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Briefly

Sheriff warns residents to watch for traveling criminals

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office has information that some traveling criminals may be in Central Florida. The group may be driving a 1999 or 2000, gray Pontiac Bonneville.

The burglars strike during the daytime and usually in teams consisting of a man and two women. The man will stay in a rented four-door vehicle, while the women work the neighborhood.

The women will go door-to-door. If nobody answers, they will go to the back of the house and break in. If somebody is home, they'll concoct a story, and while one distracts the homeowner, the other woman will get into the house and steal jewelry, money and silver.

To this date, there have been no incidents of this kind reported in Seminole County this year.

If you see strangers in your neighborhood, or suspect traveling criminals are at work, call the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at 407-665-6650.

Today is ...

Tuesday, Feb. 29, 2000
Today is the 60th day of 2000 and the 70th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1704, Deerfield, Mass., was destroyed by a French and Indian raiding party. Forty-seven townspeople were killed.
On this day in 1964, Frank Ruggani hit a badminton shuttlecock a record 79 feet, 8-1/2 inches.
On this day in 1972, an earthquake shook Tokyo.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:
Anna Lee (1736-1784), American religious leader; Gioacchino Rossini (1792-1868), composer; Jimmy Dorsey (1904-1957), band leader; Jack Lousma (1936-), astronaut.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1980, Gordie Howe scored his 800th career goal.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "In art economy is always beauty."
Henry James

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Feb. 26) and new moon (March 6).

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British tabloid smears Sanford

By Bill Kerns
Staff Writer

SANFORD — Assault rifles and handguns that a gunman used to fire on British police last spring were hidden in suitcases checked at Orlando Sanford Airport, according to reports in a London tabloid.

Baggage screeners at the airport did not look for the guns, which were gathered by George Knights at Florida gun shows during visits to Central Florida from 1997 to 1999, according to an article published in the London tabloid The Sun.

Airport officials insist that no laws have been broken. However, the Orlando

The Sun blames lax security for smuggled guns; but FAA says Sanford airport followed rules

Sanford Airport finds itself in the middle of an international debate over security at airports.

The Federal Aviation Administration launched an investigation Monday into the matter, following reports by The Sun.

The Sun said one of its own journalists boarded a charter flight at the Sanford airport with a pistol replica this month,

and was never checked.

Tanya Wagner, a spokeswoman for the Federal Aviation Administration, said investigators want to talk to Airtours plc., which carried both Knights and The Sun's staffers, to make sure the security plan they have on file with the FAA is being followed in Sanford.

Greg Dull, vice president for Orlando

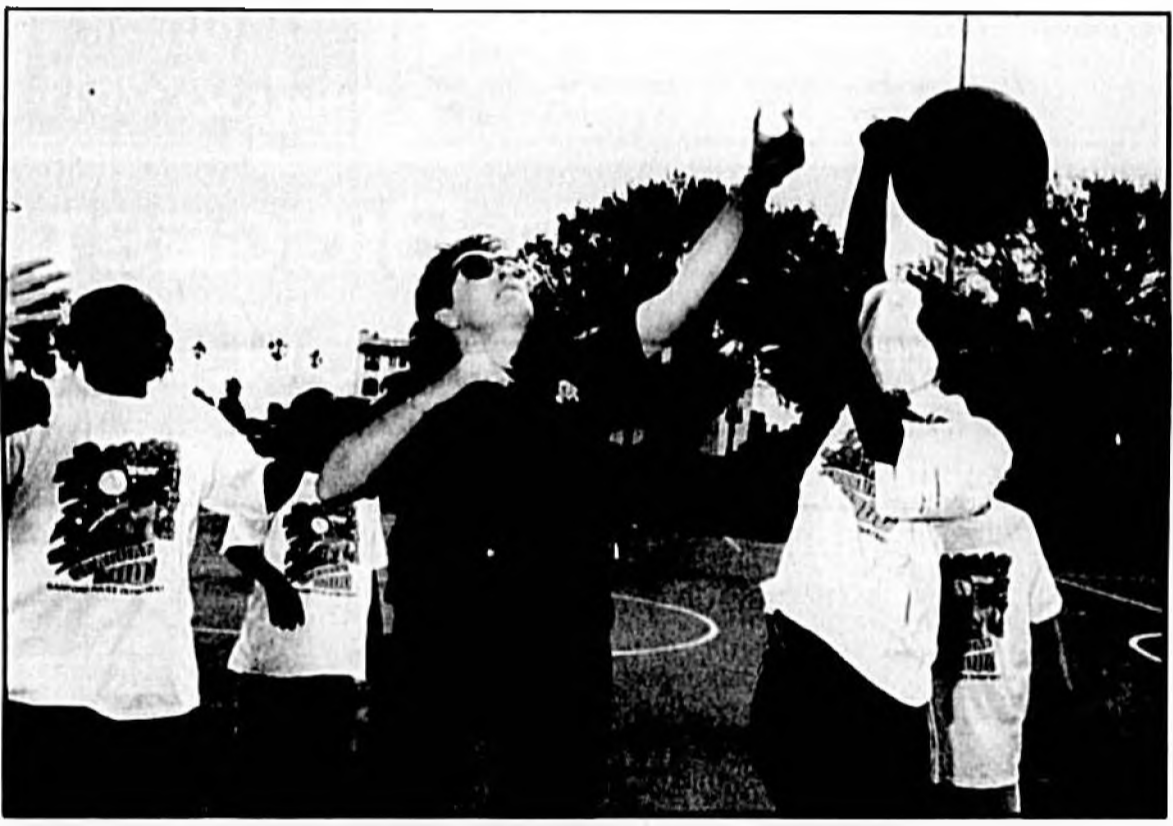
Sanford International Inc., the international terminal operator, said there is no legal requirement to screen checked bags on outbound flights to Britain on international carriers.

"Airtours did absolutely nothing wrong, and the airport did nothing wrong either," Dull said. "Security at Sanford's airport is no different than security at other airports. Airtours and the airport are in compliance with FAA regulations."

Dull said that even domestic airlines, which are required to make random screenings of out-bound luggage bound for certain destinations, are not required to do mandatory checks of suitcases

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Jump Ball



Sanford Police Department DARE officer Claudia Webber battles for a rebound with Antward Barnes as Thomas Hicks, Brian Bohannon and Dexter Brown look on. The fifth-grade students were celebrating their DARE graduation with a picnic at Fort Mellon Park.

Board nixes Catholic high school

By Russ White
Staff Writer

SANFORD — Barring any unsuspected passes during a County Commission hearing next month, there will be no Catholic high school in the Markham Woods neighborhood.

The county Board of Adjustments blocked the initiative at the conclusion of a three-hour public hearing Monday night.

The 4-0 vote pleased the more than 250 more residents who said the 1,000-student school and athletic complex would not be compatible with the area.

Former County Manager/Safety Director Gary Kaiser said the county should "live by the rules" and vote against the school. Chief Deputy Sheriff Steve Harriett cited reasons why law enforcement agencies would be pressed to provide adequate protection to the school and the residential neighborhood.

High Harling, engineer for the Diocese, said he could not understand why Sheriff Don

Eslinger's Office could not protect the school and area.

"We've heard nothing about this complaint until it was brought up tonight," Harling said. "Mr. Harriett should have talked to us about the concerns."

Residents complained there would be too much traffic and noise if the high school were built.

"We're not anti-Catholic and we're not against a Catholic high school," Brenda Williams said.

"The majority of us are opposed to the school being in this neighborhood."

Brenda Williams
Resident

Orlando and the Church of the Annunciation own 70 acres north of Long Pond Road where they planned to build a 107,000 square foot school. The land was acquired 20 years ago. If approved, building would start next year and the school would open in 2002.

Bishop Moore in Orlando is the only Catholic high school in the area and is 14 miles away

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Sanford moves forward with Riverwalk plans

By Bill Kerns
Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Sanford City Commission on Monday endorsed a two-phase approach to building the Lake Monroe Riverwalk in order to avoid delays in the project.

The city will administer the Seminole Boulevard segment of the Riverwalk, with construction scheduled for 2003.

"We need to move forward with this so that people can

start to see some tangible results," said City Commissioner Brady Lessard.

The Seminole Boulevard segment of the Riverwalk is a city street that is subject to more flexible city standards. Had the state performed the portion of the project, Federal and state standards applied to the U.S. Highway 17-92 section of the roadway between Interstate-4 and French Avenue would have delayed construction.

The piece along U.S. 17-92

would be very expensive for the state to perform," said Jay Marder, the city's director of engineering and planning.

"They suggest doing it in two phases."

The initial phase will be Seminole Boulevard from Mellonville Avenue through the Salpoint Apartments intersection with U.S. Highway 17-92. It will proceed on schedule and allow the city greater flexibility in design and amenities.

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Students attend classmate's funeral

By Bill Kerns
Staff Writer

SANFORD — Funeral services for a Seminole High School senior who died Friday in a traffic accident will be held today.

Ryan McCool, 18, was killed Friday when he pulled in front of a dump truck on State Road 46, just outside the entrance to the gated Lake Forest community where he lived. His 1998 black Honda Civic was demolished, and two passengers who were neighbors attending Seminole High School also suffered injuries.

Funeral services for McCool will be held 3:30 p.m. today at

Central Baptist Church in Sanford. Burial will be held at Oaklawn Park Cemetery.

This is a week of mourning for Seminole High School, said Principal Karen Coleman.

"We've told students that if they leave school as normal at 2:20 p.m., they will have plenty of time to attend the funeral," said Seminole High School Principal Karen Coleman. "Overall, the kids are doing as well as you can expect teen-agers to deal with a tragedy like this."

Visitation was held Monday night at Baldwin-Fairchild-Oaklawn Park Cemetery and Funeral Home in Lake Mary. A banner honoring McCool

was placed in the school's cafeteria on Monday signed by students during their lunch period. Leadership of the Senior Class is also discussing additional ways to honor McCool.

McCool's parents viewed the banner and visited with students and staff at the school Monday.

Crisis counselors will be available this week for students struggling to come to terms with McCool's death.

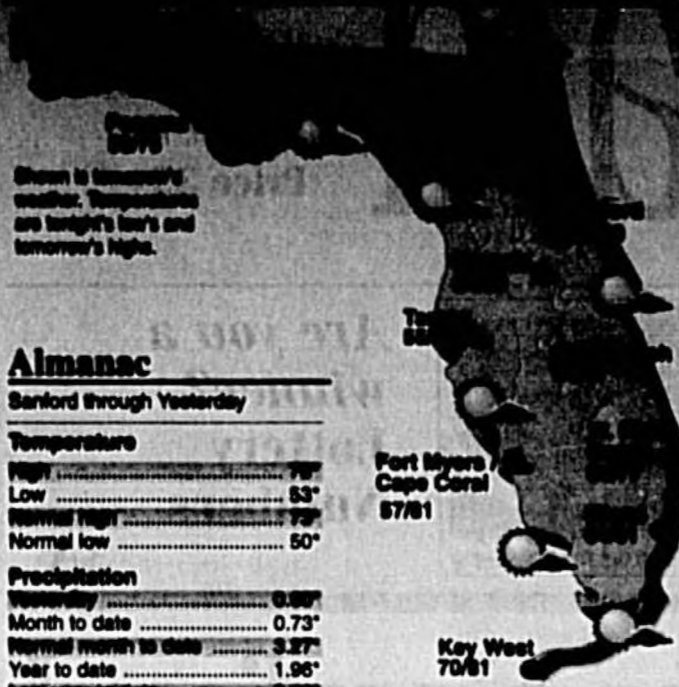
"We have had some students come in for additional help," Coleman said.

Born in Fort Belvoir, Va., Ryan McCool moved to Central Florida in 1997 from Delaware. See Funeral, Page 4A

Take a seat



Sonny Rayburn presents a \$500 check to Helen Stairs to purchase a chair in Sanford's newly renovated Helen Stairs Community Theatre. Rayburn presented the check on behalf of Seminole High School Class of 1945. The theater is expected to open in April.



Almanac

Sanford through Yesterday
 Temperature
 High 79°
 Low 63°
 Normal high 79°
 Normal low 60°
 Precipitation
 Yesterday 0.50"
 Month to date 0.73"
 Normal month to date 3.27"
 Year to date 1.96"
 Last year to date 6.79"
 Normal year to date 6.04"

Port Myers
Cape Coral
87/81
 Key West
70/81

Regional Weather

Florida: Skies will be clear tonight. Tomorrow will feature plenty of sunshine as a front stalls well south of the state.
Georgia: Skies clear tonight. Warm tomorrow with sunshine and just a few clouds.
Mississippi: Increasing clouds tonight; it may shower late. Times of clouds and sun tomorrow.
Alabama: High pressure will bring a start night tonight, and plenty of sun and warmth tomorrow.
South Carolina: Clear skies tonight. Tomorrow will be sunny and warm with high pressure off to the southeast.
Louisiana: Mostly cloudy tonight with a passing shower as a front moves through. Partly sunny and warm tomorrow.

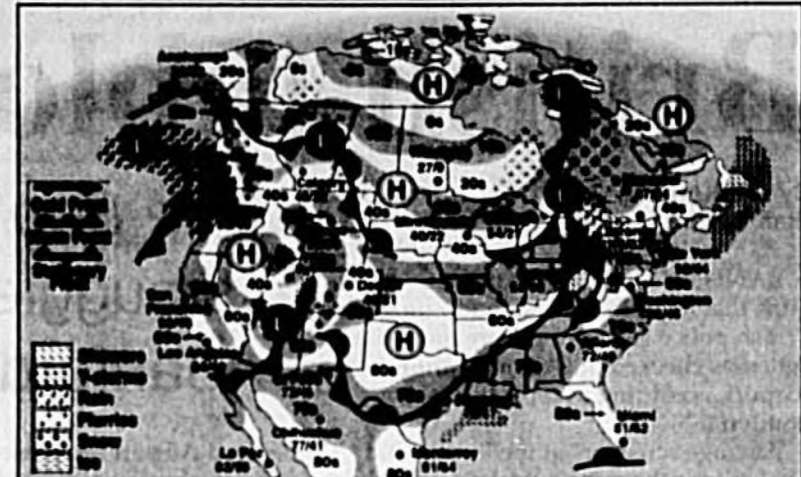
Sun and Moon

Rising tomorrow 6:50 a.m.
 Moonset today 1:39 p.m.
 New Mar 6
 First Mar 13
 Full Mar 19
 Last Mar 27

Tides

Tides for Daytona Beach Shores, Seagrass Pier
 Tomorrow
 First Low 10:42 a.m. 0.8 ft.
 First High 4:29 a.m. 3.8 ft.
 Second Low 10:42 a.m. 0.8 ft.
 Second High 4:31 p.m. 3.4 ft.
 Thursday
 First Low 11:31 a.m. 0.8 ft.
 First High 5:16 a.m. 3.9 ft.
 Second Low 11:34 a.m. 0.3 ft.
 Second High 5:24 p.m. 3.8 ft.

Tomorrow's National Weather



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities. Yesterday's National High/Low: (for the 48 contiguous states) High 86° in McAllen, TX Low 6° in Fraser, CO

National Cities

City	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	City	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	City	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
Atlanta	72-88	78-97	81-91	81-91	Grand Rapids	49-58	50-59	52-61	52-61	Omaha	55-61	55-61	55-61	55-61
Baltimore	64-82	68-82	71-81	71-81	Honolulu	78-84	84-89	84-89	84-89	Philadelphia	62-68	62-68	62-68	62-68
Birmingham	70-84	78-87	81-91	81-91	Houston	78-87	87-91	87-91	87-91	Phoenix	68-77	68-77	68-77	68-77
Boston	54-68	58-72	61-71	61-71	Indianapolis	57-66	66-71	66-71	66-71	Portland, OR	52-58	52-58	52-58	52-58
Charlotte, NC	75-85	78-88	81-91	81-91	Jacksonville	79-88	88-91	88-91	88-91	Providence	52-58	52-58	52-58	52-58
Chicago	64-78	68-82	71-81	71-81	Kansas City	57-66	66-71	66-71	66-71	Raleigh-Durham	70-76	70-76	70-76	70-76
Cleveland	59-73	63-77	71-81	71-81	Las Vegas	65-74	74-79	74-79	74-79	Rapid City	44-54	44-54	44-54	44-54
Daytona Beach	79-88	81-91	81-91	81-91	Little Rock	68-77	77-81	77-81	77-81	St. Louis	58-66	58-66	58-66	58-66
Denver	49-63	53-67	61-71	61-71	Louisville	68-77	77-81	77-81	77-81	Salt Lake City	46-54	46-54	46-54	46-54
Des Moines	38-52	42-56	51-61	51-61	Memphis	70-79	79-83	79-83	79-83	San Francisco	50-56	50-56	50-56	50-56
Detroit	52-66	56-70	61-71	61-71	Miami	81-88	88-91	88-91	88-91	St. Paul, MN	44-52	44-52	44-52	44-52
El Paso	73-82	74-83	81-91	81-91	Minneapolis	40-48	48-52	48-52	48-52	Seattle	50-56	50-56	50-56	50-56
Fort Worth	68-77	77-81	81-91	81-91	Nashville	72-81	81-85	81-85	81-85	Tampa	59-68	59-68	59-68	59-68
Grand Rapids	49-58	50-59	52-61	52-61	New Orleans	75-84	84-88	84-88	84-88	Tucson	69-77	69-77	69-77	69-77
Honolulu	78-84	84-89	84-89	84-89	New York City	58-67	67-71	67-71	67-71	Washington, DC	66-74	66-74	66-74	66-74

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New York City	58-67	67-71	67-71	67-71
Omaha	55-61	55-61	55-61	55-61
Philadelphia	62-68	62-68	62-68	62-68
Phoenix	68-77	68-77	68-77	68-77
Portland, OR	52-58	52-58	52-58	52-58
Providence	52-58	52-58	52-58	52-58
Raleigh-Durham	70-76	70-76	70-76	70-76
Rapid City	44-54	44-54	44-54	44-54
St. Louis	58-66	58-66	58-66	58-66
Salt Lake City	46-54	46-54	46-54	46-54
San Francisco	50-56	50-56	50-56	50-56
St. Paul, MN	44-52	44-52	44-52	44-52
Seattle	50-56	50-56	50-56	50-56
Tampa	59-68	59-68	59-68	59-68
Tucson	69-77	69-77	69-77	69-77
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World Cities

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Washington, DC	66-74	66-74	66-74	66-74

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This was his first year as a member of the varsity volleyball team, and he was also an honors student.

Survivors include Ryan's parents, Dennis and Kathy McCool of Sanford; sisters Heather McCool, 14, of Sanford, Tina Meadows, 23, of Lake Ridge Va.; and brother Gerard McCool, 28, of Newman, Ga.

Meanwhile, the condition of the two girls riding with McCool is improving.

Freshman Kathryn "Katie" Kasper, 14, is in serious but sta-

tioning the initial hours following the accident, Kasper was in critical condition, and Hospital spokesman Joe Brown said it is too soon to determine whether she will have any lasting brain damage.

An answering machine for the Kasper family says doctors will perform surgery on both arms for broken bones.

"Her condition continues to improve," the family's message said. "She went from totally unconscious to semi-conscious." Sophomore Chandra Timpano, 15, was released on

with accompanying cost increases.

In addition, the city wants a third phase to include the Riverwalk in the St. Johns River Bridge and U.S. 17-92 interchange project. The state's Department of Transportation has insured the city that the project link is retained in the Bridge-Interchange project.

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Riverwalk

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"I think it's good," said Mayor Larry Dale. "It will allow us to do our downtown phase first."
Phase two will be the U.S. 17-92 segment. The state is performing a feasibility study to determine cost estimates.
The plan is to raise the seawall up to the level of the road so that a flat surface can be provided. This will involve rebuilding the seawall to a higher level,

with accompanying cost increases.
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"This will become part of Cross Seminole Trail," Dale said. "It will be an integral part

of a county-wide trail system. It will be a nice place to stroll, with amenities such as lighting and benches along the lakefront."
When the city originally proposed the Lake Monroe Riverwalk, it was envisioned as a \$1.5 million project from Mellonville Avenue to Wayside Park just east of the St. Johns River. The Florida Department of Transportation administers the overall project.

School

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from where the new school's proposed location.
Many residents said they opposed the school because of the more than 1,000 teen-age drivers each day. However, Harling said only the seniors will be permitted to drive.

The Diocese is expected to appeal the decision when the issue goes before the Board of Seminole County Commissioners. With three members of the board up for re-election in 2000, insiders say there is little or no chance the school project will be approved.

Board of Adjustments Mike Hattaway said the proposal was not compatible to the county's comprehensive plan, and that the board had no other choice but to deny the request for an exemption by the Diocese for a school.

Case, still looking for husband

By Bill Wynn
Staff Writer

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Altamonte Springs police on Monday arrested the wife of an apartment maintenance worker who is a suspect in a tenant's death.

Verda Lee Rozier, 49, was arrested for tampering with or fabricating physical evidence. She is the wife of Earl Rozier, who police consider a suspect in last week's murder of 38-year-old Charmaine Ferguson.

"Verda Rozier had knowledge that her husband committed a crime and helped dispose of the evidence," said police spokesman Paul Machovina. "We believe that Earl Rozier removed evidence from the scene, and his wife disposed of it."
Machovina would not elaborate further on Verda Rozier's arrest.

Police are continuing to search for Earl Rozier, 37, who has not

shown up for work since Ferguson was found stabbed to death.

Police said Earl Rozier disappeared Thursday, the day Ferguson was killed in her second-floor apartment at The Oaks of Spring Valley.

He called detectives Saturday to profess his innocence, but police want to question him further. Police say he is armed with a handgun and has severe cuts to his right hand, which may require medical attention, and injuries to his left hand and forearm.

"We believe he is still local," Machovina said. "People close to Rozier have been providing him assistance to help him remain at large."

Ferguson was stabbed more than two dozen times. Her 11-year-old son found her body, clad only in a pair of panties, on the blood-soaked carpet of her bedroom floor after he came home from school, police said.

Ferguson's severely disabled 13-year-old son was found on her bed and may have seen the attack. However, he cannot speak or walk and has been unable to help detectives.

Ferguson and Rozier know each other, but investigators are not sure how well.

State records indicate Rozier was sentenced to probation after being convicted of aggravated battery in 1995 in Orange County.

Ferguson's 21-year-old son, who lives in Pennsylvania, took his brothers home with him Saturday, investigators said.

Ferguson and her two young sons had lived at the apartment at 591 Spanish Trace Drive for about eight months after moving to Florida from the Philadelphia area.

Police ask anyone who knows where Rozier is to call CrimeLine, 407-423-TIPS or the Altamonte Springs police at 407-830-3822.

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headed to the United Kingdom. "If the rules are changed, it would effect any other airport that has international flights," Dull said. "It's unfortunate that The Sun chose to attack the airport here without having an understanding of how FAA regulations operate."

Dull stressed that the smuggled guns did not present imminent danger to passengers aboard the planes because they were carried under the planes. Anything that would be carried on the plane would go through the metal detector for the bags and the magnetometer for the people.

"It would be a totally different situation of the guns had

been smuggled in the cabin area," Dull said.

The Sun's investigation into Sanford's security procedures stemmed from testimony given during a trial of Knights, who last week was convicted on multiple weapons violations and faces life in prison.

He was arrested in April after he fired upon police, who stopped him because he had an expired registration sticker on his car. No one was killed during a subsequent 45-mile chase, during which Knights fired about 60 bullets at police.

After Knights' arrest, stockpiles of weapons were found at his London home, in a nearby hideaway, and in a storage unit rented in his name in Kissimmee.

From a mailbox address at 1342 E. Vine St. in Kissimmee, Knights obtained a valid Florida drivers license and a concealed weapons permit.

Knights carried his luggage through the "Nothing to Declare" channels of customs at London's Gatwick Airport. The Sun staffers went through the same area at Newcastle, England, and also were not stopped, according to published reports.

Rick DeCarlo, a Florida Department of Law Enforcement special agent involved in the Knights investigation, said he does not believe that the airport did anything wrong. He said it is impractical and unnecessary to require checks of every bag.

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By mixing all the plug samples, a composite sample will be obtained. About 1 pint of this sample should be sent to a soil laboratory for analysis. The University of Florida Soil Testing lab will analyze a soil sample for \$7 and give you information on pH and major nutrients like phosphorus and potassium and some of the other essential elements such as magnesium, and calcium in your soil. Kits for mailing soil to the university may be picked up at the Extension Services Office, located across from Flea World at 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford, Fla., 32773, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Soil Reaction
Soil reaction or pH is a measurement of acidity or alkalinity of a soil. A reading of 7 indicates neutrality, the higher the

number above 7, the more alkaline the soil reaction, and the lower the number below 7, the more acid the soil reaction.

Turfgrasses vary in their tolerance to soil acidity. For instance, centipede and bahia grasses will grow in more acid soils (pH 5.0 to 6.0) than St. Augustine grass (pH 6.0 to 7.0). The soil reaction should be adjusted to the needs of the different turfgrasses.

Dolomitic lime is commonly used to increase the pH values, and at the same time, to supply the nutrients calcium and magnesium to the plants. It is applied at the rate of 5 pounds per 100 square feet. Elemental sulfur can be used to lower the soil pH using a maximum rate of 1.0 of sulfur powder per 1,000 square feet per application.

Essential Elements
All living organisms require certain chemical elements to grow. The chemicals required for growth are called essential elements, and plants require about 16 such elements. All essential elements except carbon, hydrogen, and oxygen are obtained from the soil by the

plant roots. Nitrogen, phosphorus and potassium are required in greater quantities and are called macronutrients. Complete fertilizers contain these same three elements, which is always presented in the same order and their content in the fertilizers is expressed in percentage.

Calcium, magnesium and sulfur are called secondary elements because they are needed in smaller quantities than the macronutrients. Iron, manganese, zinc, copper, chlorine, molybdenum, and boron are required in very minute quantities and are called micronutrients or minor elements.

Fertilization
A good all purpose lawn fertilizer for the spring is a 16-4-8, preferable with micronutrients. Always follow the rule that nitrogen should be applied at rate of 1 pound of actual nitrogen per 1,000 square feet.

Therefore, if you use a 16-4-8 fertilizer, you need to apply 6.25 pounds per 1,000 square feet. If you use a 10-10-10 fertilizer you will need 10 pounds to apply 1 pound of actual nitrogen to cover the 1,000 square feet or if you use a 6-6-6 fertilizer, you will need 16.7 pounds to cover 1,000 square feet of lawn.

If more than 50 percent of the nitrogen source in the fertilizer

is insoluble in water, the actual nitrogen rate can be increased from 1 pound to 2 pounds per 1,000 square feet. A high maintenance fertilizer program will require Florida fertilizer applications per year. For Central Florida, it means one in March, May, July and September. A 15-0-14 fertilizer can be used in May and July instead of the 16-4-8 fertilizer. Iron may be applied in the summer (June) to give the grass a better color, and especially if some yellowing appears in your lawn. Apply 2 ounces of ferrous sulfate in 3 to 5 gallons of water per 1,000 square feet or use a chelated form of iron as indicated on the label.

Precautions
All fertilizers can cause damage to the turf if improperly applied. Never exceed the recommended rates. Always apply fertilizers when the grass leaves are dry and always water thoroughly after fertilizing your lawn. When using sulfur to acidify the soil, be careful, remember that it forms sulfuric acid when combined with water in the soil and can damage plant tissue.

Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension service, 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32773 or phone 688-8558. All Seminole County Cooperative Extension services are open to all regardless of race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

Sheriff's Office seminar set for Friday

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office periodically conducts seminars for senior citizens concerning available compensation if they are the victims of crime.

The next seminar for seniors takes place March 3 in Lake Monroe Providence Church at 4561 Douglas Ave. in Sanford.

State law provides that a victim more than 60 years old or a victim who is disabled can be compensated for crimes, which affect their quality of life. Reimbursement for property loss can be as much as \$500. The program

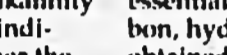
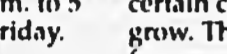
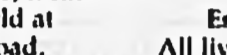
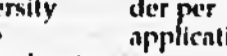
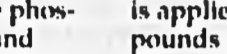
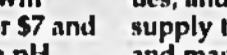
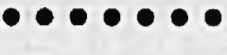
also provides reimbursement for medical bills and replacement of such items as glasses if they are lost or damaged in a crime.

The job of the sheriff's victim services representative is to help victims overcome obstacles such as necessary forms to fill out and to help seniors apply for compensation.

For more information and times, contact Victim Advocate Sherry McGrew at 407-665-6922. The program is being coordinated through Better Living for Seniors at 407-333-8877.



Al Ferrer



To grandma's house we go — if first it's baby-proofed

DEAR ABBY: I am a first-time mother of a beautiful 18-month-old son. My mother is crazy about being a grandma and begs me to come for extended visits so she can get to know her grandson. I just returned from a week's visit — and I am exhausted. Why? Because Mother refuses to "baby-proof" her house for our visits, so I spend all my time watching my son to ensure that he doesn't break something valuable, or get into the bleach under the kitchen sink.



Dear Abby



Every baby book you buy stresses the importance of baby-proofing during the toddler years, so here are a few suggestions I have for grandparents who want their grandchildren to have a safe visit:

1. Move all cleaning supplies, cosmetics and room deodorizers UP to a high shelf or cupboard.
2. Invest in outlet covers and drawer and cupboard locks. They are inexpensive and easy to remove after visits.

3. Put away all hard candies, coins, glass-framed photos, candles, and anything of sentimental value before your grandchild arrives.

4. Plants, animal litter boxes, pet food, detergents and caustic chemicals should be out of reach and out of sight.

5. Sharp-edged furniture, such as coffee tables or end tables, should have easily installed corner protectors applied, or should be turned on their sides during visits.

One of my girlfriends told me that when she's coming for a visit, her mother buys diapers, baby wipes and appropriate baby food. She also has bibs, baby cups and spoons on hand. She even buys age-appropriate toys to keep at her house so her granddaughter has special toys to look forward to playing with during the visit.

In most cases, it's been about 20 years since these grandparents have been around babies. I think if they would read a current

baby/toddler book, they would be surprised to learn about the new information available.

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DEAR BENT IN BEND: Your suggestions for grandparents seem sensible to me, and worth sharing with any new grandparent who might be out of touch. Since your mother seems to fall into that category, send her a book on baby/toddler care as a gift. It could save her, you and your son a lot of stress or even an unfortunate accident.

DEAR ABBY: While on a whitewater rafting trip, I was rescued from drowning by a man in a kayak, and I can't stop thinking about him. I am happily married, but am worried that I have "fallen in love" with the man who saved my life.

The man not only pulled me out of the water, he held my hand and kept eye contact for 15 minutes while I was in shock. He took care of me until I felt safe again. I sent him a four-page thank-you letter. Now I watch

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For additional information phone Trial Chairman Donna Pierce at 407-365-5909.

Pianist to perform recital Sunday

Pianist Scott Beard will present a piano recital, featuring the music of Frederic Chopin, 4 p.m. Sunday, March, in the Fine Arts Concert Hall at Seminole Community College.

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ATTACHMENTS SPENDING — The first year of the experiment in requiring students to wear uniforms has been a success, according to administrators at Spring Lake Elementary School in Altamonte Springs.

In fact, Principal Ines Schmoock said she plans to continue the one-year-old policy next school year, depending upon the results of a survey that will be presented to families in March.

Spring Lake Elementary is the only school in the Seminole County school-district requiring students to wear uniforms.

"We surveyed the parents before we put the policy in place for this year," Schmoock said. "The majority said they were in favor of school uniforms. The response this year has been positive. Mandatory uniforms are working out very well."

Students are not punished for failing to wear a school uniform. However, teachers will call parents at home and remind them of the policy.

"If a student doesn't wear it one day, it's OK," Schmoock said. "We're not going to get down on them. But, after several days a teacher will call home."

Parents have the option of taking their child out of Spring Lake Elementary if they do not

wish to do so. "A few parents haven't followed through, as the teachers called them."

Students in kindergarten through the fourth grade wear uniforms this school year. Next year, Schmoock said that fifth graders will also probably be required to wear uniforms.

"We didn't have fifth graders wear uniforms this year because the policy is new and this was their last year at the school," Schmoock. "A lot of fifth graders tend to think they are too old for uniforms. But, next year's

Teachers are not required to wear uniforms. However, some teachers wear uniforms anyway, said Schmoock.

The uniform consists of a color scheme of dark blue Navy and khaki tan skirts, pants or jumpers. The shirts are white or red and have collars.

Uniforms are available with embroidered school lettering. Shirts can be purchased for about \$20 at Target stores and at J.C. Penney stores, as well as an Army-Navy store in town.


Assistance is available through school funding to pur-

chase uniforms. Parents can also request financial assistance, even if they do not meet income requirements.

"We provide a set of uniforms, complete with the shirt, pants and skirt," Schmoock said.

On Wednesdays, students are able to wear T-shirts and jeans. However, Schmoock said that many students choose to wear uniforms even on when they are not required.

During other times, such as the week before Spring Break, the school uniform policy is temporarily suspended.



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TOPS Open House
A TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meeting will be held 7 p.m. Feb. 29 at First Christian Church located at 1607 S. Sanford Ave. The speaker will be TOPS Area Captain Janet Wetz.

This is a free meeting and people are invited to come and listen about losing weight the sensible way.

For further information, call 407-323-1768 or 407-328-7277.

World Day of Prayer
Friday, March 3, has been designated as World Day of Prayer. A number of observances will be held locally as well as nation and world wide. In Winter Springs, residents of Village Oaks at Tusawilla by Marriott, an assisted living community for seniors, will join in the event in a special observance at 11:30 a.m. This is a non-denominational event designed to reinforce the bonds between people of the world as they join in a global circle of prayer.

Village Oaks at Tusawilla is located at 1016 Willa Springs Drive. For additional information, phone Dixie Thomas at 407-699-7999.

Appreciation Breakfast
The Salvation Army will host its annual Civic Appreciation Breakfast 8 a.m., Saturday, March 4 at Markham Woods Presbyterian Church, 5210 Markham Woods Road in Lake Mary. Volunteers will be honored at the breakfast and several guest speakers will be featured.

Kids' Confetti Club
starts March 1
Beginning March 1 at 3:30 p.m., the weekly Confetti Club programs will be presented by Renee Hamilton, Youth Services Librarian just appointed to the staff of the North Branch Library. The Confetti Club is a weekly program of stories, activities and crafts for school-age kids.

Hamilton has worked with children in several Sanford Elementary schools and in the City of Lake Mary's summer recreation program.

Concert at UCF
For the sixth consecutive year, the University of Central Florida is presenting its popular concert at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Oviedo. Guest conductor will be Eduardo Rahn, director of Maracalbe Symphony in Venezuela. Featured will be Beethoven's Seventh Symphony. The concert is scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 29, beginning at 7:30 p.m., and is free of charge. Nursery service will be provided for small children. For additional information phone 407-365-3408.

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Outdoors

Correspondent

FWC kicks off license promotion

SANFORD - The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) will launch its annual five-year freshwater fishing license promotion during March and April.

Anyone buying a five-year freshwater fishing license during the promotion period will receive a bonus pack valued at \$40. The bonus pack includes lures from Berkley, Culpit and Phantom tackle, Xpoint hooks, ball hooks, a boater's key-chain, mouse pad, several magazines as well as coupons and special offers from various sponsors.

Resident five-year fishing licenses cost \$61.50. Licenses are available at local tax collectors' offices or by calling 1-888-FISH-FLORIDA (1-888-486-8356) for an extra \$3.95 handling fee.

According to Bob Wattendorf, FWC's fisheries marketing specialist, buying a five-year license offers several advantages besides a \$6 savings in administrative fees. First, the license is an embossed credit card style license that is more durable than paper licenses. Second, you get an automatic reminder when your license is about to expire. Third, you are protected against any license fee increases for the next five years. And finally, there is the convenience of not having to renew your license every year.

HUMMINGBIRDS RETURN TO SUNSHINE STATE

OCALA - One of the world's smallest and most popular birds returns to Florida after wintering in Cuba or South America. The ruby-throated hummingbird measures from 7.5 to 10 cm making it one of the smallest of birds. Each year homeowners spend millions of dollars on feeders and food as a testament of the popularity of the tiny bird.

The hummingbird appears in northern Florida in March and homeowners should make preparations now, according to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC). Feeders should be cleaned with a solution of hot water and vinegar to kill all bacteria and fungus mold in the feeder, which could be fatal to hummingbirds.

Hummingbirds feed exclusively on nectar. This makes attracting the birds simple by placing a nectar feeder near a convenient observation area. The feeder can be filled with a sugar water solution consisting of four parts water to one part granulated sugar.

When mixing the solution, the water should be brought to a full boil, dissolve sugar in boiling water and promptly cool. Refrigerate the unused portions to prevent spoilage. Never use red dye or commercial solutions with red coloring. The red plastic feeders will attract the birds. Honey should never be used as this contains botulism toxins and fungi fatal to hummingbirds.

Another way to attract hummingbirds is to plant a nectar producing garden of their favorite plants. The

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A year in the making

Lake Howell girls win State soccer crown in sudden-death overtime

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

TALLAHASSEE - It took a year longer than expected, but the Lake Howell girls soccer team finally has its state championship.

Randi Holcomb chipped the game-winning goal over the Coral Gables goalkeeper off a pass from Patty MacDowell just 17 seconds into sudden-death overtime as the Silver Hawks edged the Cavaliers, 2-1, Saturday afternoon at the Florida State University Soccer Stadium.

The state title was the first for Lake Howell High School in 16 years.

A year ago, the Silver Hawks entered the State Tournament having upset defending state champion Lake Mary in the district finals and were ranked No. 1 in the nation, but were knocked out in the semifinals by eventual champion Boca Raton-Spanish River.

With everyone returning this year the Silver Hawks, who still have only two seniors, were a prohibitive favorite to roll to this year's title.

But injuries and important players missing games because of other commitments, the team lost five regular season games and then were upset by a supposedly rebuilding Oviedo

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GIRLS SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

at Florida State University, Tallahassee

SEMIFINALS
FRIDAY 2/28

Coral Gables (24-0-4) 2, Boca Raton-Spanish River 1, sudden-death overtime

Lake Howell (26-6-2) 3, Valrico-Bloomington (26-1-2) 1

FINALS
SATURDAY 2/29

Lake Howell (27-6-2) 2, Coral Gables (24-1-4) 1, sudden-death overtime

BOYS BASKETBALL CLASS 6A-REGIONALS

QUARTERFINALS
Thursday 2/24

Oviedo 52, Edgewater (21-9) 47

SEMIFINALS
Tuesday 2/29

Oviedo (25-4) vs. Columbia High School at Lake City, 7:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL REGIONALS CLASS 6A-FINALS

SATURDAY 2/26

Lakeland-George Jenkins (27-3) 55, Lyman (26-6) 40

CLASS 6A-FINALS SATURDAY 2/26

Winter Springs (30-3) 60, Orange Park (30-3) 41

STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS at The Lakeland Center

CLASS 6A-SEMIFINALS THURSDAY 2/24

Game 1 - Ft. Lauderdale-Dillard (24-7) vs. Miami-Edison (27-3), 2:30 p.m.

Game 2 - Boone (32-0) vs. Winter Springs (30-3), 8:30 p.m.

FINALS SATURDAY 2/26

Game winner vs. Game 2 winner, 7:30 P.m.

Winter Springs girls earn return trip to Lakeland; Lyman ousted

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

WINTER SPRINGS - Now it gets interesting. Senior point guard Mary Lou Johnston poured in 20 points and also handed out 10 assists and a smothering Winter Springs defense took visiting Orange Park out of the game in the second half as the Bears won the Class 6A-Region 1 Girls Basketball Championship 60-41 Saturday night at Winter Springs High School.

The Bears only led by one point at halftime, but three-pointers by Johnston and backcourt mate Missy Quadagno and a conventional three-point play by Quadagno got the hosts going. Winter Springs then forced five straight turnovers, scoring on four, and the Raiders, who came into the game with a 30-2 record, could never catch up again.

With the victory the Bears, who are now 30-3 on the season and were ranked No. 2 in the most recent state poll, earned a return trip to The Lakeland Center where they won the Class 6A State Championship last year.

But to earn a shot at the rare repeat, not to mention winning after moving up three classes, coach Betty Hughes' squad will have to beat the undefeated and No. 1 ranked team in the state, Boone High School from Orlando. The Braves are 32-0 on the season and have made three straight appearances in the State Tournament, losing in the finals to Lake Mary two years ago and to Carol City in the semifinals last year.

The other two teams to make the Class 6A Final Four, Dillard (24-7) from Ft. Lauderdale and Edison (27-3) from Miami, will play at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday with the Boone-Winter Springs matchup set for 8:30 p.m. later that evening.

The winners will meet for the 2000 State Championship on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at The Lakeland Center.

GREYHOUNDS FALL A VICTORY SHORT
LONGWOOD - For the second straight game the George Jenkins High School girls basketball

team from Lakeland knocked a Seminole Athletic Conference squad out of the playoffs, bouncing host Lyman, 55-40, in the Class 6A-Regional 1 Finals Saturday night.

Star Ebony Smith led the way with 20 points as the Eagles (27-3), who eliminated Seminole in the regional semifinals on Tuesday, won the right to play in the state tournament in their home town.

Celeste Hudson led the Greyhounds, who saw their marvelous year end at 27-6, with 11 points.

LAKE BRANTLEY VARSITY BOYS LACROSSE WINS SECOND DISTRICT COTEST

BUNNELL - Lake Brantley traveled to Flagler Palm Coast Friday night and had their hands full before pulling out an 11-10, sudden-death overtime victory.

The Bulldogs (2-2) have improved significantly since last season. They not only took an immediate 1-0 lead within one minute of the start of the game, but stretched to a 6-2 lead midway into the second quarter.

Led by senior attackman Shawn Quinn, the Patriots fought back to a 7-7 tie toward the end of the third quarter and took a 10-9 advantage with less than a minute remaining in regulation.

But Palm Coast senior captain Brian Kazmocha put one past Patriot goalie Brian Hummel to tie the score at 10-10, much to the delight of an excited and enthusiastic Flagler crowd.

In the ensuing four-minute sudden death overtime period, it was the Bulldogs who had the first possession off the face-off. The Brantley defense stiffened forcing a loose ball that was quickly cleared up the field to Quinn, who drove to the goal and launched a shot that went over the right shoulder of the Flagler goalie and into the net for the win that improved Lake Brantley to 2-0 on the season.

Providing the offense for the Patriots were Quinn (four goals, three assists), Alte (two goals, two assists), Foote (one goal, one assist) and Vallone, VerMum, Heintzelman and

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FILE PHOTO

Mary Lou Johnston again led the way, scoring 20 points and handing out 10 assists as Winter Springs advanced to the State Tournament with a 60-41 thumping of Orange Park Saturday night.

Raiders rally past Catonsville in baseball

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

SANFORD - Todd Babji's bases-loaded one out single in the bottom of the ninth inning gave the Seminole Community College baseball team a 5-4 victory over Catonsville Community College from Maryland Sunday afternoon at Raider Field.

The victory gave the Raiders a split for the weekend as SCC had dropped a 12-6 decision to

Miami-Dade Community College on Friday.

The Raiders are now 4-14 on the season and will open Mid-Florida Conference play on Tuesday with a home game against Lake City Community College starting at 2:30 p.m. at Raider Field.

SCC will also remain at home for another M-FC contest on Thursday at 3 p.m. against St. Johns River Community College from Palatka, before heading to Ocala to challenge

Central Florida Community College in a conference doubleheader starting at 1 p.m.

The Raiders will close out the week's action with a home game next Sunday at 2 p.m. against Kankakee Community College from Illinois.

SCC appeared to be in jeopardy of dropping its game on Sunday when the Cardinals (0-2) plated a pair of runs in the top of the seventh inning to grab a 4-3 lead.

But Christian Corvos broke

the visitors' hearts as he led off the bottom of the eighth inning with a game-tying home run.

After winning pitcher Jason Meier (1-1) retired Catonsville out in the top of the ninth inning without a run, Adam Shorts led off the bottom of the frame for the Raiders with a single to right.

Carlos Vera sacrificed Shorts to second and Joseph Averill followed with a single to right that moved Shorts over to third.

Juan Chacon was intentionally walked to load the bases and set up a possible inning-ending double play, but Todd Babji, who was hitless in four previous trips to the plate, laced his single to left to score Shorts with the game-winning run.

Meier was outstanding, going all nine innings and allowing just five hits, striking out five and walking two.

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SCC softball team sweeps road doubleheader

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

MADISON - The Seminole Community College softball team went on the road to North Florida on Saturday and came back with a sweep of the doubleheader, but one game hardly resembled the other.

Lake Mary's Jeannie Manz led off the second inning of the first game with a double and scored one out later on a single by Lake Howell's Jen Gillespie.

Little did the Raiders know, but that would be the only run of the game as Jodi Wood pitched a three-hot shutout as SCC defeated North Florida Community College 1-0 at Madison.

But things were much different in the second game as the Raiders broke a 1-1 tie by scoring eight runs in the fifth inning to walk past the Sentinels (0-14) by the run rule, 12-2, after six innings.

With the sweep SCC is now 12-3-1 on the season and will host Santa Fe Community College in a Mid-Florida Conference doubleheader today at Lady Raider Field starting at 2 p.m.

The Raiders will travel to Ocala to challenge Central Florida Community College in an M-FC doubleheader at 2 p.m. on Thursday and then head to Winter Haven to take part in the Polk Community College Tournament on Saturday and Sunday.

"Jodi pitched a great first game for us," said SCC head coach Courtney Miller. "Especially since our offense was nowhere to be found. We did manage to put a couple of hits back-to-back. I knew that if we could at least score a run, that our defense could hold them."

"Finally, we got our offense going in the second game. Jeannie (Manz) and Amy (Fazio) came up with the big hits with

runners on base. Their pitching was pretty slow and I think at first we were just trying to kill the ball. Once we relaxed and focused on good pitches and getting good extension with our bats the hits started coming."

Wood, a freshman from Colonial, struck out two and walked two in hurling the three-hitter in the first game to raise her record to 6-1 on the season.

Manz led the offense, going 2-for-3 with a double and a run scored, while Gillespie was 2-for-3 with a double and an RBI.

Oviedo freshman Sarah Reeber allowed only one earned run on six hits in the second game, striking out two and walking one to improve her record to 3-0.

Contributing to a 16-hit Raiders attack were Fazio (3-for-4, double, two runs scored, three RBI), Lake Mary's Brie

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Photo courtesy of SCC

Jeannie Manz doubled in both games as SCC beat North Florida twice on Saturday.

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Raiders

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Chacon led the way at the plate for the winners, going 2-for-2 and scoring a run.

Shorts also had a pair of hits in four trips and scored the game-winning run.

Also contributing to a nine-hit SCC attack were Corvos (1-for-3, home run, two runs scored, RBI), Ben Johannning (1-for-3, double, run, RBI), Bryan Babij (1-for-4, two RBI), Todd Babij (1-for-5, RBI) and Averil (1-for-4).

On Friday the Raiders had taken a 4-0 lead in the bottom of the first inning, but the Sharks (9-3) quickly evened the score with four runs in the top of the second and then took the lead for good with two runs

in the top of the third inning. SCC kept the game close until M-DCC plated four runs in the top of the eighth inning.

R. Lara was 3-for-5 with a home run for the Sharks, while R. Rodriguez was 3-for-4, with two runs scored and four RBI, three coming on a home run in the eighth inning.

For the Raiders, Chacon was 3-for-5 and scored a run. Also contributing were Oviedo's Ricky Rodriguez (2-for-4, RBI), Todd Babij (2-for-5, triple, RBI), Johannning (1-for-2, home run, two runs scored, RBI), Vera (1-for-4, home run, run scored, RBI), Shorts (1-for-4, double, RBI), Eugene Ribley (1-for-1), Corvos (1-for-5, RBI) and Sanford's Gary Rivers (one run scored).

FRIDAY
SHARKS 12, RAIDERS 6
M-DCC 045 001 140 - 13 17 0
SCC 051 000 001 - 6 12 7
 Babaj, Ortiz (3), Moreno (6) and Ayala, Griffith, Ribley (2) and Corvos. WP - Babaj (3-0), LP - Griffith (2-3). Save - Ortiz (1). 2B - M-DCC, Pasmos, Rodriguez, Lemas; SCC, Shorts. 3B - SCC, T. Babij. HR - M-DCC, Lara, Rodriguez; SCC, Johannning, Vera. Records - M-DCC 9-3.

SUNDAY
RAIDERS 5, CARDINALS 4
Catsville 101 000 300 - 4 5 1
Seminole 100 000 011 - 5 9 1
 Hampton, Stallman (4), Hundertmark (9) and Stimmering. Meier and Rodriguez. WP - Meier (1-1), LP - Stallman (0-1). Save - none. 2B - CCC, Dawson; SCC, Johannning. 3B - none. HR - CCC, Carriagena; SCC, Corvos. Records - CCC 0-2; SCC 4-14.

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plants selected should grow at least two feet tall or be in hanging baskets. Plant varieties include salvia, trumpet vine, and impatiens (sultana). Impatiens come in many colors, but red is more attractive for hummingbirds.

Hummingbirds nest in April and May with the nest being a tiny cup of plant material bound together with spider web. It is lined with plant down and covered on the outside with bits of lichen. Most often, the nest is attached to a slender, downward sloping branch. A site near or over water is common. The female normally lays two half-inch long white eggs.

The ruby-throated hum-

mingbird is the only species of hummingbird that nests in Florida and is the only species found east of the Mississippi River.

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FISHING FORECAST

The river has great bass action, especially from Puzle Lake south to Lake Winder. Low water levels are forcing bass into the main channel, where they are easily located around amphibious spots. Catfish and bream are hitting in the deep bends.

Sebastian Inlet has great

action with flounder, sheepshead, redfish, and trout. Live shrimp is a favorite bait. Snook are still catch-and-release.

Captain Jack at Port Canaveral reports that high seas have kept boats in Port. King mackerel will be on Pelican Flats and cobia will be on offshore wrecks. Sheepshead and flounder are biting in the Port. Trout and redfish are scattered on the flats of the Banana and Indian rivers.

Sheepshead are the big news at Ponce Inlet where they are hitting live shrimp and fiddler crabs. Also expect drum, redfish and bluefish. Trout and redfish are rated as fair in Mosquito Lagoon.

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VanSwearingen (3-for-4, double, run scored), Lyman's Miranda Schulz (3-for-4, two runs scored, RBI), Manz (2-for-4, double, two RBI), Oviedo's Lisa Field (2-for-4, run scored), Gillespie (double, run scored, RBI), Deanna Osborn (single, run scored), Kelli Vetter (single, RBI), Michelle Miranda (two runs scored, RBI) and Oviedo's Danielle Sequino (two runs scored).

RAIDERS 1-12, SENTINELS 0-2
GAME 1
SCC 010 000 0 - 1 4 1
NPCC 000 000 0 - 0 3 0
 Wood and Gillespie. M. Lutz and Banks. WP - Wood (6-1), LP - M. Lutz. Save - none. 2B - SCC, Manz, Gillespie. 3B - none. HR - none.

The longest jumps

The four longest recorded long jumps:

Year	Jumper	Distance (meters)
1991	Mike Powell (US)	8.95
1968	Bob Beamon (US)	8.90
1991	Carl Lewis (US)	8.87
1987	Robert Emmiyan (USSR)	8.86



The longest long jump was Mike Powell's 8.95 meter leap, recorded in 1991.

Champs

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squad in the district finals, forcing Lake Howell to play all of its regional games on the road.

But the Silver Hawks were not to be denied, winning three straight road games fairly easily and earning the return trip to Tallahassee.

Even at the State Championships Lake Howell faced a major undertaking, having to face an undefeated Vairico-Bloomington team in the semifinals and if successful, then have to face either defending champion Spanish River or undefeated Coral Gables.

The to make matters worse, star goalie Kim Angel was di-

agnosed with mononucleosis two days before the trip to the state capitol, forcing head coach Didier Menard to make changes to his line-up.

Sophomore Mindy Mulvihill volunteered to move into goal, despite having not played the position in five years. This move also necessitated MacDowell to move to midfield from her accustomed position of sweeper on defense.

After handing Bloomington its first loss of the season, the Silver Hawks advanced to meet the Cavaliers, who eliminated Spanish River and were 24-0-4 on the season.

With MacDowell and the other senior on the squad, U.S.

National Team member Nandi Fryce, playing with high fever and Mindy Mulvihill injuring a wrist in warm-ups, Coral Gables grabbed a 1-0 lead 17 minutes into the game sophomore Bianca Caviglia picked up a loose ball in the box and put it into the net.

The game remained 1-0 until the 50th minute, 10 minutes into the second half, Lake Howell's leading scorer, Junior Piper Seaman, netted her 24th goal of the season from 25 yards out, the ball settling into the net after bounding off the Cavaliers' goalkeeper's fingers and the cross bar.

No one would score again through the final 30 minutes of regulation and two five-minute overtime periods, forcing mid-

den-death. After dominating the play, the Silver Hawks were ready to get out of the 85-degree heat and Holcomb, a junior who had scored what proved to be the winning goal in a 3-1 victory over Bloomington on Friday, took the pass from MacDowell and chipped the ball into the top left corner of the goal from 30 yards out.

Lake Howell (27-6-2) got off 32 shots, while the Cavaliers (24-1-4) were only able to get seven against the defense of Mindy Mulvihill, Joanna Black, Jill Rice and Brianna Callahan.

Making up the roster for coach Menard, who is the goalie for the Haitian National Team, and his assistant, former UCF standout Jean Varas, are Piper Seaman, Randi Fryce, Patty MacDowell, Lena Rowe, Mindy Mulvihill, Amber Stone, Jaimie Craddy, Jenny Mulvihill, Mary Tighe, Lauren Hunsicker, Lindsay Rice, Joanna Black, Brianna Callahan and Kim Angel.

But even in victory everything did not go as planned for the Silver Hawks as the team bus broke down on the return trip to Seminole County.

FBAA GIRLS CLASS 4A STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

at FDU Soccer Stadium, Tallahassee
SILVER HAWKS 2, CAVALIERS 0
 (udden-death overtime)
 Coral Gables 1 0 0 0 - 1
 Lake Howell 1 0 0 1 - 2
 Scoring - Coral Gables, Caviglia (Basire), 17th minute; Lake Howell, Seaman (unassisted), 50th minute; Lake Howell, Holcomb (MacDowell), 91st minute. Shots on goal - Coral Gables 7; Lake Howell 32. Saves - Coral Gables 14; Lake Howell 0. Corner Kicks - Coral Gables 0; Lake Howell 13. Fouls - Coral Gables 7; Lake Howell 7. Records - Coral Gables 24-1-4; Lake Howell 27-6-2.



FILE PHOTO

Sophomore Mindy Mulvihill (No. 21) made her first appearance in goal in five years as she picked up two wins to help Lake Howell win the Class 4A State Championship Saturday afternoon.

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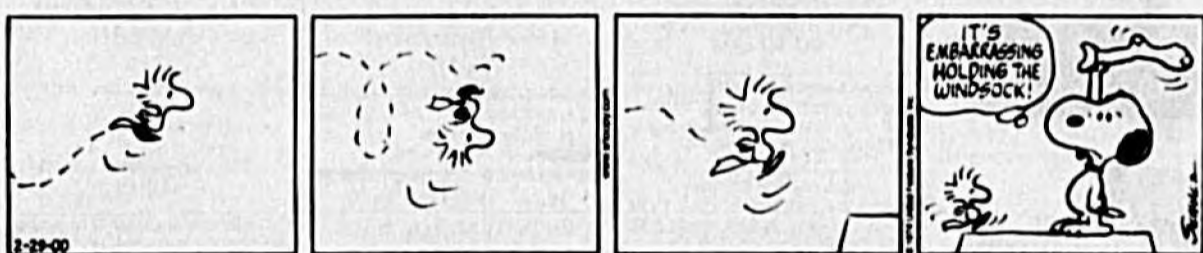


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Your Birthday
Wednesday, March 1, 2000
 The year ahead will be a good time to place greater emphasis on your personal ambitions. Several desires you feel strongly about could be advanced successfully.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you don't look out for your own interests, why should you expect others to do so for you? Do not be laid back or indifferent to the point where you won't assert yourself. Places, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't suffer in silence today if you require some kind of assistance. Make your needs known to those whom you know can make your life easier. They'll come through for you.

Taurus (April 20-May 20) Friends or associates could play a prominent role in your affairs today. But you won't mind a bit; in fact, you'll welcome the involvement.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Competitive situations should not be dodged today because the fates are favoring you by slanting the odds slightly in your favor. Concentrate on winning, not on the opposition.

CANCER (June 21-July 23) You might be a trifle too introspective concerning your plans and destination today, but once you get on roll, everything clears up and, chances are you'll chalk up a successful day.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23) What you'll do best today is help others sort out their affairs or show them how they can get better results from the resources they have at hand.

VERGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23) Because you'll take the necessary time to make everyone with whom you deal feel they are special and deserve your attention, you'll be a very popular person.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23) Someone who likes you and knows your ambitions might be instrumental in doing something that will give your career a boost. It's a person you may have met recently.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Disassociate yourself from involvements that are tedious or commercial today, if at all possible. It's to your benefit to associate with outlets that could revitalize your outlook.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Catch up on all those little things around the house you've been promising yourself you'd do for the family. Once you get moving, you'll enjoy the order brings into your life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) What you see and hear today can be used to your personal advantage in a prominent way, so try to be as keen an observer and as good a listener as you can be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Several financial opportunities may be around you today that will be worthy of your exploration and development. Be watchful and make the most of that which is within your reach.

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Win at Bridge

The extra day, the extra card

By Phillip Alder
 Most employers enjoy today, Feb. 29, because employees who are paid by the month have to do an extra day's work for no extra pay. Perhaps this isn't a good simile, but in today's deal the declarer held a superfluous card, without which he would have cruised home. What was that card? After West led a trump, how should South have planned the play in four spades? North's three hearts was a transfer bid, showing five-plus spades. Three no-trump offered a choice of games. Although three no-trump is an easy make, South was right to prefer four spades. Because he knew of an eight-card fit and was worried about the blocked spade suit in no-trump. When you are in a suit contract, it usually pays to check losers. Here, though, it is easier to count winners. There are

five spades, one heart, one diamond and two clubs. For the 10th trick, you could either try the diamond finesse or play for clubs to be 3-3. (South went for the former, but failed when the finesse lost and West returned his last trump.) However, there is a third line that is much better. Immediately play the ace and queen of diamonds. West wins with the king and returns a trump, but you lead a club to dummy's ace and ruff the last diamond in your hand. Any time you can take a ruff in the short-trump hand, it is probably the right line. The diamond queen is a red-card herring! Without the diamond queen, South would probably have made the contract. Yet on the day when it is acceptable for a woman to propose marriage to a man, he was lapped, like Ulysses, by the Sirens.

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North 02:29:00			
♠	J 10 9 6 3		
♥	7 4		
♦	A 8 5		
♣	A 6 5		
West			
♠	7 2		
♥	K J 8 4		
♦	K 10 7 6 3		
♣	J 9		
East			
♠	8 5 4		
♥	Q 10 9		
♦	J 9 3		
♣	Q 10 8 4		
South			
♠	A K Q		
♥	A 6 5 3		
♦	A Q		
♣	K 7 3 2		
Vulnerable: Both			
Dealer: South			
South West North East			
3 NT	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	3 NT	Pass
	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
Opening lead: ♠ 2			



Phillip Alder
Bridge

Doctor Gott

Stones call for surgery

DEAR DR. GOTT: During an entirely routine examination, at the age of 65, I was found to have trace amounts of blood in my urine. Following this, my doctor ordered kidney X-rays that showed what he called "stag-horn calculi." He and a urologist have advised surgery. However, my pharmacist and certified dietitian disagree. What's your opinion?
 DEAR READER: In my opinion, it is unimaginable that a pharmacist and a dietitian would presume to disagree with your doctors with respect to kidney surgery. On the other hand, you might certainly be more comfortable receiving a third opinion from another specialist. Let's, for a moment, analyze your situation. Kidney stones come in all sizes and shapes. Small ones are often passed in the urine, causing severe pain and urinary bleeding. Large stones, however, cannot be expelled. This is your problem. As you described your ailment, you have large kidney stones that resem-

ble a stag's antlers) in both kidneys. While these calcium deposits have not caused you pain, they have resulted in a seepage of blood into your urine. They have taken years to form and cannot be dissolved by non-surgical means. The major consequence of such stones is infection. Because they are basically foreign material, they can provide a reservoir for bacterial growth. Thus, the stones are not the health hazard; the infection is. Such infection, if uncontrolled, could eventually spread into the kidney tissue, perhaps leading to renal failure. Not being a urologist or a physician familiar with your state of health, I cannot make a recommendation for or against surgery. Nonetheless, in my experience, such huge stones could cause potentially serious consequences, a fact that your pharmacist and dietitian seem to have ignored. I advise you to follow the primary, secondary or tertiary opinions of your physicians. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Kidney Disorders."

Other readers who would like a copy should send \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have had a cardiac murmur since childhood. Are there any exercises or diets that I could employ to prevent calcification of the valves in my heart?
 DEAR READER: No. Abnormal heart valves do tend to calcify with age. The precise reasons for this are unknown, although increased turbulence of blood through such valves may be a factor. In addition to causing the extra heart sound known as a murmur. You should be reminded, however, that a low-cholesterol diet may help retard some of the other cardiac consequences of aging. If you have a long-standing valvular deformity, you should be under the care of a cardiologist, who can give you specific advice about diet, exercise and what, if any, treatment would be necessary for your condition.

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