

entertainment news

Weezer Is a Big Fan Of Damon and Jones' 'Saturday Night Live' Skit

Thanks to a sketch on "Saturday Night Live," it has become clear that the band Weezer is "ride or die" for ... themselves? During Saturday's show, a skit about a holiday party gone wrong featured host Matt Damon getting into a spat with Leslie Jones about the legacy of the aforementioned band. And members of the band couldn't be happier. On Saturday night, former bassist Matt Sharp tweeted that the sketch was "priceless."

— The Associated Press



NBCUniversal via YouTube

NEW YORK

Chelsea Clinton Writes Book About Endangered Animals

Chelsea Clinton's career as a children's author continues with a picture book about endangered animals. Penguin Young Readers announced Monday that the daughter of Bill and Hillary Clinton is collaborating with illustrator Gianna Marino on "Don't Let Them Disappear." Scheduled for April 2, the book will celebrate whales, tigers and other animals and provide advice on how to help preserve them.

— The Associated Press

Gorgeous Set, Large Cast Brings 'A Christmas Carol' to Life

It's a classic Christmas story. The greedy and crotchety Ebenezer Scrooge is visited by four spirits that give him a new perspective on his past, present and future, leading him to change his life for the better.

I read the Charles Dickens play in school and have seen several of the film versions—including The Muppets and the Mickey Mouse adaptations.

But there's nothing quite like seeing "A Christmas Carol" come to life on stage, which I learned Monday night at The Sharon L. Morse Performing Arts Center.

Put on by the Nebraska Theatre Caravan, this stage version of "A Christmas Carol," includes a gorgeous set, authentic costumes and a lively performance.

The show is packed with Christmas music like "The Holly and the Ivy," "Away in a Manger," and "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen."

The cast is large, but the stage isn't crowded — the choreography is fluid and entertaining.

But I think what impressed me the most was the set.

The scenes flow from



Kristen Fiore

Commentary

a realistic 1800s London street to Scrooge's office, to his bedroom and to all of the various places of the past, present and future that he finds himself in throughout the show.

A gray fog engulfs Scrooge's bedroom with the appearance of his old business partner, Jacob Marley, but the Ghost of Christmas Past brings an enchanting starry backdrop.

The production was an authentic adaptation of Dickens' original play, and all of the actors were not only believable, but enticing in the delivery of their lines.

"The acting is very good,

and we can hear everything clearly," said Lorraine Gaulin, of the Village of Chatham. "The voices of some of the singers are very good. I think they're acting it out as close to the story as possible."

Linda Schiavone, of the Village Santiago, enjoyed the singing as well as the costuming.

"It's bright, it's cheerful and it represents the time period well," Schiavone said.

I'm guessing that what drew a lot of the packed audience to the show was the familiarity of the story.

"I just like the moral lessons that Dickens does in his works," Schiavone said. "He does a lot with rich versus poor and the value systems."

Those themes are, of course, strongly evident in "A Christmas Carol," but I think

Please See NEXT PAGE

LED UNDERCABINET LIGHTS

LED LIGHTS ARE ENERGY EFFICIENT

INSTALLED PRICES STARTING AT:

COTTAGES: \$294

VILLAS: \$294

DESIGNERS: \$390

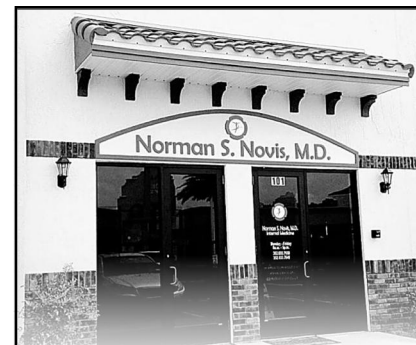
RANCHES: \$407

CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS APPLY.



352-748-5818

License #EC001660



Our patients' care is our first priority.

Norman S. Novis, M.D.
Internal Medicine

Accepting New Patients



Norman S. Novis, M.D., PA

Elizabeth Taylor, FNP, ARNP

Oliver Ramoso, FNP, ARNP

Comprehensive Care, Cutting Edge Medical Therapy

We Offer Various Medical Services:

- Adult Medicine - Preventative & Routine Services • Acute Care • Blood Pressure and Heart Diseases
- COPD and Other Lung Diseases • Dermatology • Minor Surgeries • Osteoporosis Care
- Rheumatology - Knee and Other Joint Injections • Diabetes and Other Endocrine Disorders
- Nutritional/Dietician Services • Diabetic Teaching • In-House Diagnostics and Lab

352.633.7659
or 352.633.7649

We've Moved...Come See Us at Our New Office!

Office Hours: Mon-Fri 8am-5pm
801 CR 466 - B101, Lady Lake, FL 32159



Submitted photo

Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol" opened at The Sharon L. Morse Performing Arts Center on Monday.



DON'T MISS A MOMENT OF LIFE'S MARVELS

Keep your world open to every possibility, with help from Lake Eye.

You depend on your eyes for nearly everything you do — and your eyes depend on you to keep them healthy and ready for new adventures.

Comprehensive eye exams from ophthalmologists and optometrists, the most advanced, high-tech treatments for cataracts, macular degeneration and other issues, and a full-service optical department for the latest fashion eyewear and specialty lenses. It's everything you need, all in one place, from caring professionals who have been serving the area with pride for over 40 years.

LAKE EYE

352-750-2020
www.LakeEye.com • f



Ophthalmologists and Optometrists

Mark Vocci, MD • Scott R. Wehrly, MD
Shelby Terpstra, DO • Scot C. Holman, MD
Vinay Gutti, MD • Adria Anguifa, OD
Lindsey Walsh, OD

CENTRAL FLORIDA DENTAL

NEW PATIENT CASH OFFER **FIRST VISIT FREE** (CONSULT & (1) XRAY D0220)

ALL YOUR DENTAL NEEDS AT ONE LOCATION!

Travel A Little Save A Lot

Custom 1-STEP VALPLAST PARTIAL

with conservative "horse-shoe" shape Vitallium sub frame. No facial wire clasps. Light/Sturdy/Esthetic. Latest technology! One flat price replaces all your missing teeth. Includes Panorex Xray (D0330)

NOW ONLY \$1,800 ea.
Reg. \$2,500

MOLAR ROOT CANAL

Exam D0140 + RCT D3330 + All X-rays D0220 (Excludes build-up and crown)

Reg. \$1,200

NOW ONLY \$950 ea.

Full Size Dental Implant for single or multiple missing teeth

Includes: Implants + Abutment + Crown + All Exams + All X-rays (EXCLUDES ANY BONE GRAFT OR FLIPPER)

1 Implant Complete \$2,800ea
2 Implants Complete \$2,500ea
3 or More Implants Complete \$2,300ea (Reg. \$4,200)

CROWNS NP (D2751)

Now \$599 each (reg. \$725 ea.)

• 2 or more at same visit only \$499 each.

Includes: Exam (D0140) + X-ray (D0220). EXCLUDES CORE BUILD-UP (D2950)

MINI DENTAL IMPLANTS

4 Mini Implants + 4 Denture Attachments Added to your existing lower denture to "lock it down"

SAME DAY - PAINLESS NOW ONLY \$4,000
Reg \$6,000

CUSTOM DENTURES (D5211 or D5212)

• Elite: **\$750 ea.** • Classic: **\$950 ea.**

• Bioform: **\$1,500 ea.**

• Face-lift Denture: **\$1,800 ea.**

Immediate Dentures are \$200 extra ea.

TEETH WHITENING Home Use Kit: NOW \$300

Reg. \$350 (Includes upper & lower bleaching trays plus 8 gel syringes)

ZOOM In-office: NOW \$350

Reg. \$450 (Includes 1 hour in-office professional ZOOM laser teeth whitening)

COMBO Special: NOW \$500

(Includes 1 hour ZOOM in-office plus the Home Use Kit)

"Diplomat American Dental Implant Association"

2 CONVENIENT LOCATIONS SERVING THE VILLAGES® COMMUNITY

Serving The Villages® Community West | Serving The Villages® Community North

11905 N. US Hwy 301, Oxford, FL 748-7645 | 13913 N. US Hwy 441, The Villages, FL 753-6365

Conditional Workmanship Warranty. Expires 12/31/18. Non-negotiable with Insurance. Patient can submit to insurance for some reimbursement. The patient has a right to refuse, cancel or be reimbursed for any service within 72 hours of responding to the ad special.

entertainment news

The Close, Unlikely Relationship Between Charles Barkley and An Iowa Cat Litter Scientist

A chance meeting in a hotel lobby sparked an unlikely friendship between former NBA star Charles Barkley and a cat litter scientist in Iowa. The story has been shared widely since it was told last week by the scientist's daughter on "Only A Game," an NPR sports show. Lin Wang, who immigrated from China, approached Barkley when they both happened to be staying at the same hotel. The two began talking, got dinner and exchanged numbers. Over the next couple of years, they would meet up to watch basketball games or hang out.

— The Associated Press



Barkley

LONDON

Father Urges Meghan Markle to Call Home After She Ignores Him

Thomas Markle appealed to his daughter Meghan to call home, saying Monday they hadn't spoken since her wedding to Prince Harry in May. The former actress, now known as the Duchess of Sussex, has ignored his attempts to get in touch, Thomas Markle told ITV. "I love my daughter very much and she has to know that, and I would really appreciate if she would call me," Markle said from San Diego.

— The Associated Press

NEW YORK

Toni Braxton Is in The Holiday Spirit With Lifetime Movie

Toni Braxton has been nominated for Grammys again for her latest album, but these days the singer also is focusing on acting — and flexing her producing muscles. "I find that I really love everything about film and filmmaking," the multiplatinum-singer said in a recent interview. "I just really love movies, whether TV or anything that's dealing with film."

— The Associated Press



Continued from Previous Page

the bottom line of the story is that it doesn't take a lot to simply be kind.

Even though it's a story about a character, I think the show

was a good reminder to the audience to check the metaphorical chains they might be forging in life and get free of them by doing some good.

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed one more time

at 7 p.m. today at The Sharon. Tickets, which range in price from \$20 to \$60, can be purchased online at thevillagesentertainment.com or at any Villages Box Office location.

Kristen Fiore is a senior staff writer with *The Villages Daily Sun*. She can be reached at 352-753-1119, ext. 5270, or kristen.fiore@thevillagesmedia.com.



Submitted photos

"A Christmas Carol" will be performed one more time at 7 p.m. today at The Sharon. Tickets, which range in price from \$20 to \$60, can be purchased online at thevillagesentertainment.com or at any Villages Box Office location.

How can we beat Our competitors' prices?

1. No commission sales person.
 2. Owner operated and not corporate owned.
 3. Low overhead equals low prices.
- See us before you decide!

 \$1,299	SIEMENS signia   oticon <small>PEOPLE FIRST</small> ReSound PHONAK UP TO 75% OFF	PHONAK <small>Audéo™ B-R</small> <small>(No more batteries)</small> <small>Rechargeable Hearing Aid</small>  \$1,399
signia/SIEMENS BUY ONE GET ONE FREE PURE NX CHARGE & GO <small>(Rechargeable)</small>	 Starkey MUSE 50% OFF	

FREE HEARING EXAM


Mid Florida Hearing

FREE HEARING AIDS

NY State Employees & Retirees Receive Free Hearing Aids

Federal Employees & Retirees Receive Free Hearing Aids


52 YEARS
3 GENERATIONS


Bart Mahan
HAS, BC-HIS
Practicing since 1985

Door Bell Replacement
Door Bell on the Fritz?
\$102 installed

Includes: replacement chime and replacement door bell button. Does not include tracing broken wires.


Lenhart
LENHART ELECTRIC SINCE 1948
352-748-5818

*Certain Restrictions Apply
www.LenhartElectric.com
Licensed Electrical Contractor EC0001650


THE VILLAGES® COMMUNITY
Golf Cart Accessible
713 KRISTINE WAY, LAKE DEATON PLAZA
Next to The Rohan Center in Publix Plaza
352-751-3400


Hours 9-4 M-F • Saturdays by Appointment Only

We accept & honor most insurances.


BlueCross BlueShield

www.MidFloridaHearing.com

 Like Us on Facebook


GOLF CART APPROVED