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Today: Scattered Thunderstorms, Highs in the upper 80s.

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TODAY

SPORTS

This just in

Get there early if you want to get a seat. The Seminole County Board of County Commissioners faces the possibility of a strong battle today as they tackle the question of the adult entertainment ordinance in the county.

Commissioner Daryl McLain vowed this morning that he would not stay past midnight tonight when the debate will probably still be taking place.

Chairman Randy Morris said he would do what he could to keep the debate focused and moving along quickly.

Meanwhile talk radio station 104.1 FM is planning to transport a bus load of listeners to the commission meeting tonight and have those listeners address the board on the issue.

The board meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the BCC chambers (which seats 195), 1101 W. First Street in Sanford.

Aggravated assault

Stanley Haslacker, 26, of Altamonte Springs, was arrested Monday morning at the Seminole County jail after he threatened Circuit Court Judge Ken Lester with numchucks, a martial arts weapon, according to sheriff's spokesman Ed McDonough. Haslacker was appearing in court to be sentenced on an aggravated battery conviction when he approached the podium and yelled that he was not going back to prison and would kill himself before anyone could stop him. Haslacker was subsequently disarmed by corrections officers and no one was hurt in the struggle. He is being held under \$10,000 bond in the Seminole jail.

Armed carjacking

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office is investigating the armed carjacking of a Yellow taxicab that occurred Monday morning in Altamonte Springs. According to sheriff's spokesman Ed McDonough, the cab picked up two men in front of Club 436 at the intersection of Anchor Road and State Road 436. After telling the cab driver to turn on to Station Street, the suspects grabbed the driver and pointed a gun at him. They robbed the driver and pushed him out of the cab. He was not hurt. The cab is a 1994 white and orange Mercury Grand Marquis with Florida license tag NQY-05H. The suspects are black males. One is 20 years old, 5 feet 8 inches, 150 pounds, with short black hair, the other is 25 years old, 6 feet, 210 pounds with black hair.

Seminole chaplain is tops

Chaplain Charles B. Pitroff has been named Good News Jail and Prison Ministry's Chaplain of the Year.

Pitroff currently serves as the Senior Chaplain at the John E. Polk Correctional Facility in Sanford. He has been there since 1992.

The chaplain was presented with the award from the ministry at their annual conference recently. He was also honored with the award in 1987 and is the first multiple winner of the honor.

Good News Jail and Prison Ministry is the largest supplier of privately-funded chaplains in the United States.

James Taylor live

Smooth Jazz 103.1 WLOQ in Winter Park will present a live concert and simulcast of James Taylor from Sony Studios in New York, Wednesday from 9 to 11 p.m. The performance will be shown on A&E with 103.1 providing the sound.

From Staff Reports

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I like the dreams of the future better than the history of the past.

- Thomas Jefferson

Reaching out for a better community



Rose Davis and Kevin Haran work together on an outdoor natural sculpture, part of the BRO Program at the Sanford Housing Authority. Story Page 2A.

Will new nudity laws affect you?

By RUSSE WHITE
Herald Staff Writer

For the vast majority of people who have never patronized any adult entertainment establishment or sexually-oriented businesses, the Board of Seminole County Commissioners has only one choice to make today - close 'em down.

Tonight, is decision time for the board as it votes on a slate of controversial regulations on public nudity, adult entertainment, zoning and alcohol.

How tough can the commissioners get without bringing on more lawsuits from those who say the regulations are unconstitutional?

"As tough as we can be," says Commissioner Grant Maloy, who said today he is prepared to concede nothing to those he believes threaten the good order, public health, safety, welfare and morals of the county.

Maloy said he is against "grandfathering" any of the existing adult-entertainment businesses, choosing instead to make them relocate or cease to operate. "I don't want to weaken the ordi-

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Putting pride back in the neighborhood

By STEVE BARNES
Herald Staff Writer

Children stooped to pick up gum wrappers and soda cans in the heat of the blistering midday sun.

Women raked trash from vacant lots and men hauled big items like tires to dumpsters along the way.

Several trustees from the John E. Polk Correctional Facility joined in the effort.

In all, dozens participated in a cleanup along 43rd Street in Sanford on Saturday morning.

The cleanup, which began at the West Sanford Boys and Girls Club on Persimmon Avenue, meandered along 13th Street to Lake Avenue.

The endeavor was the manifestation of the ideals set forth in a proclamation signed by Mayor Larry Dale designating June as Community Pride Month in District 2.

Community Pride Month was conceived by Commissioner Velma Williams, who represents that district, and her constituents as a way of showing pride in the local community and beautifying neighborhoods within the district.

The proclamation emphasized the need for the community to

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Concerned residents pitch in to clean up 13th Street Saturday.

Herald Photo by Steve Barnes

School head is loyal to Seminole

By VICKI DeBORMIER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

Supt. Paul Hagerty did not formally apply for the position of superintendent of schools in Hillsborough County.

Though Joanne DeRosal, a secretary to Hillsborough's superintendent Earl Lennard said she remembered hearing Hagerty's name during the superintendent search she could not confirm this morning that he had formally applied for the job when it was open last year March through July.

"I don't have any application on file for him," she said. "I've heard his name, but there's no paperwork and his name isn't on the master list from that search."

Hagerty denies emphatically that he ever even considered applying for the position.

"I have not applied for, nor expressed interest in any other job since coming to Seminole County," Hagerty said.

Hagerty's three year rolling contract is up for annual renewal at this evening's school board meeting.

He and board Chairman Sandy See Hagerty, Page 5A

Pow!!! Batgirl drops in

By MARY ROWELL
Herald Correspondent

LAKE MARY - She was ahead of her time. She was smart, she was capable and she rode a motorcycle. She was the original Batgirl from the 60s television series. Yvonne Craig, Alicia Silverstone's predecessor and the first Batgirl, came to Lake Mary on Saturday. Craig came to meet her fans and to sign autographs. She and Adam West, the original Batman, are part of a Nabisco tour.

There was a pretty even mix of children and middle aged men at the signing. One man said, "If the motorcycle didn't come across at the beginning of the show, signifying Batgirl's part in it, I didn't watch it!" Another man said, "Batgirl helped me make it through puberty." The children attending just thought it was "really cool" to meet Batgirl. Most of them know her from reruns on cable.

Craig took time to talk to each person getting an autograph. What did she remember most about being Batgirl? "Getting up every day

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Batgirl Yvonne Craig with fan Michael Frazzitta

Herald Photo by Mary Rowell

Woman fights for her rental business

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

She says she's just trying to run a business, to keep a 60-plus year tradition of housing opportunity alive in Sanford.

City officials say they'd like to help, but she has failed to uphold her end of the bargain.

Clarice Delano's license to operate a three-unit apartment house was revoked by the state six months ago because there were reports she was using the house at 801 Magnolia Ave. as a rooming house, something she was not licensed to do by the state as required by law.

State inspectors claimed 10 to 12 people were living in each unit and they were using five-gallon buckets as toilets. Reports of rat and cockroach infestations were also considered when the license was revoked.

The city fire inspector also cited her for a variety of violations, including faulty screens and impassable windows.

On Monday night, Delano petitioned the Sanford City Commission to allow her to reopen her triplex, two units of which she has been renting out to her son and another family member since she was shut down.

Violations were corrected

city officials said. "at the 11th hour."

Delano battled vociferously with commissioners who were trying to make sure she was following the requisite steps to get her occupational license reinstated.

A mix up with the application process had Delano standing helpless before the board when they asked to see documentation of her repairs and reapplication process.

For reasons the commission was unable to determine, the application process broke down when she carried the information from Jay Marder, director of planning and development, to code inspector Gary Wynn's office.

Marder told the commissioners that he remembers the specific application.

Representatives of the community development office have no such recollection.

No one is quite sure where the breakdown occurred.

"Thank goodness that man is honest," Delano said, pointing at Marder, "or I'd be up here looking like an idiot."

Mayor Larry Dale assured her that no one wanted her to look like an idiot and they were merely trying to find where the communications breakdown occurred.

Are you ready for a spaced out day?



Today IS...
VICKI DeSORMIER
Staff Writer

It could be a strange day today. Aren't they all?

This is the 50th anniversary of the first reported sighting of a UFO. According to the official reports, the first sighting of a UFO (Unidentified Flying Object) was on this date in 1947.

The UFO was spotted over Mt. Ranier, Wash. by Kenneth Arnold of Boise, Idaho.

It wasn't clear from the information I have if the flying saucer contained little green men or other outer space creatures.

Regardless of who was aboard, however, Mr. Arnold

reported the object to authorities and has since been joined by thousands of others who have seen saucers, ships and visitors from far away places traveling in a variety of craft.

Another source of strangeness is being celebrated today. This is National Columbian's Day.

Newspaper columnists from around the globe who bring joy, laughter and thought-provoking ideas to readers every day deserve to be celebrated by their readers at least once a year.

The celebration is held annually on the fourth Tuesday in June.

Cards and letters of encouragement and thanks would always be appreciated by those who toil at the word processor to create the columns you enjoy.

A part of her-story (as opposed to history) is being cele-

brated today as well.

This is the 350th anniversary of Margaret Brent's demand for a political voice.

Brent made her claim as America's first feminist by demanding a voice and vote for herself in the Maryland Colonial Assembly on this date in 1647.

She had come to this country in 1638 and was the first woman to own property in Maryland.

At the time she made her demands, she was serving as the secretary to Gov. Leonard Calvert.

She was ejected from the meetings, but when Calvert died, she became his executor and became acting governor, presiding over the General Assembly.

It was many years before women began to see any semblance of power in political or personal arenas, but it was because of women like Brent that

any changes were made.

St. John the Baptist is being feted worldwide today.

In Macau, they are celebrating their defeat of the Dutch forces in the invasion of 1622.

The people of Macau celebrate their freedom and the birth of their patron saint (John the Baptist) on this special day.

This is also the birth anniversary of Henry Ward Beecher, the famous American orator and clergyman who was born on this date in 1813.

Beecher's dying words sum up the feelings of many of us as he said, "Now comes the mystery."

Few celebs are blowing out the candles today.

Among those who are are actor Peter Weller who is 50, actress Michelle Lee who is 50, former sportscaster and former Miss America Phyllis George who is 48 and musician Mark Fleetwood who is 55.



Vintage view
These first graders were in Mrs. Ann Echols 1960-61 class. Mrs. Margaret K. Reynolds was their principal at Pine Crest Elementary School in Sanford. The majority of these students in this photo graduated from Seminole High School as part of the class of 1972. The students in the class were (in the front row left to right) Robin Mattair, Bee-Bee Michael, Katrina Keeling, Robin Calhoun, Billy Joe Dyson and Sharon Wood. (in the second row, left to right) Paul Evans, Karen Jones, Michael White, Angie Hill,

Susan Weddeke, Johnny Terwilliger, David Hurdle, and Mary Goans. (in the third row, left to right) Kathy Andrews, Russ McKenzie, Bobby Cara, Mitchell Travis, Larry Ivie, Jess Crawford, Deborah Richard and Kathy Crabtree. (in the fourth row, left to right) Jimmy Wade, Laurel Rodgers, Lorraine Epps, Jimmy Shepard, Gary Fossum, Ford Powell, Mark McKenzie and Willie Lassen. If you know of any corrections, contact Carol Marie Stinescoper.

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Requests for photo coverage should be made at least three days in advance by calling our office. Your organization's publicity person should arrange for photo coverage and submit a news release about the event no later than three days following.

Engagement and wedding forms are available at our office. If desired, these may be accompanied by a black and white or color photo. These stories are usually run on Sundays and should be submitted on Tuesday before the publication date. Weddings more than three months old will be published in announcement form without a photo.

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WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

Today: Scattered Thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 80s. Tonight: Lows in the mid 60s. Wednesday: Scattered Thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Highs in the low 90s. Thursday: Scattered Thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Highs in the mid 90s. Friday: Scattered Thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 60s. Highs in the mid 90s. Saturday: Scattered Thunderstorms. Lows in the mid 70s. Highs in the mid 90s.

STATISTICS

The high temperature in Sanford Monday was 92 degrees and the overnight low was 69 as reported by the University of Florida Agricultural Research and Education Center, Celery Avenue. Recorded rainfall for the period ending at 10 a.m. Tuesday totalled 0 inches. *Sunrise: 6:27 p.m. *Sunset: 8:23 p.m.

SUN INDEX

The Ultra Violet Index (UVI) rating for the Orlando area is 10. The UVI levels are rated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

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BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 3 to 4 feet and choppy. Current is running to the south with a water temperature of 76 degrees.
New Smyrna Beach: Waves are 3 to 4 feet and semi-choppy. Current is running to the south with a water temperature of 78 degrees.

FLORIDA TEMPS

MIAMI - Florida 24 hour temperatures and rainfall at 8 a.m. today:

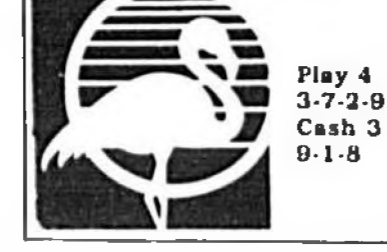
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Fort Myers	81	70	01
Gainesville	79	63	01
Jacksonville	83	73	01
Key West	83	73	19
Miami	81	77	00
Pensacola	84	68	00
Sarasota	80	69	01
Tallahassee	80	63	03
Tampa	85	72	06
W. Palm Beach	81	74	02

TIDES

WEDNESDAY SOLUNAR TABLE: min., 10:55 a.m., 11:25 p.m.; maj., 4:45 a.m., 5:10 p.m.
TIDES: Daytona Beach: highs: 12:40 a.m., 1:12 p.m.; lows: 7:04 a.m., 7:28 p.m.
New Smyrna Beach: highs: 12:45 a.m., 1:17 p.m.; lows: 7:09 a.m., 7:33 p.m.
Cocoa Beach: highs: 1:00 a.m., 1:32 p.m.; lows: 7:24 a.m., 7:45 p.m.

LOTTERY

Here are the winning numbers selected on Monday in the Florida Lottery:
Fantasy 5
8-15-19-20-26
Lotto (June 21)
5-11-29-31-43-48



They have art in this neighborhood group

By STEVE BARNES
Herald Staff Writer

It's a sad fact that many children in low income families do not have access to art supplies or exposure to artists who might help them discover their own artistic spirit.

Within the confines of the Sanford Housing Authority, however, volunteers are teaching the disadvantaged children how to express their artistic yearnings.

The volunteers are brought to the housing authority by BRO (Brethren Reaching Out), a Christian-based program designed to help inner city youth build self esteem and spiritual and moral values.

BRO conducts weekly workshops in artistic expression outside the converted apartment on 5th Street that has been their headquarters since their inception two years ago.

Currently, the BRO program is looking for a new home. Timothy Hudson, executive director of the Sanford Housing Authority, has given them notice that they must evacuate the apartment offices by the middle of July. So far, they have not found a new home.

BRO offers academic and job skills training in addition to the artistic programs.

In addition to the weekly art program, BRO has organized an exchange program with the University of



Corey Bryant, 4, was among the youngsters at the BRO (Brethren Reaching Out) program in the Sanford Housing Authority who worked on the visual arts project with UCF art instructor Kevin Haran and student assistant Jodi Doster this past weekend.

Central Florida which brings in professional artists every month or two.

This weekend, the participating children were treated to the artistic talents of Kevin Haran, an art professor at UCF and his student assistant Jodi Doster.

The two artists regularly volunteer their time at BRO and at public schools in Seminole, Orange and Osceola counties.

Their work is sponsored by PAVE (Partnership for Visual Arts in Education), a program dedicated to bringing the visual arts to students in the community.

Saturday, the volunteers instructed the children in the fine art of pyramid building using natural materials found in the yard behind the BRO building. The resulting structure resembled the teepee-style buildings children often

construct when playing cowboys and Indians.

Haran said it was a sculpture that children could view from both the inside and out.

Rose Davis, executive director of BRO, said the exercise in artistic expression, helped the children broaden their horizons as well as occupying their spare time.

For more information about programs offered by BRO, call Davis at 324-8090.



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POLICE BRIEFS**Domestic violence charged**

Michael Bley, 40, of 393 Woldunn Cir., Lake Mary, was arrested Friday by Lake Mary Police. Bley was charged with battery (domestic violence) and was arrested at his residence. Report said that Bley had been out drinking, then came home and started hitting his wife.

Drug charges

Dawonaa Alexander, 23, of 1324 Oleander Ave., Sanford, was arrested Thursday by Sanford Police. Alexander was charged with possession of crack cocaine with intent to distribute, obstruction by disguised person and possession of crack cocaine. Alexander was arrested at address listed above. Report said that Alexander used a fake name after his arrest for the drugs.

Incidents

A TV set worth \$85 was stolen Tuesday from the 1400 block of S. Locust.

A Craftsman 22" high wheel mower and a Craftsman blower both worth \$360 were stolen from a residence in the 1600 block of Sanford Ave.

A victim's purse was stolen Thursday in the 610 block of Cypress Ave. As part of a strong armed robbery, the purse was valued at \$100.

Electronics and jewelry worth \$2,580 were stolen Thursday in the 2500 block of Ridgewood Ave.

Threat leads to arrest

Emory Denmark, 37, of 1340 Lake Dr. Casselberry, was arrested Saturday by Casselberry Police. Denmark was charged with assault and resisting without violence and was arrested at his residence. Report said that Denmark threatened a neighbor and his son.

DUI charged

Errol Gilbert, 21, of 951 E. Salt Pond Place Altamonte Springs was arrested on Friday by Altamonte Springs Police. Gilbert was charged with DUI and with refusing to sign citation. He was arrested at the corner of SR 436 and Montgomery Rd. Report said that Gilbert was blocking an intersection with his car and asleep in it.

Susan Henry, 42, of 471 W. Franklin St. Ovida was arrested on Sunday by Seminole County deputies. Henry was charged with DUI and arrested at the corner of SR 46 and Marina Isle. Report said that Henry was driving 45 in a 55 mph zone. She was also swerving in her lane.

Cocaine charge

Egbert Adgar, 56, of 1205 Taylor St. Ovida was arrested Saturday by Ovida Police. Adgar was charged with possession of cocaine and arrested at Stephen St. Report said that the substance was found on a pocket knife belonging to Adgar.

Domestic violence charged

Edward Chance, 37, of 619 Laurel Ave. Sanford was arrested Sunday by Sanford Police. Chance was charged with battery (domestic violence) and arrested at his residence. Report said that Chance struck his wife in the face.

Ralph de Treville, 43, of 213 Huttonwood, Winter Springs, was arrested Sunday by Winter Springs Police. Treville was charged with domestic assault and battery and arrested at his residence. Report said that Treville got into a fight with his wife.

Concealed pipe leads to arrest

Mary Flovius, 50, of unknown residence, was arrested Friday by Sanford Police. Flovius was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and arrested at the corner of 10th and Cypress. Report said that officers noticed her concealing a pipe in her hand.

Drug paraphernalia found

Loren Baker, 42, of unknown residence, was arrested Sunday by Sanford Police. Baker was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and arrested at the corner of 10th and Cypress. Officers noticed Baker throwing away something before they approached.

Robert White, 42, of 24 Castle Brewer Ct., Sanford, was arrested Sunday by Sanford Police. White was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and open container of alcohol and arrested in the 1600 block of W. 13th St. Report said that White was observed with the open container and, when searched, officers found drug paraphernalia in his pocket.

Retail theft charged

Sara Seyler, 23, of Leesburg, was arrested Saturday by Sanford Police. Seyler was charged with retail theft and arrested in the 300 block of Towne Center Cir. Report said that she had concealed clothes in fitting room of store.

Drug search and arrest

Joe Perry Jr., 40, of 500 Oak Ave., Sanford, was arrested Sunday by Sanford Police. Perry was charged with possession of crack cocaine and arrested at the corner of 3rd St. and Oak Ave. Report said that the cocaine was found upon a search.

Cannabis found

Austin Gomes, 21, of 1323 Rosecliff Cir., Sanford, was arrested Saturday by Sanford Police. Gomes was charged with battery (domestic violence) and possession of cannabis under 20 grams. He was arrested at his residence. Report said that Gomes was fighting with his girlfriend. After arrest, officers found cannabis on him.

Incidents

Mechanical tools worth \$4,250 were stolen Friday from the 700 block of Aero Ln.

An RCA camcorder and jewelry worth \$640 were stolen Friday from the 800 block of W. 25th St.

A red lawn mower was stolen Friday in the 100 block of Sycamore Ct. and the mower was worth \$250.

A Craftsman chainsaw and weed eater worth \$200 were stolen Saturday from the 1600 block of Sanford Ave.

A Craftsman circular saw and a weed edger worth \$450 were stolen Saturday in the 800 block of Park Ave.

A victim's purse with contents valued over \$3000 was stolen at gunpoint by two men in the 1900 block of Country Club Rd. on Friday.

An 89 maroon Ford Mustang, license plate number SAL-100, with two doors and a grey interior, was stolen Sunday from the 3600 block of S. Orlando Dr.

A 72 dark blue Chevy Caprice two door, license plate number KXG-84U, was stolen from the 120 block of Garrison Dr. on Sunday.

A microwave valued at \$100 was stolen Sunday in the 150 block of N. Palmetto Ave.

A Bridgestone Men's bicycle was stolen Sunday in the 100 block of Towne Center Cir. The bike is worth \$500.

A cell phone was taken off the lap of its owner on 13th St. Saturday. It is worth \$200.

Two AC pumps were stolen Friday in the 120 block of Tech Dr. They were worth \$1,500.

Clothes with an undetermined value were stolen Friday in the 1700 block of W. 13th St.

Settlement in nuclear outage case**From Staff Reports**

TALLAHASSEE--The Florida Public Service Commission (PSC) was presented with an agreement between Florida Power Corporation (FPC), the Office of Public Counsel and all other parties who were part of the review of the Crystal River Nuclear Unit outage.

The agreement must be ap-

proved the PSC, and Chairman Julia Johnson granted the motion by the parties to expedite that process. PSC staff is working to present a recommendation to the Commission on June 26, the date the hearing in this case was scheduled to begin.

"I think this is a very positive sign that all of the parties have come to terms. The PSC will continue to do its part in expe-

diting this process, which is in the best interest of all involved, especially the consumers," Johnson said.

The settlement, if approved by the PSC, mandates that FPC will immediately cease its collection of the increased fuel adjustment charge associated with the Crystal River Unit, and will issue a refund for the charges already collected. In the form of a one-time credit on each customer's bill. However, the agreement does stipulate that after the Crystal River Nuclear Unit is returned to service, FPC will be allowed to collect approximately \$33.8 million of the \$170 million in replacement fuel costs. This amount represents the costs attributable to replacement fuel for September, October

and November, 1996, and will be collected over a 12-month period.

In addition, the parties' agreement requires that FPC's base rates be frozen at current levels for the next four years, unless FPC petitions the PSC for a rate increase.

FPC serves approximately 1.2 million customers in central and northern Florida.

Jesus said: "He that believes in Me, though he were dead, yet shall he live". Find reality, read John 8:31.

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Cool way to spend the day

Brian Silverstein makes a splash in Soldiers Creek, where he spends a day learning about nature around the Environmental Study Center on County Road 427 near Winter Springs.

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Florida exports to China**From Staff Reports**

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The U.S. Chamber of Commerce this past week released an industry-specific international trade report showing the total value of Florida's 1996 exports to China exceeded \$580 million, ranking it 7th out of 54 states and territories that export to China. Total U.S. exports to China for 1996 surpassed \$11.9 billion.

Bruce Josten, Chamber senior vice president, said, "This report clearly demonstrates the importance of China trade to Florida."

"Workers in this state and across the country have a huge stake in maintaining normal trade relations with China and making its most favored nation (MFN) status permanent," Josten added.

"The annual debate over China's trade status hurts American businesses ability to compete in the world's fastest growing economy. Further, the Chamber of Commerce strongly believes the best way to improve China's behavior is to immerse it in the culture of free enterprise."

Citing another recently released Chamber survey of small and mid-sized companies, Josten said, "China is a vibrant market for American companies of all sizes and these numbers reinforce that fact."

Congress is set to consider China's MFN status this week.

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EDITORIAL

Kudos to commissioner

Sanford's 13th Street has been, over the years, a historic part of the community and in more recent times, the subject of blight. The police QUAD Squad has targeted portions of the avenue plagued with drug deals, and a general malaise seemed to have settled over much of the area.

No more. Thanks to the take-charge attitude of the District 2 commissioner, Dr. Velma Williams, a big dose of pride was restored Saturday to some of the residents along 13th Street, and to us all. Community Pride is Williams' brainchild, and judging by the turnout of citizens willing to pitch in and donate some time on a very hot day, her idea is working.

Williams knows that government can't be all things to all people and she has encouraged people to take charge of their own surroundings and make a difference. Indeed, this morning, 13th Street still radiates from its sprucing up this past weekend. We think there are enough residents proud of where they live to keep the momentum Williams initiated going strong.

Williams hauled trash with her constituents, deepening her commitment to restore a sense of pride in her District 2 neighbors. We commend her for this positive, pro-active approach to government and community.

LETTER

Foxes in the hen house

The appointees who will review Florida's Constitution this summer are known, and real people need not apply, as usual. I begged the governor and the legislative leaders to stop "business as usual" politics and to appoint common-sense citizens to work for a common-sense constitutional update. I asked for only a minimum of the entrenched interests and a super-majority of people like you: housewives, teachers, workers, volunteers, clerks, and nurses.

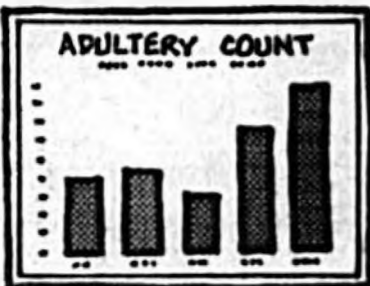
Instead, we got lawyers. Governor Chiles appointed 11 of 15. Senator Jennings 2 of 9. Speaker Webster 4 of 9, and Chief Justice Kogan 4 of 4: 21 of 37. There are 50,000 lawyers in a Florida population of 15 million: a lawyer for every 300 people. But this committee has nearly two lawyers for every person who needs the protection of our constitution from...lawyers.

Lawyers make laws and then try to manipulate the same laws. Our constitution is, for the most part, made by citizens like you, via referendum, to stop these same lawyers. Foxes in the hen house?
William Sheffield
Sanford

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Berry's World



REMEMBERING THE GOOD OLD DAYS, WHEN IT WAS "BODY COUNT."

WRITER'S BLOCK

I bet Jesus would enjoy a Disney visit

You know, if Jesus were alive today, I bet he'd enjoy a day at Disney World.

I bet he'd like to take a walk around the family-oriented theme park and see all the happy, smiling, non-violent people enjoying one of his creations.

He'd see all kinds of attractions based on Disney movies, all espousing the virtue of good over evil, and probably enjoy posing for a picture with Mickey Mouse.

Unfortunately, he wouldn't be joined by a large portion of Southern Baptists who seem to feel that Disney is trying to turn the world into Sodom and Gomorrah.

This isn't the first time I've vented against the insanity of the Baptists stand against America's greatest family institution. But now that the narrow and small-minded hypocrites have approved the Southern Baptist Convention's plan to boycott all Disney products, it is time to examine what their vote actually means.

Does it make sense to boycott a company that produces more family-entertainment than any other business in the country because of its so-called "gay friendly" policies?

If "gay friendly" is the term they want to use to describe their boycott, let's consider that term.

There is nothing wrong with being gay. Do people choose to be gay? The popular thinking is that it is a genetic difference, but being gay isn't a crime.

Would you rather have a so-called straight marriage of domestic violence or a loving, monogamous couple who care for each other and don't want to bother anyone?

Don't the hypocrites, excuse me, boycott supporters, believe in love above all other principles?

Isn't that what Jesus preached? Or would the hypocrites prefer that homosexuals wander through life miserable, hiding their feelings and expressions of love, in the



JEFF BERLINICKE

Staff Writer

name of God?

Being gay is not a crime and if they want to celebrate at Disney during an unsanctioned event, what is so bad about that?

Disney also doesn't sponsor certain "Nights of Joy" but Christians have chosen those nights to celebrate their faith?

Would the hypocrites have preferred that Disney officials call security and maybe even the National Guard to stand at the gate on "Gay Day" to prevent anyone wearing a red shirt from entering the park?

Apparently. And speaking of God, I hope he helps us if the boycott works even one bit.

What's next. Will Nazi-like stormtroopers burst through my doors if I choose to watch Ellen, a show which took a sympathetic stance towards gays, because it is owned by Disney?

Will someone unplug my SportsCenter because it is owned by ABC, a subsidiary of Disney?

Of course America is too smart and too tolerant to pay attention to their boycott and I bet God is pretty happy about that. As far as I can tell, God is a pretty cool guy and I'm a big fan of his.

I bet he'd see people celebrating their love

for each other and be happy that they have chosen love over hate. I bet if his son, Jesus, were walking through the mall, he'd probably stop in the Disney Store and ignore the boycott like all other loving individuals.

And remember, Jesus healed the sick without asking them their sexual preference. It's in the Bible.

Do you think he'd deny someone his healing hands because of their sexual preferences?

Well, that seems to be what the hypocrites want. If a Disney employee has a gay companion, they say, that companion has no right to medical coverage and can just shrivel up, and die for all they care.

And what about the children of Southern Baptists? Is it fair to deny them the opportunity of visiting a theme park which is the dream of children all over the world?

For that matter, should elementary schools all over the world remove pictures of Mickey Mouse from their walls?

Should a first-grader sick, demented and un-Christian enough to walk into the school cafeteria with a Minnie Mouse lunchbox be expelled from school for life?

Are those hypocritical parents teaching their kids a valuable lesson by not letting them see family movies such as *The Lion King* or *Hercules* like all of their friends?

Let's hope those hypocrites are real happy, stewing in their little caves, revelling in their self-righteousness, while the rest of America lives an accepting lifestyle, without unreasonable phobias and hatred.

As for me, I'm going to see *Hercules* next weekend and, God forbid, I sinned and went on Space Mountain at Disney two weeks ago.

While I was waiting in line at Splash Mountain, I started talking to two small children and their parents and none of them seemed to be turning into demons for enjoying Disney.

And guess what else?
I haven't changed into a pillar of salt.



JACK ANDERSON



The item in question is a knife.

American Indian knife comes from China

WASHINGTON -- As captain of the 1964 U.S. Olympic judo team, Ben Nighthorse Campbell bumped up against some tough characters. Now a Republican U.S. Senator from Colorado, Campbell is bumping up against a quite different opponent: his own law.

A member of the Northern Cheyenne tribe, Campbell was one of the prime architects of a 1990 law that requires all arts and crafts items that are advertised as Indian or Native American to actually be made by American Indians.

More than most legislation that moves through Congress, this was an issue close to Campbell's heart -- and his wallet. Long before he entered politics, Campbell owned his own Indian jewelry business, Nighthorse Inc., which is now controlled by his wife and son. Yet even though he gave up the business when he became a politician, Campbell still designs jewelry for the firm, for which he receives a salary.

But as our associate George Clifford III has learned, some of the "authentic" Indian products that Campbell designed are actually being manufactured in China -- even though the ads for the products feature Campbell's picture.

The item in question is a knife, and it was advertised in a recent nationwide Sunday supplement as the "Spirit of the Thunder Collector Knife by Ben Nighthorse."

In keeping with congressional ethics practices, the ad does not mention that Campbell is a senator and does not contain the name Campbell. Ben Nighthorse is the name he uses as an artist. In fact, one would hardly guess that the man depicted in the ad, sporting a Cheyenne war bonnet and traditional dress, spends his weekdays debating budget policy on Capitol Hill.

The knife, like other Campbell-designed items, is being sold through the Franklin Mint a Pennsylvania-based company that sells commemorative coins and other memorabilia. To add an extra measure of authenticity, the knife is authorized by the Virginia-based American Indian Heritage Foundation, which is headed by controversial performer-activist Princess Pal Moon.

Will Rose, a spokesman for the foundation, told us that "Campbell being co-author of the bill...certainly gave us the credibility or confidence...to proceed on the basis that we had been operating under."

The Franklin Mint, meanwhile, acknowledged that another Campbell-designed knife they sold, the "Cheyenne Buffalo Knife," was manufactured outside the United States. A Franklin Mint official added that advertising for that knife notes that it is imported, thereby avoiding "any suggestion it was manufactured by Native American Indians." But in the Spirit of the

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MORTON KONDRACKE

Probers plagued by partisanship

On the anniversaries of Watergate and the Iran-contra hearings, congressional investigators probing the 1996 campaign scandals ought to look to the example of their predecessors and stop turning their work into a partisan debacle.

House Republicans and Senate Democrats, in particular, are abandoning the tradition of conducting a bipartisan search for the truth and are putting party advantage ahead of the public interest.

Unlike Sen. Daniel Inouye, D-Hawaii, who appointed Republican Sen. Warren Rudman, N.H., to co-chair the Iran-contra investigation 10 years ago, chief House prober Dan Burton, R-Ind., is running a one-sided assault on the Clinton White House, cutting Democrats out of the decision-making process.

And unlike former Sen. Howard Baker, R-Tenn., who joined Democrats in conscientiously probing what Richard Nixon knew about Watergate, Senate Democrats now are acting like a defense team for the Democratic National Committee.

Burton is going beyond even the pattern of his predecessor, ex-Rep. Bill Clinger, in demanding personal control over the issuance of subpoenas without input from Democrats or a vote of his Government Reform and Oversight Committee.

So far, Burton has issued 282 records subpoenas to Democratic organizations and individuals and just 10 to Republicans, not including former Republican National Committee Chairman Haley Barbour.

The House committee has received 320,000 pages of documents from Democratic targets -- with Burton complaining he's being stonewalled -- and just 15 pages from Republican targets.

Burton claims that he is following the example that Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., set as chairman of the House Iran-contra probe -- granting the minority merely "consultation" status -- but, in fact, Hamilton issued subpoenas jointly with then-ranking Republican Dick Cheney, Wyo.



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Burton's effort to unilaterally issue subpoenas for personal deposition by witnesses, approved yesterday in a party-line vote of his committee, needs to be approved by the House Rules Committee and the full House. GOP leaders can step in to ensure the fairness of the inquiry.

On the other side of the Capitol, Sen. Fred Thompson, R-Tenn., who was Baker's chief counsel in the 1973 Senate probe of Watergate, has bent over backward to conduct a bipartisan probe -- to the extent of fighting his own party leadership to ensure that GOP wrongdoing would be part of the scope of the investigation.

What cooperation has he got from Democrats on the senate governmental affairs committee? Zero.

When Roll Call reporter Ed Henry asked ranking Democrat John Glenn, Ohio, how Thompson's investigators could get information when key witnesses had either fled the country or were refusing to testify, Glenn replied: "That's their problem."

According to Thompson, that was not Baker's attitude in 1973. Republicans pressed the White House for information, and it was a Republican lawyer, Don Sanders, who asked Nixon aide Alexander Butterfield the crucial question that led to the disclosure of Nixon's tapes.

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Sports

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Altamonte sweeps to crown in Commish

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — Consistency. That was the story of the weekend for the Altamonte Springs All-Stars as they rolled through the field undefeated to claim the championship in the Florida Babe Ruth Baseball Bambino's Major Commissioner's Tournament at Ft. Mellon Park.

Altamonte Springs had a first round bye, but then played very good fundamental baseball in winning three straight games, 4-1 over Greater Seminole (from the Oviedo/Winter Springs area) and 7-4 and 12-5 over Longwood.

In the three games the Altamonte Springs club only committed two errors.

Altamonte Springs will now advance to the area tournament at a place and date to be announced this week.

After a good opening night of action on Thursday, a severe thunderstorm moved through Sanford on Friday evening, forcing a postponement of the action to Saturday.

On Saturday, at Roy Holler Junior Field, Altamonte Springs scored four runs in the bottom of the first inning, with a two-run single by Duazinaki and a two-run home run by Laughter doing the damage, and a trio of pitcher Altamonte pitcher's held Greater Seminole to four hits, including a home run by Rodriguez leading off the sixth inning, and posted a 4-1 victory.

At Lakeside Field, Flagler took a 5-0 lead in the first inning, but Sanford came back to take a 6-5 lead in the third inning, before Flagler scored four runs in the fourth inning to take the lead for good, holding off Sanford 10-8.

Flagler then remained hot as it blanked Greater Seminole 10-0 in five innings with C.J. Jorif hurling a one-hitter with seven strike outs. In the Winner's Bracket final, Longwood broke a scoreless tie with a run in the top of the fourth inning, but Altamonte Springs came back in the bottom of the frame with five runs and went on to a 7-4 victory.

The teams returned on Sunday and the first

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LOSER'S BRACKET	
FLAGLER VS. SANFORD	
Flagler	000 001 - 10 11 3
Sanford	000 001 - 0 10 0
Bisby, Sador (6) and Andrews, Bocan and Klouck, WP - Bisby (10), LP - Bocan (6), Save - Bocan, 2B - Flagler, Jorif (1), Bisby (11), Sanford, Manning (11), 3B - Flagler, Swanson (11), Sanford, Hunter (1), HR - none, Records - Sanford 2.	
FLAGLER VS. GREATER SEMINOLE	
Flagler	000 00 - 10 11 3
Greater Seminole	000 00 - 0 1 3
Jorif and Sivola, Logsdon, Distabuc (4) and Walker, WP - Jorif (10), LP - Logsdon (11), Save - none, 2B - none, 3B - Flagler, Jorif (1), HR - none, Records - Greater Seminole 1-2.	
LONGWOOD VS. FLAGLER	
Longwood	001 020 - 7 4 0
Flagler	000 123 - 6 7 3
Cinder, Roy (3), Auer (5), Chmielewski (6) and Auer, Roy (5), Vitale, Bisby (5) and Sivola, WP - Cinder (10), LP - Vitale (5), Save - Chmielewski (1), 2B - Longwood, Gordon (1), Cinder (1), 3B - none, HR - Flagler, Bisby (1), Records - Flagler 2.	
WINNER'S BRACKET	
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS VS. GREATER SEMINOLE	
Greater Seminole	000 001 - 1 4 1
Altamonte Springs	000 000 - 4 4 1
Smith, Walkley (5) and Sadr, Cameron (3), Hufham, Loughter (3), Steinhorn (6) and Espejo, WP - Hufham (10), LP - Smith (5), Save - none, 2B - Altamonte Springs, Glover (1), 3B - none, HR - Greater Seminole, Rodriguez (1), Altamonte Springs, Loughter (1).	
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS VS. LONGWOOD	
Longwood	000 120 - 4 3 1
Altamonte Springs	000 020 - 7 0 1
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CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS VS. LONGWOOD	
Altamonte Springs	000 002 - 12 12 0
Longwood	021 020 - 5 7 3
Steinhorn, Hufham (4), Loughter (3) and Smith, Espejo (4), Lerp, Cinder (3) and Auer, WP - Steinhorn (10), LP - Lerp (6), Save - none, 2B - none, 3B - Longwood, Lerp (1), HR - Altamonte Springs, Steinhorn (2), Duzyneal (1), Longwood, Lerp (3), Records - Altamonte Springs 3-0, Longwood 2-2.	

Almost a miracle

Sanford Babe Ruth All-Stars fall just short

From Staff Reports

HOLLY HILL — When you see that someone got shutout 8-0 in their first game of a double elimination tournament and only get two hits, you pretty much figure that team won't be around very long.

But not when you are talking about Sanford. The Sanford All-Stars saw their opening game in the Florida Babe Ruth Baseball District 7 Babe Ruth League (13-15 year olds) Tournament with Altamonte Springs fall apart in the final two innings at Holly Hill last Friday night.

The end looked to be in sight on Saturday morning as Longwood took a 4-0 lead in the top of the first inning. But then the Sanford crew got hot, scoring 11 runs in the third inning and winning that game 17-5 and then coming back to oust host Holly Hill 3-2 that afternoon.

Sanford then came back on Sunday morning to

eliminate Ormond Beach 14-4 on the strength of a seven-run second inning to advance to the finals against undefeated Altamonte Springs.

Sanford put up a game fight, tying the Altamonte Springs squad 4-4 after three innings and only trailing 9-7 after four innings. But Altamonte Springs pulled away, scoring four runs over each of the next two innings to win the tournament title 17-7.

Altamonte Springs will now take off for a week before advancing to the Area Tournament in Ocala starting on July 4th.

Providing the offense were:

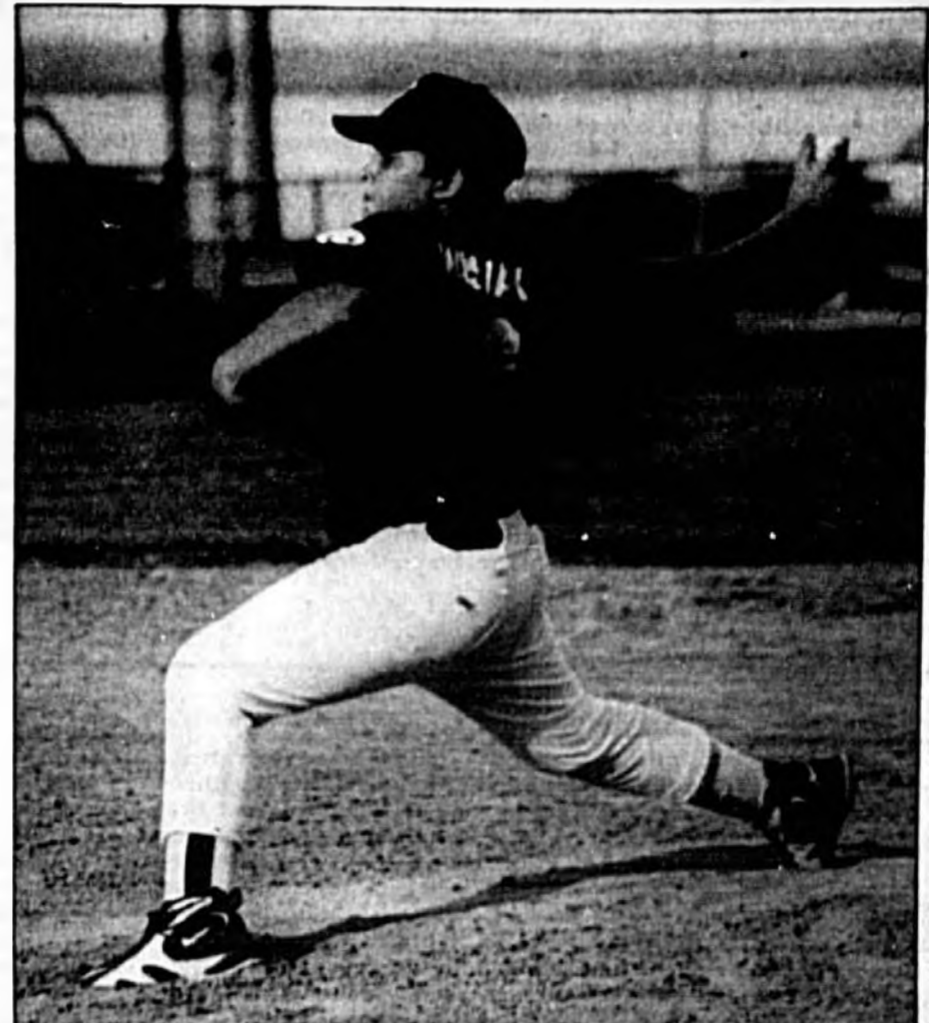
GAME ONE
Altamonte Springs: three hits — Chris Lupis (one triple, three runs scored, one RBI); two hits — Chris Link (one double, two runs scored, one RBI); one hit — Ricky Bergen (one run scored, one RBI), George Brandner (one RBI), Brummett.

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BABE RUTH BASEBALL	
DISTRICT 7 TOURNAMENT	
(DOUBLE ELIMINATION)	
AT HOLLY HILL	
FRIDAY, JUNE 20	
Game 1 — Altamonte Springs 5, Sanford 4	
Game 2 — Ormond Beach beat Longwood	
SATURDAY, JUNE 21	
WINNER'S BRACKET	
Game 3 — Altamonte Springs beat Holly Hill	
LOSER'S BRACKET	
Game 4 — Sanford 17, Longwood 5, Longwood eliminated	
WINNER'S BRACKET	
Game 5 — Altamonte Springs beat Ormond Beach	
LOSER'S BRACKET	
Game 6 — Sanford 2, Holly Hill 0, Holly Hill eliminated	
CHAMPIONSHIP	
Game 7 — Sanford 14, Ormond Beach 4, Ormond Beach eliminated	
CHAMPIONSHIP	
Game 8 — Altamonte Springs 17, Sanford 7, Sanford eliminated	



Sanford's Reggie Campbell slides in safely with a stolen base as the ball eludes the Flagler second baseman (top photo) early in Friday's game at Lakeside Field. Campbell would later get as far as third base (with another stolen base) in the sixth inning, but he was stranded as Maslak (right photo) and the Flagler All-Stars from Bunnell rallied to eliminate Sanford from Babe Ruth Baseball Bambino Major A Tournament 10-9.



Herald Photos by Steve Barnes

Improved Preps go down fighting

From Staff Reports

LONGWOOD — The Sanford All-Stars made what had to be one of the biggest improvements ever from one game to another in baseball history, but they could not improve quite enough as they were eliminated from the Florida Babe Ruth Baseball District 7 Prep (13 year olds) Tournament at Candyland Park in Longwood.

The Sanford All-Stars ran into an amazing baseball machine in the opening game of the tournament as they were crushed by the Altamonte Springs All-Stars 23-1 in five innings on Thursday night.

The Altamonte Springs nine tattooed the ball for 19 hits, while the defense held Sanford to one single and only allowed one runner past second base.

Altamonte Springs showed that they meant business right off the bat, scoring five runs in the top of the first inning, then put the game out of reach with 11 runs in the second inning.

With that loss behind them, the Sanford team returned home to regroup.

Returning on Saturday, the Sanford nine found itself down 2-0 after one inning and trailing 4-1 after four innings to the host team from Longwood.

But the Sanford squad refused to give up and exploded for five runs in the top of the fifth inning to give it a 6-4 lead. Brandon Grayson had a two-run single, while Travis Walker, James Foster and Mike Neubauer all had RBI singles in the frame.

But Sanford could not hold the advantage as back-to-back doubles by Mike Rafferty and Adam

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AT CANDYLAND PARK, LONGWOOD	
GAME 1	
THURSDAY, JUNE 19	
ALTAMONTE VS. SANFORD	
Altamonte Springs	01111 02 - 23 19 0
Sanford	0 01 00 - 1 1 3
Altamonte Springs battery no available, Walker, Drake (3) and Herbel, WP - M/A, LP - Walker (6-1), Save - none, 2B - Altamonte Springs, Robertson 2, Gerber, Richmond, Harney, 3B - none, HR - none.	
GAME 2	
SATURDAY, JUNE 21	
LONGWOOD VS. SANFORD	
Sanford	010 00 0 - 4 12 3
Longwood	002 012 0 - 7 13 0
Drake, Herbel (3) and Seydara, Flory and Lindor, Trauger (3), WP - Flory, LP - Drake (5-1), Save - none, 2B - Longwood, Henselman 2, Rafferty, 3B - none, HR - none.	

Longwood earns an "A"

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — Longwood completed an impressive run through the field Sunday as it whipped Greater Seminole 14-2 in the championship game of the Florida Babe Ruth Baseball District 7 Bambino Major A Tournament (10-12 year olds) at Roy Holler Junior Field.

In a game completed from Friday night, Flagler scored five runs in the top of the fifth inning to erase a 9-4 deficit, then won the game with a home run by Gordon leading off the sixth inning as Flagler eliminated host Sanford 10-9.

Greater Seminole (from the Oviedo/Winter Springs area) then ousted Flagler (from Bunnell) as a quartet of pitchers combined on a two-hit, 6-0 shutout.

The final started off as a defensive battle, with the game tied at 1-1 after one inning and Longwood, which won its first two games 12-1 and 5-0 and allowing just one hit, leading just 2-1 after two innings and 3-2 after three innings.

The champions then went to work in the fourth inning, putting a five spot on the board. Adam Amar's bases loaded double being the big blow in the inning. Longwood then added a single run in the fifth inning and eight runs in the sixth inning to turn the game into a rout.

Longwood will now advance to the Area Tournament in Winter Haven starting this Friday, June 27th.

Seminole County is already assured of having at least one team at the World Series as the Altamonte Springs squad will be the host team at the series that will be held at Eastmonte Park starting on August the ninth.

Leading Flagler's comeback over Sanford were Gordon (one home run, two singles, three runs scored, three RBI), Von Halton (one double, one run scored, one RBI), Simon (one double), Santioanni (one single, one run scored, two RBI), Bruce (one single, two runs scored), McDonnell (one single, one run scored), Brown (one single) and Rockey (two runs scored).

Doing the damage for Sanford were Demario Sims

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BABE RUTH BASEBALL	
PREP	
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LOSER'S BRACKET	
Game 5 — Longwood vs. Game 4 loser	
SUNDAY, JUNE 22	
Game 6 — Championship, Game 4 winner vs. Game 5 winner	
Game 7 — Championship (if necessary), Game 4 loser vs. Game 5 winner	

BLONDIE

by Chic Young



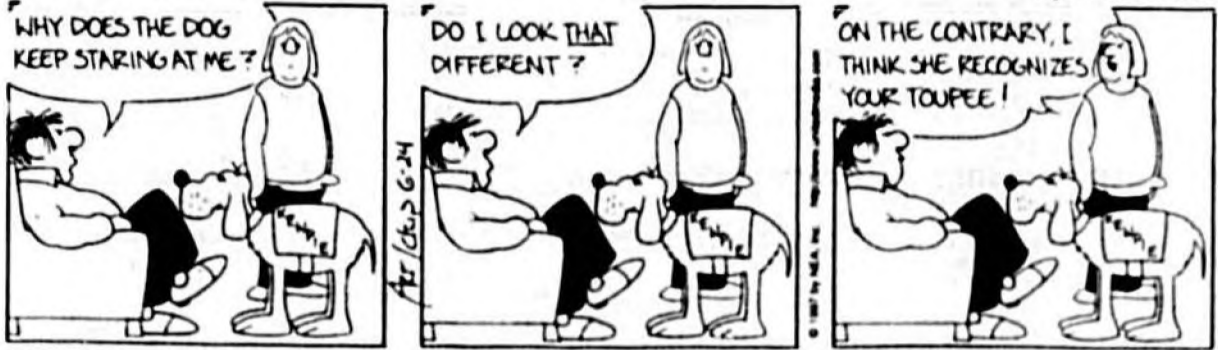
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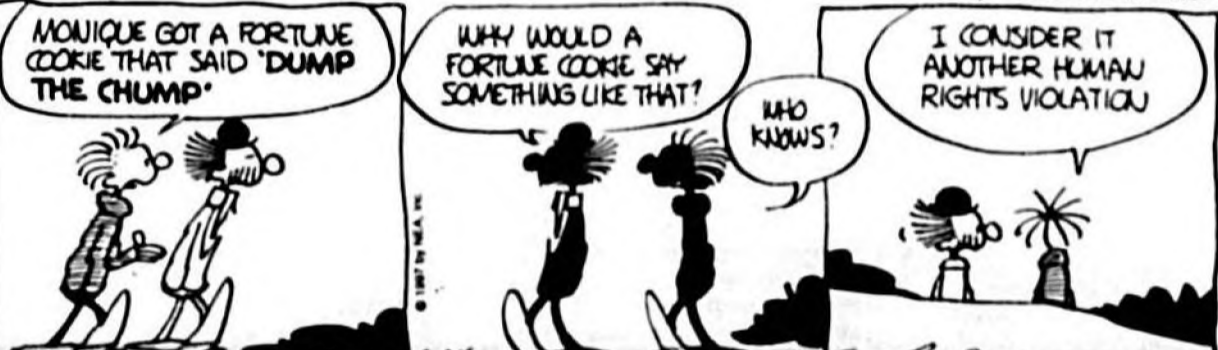
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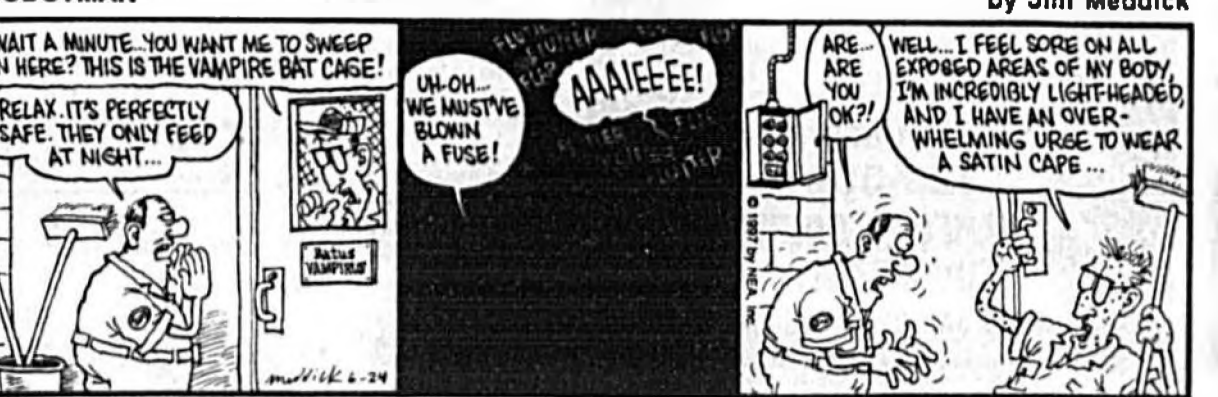
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by Jim Davis



ROBOTMAN*

by Jim Meddick



Skip X-ray exposure when you can

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 37 years old and have perfect teeth. Nonetheless, my dentist insists on X-raying my mouth every year. I am uncomfortable about the unnecessary exposure to X-rays. Am I in danger?

DEAR READER: The amount of X-ray exposure during properly performed dental X-rays is trivial, providing you are properly shielded by lead aprons.

However, I share your concerns about unnecessary X-ray exposure. In 20 years, will a study indict dental X-rays as a cause of some disease or illness? I don't know, but — personally — I try to avoid such exposure when possible.

Ask your dentist to X-ray your teeth every two — or even three — years, unless he suspects a problem. In this way, you won't compromise your dental health and can reduce by 50 percent or greater your life-long exposure to dental X-rays.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Could switching from a six cup a day coffee habit to two cups of green tea cause impotence? I changed over about two weeks ago and, as a healthy, non-smoking 42-year-old man, I am not ready for premature erectile dysfunction.

DEAR READER: I do not believe that your switch from coffee to green tea is a cause of impotence.

Why did you change habits? If you gave up coffee because of pressures at work or a nagging spouse, your sexual problem may have a psychological component.

On the other hand, if you are diabetic, consume alcohol or take any of a wide variety of medications, your impotence may be due to physical reasons.

I suggest that you begin investigating the problem by meeting with your family doctor, who can refer you to a urologist if necessary.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have arthritis in my knees and a touch of asthma. Is it safe for me — a 73-year-old woman — to walk on a treadmill?

DEAR READER: This is a decision best left to your family physician. Ordinarily, however, people your age benefit from walking, despite arthritis and asthma.

If you choose to exercise, you will, of course, avoid starting at a brisk pace. Take it easy for several sessions. Let your muscles and joints become accustomed to the new level of activity.

If your doctor agrees, you might want to use an inhaler, such as Serevent, before you exercise; this prescription product will often prevent asthma from causing wheezing and undue breathlessness.

You are probably aware of the spate of recent medical studies proving that an exercise program benefits the elderly. Therefore, assuming that



MEDICINE
PETER GOTT, M.D.

inability to metabolize excess iron. As a result, the mineral builds up in vital organs, leading to heart damage and liver scarring.

The diagnosis is suspected by a blood test for iron levels, and is confirmed by liver biopsy. Ordinarily, the disease is not recognized until organ damage such as jaundice draws attention to it, because doctors do not routinely perform blood tests for iron.

While I am not convinced that you have hemochromatosis, your blood test is suggestive. In my opinion, you should address this issue with your family doctor and obtain the tests that he recommends. If you do have iron overload, the condition can be treated with phlebotomy, the periodic removal of blood (and hence, iron) from your system.

Don't ignore the high iron level; you need further testing.

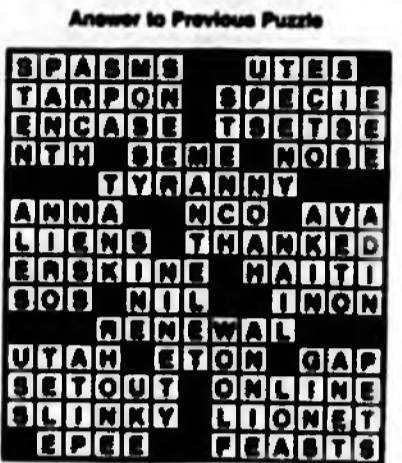
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your physician voices no objections, I applaud your plans.

DEAR DR. GOTT: During a recent wellness-screening program, I had blood tests showing an extremely high concentration of iron. Is this a problem?

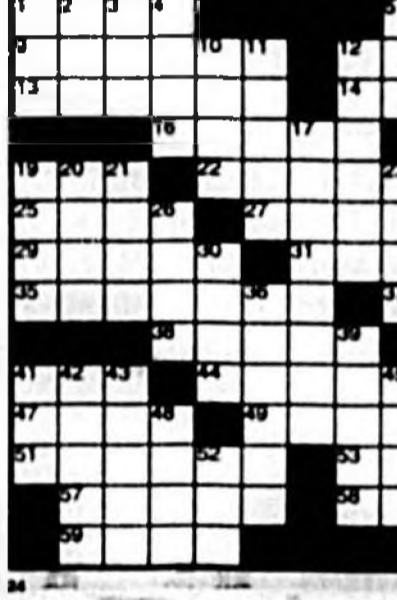
DEAR READER: It could be. Iron overload (hemochromatosis) is a genetic disease marked by the body's

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 - 34 Feast in Hawaii
 - 35 What
 - 36 Cross abbr.
 - 37 Bernstein, for short
 - 38 Heavily profits
 - 39 Sea eagle
 - 40 — Kapital

WIN AT BRIDGE

The first of two

By Phillip Alder

William Hazlitt, an English essayist who died in 1830, pointed out that "we may be willing to tell a story twice, never to hear it more than once." Well, I hope you are not in agreement with this that you won't read tomorrow's column! This deal from the final of the Australian National Open Teams last January featured instructive play at both tables. Rather than try to squeeze it all into one column, let's spread it over two days.

To test yourself, cover the West and South hands. You are East, defending against two hearts. West leads the diamond six; jack, ace, eight. What would you do now?

West's thin one-spade response picked off North-South's best suit. If you and your partner were North-South, would you get into spades after West's bid? True, North's second-round double strongly suggested spades, but South understandably went with his other four-card major.

West, Michael Courtney, led the diamond six. This was second-highest from a weak suit, which enjoys considerable popularity in certain circles.

Peter Gill won with the ace, then he found the perfect play, switching to the club four. After winning with the 10, Courtney realized what was required. He returned the spade two, which Gill ruffed. Now came the club jack, overlaken by West's queen, and a second spade ruff. Finally, Gill cashed the club ace to defeat the contract. Beautiful!

That must be a candidate for the Defense of the Year Award, given by the International Bridge Press Association.

North 06-24-97
 ♠ A K 10 6 4
 ♥ A Q 6
 ♦ K J
 ♣ 8 7 6

West East
 ♠ Q 7 5 2 ---
 ♥ 10 7 ♥ 9 5 4 2
 ♦ 9 6 4 3 ♦ A 10 7 5 2
 ♠ Q 10 5 ♠ A K J 4

South
 ♠ J 9 8 3
 ♥ K J 8 3
 ♦ Q 8
 ♣ 9 3 2

Vulnerable: North-South
 Dealer: East

Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	2 ♠	Dbl.	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 6

HOROSCOPE

Your Birthday

Wednesday, June 25, 1997

From time to time in the year ahead you might get some strong hunches regarding business matters. Do not treat them indifferently; they could be worthy of further exploration.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Companions will sense your presence and charisma today, as well as your obvious leadership qualities. When you issue directives, they'll not be challenged. Cancer, treat yourself to 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.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Friends know if you're told something in confidence you'll not betray their trust. Today you may be

too difficult.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Pay attention to details today, as they will be equally as important as major factors. Each small part is essential to complete the big picture.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Seek companions today who are young in spirit rather than serious individuals. The young in mind will help you feel young a heart.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your protective feelings for people you love could be stronger than usual today. This is well and good, but take care to leave them some breathing space.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today your ability to read character in others is very pronounced. A word of caution, however, keep your observations to yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Today you could have some real gems of information to impart to friends or coworkers that could make or save you both money. Share the wealth!

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