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File Photo
Business and ministry team up to bring special gifts to needy children and adults for a joyous holiday season. Please see Page 4B.

Russ White writes about life after basketball. Please see Page 2A.

BRIEFLY

The East Central Florida Regional Planning Council will meet Wednesday at 10 a.m. at 1011 Wymore Road, Suite 200 (upstairs conference room), Winter Park. Council restructuring and development of regional impact are among the items on the agenda.

The Longwood Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Dec. 23 at 7 p.m. in the Longwood Woman's Club, 150 W. Church Ave., Longwood, to consider a request for variance for street side setback on property at 111 Magnolia Ave.

For the fifth consecutive year, Time Warner Communications will donate a percentage of installation fees for new customers during December to the Salvation Army.

Last year the Time Warner donation totaled \$50,000 and was apportioned throughout the cable company's nine county service area.

The Florida Public Service Commission announced that amendments to its rules on slamming will become effective Dec. 28. Slamming occurs when a consumer's telephone service is changed without permission.

The final amendments resolve a rule challenge filed by several long distance giants, including AT&T, Sprint, MCI and two long distance trade groups, over slamming rules adopted at the Commission's May Agenda Conference.

The PSC advises consumers who have been slammed to notify their local phone company. Consumers may contact the PSC by calling (800) 342-3552.

The American Red Cross of Central Florida will offer baby-sitting training classes for kids ages 11 to 18 years old.

In Seminole County the course will be offered in two parts Dec. 28 and 30 from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the American Red Cross Seminole Service Center, 705 W. State Road 434, Longwood.

The cost is \$50 and includes a baby-sitting kit and handbook. Seating is limited. For more information and to register call (407) 332-8200.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Scattered showers. Highs in the upper-70s. Lows in the mid-60s.

QUOTE

"I do desire we may be better strangers."
- William Shakespeare

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Longwood picks administrator

By Bill Kerns

STAFF WRITER

LONGWOOD - The Longwood city commission will offer the City Administrator's position to John Drago, who currently is the assistant city manager of Winter Springs.

The commission authorized acting city administrator Greg Manning to offer Drago the position Friday night in a special session at the Longwood Women's Civic League. Manning said he would call Drago after the meeting to offer the position.

The commission is proposing a starting date of Jan. 4, 1999.

"John Drago is my first choice," commissioner Steve Miller said in a letter to the commission, since his job prevented him from attending the session or voting. "He has thorough knowledge of our city's affairs, both actual and political. Mr. Drago has been exposed to this political ele-

ment. He is comfortable in that setting."

In addition to his current position in Winter Springs, Drago has served as city administrator of Okeechobee, and town manager of Golden Beach. He holds a master's degree and a bachelor's degree in management from Georgia College.

The commission is offering Drago a starting salary of \$75,000, with a standard car allowance, and four months severance. The proposed contract would be reviewed after six months, and once per year after that point. The severance would increase by one month every year, with a maximum severance of six months.

"The city is in the low end for the city administrator's salary," Mayor Rusty Miles said. "He indicated to me that it would take considerably more than \$70,000 for him to come here. Maybe that was just a negotiating tactic."

The commission scheduled a

Man charged in ex-wife's murder

By Maria Orem

EDITOR

SEMINOLE COUNTY - A man suspected of shooting his ex-wife while she was at work in an Altamonte Springs eatery, was arrested by deputies Friday in Volusia County.

Joseph Tracey, 4241 Quail Nest Lane, New Smyrna Beach, was arrested in his home by major crimes investigators at 5:30 p.m. for the murder of Joann Tracey at Kathy's Wings and Subs, according to Deanna Brown, spokeswoman for the Seminole County Sheriff's Office.

Joann Tracey was killed by a single gunshot fired through a

window at the eatery on July 19, Brown said.

Brown said police issued a warrant for Joseph Tracey's arrest shortly after law enforcement officers received results for the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Laboratory that showed tire impressions lifted from the murder scene matched those of Tracey's GMC pickup truck. The results also showed that a bullet fragment found at the murder scene had similar markings to a Remington Arms Model 700, 30 caliber rifle witnesses say the suspect recently purchased.

According to the arrest report, Tracey had motive and opportunity to commit the crime and

School Security: A watch that never ends

By Russ White

STAFF WRITER

SEMINOLE COUNTY - Youngsters used to go to school with notebooks, pens, pencils and a lunch bag or bucket.

Nowadays, some carry weapons. Playgrounds have become battlegrounds.

On Wednesday, 16-year-old Mark Anthony Thornton was punched to his death at University High School.

Omar Sharif Witt, 20, is in the Seminole County Jail on a second degree murder charge. He is accused of striking Thornton in the temple during a quarrel on the school parking lot. Preliminary autopsy results show that Mark Anthony may

have suffered a possible aneurysm.

The incident has parents frightened and school officials searching for ways to tighten security at schools throughout the Central Florida area.

"Every day you have to look at yourself and ask if you've done everything you can to assure the safety of the students and the teachers," said Wolfgang Halbig, Seminole County School Security Director.

Halbig says statistics show that there are 2,000 incidents each hour of each school day at schools throughout the country. This despite the fact that most schools monitor their students and carefully screen visitors to their campuses.



Christmas on the water
Displaying a holiday tree on their boat docked at the Sanford Marina just "Made Sense."

Sheriff's Office Chief Deputy Steve Harriett says Seminole County schools are blessed.

"We have abundantly more good kids than delinquents. Still, we realize this isn't a pretend or make believe world. We're not about to get complacent."

"There's no 100 percent guarantee something won't happen," Halbig said. "Our job is to be alert. To never let down our guard."

Uniformed deputies and officers from agencies in the municipalities are assigned to each of the Seminole schools and are part of prevention/intervention/enforcement programs. They conduct classes on drug prevention, an-

ger management and diversity.

The county has had a sprinkling of incidents but certainly not an "epidemic" Harriett said. Four years ago, he said, a girl brought a gun to Lake Howell High School and accidentally shot herself. There was a CCIB drug raid at two high schools last year.

When there appears to be a conflict or a fight between students, the school resource officers have been quick to intervene. Students caught fighting get automatic suspensions.

Immediately after the horrible killing at University High School, Halbig sent E-mail messages to each of the Seminole County principals. There are 54 schools in the county - 7

high schools, 12 middle schools, and 35 elementary schools.

Some parents at University High said they don't want their children going to that school. Many have been interviewed by the Orlando television stations. School district officials heightened security by bringing in extra security officers and deputies.

The daily safety and security watch at Seminole schools begin 30 minutes before the first class and extend 30 minutes beyond the school's closing bell. Extra effort is made for monitoring after-school functions such as band activities, sports practices and outdoor

Ft. Mellon Park issue still alive

By Bill Kerns

STAFF WRITER

SANFORD - City Commissioners on Monday will address objections raised by state agencies about the hotel/convention center proposed for Fort Mellon Park, including whether there will be adequate transportation facilities.

The agencies documented their concerns Nov. 5 through the Department of Community Affairs as part of the state's review of a Comprehensive Plan amendment requested for the project by the city.

"This report is standard operating procedure," Sanford Mayor Larry Dale said. "This report is sent to all state agencies, and they respond with questions or objections.

They're not saying we're not in compliance with anything. I just met with DCA on Friday. This is a procedure any development has to go through."

According to the city's comprehensive land use plan dated Dec. 14, the two-lane segment of U.S. Highway 17-92 along the lakefront is a constrained facility due to the environmental characteristics of the lakeshore, regardless of whether the hotel/conference center is built. Much of the traffic is attributed to growth outside the downtown Sanford area, Sanford City Manager Tony VanDerworp said.

A study measuring existing and alternative traffic patterns to accommodate the hotel/conference study is being prepared by the city. VanDerworp said.

The city has budgeted \$5 million in the capital improvement program for a new Wastewater Treatment Plant to be constructed southeast of the Orlando-Sanford Airport, VanDerworp said. It will be operational in 2010.

Except for transportation, the state's report said there are adequate public facilities to serve the site.

Staff from the Florida Department of State said the park may be historically significant because it was developed as a Federal Works Progress Administration project during the Great Depression. The State Department staff recommends that an archeological survey be performed.

A public hearing to consider the State's comments and final

Local leader pushes for statehood

By Bill Kerns

STAFF WRITER

WINTER SPRINGS - Puerto Rico is holding a plebiscite Sunday on whether the citizens wish the island to become the 51st state. Winter Springs Commissioner Eddie Martinez is campaigning hard to see that Puerto Rico does become a state.

Puerto Rico has been a U.S. Commonwealth since 1952. This is the third time Puerto Rican citizens have voted on statehood. In 1967 and 1993, residents voted in favor of

maintaining commonwealth status. However, in 1993 the difference was only 48.4 percent for commonwealth status over 46.2 percent for statehood.

"We expect to win," Martinez said. "The only thing in question is the margin."

As a commonwealth, Puerto Rico receives money for programs such as transportation, housing, education, and road construction, but lacks representation in Congress and cannot vote in Presidential elections. Puerto Rico accepts congressional policies on its

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RUSS WHITE

Empty courts and head cases

As the late night ESPN debates and other sports junkies lose sleep over the loss of professional basketball, seemingly unimportant stories are getting big headlines in newspapers from coast to coast.

Some of the stories that have America talking are:

News Item: Legendary UCLA basketball coach John Wooden said he is upset at the ludicrous length of the hours worn by today's players. Some nearly reach the ankles.

Pull yourself together, John. These guys have ugly legs. Their arm pits aren't so good either. That's what they ought to cover up. The arm pits.

News Item: Dennis Rodman and Carmen Electra have marriage annulled. They'll both marry other men.

News Item: Ex Magic coach Robb Adelman to coach to New York Liberty women's basketball team.

Why not? The crybabies he used to coach weren't really men.

News Item: Former Princeton All American, NBA star and U.S. Senator Bill Bradley is campaigning for the 2000 Presidential Election.

They could use a straight shooter in the White House. Hoop it up for Mr. Bill.

News Item: Wilt Chamberlain now says he was exaggerating when he wrote in his book that he had slept with 20,000 women. We knew that.

News Item: NBA cancels its 1998-99 All Star game in Philadelphia. Who cares?

News Item: Magic send season ticket monies back to fans.

Along with Amway brochures?

News Item: NBA Commissioner David Stern grows abnormally looking beard.

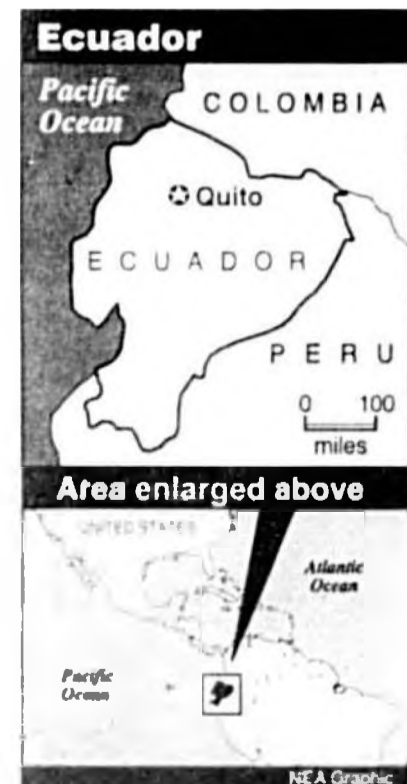
Maybe he's trying to get a date with Carmen Electra.

News Item: Nick Van Exel and Marcus Camby are suing the NBA in an effort to go play in Europe. Arrivederci.

News Item: Carl Malone says he will never play again for the Utah Jazz.

The way things are going the Utah Jazz may never play again. If there's a settlement between the owners and players, you can bet the Mormon Tabernacle Choir's robes, he'll suit up with the home team.

SNAPSHOT



December 6 marks Quito Day in Ecuador. The capital city of Ecuador was founded by Spain on Dec. 6, 1534.

Lack of rains force county to face threat of wildfire

By Bill Kerns

SEMINOLE COUNTY

Seminole County is facing a serious wildfire threat due to lack of rain. Florida Agriculture Commissioner Bob Crawford issues a precautionary wildfire warning to residents due to growing drought index levels across the state.

The drought index level for Seminole County is 494, said agriculture department press

secretary Terence McElroy. The Keetch-Byram drought index runs from 0 for flooding to 800 for desert conditions.

"An index level of 500 is quite serious," McElroy said. "Without any rain, it's going to get worse. People need to be very cautious, and take steps to protect against wildfires."

The above normal temperatures and reduced rainfall associated with La Nina indicate strong potential for an active wildfire season, according to state forestry officials. The

possible addition of freeze-dried fuels may increase the fire potential in the later part of the season.

"I'm hoping we get some much needed rain this weekend," Crawford said. "Our friends in Georgia and other states are reporting even higher drought indices and increasing wildfire activity. We could be next. These elevated readings trouble me. I'm urging everyone to prepare their homes against wildfire now."

Florida was rocked with more

than 2,300 wildfires that burned 500,000 acres from late May through mid-July, the agriculture department said. The fires destroyed or damaged 317 structures. The drought index this past summer ranged from 730-798 across much of Florida.

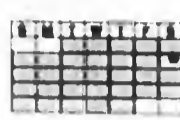
The steps Crawford recommends to make homes fire-resistant include creating a firebreak of at least 30 feet around a house whenever practical. Crawford recommends removing branches from the lower six feet of tall trees near a house to keep ground fires from spreading into the

tops of trees. Residents should keep roofs and rain gutters clear of leaves, pine needles, and other flammable debris. In addition, keep sufficient garden hose on hand to reach all parts of a house. Maintain landscaping free of dead and dying plants, and locate all combustibles, Crawford said.

Rural landowners can reduce the likelihood of wildfire by conducting control burns on a three to five year rotation. They also should keep adequate fire-fighting and water resources available on the property, Crawford said.

DATE BOOK

Dec. 12, 1998



Today is the 346th day of 1998 and the 81st day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1897, "The Katzenjammer Kids" first appeared in the New York Journal. On this day in 1901, the first transatlantic radio signal was detected by Guglielmo Marconi.

On this day in 1974, the Rolling Stones announced that guitarist Mick Taylor would be leaving the group.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Jay (1745-1829), U.S. statesman, jurist, William Lloyd Garrison (1805-1879), anti-slavery leader, Gustave Flaubert (1821-1880), writer, Edward G. Robinson (1893-1973), actor, Frank Sinatra (1915-1998), entertainer, Bob Barker

(1923), announcer, animal rights activist, is 75, Ed Koch (1924), politician, is 74, Connie Francis (1938), singer, actress, is 60, Dionne Warwick (1941), singer, is 57.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1986, James "Bomber" Smith defeated "Terrible" Tim Witherspoon in the first round, winning the WBA heavyweight championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "When I was 40, my doctor advised me that a man in his 40s shouldn't play tennis. I heeded his advice carefully and could hardly wait until I reached 50 to start again." — Hugo L. Black

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Dec. 10) and new moon (Dec. 18).

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Dec. 13, 1998



Today is the 347th day of 1998 and the 82nd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1918, Woodrow Wilson became the first U.S. president to visit Europe while in office, arriving in Brest, France.

On this day in 1928, George Gershwin's "An American in Paris" debuted in New York City's Carnegie Hall.

On this day in 1978, the U.S. government began to mint Susan B. Anthony dollar coins. The coins were first circulated the following July.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Heinrich Heine (1797-1856), poet, Alvin York (1887-1964), U.S. World War I hero, Ross MacDonal (1915-1983), writer, Dick Van Dyke (1925-), actor, is 73.

Christopher Plummer (1929), actor, is 69, John Davidson (1941), singer, is 57, Ferguson Jenkins (1943), baseball great, is 55, Ted Nugent (1949), musician, is 49.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1942, the Washington Redskins defeated the Chicago Bears 14-6 to win the NFL championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It often happens that I wake at night and begin to think about a serious problem and decide I must tell the pope about it. Then I wake up completely and remember that I am the pope!" — Pope John XXIII

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Dec. 10) and new moon (Dec. 18).

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WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

Today: Scattered showers. Highs in the upper-70s. Lows in the mid-60s. **Sunday:** Scattered showers. Highs in the upper-70s. Lows in the upper-50s. **Monday:** Morning showers. Highs in the mid-70s. Lows in the mid-50s. **Tuesday:** Isolated showers. Highs in the mid-70s. Lows in the mid-50s.

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

SATURDAY Shwrs 79-85 **SUNDAY** Shwrs 76-85

MONDAY Shwrs 75-85 **TUESDAY** Shwrs 75-85

LOTTERY

Here are the winning numbers selected on Friday in the Florida Lottery.

Fantasy 5
5-9-10-12-13
Lotto (Dec. 5)
8-14-21-30-32-39

Play 4
8-8-6-8
Cash 3
7-2-6

TIDES

SATURDAY:
SOLUNAR TABLE: min. 12:10 a.m., maj. 6:15 a.m., min. 12:25 p.m., maj. 6:35 p.m.

TIDES: Daytona Beach: high: 2:47 a.m., 2:57 p.m., low: 9:03 a.m., 9:22 p.m. **New Smyrna Beach:** high: 2:52 a.m., 3:02 p.m., low: 9:08 a.m., 9:27 p.m. **Cocoa Beach:** high: 3:07 a.m., 3:17 p.m., low: 9:23 a.m., 9:42 p.m.

BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach & New Smyrna Beach: Seas are 7-9 feet with a rough chop. Water temperature at Daytona is 73 degrees and at New Smyrna, 73 degrees. Winds are from the east at 20-25 m.p.h.

STATISTICS

The high temperature in Sanford Friday was 84 degrees and the overnight low was 60 degrees. Recorded rainfall for the period ending at 10 a.m. Saturday was 0.00 inches. **Sunrise:** 7:08 a.m. **Sunset:** 5:30 p.m.

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POLICE LOG

The following reports were compiled from the Seminole County Sheriff's Office for incidents recorded Dec. 11:

Aggravated battery:

SANFORD, Park Avenue, Dec. 10, 10:24 a.m. A 20-year-old woman and a 22-year-old woman were arrested by Sanford Police for aggravated battery. Police said they responded to a residence where a disturbance was reported. Inside they found two women. One woman held the other by the hair and was repeatedly hitting her in the back. The other woman was biting the first one as she was hit. They were arguing over a man.

Burglary:

WINTER SPRINGS, Moree Loop, Dec. 9, 1:48 a.m. A 19-year-old man and a juvenile male were arrested by Winter Springs Police for burglary, theft of less than \$300 and for resisting arrest without violence. Police said they found the two trying to gain access to vehicles in the parking lot of a business. They found a stereo system in the older man's waistband and a wallet and other items in the other one's possession.

Domestic violence:

LAKE MARY, Doorchester Square, 400 block, Dec. 10, 12:32 a.m. A 28-year-old woman was arrested by Lake Mary Police for domestic violence and for trespassing in an occupied structure. Police said she went to a home where her estranged husband was staying and began to argue with him. She yelled at him and struck him in the face several times during the argument, police said. They said after she had been placed under arrest, she tried to hit him again.

OVIEDO, Division Street, 500 block, Dec. 10, 2:05 a.m. A 37-year-old man was arrested by Oviedo Police for domestic violence. Police said the man punched his daughter in the forehead with his fist during an argument.

SANFORD, Holly Avenue, 400 block, Dec. 9, 11 p.m. A woman was arrested by Sanford Police for domestic violence. Police said she had struck her son in the head and told them that she "had the right to" do so.

Drugs:

LONGWOOD, U.S. Highway 17-92, 200 block, Dec. 10, 3:10 p.m. A 40-year-old woman was arrested by Longwood Police for trafficking in illegal drugs. Police said she went to a pharmacy and got a prescription filled using a false identification card to purchase a prescription drug (Hydrocodone).

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such as immigration, without congressional representation.

If citizens in the island of 3 1/2 million people do vote in favor of statehood, the U.S. Congress would vote on whether to admit Puerto Rico as a state.

Martinez, president of the Puerto Rican Statehood Foundation of Florida, said he is already lobbying members of Congress, such as Senate Majority leader Trent Lott of Mississippi, to vote in favor of Puerto Rican statehood.

"It's a give-and-take relationship on both sides," Martinez said. "We purchase U.S. goods and provide money for the U.S."

One reason Lott opposes statehood is he favors English as the primary language for education and commerce in any state.

"Language should not be an imposition," Martinez said. "We contributed to World War II, Korea, Vietnam, and the Gulf War. Bases on our island protected the U.S. southern coast during World War II. After 100 years of being a U.S. colony, we are at the verge of being able to decide these issues for ourselves."

In 1898, following the Spanish-American War, the U.S. took over many public works, education, and medical programs in Puerto Rico and placed military on the island. By 1900, Puerto Rico became

an unincorporated U.S. territory, with the President appointing the island's governor and the upper house of the legislature.

Puerto Ricans have held U.S. citizenship since 1917. Luis Munoz Marin became the island's first elected governor in 1948.

Martinez said he believes Puerto Rico as a state would contribute as much to the U.S. economy as West Virginia or Mississippi. Puerto Rico has a manufacturing-based economy, with other leading exports including tobacco and sugar.

Martinez said the per capita income level of Puerto Ricans, which has been stagnant since 1972 and is below Americans on the mainland, would rise if Puerto Rico becomes a state.

"Too many people think they can get the best of both worlds with commonwealth status," Martinez said. "Too many people have become lazy, and dependent on food stamps. There is a thriving underground economy. These people feel alienated from the governing process. It's time to make decisions for ourselves."

One obstacle to statehood being approved by Congress, Martinez said, is that it would take a constitutional amendment to add new seats to the House of Representatives. Without the amendment, if Puerto Rico becomes a state then other states would lose seats.

Park

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adoption of the amendment will be held by the City Commission at its regular meeting Monday, 7 p.m., at Sanford City Hall.

Doug Groseclose, Chairman of the Society for the Preservation of Fort Mellon park, said the State's concerns about the hotel project are consistent with those raised in previous public hearings by the society.

"The concerns identified by the State of Florida validate the objections to this project voiced by hundreds of Sanford citizens over the past year," Groseclose said. "Our efforts to save Fort Mellon Park get a great boost from this report."

Additional agenda items for Monday's meeting include:

*Public hearing and second reading of Ordinance No. 3431, as revised, re: amending Ordinance No. 3079, the Comprehensive Plan, amending the Future Land Use Map, for a portion of Fort Mellon Park and adding annexed property, and changing the manual format.

*Public hearing and second reading of Ordinance No. 3449 re: closing, vacating, and abandoning two north-south utility drainage easements lying between Sun Drive and Upsala Road extended easterly and between South White Cedar Road and Central Park Drive. Linda Rubel, Pettitioner. Re: a portion of property between Narcissus Avenue and SR 46 West and between North White Cedar Road and Creek Road extended northerly. Melissa-Ann, Inc. ET AL, owner.

*Public hearing to consider first reading of Ordinance No. 3452 to rezone from AG, Agricultural to PD, Planned Development. Re: a portion of property between Hwy 1792 and CR 427 and between County Home Road and Hwy. 1792. Opal Roberts Estate c/o Frank Whigham, Esq., owner.

*Public hearing and second reading of Ordinance No. 3450 to amend the future land use map of the Future Land Use Plan Element of the Comprehensive Plan and changing the designation from Office to High Density Residential.

*Public hearing and second reading of Ordinance No. 3450 to rezone from AG (Agricultural) to MR-3 (Multiple Family Dwelling Residential).

*Approval of Interlocal Agreement for a swimming pool at Seminole High School.

*Approval of Phase 2 - Design services by Teng & Associates for Lake Monroe seawall in the amount of \$43,108.

*First reading of Ordinance No. 3454 to amend the Classification and Pay Plan to authorize the addition of one (1) Solid Waste Coordinator position in the Public Works Department.

*First reading of Ordinance No. 3455 to amend the Classification and Pay Plan to authorize temporary salary increase for Acting Police Chief and Acting Human Resources Director.

*Boards: appointments/reappointments Cemetery Advisory Committee, Central Examining Board, Citizens Advisory Board, Code Enforcement Board, Complete Count Committee.

*Authorize up to \$5,000 expenditure from City Manager's Contingency fund for information to public regarding Charter Referendum.

*Approve Interlocal Agreement with Seminole County for \$40,000 for replacement boat docks at Marina.

*Approval waiver of application fee for Conditional Use permit for Sanford South Water Reclamation Facility at Orlando Sanford Airport.

*Approval of contract with Solin & Associates to revise the FAR and update City's Comprehensive Plan.

*Approval of rate increase for opening/closing cemetery spaces.

*Designation of an area for children spaces in the Municipal Cemetery and approve cost of \$200 for the spaces.

*Rejection for design/repair/refurbishment of Lakeview Cemetery Gazebo and authorization to re-bid.

*Approval of street paving schedule for FY98/99 and pluggy back on Seminole County's contracts with Orlando Paving Inc. and Asphalt Recycling Inc. for street paving.

*Approval of contract with Medical Claims Processors Group for EMS billing services.

*Approval of Invoice in amount of \$37,500 for Sanford Gasification Plant "Trust account."

School

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functions.

"Visibility is the key," Halbig said. "We want to be aware of what is going on and where it is going on. The sooner we see something, the sooner we can intervene if it is needed and prevent anything bad from happening."

Harriett said that the schools are a "microcosm" of the entire community. "Most of our kids are good members of this community," he said. "We've had to work for this and so have they. We want to reward the kids who get good grades and stay out of trouble. We're blessed to have them."

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Dr. Sima Teodorovic

Dr. Sima Teodorovic died at the age of 75 after a prolonged illness. He immigrated to the United States from Yugoslavia in 1968. As a Board Certified Obstetrician/Gynecologist Sima practiced medicine both in Yugoslavia and Ann Arbor, Michigan prior to retiring in Florida during 1981. Sima organized the planning and building of a maternity hospital in Senta, Yugoslavia. He enjoyed participating in stimulating discussions about world history and various global controversial issues. Sima was a loving and caring husband and father. He is survived by his wife, Jane Polkowski, his son and daughter-in-law, Dusan and Georgetta Teodorovic and three beautiful granddaughters, Simona, Andrea and Anna. He will be greatly missed.
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OBITUARIES

WILLIAM J. BONANZI

William J. Bonanzi, 82, Jean Drive, Orlando, died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1998. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he moved to Central Florida in 1987 from Long Island, N.Y. Mr. Bonanzi was an electrician. He was a member of VFW and DAV. Mr. Bonanzi served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. He was a Catholic.

Survivors include wife, Rita; daughter, Marianne Hearshey, Oviedo; sister, Grace DeRoss, Miami; two grandchildren.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Oviedo, in charge of arrangements.

ESTHER J. KINARD

Esther J. Kinard, 88, Marshall Avenue, Sanford, died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1998. Born in Akron, Ohio, she moved to Central Florida in 1919. Mrs. Kinard was a homemaker. She was a charter member of Church of God of Prophecy in Sanford.

Survivors include son, Marvin, Myrtle Beach, S.C.; daughters, Margaret L. Petty, Sanford, Helen G. Griffiths, Lake Park,

Fla.; brothers, Clarence, Jacksonville, Bill, Sanford; eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

Brisson Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

GEORGIA ELLEN MARTIN

Georgia Ellen Martin, 52, Sundance Court, Winter Springs, died Thursday, Dec. 10, 1998 at Island Lake Center, Longwood. Born March 17, 1946 in Ohio, she had resided in Central Florida for 49 years. Ms. Martin was an office administrator for United Engineering.

Survivors include sons, Tony, Rustin, Fla., Chad, Jarib, both of Orlando; daughters, Nicole Lynn Seivers, Winter Springs, Michelle Lloyd, Orlando; brother, George Arthur Jr., Casselberry; sisters, Sally Deuel, Reston, Va., Judy Gosser, Matland; six grandchildren.

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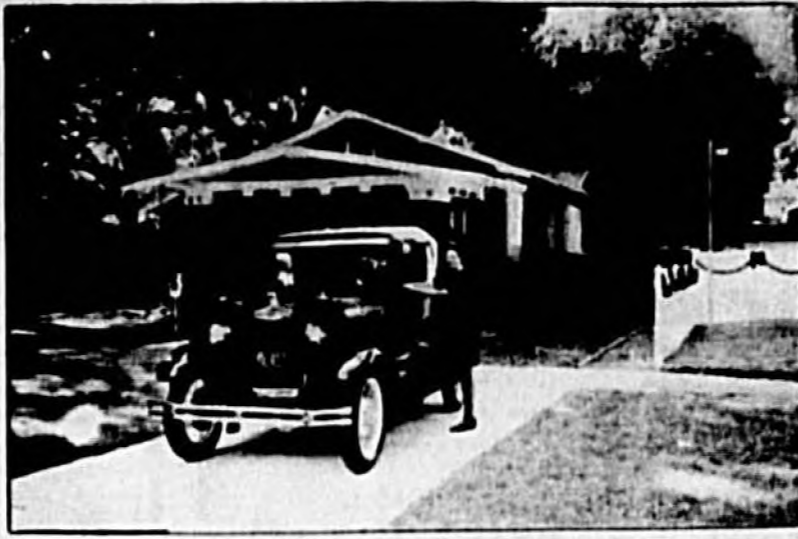
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Historic Tour of Homes

Sanford Police Officer Claudia Webber standing next to a 1928 Model T Ford opened her home on Magnolia Avenue to more than 400 visitors during the Historic Tour of Homes last weekend that featured 10 homes. City Manager Tony VanDerworp enjoys Christmas tunes played by Mike Wiezbowski on the Dulcimer while on Webber's front porch. Roland Deane, the first publisher/editor of the Sanford Herald at one time lived in the house, which was built in 1920.



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special session for Monday at 7 p.m. at the Womens Civic League, if Manning or city attorney Richard Taylor feel the need to consult the commission concerning Drago. This gives Drago the weekend to decide what Manning will tell the commission on Monday.

Fritz Behring, currently the city manager of Fort Meade, will be offered the position if Drago turns down the offer, the commission said. Behring finished second to Drago in commission voting for the position. He would be offered the same contract as Drago.

A special session is sched-

uled for Wednesday at 7 p.m. to allow Behring the same two-day period, if Drago turns down the position on Monday.

Behring served six years as city administrator of Central City, Neb. prior to his current position. He holds a master's degree in public administration from the University of South

Dakota.

The city commissioners and Mayor Miles held interviews with the five finalists for the city administrator's position starting at 4 p.m. Friday.

Voting Friday was done on a four-point scale, with four points to the first choice down to one point for the fourth

choice. Drago received 14 points, and Behring received 11 points.

Thomas Frame, the city manager of Sebastian, finished third with 10 points. T. Michael McDowell, the city administrator of Creve Coeur, Mo. finished fourth with five points.

"All of them are capable of doing the job," Commissioner Ron Sargent said. "They made it a tough decision, much tougher than the last one."

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that he had been in a heated custody battle with his ex-wife. Several witnesses said they had heard Tracey say he wanted to do harm to his ex-wife. Those threats, witnesses said, continued until the day she was killed.

Deputies said Tracey also misled investigators and lacked a credible alibi. He had the necessary transportation to get to the murder scene and back to Pub 44, deputies said.

Deputies transported Tracey to the Volusia County jail, however, after his first court appearance, he is expected to go to the Seminole County jail to await his trial.

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SANFORD - Folks we've reached Week 15 and there's a lot to talk about.

This week's schedule provides final opportunities for teams to make a bid for the playoffs and assorted chances for teams to play spoiler.

Buffalo, Arizona and New Orleans face do-or-die games for the rest of the season, so I plan to watch them closely.

Denver continues to look like they can go undefeated for the year and a small part of me is starting to hope they do.

In my opinion their accomplishment thus far is equal to what the Dolphins squad did in 1972. The league is much more competitive today and the Broncos had to deal with some very key injuries.

I would hate to be a Bronco-hater this season. It would be a very frustrating spot to be in.

Believe it or not, I think their biggest challenge in the remainder of the regular season comes this Sunday as they visit the Giants. I know it sounds crazy, but I think New York fans, frustrated themselves, will be up for this game and the Broncos probably won't be.

Enough talk about the probable A.F.C. Champions, let's take a quick look around Florida.

They Dolphins continue to beat teams that most of the league can beat, and lose to the stiffer competition.

I know I'm always down on Miami, but believe me, it's with good reason. They have yet to prove to me that they are an above average team, let alone a real contender.

The Jaguars on the other hand have been extremely proficient at capitalizing on 'the Stumbles of the Steelers.'

They will win the division, but need to keep an eye on the Oilers, a team I'm convinced will make the playoffs. Their opponent this week?

The Oilers.
As usual, the Bucs have decided to give their fans, including myself, some hope to grasp towards the end of the season.

They looked absolutely amazing in their victory over the Packers Monday night as the offense finally showed up. The thing to remember however, was how bad the Packers looked and the countless injuries they are currently suffering. I love the Bucs, but I'm paid to be honest.

Let's take a look at the schedule and find some winners.

JACKSONVILLE (-4) VS. TENNESSEE
Most people don't realize how important this game is for the division. I think the Oilers will not only play a good game, I think they'll win it outright. They have a defense that just won't quit. **Oilers 23, Jaguars 21.**

MIAMI (-3) VS. NEW YORK JETS
This game, regardless of all the hype, means nothing. The winner gets to be the whipping boy in the A.F.C. playoff race for the Super Bowl. **Jets 17, Dolphins 14.**

TAMPA BAY (-3) VS. PITTSBURGH
The Bucs should be able to capitalize on the troubles Kordell Stewart is having lately. Look for the Bucs fans to be fired up for this one. We'll just cross our fingers and hope Dilfer doesn't screw it up! **Bucs 17, Steelers 10.**

DENVER (-12) AT NEW YORK GIANTS
Bettors beware! This is the perfect situation for the Broncos to come out flat. I think they'll win the game, but I'm not giving up 12 points. **Broncos 22, Midgets 20.**

NEW ENGLAND (-7) AT ST. LOUIS
Will Bledsoe's magic continue? I wish the Rams could catch a break, but this team has too many major problems. New England gets the win in a last ditch effort to catch the Dolphins. **Patriots 23, Rams 14.**

BUFFALO (-7) VS. OAKLAND
My beloved Bills continue to fight for everything they can get. They got robbed by the refs last week, but I'm not complaining. They'll win this game and show all you sissies crying for instant replay that the game is won by the players, not technology or the referees. **Bills 37, Cheaters 10.**

ARIZONA (-3) AT PHILADELPHIA
I need one more win out of the Cardinals and

What's Up In The NFL

BRADY LESSARD

this seems like the place to get it. The Eagles have found new life with their new quarterback, but he won't be enough to beat the arm of Plummer. I look for the Cardinals to soar in this one. **Cardinals 34, Eagles 20.**

INDIANAPOLIS (-4) VS. CINCINNATI
The Colts are going to be tough in the next few years. Falk and Manning are two of the best players I've seen in years. I like their offense and defense, and most importantly, the heart this team shows week in and week out. **Colts 31, Bengals 10.**

ATLANTA (-5) AT NEW ORLEANS
People have no idea how intense this rivalry is. I've been to a few of these games, and believe me, these teams will play to win. I give the Saints the edge because a loss throws them out of the playoff hunt. Ditka has this team playing solid ball and Collins has done very well at quarterback. **Saints 23, Falcons 17 in an UP-SET SPECIAL!**

SEATTLE (-7) VS. SAN DIEGO
The Seahawks seem to have found their quarterback of the future, while the Chargers seem lost at the position. I look for Kitna to score a million points for the Seahawks and everyone knows the Chargers are unable to retaliate on offense. **Seahawks 42, Chargers 13.**

KANSAS CITY (-1) VS. DALLAS
The Cowgirls have completely fallen apart and I love it! The Saints thrashed this squad last week and the Chiefs have similar plans for them at Arrowhead Stadium. It looks like Marty Shotteneimer will save his job again, but without a coaching chance this team will continue to be mediocre. **Chiefs 23, Cowgirls 13.**

MINNESOTA (-10) AT BALTIMORE
The Vikings travel to Baltimore for another warm-up for the playoffs. I look for this game to be closer than the bookies have it, but it takes a fool to bet against the Minnesota offense. **TOO CLOSE TO CALL.**

SAN FRANCISCO (-10) VS. DETROIT
The Niners have yet to shine in the last few weeks and you never know what Lions squad will show up. If history means anything San

Francisco will blow this team out in the first half. I'm going with the Niners because I think Barry Sanders will have a tough time making cuts on the wet grass. **Niners 34, Lions 17.**

Each week I issue what I consider to be the best pick against the spread in the schedule. This is the selection that after research and contemplation, I feel most confident releasing as my patented **LOCK OF THE WEEK.**

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This week I'm going with the **INDIANAPOLIS COLTS (-4) OVER THE CINCINNATI BENGALS.** This team is rapidly showing signs that it will soon be a contender, while the Bengals continue to move backwards.

I have absolutely no clue why the Bengals won't bring back Sanford native Jeff Blake at quarterback.

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Bowling

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Scoring the highest male single game scratch score, Steve Curtis rolled a 265, and Mildred Webb totaled the highest female score with a 242. Webb also posted the highest three games series scratch score with a 624. Paul Ingwalson scored 608 for the highest male series.

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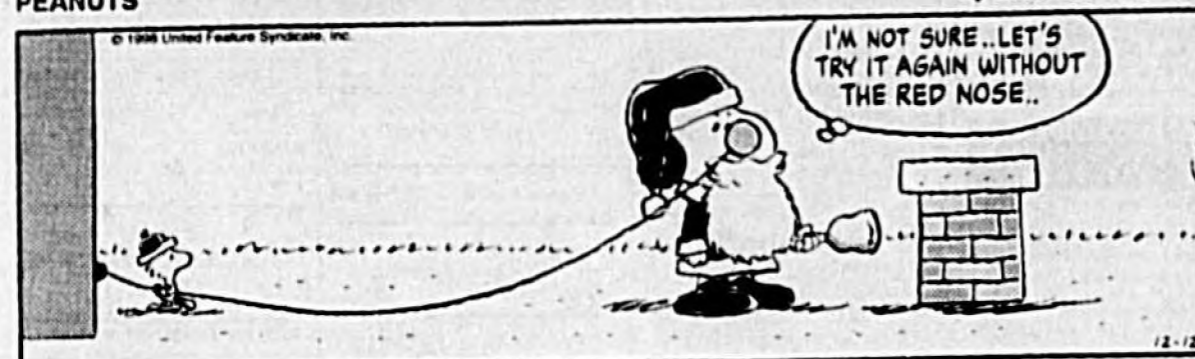
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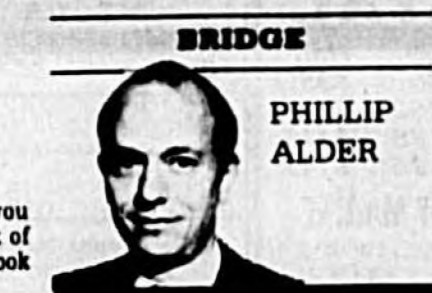
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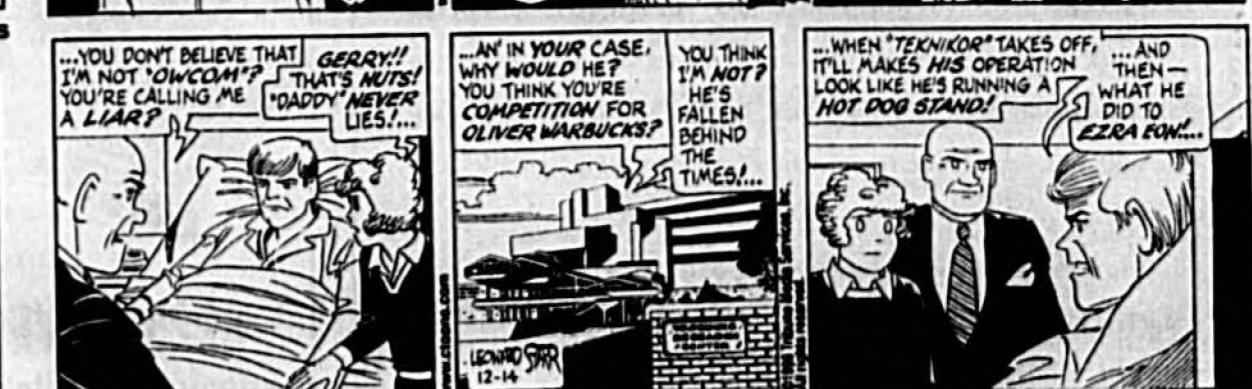


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Holiday gifts on the wild side

By Shari Brodie
FEATURE EDITOR

SANFORD - Looking for a "purrfectly" wild holiday gift? The Central Florida Zoological Park may have just the thing for those hard-to-shop-for friends and family members, at the new ZOOFARI Outpost.

No ordinary gift shop, the ZOOFARI Outpost is an educational extension of the zoo, said Jayna Fox, retail sales

manager.

Formerly the education coordinator for the zoo, Fox took over the operation of the new gift shop just prior to its opening in September. Previously located next to the concession stand, the gift shop moved into the part of the "barn" in the petting zoo. The spacious facility quadrupled the size of the former gift shop. The ZOOFARI Outpost is 1,000 square feet and air-conditioned.

Fox, who has a background

in retail and wholesale purchasing, has filled the shop with a diverse range of unique gifts and interactive items. The zoo is able to integrate its wildlife conservation message through quality merchandise selections, providing guests with gifts that help them learn about their world, said Fox. Visitors can enhance their experience in nature with bear tracking tools or birding books. They can purchase kits for projects at home such as those to make garden stepping stones or bird feeders.

"Most importantly, we try to send our message of conservation home," Fox said. Most items are labeled with information about the animal featured.

The most popular items purchased by children on the weekend are a \$2 "grabber" of an eastern diamond back rattler and a number of animal masks. Prices in the gift shop range from \$2 to \$80 encyclopedia of animals and \$120 hand-painted bird houses.

Fox said popular gifts for children are super tubes of animals and moveable animal sets. For older youths and teens, endangered species puzzles and books are good choices.

For adults, a desktop chime, at \$14, and pot perches (miniature birds and animals) at \$6, are good gift choices.

Zoo members can shop anytime the zoo is open and receive a 10 percent discount on all purchases at the ZOOFARI Outpost. Annual memberships start at only \$20 and are also a great holiday gift. For the general public, the zoo is offering "Dollar Day at the Zoo."

From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Dec. 19, admission to the zoo is only \$1 person. "a thank you to the community for its support throughout the year," said Andrea Farmer, marketing director.

Guests are asked to bring non-perishable food donations for the People and Pets Food Drive.



Special Photos by Tommy Vincent

'Purrfect' holiday gifts at the zoo

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of the holidays to relax at the Central Florida Zoo and take care of your shopping needs. Every purchase helps support the Zoo's wildlife conservation and education programs.

The new ZOOFARI Outpost gift store features a unique selection of animal and wildlife-themed gifts including puzzles, books, fun educational toys, and more. From armadillos to zebras, you can find the perfect plush animal for that special someone or outfit youngsters from head-to-toe with colorful hats, T-shirts and animal print socks. Select from novel items like Noah's Ark bake sets, indoor safari garden activity kits, and Zoo-Doo.

Everything from elephants and mandrills to cheetahs and alligators are available through the Adopt an Animal program. When you adopt an animal, your gift recipient will receive a photograph of his or her animal, an adoption certificate and animal fact sheet. Sponsorships, beginning at \$25, help with the daily care and feeding of your favorite animal.

Give the gift of 400 native and exotic animals and a year of fun when you purchase an annual membership pass to the Zoo. For only \$19, you can treat an entire family to free admission to the Central Florida Zoo, free admission to over 100 zoos and aquariums throughout the United States, subscription to ZOOViews newsletter and much more.

Looking for a unique gift with high visibility, why not have an engraved wooden plank routed in the name of your friend, family member, or co-worker for \$30. This plank will become a part of the boardwalk network at the Zoo for all to see.

For more information on purchasing a holiday gift from the Central Florida Zoo, please call (407) 323-4450. The Zoo is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and is located at 3755 N.W. Highway 17-92 in Sanford.

A whole zoo-full of gift ideas

Andrea Farmer (left, upper photo), marketing director, and Jayna Fox, retail sales manager, hold just some of the items available at the ZOOFARI Outpost at the Central Florida Zoo. From T-shirts to books, the new zoo gift shop has a lot to offer the holiday shopper.

Located in the petting zoo area, wildlife is just outside the door. Eleanor Cloyd, who has worked in the gift shop for more than 8-1/2 years, visits with 'Clarissa', the llama. Her hat and T-shirt, and the bird puzzle she is holding are available for purchase.

The Forest turns 25 Community plays an important role in Lake Mary way-of-life

By Shari Brodie
FEATURE EDITOR

LAKE MARY - Like the community in which it is located, The Forest is turning 25 this year.

The retirement community of more than 300 homes opened in 1973 and has long been acknowledged as a powerful voting block within the city.

"They are active in issues that affect the city of Lake Mary," said Deputy Mayor Thom Greene.

Greene will read a proclamation at the celebration this weekend that acknowledges that "the residents of The Forest have been actively involved in the growth and development of the city of Lake Mary and have donated their time to serve on various boards and committees of the city to better their community..."

Elaine McElmurry is part of a committee organizing the celebration. She has been researching the history of the community and putting together a "walk down memory lane" to be enjoyed at an open house to which present and former residents and local dignitaries are invited.

McElmurry uncovered some items of interest in her research for the celebration. According to an article in the *Sanford Herald*, The Forest's developer, Robert M. Anderson, was honored at a ceremony in the East Garden of the White House, for "outstanding environmental improvement."

The award was given by the American Association of Nurserymen and was presented by First Lady Pat Nixon.

The community also won awards from the American Institute of Architects, the American Advertising Federation and was reviewed and nationally publicized by the Urban Land Institute.

In developing The Forest, Anderson, an Orlando attorney, left as many trees as possible on the land heavily populated with pine and oak.

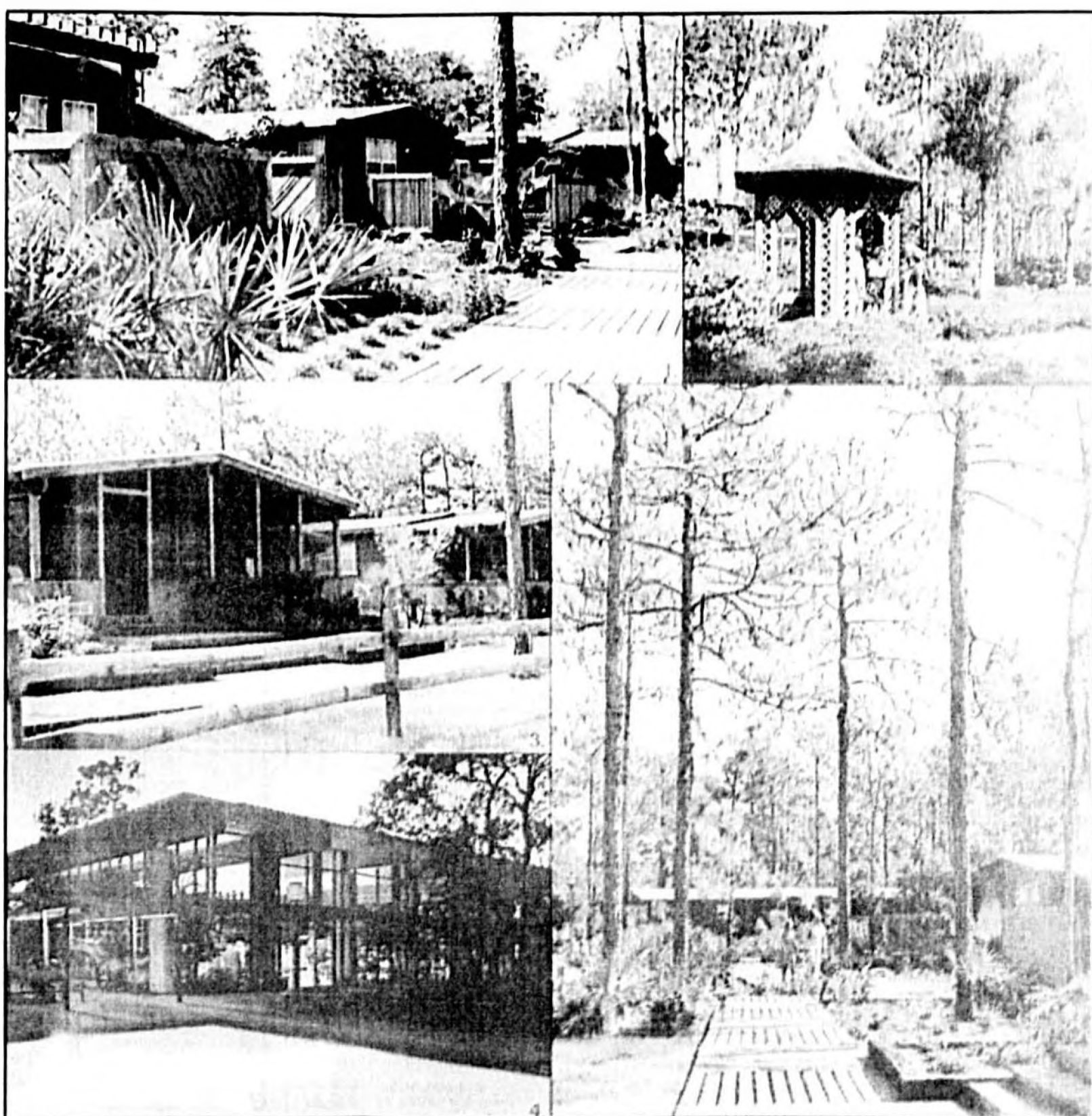
"This place was unusual because of the trees," said McElmurry. She said Anderson's original plan was to build cottages but opted for the manufactured homes. "The architects worked around the trees," she said.

Amenities in the community include a \$1 million club house, shuffleboard, tennis, horseshoes, a card room, a pool room, a library, sauna and exercise room, a heated pool and another Olympic-size pool.

The Lake Mary Rotary Club was founded at The Forest. (That organization celebrated its 25th anniversary this year, as well.) The Lake Mary Chamber of Commerce and the Lake Mary Woman's Club met at the clubhouse.

Each year, when there are contested seats for the city elections, members of The Forest sponsor a political forum for the residents. Candidates are invited to speak and answer questions on the issues.

McElmurry said The Forest is a great place to live and she takes pride in the improvements she and her husband have made to their home. She's sure the community has contributed more than just homes to Lake Mary. "It's brought a lot of people to this area," she said.



Health & Fitness

Holiday tips for families with critically ill children

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

CRITICALLY ILL Maintaining a sense of normalcy for a critically ill child is essential for families during the holidays.

Although the stress of dealing with a child's illness (the holidays) are an opportunity for the family to regain its balance, said pediatricist Dr. Ernest Fruge.

Frage offers these tips for families:

• **Set expectations.** Discuss and plan events to fit the child's condition. Avoid straining the limits of the child's energy and emotional expressiveness. "It is probably better to have small intimate celebrations rather than large loud events," said Frage, Director of the Intensive Care Program at Texas Children's Cancer Center and Hematology Service at

Texas Children's Hospital, Houston.

Bring the holidays to the hospital to observe family traditions. Ask the staff for guidelines about decorating rooms, visits from friends and relatives, special meals and seasonal music. Allow the ill child and siblings to participate in planning the events.

Take advantage of the community events and holiday festivities that hospitals often plan specifically for children. Children's hospitals are very good about helping families celebrate the holidays, said Frage.

Turn to the hospital staff for personal support as well as friends and family. Disclosing concerns to people parents trust will make them better able to comfort their child.

Reserve individual time for siblings who may feel ignored or even guilty about not being sick themselves. Parents should also reserve time for themselves. "Connecting with other friends and family is vital to maintaining the strength to care for an ill child," noted Frage.

Remember what the holidays mean. "Most holidays have themes that lead us to reflect on what is important. A child's serious illness leads families to reflect on that as well. This type of reflection or connection to spiritual foundations is often a source of great strength and comfort," added Frage.

Texas Children's Cancer Center and Hematology Service is jointly affiliated with the Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

HEALTH BRIEFS

Active outlook seminar

SANFORD Dr. Tracy Barrett from Physicians Alliance Biology Center will speak on Primary Tumor Disorder and Kidney Disease on Thursday, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Central Florida Regional Hospital Classrooms A & B. Learn about the disease process, treatment and how to get help.

Snacks will be provided. Call (407) 661-6073 to make a reservation. The hospital is located at 1401 W. Seminole Blvd.

Volunteers needed

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS Hospice of the Comforter is looking for volunteers interested in helping terminally ill patients and families in their own homes or visiting them in nursing homes to pick up and deliver equipment or to work in the administrative office.

Free no obligation training classes covering orientation will be held beginning in January throughout the year in Seminole, Orange a counties. Classes are limited, so please call now to reserve a space.

For more information on volunteering, please call Sarah Stengel, volunteer coordinator, (407) 682-0808.

Students can conduct research

HOUSTON College undergraduates interested in a career in medicine can conduct research and earn money at the same time during a 10-week summer program.

The Summer Medical and Research Training (SMART) program sponsored by the Graduate School at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, is designed for students interested in scientific research and offers first-hand work experience in laboratories conducting biomedical research.

"Students get to be involved in on going research projects that directly affects the health of everyone," said Dr. Gayle Slaughter, SMART program director. "Students are matched with mentors based on their educational and laboratory experience, and mutual interests."

The program offers daily seminars featuring Baylor faculty members discussing topics on the cutting edge of biomedical research. Students also have a chance to learn about career development, and receive personal counseling from Baylor faculty and administrators.

Applicants must have a minimum grade-point average (GPA) of 3.0. Approximately 80 students are selected for the highly competitive program.

The SMART program gives undergraduates from around the country an opportunity to interact with peers who are bright and committed to science, said Slaughter, a Baylor assistant professor of cell biology. Students walk away from the program with the confidence and determination necessary to make it through the challenges of medical or graduate school.

To apply, contact the SMART Program at (713) 798-5915 or write to SMART Program, Baylor College of Medicine, One Baylor Plaza, N204K, Houston, Texas 77030. The program can also be contacted by e-mail at smart_program@bcm.tmc.edu or through the Baylor website at www.bcm.tmc.edu/smart. The deadline for postmarking applications is Feb. 1, 1999.

Calcium has big benefits for oral cavity

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

CHICAGO The therapeutic effects of calcium have been getting significant media attention lately, but dentists have long known of the need, especially for women, to consume the mineral for general overall well-being and dental health.

"Calcium is a critical ingredient of healthy teeth which begin developing before birth," says Vicki Grandinetti, DDS, a general dentist who practices on Chicago's Northwest side. "That's why pregnant women need plenty of food high in calcium every day in order to start their babies on a lifetime of good dental health. Calcium also fortifies teeth during childhood and helps to keep them intact throughout life."

The alveolar (jaw) bone depends on calcium in order to maintain its form and function. Scientific studies have linked low calcium intake over a long period of time with alveolar bone loss. Some research suggests that alveolar bone loss also might be one of the first signs of osteoporosis, a disease in which the bones become weak, brittle and fracture prone.

"Once teeth have been lost, further alveolar bone loss often occurs," says Dr. Grandinetti. "Loss of alveolar bone can create problems with denture fit and retention, problems that can, in turn, lead to still more bone loss."

According to Dr. Grandinetti, the best sources for calcium include milk and other dairy foods. Other good sources include canned sardines and salmon with edible bones, tofu (soybean curd), and dark green, leafy vegetables, especially collard greens and kale.

Though food is the best source of calcium, Dr. Grandinetti says that calcium supplements also are available over the counter or by prescription. She suggests that these products be used under a dentist's or physician's guidelines.

According to recent research from Columbia University, calcium supplements can help soothe the symptoms of premenstrual syndrome. In a recent study, women who took 1,200 milligrams of calcium a day reduced PMS symptoms by more than 50 percent. The study was published in the American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Half of the women in the study were randomly assigned to consume daily four chewable calcium carbonate tablets containing a total of 1,200 of calcium. The other half were given four chewable tablets without calcium. Neither the participants nor physicians conducting the study knew which women were in which group.

The study, which is one of the largest ever to examine PMS, found that calcium carbonate significantly reduced four key categories of symptoms: mood swings, bloating, food cravings and pain. In 15 of 17 other common symptoms, such as low backache and depression, the incidence of pain or discomfort were reduced by taking calcium.

"I was genuinely happy to hear the results of this study and I hope they stand up as they are scrutinized further," says Dr. Grandinetti. "This is another reason to get calcium into your diet. I think many women will pay attention to this news and one of the good results will be better oral health."

Open your desk drawer to healthy delectables

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

It's three in the afternoon, and you're sitting at your desk at work. And you're hungry. Open your desk drawer and what do you find? Computer disks full of mystery files, a box of staples that don't fit your stapler, old rolodex cards you keep meaning to update. But no food. So you head for the snack machine, and all that's there are stale chips and high-calorie candy bars.

It doesn't have to be this way.

Imagine opening your desk drawer to find a bag of pretzels, low-fat, microwave popcorn, some dried fruit or a delicious, juicy apple. There's a variety of healthy snack choices that can keep well at work and need little or no preparation time. Low-fat crackers, fresh fruits, or pret-

zels can all provide a healthy, good-tasting snack to help chase away the hunger pangs.

An important key to smart snacking is to be sure that the foods you choose provide vitamins, minerals, fiber and other essential nutrients to your body, and that you're not consuming more calories than your body needs. In this way, snacks can contribute important, disease-preventing components to your diet. And having a snack if you get hungry in the late afternoon can help avoid over-eating when mealtime finally arrives.

The American Institute for Cancer Research recommends eating at least five servings of fruits and vegetables each day for lower cancer risk and better overall health. A mid-morning or late afternoon snack is an ideal way to fit in those extra servings you might not otherwise get in your

regular meals. Bring a few pieces of fresh fruit to work for the week, or remember to pack some cut up raw vegetables with your lunch and save them for later in the day.

Whole grain cereals are a great source of fiber and minerals, and are easy to keep in your drawer by putting each serving in a plastic, sealable bag.

These are just some suggestions. Try coming up with some smart snack ideas of your own. Take a few extra minutes to browse the produce and grocery aisles at your next trip to the supermarket, and you'll probably discover other healthy, tasty foods that will serve as a much-appreciated addition to your desk drawer.

For a free brochure with more information on smart snacking, send a self-addressed, stamped (55 cents), business-sized envelope to: American Institute for Cancer Research, Dept. H.S., P.O. Box 97167, Washington, DC 20090-7167.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Byrd

Raines-Byrd Vows exchanged

Tawana Jean Raines and Ret. Sgt. Major Ralph Byrd of Sanford were united in marriage Saturday, Nov. 28, 1:00 p.m. at the St. John Metropolitan Baptist Church. The Rev. Robert Doctor presided at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Cody, Sr., of Sanford and Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Allen, Daytona. The groom is the son of Mrs. Jessie Byrd of Sanford.

Given in marriage by her children, Levy Jr., Temisha and Shaunka Eason, the bride chose for her vows an ivory color two piece suit with a satin jacket featuring lapels trimmed in lace. The tea length skirt was accented with a side slit. Her veil of illusion was attached to a v-shaped band of pearls, small roses and babies breath hanging waist length. She carried a bouquet of ivory gold and burgundy roses with matching streamers and pearls.

Sonia Mincey, sister of the bride, served as matron of honor. She wore an ankle length burgundy velvet sheath gown with a tea strap back and a square bodice front. She carried a cascade of burgundy gold and ivory roses with

streamers of gold.

Serving the bride as bridesmaids were her friends, Tawana Byrd and Lamine Rollins. They wore identical dresses of burgundy velvet and carried identical bouquets. Junior bridesmaid was the niece of the bride, Chelsea Mincey. She wore a burgundy and ivory velvet dress. Flower girls were Chantell Wright, Chankenta Lemon and Quoushae Byrd.

Henry Byrd served his brother as best man. Groomsmen were Raydon Byrd and Edman Johnson, both of Sanford. Junior groomsmen was Dylon Dye and Bible carrier was Timothy Mincey, Jr. Ringbearer was Donnic Duvall. Serving as ushers were Gary Eason and Henry Moses.

Musical renditions were by Cathy Michael, Sr., Timothy Eason and Michael, Jr. "The Dance of Love" was performed by Loviah Gills.

A reception of over 100 guests followed at the Midway Recreation Center. The guests enjoyed an evening of food, fun and joy with the newlyweds.

They will be making their home in South Carolina. Out of town guests were from South Carolina and Georgia.

A century of life

Celebrating 100 a dream come true for Naomi

A century of life was celebrated by Naomi D. Poffenberger, a Sanford resident for 44 years, on Dec. 2. Although Naomi is hearing impaired and is not as mobile as she once was, she is a "mild mannered, caring and loving woman" according to her daughter in law, Nellie Poffenberger, wife of Henry Poffenberger of Sanford.

Naomi D. Dunlap was born Dec. 2, 1898 in Franklin, Pa., and is the next to the last of 13 children. Her husband, who passed away in 1912, was a carpenter and also cooked all over the country.

The couple parented seven children and there are 11 grandchildren, 22 great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren. According to Nellie, Naomi loved kids dearly. She was a homemaker, wife and mother, Nellie said who really enjoyed baby sitting with her own family as well as friends.

She was very active. She is a sweetheart," Nellie said, adding that she considered Naomi as her own mother.

Naomi was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church and enjoyed needle work. Nellie said she was always crocheting afghans as gifts for family and friends. She also enjoyed quilting and pieced many quilts which she also presented as gifts.

Today, Naomi is a resident of the Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center of Sanford where she has lived for the past four years. She likes it there and calls it home," Nellie said.

On Sunday, Nov. 29, Naomi was honored by friends and relatives, from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m., in the Center cafeteria. About 40 arrived with cards, flowers and gifts to wish the charming centenarian well. Naomi was overwhelmed with the big birthday cake, embossed in green and gold. Refreshments served included fruit punch and hors d'oeuvres.

Relatives arrived from Mississippi and Florida and all four of her living children attended, including: Henry of Sanford, Patricia Bolton, Millet Lake; Ruth Bonnell, Ormond Beach and Michigan; and Frank Poffenberger of Greenville, Ohio.



Naomi Poffenberger looks over congratulatory cards on 100th birthday



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Nellie said the 100th birthday party "went wonderful." She added that this was the first time in several years the family has been together and it was, in reality, a family reunion.

Naomi is still basking in the excitement of her 100th birthday, a dream come true. Having her family together on this day "makes the dream more special." She is very contented at the center," Nellie said. "She knows she's a hundred."

WOMAN'S CLUB HEARS CHRISTMAS MUSIC

The halls of the Sanford Woman's Club were decked with glittering Christmas and Hanukkah decorations at the December meeting when the club celebrated the season

with a delightful musical program.

Peg Jones, chairman of the arts department, introduced the guest artists for the day.

Gayle Stein of Winter Park, and daughter in law of club member Doris Stein, told the history of Hanukkah, an 8 day celebration that is filled with fun, games, songs, eating latkes and lighting the menorah candles.

Gayle, a piano teacher, presented one of her pupils, 13 year old Jessica Welch of Orlando, who played several Hanukkah pieces including the light and lifting "Draydl Song."

Joan Harvey, an accomplished flutist and wife of the Rev. Wayne Harvey, pastor of the First Baptist Church, presented

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Christmas and Hanukkah traditions were presented at the December meeting of the Sanford Woman's Club. Examining a draydl from Jewish tradition are club president Bettye D. Smith (from left) with guest artists Gayle Stein, Joyce Harvey and Jennifer Welch.

Herald Photo by Tammy Vincent

Jewel Council 109 marks 50th anniversary through dedication

The 50th anniversary of Jewel Council No. 109 of District II was hosted by Royal Palm Temple No. 890, Orlando.

This auxiliary of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World holds a unique place in our democratic society. In 1921, a resolution was adopted in Boston that "The Past Daughter Ruler's Council shall be the only school of instruction for temples within a district."

Twenty seven years later, Jewel Council 109 was organized.

The success of these 50 years has been because of prayer, dedication, energy and hard work.

Only three daughters have served as Loyal Daughter Rulers, the late L.D.R. Lenora Merritt of Royal Palm Temple No. 890, Orlando, and L.D.R. Mattie Brady of Magnolia Temple No. 441, Cocoa.

Daughter Lou Alyce Dean of Royal Palm Temple No. 890 rose to the helm in 1978. Her reign has been for the last 20

years with one great change, an increase in membership of over 100. The image and visibility of Elksdom in all communities have improved. Encouraged learning by implementing enhancement sessions, key of files and members attend all educational workshops, state and national conventions and conferences.

Daughter Dean, under the leadership has been the originator of "The Cheer Ward" which is given to deserving



daughters for their accomplishments, and meritorious service rendered to mankind.

Daughter Dean is proud to say that since Jewel Council 109's humble beginning, over five decades later, they can boast of being the largest Past Daughter Rulers Council in Florida.

She says thanks to the daughters for the two decades she has served as a dedicated, Christian, humble leader. Thanks for the success, experience and to being dedicated and highly committed. Truly we have grown together from a tiny acorn to the mighty oak.

L.D.R. Dean reminded the audience that education is to lift us as we climb. We are to continue to be visible, do our fair share to show sisterly love, for we are the largest African American organization in the universe.

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Loyal Daughter Rulers attending council celebration in Orlando



Missionary Margaret Oliver gets plaque from Minnie Phillips

Herald Photos by Marva Hawkins

Santa's arrival, tons of snow herald season

Holiday in the Park lights up Lake Mary with flair

Holiday in the Park, formerly Olde Lake Mary Holidays, began with the arrival of Santa and Mrs. Claus on the Harry S. Benson parade. The line of children ready for Santa seemed a mile long. After Santa arrived, the entertainment began with Mike Wierzbowski who delighted the audience with beautiful Christmas songs on his dulcimer. Mayor David Mealar the Lake Mary city commissioners then helped light the city's Christmas tree.

After the tree lighting, the Lake Mary High Drama Club performed excerpts from their holiday play, "Babes in Toyland". Country Joe Rosier then invited children to come on stage to help him tell "Twas the Night Before Christmas". There were more than 30 children on stage helping Joe out. The Florida Young Artist String Quartet had been scheduled to perform, but circumstances beyond their control caused their cancellation. Sharon McGinnis, a Lake Mary resident and outstanding violinist, filled in on just a few hours notice. Children were literally dancing in the aisles as Sharon played bluegrass versions of familiar Christmas songs. The Stardust Girl Scouts closed out the night



LAKE MARY

MARY ROWELL

with several holiday songs.

Holiday in the Park is a cooperative effort by the City of Lake Mary, the Stardust Girl Scouts, and the Lake Mary Woman's Club. This is the fifth year the group has worked together to provide a holiday event. The Girl Scouts provided a free holiday craft to those donating a toy for Safehouse of Seminole County. The woman's club provided free cookies and a drink to anyone who donated a non-perishable food item for Safehouse. Betty Spencer came from Safehouse to accept the donations. Although the crowd at this year's celebration was good, the donations of food and toys were very disappointing, barely a fourth of what they were last year. If you can help make up the difference, call Betty Spencer at Safehouse at 330-3011.

ST. PETER'S HOSTS BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

The unseasonably warm weather didn't keep children from enjoying the 5 tons of snow at St. Peter's Preschool's Breakfast with Santa, Saturday, Dec. 5, was definitely shorts weather, but quite a few of the children came prepared, wearing gloves to keep their hands warm as they made the perfect snow ball. Snow wasn't all that was available. Children and adults enjoyed a breakfast of eggs, ham, pancakes, bagels and donuts. The children also got a chance to have a little one on one chat with Santa about their holiday wish list.

Next to the snow, the second most popular attraction was the hayride. Brian Lee led load after load of children (and a few adults) in singing favorite holiday songs on the hayride. There were also carnival games for the children to play.

The purpose of the breakfast, besides tons of fun, was to raise money for St. Peter's Preschool and Kindergarten. To help out with this cause, a silent auction was held, a raffle and, for the first time this year, a balloon for a basket. With the balloon for a basket, visitors bought a balloon for \$15. The balloon had a number that



Surrounded by some of the donations received at Holiday in the Park are (front): Ashley Williamson, Morgan Hill and Melissa Kunkel, representing Girl

Scouts, and (back) Sandi Moodle of the Lake Mary Woman's Club, and Betty Spenser who accepted donations for Safehouse of Seminole.

corresponded with a basket filled with goodies worth more than twice the cost of the balloon.

As with any fund-raiser, it takes lots of volunteers and many sponsors to make the event work. The co-chairs for this year's event were Lori Gossett and Gwen Sowl. Preschool parents worked at the event and made donations to the benefit. More than 50 businesses also helped out with donations.



Children playing in the snow at Breakfast With Santa at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Lake Mary (left photo) and violinist Sharon McGinnis



playing bluegrass Christmas carols at Holiday in the Park to the delight of the audience.

Hawkins

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As the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the council and the 20th of L.D.R. Lou Alyce Dean, Daughter Ruler, an evening at the Emmy Awards of Elkdom was emceed by L.D.R. Mildred Foster, Royal Palm Temple 890, Orlando and Tashala Ruller, Carnation Temple No. 834, DeLand.

Musical moments were sweet music to the ear as the grand and state officers were seated. Attending were Grand District Deputy's Delia Ray, Past Grand Exalted Ruler Roosevelt Cummings and Chief Antler Elect.

After the entrance of P.G.D.R. Lou Alyce Dean, escorted by P.G.E.R. Albert Brow, Jr. the awards ceremony took a swing to the top honoree.

The proclamation to Jewel Council No. 109, Past Daughter Rulers, Daughters of Elks District II, was a reminder that with education being one of their goals that "A Mind is a Terrible Thing To Waste." This proclamation was from the Honorable Ernest Page, District 6, Orlando, City Commissioner. The proclamation was read to the guests by the mother of the 1997 National Oratorical contest winner, Alono Miller, Mrs. Grace S. Miller. The 4th of December was declared L.D.R.'s Day in the City of Orlando.

Receiving the Emmy Awards were: L.D.R. Rosemary Atwell, Kick-Off Chairperson for Evergreen Temple No. 321, Sanford; L.D.R. Barbara Ivey, Kick-Off Chairperson for Carnation Temple No. 834, DeLand; L.D.R. Delia Ray, Kick-Off Chairperson for Royal Palm Temple 890, Orlando; L.D.R. Betty Wroten, Kick-Off Chairperson for Land O'Lakes Temple No. 1056, Leesburg; L.D.R. Azeline Jenkins, Kick-Off

Chairperson for Peninsula Temple No. 329, Daytona Beach; L.D.R. Yvonne Matthews, Kick-Off Chairperson for Magnolia Temple No. 441, Cocoa.

The evening's entertainment was rendered by "Easy E," a creative dance by Generation of Sanford, a reading by L.D.R. Gloria Dailey, DeLand, a medley of songs by L.D.R. Retha Baker, Sanford, readings by L.D.R. Yvonne Matthews and a dynamic poem "I Am A Mountain Climber" recited by Billy Michael Arnold. This event of celebration will be one to long be remembered for its grace and magnitude of eloquence. Fifty years of notable achievements by Jewel Council No. 109 and twenty years of dedication by P.G.D.R. Lou Alyce Dean.

Congratulations to P.G.E.R. Roosevelt Cummings who has been elected Chief Antler of Seminole Council 109, Past Exalted Ruler Council. He will lead the men through a successful year.

CHURCH TURNS 120

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church celebrated 120 years of service to the community. Along with a homecoming service to welcome former members from near and far, Vivian Huston Bowden presided.

A special presentation of the praise dance to the song "Behold the King" was performed by GERALYN J. GUY. The spirit was indeed invited to spend the morning in this service. The prayer and scripture was given by Victor Dargan with musical selections by the trio "Unity" consisting of Audrey Blye, Arlene Jones and Charles Allen. The Mass Choir also sang. The message of the

morning was Acts 9:3-10. Pastor Albert Covington reminded the congregation to go after the lost sheep and to leave the 90-9.

The history of St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church goes back to 1880 when the first church was built. St. Paul is the oldest Baptist Church in Sanford. Under the pastorate of Rev. Castle Brewer, a new church was completed in 1889 and a parsonage was built. The new edifice of St. Paul stands on the corner of Pine Avenue and 9th Street where the Rev. B.H. Hodge served from 1939-1966. Under the guidance of the Lord in 1966, Rev. Robert Doctor was the leader for ten years and in seven years the 30 year mortgage was paid off, the late Rev. Amos C. Jones served from 1977 to 1997 where the continued growth of the church brought about change.

The theme for 1999 set forth by the new Pastor Albert Covington is "Commitment Ninety and Nine."

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church Senior Mission Society honored Margaret Oliver who has been a member for 70 years. She served 25 years as financial secretary of the Senior Mission Society. A dedi-

cated Christian servant who gives full service daily to her master and church, Mrs. Oliver is an ardent member of Choir No. One, Gospel Chorus, Pulpit Aid Club, a Deaconess and for years served as family coordinator for the church. She would drive members during times of bereavement.

Oliver serves as chairperson of the Thanksgiving Meditative Service that has been a success for many years. Harvest meditation gives gratitude to God for His blessings. The honor plaque was presented to Oliver by Minnie Phillips on behalf of the Mission Society where Ruth Allen is president.

SCHOLARSHIP DAY

The Castle Brewer Scholarship Fund will celebrate Sunday, Dec. 13 at the 11:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. worship service at St. Paul. The second Sunday in December is Castle Brewer Scholarship Day. Scholarships are awarded to graduates at a special appreciation program. The descendants of Rev. Castle Brewer will be in attendance at this fellowship service. There will be a guest speaker at the 5:00 p.m. scholarship service. Principal Ronald Nathan will be the educational speaker.

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MONDAY PRIME TIME

Table with 12 columns (time slots 6:00-11:30) and 12 rows (channels ABC, CBS, CNN, etc.) listing programs like NFL Football, The Price Is Right, and various entertainment and sports shows.

Woman wants a part-time job to relieve burden of caregiving

DEAR ABBY: My fiance and I have been together for nearly five years. His mother is terminally ill. She needs 24-hour care, seven days a week.

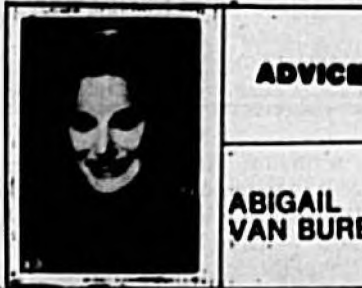
We agreed to move her into our home. I wasn't working at the time. She has been with us since the beginning of the year.

I have decided to get a part-time job, five hours a day, five days a week. I have asked my fiance's sisters to care for their mother while I work. His sisters are in an uproar about it.

Abby, it's not that I want to be able to buy things without asking him for money all the time. His sisters are able to care for their mother. To top it off, my fiance agrees with his sisters. What would you suggest?

DISGUSTED WITH MY FUTURE IN-LAWS

DEAR DISGUSTED: Please do not feel you must justify needing some relief from the burden you have so generously shouldered for almost a year: the role of primary caregiver. You have already done more than your share, so don't allow anyone to make you feel guilty.



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some degree of financial independence, regardless of what your fiance's sisters say. There's many a slip 'twixt the cup and the lip — and a five-year engagement is no guarantee that there will be a wedding.

DEAR ABBY: I love my boyfriend very much, but he's not affectionate in any way. When I ask him if he loves me, he gets angry. He told me that he said he loved me once, and after that, he shouldn't have to repeat it.

Abby, I enjoy his company. He takes me out every weekend and calls me every day. But he never holds my hand or kisses me. I need some affection and reassurance of his love, but he refuses to give it to me.

Should I stay in this relationship or move on? MISS GLORIA IN GEORGIA

DEAR MISS GLORIA: Metaphorically speaking, you are fire and your boyfriend is ice — a decidedly incompatible combination.

DEAR DISGUSTED: You owe me one explanation for wanting

Dietrich

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terted the members with a traditional medley of Christmas favorites. She was accompanied at the piano by club president Bette D. Smith and the duo ended the presentation with "It Came Upon a Midnight Clear."

The president heard routine reports and announcements. In keeping with the spirit of the season, members brought gifts for SafeHouse of Seminole victims, which will be distributed by Delores Laah. Also, proceeds from the happy occasion will be donated to Hacienda Girls Ranch. a

monthly club commitment.

New members welcomed are: Triah Colbert, Helen Hamner and Phyllis Senkarik.

Annually, members ring the bells for the Salvation Army, which is being chaired by Rose Jacobson. For those who might like to volunteer for this project and haven't signed up, please contact Rose.

The annual arts and crafts festival will be held at the Jan. 6 meeting. According to chairman Peg Jones, those planning to exhibit are asked to bring their entries to the clubhouse, from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., on Tuesday, Jan. 5.

In addition to the traditional blue, red and white ribbons, ribbons will also be awarded for best of show and most popular entry.

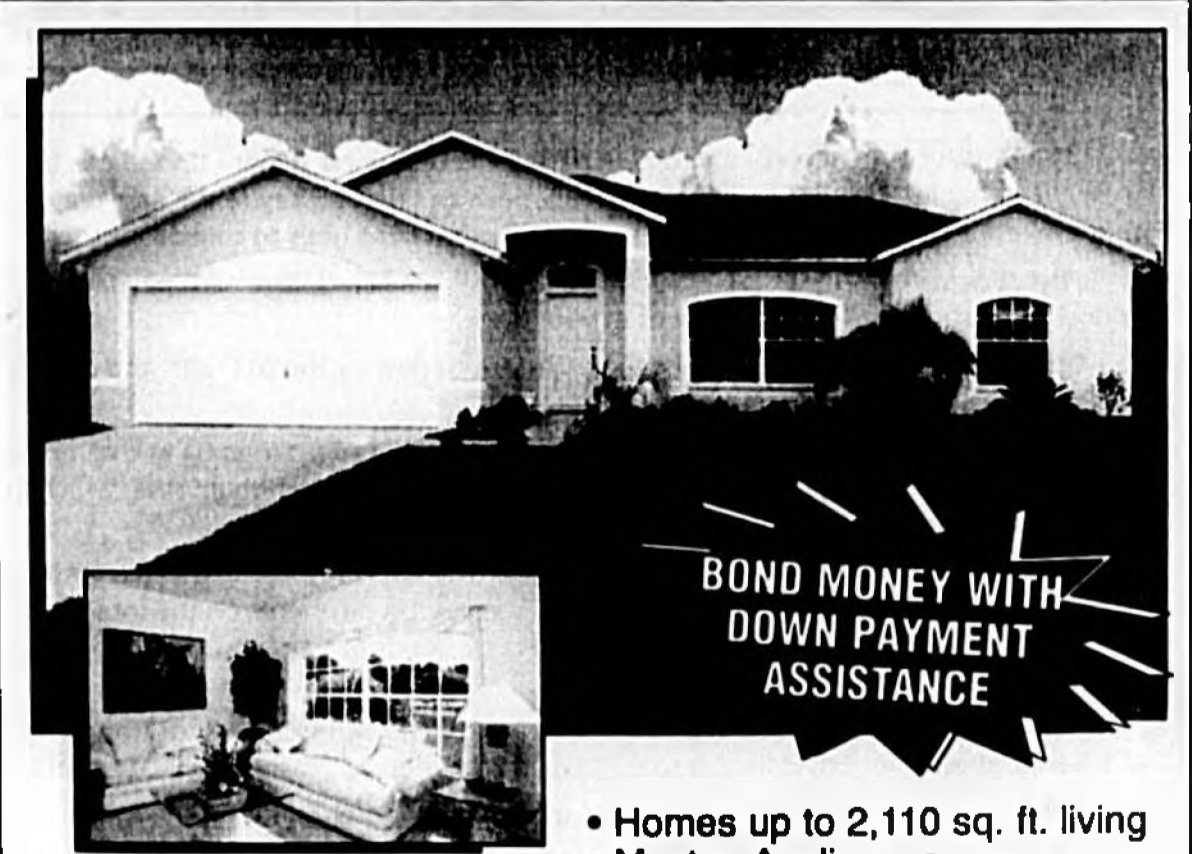
Viola Frank will chair the club's annual Italian Night in February. More on this later. Hostesses were: Polly Pezold and Jeanette Padgett, chairmen. Mary Dale Jones, Anne Clayton and Maxine Marsh.

ANDY'S SPECTACULAR

Gadabout Jackie Coala had an exciting trip to Branson, Mo. where she saw lots of shows and did some interesting things. But the highlight of Branson for Jackie was attending the Andy Williams show which she described as "spectacular and memorable."

Jackie said she loved the part when Andy sang and danced with Erika Mills Bettencourt, a former Sanford dancer who is part of his show. "Andy's terrific when he belts it out," Jackie said.

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IN BRIEF

Holiday music at the cathedral

ORLANDO - The Cathedral Church of St. Luke presents a joyful holiday service of Christmas carols, poetry and sacred dance with the Orlando Deanery Girls' Choir Sunday at 6 p.m.

On Dec. 20 at 6 p.m. the Cathedral will present Christmas lessons and carols, based on the famous Christmas Eve service from King's College, Cambridge, with the Orlando Deanery Boychoir with Men.

The Cathedral will present a Christmas eve celebration with favorite carols and John Ritter's exuberant cantata sung by the Cathedral Choir with brass Dec. 24 at 10:30 p.m. The performance will be followed by Midnight Mass.

Ballroom dancing

ORLANDO - The Central Florida Chapter of the U.S. Amateur Ballroom Dancers Association will hold its monthly ballroom dance on Friday at 8 p.m. at the Bahia Shrine Auditorium, 2300 Pembroke Drive, Orlando.

There will be a group dance lesson beginning at 7:30 p.m. taught by professional dancers Mark Traynor and Carol Naylor.

USABDA members are \$6, nonmembers are \$8 (free with \$20 membership application). For more information call Saul Cornell, president, (407) 831-3680.

Sportsman's holiday ball

ORLANDO - Townsend's Adventure Club presents The Sportsman's Holiday Ball, a charity event benefiting Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children and Women Dec. 20 from 3 until 9 p.m. at Townsend's Restaurant, 35 W. Michigan St., Orlando. The ball will feature Derek from "Derek and the Slammers" and Bubba and Boodreaux of Real Radio 104.1 and 540 am.

Tickets are \$10 at the door and include a spaghetti dinner and cash bar. A silent auction will be held during the ball. Outdoor attire, fishing, hunting, hiking, etc., is suggested.

Bell ensemble auditions

CASSELBERRY - The Magic of Bronze, a Central Florida Community Bell Ensemble, will hold its annual auditions on Jan. 5 and 12 at 7 p.m. at

Ascension Lutheran Church, 351 Ascension Drive near the intersection of State Road 436 and U.S. Highway 17-92, Casselberry.

Current members are required to re-audition and the ensemble is hoping to double its size so 15 ringing positions are open.

Auditions consist of individual exercises, technique demonstrations, group sight-reading, and discussions on commitment.

Persons interested in auditioning or for more information call Ruth McDonnell, music director, at (407) 699-7124 or visit the ensemble's web site at www.ao.net/~offholder/magic.htm.

B.A.S.S. technique

SANFORD - Seminole Community College will host a two-day workshop offering area anglers a unique opportunity to participate in a seminar where six of America's top professional anglers, including the 1997 and 1998 B.A.S.S. Anglers of the Year, will serve as instructors. The workshop is sanctioned by the BASS Anglers Sportsman Society.

Mainstream techniques such as plastic worms, crankbaits, topwater, flipping and pitching, and spinnerbaits will be presented along with strategies for when bass suspend, move, or are inactive due to water temperatures.

The workshop will be presented Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 23 and 24 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Registration is \$89 for the primary participant and \$44.50 for spouse or youth 16 or younger. For reservations call SCC Community Education at (407) 328-2121.

Exercise and dance

SANFORD - Community Education Programs at Seminole Community College is offering a wide variety of exercise and dance classes from Swing and Latin dancing to Yoga and Tai Chi Chuan. Other dance classes offered include Ballet, Ballroom, Latin and Country Line Dancing. Exercise programs include Slim 'n Trim Step Aerobics, Seniors' Exercise and Lunchtime Fitness workout.

All classes run for six weeks and fees are \$39 each except for Tai Chi, which is \$79 and runs for 15 weeks. Registration is currently open. For a brochure and registration information call (407) 328-2121.

Community group to judge as Lake Mary lights up

FROM STAFF REPORTS

LAKE MARY - There should be quite a light show going on in Lake Mary over the next two weeks.

The Lake Mary Community Improvement Association is scheduled to judge the displays of homes and businesses in the city this weekend and winners will soon display yard signs announcing the category of the award.

Awards will be given for the following categories: **Residential Awards:** Best Overall Holiday Decoration, Best Traditional Theme Decoration, Best Joyful Theme Decoration, Best Humorous Decoration, Best Religious Theme Decoration, Best Window Or Entrance Decoration, Best Block Decoration (4 Or More Houses Participating).

Business Award: Best Overall Business Decoration

The purpose of the Holiday of Lights awards which is sponsored by the CIA is to generate city-wide unity and pride as well as to showcase our city by attracting visitors from the greater Orlando area," said Shella Sawyer, president of the group. "The wonderful variety and creativity of holiday decorations at our homes and businesses make Lake Mary the place to see for the holidays."

An example of a unique display can be found in the yard of Steve and Althea Parrish, on East Crystal Lake Avenue. Althea is a collector of anything flamingo and was sur-



The front yard of the home of Steve and Althea Parrish is adorned with holiday flamingoes.

prised Thanksgiving Day by a huge yard sculpture built by her friends Billy and Nancy Jerman. The sculpture includes a sleigh pulled by eight flamingoes. Althea said she has plans to light the display for better night viewing.

Heavily lighted areas of the city include most of Hills of Lake Mary, Timacuan and the Main Road/Cardinal Oaks

subdivision. Winners will be recognized with a yard sign no later than Dec. 20. A permanent plaque is given to each winner. All registered participants will receive a certificate of participation.

In order to qualify for the award, homes and businesses must be lighted nightly (until 10 p.m. weekdays, 11 p.m.

weekends) through Dec. 31. The mission of the CIA is to provide project grants for the benefit of the city and its residents, as well as to encourage participation in community affairs such as the Holiday of Lights awards.

"Let's all get in the spirit and make this a must-do event on everyone's holiday list," said Sawyer.



Free Messiah concert

The Lake Mary Choir (above) of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints will present its seventh annual presentation of G.F. Handel's 'Messiah' with Soloists Choir and Instrumental Ensemble in two Sunday performances: Dec. 13, 7 p.m., Latter-day Saints Church, 701 Wetherbee Road, southeast Or-

lando; Dec. 20, 7 p.m., Latter-day Saints Church, 2255 Lake Emma Road, Lake Mary. For more information or directions, contact Debbi Woods, director of Public Affairs for the LDS Church, at (407)767-9741.

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JERRY SPRINGER: RINGMASTER (R)	1:20 4:40 7:40 10:00
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JACK FROST (PG)	1:10 4:10 7:20 9:40
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Oviedo High is looking to collect more than ... toys for under-privileged children. ... says they'll get it ... retire the county trophy for most collected.

Hey Lawton Elementary: Da Bomb says thanks for all the info. We'll be spending a lot of time covering all your great events if the calls and faxes keep coming in.

Lake Mary kids have the write kind of stuff

Our Trip To The Zoo

By **Sevie Filosofos**
 SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

Mrs. Dory's class went on a field trip to the Central Florida Zoo. We went on the 10th of Nov. We got there by bus.

First we went to the classroom and learned about fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds, and mammals. My favorite one is the reptiles because I like snakes.

Then we went to Discovery Stations. We looked at foot prints of an elephant, ostrich, and alligator. We looked at horns from an Oryx and antlers from a Fallow deer. We looked at skulls from a white-tailed deer and a leopard. We looked at feathers from an ostrich and a macaw. We looked at how much a parrot's lunch weighs and how much a monkey's lunch weighs and how much a child's lunch weighs.

Then we went to lunch. I had a sandwich, two drinks, some candy from Halloween, chips, and a Kudol. I got to set with Jillian, Ashley W., Ashley T., Louise, Jennifer, Kelsie, and my mom.

Then we looked at where animals lived. The alligator



Lake Mary Elementary School students **Sevie Filosofos**, **Grace Dang** and **John Welch** were just some of

the kids who turned in some great pieces of writing.

Herald Photo by Jeff Berliniche

snapping turtle lives in North America. The two-toed sloth lives in South America. The barn owl lives in Europe. The cheetah lives in Africa. The Asian elephant lives in Asia.

The kookaburra lives in Australia. The penguin lives in Antarctica.

Finally we made a nature safari journal. I observed 3 leaves, an ant, a spider, a tur-

tle and tree bark. Then we took the bus back to school and that ended our field trip.

Sevie Filosofos is a third grader at Lake Mary Elementary School.

Thoughts of Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks for Health, happiness, honesty And also for apples, abilities, and autumn.

Now I am thankful for nature, my neighbors and neatness. Know that I am thankful for sunny days, summer, splendiddness,

Good grades, generous people, and glorious people. I am also thankful for Valentines Day, voyages, Veteran's Day,

Interesting books, ice cream, inspiration,

Natural people, neighbors, a normal life

Gifts, games, and generals. **Grace Dang**

Thanksgiving is a time to give thanks for

Health, happiness, and hope, Air, autumn, and appreciation.

Nature, the news, and my neighborhood.

Know that I am thankful for Sun, summer, and my speed, Games, goods, and being graceful.

I am also thankful for Vehicles, my values, and to be visible,

Ice, to be important, and inventions.

Nice noises, being nice, and nice people.

Graduations, goodies, and goodness. **Max Trujillo**

Thumbs Up!

Jeanette M. Soares, of Longwood, has enrolled as a member of the Class of 2002 at Dartmouth College. She is the daughter of Elizabeth and Almor de Melo Soares of Longwood and a graduate of Lake Mary High School.

The Lawton Elementary School had two fifth-grade classes collect donations of \$289 for UNICEF during the month of October. This was to help the estimated 33,000 children who die of preventable deaths every day.

Oviedo High School art department students shined recently at the Scholastic Art Show at Walt Disney West. The competition covered seven counties from Central Florida. Seniors Katherine Montgomery and Kathryn Sibiski, with freshman Sarah Alderman, took home Gold Key Awards. Silver Keys went to **Leandra Alexander** and **Elizabeth Wesson**, **Jessika Thomas**, **Laura Hoffman** and **Bonnie Ebner** were also rewarded.

Ellel Pimental, son of Arlene Pimental of Oviedo, and an Oviedo High graduate, completed Military Academy Basic Training. He was named Best New Cadet from his company.

Sean Moore, a junior at Lake Brantley High School, was selected to All-State orchestra for cello. He is the son of Russell and Janice Moore.

Here's a gaucho named Garrett

By **John Welch**
 SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

Hi, I'm a gaucho named Garret. I am eight years old. You might have guessed by now that I'm a boy. I live in Argentina on the pampas with my Grandparents and the cowhand. I have a horse whose name is Black Stallion or Blacky for short. He has yellow eyes.

I remember about a year ago, we saw the biggest Nandu (ostrich) egg I had ever seen. But we were not the only ones. Just then a huge snake struck out at us. It missed me by an inch. Then the snake struck again and again!

Just then I got an idea. I wasn't sure, but it just might work. So I yanked the bridle off my horse. I put it on the snake's mouth. Now we were free of harm. Then I rode Blacky over to the egg. I grabbed it, and we were out of

there! When we got back to the ranch, we were awarded with a gaucho belt, a beautiful new saddle, and a bridle for brav-

ery. Still to this day, the story of Blacky and me is told over and over.

John Welch is a third-grader at Lake Mary Elementary School.

Buxbaum Bomb at Lake Mary High



Lake Mary held its annual "Mr. Lake Mary" contest last Saturday before a large crowd. Number 4, **Darin Buxbaum**, won the title over 29 competitors. He is a senior.

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