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Electric system debate short-circuited

By Dan Ping Editor

Sanford company donated manpower for what it believed was a city project

SANFORD — A two-month controversy over the purchase of an electrical system ended with plenty of sparks but no lights for downtown.

City commissioners have debated at length whether to purchase an electrical system for \$25,000 from the Downtown Business Association. The electrical work would power a \$10,000 light system the city planned to install to light up 1st Street. Much of the debate has centered on whether

the DBA received proper documentation from property owners to install the electrical work and whether a private company actually donated \$2,700 of equipment to the DBA or the city.

Monday night's city commission brought a new round of controversy as an official with Sanford Electric Company Inc. told commissioners the company provided

\$10,125 in manpower for what they thought was a city Christmas lighting project.

"I didn't know there was an organization called the Downtown Business Association," said Barbara Hubler, treasurer of Sanford Electric. "I simply thought they were doing the leg work for the city of Sanford. In fact, at one point we asked why the city electricians weren't helping."

After the meeting Hubler showed members of the city commission a gift one Sanford Electric's employees was given by a member of DBA. It was signed from "The City of Sanford."

Hubler said her company tries to donate to worthy causes in the city and expected to provide about \$3,000 to \$4,000 worth of services for the Christmas festival. The donation cost the company about three times what they had anticipated.

"Tom (Winterheimer) beg us to help them

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Seminole's stop streak

After getting off to a good start since returning to the field this week, the Tide have ripped off three victories in a row, two over Class 5A-District 3 foes, and are beginning to look like a real contender for a postseason berth.

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Child dies after television falls on top of him

Deputies from the Seminole County Sheriff's Office were called to 276 Petunia Terrace, Apartment 102 around 8:30 p.m. Friday in reference to a child who had been seriously injured.

Upon investigation, it appeared the 2-year-old child, Michael Jermaine Pooler II, pulled over a dresser, on which a television set was sitting. It occurred in a bedroom. The television reportedly struck the child.

The child was airlifted to Orlando Regional Medical Center. The helicopter used BJ's Wholesale parking lot on State Road 46 to land. The child died at the hospital just before midnight. According to police, the death appears accidental.

Teacher arrested by sheriff's office

Seminole County deputies arrested Tuesday night a Lyman High School teacher.

He's identified as 34-year-old Bruce Grant Bonaventure II. His job duties included coordinating a work-study program at Lyman High School as well as coaching the girls' basketball team.

Bonaventure stands accused of 50 counts of unlawful sexual activity with a minor. The incidents allegedly occurred during the 1999-2000 school year. The victim, a former student, was 16 and turned 17 during that school year.

Bonaventure was contacted by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office regarding the allegation. He came to the Sheriff's Office Tuesday night for an interview. He then was arrested.

Registration set for Saturday

The Seminole Youth Football Association will be holding Pop Warner Football and cheerleading registrations and a car wash fundraiser Saturday from noon until 4 p.m. at the Sanford Just for Feet at Seminole Towne Center Mall.

Seminole Smile



Ruth Carr - Sanford resident

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Norsemen sail Lake Monroe

Sons of Norway sponsor annual Viking races



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent

Viking World Orlando No. 3-501, a Sons of Norway lodge, hosted Saturday its fifth annual SpringFest 2002. Throughout the afternoon, "real" Viking boats raced in the weekend regatta on Lake Monroe. Six boats competed in the regatta, which included a women's race and a general race with two heats each. Each boat was manned by one coxswain and four to eight rowers. Pictured above, the crew of the "Hager," raise the sail during the general race. The race course was in a square formation, with two legs of the race concentrating on rowing strength, while the two remaining legs depending on the crews sailing abilities. Pictured right, Al Strom, an oarsman for the "Volhalla," takes a break during following one of the races.



Rental car taxes will return to Central Florida

By Christopher Patton Staff Writer

SANFORD — Seminole County Commissioner Dick Van Der Weide was all smiles Tuesday morning.

Less than eight months after being elected chairman of MetroPlan Orlando, his leadership is paying dividends for the region. Last week, the state Senate and House of Representatives passed the "fair share distribution of the statewide rental car surcharge" bill.

The legislation was one of MetroPlan's top priorities for the 2002 Florida Legislative Session and could bring an estimated \$12 million in additional transportation dollars to Central Florida annually.



Dick Van Der Weide

"It's a major benefit for Central Florida," Van Der Weide said.

One of his first orders of business as MetroPlan chairman was hiring a lobbyist. The lobbyist's quick success "I think surprised everyone," Van Der Weide said.

The bill was sponsored by Rep. Randy Johnson, R-Celebration, and Sen. Anna Cowin, R-Leesburg. The bill will help enable tracking of the statewide rental car surcharge. It will then return the revenue to its area of origin for transportation improvements.

"The beautiful thing is it's going to the district to address regional transportation issues," Van Der Weide said.

Currently, about 80 percent of the money from the \$2 rental car surcharge are deposited in the State Transportation Trust Fund. The funds are distributed throughout state without taking in account the areas that are impacted by the rental cars.

"Their (rental cars) impact is tremendous to our roads,"

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Sanford moves forward with incentive plan for police

By Dan Ping Editor

SANFORD — City Commissioners approved a broadly outlined mortgage incentive plan that would encourage Sanford police officers to live within the city limits.

Details of the plan still must be hammered out between, but commissioners agreed to cap the program at 35 officers to test the financial impact and the popularity of the program.

Mayor Brady Lessard introduced the plan three weeks ago in a memo to city commissioners. Officers should be encouraged to live in the city, Lessard argued, because the city benefits from having more officers live where they work and it would be an addition-

al incentive in recruiting top officers to the department.

Originally, Lessard proposed paying 20 percent of an officer's mortgage or rent, but Monday's agreement eliminated incentives for those who rent.

"The rental market has routinely provided incentives to officers to live in their facilities," Lessard said, noting some apartment complexes discount units as much as 50 percent. He said he thought the program would be stronger including both mortgage and rent payments, "But there concerns about the cost of the program."

Chief Brian Tooley estimated there are about 17 officers with mortgages who live in the city. If 35 officers enrolled in the program

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Commissioners agree to continue merger talks

By Christopher Patton Staff Writer

SANFORD — County commissioners gave the nod Tuesday to continue talks with Altamonte Springs about merging the city fire department with the county.

"I think it's a step in the right direction as long as we can provide the same service and it's economically feasible," Commissioner Carlton Henley said.

The board voted unanimously, minus Commissioner Randy Morris who was absent, to have staff develop an interlocal agreement for the proposed fire department merger. Despite the overwhelming support, Henley said there is a "bushel basket of issues" that still need to be tackled.

Chairman Daryl McLain said a few of those issues include some form of dedicated funding from the city and plans to boost the county's fire contingency fund. An estimated \$800,000 sits in the emergency fund which is about 4.8 percent of the total county fire department budget. With the added responsibilities and equipment associated with merging with city, McLain said the contingency fund would also need to be increased.

A dedicated stream of funding from the city could come in several forms. The city could dedicate a part of its millage to the county, McLain said.

"We don't want to get in the situation where Altamonte Springs is cutting us a check every month for the services,"

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From sports writing to evening gowns — Shelton takes over as 2002 Miss Seminole

By Michelle Jerla Managing Editor

One month after Shannon Shelton was selected first runner-up in the 2002 Miss Seminole County Scholarship pageant, she received an unexpected telephone call.

Dr. Beverly Baird Boothe, executive director of Seminole's annual pageant, informed Shelton that the reigning crown holder, Emily Martin, couldn't fulfill her obligations as Miss Seminole County. It was now the responsibility of the first runner-up to complete her duties.

"It was St. Patrick's Day when I received the call," Shelton said. "I was extremely surprised to hear the news. I have competed in pageants before, and I never imagined something like this would happen. People say how important the first runner-up is, but you

don't always believe it. It rarely comes to fruition.

"And, lightning rarely strikes twice."

The first runner-up has become an important player in the Miss Seminole County pageant. In two of its three years, the pageant's original crown holder stepped down before completing her year-long reign.

"In a way, it has actually been a good thing," Boothe said. "It is an example of why the first runner-up should always be prepared."

Martin, a student at the University of Central Florida, was given a choice of passing her organic chemistry class or spending five days in Miami for the Miss Florida pageant, Boothe said.

"Her professor told the class if they missed one day, they would fail, which made it impossible for



Following a telephone call on St. Patrick's Day, Shannon Shelton became the 2002 Miss Seminole County.

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# SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

ter to reader from Orlando  
anklin explained changes the  
ning next week, including the  
s of briefs to the Local & State

the Clock is there's a lot more  
beauty, unsaid. As Paul Harvey likes to say,  
"Now, the rest of the story ..."

Franklin failed to mention an important change  
that threatens to substantially reduce local news  
coverage—the *Sentinel* is dropping its zoned edi-  
tions. Till now, Volusia, Seminole, Osceola and other  
counties in the *Sentinel*'s circulation area had sepa-  
rate Local & State sections. While some stories  
appeared in all papers, the zoned editions gave the  
daily's bureaus a chance to highlight stories impor-  
tant to that county on the front of the L&S section.

By axing the zoned edi-  
tions, all Orlando *Sentinel*  
readers will receive the  
same paper with the same  
stories. What does that  
mean for local readers?  
Less space to cram more  
news into. Instead of three  
or four local stories vying  
for front page space in the  
Seminole County L&S edi-  
tion, all stories from all  
bureaus will be consid-  
ered.

## Around the Clock



by Dan Ping

With a typical layout,  
section fronts can usually  
accommodate four to six stories. The rest get  
shoved inside and most likely cut to fit space. A  
Sanford or Lake Mary story that may have landed  
on the front page of Local & State in a zoned edi-  
tion may now receive no coverage at all. Presumably,  
the reasoning behind the two "new" pages the  
*Sentinel* plans to add will be to sum up stories  
in two or three paragraphs that may have received  
a full bylined story in a zoned edition.

In general, expect the daily's local news report-  
ing to resemble its high school football coverage:  
two or three of the big games receive coverage, one  
with a photograph; two or three others receive a  
few paragraphs; and scores from the others are  
cramped into the agate type on an inside page.

Why are the zoned editions being cut?  
Obviously not for better local news coverage.  
Surprisingly, saving money is not the primary rea-  
son for the change, which is an anomaly for a giant  
media corporation. The zoned editions are being  
dropped because the *Sentinel* has been swamped  
with complaints about poor delivery service. The  
daily has committed itself to delivering every  
paper by 5:30 a.m. *Sentinel* brass believed the logis-  
tics of producing, printing and delivering several  
zoned editions made that goal impossible.

Volusia County readers will receive the biggest  
benefit. Printing deadlines were so early for the  
Volusia edition most night-time sports events,  
especially those on the West Coast, weren't final, so  
sports enthusiasts had to get final scores from other  
news sources.

**Love hurts:** Though "love" would hardly be the  
right word to describe Monday's Sanford City  
Commission meeting, Commissioner Whitey  
Eckstein did manage to mouth a few sweet noth-  
ings during the contentious debate over the electri-  
cal system the Downtown Business Association is  
trying to sell the city.

Commissioner Randy Jones crossed swords  
with Downtown Diva Sara Jacobson several times,  
prompting Community Redevelopment Agency  
Chairman John Mercer to accuse the Jones and the  
commission of playing politics. Eckstein and the  
other commissioners disagreed.

"Come on Sara, I love you like you love Randy,"  
Eckstein said, breaking the tension with laughter, if  
only for a moment.

**Going Global:** Though the company had  
announced plans to build a sizable headquarters at  
the Orlando Sanford International Airport, it  
looks like Global Construction isn't going to be  
building much of anything at all. Not sure of the all  
the particulars, but I do know the bonding compa-  
nies are covering the costs to finish some of the  
work Global was hired to do at OSIA.

If you're looking for office space, Global's offices  
in the stylish building on Park Avenue between  
2nd and 3rd Streets are available. The movers  
showed up Friday to move up Global's stuff, and  
the building owners are looking for tenants.

Got an item for Around the Clock? Send an e-mail to  
TheClock@seminoleherald.com or call 407-322-2611.

## 'Moo'



A herd of colorful cows, on a recent sunny, warm day, graze in a pasture on South Cameron Avenue near Lake Jesup.

Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

## Message Parlor Bust

Altamonte Springs police arrested  
Wilbert Serrano, 43, of Orlando Friday  
for deriving support from proceeds of  
prostitution and assignment to commit  
prostitution. After receiving an anony-  
mous complaint about possible prostitu-  
tion activity, Altamonte Springs police  
initiated an investigation into  
Personalized Entertainment located at  
483 Montgomery Road. While making  
an appointment for a massage, an  
undercover agent reported the employ-  
ee indicated to him that male activity as  
well as masturbation was available.

An agent arranged for another mes-  
sage appointment at a local motel.  
Serrano escorted a female to the hotel  
and waited outside. Inside, police inter-  
viewed the female and she agreed to  
help in the investigation by wearing a  
wire. The female left the room wearing  
the recording device and holding the  
\$125 for the massage. In a vehicle  
parked in the hotel parking lot, she  
talked openly to Serrano about how the  
customer was an easy "job," but she  
didn't receive a tip. After being arrested,  
Serrano told police he was going to give  
the female \$50 of the \$125 since she did  
not get a tip.

## Indecent Exposure

Florida Highway Trooper Victor  
Fuentes arrested Marco Harvey, 20, of  
Cocoa Sunday for indecent exposure.  
Harvey reportedly urinated in the  
Interstate 4 median. Eastbound traffic  
could clearly see the display, police  
reported.

## DUI

• Seminole Deputy David Kohn  
arrested Louis Brundige, 44, of Lake  
Mary Saturday for driving under the  
influence. Police stopped Brundige  
because of an inoperable passenger side  
headlight. Breathalyzer tests at the jail  
revealed a blood alcohol content of  
about .117.

• Oviedo Officer W. Deliz arrested  
James Smith, 40, of Winter Springs  
Saturday for driving under the influence  
and possession of marijuana. Police  
stopped Smith for inoperable reverse  
lights.

• Longwood Officer Lester Lease  
arrested Lorna Andrews, 36, of  
Longwood Friday for driving under the  
influence causing property damage. She  
reportedly hit a street sign at Grant



## Street and Winding Oak Lane.

Breathalyzer tests at the jail revealed a  
blood alcohol content of about .024.

• Seminole Deputy Charles Albrecht  
arrested Justin Ostrthaler, 25, of  
Longwood Saturday for driving under  
the influence. Breathalyzer tests at the  
jail revealed a blood alcohol content of  
about .074.

• Seminole Deputy Roderick Starling  
arrested Renzo Camareno, 23, of  
Sanford Saturday for driving under the  
influence. Breathalyzer tests at the jail  
revealed a blood alcohol content of  
about .151.

• Sanford Officer Bill Erwin arrested  
Willie McGill Jr., 23, of Sanford Sunday  
for driving under the influence, posses-  
sion of marijuana, failure to obey a stop  
sign and driving with a suspended  
license.

## Suspended License

Casselberry police arrested Nathaniel  
Jones, 47, of Winter Springs Saturday for  
driving with a suspended license. Jones  
was involved in a traffic accident in the  
Publix grocery store parking lot. When  
police asked for his driver's license, he  
said he didn't have it but supplied a  
birth date and name. The information  
given was actually his son.

## Trafficking Cocaine

The sheriff's office City/County  
Investigative Bureau executed a search  
warrant Friday at 2703 West Airport  
Boulevard. Agents arrested residents  
Alex Curtis, 29, and Lashunda  
Anderson, 26, for trafficking in cocaine  
and possession of drug paraphernalia.  
Anderson was additionally charged  
with possession of marijuana. Agents  
seized approximately 320 grams of  
cocaine and more than \$9,000 in cash.

## Larceny

Sanford Officer Thomas Bemosky  
arrested Kakate Barthell, 24, of Sanford  
Friday for larceny. An employee of the

Sanford Avenue Family Dollar, Barthell  
allegedly made 12 fraudulent refunds  
over the past two months. The refunds  
totaled approximately \$380.

## Contributing to the Delinquency of a Minor

Seminole Deputy David Kohn ar-  
rested Charles Banner, 20, of Sanford Friday  
for contributing to the delinquency of a  
minor. Banner reportedly took a 14-year-  
old girl to a Tropical Park Drive storage  
area and caused the girl to miss school.  
Banner was in a similar incident recently  
when Sanford police arrested him. They  
found him in a local motel room smok-  
ing marijuana with two 15-year-olds.

## Marijuana Possession

• Seminole Deputy David Nagowski  
arrested Christopher Bruce, 22, of  
Longwood and Marshall Kimball, 21, of  
Altamonte Springs, Saturday for posses-  
sion of marijuana. Police also arrested  
David Pearman, 21, of Altamonte  
Springs for possession of a controlled  
substance. The three were found in a  
group at the rear of the Spirits Bar and  
Grill located at 1146 State Road 436. The  
deputy became alert when he noticed  
Kimball throw a plastic baggy of mari-  
juana to the ground.

• Winter Springs Officer J. Rice ar-  
rested Alan Smith, 31, of Longwood  
Monday for possession of marijuana  
and drug paraphernalia. He was  
stopped for an inoperable tag light.

## Disorderly Conduct

Seminole Deputy Steven Sosa ar-  
rested James Lee, 26, and Calvin Lee, 24,  
both of Sanford, Sunday for disorderly  
conduct and resisting officers. The two  
brothers were allegedly involved in a  
fight near the Southwest Road train  
tracks.

## Trespassing

Sanford Officer Kenneth Trezise  
arrested Christopher Frazzetto, 24, of  
Sanford Sunday for trespassing.

## Robbery by Sudden Snatching

Altamonte Springs Officer D.  
Archambault arrested Jose Marciano, 33,  
of Longwood and Kellie Diazell, 32, of  
Winter Park Sunday for robbery by sud-  
den snatching. The two allegedly  
snatched a woman's purse at the  
Altamonte Drive Albertson's grocery  
store.

## OUT & ABOUT

### THUR 28

The city of Sanford, in  
cooperation with the Florida  
Yards and Neighborhoods,  
will be hosting a free land-  
scape seminar 6 to 9 p.m.  
Thursday, March 28, in the  
Sanford City Commission  
Chamber at City Hall.

The Florida Yards and  
Neighborhoods program is  
designed to help transform  
a yard into a beautiful oasis.  
Renowned speaker Teresa  
Watkins of FY&N will be  
presenting the seminar.

Space is limited. Make  
reservations by calling 407-  
330-5624.

### SAT 30

On Saturday, March 30, at  
9:30 a.m. the Easter Bunny  
will visit Lee P. Moore Park  
in Sanford. Afterward, a  
golden egg hunt will com-  
mence. The event is free and  
is open to all children 12  
years old and younger.

For more information,  
call the Sanford Recreation  
Department at 407-330-5697.

On Saturday, March 30, at  
10 a.m. the Lake Mary  
assisted-living facility  
Heritage Woods will hold  
an egg hunt for children of  
all ages. The Lake Mary Fire  
Department will also attend  
and bring their fire truck for  
the children to see.

The event will be held at  
Heritage Woods at 150  
Middle Street.

On Saturday, March 30, at  
10 a.m., the city of Apopka  
will hold its 14th annual  
Easter Egg Hunt. The event  
is part of a yearlong celebra-  
tion of Apopka's 120th  
birthday. Kids from diapers  
to pre-teen ages are invited  
to join in the hunt. The  
event at Kit Land Nelson  
Park will also feature an  
egg-coloring contest.

On Saturday beginning at  
10 a.m., Community  
Alliance Church, located at  
4815 E. Lake Drive, in  
Winter Springs, will host a  
Community Easter Egg  
Hunt.

The event is for children  
in first to fifth grade. Kids  
in four different age groups  
can hunt for 3,200 eggs. The  
event will also include a  
moonwalk, puppet show,  
prizes, candy, crafts and bal-  
loons. Tykes will need to  
bring their own basket or  
bag.

### WED 10

Seminole Spokes of  
Welcome Wagon Club will  
meet 11:30 a.m. Wednesday,  
April 10, in Maison & Jardin  
Restaurant in Altamonte  
Springs.

Cost of the luncheon is  
\$16.50. The program,  
Grandma Admas, "Will You  
Teach Me To Read?" will be  
given by Jacqueline Egli,  
director of PACE Brantley  
School. Also, teas, brunches,  
and dinners in private  
homes will be auctioned for  
charity.

Spokes is a social club  
dedicate to helping new-  
comers become familiar  
with the Orlando area.

For reservations or infor-  
mation, call Betsy at 407-  
277-9033 or Carrie at 407-  
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# Obituaries

**FRED ALLEN**  
Fred "Marlou" Allen, 60, of Marshall Avenue, Sanford, died Tuesday, March 19, 2002, in Central Florida Regional Hospital.

Born March 23, 1941, in Camilla, Ga., he moved to Central Florida 53 years ago. He was a construction worker. He was a member of Freewill Holiness Church in Apopka.

Survivors include two daughters, Felicia Allen Morgan of Montgomery, Ala., and Latrice M. Allen of Detroit, Mich.; one stepdaughter, Lashaunte Gilley of Sanford; one stepson, Markis Gilley of Sanford; one brother, Wallace Allen of Rochester, N.Y.; four sisters, Rosalind Myers of Orlando, Olivia Allen of Rochester, N.Y., Monerita Jones of Sanford and Liza M. Irwin of Sanford; and 14 grandchildren. Sunrise Funeral Home of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

**FRANCES ANDERSON**  
Frances Anderson, 83, of West Swoope Avenue, Winter Park, died Wednesday, March 20, 2002.

Born in Lakeland, she moved to Central Florida in 1931. She was a housekeeper. She was a member of Flowers Temple Church of God in Christ, Winter Park.

Survivors include one son, Nathaniel Anderson of Fayetteville, N.C.; four daughters, Vivian Anderson, Serita Cyprian and Hope Gadsen, all of Orlando, and Felecia Fredricks of Jacksonville; one sister, Alma Oliver of Ormond Beach; 18 grandchildren; and four great grandchildren. Golden's Funeral Home Inc., of Winter Park is in charge of arrangements.

**EDWARD A. BOOTH**  
Edward A. "Bill" Booth, 82, of Waterfall Circle, Deltona, died Sunday, March 24, 2002, in Mariner Healthcare of Deltona.

Born in Sault Sainte Marie, Mich., he moved to Central Florida in 1985. He was a retired superintendent for General Motors in Pontiac, Mich., where he worked for 34 years. He was a member of Knights of Columbus Council No. 6584 of Deltona, third degree life member, and a member of St. Ann's Catholic Community Church. He enjoyed crafts, woodworking, art and gardening.

Survivors include his wife of 62 years, Nora E. Booth of Deltona; one daughter, Marcia Candido of Sault Sainte Marie, Mich.; one sister, June Doviği of Sault Sainte Marie, Ontario; three grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

**BARBARA R. BOURGET**  
Barbara R. Bourget, 74, of West Church Avenue, Longwood, died Saturday, March 23, 2002, in Florida Hospital-Orlando.

Born Sept. 8, 1927, in Pawtucket, R.I., she resided in Central Florida for seven years. She was a homemaker. She was a member of the American Legion. She was of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include two sons, Arthur C. Buteau of Winter Springs and Robert Buteau of Clermont; one brother, Raymond Sweet of Central Fall, R.I.; two sisters, Jean Carbone and Dorothy Garges, both of Orlando; seven grandchildren; and eight great grandchildren.

Banfield Funeral Home of Winter Springs is in charge of arrangements.

**JAMES EDWARD BROOKS JR.**

James Edward "Cock-Eyed Cowboy" Brooks Jr., 73, of Modac Trail, Maitland, died Friday, March 22, 2002, in his residence.

Born Aug. 4, 1928, in Bisherville, S.C., he was a ranch foreman. He was a member of Union Missionary Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, Princlilla Brooks of Oviedo; two sons, Mac Brooks of Oviedo and Willis Brooks of Orlando; three

daughters, Alice Battle of Maitland, Katie Hollerman of Winter Springs and Helen Mims of Orlando; three brothers, Willis Brooks of Eatonville, Stephen Brooks of Oviedo and Joe L. Brooks of Baltimore, Md.; 10 grandchildren; and 16 great grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary Inc., of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

**ANNIE L. BROWN**

Annie L. Brown, 82, of Bob Thomas Circle, Sanford, died Wednesday, March 20, 2002, in Life Care Center of Altamonte Springs.

Born Aug. 26, 1919, in Zubalon, Ga., she was a homemaker. She was a member of Freewill Holiness Church of God.

Survivors include her husband, Lruzy Brown of Sanford; three sons, Otis Sanders of Sanford, David Sanders of Panama City and John T. Sanders of Zubalon, Ga.; two daughters, Bernice June and Sarah Lee Pringle, both of Sanford; one brother, O.L. Love of Atlanta, Ga.; one sister, Erma Jones of Atlanta, Ga.; 13 grandchildren; 26 great grandchildren; and six great great grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary Inc., of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

**KATHRYN L. CARPENTER**  
Kathryn L. Carpenter, 78, of Urbana Avenue, Deltona, died Friday, March 22, 2002, in Mariner Health Care of Orange City, DeBary.

Born in Wabash, Ind., she moved to Central Florida many years ago. She was of the Catholic faith.

Survivors include her husband of 56 years, John Carpenter of Deltona; two brothers, Eugene

Barrett of Winter Park and Bernard Barrett of Alexandria, Ind.; and three sisters, Patricia Holderman of Bluffton, Ind., Nondu Thompson of Fort Wayne, Ind., and Josephine Spears of Muncie, Ind.

Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

**REBECCA A. JOHNSON**  
Rebecca A. Johnson, 77, of

Lucerne Terrace of Orlando died Saturday, March 23, 2002.

Born in Chattanooga, Tenn., she was a homemaker. She was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church.

Survivors include a friend, Billie S. Ward of Orlando. Banfield Funeral Home of Winter Springs is in charge of arrangements.

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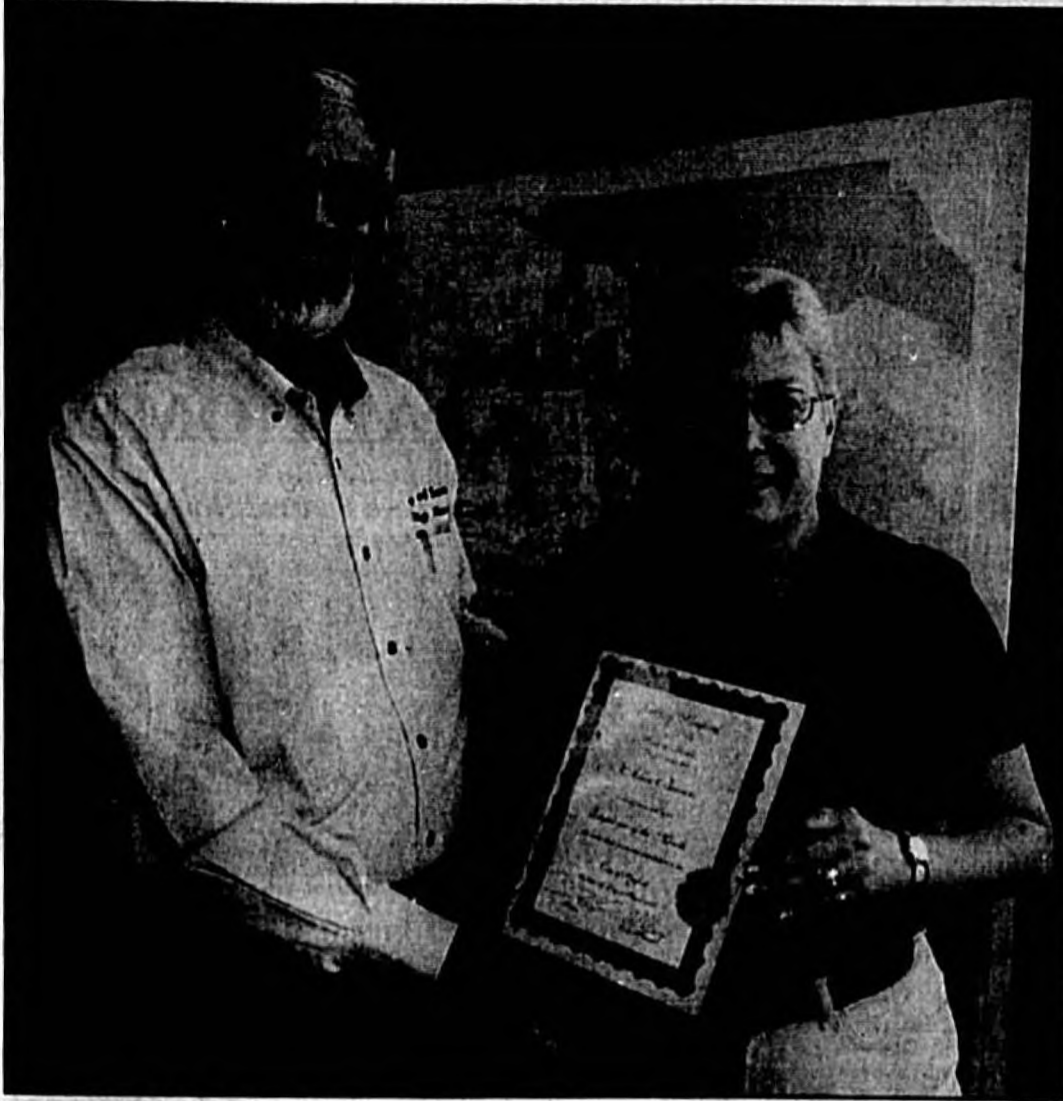
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# Business

## Bowers named Employee of the Month



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Sanford City Manager Tony VanDerworp presents a certificate to Alice Bowers after she was named the city of Sanford's Employee of the Month. Bowers is a recreation leader in the Parks and Recreation Department. Her supervisor, Jim Schaefer, said Bowers: "Foresees potential problems and wither solves them or informs her supervisor. She can always be counted on when a need arises, especially in an emergency. She's always on the lookout for the best interests of the recreation department and the city of Sanford. She is irreplaceable in our department."

## SCC student claims second silver medal Seminole County

By Christopher Patton  
Staff Writer

Sanford recently claimed its second silver medal of the year.

After U.S. Winter Olympian Garret Hines won the silver in bobsledding, Seminole Community College student Marty Brasher earned silver at the 2002 Associated Builders and Contractors (ABC) National Craft Olympic.

Brasher of Mascotte is an employee of Wayne Automatic Fire Sprinklers in Ocoee. He competed in the fire sprinkler division.

"It's good for resume," Brasher said. "The big thing is it gets the company name out there."

More than 150 apprentices from around the nation competed in 11 trade areas at the Louisiana Super Dome. Brasher completed a 100-question exam and six-hour practical exercise for the medal. Apprentices were judged on accuracy, safety

and speed.

Brasher is in his fourth and final semester at Seminole Community College. He said he plans to stay at Wayne Automatic Sprinklers after completing his studies in fire sprinkler technology.

Similar to many Olympians, his journey to the final event was a memorable and unusual trip. During the state level competition, Brasher narrowly avoided a disaster - missing his own wedding.

"I was kind of cutting it close," Brasher said about showing up for the wedding with only a couple minutes to spare after competing in the state event.

"If it wasn't for her, I wouldn't be there (national Olympics)," he said. "I told her I wasn't going to do it, but she told me I should."

Also representing SCC during the New Orleans competition was Timothy Thompson of South Seminole Sheet Metal and Tom Mullendore of J.A. Croson Company of Florida.

## Expo spotlights work-at-home moms

The first Orlando WAHMfest, a unique Work-At Home-Moms Expo, will be held Tuesday, April 9.

Parents who have chosen to interrupt their careers to care for their children, as well as those wanting to learn more about home-based employment, business or volunteer opportunities, are invited to attend the event, which will run from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

participate in each of the Orlando WAHMfest with information, business opportunities and advice from those who have "been there," according to Volers. Other expos are scheduled for Pensacola on April 6, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Tallahassee on April 8th from 4-9 and Tampa on April 13th from 10-4. Sponsorship and advertising opportunities are still available

for the program and year-round, web-based directory. Attendance is free.

Orlando WAHMfest 2002 will be held at the Holiday Inn Universal, 5905 Kirkman Rd. Additional information and directions are available at [www.wahmfest.org/fl/index.html](http://www.wahmfest.org/fl/index.html), by calling 256-232-9602, or by e-mailing [AtHomeWithStyle@aol.com](mailto:AtHomeWithStyle@aol.com).

## Briefcases

**Construction begins at Alaqu Lakes newest neighborhood**  
Alaqu Lakes has started construction of a new "entire" for The Enclave at Alaqu Lakes - an exclusive neighborhood within the luxury golf course community where new homes will be priced from \$850,000 to more than \$2 million.

Charles Ayers, project manager at Alaqu Lakes, said The Enclave at Alaqu Lakes offers 24 homesites that are 1/2 to 5-acre in size. Ayers said 21 of the homesites front on the award-winning Alaqu Lakes golf course.

The homesites will be priced from the \$190's to the high \$200's, Ayers said.

The entry, which features palm trees, a fountain and elaborate stonework, will be completed within a few weeks, Ayers said.

Alaqu Lakes is being developed by Taylor Woodrow Communities, part of the Taylor

Woodrow group of North American companies that has been building lifestyle communities and luxury homes for nearly half a century. Headquartered in Sarasota, Florida, the North American operations currently have more than 50 active projects throughout Florida, California, Texas and Ontario, Canada and recorded revenues in excess of \$833 million in 2000. The company is a wholly owned subsidiary of the London-based real estate group Taylor Woodrow plc, which was founded in 1921.

**INCON appoints veteran administrator as comptroller**

INCON Lighting, Inc., the Sanford-based manufacturer that sells its high tech and energy efficient commercial lighting systems nationwide, has appointed Daphne Santiago, a veteran financial administrator, as comptroller.

Mark Hudson, president of

the firm, said Santiago attended the University of Phoenix and has more than 10 years of experience in financial administration.

"We are expanding significantly this year and Daphne Santiago will play a key role in managing our growth," Hudson said.

**Florida Solar appoints Tony Durocher as marketing director**

Florida Solar Technology, Inc., has named veteran marketing executive Tony Durocher as director of marketing for the company.

Skip West, founder and president of the 20-year old pool heating company, said Durocher has more than 10 years of experience in sales and marketing and graduated from Seminole Community College in Sanford.

"Tony Durocher is a bright young executive with a strong track record in marketing and we are most pleased he has joined us," West said.

## Chamber 'Pumps Up the Volume'



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

The Sanford Chamber of Commerce announced a "Pump Up the Volume" program designed to increase exposure for the Chamber and raise money. The centerpiece of the program is a \$5 per ticket drawing for a custom built home. The structure will be approximately 2,292 square feet with a 455-foot garage. It will be constructed on the winning ticket-holders approved lot anywhere in Seminole County. Construction must start within 60 days of the drawing which is Dec. 11. Donations of products and labor will be used to building the home. Some of the money raised will go to the Chamber and a portion will go to groups such as the Boy Scouts and others who help sell the tickets. Most of the money will be contributed to other established organizations like the Central Florida Zoo to help establish more public and charitable events. Ticket sales begin in mid-April. For more information, call 407-322-2212.

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## Incentive

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with an average mortgage of \$600 per month, the city's 20 percent contribution would cost \$50,400 annually.

Besides costs, Lessard said there are other issues to be addressed. He said officers would only be allowed to enroll once, and the program would apply only to first mortgages, not second or third mortgages. In addition, refinancing to expand the home, add amenities or finance vacations or other property purchases would not qualify.

Commissioners Whitey Eckstein and Velma Williams wondered if the plan would prevent officers from clustering in one area.

"I do have a concern about incentives to live in areas where officers might not normally live," Williams said.

Lessard said Sanford provides a variety of housing options for home owners.

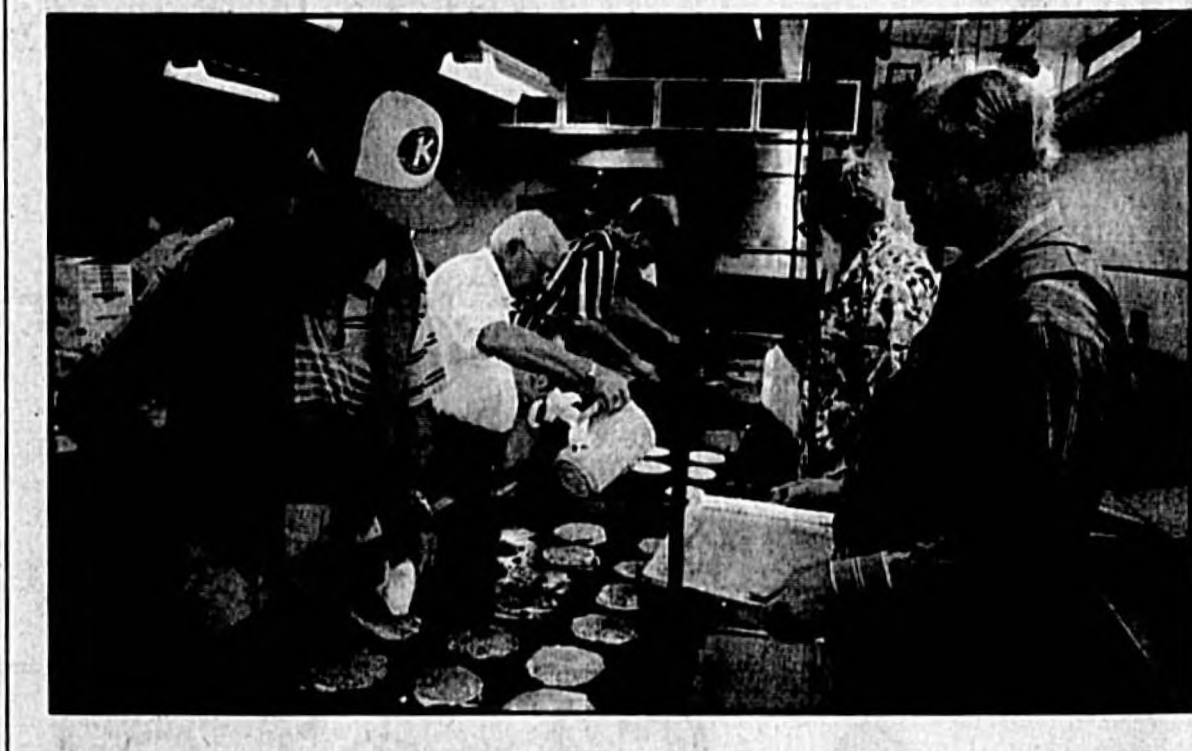
"I don't think all the officers are going to live just in Mayfair or

Pinecrest or Goldboro," Lessard said. "There are different salary levels within the department and the each officer will buy into a neighborhood based upon his household income. I think eventually every piece of housing stock will benefit."

Commissioner Art Woodruff said he was hesitant about committing future city commissions to what could be a burdensome expense. He suggested limiting the program to allow the city to decide in five or 10 years whether to continue.

"I'm not opposed to that," Lessard said. "Statistics show homeowners move about every 7.2 years."

Lessard must not work with city attorney Bill Colbert, the finance director Donna Watt and Tooley to nail down specifics for the incentive program. Lessard is expected to bring a final version of the proposal back to the commission in early May.



## Pancake feast

Clyde Long, left, and Dr. Russell Shaw cook pancakes Saturday during the 38th annual Kiwanis Pancake Day, which was held in the Sanford Civic Center. The breakfast included pancakes, sausage, coffee, milk and orange drink. Funds raised during the event go back into community projects. Hundreds of people enjoyed the meal during the six hours members of the organization flipped pancakes and served coffee.

## Bill

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Johnson said.

MetroPlan estimates that an additional \$11 to \$12 million a year in transportation monies will come to Central Florida as a result of the new legislation that awaits the governor's approval. Van Der Weide said with an improving economy and tourism industry the monies returned to Central Florida would only get larger.

"When you think about the major players, such as the Sanford

airport, there's a lot of rental cars that come out of there," Van Der Weide said.

To earn the Florida Department of Transportation's support for the bill, reallocation of the rental car surcharge will not start for five years, said Johnson. The five-year delay will avoid "pulling the rug out" of prior FDOT commitments, he said.

Also included in the bill is a proposal to delay a \$1.5 million loan repayment for Orlando Sanford

International Airport.

The loan is due this August, but the bill would push payment back until September 2008. The loan was used to build the international terminal. The delay would prevent the airport from going out and borrowing money, said airport President and CEO Larry Dale.

"It's a good deal for us," he said. "It establishes some breathing room for us."

Originally, airport officials hoped the loan could be trans-

ferred into a state grant. At the "eleventh hour" of the state legislative session last year, FDOT officials informed the airport that the legislature would have to act on the matter, Dale said. By the time notice came, it was too late for the session.

The proposed delay will also push back the payment for when other loan payments are due. A long-term reserve established by the airport will help meet the loan repayments, Dale said.

## Lights

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out because they were in a bind," Hubler said. "I put my job on the line by donating that much manpower."

Hubler said if the city gave DBA \$25,000 for the electrical system, Sanford Electric would ask to be reimbursed for \$9,375 in overtime hours the company donated.

"We had no clue that it wasn't already yours," Hubler said. "To the city \$25,000 may be a drop in the bucket, but to a small business like ours, \$10,000 is a lot of money."

Tom Winterheimer, a member of the board for DBA, said there was no misrepresentation about who the services were being donated to.

"I by no means indicated I was with the city of Sanford," Winterheimer said.

Winterheimer noted that while Hubler may have misunderstood who the beneficiary was, DBA should receive some compensation from the city because it was DBA volunteers who solicited the donations and put in their own time to install many of the decorations.

"It took time and energy to get people to volunteer," Winterheimer said.

"The motivation was to make things better for the city, to do good things for Sanford," Winterheimer added. "The money is not for us to take a vacation. We're not trying to take money for ourselves. We want the money to do more things for Sanford."

Commissioner Art Woodruff said the issue about donations should be moot. He argued that DBA took on the task of installing electrical fixtures as part of the Christmas Festival and should be compensated.

"I was never under the impression DBA had purchased anything," Woodruff said. "I thought all along that they solicited donations for the electrical system."

"We are killing ourselves to make this as hard as possible and as ugly as possible," Woodruff said. "If we look at this as just a purchase, we are ignoring a lot of facts."

"Are we being pragmatic?" Commissioner Whitey Eckstein asked. "Is it good for the city to buy these lights?"

"What's the major issue here? Do we need lights in the city? Whether Sara's (Jacobson) the biggest crook in the world is not the issue," Eckstein said, later clarifying that he was not imply-

ing Jacobson was a stealing.

However, Commissioner Randy Jones and Velma Williams along with Mayor Brady Lessard voiced concern that DBA had not been forthcoming with information.

"We ask questions and don't get answers," Jones said. "Then we get accused of playing politics when we got out and try to get those answers."

Woodruff offered a compromise that would have paid DBA \$15,000 not for the electrical system, but for event planning. All events would have to be cleared through the city. In return, the city would collect easement agreement from property owners and DBA would grant the city use of the electrical system. Eckstein seconded the motion.

"We can't do it for \$15,000," Jacobson said, at which point Eckstein withdrew his second and the motion died.

The city may ultimately purchase the lights, but not through the general fund tax money. John Mercer, chairman of the Downtown Community Redevelopment Agency blasted commissioners for failing to approve the purchase and vowed to push the measure through the CRA board.

## Merger

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McLain said. "Otherwise, it's a great plan, and I'm very supportive of it."

A study outlining the costs associated with the potential merger estimates the total savings for the county and city to be \$9.6 million. Savings could even be higher, according to Henley. He said the majority of the city's equipment is relatively new and probably wouldn't need to be replaced any-

time soon.

Other merger obstacles include rank structure, pension and retirement plans, said Deputy County Manager Rob Frank.

"I don't think any of it's going to be a deal killer," he said. "People are just going to have different ideas."

County and city officials will work out the details and present both commissions, county and city, with the finalized interlocal

agreement in about 60 days, Frank said. The merger is proposed for Oct. 1.

The addition of the city fire department resources will be a plus for the county fire department, said Terry Schenk, county fire chief. The city fire department consists of four fire stations and about 70 employees.

"That's about one-third of the size of our department right now," Schenk said.

## Shelton

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her to take a five-day trip," Boothe said. "You have to make academic choices. It was an understandable decision to make."

It was a decision that didn't discourage the pageant director. Boothe knows runner-up doesn't mean second best, and she is pleased with the new Miss Seminole County.

"All of the ladies in the pageant are extremely talented," Boothe said. "It always comes down to just a few points and is a very close competition."

"Shannon was the favorite of a lot of people in the audience during the night of the pageant," she said. "She epitomizes the achievement of a successful young lady."

Shelton is a graduate of Michigan State University and holds a master's degree in journalism from Northwestern University. She currently is a sports writer for the Orlando Sentinel.

"I always wanted to be a journalist, and I was always a huge sports fan," Shelton said. "But, I never thought I'd be a sports

writer until my Dad encouraged me to combine the two."

Although Miss Seminole County is Shelton's first pageant title, she isn't new to the scholarship circuit. While in high school, she participated in local events and later in the Miss Michigan system.

Some contestants take pageant competition very seriously. Shelton believes in giving 100 percent, but she also thinks scholarship events are a time to relax and have fun.

"Participating in pageants — it's the alternate side of me," she said. "Pageants have helped me gain self-confidence, which has helped me in life."

"Plus, it gives me a chance to dress up."

It's an attitude she is taking with her when she heads to Miami for the Miss Florida pageant. With more than 40 other contestants vying for the title, Shelton's strategy is to be prepared and have fun.

"I am not going in expecting to win," she said. "I am just thrilled about the opportunity. I'm 24, so

this will be my last chance to compete."

With a sports writer's mind, Shelton compares being a contestant in the Miss Florida pageant to a college basketball team.

"I feel like a team who went to the NCAA tournament on an at-large bid," she said. "I plan to give 100 percent. And, I will be happy to be there."

No matter the outcome in Miami, Shelton is focused on promoting her platform, "Building Healthy Lifestyles," within Seminole County during the next year.

"The good thing about the Miss Seminole pageant is that you can make as much of it or as little of it as you want," she said. "Some see it only as a stepping stone to the Miss Florida pageant. I plan to use it as a way to promote healthy lifestyles and sports and fitness within the community."

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# Story of teen-ager's accident still exerts powerful message

**DEAR ABBY:** A senior girl at my school was tragically killed in a car accident over Super Bowl weekend. She wasn't wearing her seatbelt and was thrown from the car. The car rolled on top of her and crushed her. Her boyfriend was with her. I heard that before she died, he took her hand and she told him she loved him. It just blew me away. My cousin was killed a year ago in much the same way.



Dear Abby

teen who was killed in a car accident, and he was only 17. I am only 17 and so was the girl who died. Please print it again to remind us of the fact that we're only mortal and should cherish every waking day.

**BARRY W. IN KENNEWICK, WASH.**

**DEAR BARRY:** That piece is titled, "Please God, I'm Only 17," and it's the most requested piece in the history of the column. Young people have written to me to confirm that it made them think twice about

their driving habits. You are right; it should run at least once a year, so here it is:

**PLEASE GOD, I'M ONLY 17**

The day I died was an ordinary school day. How I wish I had taken the bus. But I was too cool for the bus. I remember how I wheeled the car out of Mom. "Special favor," I pleaded. "All the kids drive."  
When the 2:50 bell rang, I threw all my books in the locker. I was free until 8:40 tomorrow morning! I ran to the parking lot, excited at the thought of driving a car and being my own boss. Free! It doesn't matter how the accident happened. I was goofing off — going too fast — taking crazy

chances. But I was enjoying my freedom and having fun. The last thing I remember was passing an old lady who seemed to be going awfully slow. I heard the deafening crash and felt a terrible jolt. Glass and steel flew everywhere. My whole body seemed to be turning inside out. I heard myself scream.

Suddenly I awakened; it was very quiet. A police officer was standing over me. Then I saw a doctor. My body was mangled. I was saturated with blood. Pieces of jagged glass were sticking out all over. Strange that I couldn't feel anything.

Hey, don't pull that sheet over my head! I can't be dead. I'm only 17. I've got a date tonight. I'm

supposed to grow up and have a wonderful life. I haven't lived yet. I can't be dead!

Later I was placed in a drawer. My folks had to identify me. Why did they have to see me like this? Why did I have to look at Mom's eyes when she faced the most terrible ordeal of her life? Dad suddenly looked like an old man. He told the man in charge, "Yes, he is my son."

The funeral was a weird experience. I saw all my relatives and friends walk toward the casket. They passed by, one by one, and looked at me with the saddest eyes I've ever seen. Some of my buddies were crying. A few of the girls touched my hand and sobbed as they walked away.

Please — somebody — wake me up! Get me out of here! I can't bear to see my mom and dad so broken up. My grandparents are so racked with grief they can hardly walk. My brothers and sisters are like zombies. They move like robots. In a daze, everybody. No one can believe this. And I can't believe it, either.

Please don't bury me! I'm not dead! I have a lot of living to do! I want to laugh and run again. I want to sing and dance. Please don't put me in the ground. I promise if you give me one more chance, God, I'll be the most careful driver in the whole world. All I want is one more chance! Please, God, I'm only 17!

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# Food & Fun

Your guide to this winter's coolest hot spots.

## Buzzard's Roost Events Scheduled

The Buzzard's Roost is located at 2921 S. Orlando Drive, Suite 200 in Sanford Plaza, Sanford. The new owner is Vickie Bebout. She has a wide range of events scheduled.

The Tuf Luck band is scheduled to appear regularly on Fridays and Saturdays. I could tell this group of artists has spent many hours in practice as it shows in their performance. When I first heard them play, I was amazed at how they click with each other. They play a majority of modern country with a mix of classic country and old time rock and roll while adding a short comedy skit in between songs. The first weekend they performed, the crowd went wild. It was almost as if we were in the middle of a major concert. I predict this band will go far in their career. I am just thankful that we had the opportunity to book them before they get too big to afford here in Sanford. They are truly awesome. As a special treat to our customers, there will be no cover when the band plays.

Karaoke is scheduled every Tuesday and Thursday night with Jason. Tuesday nights will be regular karaoke. Thursday nights will be the karaoke contest and prizes to the winners. We has a blast last Thursday night with Jason. He is witty, has a terrific

voice and is a whole lot of fun. We have approximately 4,000 karaoke songs to choose from. I am sure there is something that will appeal to everyone.

We will continue to have the blind draw dart tournament on Tuesdays prior to karaoke. Everyone seems to love darts in this area. In fact, one of my customers gave my husband and I a lesson a few weeks ago. And, we now have the dart fever. It is terrific. Also, I plan to set up regular pool tournaments with the new pool tables and accessories being delivered this week. Pool is a very strategic game to play. It is as enjoyable to watch as it is to participate.

The hours of operation are 12 noon to 2 am. The karaoke and ladies and mens night events will finish early enough to prevent anyone from having too much trouble getting up for work the next day. Also, you can now choose from a wide variety of liquor rather than be limited to beer and wine. There will be creative drink specials daily from the time we are open until the time we close. Wednesday will be ladies' night, where the ladies drink free from 9pm to 12 midnight. Every Monday will be men's night, where the men drink free from 9 pm to

11 pm. Also, very Sunday for a \$5.00 cover charge, there will be free pizza and draft from 1 pm to 4 pm. Watch for the lingerie shows and male review coming soon. Those will be announced when we have more information.

I am sure everyone is curious about my husband and I. We have been married for 28 years. We have two adult children, 28 and 24, and one grandchild five year old. We used to live in Sanford and Lake Mary 20 years ago. We left to search for a career and better ourselves in life. Since then I have received my Master of Business Administration Degree with an emphasis in accounting and plan to sit for the CPA exam in May 2002. I have an accounting business that I operate during the day. My husband is a tournament fisherman and my Marketing Director. We loved to go to dinner, dancing, play pool and have a great time before we were too busy to do any of those things. So, I decided to buy myself a place where we could enjoy that again, not only with ourselves, but with others as well. It will be a place where you can go out, enjoy yourself and leave the worries at home. We look forward to seeing everyone in the near future.



Pictured Vickie Bebout, new owner of Buzzard's Roost.

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## Obituaries

### BLANCHE SIMMONS FRANCIS

Blanche Simmons Francis, 87, of West 10th Street, Sanford, died Saturday, March 23, 2002, in Central Florida Regional Hospital.

Born Oct. 16, 1914, in Sanford, she was a homemaker. She was a member of Allen A.M.E. Church, the Stewardess Board, Choir II and the Missionary Society.

Survivors include one son, Nathaniel Clark of Rochester, N.Y.; one daughter, Dorothy Murray of Sanford; one sister, Ruby Lee White of Sanford; one nephew, Victor J. Clark of Yonkers, New York; one niece, Suzzette Hughes of Rochester, N.Y.; two grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary Inc., of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

### ISMAEL GONZALEZ

Ismael Gonzalez, 86, of Blythville Avenue, Deltona, died Sunday, March 24, 2002, in Florida Hospital Fish Memorial, Orange City.

Born in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico, he moved to Central Florida from Branch, N.Y., in 1981. He was a retired bookkeeper/purchasing agent for the city of New York. He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of Primera Iglesia Bautista Hispana and enjoyed reading the Bible and religious books.

Survivors include his wife of 49 years, Carmen Gonzalez; two sons, Ismael Jr., of Fort Mill, S.C., and Edwin of Los Angeles, Calif.; one daughter, Lillian Gonzalez of Boston, Mass.; and six grandchildren.

Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

### ARTHUR W. LINDSLEY

Arthur W. Lindsley, 94, of Kentia Road, Casselberry, died Sunday, March 24, 2002, in Island Lake Center, Longwood.

Born April 27, 1907, in Morrowville, Kan., he resided in Central Florida since 1962. He was a retired owner/operator. He was a member of Prairie Lake Baptist Church. He was a 32nd Mason.

Survivors include one son, Cecil G. Lindsley of Longwood; two stepsons, John Williams of Oklahoma and Duane Williams of Arizona; three stepdaughters, Annita Allison and Mary Cue, both of Enid, Okla., and Gail Temple of Indianwells, Okla.; one sister, Elsie Ruess of Enid, Okla.; 13 grandchildren; and 12 great grandchildren.

Banfield Funeral Home of Winter Springs is in charge of arrangements.

### VANNIE MILLER

Vannie Miller, 85, of Dolarway Street, Sanford, died Wednesday, March 20, 2002, in Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center of Sanford.

Born Dec. 16, 1916, in Sandersville, Ga., she moved to Central Florida in 1938. She was a member of St. Matthews Missionary Baptist Church, Sanford.

Survivors include her husband, Chester Miller of Sanford; two sons, Cleo Howard of Rochester, N.Y., and Bobby Lewis Thomas of Wilmington, Del.; one daughter, Julia Pearl Howard of Sanford; two sisters, Annie Laura Moore of Heightstown, N.J., and Julia Pelote of Rincon, Ga.; four grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and 10 great great grandchildren.

Sunrise Funeral Home of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

### FRANK PEREZ

Frank Perez, 92, of First Street, Sanford, died Sunday, March 24, 2002.

Born July 7, 1909, in Anasco, Puerto Rico, he moved to Sanford in 1975. He was a retired carpenter. Survivors include three grandchildren.

Brisson Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

### ROBERT M. ROMAN

Robert M. Roman, 74, of North Amelia, DeLand, died Friday, March 22, 2002.

Born in Miami, he was a life-long resident of Florida. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He was a billboard designer with Lamar Dean Co. He was a member of Latter-Day Saints, DeLand, and the VFW, DeBary.

Survivors include one son, Robert L. Roman of Painesville, Ky.; one brother, Thomas E. Roman of Clewiston; and two sisters, Frances Laird of DeLand and Deborah Chapin of Ormond Beach.

Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

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## Tropical Peace Lily common indoor plant

Spathiphyllum is also called Peace Lily, white anthurium, and even white sails.

Tropical in origin, and related to the caladium, elephant ears and the anthurium, this plant is used in central Florida mainly as an indoor plant. It can grow in the shade outside if protected from low temperatures. The white flowers are very striking and contrast very well with the dark-green color of the leaves.



Al Ferrer

cate over-feeding or excessive accumulation of salts, report plants showing this symptom.

Another problem of high levels of nutrients is that it may induce vegetative growth and reduce the number of blooms.

Some plants can recover well from freeze damage but may delay blooming the following season.

Use

It is an excellent interior plant but in protected areas it can be planted outside in the shade, below ornamental trees or shrubs.

### Species

In Florida, two species of Spathiphyllum are planted, S. wallisii (Peace Lily) and S. floribundum (Snowflamer). They are easily separated by the fact that in the first species, the bract curves inward and is somewhat larger and in the second, the bract curves backward.

### Varieties

There are very many varieties, most of them of unknown origin, differing in plant and flower size. The best know varieties are Deneve, Leprechaun, Linda, Lynise, Petite, Sensation, Starlight, Supreme, Symphony, Tasson, Viscount, and Viscount Prima. The variety 'Domino' is the only variegated patented variety available on the market. It was chosen one of the Florida plants of the year in 2001. S. floribundum varieties Mauna Loa and Mauna Loa Supreme are said to be highly fragrant.

### Pests and Diseases

Mites, scales and mealybugs are common pests of this plant. Cythrodactylid root rot is a very destructive disease, one of the first symptoms observed is yellowing of lower leaves, sometimes accompanied by slight wilting. Other diseases are Erwinia blight, Phytophthora blight, Myrothecium leaf spot, southern blight and Dasheen mosaic virus.

Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension service, 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32773 or phone 645-5558. All Seminole County Cooperative Extension services are open to all regardless of race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

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# Celebrating Easter



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**Easter Sunday, March 31**

Sunrise Service 6:30 a.m.  
Breakfast 7:45 a.m.  
First Celebration Worship Service 9:00 a.m.  
Second Celebration Worship Service 10:15 a.m.

Nursery and children will be provided for in the 10:15 service. Both worship services will be the same.  
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**PALM SUNDAY, March 24**  
Eucharist Service, 8am & 10am

**MAUNDY THURSDAY, March 28**  
6:00 pm Seder Meal  
7:00 pm Foot Washing & Eucharist Service

**GOOD FRIDAY, March 29**  
Novena - Stations of the Cross  
7:00 pm - Good Friday Service

**HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30**  
8:00 am Worship Service  
The Great Vigil of Easter  
7:00 pm - Eucharist Service

**EASTER SUNDAY, March 31**  
6:00 am • 8:00 am • 10:00 am  
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**Grace United Methodist Church**

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**EASTER EGG HUNT March 24, 12:30 pm**  
**EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE 10:45 AM**

WORSHIPPING TOGETHER:  
Grace UMC, First UMC, Trinity UMC, Lakeside Fellowship UMC, Christ UMC

**Maundy Thursday**  
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**Good Friday**  
Christ UMC, noon & 7 pm



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Special Music by the Children's Choir

**HOLY WEEK**  
Services each evening Monday-Good Friday  
March 25-29  
7:30 pm - 8:15 pm with special music

**Maundy Thursday, March 28**  
Tenebrae Communion Service 7:30 pm  
Special Music by the Chancel Choir

**Saturday, March 30**  
Children's Easter Egg Hunt  
10 - 11:30 am

**EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31**  
Sunrise Service 7:00 am  
Morning Worship Services  
9:00 am & 11:00 am

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**MAUNDY THURSDAY - MARCH 28th**  
7:30 p.m. - Maundy Thursday Liturgy & Holy Eucharist

**GOOD FRIDAY - March 29th**  
12 - 3:00 p.m. Way of the Cross  
7:30 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

**EASTER DAY - March 31st**  
10:00 a.m. - Festival Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

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8:30 am Worship Service  
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**March 24th - Palm Sunday**  
8:25 & 10:55 a.m.  
Choir/Children Celebration

**March 28th - Maundy Thursday**  
Agape Service 6 p.m.  
Sponsored by First, Grace, Christ Trinity and Lakeside Fellowship United Methodist Churches

**March 29th - Good Friday**  
Services: 12 Noon and 7 pm  
Christ United Methodist Church  
408 Tucker Dr, off Hwy 427 between Lake Mary Blvd. & 17-92, Lake Mary  
Sponsored by First, Grace, Christ Trinity, and Lakeside Fellowship United Methodist Churches

**March 31st - Easter Sunday**  
6:00 am Community Sunrise Service  
Lake Monroe Flagpole  
8:25 & 10:55 am  
Easter Worship Services  
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**Holy Week Schedule & Easter Calendar of Events**  
Holy Week - Passion Week: March 24-31

**Palm Sunday - March 24 - 10:00 a.m.**  
Worship Services Special Music and Palms Parade by our children - Bell Choir

**Maundy Thursday - March 28 - Re-enactment of Leonardo da Vinci's LAST SUPPER** with communion and special music, 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Center.

**Good Friday - March 29 - Schools closed - 12:30:00 p.m.** The time when Christ was on the cross. Sanctuary open for quiet meditation with directed inspirational readings available at door for everyone.

**Easter Sunday - March 31 - 10:00 a.m.**  
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**Easter Sunday, March 31**

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**9:15 a.m. Bible Study**  
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**HOLY WEEK March 28 - 31**

**MAUNDY THURSDAY**

Holy Communion	7:00 a.m.
Morning Prayer	8:45 a.m.
Chrim Mass	12:00 p.m.
Solemn High Mass (incense)	7:30 p.m.
The Watch til midnight	9:00 p.m.

**GOOD FRIDAY**

Morning Prayer	8:45 a.m.
Mass of the Pre-sanctified	10:00 a.m.
3 Hour Meditation	12:30:00 p.m.
Confessions	3-4:00 p.m.
Stations of the Cross	6:00 p.m.
Tenebrac	7:00 p.m.

**EASTER EVE**

Confessions	2:30-3:15 p.m.
Easter Vigil	4:00 p.m.

**EASTER SUNDAY**

Sung Eucharist	8:00 a.m.
Solemn High Mass (incense)	10:00 a.m.

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# Sports

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CROSSWORD 6B

## Game bird permits on line now

Special to the Herald

**OCALA** — What do ducks, geese, coots, common moorhens, rails, snipe, woodcocks, mourning doves and white-winged doves have in common? They are all migratory game birds, and hunters must possess a free Migratory Bird Permit before taking to the field to pursue them.

The permit is free and available on the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's Web site at [www.floridaconservation.org](http://www.floridaconservation.org).

Internet users can just visit the site, click on "permits" and scroll down to the bottom of the page. Permits also are available at county tax collectors' offices and their subagents throughout the state. To order the permit, applicants fill out a short, simple questionnaire when purchasing their hunting licenses.

"Offering Migratory Bird Permits on our Web site reflects the emphasis we are placing on customer service," said Susan Weaver, head of the FWC's Bureau of Licensing and Permitting. "We try to make it as convenient as possible for hunters and anglers."

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service uses information from the questionnaire to determine how many migratory birds hunters harvest each season. The harvest information enables the federal agency to set hunting season dates and bag limits for each species. Hunters who have Lifetime or Five-year licenses, and do not have Internet access, should contact their county tax collector's office or the FWC for the appropriate questionnaires.

Migratory Bird Permits are valid Sept. 1 to March 31, and hunters (including those with Lifetime or Five-year licenses) must renew them annually.

## SANDY KAUPE ASSUMES FWC POST ON APRIL 3

Gov. Jeb Bush's latest appointment to the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC), Sandy Kaupé of Palm Beach, will assume the post during the FWC's April 3 meeting in Tallahassee.

Ms. Kaupé grew up in the Clearwater vicinity. Early on, she learned to take advantage of Florida's hunting, fishing and sailing opportunities, and she developed an abiding love for Florida's treasure trove of natural wonders.

She's particularly fond of bill-fishing, and she's won her share of tournaments all over the world. She also enjoys speckled perch (black crappie) fishing in freshwater.

"That's the best-tasting freshwater fish," she said.

Since earning her bachelor of arts in liberal arts from Rollins College at Winter Park in 1957, Ms. Kaupé has spearheaded numerous conservation and environmental organizations at all levels. She serves on the board of directors of the Surdna Foundation of New York (which funds grants for environmental, artistic, effective citizenry and community service projects), Duke University School of the Environment and The

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## Record tying night at Lake Mary

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**LAKE MARY** — To be a champion you have to win games like this one.

The No. 3 Class 6A State-Ranked Lake Mary baseball team showed Friday night at Allen Tuttle Field that it has the ability to rise to the occasion and come out with a victory even in a game that it probably should have lost.

## Baseball team evens school-record for consecutive wins

Taking on a young and tenacious Winter Springs nine, the Rams rallied for four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to remain undefeated with a 6-4 Seminole Athletic Conference victory.

Lake Mary is now 16-0 on the season and the team is now tied with the 1986 Rams for most consecutive wins to open a season and most consecutive wins overall. The 1992 squad won its first 16

games, lost one, then won 16 more in a row before falling in the State Championship Game.

The Rams went after both records on Monday when they hosted Venice High School at Allen Tuttle Field. Lake Mary will travel to Oviedo on Wednesday to play the Lions in an important Class 6A-District 3 game at Mikler Field starting at 7 p.m. The team will return home to host

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## Seminole stops streak

### Hot Tribe holds off Lake Mary

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**LAKE MARY** — Is the Seminole High School softball team ready to go on one of its annual late-season runs?

After getting off to a good start this season, the Fighting Seminoles suddenly went cold on offense and scored virtually no runs the two weeks prior to the Spring Break.

But since returning to the field this week, the Tribe have ripped off three victories in a row, two over Class 6A-District 3 foes, and are beginning to look like a real contender for a postseason berth.

"My teams always seem to get off to a slow start and then finish the season strong," said SHS coach Dave Rogers earlier this week. "It looks like the same thing may be happening again."

Friday night Seminole got a much-looked-forward-to rematch with Lake Mary.

The Rams had beaten the Tribe at home a couple of weeks ago and then went on to win the Auburndale Tournament.

But Rogers felt his team should be able to compete with Lake Mary despite the fact the Rams had won 11 games in a row and were ranked No. 10 in the Class 6A State Poll.

And his charges proved his faith in them was not unfounded as Seminole took an early lead and held on for a 4-2 victory over its hosts.

Almost everything on the statistics sheet said Lake Mary should have won the game as



A Seminole High School batter slams the ball during the Fighting Seminoles' 19-0 thrashing of Bishop Moore's last week. The Tribe upset state-ranked Lake Mary on Friday to extend their winning streak to three games.

the Rams had seven hits to the Tribe's two and Seminole also had four errors to only two for Lake Mary.

But the game is not decided on a stat sheet.

Beth Gase opened the game for Seminole with a walk and

was sacrificed to second by Megan Pickren before moving over to third on a wild pitch.

The Tribe then took the lead when Gase scored on a ground out by Megan Gantt.

Seminole looked like it would go quietly in the second

inning as the first two batters grounded out. But then Ashley Hill reached on an error and the floodgates opened.

Kristen Miller ripped an RBI double to the gap in leftcenter and Andrea Poloche reached

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## SCC suffers tough sweep

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**SANFORD** — The Seminole Community College baseball team saw its Mid-Florida Conference chances take a major hit on Saturday as it dropped a pair of extra-inning decisions.

Lake-Sumter Community College from Leesburg was the culprit as the Lakers scored three runs in the top of the eighth inning to edge the Raiders, 4-2, in the first game. The visitors did the same thing in the nightcap, scoring three runs in the top of the 10th inning to complete the sweep, 6-3, at Raider Field.

The losses dropped SCC's record to 19-16 overall and 6-5 in the conference, while L-SCC raised its marks to 18-16 and 6-5.

The Raiders were looking to right the ship on Tuesday when they hosted conference foe St. Johns River Community College and will continue a homestand with a doubleheader against Columbus State Community College from Ohio today (Wednesday) starting at 1 p.m.

SCC will host another out-of-state squad, Madison Area Technical College from Wisconsin, in a doubleheader on Friday starting at 1 p.m.

The Raiders will take off for the Easter Weekend before traveling to Daytona Beach

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## Bats finally producing for SCC softball team

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**SANFORD** — It's amazing what a little vacation can do. Since returning from the nine-day Spring Break the Seminole Community College softball team is doing something it hasn't done all season.

Hit the ball. "I guess it was just the time off," said SCC head coach Courtney Miller. "They have come back fresh and really swinging the bats. We had 21 hits against Manatee in the doubleheader. We've gone a week without getting that many hits."

Another factor may be the full-time return of All-Conference shortstop and team leader Yo Johnson after the sophomore helped the SCC basketball team to a third place finish in the state tournament.

But whatever the reason may be doesn't matter to Miller because she is just happy to see her charges finally score some runs and win a game without having to turn to an antacid.

In the four games the Raiders had played heading into a weekend series in Miami, the

team had scored 16 runs on 37 hits and won three of the contests.

The only defeat came in the opening game of a doubleheader Tuesday against Manatee Community College in Bradenton.

The game looked like it was going to be another heart-stopping win for SCC as the Raiders scored single runs in the third and fifth innings to erase a 1-0 deficit.

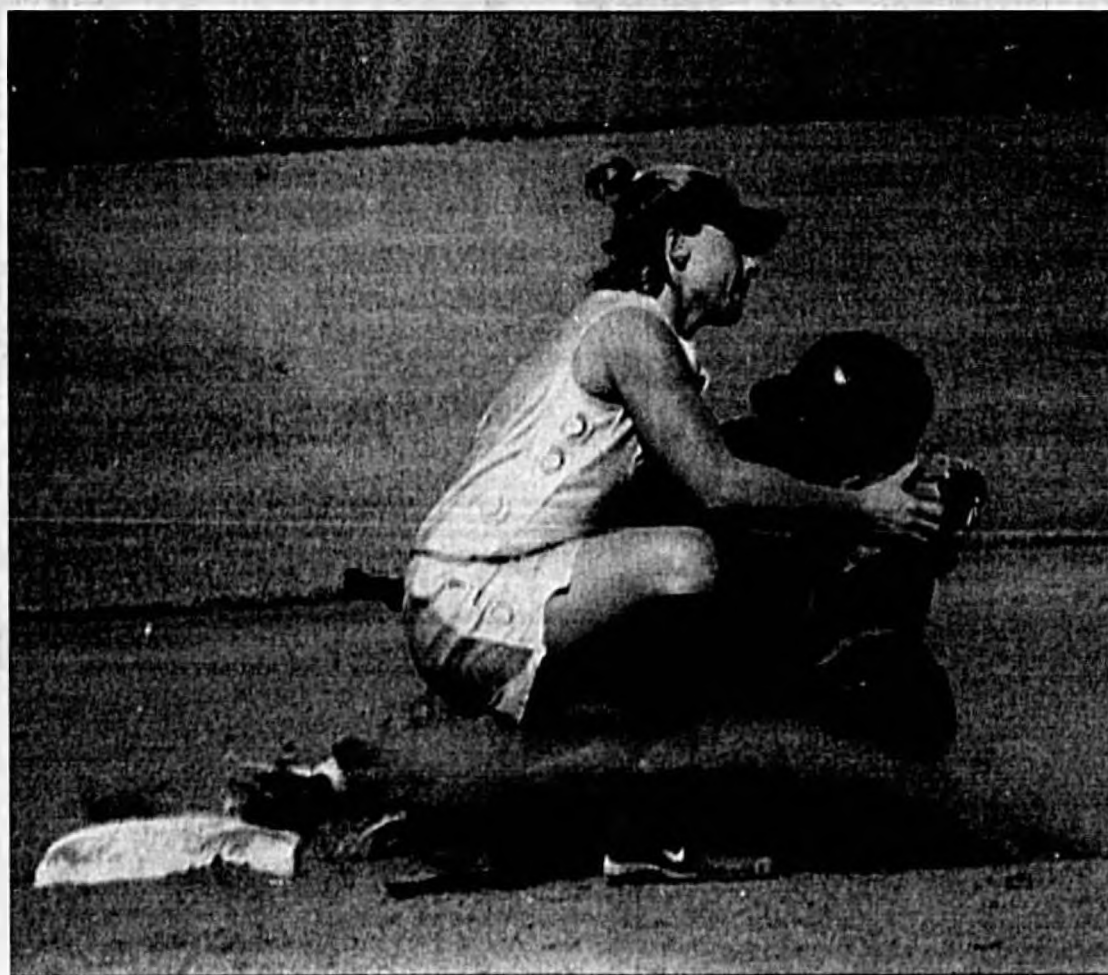
Starting pitcher Blake Hoorelbeke was outstanding, allowing only one unearned run on two hits through five innings.

But the host Lancers, who like SCC are ranked in the State's Top 10 Poll, got to Raiders ace Lacy Swarouth for three runs, two earned, in the bottom of the sixth inning to pull out a 4-2 win.

The freshman from Colonial was brought in to save the game, but suffered a rare bad outing, giving up two hits and two walks in the inning and seeing her record fall to 10-5.

The SCC offense pounded out eight hits, but continued to

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Seminole Community College's Katie Field tags out a runner during a recent sweep of Lake-Sumter Community College. The former Oviedo star was the winning pitcher in one game and had three hits, scored three runs and drove in two as the leadoff batter and leftfielder as the Raiders won three of four games last week.

Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

# Raiders

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struggle in driving runners across the plate.  
Lake Mary's Rachel Bradley was 2-for-2, while Johnson had an RBI double and Hoorelbeke an RBI single. Winter Springs' Dixie Reynolds had a double and Oviedo's Katie Field singled and scored two runs. Kim Stork and Kristen Hughes had one single each for the Raiders.  
The nightcap saw the SCC offense explode for 13 hits as the visitors rolled to a 5-2 victo-



ry.  
The big inning for the Raiders was the third when they scored three runs on four hits.  
Stork led the way at the plate, going 3-for-3 and driving in two runs.  
Johnson also had a super game at the plate, going 3-for-4, scoring a run, and driving in one.  
Hoorelbeke and DeLand's Sissy Daugharty both had two hits, with Hoorelbeke scoring a run and Daugharty driving in one.

Oviedo's Stephanie Mathieux singled, scored a run and drove in one, Kiley Sieffert singled and scored a run, Stacey Spell had a single and Winter Springs' Melanie Pace scored a run.  
Field was the beneficiary of the outburst as she pitched the first five innings and allowed two runs, one earned, on three hits to raise her record to 2-0. Swarouth redeemed herself, striking out two in two hitless, shutout innings to earn her third save.

SCC finally returned to its own home field on Thursday and hosted Santa Fe Community College from Gainesville in a Mid-Florida Conference doubleheader.  
The first game saw Hoorelbeke continue her outstanding pitching of late. The 6-foot-1 righthander from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho gave up just one run on four hits, while striking out six and walking none, and improved her record to 9-4 with a 3-1 victory.  
Lori Schnepf was 3-for-3 for

SCC at the plate, while Hoorelbeke and Field both had a single and an RBI, Hughes singled and scored a run, Johnson and Stork had singles, Bradley drove in a run and Mathieux drove in one.  
The Raiders then used some terrific pitching from Swarouth and help from the Saints' defense to win the nightcap, 6-2.  
Pepe led off the game for SFCC with a single to right, went to second on a passed ball and moved over to third on a fly ball with only one out.  
But Swarouth pitched out of the jam, striking out the next two batters.  
Field led off the bottom of the first by getting hit with a pitch and Bradley walked. Johnson then put down a perfect bunt single and both runners scored and Johnson reached third when the ball was thrown into leftfield. One out later, Stork singled up the middle to score Johnson and give the hosts a 3-0 lead.  
Swarouth again pitched out of a jam in the second inning as Lavery led off with a single and went all the way to third when the ball got past the SCC leftfielder.  
But Lavery remained parked on third base as the Saints were retired on a strike out, a grounder to short, and a pop up to the catcher.  
The Raiders put the game out reach by scoring single runs in the third, fourth and fifth innings to build a 6-0 lead before SFCC plated its two runs in the top of the sixth inning.  
Swarouth again was not her usual masterful self, giving up six hits and three walks, but she

only allowed the two runs and struck out nine to raise her record to 11-5.  
Johnson led an eight-hit attack, going 3-for-3 with a triple and scoring three runs.  
Field was 1-for-2 with a run scored and an RBI, while Hoorelbeke, Stork and Daugharty each singled in a run, Sieffert singled and scored a run, and Bradley scored a run.  
SCC is now 22-9 overall and 8-4 in the conference and is holding down the No. 9 spot in the state poll.  
The Raiders will be busy the next couple of weeks, as they traveled to Palatka for a Mid-Florida Conference doubleheader against St. Johns River Community College on Tuesday and will be hosting No. 1 state-ranked Lake City Community College in another M-FC doubleheader on Thursday starting at 2 p.m.  
The team will travel to Winter Haven for a non-conference doubleheader against Polk Community College and then stay on the road to tackle conference foe Daytona Beach Community College in a two-night doubleheader beginning at 5 p.m.  
SCC will be at home for an M-FC doubleheader against Central Florida Community College from Ocala on Thursday (April 4) starting at 2:30 p.m. before heading to Port Orange for the Daytona Beach Tournament on April 6-7.





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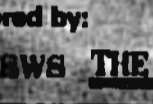
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Florida Aquarium in Tampa.  
In addition, she is an active member of Florida Audubon and has worked diligently with numerous south Florida conservation organizations regarding local matters for many years.  
She is a past director of the International Women's Fishing Association and a director of the National Coalition for Marine Conservation. Her other memberships include: Ducks Unlimited, the Coastal Conservation Society, the Nature Conservancy, the Florida Wildlife Society, 1000 Friends of Florida, the National Federation for Wildlife, the National Wild Turkey Foundation, the Center for Marine Conservation, the International Game Fish Foundation, the West Palm Beach Fishing Club and the Palm Beach Civic Association.  
Ms. Kaupe is also president and director of the John A. and Elizabeth F. Taylor Charitable Foundation.  
"I applied for appointment to the FWC, because Florida's living resources have always offered so much enrichment to my life and to the lives of everyone who loves Florida," she said. "I want to play a greater role in conserving and protecting them. I feel I can make a difference."  
Ms. Kaupe's latest commercial venture is ownership and operation of the Wolf Creek Ranch — a cow/calf operation at Kenansville — but she said that comes secondary to her passion for fish and wildlife conservation and promoting wise use of Florida's natural resources.  
Ms. Kaupe has three grown children: daughter, Shari Wilson of Baltimore, Md., and two sons who live in Florida — Peter Kaupe and Don Wilson. All three share Ms. Kaupe's dedication to environmental issues, she said.









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**SCC duo selected for All-State**

Yelena Lauchanka picked up most of the hardware, but 11 other members of the Seminole Community College basketball program were also recognized when the Florida Community College Activities (FCCAA) released the All-Conference and All-State teams recently. **Page 18**

**Sheriff's office investigating electrocution**

Investigators with the Seminole County Sheriff's Major Crimes Unit are investigating the death of a 20-year-old worker, who died of an apparent electrocution.

The incident was reported to the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at 11:38am Thursday. It happened on State Road 426 near the intersection of Seminole Woods Boulevard, near Geneva.

The victim, Benjamin Richard Buzz (dob 6-20-81) of Deland, worked for Red Simpson, Inc., which is a contractor for Florida Power and Light. He was a member of a crew that was laying down power poles along the roadway.

According to a witness, the boom of the truck came in contact with a power line. The victim, who was standing next to the truck, apparently came in contact with the electrical current. An EMS crew rushed him to Central Florida Regional Medical center in Sanford, where he was pronounced dead.



**Designing Women**

The terms "high-tech" and "landscaping company" don't often appear in the same sentence. A Sanford company is changing that. **Page 1C**

**Seminole Smile**



David Scott - Idyllwilde Elementary Principal

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**Abandoned baby found on restaurant's steps**

By Christopher Patton  
Staff Writer

**Police find teen-age mother after tracing 911 calls**

SANFORD — The fate of a 17-year-old mother and the baby she abandoned is now in the hands of the courts.

After two anonymous 911 calls placed by the mother Thursday morning, police quickly located the baby she left at the doorstep of the Proy Thai Cuisine restaurant at 2520 S. French Ave. Officer Tina Lehman found the baby at approximately 6:20 a.m. wearing a child sized T-shirt, said Capt. Darrel Presley.

"She immediately wrapped the baby in a blanket and called paramedics," said

Presley

With the baby in good condition resting at Central Florida Regional Hospital, Sanford police investigators tracked down the mother's identity by tracing the 911 calls to a cell phone. The mother was located at Seminole High School as she apparently gave birth, dumped the child and phoned police all before shoving off to class.

Police transferred her to the hospital and was still recovering there as of Thursday evening. Meanwhile, at a cus-

tody hearing Thursday afternoon, Seminole County Juvenile Judge Nancy Alley ruled the child was to be placed in a Department of Children and Families shelter. The mother would be allowed supervised visitation rights and another hearing was set for April 15 at 9 a.m.

Under Florida law, the girl could have legally dropped the newborn boy off at a fire hall or hospital. Instead, she chose

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Herald photo by Tommy Vincent  
Sanford police and firefighters escort a teen-ager to a rescue vehicle. The Seminole High School student earlier in the morning abandoned her baby at a Sanford Thai restaurant.

**Bike Patrol**



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent  
The Sanford Fire Department recently purchased bicycles for its new bike patrol. Pictured, from left, are firefighter/paramedic Larry Piedscalzo, Out-Spoke'n owners Arden and Michael Cottle, and firefighter/paramedics Mike Salber and Jeff Orrange.

**Fire department finds solution for tight squeezes**

By Dan Ping  
Editor

Special events like festivals and parades provide unique obstacles for paramedics who have to provide emergency medical service, but a team of emergency personnel at the Sanford Fire Department appears to have found a solution: bike patrols.

Large crowds make it difficult for emergency medical technicians (EMTs) and paramedics to respond to a crisis. Precious seconds that could mean the difference between life and death are lost maneuvering large rescue vehicles through a crowd of pedestrians. Even golf carts are difficult to squeeze through tight spots.

"Bikes are idea for things like the Fourth of July down on Lake Monroe," said Mike Salber, a paramedic with the department.

Salber is the driving force behind the creation of the bike unit. Deputy Fire Chief Jerry Ransom said the idea had been kicked around for a couple of

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**City pulls permit for snake seller**

By Dan Ping  
Editor

SANFORD — City commissioners revoked a conditional use permit that gave a business owner permission to operate a wholesale reptile operation on Sanford Avenue.

In January, the Planning & Zoning Commission approved the permit despite complaints from nearby business owners and residents. The business, JP Pets located at 210 and 212 Sanford Avenue, houses thousands of non-venomous reptiles that are sold wholesale to other retailers.

Linda Kuhn, who lives about a block away at 313 Palmetto Avenue, appealed P&Z's decision to the city commission.

"The permit is not consistent

with the goals and objects of the Comprehensive Plan and the Land Development

Regulations," Kuhn told commissioners. "It's also not compatible with the surrounding properties."

Mike Skat, chairman of the Planning Commission, was the lone dissenting vote when the conditional use was approved in January. He agreed

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**Heathrow residents object to plans for assisted-living facility**

By Christopher Patton  
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SANFORD — The night before Passover was to begin almost a hundred elderly Jews delayed their religious preparations to show their support for a proposed county comprehensive plan amendment.

The Jewish Senior Housing Council requested the amendment for a rezoning of a 20-acre parcel from agriculture to planned unit development. The site is located west of Interstate 4, east of the Seminole-Wekiva Trail and 3000 feet south of Lake Mary Boulevard.

Commissioners voted unanimously, absent Commissioner Randy Morris, to send the proposed comprehensive plan amendment to the Florida Department of Community Affairs for review. If approved by the state, the site would be utilized for a non-sectarian assisted and independent living facility.

The development would consist of 200 assisted-living units

near I-4 and 50 one-story units near the Markham Woods neighborhoods of Ravensbrook and Orange Ridge. Residents of those two neighborhoods pleaded with county commissioners to adhere to the comprehensive plan and deny the project.

"Approval of this plan would be hard to swallow," said Frank Shelton, vice president of the Markham Woods Association.

Shelton argued approval of the assisted living facility would be "setting a precedent for more high intense developments" in the area that are incompatible with the surrounding neighborhoods.

"Please continue to protect the integrity of our community and continue to honor the agreements made by those before you," he asked commissioners.

Joe Breig, a resident of Ravensbrook, would be the closest homeowner to the proposed development. He too asked commissioners to deny the project, calling an approval a "vio-

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**Substation proactive approach to policing**

By Christopher Patton  
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SANFORD — A new Sanford Police Department substation at Cowan Moughton Terrace and 5th Street may benefit local students as much as the officers who will use the facility.

The grand opening of the substation Tuesday was the result of an unique collaborative venture. The police department, city of Sanford, Seminole County Public Schools and Sanford Housing Authority all pitched in to help.

The unmanned substation will provide an added police presence in the area as officers will use the facility for shift changes, breaks and completing paperwork. The added presence is a more proactive approach to policing the area, said Officer Gary Johnson. Community policing coordinator Johnson will move his office from the 13th Street substation to the new facility.

In addition, the substation will be used as a tutoring center. The substation is located on an adjacent street to the literacy

center at Harbor II. Teachers will use the substation for more individualized tutoring, said Elizabeth Graham, Title I community educator and administrator.

"The extra quiet place gives them a chance to work one-on-one with teachers," she said. "We've had some great support from these collaborative agencies and the community."

Officers who use the new substation will also help in tutoring. According to Graham, the offi-

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Audris Billberry, executive director of Sanford Housing Authority, gives a speech during the grand-opening of the Sanford Police Department Community Services and Tutoring Center.