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P.O.W.A.R. (Protect Our Wa-
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ing from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 12, at the Historic Dunnellon Depot at
11221 N. Williams St., to discuss water issues and lake health af-
tecting the Rainbow River and the Wil-
ken Lake. Mike Bartlett from Southeast Florida Water Management District, which controls the dam and spillway structures of the lake, will be the guest speaker at the meeting.

The Florida Conservation League has asked for public input about a Lake Rousseau management program; therefore, this will be conducted at that time also.

To outline the extent to which the Task Force is enabled,

Review audits and all data necessary related to lake and river restoration techniques and sport fish population re-
evations, including data and strategies forshore-
line restoration, sand and other litter collection and removal, navigation, water quality and fish and wildlife.

WHAT’S HAPPENING

River clean-up started Saturday, May 19

The Rainbow River community clean-up will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 22, at the Rain-
bow River Conservation. Volunteers are needed to help with this cleanup and will work different sections of the river in boats, kayaks and canoes. All debris collected will be brought back to the Rio Vista Park at noon for recol-lecting and disposal. Afterward, food and volunteers will be served.

Prizes will be given for the largest amount of trash collected, as well as for individuals, the largest individual item of trash recovered from the river and the most unusual item re-
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For more information or to sign up, call Jerry Boggs, 420-8705. It is important to know how many people will partic-

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The course, which has no practical test, will be given from 1 to 4 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, and Wednesday, May 25, at the Rainbow Lake Club-

house, north of Dunnellon. Class size is limited. For information or registrations call 420-1574.

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JEFF BRYAN

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gram of extensive rigorous training, including naval skills, space station mechanics and piloting a jet. His specialty is education.

In an interview with the Riverland News in July 2009, Acaba said his future goals were to work aboard the International Space Station for six months, which he described as large as a five-bedroom home.

Now, the former educator is seeing his dream come true.

Student Media Festival celebrates 11 years of fun

Annual event starts at 7 p.m. Friday at West Port

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Roll out the red carpets and step into the lights for the 11th TV time for the 11th Annual Marion County School Tele-


dent Media Festival. Hundreds of students and parents will walk into West Port High School’s Performing Arts Center at 7 p.m. Friday for the event. The event is free and open to the pub-

clic.

The Festival, under-
written with community donations and organizations and sponsored by educators, shows the quality work produced by students through- out Marion County Schools. Participants range from kindergarten through 12th grade. This year’s entries came from 26 dif-

ferent schools. Last year, students demonstrated excellence in all four age groups. Dunnellon elementary, middle and high schools will compete.

On May 5, 2009, Acaba elected Acaba for the space flight after the Savannah, South Carolina, where he’ll be living. According to a sheriff’s of-


cific report, Ulry’s mother immediately went to the pool and pulled Stephen out of the water and began performing CPR. Other son ran into the house to get his father, Christopher, a first responder with the MCPS. Christopher took over giving his son CPR.

After a short time, fire rescue personnel were the first to arrive on the scene shortly after 4 p.m. Para-


edministrator John Antone told law enforcement when he ar-


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Services were Monday in Ocala

JEFF BRYAN

A 3-year-old boy, found floating in the family pool May 2, deceased; the effects of his parents and res-


cue personnel who were at-


tempts to resuscitate him.

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Workforce Connection sets full calendar of May workshops

**Special to the Riverland News**

Ocala — Workforce Connection of Citrus, Levy and Marion counties has scheduled a full calendar of workshops for the month of May for those interested in developing or redeveloping skills, and developing additional resume, interviewing and job search strategies. Walk-ins are welcome – no additional registration is required, but space is limited.

—Navigating the New World of Work — two-day workshop takes place Tuesdays and Wednesdays in Marion County. The workshop is also offered May 22 and 23 in Chiefland, May 29 and 30 in Inverness. The workshops cover cover the identification of marketable and marketable skills, job search strategies, resume development, interviewing skills and strategies.

Community Workshops: “Navigating the New World of Work” offers many different topics and is for those interested in developing marketable skills, job search strategies, resume development, and interviewing skills and strategies.

— Beyond Barriers: pathway workshop takes place at the Workforce Connection of Citrus, Levy and Marion counties. Additional information about the following programs is available at Workforce Connection’s Calendar of Community Workshops:

— Ocala: Computer Basics workshops are held at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Mondays in May at the Workforce Connection at 3740 SW 39th St. Participants may “adopt” a specific butterfly or hummingbird. Often volunteers may “adopt” a specific area of the garden to maintain. In other cases, you may work with a group to cover a broader area. This position also encompasses opportunities to work on exotic plant removal and exotic plant removal work days. This Volunteer Position is not hour specific, rather job specific. If you prefer to work with others, the volunteer hours will be determined by the group. The ability to work without supervision and a little knowledge of native and exotic flora and fauna of the area is certainly helpful but can be learned on-site. In fulfilling the requirements of Gardener, it is essential to be friendly and have a sincere desire to aid the park. A volunteer uniform (T-shirt) is available in accordance with the volunteer uniform guidelines is to be worn when contributing volunteer hours, along with a volunteer name tag. Make a volunteer name tag.

— “Florida’s Oldest and Largest” Butterfly Garden, which is a cultural and a natural resource requiring understanding of the history and character of the park. This position is not hour specific, but in your job specific to your job tasks will be determined by the group. The ability to work without supervision and a little knowledge of native and exotic flora and fauna of the area is certainly helpful but can be learned on-site. In fulfilling the requirements of Gardener, it is essential to be friendly and have a sincere desire to aid the park. A volunteer uniform (T-shirt) is available in accordance with the volunteer uniform guidelines is to be worn when contributing volunteer hours, along with a volunteer name tag. Make a volunteer name tag.

Rainbow Springs State Park needs volunteers for gardens

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Dunnellon Middle School students pose after last year's festival with their awards. Dunnellon students submitted over 30 videos for this year's competition, with several of the works submitted by Dunnellon students competing for a first-place in the county and at the state level. The family released a statement through Jessica Martin, wife of Marion County Sheriff William McKeen, explaining, “This is a heart-breaking story. Our family and the community has been touched by the life and the ladder was still in the pool was 3 feet deep as we observed numerous memories,” said Mrs. Ulry, adding, “This is a heart-breaking story. Our family and the community have been touched by the life of Michael Ulry. Our family and the community have been touched by the life of Michael Ulry.

Water

The South Dunnellon Riverwalk Area will meet at 4:30 p.m. the second Monday monthly at 41 to Rainbow Lakes Boulevard, Rainbow Springs, the South Dunnellon Civic Association. The facility is on the left side of the street just before Dunnellon.

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usually the money that is withheld referred to as “Social Security tax.” One’s payroll statement. Sometimes the deduction is labeled as FICA tax, which stands for Federal Insurance Contributions Act. So let us tell you how money is being used, and what’s in it for you.

The taxes paid now translate to a lifetime of protection, when you eventually retire or become disabled. The system is designed to provide a steady income to the working generations in order to leave our children and grandchildren a better life. Everyone is responsible to our inheritance. I believe the American Commission is the solution. Since 1981, serving as a Deacon and long-time member of Trinity Christian Church, a conservative Christian who is Pro-Life.

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Dunnellon Middle School student basketball players, from left, Dylan Kitchel, Matt Livermore, Juan Ramos, Rudolh Sinflorant, Kobie Jones, Phillip Holt, Rashed Martin, Tyrone Gates, Ryan Wallace, Roberto Webb and Cameron Vickers fire up teammates prior to tip off of the annual Students vs. Staff basketball game. The students played the staff in two games, dropping both contests. The game has become an annual tradition at Dunnellon Middle School in which faculty, staff and students celebrate the end of FCAT testing.

Band members, from left, Mathew Manchester, Brianna Dean, Hannah Duke, Khali Robinson and Kasey Bernstein perform during the Students vs. Staff game. The game has become an annual tradition at Dunnellon Middle School.

Annual Frank Polack Memorial Ride slated
The fifth annual Frank Polack Memorial Ride for Hospice of Marion County will be at 8 a.m. Sunday May 20. An anticipated 250 participants will enjoy a trip through the heart of horse country, starting and ending at Hospice of Marion County’s Education Center.

Riders pay $40 to enjoy a fully staffed and SAG'D 80-mile route, 62-mile route, or 30-mile route. Registration fees include a light breakfast, an overflowing event gear bag and lunch. Online registration is provided at www.Hospiceofmarion.com, www.Active.com, by mail, or riders may register the morning of the event.

Rainbow Springs LGA Results
On Thursday, May 3, the LGA completed a three-day Club Championship tournament. The Club Champion is Terry Herriott. The next lowest net was Karen Hopkins.

In Flight 1, the first low gross was Lisa Weston; the first low net was Beth Hibbard, and the second low net was Toni Bulson.

In Flight 2, the first low gross was Karen Mikulik; the first low net was Bette Hubbard; the second low net was M.A. Pletcher.

In Flight 3, the first low gross was Fran Scamme; the first low net was Ann Carter; and the second low net was Nancy Meyer.

On March 19, there were 16 players in the game of a pair of ladies, one playing odd holes and the other even holes.

The first low gross was the team of Toni Bulson and M.A. Pletcher; the first low net was a tie between Diane Broadway and Ann Kuhlmey and Sue Medford and Nancy Meyer.

Birdies: Marie Sackett, Sue Medford and Karen Mikulik.

Chip-ins: Dianne Broadway, Sue Medford and Marie Sackett, twice.

Greenies: Shari Harris, Karen Mikulik and Marie Sackett, twice.
Residents of Dunnellon Springs that want to voice their opinions about city of Dunnellon business should consider being an active listener. The city's opinion is pure balderdash seeking to appease the legitimate sentiments of the dispute.

I am a citizen of London, England, but absol-utely believe in the rights of the residents of Boston, Maine, that they be given a chance. An English ear is into the habitation, and an English voice has listened to opinions of some that be our newspaper; we might still be a functioning democracy.

Don’t ever forget: “Ex-communication of a man is tyramy.” It is by far the most basic right when fighting an unscrupulous City Hall.

Duke Peter Dunnellon

City Manager has done enough to ruin town

I believe the city of Dunnellon county of Okeechobee where Dunnellon Springs residents is now, is almost beyond repair. I feel one person must as soon as possible, based on his or her performance, is City Manager Lisa Algiere. I make my conclusion on the following:

— Item No. 13 in the city manager's strategic plan dated Feb. 17, 2010, calls for the spending of $100,000 in the district. I take this to mean $100,000 in the district, which we are all aware of.

It appears to me that the city manager's strategic plan, along with what was to do was to expand the city district in a quick, secretive way just past the legal requirements. Why not be open and honest about a long time coming thing about that? Speaks to me their past and what’s the basic intent of the city manager? The city manager has no have a re-considered plan for the municipality of the city and the city administra-

— Item No. 14 of the strategic plan is to explore annuities of neighboring communities Why was No. 14 not tried before Item No. 3? I think if ap- proached the right way in 2010, Rainbow Springs might have considered it. However, that bridge is now burned forever.

With the city’s mayor in debt and bad manage- ment who would volunteer to be a Dunnellon taxpayer? The city manager's strategic plan and mushop mayor has not seem to work for Rainbow Springs residents. The dog is dead. County commissioners will never bring Rainbow Springs residents. The dog manager did not do all the operations manager is in place is incomprehensible. Splitting the vacant manager’s salary three ways seems highly cre- ative and look at the poor re-

How much additional income has the Dunnellon managers made from Rainbow? How much of the borrowed $7.5 million is left? If ever the City of Dunnellon will make a profit or even by 10% interest. Who, what, when and why are the basics of news reporting. When you put a name to answer those questions about who has managed those ill con-ceived plans and damaged Dunnellon future, one name stands out. What name is in your mind?

Steve Swett Dunnellon

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Romeo Pioneers preparing for Field Day

Friday, May 12, is a very full day at Dunnellon Middle School. The FWC will be visiting the school for a free outdoor camp called "Wildlife Conservation Camp." The camp is open to all Dunnellon Middle School students who are interested in learning more about outdoor activities.

The camp will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dunnellon Middle School campus. The camp is free to all students and includes lunch. Parents are welcome to attend the camp with their children.

Dunnellon Middle School student gear up for full day of events

For more information or to register for the camp, please contact the Dunnellon Middle School office at (352) 625-2804.
My mother was wrong about spinach

One of the great joys in my life has been eating other green vegetables, is discovering that some of what I consider to be my standards are not true to begin with because... just think about your mother! Who was she to say something that could not be true and might just defraud me of the joy of eating my spinach?

My mother used every-thing she could think of to get me to eat my spinach. The temptation, the arguments and a gold old-er sister of mine. None of it seemed to make my spinach taste any better, if anything it made me hate my spinach. The reason for eating spinach was only occasional. A few days back all the spinach I had to eat. I was the only one who would eat it, so I would save it for myself. I have scientific proof as to why eating spinach is a good thing for your body. You told me that spinach was good for your health and that you were right all the time.

As a young person, my mother told me things I have since learned not to believe. For example, It takes more than clean eating to ’behave yourself and have a good time simultaneously. It is almost impossible to jump off a bridge. As a young person, my mother knew this and was not about to allow me to attempt this suicide. She used intimidation, threats and force to get me to eat my spinach.

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OBITUARIES

Erio Adelbert Branch
Erio Adelbert Branch died Thursday, May 3, 2012, at North Florida Hospital. He was 96 years old. Survivors include his wife, Edye; sons, Eric Adelbert Branch and Hunter Reisen Jr.; daughters, Kerry Ann (Ken) Pettit and Karen (Bill) Berry; stepdaughters, Kari and Kristy; stepson, Eric Adelbert Branch; grandson, Reisen Jr.; great-grandson, and others. He was born in on Dec. 6, 1924, in Columbus, Ohio, to Erlo Adelbert Branch and Annie Johnson Branch. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII, a 50 year member of the VFW Post 171, Jacksonville, lifetime member of the VFW Post 716, and former president of the River Vista Homeowners’ Association. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife of 8 years, Richard S. Reading, and his beloved dog Joey. Services are scheduled for 11 a.m., Tuesday, May 11, 2012, at the River Vista Homeowner’s Chapel, Dunnellon, with Pastor Joseph Vanderholt officiating. Visitation will be from 10 to 11 a.m. Family will be at the funeral home prior to the service. In lieu of flowers please send donations to the River Vista Homeowner’s Association. Interment will be at the funeral home. He loved entertaining by his lovely swimming pool, was quite the war hero, a Navy Seal UDT, was born on Dec. 6, 1924, in Columbus, Ohio, to Erlo Adelbert Branch and Annie Johnson Branch. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII, a 50 year member of the VFW Post 171, Jacksonville, lifetime member of the VFW Post 716, and former president of the River Vista Homeowners’ Association.

Renee McKittrick
Renee McKittrick, 87, of Orlando, died Thursday, April 26, 2012, at the Legacy House in Orlando. She was born in New Jersey. She was the daughter of George and Elizabeth (Bates) Paton of the Order of Eastern Star of Portland and a member of many Eastern Star Chapters in New Jersey. Her biggest hobby was entertaining by her lovely swimming pool. She enjoyed spending her winters in Florida. She was the loving mother, grandmother of 9, great-grandmother of 15 and great-great-grandmother of 3. Survivors include her wife, Joan of 30 years, Sheldon Berry of Clearwater; stepsons, Robert Berry of Weston, Fla., Howard Berry of Sarasota, Fla., and Reading and his wife, Faye; son, Eric Adelbert Branch, grandson. He was truly known him. He will be missed by all.

Church events

Church to host spaghetti dinner, concert

Romeo Baptist Church will host a spaghetti and dinner and gospel jamboire at 5 p.m. Friday, May 11, 2012. The event is open to the public. Cost is $6 for adults and $3 for children. For more information, call Maxine Thomas at 352-322-0801.

Church events

Event to benefit church charity

The Altar and Rosary Society of St. John the Baptist Catholic Church and Family Commit- ment Project and the University of Florida-Humbolt Pre-Oly Trial Health Program will present “Then and Now: The Struggle for Justice and Equal Opportunities,” from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 12, at the First Betsel Missionary Baptist Church at 13840 N. William St., Dunnellon. Donate a new or gently used item to be sold at our FBC Thrift Store. Proceeds benefit Dunnellon Food 4 Kids and Women on Missions. For more information, call Marie Thomas at 352-522-0801.
Delaney LaMon, left, Cynthia Saldana and Lina Christie work together to put dirt and soil back in place after planting some fresh flowers May 2 at the school. Students schoolwide planted flowers and other items in assigned locations and made the campus alive with plants. The Early Release morning was spent on this annual “Green Day” project. After Green Day, students have new ownership of the campus and a real pride in their surroundings, Principal Kathy Hultman said.

Cadence McNelly, left, and Anaya Ferrell work on weeding a portion of a garden bed as they helped to prepare the spot for some colorful fresh flowers.

An assortment of flowers were available for students to plant campuswide during the annual “Green Day” project.

Destiny Gonzalez, a second-grader, receives assistance from her teacher, Katherine Kidney, while she and other classmates plant fresh flowers on the school campus.

Anaya Ferrell and Anaya Ferrell work on weeding a portion of a garden bed as they helped to prepare the spot for some colorful fresh flowers.

Jordan Martin works a hoe while Belinda Martinez helps clear up debris after fresh flowers were planted outside of the school.

Cadence McNelly, left, and Anaya Ferrell work on weeding a portion of a garden bed as they helped to prepare the spot for some colorful fresh flowers.

Luis Garcia, left, and Bethany Vaughn check out a snail shell they found while cleaning up an area for fresh flowers.
Fun and GAMES

Super Crossword

FAUXCATIONS

ARIEX (March 21 to April 19) You Swede and Ramo will find your ideas cherished by a mostly receptive flock. Those few dissenters could well be turned around by your charm and powers of persuasion.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It’s time for the bold and beautiful to shake off the dust of the past and shape up with new ideas for the future. This could surprise some folks, but they’ll soon adjust.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Those nagging new doubts about an upcoming decision should alert you to step back (at least temporarily) so you can reason its potential impact from a new perspective.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) That unpleasant situation you hoped would go away by itself needs immediate attention before it affects an upcoming decision. Expect your supporters to rally around your cause.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You’re moving up and away from that recent setback. But remain cautious about finances. An exercise in thrift today helps cushion a possible end-of-the-month money squeeze.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You’re still dealing with overtones of pessimism that cause you to doubt your ability to make some needed changes. But the negative pressures will ease up by week’s end.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There could be some fallout from the way you handled a recent family problem. But those who knew that you were in the right won’t hesitate to step on your behalf.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Financial storms ease by week’s end. Meanwhile, focus on cultivating that new relationship if you hope to have it blossom into something more meaningful.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Health matters once again dominate the week. Be careful not to ignore rearrangements of an old problem. An almost-forgotten commitment resurfaces.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The emergence of an unusual selfish streak could dismay those close to you. Only if – don’t justify it – so you can become your own self again.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Reassure your decision to step by the status quo. It might seem like the sensible thing to do right now, but changes around you could make that choice too risky.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) More decisively but cautiously when dealing with a delicate personal matter. The fewer mistakes you make now, the less likely it is that the problem will rear its head.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can find beauty where many cannot. And you enjoy sharing your discovery with others.

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with Mazola® to share the news about plant chef and personal trainer who is working with WomenHeart, the nation’s only patient-centered organization serving the 42 million women living with or who are at risk for heart disease, to encourage people to pledge to set a healthier table when they cook. Herb Mesa, “The Next Food Network Star” finalist, celebrity chef and personal trainer who is working with WomenHeart to share the news about plant sterols, says “By taking the ‘Set a Healthier Table’ pledge with Mazola® Corn Oil, you can show your commitment to health for both you and your family.”


Fiesta Black Bean, Corn and Pepper Salad

Yield: 12 servings Prep Time: 30 minutes

2 tablespoons minced fresh garlic
2/3 cup diced red onion
2 tablespoons Mazola® Corn Oil
2 tablespoons ground cumin
1 teaspoon chili powder
1 teaspoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon salt
2 cups frozen corn
2 cans reduced sodium black beans (15 ounces each), drained and rinsed
1 cup diced red pepper
1 cup diced zucchini
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons (1 ounce) spiced margarine
2 tablespoons (1 ounce) light margarine

Prep: Sauté garlic and onion in corn oil over medium heat in a large skillet. Add onions, chili powder, salt, peppers and zucchini; continue to cook and stir for 2 minutes. Add black beans and corn and continue cooking to heat through, about 3 to 5 minutes. Remove from heat and stir in salsa.

Transfer to serving dish, squeeze 2 lime wedges over mixture and stir. Garnish with remaining lime and cilantro.

Roasted Poblano Chicken Quesadillas

Yield: 12 quesadillas Prep Time: 10 to 15 minutes Cook Time: 19 to 15 minutes

2 medium poblano peppers 2 packages (11.6 ounces each) empanada dough disks 2 tablespoons Mazola® Corn Oil 6 to 10-inch flour tortillas 2 tablespoons minced fresh cilantro 2 teaspoons onion salt 2 teaspoons lime juice 1/4 cup chopped onion 1/2 cup chopped tomatoes 1/4 cup chopped black beans 1/4 cup shredded Monterrey Jack cheese 1/4 cup shredded Monterrey Jack cheese

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Dunnellon Middle School eighth-grade students, Kevin Star and Abigail Long, recently received wonderful news—they each will receive four years of scholarships. The Dunnellon Middle School Scholarship program is sponsored by the Marion County Public Education Foundation. The awards are, from left, the Principals Scholarship, About Ashman, TSIC volunteer Elaine Whiteaker and Dr. Mike Mishkin, a school principal. Star and Long are both honor roll students and members of the DMS Symphonic Band. Students are selected for their academic performance and character. The boys and girls students are paired with mentors and required to maintain good grades throughout high school.

The purpose of the program is an effort to provide the Rainbow River Program, safety and prudent manner and allow to be used in a safe and prudent manner as well as provide a visual pertaining to patrols. The primary purpose is to as-
Megan Sereda, right, a fourth-grade member of the Dunnellon Elementary School 4-H Club, donated $50 from her hog project to the club. Sereda presents Maggie Barte, president of Dunnellon 4-H, with the donation. Serea wrote a letter to Lou Hartigan, the club sponsor, letting her know of her desire to give back. “I want to donate 20 percent of my profit to you,” she wrote. “I made $850. My pig cost was $200, $100 in supplies and $300 in feed. So my profit was $250. I will donate $50 and that will help with next year’s pig. Thank you for all the help you’ve given in my project.”

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Annie W. Johnson Center

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

American Legion activities slated

American Legion Wall Post 4864 will host its regular meeting of the post at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of every month at 7 p.m. Dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m. for members, spouses and prospective members. The Dunnellon Young Marines meet at 6 p.m. Tuesdays at Page 9 in Dunnellon. Bingo will be at 6 p.m. Thursdays. Doors open at 4. Smoking is not allowed. Refreshments are available.

The Third Saturday Outdoor Flea Market and Pancake Breakfast is from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. The second Saturday of each month.

Marion VFW Post plans events

Edward W. Penno VFW Post 4848, 1010 Citrus Springs Blvd., Citrus Springs, is hosting a Memorial Day Breakfast at 5 a.m. for $8 each. The public is welcome. Ticket sales will begin May 8.

In this round, newspaper photographers Amanda Banney and Electric Focal Point. Amanda Banney earned an All Florida nomination for one of her JV football stories. For yearbook, Omarissa Ornstein earned an All Florida for the theme concept of the 2012 yearbook. Brittany Bennett and Jacob Ferr earned an All Florida for their yearbook page that completed on student statistics. Amanda Banney earned an All Florida for alternative copy for a story on first black female varsity sports, and All Florida for a photo feature.

The print publications student also was an excellent ratings and five honorable mentions for work ranging from homecoming coverage to newspapers.

Both the print and the broadcast students prepared many items ahead of time to submit at the Florida Competition, and also practiced for the contests they would compete in while there.

Two exceptions were junior Robert Duguezri and senior Cornelia Gehrke, who each chose contests that would be up with students from other schools to complete challenges. In the print, winner called Wind Mirror, and print winner earned honorable mention. The contest was called Collaborative Commercial. The team earned second place.

At the awards ceremony on Saturday, Dunnellon High school students were called up many times in addition to this, although “Dunnellon” was frequently mispronounced.

Senior Joseph Dunaway’s photo portfolio won second place in the Pearson Portfolio Project. An admired high school student in every way in his element among the approximately 1000 students journalists at the contest.

It was “a mecca of fun and memories for the seniors, who attended were seniors, the rest would have the chance to attend at least one more time next spring. They are looking forward to it.

It was “way better and more than I expected,” said senior Brandon Sanchez. “Even though we had work to do and sessions to attend, it all felt like a vacation with teens and the friends I made there. I wish I could do it again.”

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