

Dade City Takes District Title

Little Leaguers Beat Zephyrhills Twice

Story and photos by Dave Walters

Dawson Phillips stood at third with the game against rival Zephyrhills tied at 11.

If he scores, Dade City takes the District 25 Little League 8-10-year-old championship. If he gets stranded, the game goes to extra innings.

He did not have the green light to go home on a wild pitch or a passed ball, but he did anyway and Dade City took the title.

"He went on his own," said a smiling Dade City manager Eric Creech. "There was no stopping the kid. You see how fast he is."

The game saw Dade City jump out to a 7-0 lead only to allow Zephyrhills to battle back to take the lead 11-9 heading into the bottom of the sixth before Phillips' ensuing heroics.

"It was incredible, nerve-wracking, exciting, but it was a good game," Creech said. "I am proud to be these kids' coach. When we came into the dugout in the bottom of the sixth, no one was down. We were still upbeat. They just stuck with it and kept picking away."

"Fortunately, we came away with the win."



Dade City Little League is the 2018 District 25 8-10-year-old champions following a dramatic 12-11 win against Zephyrhills on Tuesday night.

Making clutch contact in the sixth inning were Emilio Jouregui and Brady Stevens. Both scored to tie the game setting up Phillips' dash to the dish.

Dade City defeated Zephyrhills 19-6 on Sunday in the winner's bracket semifinals.

In that game, Zephyrhills kept it

close with Dade City until the top of the fourth, when Dade City turned the game into a track meet to eventually take the game via the 10-run mercy rule.

"The bats warmed up and we let it

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Joe Kennard expects to earn his black belt by 2020.

Photo provided

Karate For All

Joe Kennard is the chief nurse of the cardiac unit at Florida Hospital Zephyrhills and a certified CPR instructor. He is also an avid mountain biker, an Iron Man competitor, and he is a member of the Spivey Karate Executive Karate program. The "Executives" are for those who are over 35, or "feel like" they are over 35. Kennard trains with his daughter (Margaret, a brown belt) in the family classes. After several years of training, he recently passed his test for green belt, the mid-way point in his journey to black belt.

"Joe is an excellent martial artist with incredible sparring skills. His sense of timing, distancing, movement and combinations are much closer to Black Belt level," said instructor Grand Master William Spivey.

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Sports Report

by Vincent Pensabene

Mets May Have Another Gem

Dave Eiland Could Soon Be Coaching Fireballer

The sport of baseball is unique as there are different elements of talent that go into the game that aren't used in many other aspects of life, such as throwing a fastball at a high velocity. If you are able to do so on a consistent basis with control, you may have a future in the sport as a pitcher.

Meet Franklin Parra, an 18-year-old from Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. He wasn't known too well when he moved to Long Island, N.Y. However, a stellar senior high school season with impressive stuff made scouts attend a struggling baseball program in Copiague to see Parra's electric pitching.

"I wasn't really expected to be drafted because I didn't do that good during my school season," Parra said.

He went 2-3 with 74 strikeouts in 34 innings pitched in his senior season of high school. With a four-pitch repertoire that includes a two seam fastball, slider, changeup and curveball, along with his 6'1 stature and the ability to throw up to 93 mph, major league scouts were attending games of his 4-16 team.

Admittedly, Parra wasn't good at first, but he put in the effort to hone his craft and improve on his location. Instead of hanging out with friends and sleeping in during the summer as most teenagers do, Parra will immediately head to Port St. Lucie to the Mets complex to begin his road to the major leagues.

You might be wondering where the connection to east Pasco is, but the pitching coach of the New York Mets is none other than Zephyrhills' native son Dave Eiland. Eiland had an unremarkable MLB career as a player, but has sparked as a pitching coach and guides an outstanding Mets pitching staff that Parra hopes to join in the near future.

If you follow professional baseball, you may want to remember the name Franklin Parra as he begins his ascension to the major leagues.

Karate Studio Welcomes Diabetics

On June 10, the Lake House Martial Art School of Self-Defense & Personal Safety in San Antonio hosted an all-day Fun Sports Camp for Youth with Diabetes. The school has been associated with this camp for more than 20 years.

More than 85 young people arrived in tour buses and were accompanied by their local director, a doctor, nurses and counselors. Although most of the participants were new to the camp, some were returning. The young men and women have been diagnosed with diabetes and have joined the camp to gain knowledge and experience in managing their medical issues while engaging in physical activities. Aside from their full day at the school, they are additionally involved with other sports and recreational activities in the immediate area. Participants attended from all over Florida and



Pictured, from left, are Vince Garofolo, President/CEO, and Linda Reardon, volunteer, of Terri's Tears, a charitable trust foundation actively trying to fund and discover a cure for diabetes.

neighboring states.

This year the school again provided a whole day of activities to get the camp started, by introducing the participants to

each other, encouraging them to be adventurous and brave where some may be hesitant and timid. This was attempted by introducing them to several training procedures that help them use their minds and bodies in such a way that they not only strengthen their spirits, but learn physical techniques and experience the rewards of discovering that they too can do the things typically associated with learning karate.

Two representatives from Terri's Tears, a charitable trust foundation, attended. The foundation is actively trying to fund and discover a cure for diabetes and asks people to help them achieve their goal by linking Terri's Tears to any purchases when ordering from Amazon. Visit smile.amazon.com/ch/46-2503371 in order to have Amazon donate a percentage of eligible merchandise sales back to Terri's Tears at no cost to the consumer.



Staff and guests at the 2018 Fun Sports Camp for Youth with Diabetes, from left, are Vince Garofolo, Linda Reardon, Sharon LeCroy, Bob Benedini, Anne Benedini, Sarah Beeler, Carol Jennings, Tyler Porter, Bea Valadez, Jan Paul Petersen, Patty Jauregui, Stephen Coss, Joe Bly, Jose Amateco, Joe Souza, Joe Cimador, Chris Stakely and Joan Becker.

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loose,” said Creech. “They are playing as a team. We are switching guys in and out making substitutions to move players where they are playing best. They understand that they each play a role. To have young kids accept that is a nice thing.”

The Dade City victory on Saturday dropped



Dade City pitcher Phillip Welch gets the high throw as Zephyrhills’ Daniel Carter slides safely into home.



Dade City’s Terrance Smith fires a pitch during Sunday’s District 25 tournament game against Zephyrhills.

Zephyrhills into the consolation bracket. They squared off in the consolation final Monday against Land O’ Lakes taking a 10-0 win and forcing Tuesday’s rematch with Dade City.

Dade City advances to sectional play July 6 at Progress Village Little League in Hillsborough County.

Commission Candidate Rallies East Pasco



Kelly Smith, of Wesley Chapel, held an east Pasco fundraiser for her campaign for County Commissioner, District 2, at Alice Hall in Zephyrhills on June 11. Smith, a Democrat, is running against Republican incumbent Mike Moore in the Nov. 6 general election. Photo by Richard K. Riley

Organization Targets Pasco Voters With Misleading Mailing

Brian E. Corley, Supervisor of Elections, warns voters of a potentially misleading mailing from the Center for Voter Information (CVI), a Washington D.C. based organization. The organization has in the past used outdated and often incorrect data to mail pre-filled Florida Voter Registration Applications to voters who are already registered, deceased family members,

under-age children and pets. “We’ve been put on notice that over 4,800 Pasco voters will be receiving information from the CVI,” said Supervisor Corley. “In today’s climate of security risks and identity theft, it creates suspicion and mistrust from voters who are already registered to vote, and wonder if something has happened to their voter registration record.”

The Center for Voter Information is affiliated with the Voter Participation Center, and both organizations have launched similar campaigns in Pasco in the past. The mailings notoriously prompt phone calls from confused voters who mistakenly believe the mailing is coming from the Supervisor of Elections’ Office. “Make no mistake,” said Supervisor

Corley. “These organizations are in no way associated with the State of Florida, the Florida Division of Elections or my office.” Voters should direct their questions, complaints and concerns about the mailing directly to the CVI at (202) 766-6575. For accurate information regarding voter registration, call (800) 851-8754 or refer to www.pascovotes.com.

Pets of the Week

BACON



Bacon is a 3-year-old playful mixed breed pup. He loves to spend time in our kiddie pool in the yards. Bacon should not go to a home with cats but would be happy to meet your family. Please bring along your pup if you have one for a meet and greet.

ABBY



Abby is a pretty 5-year-old calico with a strong personality. She is a kitty that will be happy to tell her humans exactly what she needs. She has spent some time in our Feline Freedom room with other cats. Find Abby at Pasco County Animal Services.

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Susan and Steve Colborne of Tampa brought Harlequin Great Dane Abby and Blue Merle Great Dane Emma to Dog Mania Pet Boutique and Supplies during Saturday's Antique Faire and Sidewalk Market downtown.



Natalie Todd, Quwanna Jackson, Dionne McClain and Anthony Todd are all part of prospective Habitat Home family owners and were at Agnes Lamb Part in Dade City on Saturday to support the home ownership program.



Janet Blackburn staffed the Tampa Bay Salvage store during the Antique Faire and Sidewalk Sale in the downtown area. Photos by Richard K. Riley

Sidewalk Market Welcomes Shoppers

The monthly Antique Faire and Sidewalk Market was held Saturday throughout the downtown shops in Dade City. The event, hosted by the Dade City

Merchants Association, is held the third Saturday of every month.

The Antique Faire encourages Dade City merchants to display their wares in

front of their stores to entice customers to come in and shop. In addition to the classic Dade City shops, visitors were able to learn about local organizations, see

some unique canines, and visit some of the more recent additions to the square.

Visit the Dade City Merchants Facebook page for more information.

SLU Athletics Places Fourth in Learfield Directors' Cup

Saint Leo University Athletics recently placed fourth in the 2017-2018 Learfield Directors' Cup Division II, a program that honors institutions for achieving success in sports. This marks the third time in four years that Saint Leo placed in the Learfield Directors' Cup top 10. Saint Leo also placed as the top Sunshine State Conference (SSC) institution.

On June 14, the National Association of

Collegiate Directors of Athletics (NACDA) released the final standings, showing Saint Leo earned a total of 695.25 points. This marked the 17th Directors' Cup standings (Sears, NACDA, United States Sports Academy, or Learfield) Saint Leo has ranked in, while it is the second highest finish in school history.

Saint Leo also finished as the top SSC institution and has claimed a top five

finish for two of the last three years. A total of eight Sunshine State Conference institutions were ranked among the top 100 in the latest Directors' Cup standings report.

"We have an incredible staff and student-athletes who strive for excellence," said Fran Reidy, Saint Leo's vice president of Athletics. "Our five-year run of great finishes is a remarkable feat when you

consider where Saint Leo was just a short time ago. We are proud of our two top five finishes over the last three years as we strive to be one of the best all-around programs in Division II."

The Learfield Directors' Cup was developed as a joint effort between NACDA and USA Today. Points are awarded based on each institution's finish in NCAA championships.

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Vacation Bible School 2018

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Zephyr Christian Church – Rolling River Rampage Vacation Bible School will be offered June 17-21 from 5:30-8:30 p.m. with closing night at 7 p.m. on June 22. Children age 3 through 5th grade are welcome. Dinner will be provided. Registration is required. ZCC is located at 5940 Dogwood St., on the corner of North Street and 23rd Avenue. Visit www.zephyrchristianchurch.org or contact zephyrcc@aol.com or (813) 782-8893 for information.

First Baptist Church Zephyrhills – Vacation Bible School, “ShipWrecked” will be held on June 25 through June 29 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Children ages 4 years old through 5th grade are welcome to attend. Call the church at (813) 782-5574 for information. First Baptist Church is located at 38231 Fifth Ave. in Zephyrhills.

St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church – Established in 1883, St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church is a parish community with a rich history and a great future. Located at 32832 St. Anthony Way in San Antonio. Our pastor, Father Garry Welsh, as well as our entire parish community, invite you to come and worship with us.

Daily mass is offered Monday through Friday during the summer months of June and July at 8:15 a.m. The weekend schedule is Saturday vigil mass at 5:30 p.m. and Sunday masses 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m., 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Confessions are Saturday from 8:45 a.m. or by appointment.

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Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church – Shepherd of the Hills is located at 37015 Orange Valley Lane (corner of Fort King Road and Clinton Avenue).

Sunday service is at 9:30 a.m. If you are looking for a church home, please join us. Call (352) 567-8424 or visit www.shephillslc.org for information.

Please consider donating canned goods and non-perishable items to our food pantry, which is open on the third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m.-noon.

First Presbyterian Church of Dade City – Historic First Presbyterian Church, located at 37412 Church Ave., worships every Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m. Adult Bible Study is held Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Keenagers Bible Study for those 55 and older is every Wednesday at 10 a.m. for study, fun, fellowship and lunch. Call (352) 567-2591 or firstpresdadcitey@gmail.com for information.

Pasadena Baptist Church – The church is located at 35845 Clinton Ave. in Dade City. Regular worship times on Sundays include: Sunday school, at 10 a.m.; worship services at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m.; and Wednesday prayer meeting at 6:30 p.m. We also have a 5th Sunday Singspiration, followed by food and fellowship.

All ladies are welcome to attend the ladies study and

prayer group on Thursdays at 10 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

Pasadena Outreach is available for anyone who may need a little help. We offer clothing, food and household items. Pasadena Outreach is open on Tuesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. for clothing and household items and Saturdays from 8-10:30 a.m. for food.

First Baptist Church of Dade City – Worship services are at 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. on Sundays. Activities for children and youth are available as well as a nursery. Awana, youth activities, adult Bible studies and choir rehearsal are all offered on Wednesday nights at 6:15 p.m. with choir rehearsal beginning at 7:15 p.m. Like us on Facebook or visit www.fbcdadecity.org for information.

Fort Dade Baptist Church – Regular services are every Sunday at 10 a.m. Sunday school for children and adults worship is at 11 a.m. Evening service is at 6 p.m. and midweek Bible Study is on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. The church is located at 14231 Old Mission Road.

Dade City Christian Church – Worship service is 10:30 a.m. on Sundays. Sunday School is held at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday service is held at 6:30 p.m. Women’s Bible Study is Fridays from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Middle and high school Awakening is from 4-6 p.m. on Sundays.

The church is located at 11800 Windsorwood Blvd. Call the church at (352) 518-0072, email dade-city-christian@aol.com or visit www.dade-city-cc.com for information.

Ridge Manor Community United Methodist Church – Regular services are held at 10:15 a.m. each Sunday at 34350 Cortez Blvd. in Ridge Manor. Call (352) 583-3770 for information.

Oak Ridge Missionary Baptist Church – Join us for Sunday services at the following times: Sunday school at 10 a.m.; Sunday morning worship service at 11 a.m.; Sunday evening worship service at 5 p.m.; and Wednesday evening prayer/worship service at 7 p.m. The food bank is open from 5-7 p.m. every third Wednesday. The church is located on Kersey Road (just off Coit Road) in Lacochee.

River of Life Church – A United Pentecostal Church International. Sunday school starts at 10:15 a.m. with family worship Sundays at 11 a.m. Family Bible study and Children’s church is Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. The church is located at 37143 Clinton Ave. Call the church office at (352) 521-5919 or reach out to Pastor Jon Matinzi at Pastor@churchdadecity.com for information.

Darby Community Church – Join us every Sunday morning at 11 a.m. for church service led by Pastor Chris Conti. Childcare is available for children ages six and under. Darby Community Church is located at 14745 Bellamy Brothers Blvd. in Dade City. Contact us at (352) 588-2440.

Sacred Heart Catholic Church – Father Krzysztof welcomes you to worship with us. Join us for our Saturday Vigil Mass at 4 p.m. and Sunday Masses at 8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Daily Mass is held at 7:30 a.m. Confessions are on Saturday at 3:15 p.m. or by appointment. Children have religious education on Sunday mornings and the youth group meets on the first and third Wednesdays of the month.

If you are not Catholic or have been away from the Church, our RCIA group meets on Monday evenings. Visit www.sacredheartdadecity.org for information. The church is located at 32145 St. Joe Road.

Temple Baptist Church – Sunday worship is at 11 a.m.. Wednesday prayer meeting is at 7 p.m. Temple Baptist is located at 37253 Clinton Ave. in Dade City. Visit TBCDadeCity.com for more information about Temple Baptist Church.

New Jerusalem Church of God – Sunday school is held at 10 a.m. with worship at 11 a.m. Prayer and Bible study is held Tuesday and Thursdays at 7 p.m. Daily prayer is held Monday through Friday at 12 p.m. A free food and clothing ministry goes year-round – call Pastor May Ross at (352) 567-9775 for information. All are welcome. The church is located at 38442 Tuskegee Ave.

Lifestyle Church of God – You are cordially invited to attend Sunday school at 10 a.m. and worship services at 11 a.m. at Lifestyle Church of God, 21345 Sanderson Road, Lacochee. A Wednesday service is also held at 7 p.m. with a meal preceding at 6 p.m. Call lead pastors Paul or Melissa Kilcrease at (352) 583-3354 or like us on Facebook for more information.

Redeeming Grace Family Baptist Church – Sunday services are at 4 p.m. with a fellowship meal following. Located at 37412 Church Ave. in the fellowship hall. We are a Christ-centered, family focused church. Contact (352) 424-4064 or pastorjeremyrgfbc@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page for more information.

Celebrate Recovery – A new, 12-step recovery program and ministry designed for anyone struggling with life. If you have ever had a hurt, if you have ever had a hang-up in life, or perhaps you have struggled with an addiction, then this ministry is for you. Celebrate Recovery is currently offered in 30,000 churches worldwide. An estimated 1.5 million people have completed the 12 steps. It is offered every Monday night at 7 p.m. year round at First Baptist Church of Dade City, 37511 Church Avenue. Call (352) 567-3265 for information.

Living Waters United Church – The church is located at 15034 Hill Road. Regular Sunday worship is held at 10 a.m. Visit the Living Waters United Church Facebook page for information.

Lacochee Cowboy Ministries – Service times are 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. The Lacochee Cowboy Ministries is located at 39650 Coit Road in Dade City. “Where the spirit of the Lord is there is Freedom.”

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Cornerstone Community Church – Service times are Sunday school at 9 a.m.; Sunday worship at 10 a.m.; children’s church at 10:30 a.m.; Wednesday Bible study at 7 p.m.; and Saturday Night Life at 6 p.m.

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Community & Club News

Email Club News to clubs@pasconewspubs.com



Kiwanis Club members recently enjoyed a presentation by Rev. Patrick McCurdy and Jennifer Belgarde. Belgarde is the Patient Care Volunteer Manager for Gulfside Regional Hospice and Pasco Palliative Care and McCurdy is the Patient Care Volunteer Outreach Specialist. Their presentation covered the many services provided by the local hospice organizations.

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Kiwanis Club of Dade City

The Dade City Kiwanis Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at 6 p.m. at noon at the American Legion Hall. We are always looking for new members to join our club. If interested, contact a fellow Kiwanis member, message us on this page or come to one of our meetings. Everyone is welcome to join. Contact Mike Carr at (352) 397-6628 for information.

East Pasco Amateur Radio Society

The annual Field Day event will be held on June 23 and 24. This event is free and open to the public. We will be demonstrating emergency communications via Amateur Radio. The event is being held at 30832 Deer Run, Dade City. Start time is 12 p.m. and runs for a full 24 hours. Visit www.eparsonline.org or email DuaneK4EX@ARRL.NET for information.

Monthly exams are given for all levels of amateur radio licenses on the third Tuesday of every month. The test sessions are held at St. Leo University at 5:30 p.m. To schedule a test please email k4ex@arrl.net or visit eparsonline.org for information.

East Pasco Networking Group

The next meeting will be held June 26 and will feature Lisa Marshall, Regional Director, Sen. Bill Nelson. This meeting will be at 7:30 a.m. at IHop, 13100 U.S. 301 in Dade City. Contact Nils Lenz at (813) 782-9491 or nilslenz@gmail.com, or Vicky Jones at (813) 431-1149 or donlvicl@yahoo.com or manager@palmtreemhp.com for information or suggested topics or speakers you would like to hear if you would like to speak, contact us now.

Pasco County Historical Society

The next meeting will be held July 20 at 7 p.m. at the Pioneer Florida Museum & Village, 15602 Pioneer Museum Road, Dade City. Guests are welcome and meetings are free. The guest speaker will be Jeff Miller who will discuss Pasco County from the 1800s to today via the origins of the names of the towns appearing on historical maps.

A covered-dish dinner precedes the program, so bring something special to share. Please bring your own cutlery for your personal use, disposable plate, and your beverage of choice. Contact Madonna Wise at (813) 782-0246, (813) 469-8627 or MadonnaJWise@gmail.com for information.

East Pasco Writers Forum

Next meeting is July 12. The forum is a member of the Florida Writers Association and meets once a month at the clubhouse of Country Aire Manor, 10249 U.S. 98 in Dade City from 10 a.m.-12 p.m. Meetings are divided into two sessions: critiques of original works brought by members and visitors and critiques of voluntary monthly writing assignments, designed to help members and visitors improve their craft. Marjorie K. Nanian, a published writer, leads the group. Call (248) 231-7167 for more information or directions to the clubhouse.

American Legion Post #15

Join Dade City Post #15 every Saturday night for Karaoke with Rick starting at 6 p.m. Saturday dinners are available from 5-7 p.m.

Music jams are every Wednesday night, but when the snowbirds go home we will have to practice Karaoke for those who want to try new songs, just watch, or sing Karaoke for the first time in a friendly environment. Refreshments available for purchase along with a full-service bar.

Regular business meetings are conducted on the second Monday of each month. All members are encouraged to attend. We are located in beautiful downtown Dade City at 37745 Church Ave. Join us in support of all veterans and hometown heroes. Call (352) 518-0021 for information.

Chess Club

The Hugh Embry Library Chess Club meets Wednesdays from 5-7:30 p.m. We have boards and pieces so bring your winning attitude and chess clock if you prefer to use one.

Meetings are held at the Hugh Embry Library Meeting Room, 14215 Fourth St. in Dade City. Contact Glen Thompson at bookbollard@icloud.com or call (352) 567-7449 for information.

Centennial Eagles #4399

Friday Fish Fry is back every Friday from 4:30-7 p.m. serving fish, shrimp and chicken strips. Meal also includes choice of baked potato, French fries or Onion Rings; cole slaw or applesauce; hush puppies or yeast roll; and dessert.

Other activities include Sunday bar Bingo at 1 p.m.; dart tournament on Mondays at 7 p.m.; pool tournament

on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.; nickel Bingo on Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.; bar Bingo on Thursdays at 6 p.m.; Friday fish fry from 4:30-7 p.m. followed by a pool tournament at 7 p.m.; and nickel bingo on Saturdays from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Located at 10549 U.S. 301. Call the club at (352)567-9755 for information.

Zumba for College Scholarships

Every Monday and Wednesday from 6-7 p.m. Come dance for \$3 per class at La Onda Dance Club, 37518 Lock St. in Dade City. All proceeds go to graduating seniors college scholarships. Email griveras@mail.usf.edu for information.

Community Cycling Ride

Ride leaves from the parking lot next to 14112 Eighth St. in Dade City at 8 a.m. every Saturday and is approximately two hours long with a varying pace depending on skill levels. All skill levels are welcome. Contact Josh or Kaleigh Thornton at wickedawesomeracing@gmail.com for information.

Pasco Alzheimer's and Dementia Support Group

The Alzheimer's Family Organization now has a new support group in Pasco County.

This meeting will be held every third Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. at CARES Crescent Center, at 13906 Fifth St., Dade City.

These groups are for family members, caregivers and others interested in learning more about coping skills of loved ones with Alzheimer's Disease and dementia. These meetings are free and everyone is welcome.

Contact support group leader Lora Morrison at (813) 215-4455 for information.

Narcotics Anonymous

Information about Narcotics Anonymous meetings that are held several days a week may be obtained by calling (813) 527-3853. Narcotics Anonymous can help those who have drug problems and who are willing to participate in the program. Narcotics Anonymous is not affiliated with any of the places its meetings are held.

Military Order of the Purple Heart


Chapter #705 of the Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) is calling all combat wounded veterans to join us promoting patriotism, history, fraternalism and assistance. We meet the first Wednesday of each month at 6 p.m. at AMVETS Post #550, 4645 Airport Road, Zephyrhills. Life membership is available for all combat wounded veterans, their dependents and survivors, for \$50, payable in two convenient payments of \$25 each. Call Earl McMillan at (813) 782-3425 or email emcmillan1@verizon.net, or contact Guy Patterson at (864) 561-6644 for information.

Alcoholics Anonymous

If you have, or even think you may have, a problem with alcohol, call (813) 933-9123 (24 hours) for a local meeting or just someone to talk with.

Support Group for Grieving Adults

Adults who are grieving the death of a loved one are welcome to participate in an ongoing grief support group, offered at no charge by HPH Hospice. The group meets the second and fourth Monday of each month, from 3-4 p.m. at Humana, 7920 Gall Blvd. in Zephyrhills. No registration is required. An HPH bereavement counselor facilitates the group and one can attend as often as they'd like. Call HPH at (800) 486-8784 for information.



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Charles 'Charlie' Dexter Bennion

BENNION, Charles "Charlie" Dexter, 70, passed away

June 13, 2018. He was born Nov. 27, 1947, to Chester and Virginia Bennion and was raised on the family farm during his younger years in Castile, N.Y. He attended elementary school at Castile Elementary and high school at Letchworth Central School in Gainesville where he graduated.



During high school he was a member of and involved with Future Farmers of America. He was also a member of and marched with the Castile Drum and Bugle Corp. After high school he became interested in trucks, trucking, transportation and anything that was affiliated with "The Road". From the farm to trucking and transportation, he remained an over the road truck driver in many different elements of transportation, with the majority being in the produce and food transportation industry. Although he loved trucking, his career was ended short due to health reasons, yet always kept the love of trucks and trucking close to his heart. Before leaving New York to reside in Florida, he was a member of the Bliss, N.Y., fire department during the mid-'70s to the early '80s and after residing in Florida for a few years continued volunteering as a member of the Tri-Community Fire Department. When Charles moved to Florida in the early '80s, he developed a very special relationship with Evelyn "Tanky" and Dennis Gibson, where he resided most of his years in Florida. Beside the fire company and career interests, Charles enjoyed fishing and hunting with the Gibson family and neighbors. We, "the northern family" will eternally be grateful to the entire "southern family" (Gibson family) including Connie Russell, all who helped with his care throughout his years in Florida, until the time of his passing. His father and mother preceded him in death in 2007 and 1981, respectively. His very special friends (family), Dennis and Evelyn "Tanky" Gibson, also preceded him in death. His children, Ronald (Songi) Bennion of Seven Lakes N.C. and Sherry Bennion of Aberdeen, N.C., survive along with three grandchildren, Rylan and Adylen Bennion (Ron

and Songi) and Amanda Bostworth (Sherry Bennion). Charles also leaves behind his stepmother, Margret Bennion of Nunda, N.Y. who married his father, Chester Bennion, in 1984. Also surviving are siblings, Nancy (Mitchell) Plaeger of Brooksville, Lawrence (Larry) Bennion of Hume, N.Y., Donna (Reggie) Sanford of Castile, N.Y., Wayne (Cindy) Bennion of Castile, N.Y., and Brenda (Everett Jr.) of Castile, N.Y. along with numerous nieces and nephews. Hodges Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.



Edward Miller

MILLER, Edward, 80, of Dade City, passed away June 10, 2018. He was born March 17, 1938, in Isle of Pines, Cuba, to James William and Cecelia Malmstrom Miller. He was a U.S. Navy veteran and retired warehouse supervisor in the hydraulics industry. His four girls, Gayla Suzanne McLaughlin, Debra Miller Trojanowski, Theresa Louise Stubbs, and Jennifer Jo Cejas survive along with one sister, Catherine Scott; one brother, Joe Miller; 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Services were held June 13 at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church and burial followed at St. Anthony Cemetery. Flowers will be gratefully accepted or those that wish may make a donation in his memory to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's c/o MichaelJFox.org. Hodges Family Funeral Home handled arrangements.

Dora Lee (Craig) Woods

WOODS, Dora Lee (Craig), 72, closed her eyes on

June 7, 2018, and she peacefully went home to God while surrounded by her loving family. She was born Jan. 26, 1946, in Dade City, to the late James Henry and Willie Julia Craig. Dora received her formal education at Moore Academy where she met and made many friends. Dora accepted Christ at an early age and was a member of St. John Missionary Baptist Church. Dora was a quiet and reserved person, but had a deep love for her family and cherished the community that she grew up and lived in. The Pasco County School Board employed Dora for many years before her retirement. Her parents preceded her in death along with her son, Willie Joe Woods, Jr.; one grandson, Jaylen Jamal Woods; and one sister, Deborah Craig. She leaves precious memories with five devoted children, Bonita (Lonell) Holloman of Zephyrhills, Alter Watkins, Carla Craig and Andre (Syreeta) Woods all of Dade City and Kendrick (Melissa) Woods of Brandon; 18 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; eight brothers, Willie James (Dorine) Craig, Roger Owens, Herchel Craig, Noel Craig, Frank (Harriett) Craig, all of Dade City, Bernard Craig of St. Thomas, Pa., Joseph Craig of Miami and Terry Craig of Tampa; five sisters, Diane Thompson five sisters, Diane (Nathaniel) Thompson, Julia Carol Kinsler and Ulela (Clifford) Jones, all of Dade City, Betty (Ronald) Miller of Ft. Lauderdale and Yvonne (Clark) Stoudemire of Alabama; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins and other sorrowing relatives and friends. A celebration of life was held June 16 at St. John Missionary Baptist Church. Milton Funeral Home handled arrangements.

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A Neighborhood Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, June 27, 2018**. The meeting will be held from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the **Dade City Hugh Embry Library**, 14215 4th Street, Dade City, Florida 33523. The meeting will provide an opportunity to discuss a Rezoning of undeveloped property at the SW corner of Church Ave. and 3rd St. for construction of single family homes.

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