

# Sanford Herald

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## NEWS DIGEST

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#### Sports

##### Juniors back in action

EDGEWATER — The Sanford Junior Major All-Stars will be back in action tonight when they play Orlando Recreation Department in the Florida Junior Major League District IV Tournament starting at 8 p.m. at Edgewater. See Page 1B

##### Edborg triumphant over Becker

WIMBLEDON, England — Stefan Edborg squandered a two-set advantage Sunday then regained his poise and reclaimed the Wimbledon crown from Boris Becker. See Page 1B

#### People

##### Help for rose gardens

If it isn't one thing that's a problem in the garden, it's another! This is true especially when it comes to controlling pesky diseases and insects on your prized roses. See Page 3B

#### Florida

##### Working both sides of road

GAINESVILLE — The University of Florida is working both sides of Tobacco Road, battling smoke-related diseases through its medical center while helping support tobacco growers through its agriculture school. See Page 2A

#### Nation

##### First post-Cold War Summit

HOUSTON — President Bush convenes the 16th Economic Summit of Industrialized Nations this afternoon, presiding over the first such meeting of the seven democracies in the post-Cold War era. See Page 6A

### BRIEFS

##### Lotto jumps to \$25 million

TALLAHASSEE — The Florida Lotto jackpot climbed to an estimated \$25 million for next week's drawing, lottery officials said Sunday.

It was the second week in a row that nobody picked all six winning numbers and the jackpot rolled over. The numbers drawn Saturday night were 9, 12, 19, 25, 34 and 44.

Although nobody won the grand prize, 397,681 tickets qualified for smaller prizes. Payouts were:

• 440 tickets matched five of six to win \$2,543.50.

• 22,930 tickets matched four of six to win \$71.50.

• 374,331 tickets matched three of six to win \$4.

The \$25 million estimate is based on sales projections and projected long-term interest rates, with the jackpot paid to a single winner in 20 annual installments.

##### Man awaits birthday surprise

CHICAGO — John Matar's 49th birthday is Saturday, and as usual, he was a little nervous awaiting the annual birthday gift from his brother.

Matar, a restaurateur, and his 42-year-old brother, Sam, have maintained a tradition of sending each other off-the-wall gifts since the early 1970s.

The exchanges have included 100 skunks, a 175-pound orangutan, 20,000 pounds of pebbles and a high school marching band playing "Happy Birthday."

It started when Sam sent John 25 birthday cards one year, and John responded with 50 cards for Sam's next birthday.

Since then, the gifts have ranged from a complimentary round of golf with pro golfer Chi Chi Rodriguez to 27 tons of manure.

#### From wire reports

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##### Sunny and hot



Partly cloudy with a 40 percent chance of afternoon thunderstorms. High in the mid 90's, with a southeasterly wind at 10 mph.

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Kathleen Harrell, parish secretary, in front of Holy Cross.

## History repeats itself as parishioners rally

By AMY WILSON  
Herald intern

SANFORD — The congregation of Holy Cross Episcopal Church certainly has seen its share of hard times.

The oldest church in Sanford — the fourth oldest Episcopal Church in the state of Florida — was founded in 1873 largely

through the efforts of Gertrude Sanford, wife of city founder Henry Shelton Sanford, and friends.

Disaster struck the summer of 1960 when a hurricane swept through the town, completely destroying the church building and many of the citrus groves which supported church families.

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## Commission fine tuning city budget

### Laid-off employees expected to appeal terminations today

By J. BRADLEY BILLING  
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — The city commission today will have its "wrap-up" session on the proposed \$22.1 million city budget in a workshop session at 5 p.m.

Proposed by City Manager Frank Faison, the revised budget sparked controversy last week because it called for the elimination of 15 positions — nine of them were clerk-typist or administrative support personnel — from the city payroll in order to stave off a possible one-mill tax increase.

"We'll either approve it or ask for revisions on something," said Commissioner Lon Howell. "But I'm satisfied with the way it is. We'll just have to see at the meeting."

At a meeting with city Personnel Director Tim McCauley last week, some of the employees said they would go to tonight's commission meeting to ask the commission to consider other alternatives to the layoffs.

City officials said having finished their budget analysis last week, the commission tonight will address any other concerns commissioners might have.

Mayor Bettye Smith and Commissioner Bob Thomas said they had no special concerns for the document.

Commissioner Whitey Eckstein said the issue of layoffs might be addressed, but would not be more specific.

"We might talk about other ways to do this," Eckstein said. "We'll just have to wait and see."

Faison said the budget proposal would not be voted on by the

commission until its first public hearing scheduled for the July 23 commission meeting. The workshop meeting at 5 p.m. today is open to the public, but in accordance with city bylaws, no one is permitted to speak at the workshop meeting without the mayor's approval.

In other business, the commission at the workshop meeting will hear a presentation by Jean Michaels and Karen Reiley-Morton on the possibility of building a city public swimming pool.

Commissioner Eckstein said the presentation would be an informal one and that there are no plans to build a public swimming pool yet, but he would like to see such a project. Eckstein said he will raise the possibility of applying for a Public Education Capital Outlay state grant to construct the pool.

"I think somewhere down the line, we'll apply for PECSO," he said.

The city manager recommended the personnel cuts in to stave off a one-mill tax increase that would have generated more than \$618,000 in city revenues to help balance the city budget.

In addition to eliminating the positions, Faison proposed foregoing a three percent cost of living raise for the remaining city employees. The commission agreed to cut the 15 positions and to give the remaining employees the cost of living raise. The \$270,228 for the COLA would be taken out of the city's reserve fund.

Personnel Director Tim McCauley met with the 15 employees last Thursday to explain to them why they were being cut.

## Suspicious charities feared spreading

United Press International

ST. PETERSBURG — Florida has become a lucrative market for shady operators and profiteers since the deregulation last year of the charitable fund-raising industry.

State lawmakers who supported deregulation said they had hoped to eliminate costly record-

keeping by no longer requiring charities to register or file financial reports.

The changes would also allow for more vigorous prosecution of fraudulent charities, said the legislators, but now nearly everyone agrees it hasn't worked out that way. According to the St. Petersburg Times, the state agency in charge of receiving complaints has yet to refer a single case

to prosecution.

The few consumers who have tried to inform themselves about a charity before making a donation cannot always be sure of what they learn, because the reports that are available are not audited or even subjected to general scrutiny.

"The state requires that (charities) keep records," said a state official. See Charities, Page 6A

## Moratorium fight brews in Sarasota

By VICTOR GALVAN  
United Press International

SARASOTA — Many politicians dislike it, developers fear it, and it likely has worried bankers and Realtors.

Today what would be the most restrictive growth policy ever in Florida will qualify for the Sept. 4 primary ballot in Sarasota County, said attorney Dan Lobeck, a referendum supporter.

"We're suggesting a two-year timeout," said Lobeck, vice president of the Growth-restraint and Environmental Organization. "Just two years to catch our breath and catch up with our community's existing population before we accommodate new growth."

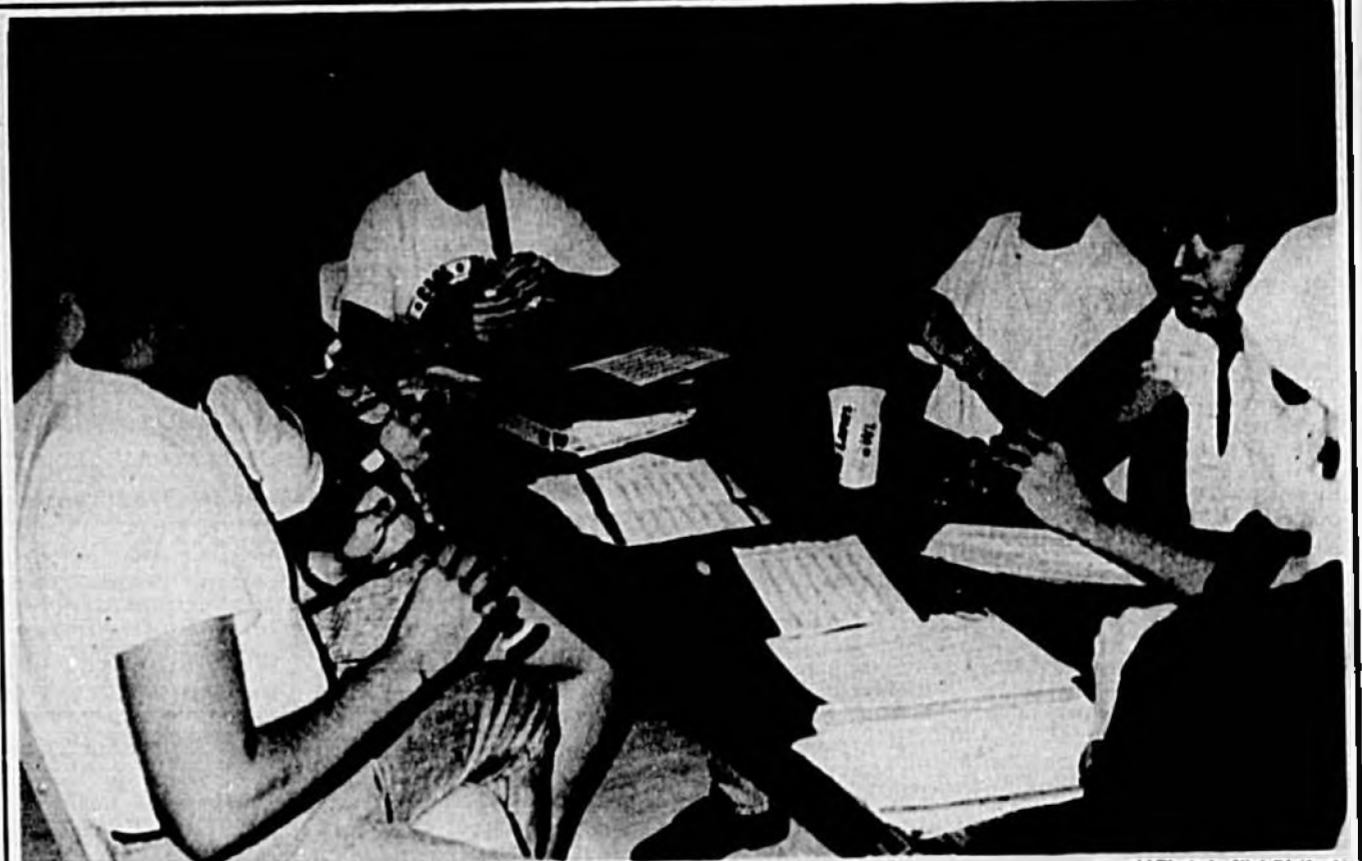
This morning, Lobeck said, 40 names were to be added to the 8,123 already collected by the political action committee, giving the group the required number of signatures needed to place an issue on the county election ballot.

Lobeck, vice president of GEO, says if Sarasota's growth is allowed to continue unchecked, it will soon devour its infrastructure.

Continued growth could create water, sewage, and landfill problems, he said. The moratorium to ban all new construction for two years could control rampant growth before the quality of life in the coastal county is irrevocably lost.

But the chairman of the Citizens for Responsible Solutions, a political action committee formed to fight the moratorium, disagrees.

"The moratorium offers no solu-



Kerri Hartman (center) works on chanter fingering techniques with bagpipe students during a recent practice session at the Longwood Community Center.

## Not just blowing in the wind

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald staff writer

LONGWOOD — John Bisland and a few associates such as Kerri Hartman, are wizards. They have the ability to turn cacophonous caterwauling into harmonious tonality.

"Jock" Bisland is a Scottish-born bagpipe instructor who meets with the student pipers of the Longwood area every Monday evening from 7 to 10 p.m. at the Community Building.

"We don't care if they're Scottish, Chinese, German,

whatever nationality or background. As long as they like the pipes, they're welcome to join us, and we'll teach them," Bisland said. "They don't even have to know how to read music, though that would help."

The group numbers about 30, with half playing the pipes, the others playing drums.

"We have every age group, too," Bisland said. "They run from 16 to 70."

Bisland, who has been training pipers in Longwood for 15 years, explained that his students rank from

See Bagpipes, Page 6A



# Milwee facing building problems

By **WILLI WELLS**  
Herald staff writer

**LONGWOOD** — Unforeseen conditions at the site of Milwee Middle School will cost the Seminole County school district an additional \$9,500, according to Richard Wells, assistant superintendent for facilities.

The problems are centered in the area of the new food service facility and cafeteria/auditorium at the school, 1725 County Road 427.

The architects, Ray Johnson and Associates, and district facilities planning and construction staff have spent, according to Wells, "an abnormal amount of construction administration time" on the resolution of the unexpected problems.

The architects have presented the school district with a list of these problems, which include the relocation of existing water lines to the new facilities, the rebuilding and changing of the size of the existing storm

sewers, the resolution of difficulties with the existing grease line, the resolution of problems in relocating electrical feeders to two of the buildings and the need to review demolition of some of the existing walls.

Wells said the problems were literally "uncovered" when crews began expanding their work beyond the confines of the existing cafeteria and auditorium building. "This is a very old facility," Wells explained. "There were utilities under there that we just didn't know about."

Completion of the items listed by Ray Johnson and Associates will cost the district \$9,500. The remaining \$3,000 will be used for the revision of the electrical service and to reroute the electrical service more efficiently and "minimize the future electrical work."

Wells hopes the rerouting of the electrical service will help curtail delays on the construction of new educational buildings which have been designed for construction

in 1991 by architects Burke, Bales and Mills.

According to Wells, the problems were not known prior to the beginning of demolition and reconstruction at the school which has some buildings which are as much as 65 years old, but none built more recently than the 1970s.

Willie Holt, district director of middle schools and former principal at Milwee, recently described the school as a "portable school" because many of the school's classes for the 1990-91 school year will be held in portable classrooms while construction of the new facilities is completed.

Milwee is the last school site to be improved with money from the \$106 million bond issue passed in 1986.

The school board is expected to approve the additional money for the Milwee project during its 2 p.m. meeting tomorrow in the district board room, 1211 Mellonville Ave., Sanford.

## Wife accused of vehicular battery

**LONGWOOD** — Roland R. Blake, 30, told Longwood police he was partially out of his van when his wife accelerated the vehicle during an argument and dragged Blake down Wayman Avenue, Longwood, Sunday morning.

Blake said he had gotten out of the vehicle his wife was driving because they were arguing about newspapers they were delivering when Blake asked to be let out of the van.

Blake said when he lost his grip on the van's door as his wife allegedly drove away, he rolled down the road, suffering scrapes and bruises, a police report said.

Janet N. Blake, 30, 541 Magnolia Ave., Longwood, was located on Orange Avenue at Grant Street, Longwood, and charged with aggravated battery there at 9:20 a.m. Sunday, police said.

## Two women report battery

**SANFORD** — City police here report charging Kenneth Lloyd James, 28, 1204 Scott Ave., Sanford, with aggravated battery and battery, after he allegedly pushed his wife and another woman who is nine months pregnant.

The arrest was made at James' house at 5:57 p.m. Sunday, where the batteries allegedly occurred.

## Seminole County DUI arrests

**SANFORD** — The following persons face a charge of driving under the influence in Seminole County:

● Thomas Allen Guy, 23, 184 Twin Coach Court, Sanford, was arrested at 9:27 a.m. Sunday after his truck failed to maintain a single lane on State Road 434, Longwood.

● Linda Alday Powell, 45, 182 Vunker Lane, Sanford, was arrested at 11:16 p.m. Wednesday after her car failed to maintain a single lane on U.S. Highway 17-92, Sanford. She was also charged for failure to dim headlights.

● Keith Shelton Hunter, 25, 104-545 Nantucket St., Altamonte Springs, was arrested at 11:26 p.m. Wednesday after driving on Lake Mary Boulevard, Lake Mary, with a flat tire. He was also charged with careless driving.

● James Woodrow Hayes, 50, 548 Orange Drive 23, Altamonte Springs, was arrested at 10:29 p.m. Wednesday after his car was seen weaving on North Lake Boulevard, Altamonte Springs.

● Michael Scott Brown, 28, of Apopka, was arrested at 1:48 a.m. today after his car was seen weaving on State Road 434, Altamonte Springs.

● Clark Brian Hampton, 26, 129 N. Alderwood St., Winter Springs, was arrested at 3:30 a.m. Friday after his car failed to maintain a single lane on Winter Park Drive, Casselberry.

● Harold Merritt, 48, of Pinellas Park, was arrested at 8:48 p.m. Friday in the eastbound rest area of Interstate 4, rural Longwood. He was also charged for having an unassigned license tag and driving with a suspended license.

● Scott A. Shelton, 23, 2708 S. Sanford Ave., Sanford, was arrested at 1:40 a.m. Saturday after he drove erratically on U.S. Highway 17-92 and 27th Street, Sanford.

● Kevin C. Hand, 31, 481 Sun Lake Circle 115, Lake Mary, was arrested at 2 a.m. Saturday after his car was in an accident on Interstate 4. He is also charged with driving with a suspended license.

● Michael Anthony Hopwood, 20, of Casselberry, was arrested at 9:15 p.m. Friday after his car was seen weaving on Longwood Avenue, Altamonte Springs. He is also charged with driving with a revoked license and resisting without violence.

● William W. O'Reilly, 41, of Orlando, was arrested at 1:20 a.m. Saturday after police stopped his car for a safety check on State Road 436, Altamonte Springs.

● Brenda Fay Berger, 39, 534 Eldorado Way, Casselberry, was arrested at 4:50 a.m. Saturday after he was seen driving erratically on State Road 436, Altamonte Springs.

● Stuart Neal Schmidgall, 27, 500 Nantucket Court 304, Altamonte Springs, was arrested at 2:25 a.m. Friday after his car was seen weaving on State Road 436, Altamonte Springs.

## NASA studies leak data from weekend of tests

United Press International

**CAPE CANAVERAL** — Weekend tests found signs of leaks in fuel line fittings taken from the shuttle Columbia in critical work to resolve a problem that has grounded NASA's shuttle fleet, officials said Sunday.

Engineers at a Rockwell International test facility in Downey, Calif., fitted Columbia's suspect 17-inch-wide fuel line "disconnect" fitting with supercold liquid hydrogen Saturday to duplicate a leak that grounded the veteran spaceplane May 30.

Using a variety of sensors, engineers hoped to be able to pinpoint the cause of the elusive leak in order to make repairs and resume shuttle flights.

"Tests did show some leakage, but the significance of what was observed cannot be determined until more testing is done and analysis of the data is completed," NASA spokesman Mark Hess said.

Top NASA managers planned to discuss the results of the California tests at a news conference Monday afternoon in Washington.

The disconnect assembly, situated where the shuttle's 17-

inch primary fuel line and a smaller 4-inch line enter the belly of the orbiter, allows the ship's external tank to be jettisoned after the shuttle reaches orbit.

Both halves of Columbia's disconnect assembly were removed and flown to Downey for laboratory tests and analysis.

NASA measures leak rates in "standard cubic inches per minute" or SCIMs. Hess said the tests Saturday showed a leak rate of 1,000 SCIMs around the 17-inch fuel line, 13 SCIMs around the 4-inch line and around 2,700 SCIMs when fuel was pumped through both pipes at the same time.

But some leakage is always present and Hess said additional tests were ordered Sunday to determine if the observed leakage matched that detected the night before Columbia's planned May 30 liftoff.

Back at the Kennedy Space Center, meanwhile, technicians geared up to pump liquid hydrogen into the shuttle Atlantis's external tank Friday or Saturday to isolate a similar leak that forced NASA to ground its shuttle fleet.

Engineers plan to use special "baggies" around Atlantis's 17-inch disconnect fitting.

## Solar-powered auto race begins today

By **HEIDI STUTZMAN**  
United Press International

**LAKE BUENA VISTA** — It will be an automobile race like no other in American history: 32 cars powered solely by the sun in a grueling 1,800-mile road rally.

Thirty-two universities from the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico have built ultra-high-tech solar cars for Sunrayce USA, an 11-day endurance run from Florida to Michigan that begins today.

The Florida Institute of Technology in Melbourne has spent \$230,000 designing and building its entry.

"It'd make a nice Ferrari, wouldn't it?" said FIT team leader Doug Hahn.

"If you look an airplane wing off a 747 then rounded the tip of it and put four wheels on it, that's what it looks like," said Hahn.

The cars vary widely in design, but most are sleek, low and needle-like. Western Washington University's goes forward during the morning, when the sun is in the east, but backward in the after-

noon, when it is in the west. Each entry is covered with solar cells, the only power source allowed on board.

"We have 14,067 solar cells on the car, and at peak power, we hope to produce about 1,300 watts ... about enough to power a hair drier," said Michael Blackman, a member of the University of Michigan team, which has spent about \$800,000 on its car, the Sunrunner.

The cars are made out of ultra-lightweight materials. The frame of the FIT car, the Sunshine Special, is made out of metal chromoly tubing that is .028 inch thick, Hahn said.

"The cover of a matchbook is .032 inches thick," he said. FIT's car weighs 500 pounds with the driver on board, the Michigan car about 700 pounds.

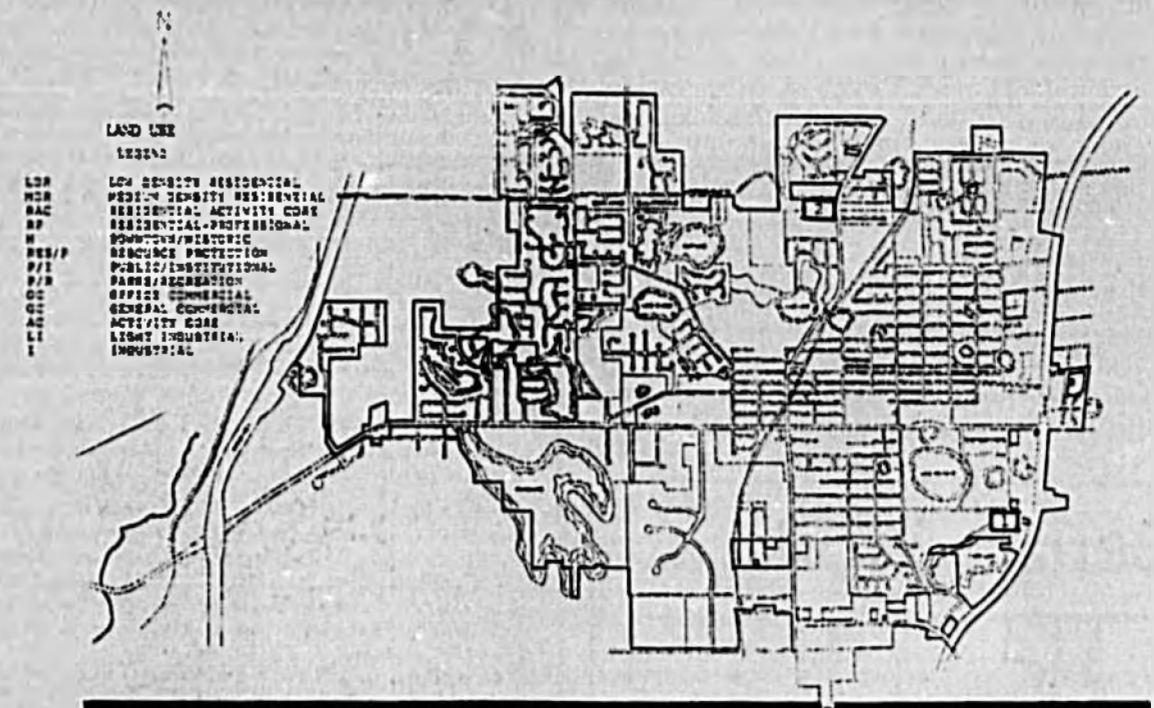
"It's very quiet. It appears to just glide over the surface of the earth," said Blackman.

Race director George Ettenheim said Michigan is one of the favorites to win because its car is covered with 130 square meters of solar cells — 63 percent more than most of its competitors.

## CITY OF LONGWOOD, FLORIDA NOTICE OF CHANGE OF LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING - 7:00 P.M. JULY 16, 1990

THE CITY OF LONGWOOD, FLORIDA PROPOSES TO CHANGE THE USE OF LAND WITHIN THE AREA IN THE MAP IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT. THE LONGWOOD CITY COMMISSION WILL HOLD THE FIRST OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS AT 7:00 P.M. ON JULY 16, 1990, OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE, IN THE LONGWOOD CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 175 W. WARREN AVENUE, LONGWOOD, FLORIDA, IN ORDER TO HEAR ALL PUBLIC VIEWS AND COMMENTS AND LAND PLANNING AGENCY RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE PROPOSED CHANGES TO LAND USE.

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#2	Star Enterprises/Philpit	Southwest corner of CR 427 & Longwood Hills Road	OC to GC	1.533 Acres

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### EDITORIALS

## Getting out the vote

The John and Mary Markle Foundation is justly concerned about the dismal lack of public participation in the American political process. Consequently, the private organization is prepared to invest millions of dollars to heighten interest in presidential campaigns.

Foundation officials have offered to finance at least one-third of the \$15 million it would cost public television to provide air time to presidential candidates during the 1992 election. The plan is to feature a weekly political forum in September and most of October, with daily broadcasts presented during the week prior to election day. Although the details are yet to be finalized, the intriguing project will probably be overseen by Alvin Perlmutter, an independent television producer who has worked for PBS and NBC News.

To improve the political discourse, a Markle Foundation report recommends that "the major presidential candidates and/or parties be offered increments of free time, varying between 2.5 minutes and 15 minutes on the weekly and daily programs." It also calls for a closer examination of media coverage of the campaign and urges that voters be encouraged to express their concerns.

We have some additional recommendations.

For starters, the candidates should be required to speak directly to the audience. This means no visual images of fruited plains and amber waves of grain accompanied by a smarmy musical score and voice-over.

The candidates, moreover, should present themselves to the public for at least five minutes at a time, so they can state their positions in some detail on specific issues. This would be enough time to say something substantive without taxing the viewers' notoriously short attention spans.

And there should be freewheeling debates between the candidates instead of parallel press conferences masquerading as debates. Since John Kennedy and Richard Nixon squared off on national television 30 years ago, the value of presidential debates has been steadily diminished by handlers, spin doctors and media gurus who are more concerned about imagery than issues.

The major television networks also have trivialized presidential campaigns by concentrating on "sound bites." In 1988 the average length of these short, punchy items was less than 10 seconds of air time; in 1968 it was 42 seconds.

During the 1950s, Edward R. Murrow warned that broadcast news was "an incompatible combination of show business, advertising and news." Even so, the networks did a fairly creditable job with their political coverage until the 1980s, when TV news operations were viewed as profit-makers by executives whose experience was in business, not journalism.

PBS could play an important role in elevating the level of political discourse during the 1992 contest. The alternative is the continued debasement of the quadrennial presidential campaign, which would only further alienate an apathetic electorate.

## Berry's World



### ROBERT WALTERS

## Nuclear missiles poised for attack

MAPES, N.D. — Only the small brown and white sign with a brief "H-27" designation identifies the mysterious site along County Road 22 where a strange assortment of white, black and pale green pipes and ports protrude from beneath the Earth's surface.

Visitors to the site must know where to turn off U.S. 2, one of two major east-west highways that traverse North Dakota, then make a 3/4 mile journey down a packed dirt-and-loose gravel rural road. When they arrive at H-27, they see a roughly square tract that occupies less space than a typical suburban home.

Carved out of a Northern Plains farm, the site is protected by an eight-foot-high chain-link fence topped by barbed wire. Electronic sensors monitor any attempt to invade the perimeter. Atop a pole that carries electric power to H-27 is a trio of transformers — a configuration unique to such sites.

The most dominant visible feature can go unnoticed because it lies flush with the ground. It is a massive 120-ton concrete slab — the cover to an underground compartment that can be rolled back on a pair of steel rails but almost always remains tightly closed.

Beneath that slab is a Minuteman III intercontinental ballistic missile. It weighs 39 tons, stands almost 60 feet tall and carries several

W-62 or W-78 thermonuclear warheads, each with 170 to 335 kilotons of explosive power — enough to decimate any city on the planet.

H-27 is the seventh of 10 missiles in Flight H. Five flights constitute a squadron, and three squadrons comprise a wing — in this case, the 321st Strategic Missile Wing headquartered at Grand Forks Air Force Base 40 miles to the east on U.S. 2.

The presidents of the United States and the Soviet Union agreed recently to provisions of a Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty that would reduce by more than one-third — but not eliminate — the nuclear warheads mounted atop the 1,000 ICBMs installed in

subterranean silos in seven states. (Under terms of that START treaty, still being negotiated, the warheads on ground-based, long-range missiles would be cut from 2,450 to 1,444 in the United States and from 6,530 to 3,060 in the Soviet Union. Additional reductions are to be made in air- and sea-launched missiles.)

Also recently, the Defense Department confirmed newspaper revelations of defects in one type of nuclear warhead (the W-79 in short-range artillery shells) that might cause it to explode accidentally.

In addition, the Pentagon acknowledged design flaws in two other types of nuclear warheads (the W-88 on Trident submarines and the W-69 on intercontinental bombers) that made their safety suspect.

Although none of the disclosures involved warheads atop the silo-based ICBMs (Minuteman II, Minuteman III and MX missiles), the reports increased the uneasiness of the residents of rural areas in Missouri, Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota and Montana whose neighbors are thermonuclear weapons.

Flight H here is typical of the placement and control of those missiles. Although the ICBM sits in a silo whose temperature is a constantly comfortable, air-conditioned 69 degrees, no military personnel are stationed on site.



They see a roughly square tract that occupies less space than a typical suburban home.



### DAVID S. BRODER

## Court misfires on patronage

WASHINGTON — What is it with this Supreme Court?

On the very day that the House of Representatives was struggling with the mess left behind by the flag-burning case, their honors, in another 5-4 decision, said in effect that political patronage is unconstitutional.

The patronage decision will not anger nearly as many people as the flag-burning case, but its damage to the country will be greater. In both instances, the Court's narrow majority has taken the precious idea of First Amendment rights and extended it to extremes that not only defy logic but contradict decades of American experience.

Patronage — the practice of rewarding political supporters by giving them preference in government jobs — goes back to the very beginning of the Republic. For almost two centuries, it provided most of the energy and muscle for our two-party system.

The dangers are clear when hacks fill responsible positions and competent public servants are subjected to political pressure. To protect against abuse while preserving what was useful, reformers more than a century ago began to pass civil service laws for the federal bureaucracy and for many state and local governments. But it was not until 1976 that the Supreme Court — or rather, five Justices — intruded into the picture by asserting that all political hirings are inherently unconstitutional.

The other day, Justice William J. Brennan, Jr., who wrote that 1976 opinion, led another narrow majority to the conclusion that all other government personnel decisions — hirings, promotions, and transfers — must be made without regard to the party affiliation or political history of the individual.

There is a narrow exception for "policy-making positions," but it is clear that the intent — and effect — of the decision is to end the patronage system. Maybe I am upset because both the 1976 decision and the recent one involved my home state of Illinois — the first attacking political firing by Democrats in Cook County; the second, political hiring by Republicans in Springfield.

The location is relevant, because Cook County and Illinois have some of the most flourishing and competitive politics in the nation. What is so grating in the Brennan camp's decisions is the obviousness to the political costs of this judicial intrusion. Indeed, in the 1976 opinion, Brennan asserted that "It is not only (individual) belief and association which are restricted where political patronage is the practice. The free functioning of the political process also suffers."

On that last point, he is flat-out wrong, as retired Justice Lewis F. Powell, Jr., pointed out in his 1976 dissent and Justice Antonin Scalia argued, even more powerfully, in dissenting from the recent decision.

Scalia understands that the parties are at the center of our political system and deserve at least as much consideration as, say, those

Republican patronage appointees the Brennan majority save from firing when the Democrats took over the Cook County sheriff's office.

Listen to Scalia: "It is self-evident that eliminating patronage will significantly undermine party discipline; and that as party discipline wanes, so will the strength of the two-party system. But, says the Court, 'Political parties have already survived the substantial decline in patronage employment practices in this century.' This is almost verbatim what was said in Elrod (the 1976 case). Fourteen years later, it seems much less convincing.

"Indeed, now that we have witnessed, in 18 of the last 22 years, an executive branch of the Federal government under control of one party while the Congress is entirely or...partially in control of the other party; now that we have undergone the most recent federal election, in which 98 percent of the (House) incumbents, of whatever party, were returned to office; and now that we have seen elected officials changing their political affiliation with unprecedented readiness...the statement that 'political parties have already survived' has a positively whistling-in-the-dark character to it.

"Parties have assuredly survived — but as what? As the forges upon which many of the essential compromises of American political life are hammered out? Or merely as convenient vehicles for the conducting of national presidential elections?"

The Court majority almost willfully ignores two fundamental political realities. Parties are the only mass mobilization device this nation has developed to energize our democracy. The decline of parties is directly and causally related to the decline of voter turnout.

Mobilization takes manpower, and some of that manpower — in states like Illinois — has been supplied by patronage workers. Removing this resource will make candidates even more dependent on mass-media mobilization techniques, which means money



The dangers are clear when hacks fill responsible positions.

### JACK ANDERSON

## Gorbachev plots Honecker's rescue

EAST BERLIN — Soviet Premier Mikhail Gorbachev is secretly considering whisking East Germany's ousted, longtime ruler out of the country before he faces threatened charges ranging from treason to murder.

Gorbachev's good will is extraordinary because he personally disliked Erich Honecker, the communist who led East

Germany for 18 years until he was toppled last October. The two clashed in private.

In light of the one-time animosity, a close friend of Honecker's told us, the ailing former leader was surprised and moved by Gorbachev's concern for his well-being. Honecker was communism's original "little drummer boy," beginning his political life at 10 years of age as a "Youth Pioneer" drummer in the Wiebelkirehen Communist Band. His father played

bass drum. Honecker was imprisoned for 10 years by the Nazis and freed by the Soviet Army when it captured Berlin in 1945. He rose quickly in Soviet-occupied East Germany. He clinched the leadership post in 1971 and held it until Oct. 17. Since then, Honecker has fallen a long way. He is currently languishing at a Soviet Army convalescent home near Potsdam. He needs his Soviet protectors; his own people hate him. Their resentment has soared since the Berlin Wall fell last November. Mass demonstrations prevented Honecker from renting an apartment and even forced a Protestant minister to evict Honecker from a two-month sanctuary with him. Honecker, 78, is not well. He's had complicated surgery, including an operation for cancer. Friends say he drifts in and out of reality.

The East German prosecutor general is handling the probe. Honecker was initially charged with treason; the charges were later dropped. Our sources say authorities could press that charge again anytime.

Honecker's lawyer, Wolfgang Vogel, told us he was able to dispense with that charge the first time because it was ludicrous. What Honecker did as a communist leader was "not criminal" because he believed in it, Vogel asserts. "They are accusing him of betrayal of his country. But he would have had to betray himself to go any other way."

Authorities investigating Honecker also are looking at corruption allegations, for which several of his former key associates already have been jailed. He and 22 of his former fellow Politburo members and their families lived in a small, forested compound surrounded by a 1.5-mile concrete wall 15 miles northeast of the capital. They had maids, a swimming pool, a movie theater, a department store and a medical clinic.

Maybe it was merely an upper-middle class life by U.S. standards, but it was unquestionably superior to the daily tribulations facing the East German masses. Unlike their subjects, this elite didn't have to wait more than 10 years for a car; they could buy Western goods that were denied their citizens; they had the best schools. Yet Honecker didn't live the high life of some departed potentates who looted their countries' treasuries. By contrast, Vogel notes, Honecker is virtually broke, "never had a Swiss bank account" as some accounts charge, and currently doesn't own a weekend retreat or even a house. The most serious — and most justified — charges he's likely to face are for murder of East Germans shot or otherwise killed while fleeing to West Germany. About 200 have perished this way since 1961. While he was the No. 2 man Honecker personally supervised construction of the Wall and other border fortifications. As leader, he continued the shoot-to-kill order against his own citizens trying to leave.



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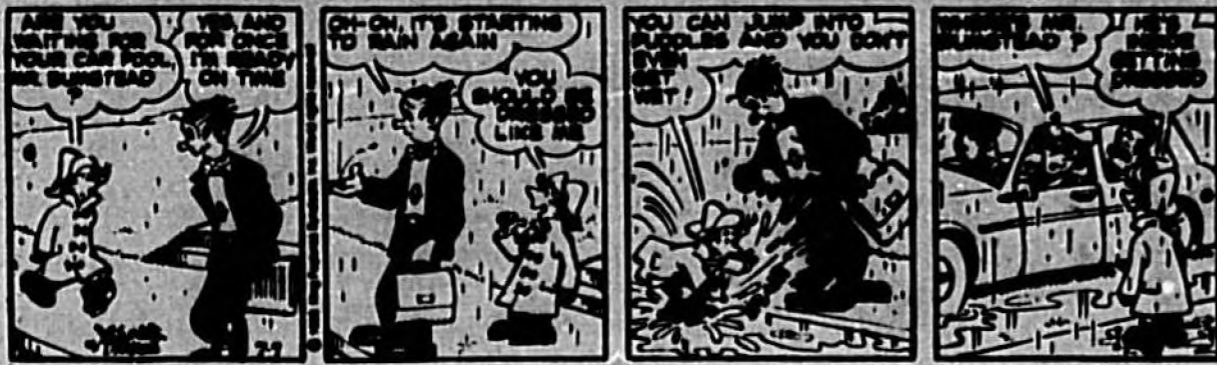








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**Varicose veins seem to be inherited trait**

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I'm 19 and beginning to get varicose veins. My mother and grandmother both have them. How can I keep them from getting progressively worse? Is there a surgical procedure to alleviate the condition?

**DEAR READER:** Varicose veins seem to be inherited. Evidently, some defect in the supporting tissues in your legs permits the veins to balloon out and dilate. You may be able to prevent progression by avoiding prolonged standing (don't become a traffic cop or a surgeon) and using elastic support hose.

If your varicose veins are mild, sheer elastic hose (such as Supp hose) will help prevent the veins from dilating. If your veins are quite swollen and unsightly, you'll need heavy-duty elastic stockings (such as Jobel) to provide more pressure. If these methods are ineffective, you may have to consider surgery. The veins could be "stripped" (removed) or "sclerosed" (injected with a caustic solution) to shrink them. Recently, there's been a lot of interest in laser therapy for varicose veins. The method is safe and shows promise but until recently has been available only in large medical centers.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** My doctor has recently put me on Prinivil and Lozol for high blood pressure. What exactly do these medications do, and what are the possible side effects?

**DEAR READER:** Prinivil (lisinopril) is a new drug for the treatment of hypertension. It is an angiotensin-converting enzyme inhibitor, meaning it blocks the formation of an enzyme that raises blood pressure. Therefore, it is remarkably free of side effects because, unlike many other types of blood-pressure lowering drugs, it does not affect the body's organs. Prinivil has two further advantages: It doesn't cause a change in heart rate, and it can be taken once a day. The major side effects are

dizziness, fatigue, fluid retention, cough and mild slowing of kidney function. It must be used cautiously in patients taking lithium (a treatment for mood disorder) because Prinivil may contribute to lithium toxicity. Lozol (indapamide) is also a new drug for hypertension. It reduces contraction of arteries,



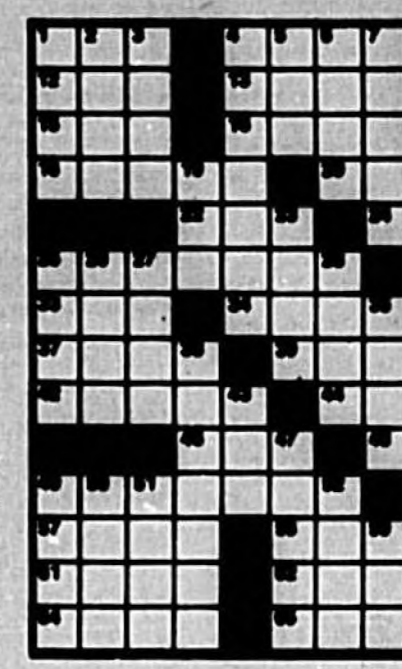
**MEDICINE**  
**PETER GOTT, M.D.**

thereby lowering blood pressure. It doesn't affect the heart, nor does it decrease kidney function.

- ACROSS**
- 1 Old card game
  - 4 Actress Sue
  - 8 The end here
  - 13 Old French coin
  - 13 Emerald like
  - 14 Boats
  - 15 Hill dweller
  - 16 Part of a church
  - 17 Virginia widow
  - 18 Jobs
  - 20 Long journey
  - 22 Jobs monogram
  - 24 Drunkard symbol
  - 25 Iron symbol
  - 33 Inmate (post.)
  - 34 London's city district
  - 36 Figure skater - Thomas
- DOWN**
- 37 Soup ingredient
  - 38 Close on eye
  - 41 Ennis, movie, money, —
  - 42 Striking effect
  - 44 Cotton fabric
  - 46 "— Kaptan"
  - 48 By birth
  - 49 Price
  - 51 King of birds
  - 57 Bedside case
  - 58 Footwear
  - 60 — Angles
  - 61 No fit, — or hole
  - 62 Moon goddess
  - 63 Make a choice
  - 64 Whip
  - 65 Vehicle runners
  - 66 LMS



- Answer to Previous Puzzle**
- 1 Future ally: 7
  - 2 Same 8
  - 3 In and — 9
  - 4 Canine cry 10
  - 5 Approximate- 11



- 12 by (2 wds.)
- 13 Require
- 14 Why
- 15 Popular songs
- 16 Two words of understanding
- 17 Carriage
- 18 Young goat
- 19 Hoodlum
- 20 Precipitation
- 21 Lawn wrecker
- 22 Oil-exporting
- 23 War
- 24 Not thick
- 25 Ornamental pattern
- 26 Wind instrument
- 27 Appearance
- 28 — even
- 29 keel
- 30 Jewish prayer
- 31 Gable's need
- 32 Hindu symbols
- 33 New Zealand
- 34 carrot
- 35 Podium
- 36 Super, e.g.
- 37 Alcohol lamp
- 38 Bomb (abbr.)
- 39 Spirit
- 40 Shine
- 41 Trot
- 42 This (Sp.)
- 43 Undivided

**BRIDGE**

**By James Jacoby**  
A declarer plans ahead to get the required number of tricks for his contract. A defender also must plan ahead, although his object is to get tricks to set the contract. Today's East was guilty of a common bridge crime — he didn't think ahead, and thus played too fast. He won the ace of diamonds and led one back for West to ruff. West then returned a low heart. South now had a choice of plays. He could play low, hoping that West held the king of hearts. Or he could rise with dummy's heart ace, come to his hand with the ace of clubs, and then hope that West held the spade king. Declarer guessed wrong by playing West for the spade king. When de-

NORTH 7-9-0		EAST	
♠ A 10 5	♠ K 8	♠ J 10 6 2	♠ A 8 5 3
♥ A 8 3	♥ Q J 10 6 4	♥ Q 7	♥ Q 7
♦ K 5	♦ J 10 6 3 2	♦ A 9 8 4	♦ A 9 8 4
SOUTH		SOUTH	
♠ Q J 6 3	♠ Q 7	♠ K 7	♠ A 9 8 4
♥ Q 7	♥ K 7	♥ A 9 8 4	♥ A 9 8 4
♦ A 9 8 4	♦ A 9 8 4	♦ A 9 8 4	♦ A 9 8 4
Vulnerable: Both		Dealer: North	
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
4 ♠	All pass		
Opening lead: ♠ 2			

**HOPE**

**By Bernice Bede Osof**  
**YOUR BIRTHDAY**  
**July 10, 1990**  
In the year ahead you could experience some very pleasant surprises when old markers for favors you've done in the past for others start being repaid without any prompting on your part.  
**CANCER** (June 21-July 22) Even though you won't be looking for a free ride, there is a possibility you might benefit today from something an associate put together that you had no role in originating. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail #2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) If you have something important to discuss with another, don't make your presentation in front of an audience. You'll be much more effective on a one-to-one basis.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) This can be an extremely productive and worthwhile day for you, provided your time and efforts are dedicated to labors of love. Take pride in each task you perform.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you are trying to sell or promote something today in which you truly believe, the aspects indicate you could be very successful. The key to victory lies in believing.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Do not be impatient today if you have to negotiate an important commercial matter. Time is on your side and if you hold fast, the other party will meet your terms.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your spirit of cooperation and your sense of fair play are your greatest assets today. These attributes will be instantly recognized and they'll make companions feel comfortable in your presence.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Sometimes we have to work very hard for what we receive and other times things come relatively easy to us. Fortunately, the latter might be true for you today.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

If you have to make decisions today that affect others as well as yourself, it may be helpful to let your heart rule your head. Strive to be a loving pragmatist.  
**PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) If your efforts today are devoted to seeing that things come out well for loved ones, it will also serve your purposes in the process. This is the day when unselfishness pays big rewards.  
**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) Your demeanor will be very appealing to others today. You'll be similar to a sparkling light who captures the admiration of a person or a crowd.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) You could be more fortunate than usual today in competitive developments where the stakes are meaningful materially or socially. Make your mark in both areas.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) Today what you know is much more important than who you know. Trade on your knowledge and expertise or other gifts you have to offer instead of waiting for contacts to do the job for you.  
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**by Leonard Starr**

