Legion activities slated

American Legion Wall-Rives Post No. 58 will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 2, with dinner proceeding at 6. The Women's Auxiliary will meet at 4:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 2. 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 mar-

ket and pancake breakfast will be at 7:30 a.m. Saturday, March 15. Cost is \$5 per person. The Law & Order Awards Dinner will be at 5 p.m. Saturday, March 22. Reservations only; tickets are \$5 each. Free AARP Tax service will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesdays through April 9. For information, call Wayne Sloan at 489-5066. The Legion will host a spaghetti dinner from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, April 12. Tickets are \$6 per person.

Penno VFW Post plans events

Edward W. Penno VFW Post 4864, 10199 Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs, announce the following events. Join us for darts at 1 p.m. Tuesdays and bingo at 1 p.m. Mondays. \$1 hot dogs are available for lunch on those days. Plan to join us for dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Fridays. Tickets are \$8 each. For information, call 465-4864.



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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Habitat for Humanity seeks volunteers

Habitat for Humanity of Marion County is looking for volunteers to help in construction, fundraising, the ReStore.

For information about volunteering with Habitat for Humanity of Marion County Inc., visit habitatalocala.org/volunteer or call Brittney Fish, volunteer coordinator, at 352-351-4663.

Agency in need of volunteers

The Annie W. Johnson Service Center and the Annie W. Johnson Thrift Store are in need of volunteers, who should have an understanding and a passion for the causes supported by the agency. For information, call 489-8021.

Norm's Clean Cuts accepting toys, food

Norm's Clean Cuts Barber Shop at 11941 Bostick St, Dunnellon is a drop-off point for the U.S. Marine Corps annual Toys for Tots drive as well as a

drop-off location for food donations for Food 4 Kids Inc., which provides backpacks full of food on the weekends for needy children in the area.

For information, call 465-3666.

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.

For information, call Geri Davis 489-6332 or Susan Lebrun 465-8660.

District to treat hydrilla on river

Treatment slated to run March 10 to 13

Special to the Riverland News

The Southwest Florida Water Management District (District) will treat the invasive aquatic plant hydrilla from March 10 to 13 on the Rainbow River in Marion County.

District workers will treat scattered infestations on the river from Rainbow River State Park to the Withlacoochee River.

Workers will apply the aquatic herbicide

Aquathol Super K and post informational signs in the treated areas noting treatment dates and applicable water use restrictions.

There are no restrictions on the use of treated water for swimming, fishing, boating or irrigating established turf, ornamental plants and crops. Treated river water should not be used for drinking or irrigating annual nursery or green house crops including hydroponics and

newly seeded or transplanted annual crops, newly seeded or transplanted ornamentals, and newly sodded or seeded turf for seven days following treatment. Water use restrictions do not apply to well or tap water.

Hydrilla is a troublesome aquatic plant from Southeast Asia, which escaped into Florida waters during the late 1950s. It is a fast-growing plant that expands quickly. If it is not con-

trolled, native plant populations, recreational activities, navigation, flood control and fish and wildlife habitat can be negatively impacted.

The management of hydrilla on the Rainbow River is a cooperative effort between the District, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection.

For information, call the district at 352-796-7211 or 800-423-1476.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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District: Parents can voice their opinions through surveys

School officials seek feedback on educational topics

Special to the Riverland News

With parents taking more interest in their children's education, Marion County Public Schools makes its latest Parent Survey available on the district website and at each school.

Users can visit www.marion.k12.fl.us and click on the Uncle Sam "Parent Survey" option along the left side. Users can then view the entire survey in English or Spanish. Parents without computer access may com-

plete a survey at their child's school or at the Title I Office located at 306 NW 7 Ave. in Ocala. Surveys are also available on the Parent Portal website. All surveys must be completed by April 7.

Parent response helps the

district and local schools increase parent involvement to better serve students, parents, and communities.

Parent involvement means the participation of parents is ongoing, two-way, and meaningful communication involving student academic learning and other school activities, including ensuring:

- 1) parents play an integral role in assisting with their child's learning at school and at home;

- 2) parents are encouraged to be actively involved in their child's school education;

- 3) parents are full partners in their child's education

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SPORTS BRIEFS

Registration slated for youth football

Boys, ages 8 to 15, are eligible to register with the Marion County Youth Football League from 9 to 3 p.m. Saturdays, March 8 and 15, at the Jervy Gantt Sports Complex at 2200 SE 36th Ave., Ocala. Registration is \$100 and includes uniforms and protective gear. For information, call coach Kiger at 352-812-1730.

Concealed weapons class available

Riverside Trading & Loan will host a Florida concealed weapon carry permit class at 9 a.m. Sunday 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.

Golf course hosting multiple events

Rainbow's End Golf Course's Tuesday Twilight League will begin Tuesday, April 1. The points game starts at 5:30 p.m.

Entry fee is \$20 and includes fees, cart, closest to pin prize, year ending championship and three-place payout prizes.

The event is open to all players. Show up by 5:15 p.m. and the pro shop will establish your points quota. Also, a side skins game is available. The event is limited to the first 40 players. For information or to sign up, call 489-4566.

Church men's club to play 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. The public is welcome. For information, call 489-5954.

Wiz kids



Dunnellon Middle School students who competed in the Big Springs Science Fair, from left, were Emily Weaver, Carlos Gonzalez, Alianna LaCombe, Emily Newsom and Christen Adams.

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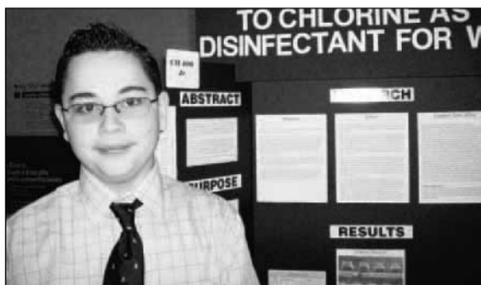
DMS students compete at annual science fair

Special to the Riverland News

Five students from Dunnellon Middle School joined more than 200 middle and high school participants from Marion, Levy and Sumter counties for the annual Big Springs Regional Science Fair on Feb. 19 to 21 at the Ocala Armory.

The three-day event, which involved two days of rigorous judging, culminated in an awards ceremony Friday evening at Marion Technical Institute in Ocala. All five DMS students placed in their categories.

Eighth-grader Carlos Gonzalez placed first in the Junior Chemistry category and was selected to present his project at the Orlando



Eighth-grader Carlos Gonzalez placed first in the Junior Chemistry category and was selected to present his project at the Orlando Science Challenge and the Broadcom Masters Competition. In addition, he will represent DMS at the Florida State Science Fair.

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His project "Alternative to Chlorine as a Disinfectant for Water"

involved research into substances that might be considered safer and more environmentally desirable substitutes for the widespread use of chlorine.

The results of his research could have far-reaching implications in consumer and industrial applications. "It was a great experience and a lot of fun," Gonzalez said, noting he also was impressed by the number of students at the competition and the variety and depth of their projects.

Emily Weaver, an eighth-grader and another Junior Chemistry entrant, placed fourth with her work titled "Heating and Chemical Reactions." This project explored the correlation of water temperature and speed in the dissolving of various substances. She said she was excited and somewhat nervous about competing, but also that she had fun meeting students from other schools. She

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PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

Hoops teams prep for tourney

The Dunnellon Middle School Tigers will display their skills at the County Basketball

Tournament at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at West Port High School.

We want to wish

the student-athletes the best of luck and thank them along with their families for all the after-school hours spent in practice and traveling to games.

The boys team consists of: Jay Frazier, Kenieul Gates, Maurice Goolsby, Emil Henry, Jacob Hicks, Khyreon Hilbert, Maurice Jefferies, Alex Mcrae, Michael Melendez, Christian Rey, Caleb Schroeder and Randall Sinflorant as well as alternates: Jamil Bess, Dominic Davilla, Luis Montalvo, James Morgan, Anthony Sanchez, Javon Sherman, James Taylor and Russell Quick.

The girls team consists of: Hannah Baker, Reba Collins, Autumn Crouch, Latiesha Edwards, Lauren Ford, Matalyn Gibbs, Kendayza Moore, Alexis Robinson, Micaela Santiago, Kayla Tier,

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Romeo student wins recipe contest



Special to the Riverland News

Romeo Elementary School student Walter Hoffman, center, was the recipe winner of the fourth annual Healthy Recipe and Art contest sponsored by Munroe Regional Hospital. Hoffman is shown with Chef Randal White and Brianna Liles, clinical dietitian, receiving his certificate. He will be presented with his \$100 gift card at a school board meeting in Ocala.

Parents: Apply now for Pre-K, VPK Programs

Applications of interest are now being accepted for the Pre-K/VPK (Voluntary Pre-Kindergarten) program operated by the Title I office of Marion County Public Schools. This full-day program takes place during the normal 2014-15 school year and is not related to summertime VPK programs.

To be eligible, children must be 4 years old on or before Sept. 1, 2014, and live within the attendance zone of their participating school. Applications are available at participating schools, the Title I office at 306 NW 7th Ave. in Ocala and online.

This program is widely popular but has limited seating. Admission is based on a random selection of applications submitted or postmarked by 5 p.m. Friday.

Parents or guardians of students accepted into the regular school-year program will be notified via telephone call starting March 12. Those not selected will be placed on a waiting list in random order and notified in a let-

ter from the Title I office. Title I Pre-K / VPK applications may be returned four ways:

- in person at the Title I office at 306 NW 7th Ave. in Ocala;
- mailed to the Title I office at 306 NW 7th Ave, Ocala, FL, 34475;
- faxed to the Title I office at 352-620-7604; or
- completed online.

Regular school-year Pre-K/VPK will be offered in 23 classrooms at 19 public elementary schools including: Anthony, Belleview, Belleview-Santos, College Park, East Marion, Emerald Shores, Evergreen, Fessenden, Fort McCoy, Greenway, Marion Oaks, Oakcrest, Reddick-Collier, Romeo, South Ocala, Sparr, Stanton-Weirsdale, Sunrise and Wyomina Park. Transportation is provided for those students accepted into the program and meeting eligibility requirements.

For information, call 352-671-4171.

DHS ATHLETES OF THE WEEK • PRESENTED BY COLLEGE OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

Dante White, baseball

The junior came up big for the Tigers baseball team in their district opener against Crystal River. The right-hander tossed five innings, while allowing two earned runs in the 7-2 victory for Dunnellon, which improved to 3-2 overall and 1-0 in District 5A-6.



Dante White

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Gillian Heinritz, softball

The sophomore hurler has been steady on the mound, if not dominant. She has a 0.93 earned run average and struck out 18 hitters while allowing only two earned runs for the Lady Tigers, who are 7-3 overall and 2-1 in District 5A-6 this season.



Gillian Heinritz

DISTRICT

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and are included, as appropriate, in decision-making and advisory committees to assist in the education of their child;

- 4) the carrying out of other activities, such as those described in section 1118 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act;

- 5) parents have the district's Parent Involvement Program;
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For information, contact the Title One Office of Marion County Public Schools at 352-671-4171.

Lady Tigers rally, top Lecanto

After squandering a four-run, 13-9, seventh-inning lead Monday night against Lecanto, senior Jody Weber provided the heroics for the Dunnellon High School softball team at home.

Weber smacked a bases loaded walk-off double, plating two runs in the Lady Tigers' thrilling 15-14 victory

against the Lady Panthers. Weber finished the game going 2-for-5 with a pair of doubles and her two RBIs.

In addition to Weber's strong offensive outing, Dunnellon was buoyed by Kelly Howard and Gillian Heinritz, who both went 4-for-4 with three RBIs and a double. Heinritz also picked

up the victory on the mound for the Lady Tigers (7-3 overall, 2-1 District 5A-6). Kasey Bernstein was 2-for-4 with three RBIs while Gillian's sister, Courtney, a senior, was 2-for-4 with two doubles and an RBI.

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The administration of the estate of ROBERT E. RIVARD, deceased, whose date of death was January 4, 2014, File Number 2014CP-206, 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.

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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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Attorney for Personal Representative: BRETT & REYNOLDS, P.A. /s/Joel O. Parker, Esq. Florida Bar No. 0070201 8810 S.W. Highway 200, Suite 122, Ocala, Florida 34481 February 27 & March 06, 2014.

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encourages students to try hard in science in order to attend the science fair, adding, "It's fun to have other people's opinions of your work."

Emily Newsom, also an eighth-grade student, made a return appearance this year having placed second in her division at last year's event. This year, she captured first place in the Junior Physics division with her project, "How Does a Tesla Coil Make Sound Resembling a Speaker?"

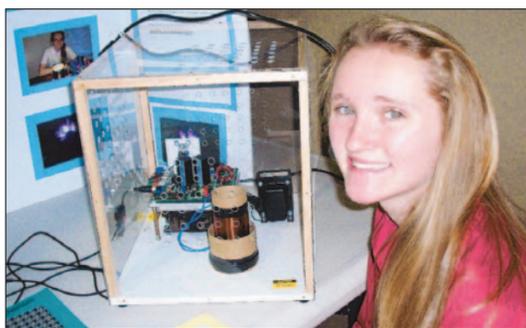
Based on the work of Nikola Tesla, an inventor, engineer, physicist and contemporary of Thomas Edison, Newsom's research explored the use of the Tesla Coil in sound transmission. Newsom said she started out with an idea for her project and ended up going in a completely different direction. "I would like to expand on my research for future science fair entries and try to prove more of Tesla's theories," she said.

Christen Adams, a sixth-grader, placed third in the Junior Engineering category with her entry titled, "Boats, Ships and Waves, Oh My!"

Based on the use of bilge keels to reduce the rocking motion of boats and ships, her research confirmed the necessity of such devices. She was able to replicate the effects of waves on watercraft on a much smaller scale by using two-liter soda bottles in a backyard swimming pool. She said being interviewed by the judges and having to answer their many questions was a new experience.

Adams also noted it was worth all the hard work and she would definitely like to compete in future science fairs. "It was a lot of fun, plus it will look good on my college applications," she explained.

Alianna LaCombe, also a sixth-grader, won fourth-place honors in the Junior Physics cate-



Special to the Riverland News
Emily Newsom placed first in the Junior Physics division with her project, "How Does a Tesla Coil Make Sound Resembling a Speaker?"

gory and the Ocala Pediatrics Special Award of \$100. Her project, titled, "What Sunglass Lens Blocks the Most Amount of Ultraviolet Radiation," compared different types of lens coatings in order to determine the one with the highest degree of UV protection. LaCombe felt the experi-

ence of preparing for and participating in the science fair was, "an awesome opportunity for the future." She added taking part in the event made the learning process fun, she enjoyed learning more about her subject, and doing so helped raise her grade in science class.

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Kendall Tuggle and Samantha White.

We would also like to recognize our coaches, Michael Rumsey and Amy Guerra, for sharing their love of the game, knowledge, and demonstrating teamwork and team spirit to our young players. Student Tyler Hart serves as the team manager/student assistant coach.

Good luck, have fun, and again, thank you for representing Dunnellon Middle School is such a positive way.

The DMS SAVE (Students Against Violence Everywhere) Club Chapter will have an after-school meeting from 3:45 p.m. to 5:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 11. SAVE Club members will plot strategies for their March 19 campaign to encourage the campus and community to help us go Tobacco Free. We are anxious to see the imaginative and powerful messages these young folks develop for their "Kick Some Butts" message.

Photographers will be at Dunnellon Middle School on Thursday, March 13, for Buddy Pictures. The informational envelope with prices of the various packages available was sent home Feb. 28 with the interim reports and DMS Newsletter. If you would like another envelope with the Buddy Picture information, call 352-465-6720 and we will send one home with your child.

Friday, March 21, is a teacher work day. There will be no school day for students. Spring Break will be Monday, March 24, through Friday, March 28. Normal school hours will resume Monday, March 31.

Stuck for an idea to keep skills up and keep a focus on academics during Spring Break? With FCAT scheduled

Schedule of events

TODAY

- 7:30 a.m. — DMS FFA, livestock judging practice.
- 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. — Chorus practice.
- 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Brain Bowl practice.
- 3:40 to 5 p.m. — Girls and boys basketball practice.

FRIDAY

- 3:40 to 5 p.m. — Girls and boys basketball practice.

SATURDAY

- 8:30 a.m. — County basketball tournament at West Port High School.

MONDAY, MARCH 10

- 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Tiger Fit Club.

TUESDAY, MARCH 11

- 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Brain Bowl practice.
- 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. — Chorus practice.
- 3:40 to 5:15 p.m. — SAVE Club meeting.

THURSDAY, MARCH 13

- 3:45 to 4:30 p.m. — Chorus practice.
- 3:40 to 4:45 p.m. — Girls' Bible study.

in April, students are encouraged to visit the FCAT Explorer website at www.fcatexplorer.com.

The FCAT Explorer website is free and a great way to practice for the FCAT. Parents, visiting FCAT Explorer can also be a great "Be There" experience, as together you and your child challenge each other's knowledge on the website.

Student sign-on directions for the FCAT Explorer are:

- Sign-in: full last name and first letter of first name.
- Password: 42, first four letters of the last name and the month and day of birth. Be sure to include "0." Example: Student is: Johnny Smith, born Sept. 10, 1995. Sign-in: smithj. Password: 42smit0910.

We would like to give a health reminder to parents of sixth-grade students who will become seventh-grade students in August. Your student is required by the state to have the following shot prior to attending school: Tdap shot (tetanus, diphtheria, whooping cough). If you have any questions regarding your child's health record, call Carol Bartolet, R.N., at 465-6795.

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