



Louise Deegan Passed Away Nov. 28

Louise Deegan, friend, helper and Belleview Historian passed away Sunday, Nov. 28, at the age of 81.

Louise came to Belleview as a three year old child and lived here the rest of her life.

Having lived in the area all these years she was known as the local historian having put together a large collection of photographs and information about the early days of Belleview.

While a Girl Scout Leader she shared this information with her Troop and during annual Founder's Day celebrations she and her troop did Lolly The Trolley tours of Belleview. Explaining the history of the older homes, and businesses.

With her extensive knowledge of the area it was my pleasure to enlist her help with many of the annual Founder's Review magazines published by the Voice of South Marion.

Louise will be remembered as a Belleview Chamber of Commerce secretary as well as a long time secretary at Lake Weir High School where she knew many of the students and occasionally told stories such as when a student brought a Raccoon to school and it escaped causing a small rucks with the student having to climb a tree in order to capture the animal.

If anyone ever wanted to know about any old Belleview residents or businesses Louise was the go to person. She could tell you everything from who they were, where they went to school, who they married, how many kids they had, where they lived, what their business was, how long they had been here and where they lived or were buried. She was truly a great person with a desire to keep history alive.

She will be missed at the Voice office for sure.

Sandy Waldron



Eaton's Beach Wall Displays KLT Foundation, Inc.

Ella Overcash and Elizabeth Graf were caught in action painting a beautiful tribute to Kathryn Thurgaland who lost her life too soon over one year ago. The Kathryn Leigh Thurgaland Foundation was formed by her parents, Todd and Jodell Thrugland and joins in an effort to make our world a better place. Please consider making a donation to the Kathryn Leigh Thurgaland Foundation. Your donations help offer support for families who have lost a child and award scholarships to graduates leading inspired lives. To learn more about the KLT Foundation visit our website at www.KLTfoundation.com. (Photo by Shannon Love)



1st Annual Smith Lake Village Arts & Crafts Fair

The residents of Smith Lake Village Park held their 1st Annual Arts & Crafts Fair at the clubhouse located at the corner of SE 98 Terrace and SE 117th Street Road in the back of the park. There were many artists displaying their work along with refreshments and a variety of vendors as well. There definitely was a little something for everyone. Leslie Spencer said they look forward to many different events at the clubhouse in the future. (Photo by Leslie Spencer)

Light Up Lake Lillian Offers FREE Family Fun

The City of Belleview Light-Up Lake Lillian takes place on Saturday, December 4th from 3-8 p.m. This will be a night filled with plenty of FREE family fun as well as a beautiful sight as the Christmas lights are scheduled to come on at 6 pm.

There will be face painting by Creative Chippy Party Services, bounce house and obstacle course provided by Premier Inflatables LLC, games and crafts, vendor booths, music, miniature ponies, a visit with Santa from 3-6 p.m., food trucks featuring Big Lee's - Serious About Barbecue, Kona Ice Ocala, and Papa Pineapples! There will also be a double feature movie showing of "Shrek the Halls & Smurfs: A Christmas Carol" from 6-8 p.m.

Citizens that would like to enjoy the movies, should bring a chairs or blankets for their families.

A big thank you to the City of Belleview for hosting and the wonderful event sponsors United Refrigeration, French Construction, CMPC Repair & Computer Sales, AdventHealth Ocala, Village Ford, South State Bank, Belleview Ace Hardware, Belleview Masonic No. 95, Campus USA, and Abshier Allstate Insurance Agency.