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SCES's performance of Frozen, JR. was definitely worth melting for!

Seminole County Elementary School's production of Frozen, JR. melted hearts by the hundreds at four packed-house sold out performances last weekend. To say it was a magical hit, and one Disney himself would be proud to attach his name to, would be a Norwegian-sized understatement.

Thursday, April 29, 2021

The results of months of practicing, designing, preparing, constructing, sewing, painting and fabricating by Seminole County Elementary students, parents, school staff members and countless talented volunteers were on full display this past weekend during the school's annual musical extravaganza.

magically and most impressively transformed into the mythical Norwegian Kingdom of Arendale, and its residents' singing and acting were nothing short of Academy Award level of entertainment.

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Show director and all round miracle work-

The SCES auditorium and stage were er Tony Buczek commented, "There were many magical moments in the performances of Frozen, JR, but here are a few that will be foremost in my memory. After each performance, tiny little Elsas and Annas were waiting to meet the 'real' Elsas and Annas, and my

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Community planning meeting today

Open to the public, beginning at 6 p.m. in the Beall Center on **Cherry Street**

The Donalsonville and Seminole County BetterWay Initiative is hosting a community betterment planning meeting today, Thursday, April 29. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. and will be held at the Beall Center next door to the Donalsonville News on Cherry Street in downtown Donalsonville.

The meeting is open to any person in the community who wishes to take an active role in helping to plan for and shape the future of Seminole County.

The purpose of the meeting is to gather all groups in the community currently working on betterment projects in the same room at the same time and have a detailed discussion about what the community needs, current projects in development, and ideas yet to be developed.

For the meeting to be effective representatives from the following groups, organizations and individuals need to be in attendance: city and county governments, local businesses and industry, the Chamber of Commerce, the Downtown Development Authority, the Industrial Development Authority, the school system, and

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Sunday's house fire results in one fatality

Donalsonville, Georgia 39845

On Sunday morning, April 25th at 7:23 a.m. the Donalsonville Fire Rescue Department received a 911 dispatch for a structure fire with a person inside located at 501 S. Tennille Avenue Donalsonville. Fire units responded and were on scene at 7:25 a.m. They reported heavy fire in the front side of the structure.

Citizens reported that there was man trapped in a back bedroom but did not know which one. Interior search and rescue procedures began in the bedroom area of the structure immediately. Off duty fire personnel arrived on scene three minutes later and assisted with the search efforts.



Firefighters were dispatched Sunday morning, April 25 at 7:23 a.m. to the above Tennille Street address

The man, later identified as 41 year old Johnny M. Luckett, was located within a few moments in a rear bedroom and was immediately removed through a window. Luckett was

transported by Grady EMS to the Donalsonville Hospital ER department where he succumbed to his injuries.

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SCMHS tennis Indians pictured left to right, front row: Arabella Touchton, Ashlynn Thompson, Sara Jo Fain, Wendell Craft, Emliee Fain, Gracen Kirkland, Macy Batchelor, Ava Godwin, Bryson Grantham; back row: Coach Jim Palmer, Maggie Palmer, Addie Holt, Jeb Burke, Parth Patel, Carson Odom, Jay Palmer, Brinlee Easom, Rand Mims, Landon Kirkland, Rudra Patel, Hillary Bell, and Coach Tina Fain.

Tennis Teams advance into state's Final Four

The Seminole County boys and girls tennis teams are heading to the final four of the GHSA State Tennis Tournament.

The number one seeded Region 1A Indians will face the number one seed Region 4A Dublin Fighting Irish at 2 p.m on Friday, April 30, with the winner of the match advancing to the state tournament title match.

Dublin won a required coin flip to determine the host team in the match. The higher seeded team hosts all of the state tournament's non title game matches; however since both the Seminole County and Dublin teams are number one seeds, a coin

flip was required to set the match's location.

The number one seeded Region 1A Lady Indians will face the winner of the Telfair County/ Washington-Wilkes match, with the winner of that match advancing to the state tournament title match.

The Indians began their run for the state title by defeating Hawkinsville 3-0 in the tournament's first round. They aced Metter 3-0 in the second round, and overpowered the number one seed from Region 7A, Ace Charter, 4-1 to advance into the Final Four match.

The Lady Indians began their run for the state title by defeating Hawkinsville 3-0 in the tournament's first round. They aced Charlton County 5-0 in the second round, and punched their ticket to the Final Four with their victory over the number three seeded Region 8A Lake Oconee girls on Wednesday in Donalsonville.

All final four and state title match results will be posted at donalsonvillenews.com.

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