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Lozada lifts River Rats

Jon Lozada celebrates with his Sanford River Rats teammates after his home run that would end up being the only run of the game as the league-leaders knocked off second place Daytona Beach, 1-0, at Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium Wednesday night.

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SCC students earn honors at national seminar

Seminole Community College was well represented at the Phi Beta Lambda National Leadership Conference on June 30-July 1 at the Disney Dolphin Resort.

Competing against students representing 34 states, from schools such as the University of Michigan, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Nevada, and North Dakota, twelve SCC students earned the following awards:

Second place: Luz Castiblanco (Business Law)

Third place: Arne Hughes (Business Law), Jason Davis (Marketing)

Fourth place: Rebecca Howie (Business Communication); Jessica Wright (Word Processing)

Fifth place: China Aduri (Marketing); Jeff Donahou and Pedro Castro (Network Design Team)

Seventh place: Mary Draper (Accounting Principles)

Eighth place: George Tyson (Economics)

Ninth place: John Hubbard (C++ Programming)

Tenth place: Mazahirhusein Janmohamed (Java Programming)

Phi Beta Lambda is part of the Future Business Leaders of America, a nonprofit education association of students preparing for careers in business and business-related fields.

SEMINOLE SMILE



Kevin Coleman — Owner of Aamco Transmissions on Orlando Drive

CRA mulls new 1st Street project

By Liane Edixon
Herald Staff

A jump in tax revenue spurs talks of improving street toward French Avenue

SANFORD — A 69.6 percent increase in budgeted ad valorem revenue for the Community Redevelopment Agency sparked 2006 budget talks that included finishing 1st Street to U.S. 17-92.

City finance director Kevin Smith was on hand at the meeting Monday, to explain what the increase will mean for the CRA's next fiscal year budget. He pointed out that the tax numbers are always "all over the place", so he waited to bring figures to the CRA until he had figures from the Seminole County Tax Appraiser's Office.

Those figures came in last week, when the appraiser announced that Sanford had the largest increase in taxable property values in 15 years. The number was close to an 18 percent increase since 2004.

The CRA will receive an extra \$308,701 in their budget for next year bringing their total ad valorem budget for the 2006 fiscal year to \$752,305.

CRA Chairman Bob Parsell was happy for the additional CRA revenue, but concerned at what that may mean for his personal property.

"I'm going to hate to see my tax bills," Parsell said.

In light of the dramatic increase in revenue dollars for the CRA, the board discussed several possibilities for next year's budget.

One possibility that everyone deemed important was finishing 1st Street all the way to U.S. 17-92, a dream of the CRA that board members had,

until recently, seen as years down the road.

Now, the board members are discussing different options to fast track that project.

"That's the project to do," board member Jeff Triplett said.

The other members agreed that whether they begin putting aside chunks of money over the next few years for the project, or taking a bond out to get the project rolling, it was something they wanted city staff to take a look at.

Vice Chairman Robert Kuhn questioned the infrastructure, due to problems in infrastructure during the First Street Streetscape Project.

City staff said they would investigate the infrastructure and look at the drainage basins. According to city project manager Chris Smith, there are three drainage systems that may need to be replaced due to their age.

"I do have good news," Smith said.

The Department of Environmental Protection agency would be willing to pay for the infrastructure if the project is designed a certain way, Smith said.

"It would be a great opportunity for matching funds," he continued.

The project costs could exceed one million dollars, so matching funds from DEP is important, the board agreed. City staff was charged by the CRA to get together and crunch numbers on the completion of 1st Street, that would continue the redevelopment trend in downtown Sanford.

Other projects the CRA discussed

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Honoring the Williams family



Herald photo by Dan Ping

Central Florida YMCA President and CEO Jim Ferber, left, and Marjorie and Leonard Williams unveil a new plaque at the YMCA facility in Lake Mary. A number of local and state dignitaries turned out for the dedication ceremony to unveil the new name of the Seminole YMCA Family Center as the J. Douglas Williams YMCA Family Center. The YMCA is changing the name of the facility in recognition of Leonard and Marjorie Williams who donated \$500,000 in honor of their son, who passed away in September of 2003 at the age of thirty-nine. In addition to the event, the facility will host activities throughout the day for children, and provide giveaways, t-shirts, and tours of the newly renovated facility.

The Big 4-0

SCC marks four decades of serving community

By Joe Hendricks
Herald Correspondent

LAKE MARY — On July 1, 1965, the Florida State Legislature signed a charter creating Seminole Junior College.

At the time, a gallon of gas sold for 31 cents. A stamp sold for a nickel. The late Earl S. Weldon used plenty of both commodities in the year that followed as he oversaw the process of opening a new college.

After being hired in October 1965 to serve as president of the college, one of Weldon's first duties was to locate a piece of land on which to build the school. He visited many potential locations. He and R.T. Milwee, then-superintendent of

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Chapman named new HR director in Sanford

By Liane Edixon
Herald Staff

SANFORD — There is a new face among the crowd down at city hall. Sheryl Chapman, of two blocks away from Sanford city lines, is the new human resources director for the city of Sanford.

In the past, it was written in the city charter that directors were required to live within the city limits, but because there is such a hot housing market, commissioners just approved the first of two readings to allow city director-level employees to live outside city lines.

"Hopefully, it goes through," Chapman said who is closing on her house soon.

The house is near Mayfair and most of the area is considered Sanford, except for a few blocks, of which she'll fall into when she and her husband take up residence there.

"Nobody would ever dream it wasn't in Sanford," Chapman said.

Chapman came on board with the city on June 20, but

has been peeking her head in some important meetings since early June. One was at the special goals retreat the commission had at Seminole Community College.

Chapman spent the beginning part of her life as a housewife, who stopped going to college when she married her first husband. She spent many years travelling with him wherever his jobs would take them, including England and Germany for a stint, she said.

When she was living overseas the University of Maryland had a program there, so she went back to school and received her B.A. in psychology. She received her M.B.A. in business from the University of Central Florida, later on.

While finishing her M.B.A., Chapman received her first taste of working in government part time for a county down south. She then worked for a few cities, before finding the job opening in Sanford.

"It's not always easy finding the right job," Chapman said. And, she should know. As

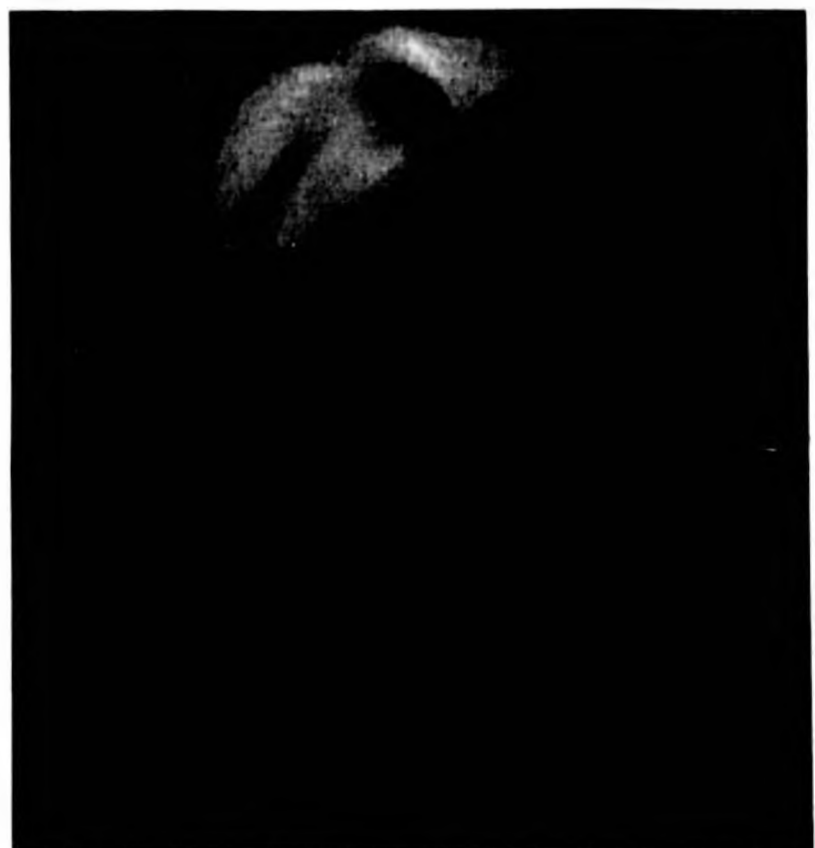
the human resources director, Chapman knows jobs and careers. She is involved not only in benefits and labor negotiations, and disciplinary matters, but she also deals with the overall classifications of city jobs and figures out how much those jobs should pay.

Chapman said it all starts with a strategic plan. To implement the plan, a city needs to know what positions they will need to generate and fill to make the plan move into action.

Plans may also start moving with Seminole Community College. Chapman wants to talk to the school about a training program and career ladder for potential and current city employees.

"Aside from pay, it is most important to give someone who is applying, not just the money, but an entire career," Chapman said.

At one of Chapman's previous jobs dealing with personnel issues, she wrote practical tests for almost all the different positions the city had.



Herald photo by Liane Edixon

Sheryl Chapman was recently named as the new human resources director for the city of Sanford.

"I got to learn how to drive a garbage truck," Chapman said.

She also saw a man operate

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SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

SCC

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Seminole County Public Schools, chose an 80-acre lot that once belonged to Chase Citrus Groves.

The location was chosen in part for its proximity to 17-92 and the newly built I-4.

Many of those who attended a June 30 celebration to mark the 40th anniversary of Seminole Community College reached the school gymnasium by traveling down Weldon Boulevard, named after the school's first president.

Current SCC President E. Ann McGee presided over the afternoon festivities.

McGee addressed an audience that included past and present faculty members, school employees, school officials, board members, and students. State Reps. Dennis Simmons, Sandy Adams and Alan D. Hays served as guest speakers. Seminole County Commissioner Bob Dallari also spoke at the event.

While reading from the original School Board proclamation, McGee managed to squeeze in a subtle request for more funding from the School Board and the county. The lighthearted fundraising reference drew a chuckle from those in the crowd familiar with McGee's reputation for persistence when dealing with government officials.

McGee described how Seminole Junior College was initially founded on the premise of making a college education more affordable and more realistic for Seminole County residents. "We're close to home, and we're a good bargain for the price," McGee quoted from the 1965 Seminole County School Board proclamation. "Things really haven't changed all that much in 40 years have they?" she added.

McGee acknowledged audience member Bill Gordon, praising his early work with the Adult Education Department. Gordon was among the first employees hired by Weldon. McGee also acknowledged George Milwee — a current school employee and son of former SCC Executive Vice President R.T. Milwee.

Rep. Simmons cited SCC's mission statement and its references to being student-centered, community-connected, and future-focused.

"This has been a great ride that all of us have had with respect to the expansion of Seminole Community College, the great things that have occurred with respect to the southwest campus, the continuation of the funding for this campus, and also for Heathrow, and we're going to keep going, and we're going to keep working very hard to make sure that this is one of, if not the top, community college, not only in the state, but in the nation," Simmons said.

Simmons read a resolution from the state Legislature proclaiming July 1, 2005, as Seminole Community College Day in the state of Florida.

After accepting a framed copy of the resolution, McGee introduced state Rep. Hays.

Hays, a former dentist, made mention of his experiences as a community college student in Oklahoma, joking that "No one, not one person on the earth at that time, would have ever guessed that I would be standing here today as one of your state legislators ... including myself. I'm a living testimony that fine things can come from community college efforts. I'm very proud to be a strong supporter of the community college concept."

McGee introduced Rep. Adams as "one of our staunchest supporters in the state Legislature."

"I may not have been here today if Seminole Community College wasn't here for me in the early 80s," Adams said. "I attended this campus, which looked a whole lot different back then, which I hate to admit was a long time ago."

Adams praised County Commissioner Dallari for his efforts in regard to state level delegation on Seminole Community College's behalf.

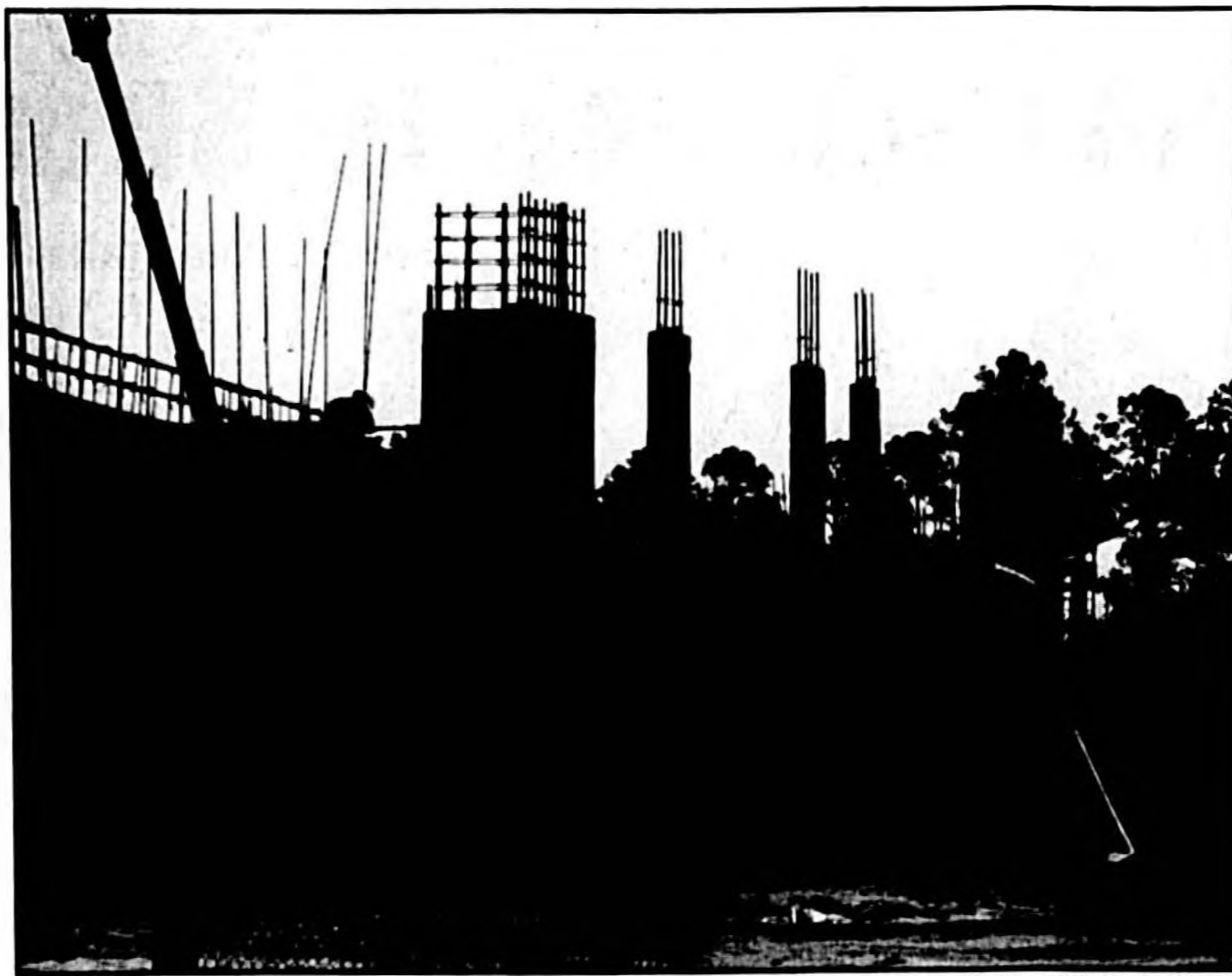
McGee also thanked Dallari for his previous work as an Oviedo city councilor, where he was influential in helping to get the Oviedo campus built.

"I truly believe that Seminole Community College has been a fantastic partner for all of Seminole County," Dallari said. "We look forward to another plus 40 years. I think the service that you folks provide the whole county and the students are truly amazing. Thank you and Happy Birthday."

Chairman of the SCC Board Sid Miller spoke last.

"What I'm here to do is say thank you for the great job you've done for the last 40 years and for what I know you're going to do for the next 40."

Expansion Project



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

A booming population translates to a booming school population - and this in turn creates a building boom of new schools to handle the students. This expansion project is under construction on the campus of Heathrow Elementary School near the growing Heathrow community.

Drug related

David Biehl, 27, of DeSoto Drive, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police on June 24, following a search warrant at his address. Officers reported finding numerous amounts of cocaine, marijuana, marijuana plants, and drug paraphernalia in the residence. He was charged with trafficking in cocaine (approximately 30 grams), possession of under 20 grams of marijuana, producing marijuana, and possession of narcotics equipment. Patrick Demond Barnett, 21, also of that address, was arrested on a charge of possession of under 20 grams of marijuana.

Major Wheeler, 22, of Center Street, was arrested by Sanford police Friday, July 1, sitting in a vehicle in the 1300 block of West 25th Street. He was charged with possession of cocaine.

Erick Vincents Lasanta, 21, of Old England loop, was arrested by Sanford police near his residence early Thursday. He was charged with possession of under 20 grams of marijuana, and later with smuggling contraband into a county detention facility.

Damion Latroy Rogers, 23, of Lake Monroe Terrace, was arrested by Sanford police on July 1 at Edward Higgins Terrace. Officers investigated when they reported seeing nine people standing on the sidewalk gambling/shooting dice. Following an investigation, Rogers was arrested on charges of possession of cocaine within 1000 feet of public housing, destroying/tampering with evidence, and resisting an officer without violence.

Nathaniel Laomont Hall, 28, of Dunbar Avenue, was arrested by Sanford police on June 30, at West 17th Street and Mulberry Avenue. He was charged with possession of under 20 grams of marijuana.

Attempted Murder

Freddie Copcyes Young, 61, of West 3rd Street, was arrested by Sanford police on July 1st at his residence. He was reportedly involved in a shooting with injuries at his residence. Following an investigation, Young was arrested on a charge of homi-



cide - premeditated attempted murder.

Thefts

Sulakhana Sen, 57, of Port Orange, was arrested by Sanford police Sunday at a store in Seminole Towne Center. She reportedly took \$8.50 in merchandise from the store without paying. She was charged with petty shoplifting from a merchant.

Gladys Cleveland, with an unknown address, was arrested by Sanford police Sunday in Castle Brewer Court. She was reportedly involved in the theft of groceries from a residence in the 1200 block of West 15th Street. She was charged with burglary to a structure, and first degree petty larceny.

Griselda Lopez Moreno, 39, of Silversmith Circle, Lake Mary, was arrested by Sanford police on July 1, at a store in Seminole Towne center. She reportedly took \$96.60 in items from a store without paying. She was charged with petty larceny.

Assault - Battery

Karen Sue Heare-Phillips, 61. Of Mount Dora, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at a motel in the 2700 block of Orlando Drive. Police were called when she reportedly refused to leave. She reportedly threatened and attacked the officers. She was arrested on a charge of simple assault on an officer, and aggravated assault on an officer.

Brandon Lee Bates, 23, of Krider Road, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Friday in the 2400 block of Chase Avenue. He reportedly became violent when an officer attempted to remove him from a vehicle. He was charged with resisting an officer with violence.

Tony Lee Smith, 35, of West

16th Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police on June 25. Officers found him and a juvenile in a parked car on Seminole Blvd. Smith was charged with sexual assault on a minor.

Wilmer Romero, 29, of Deltona, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at a business in the 4600 block of West SR-46 where he had reportedly caused a disturbance with a female. He was charged with battery - causing bodily harm, and battery - touch or strike (domestic violence).

Esther E. Estevez, 20, of Hawkstin Drive, and Kristina Dilia Vargas, 25, of Andrews Road, were arrested by Sanford police Sunday in the 2500 block of Yale Avenue. The two were reportedly involved in a dispute. Each was charged with battery - touch or strike (domestic violence) and disorderly intoxication.

Darren James Mitchell, 35, of Ridgewood Avenue, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at his residence. Officers said he had been involved in a dispute with a friend. He was charged with battery - touch or strike, and resisting an officer without violence.

Shannon Jackson, 25, of Pomegranate Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police on July 1 at Lake Jennie Apartments. She had reportedly been involved in a fight with a male in the 2500 block of Ridgewood Avenue, and had damaged a vehicle. She was charged with aggravated battery with a deadly weapon (blunt instrument), property damage of over \$1,000 and throwing a missile into a vehicle.

Cindy Lee Kincaid, 51, of Willow Drive, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at her residence following an altercation with her husband. She was charged with battery - touch or strike (domestic violence) and resisting an officer without violence.

Lashea L. Robinson, 28, of Academy Avenue, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at her residence as the result of a dispute with a male. She was charged with battery - causing bodily harm (domestic violence).

OUT & ABOUT

MON 11

Ramble across the nation and plot the course given by God. Children age 6 through 5th Grade can join the Vacation Bible School at Grace Fellowship Congregational Church, 2401 Park Avenue in Sanford. The school will run from July 11 through 15, from 6 until 8 p.m. each evening. Phone Pastor Larry L. Leonard for information or reservations, at 407-322-4584.

The Winter Springs City Commission will meet beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the commission chambers of City Hall. Items on the agenda include public hearings on sound levels, zoning at Town Center, and allowing on-street parking.

TUE 12

The Seminole County Animal Control Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Animal Services Shelter, 232 Bush Blvd in Sanford.

WED 13

Hospice of the Comforter, the only nonprofit hospice serving Orange, Seminole and Osceola counties invites all families and caregivers of former patients to celebrate 15 years of service at a barbecue, at 12 noon, at its Center for community care, 480 W. Central Parkway in Altamonte Springs.

THUR 14

Christian Women's Club will feature "Patterns of America" luncheon, a sowing of homemade quilts, at Maison & Jardin restaurant, 430 Wymore Road in Altamonte Springs. The luncheon is \$19. For reservations phone Brenda at 407-681-1942 or Kit at 407-32-1047. The event is hosted by Altamonte Springs-Maitland Christian Women's Club.

FRI 15

Nick Cox, Professor of Law at Stetson University will speak on consumer frauds at 10 a.m., at the Casselberry Senior Center, 200 N. Triplet Lake Drive in Casselberry. The event is free of charge and open to the public.

The Wekiva River Players will present Jesus Christ Superstar, from July 15 through 24. Show times are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15. For information or tickets, phone 407-262-1801. The Andrew Lloyd Webber musical will be presented at Walt Griffin Auditorium at Millennium Middle School, 21 Lakeview Avenue in Sanford.

SAT 16

A Blue Grass Pickin' will be held from 7 until 10 p.m. at the Longwood Community building, 200 West Warren Avenue in Longwood. Bring your chairs and if you've a mind to, bring your instruments and join in the pickin'.

Orlando ballet presents "Summer Fantasy" at 7 p.m. at the Helen Stairs Theatre in downtown Sanford. "Summer Fantasy" will feature the classical ballet "Paquita" along with guest performances by members of Orlando's Professional ballet Company. Tickets are \$10.

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CRA

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adding to their budget next year was promotional events, such as Alive After Five and a downtown art festival that was successful in its first year, this past May. The CRA committed dollars to the Alive After Five events in downtown through September.

In other CRA news, the board:

• Approved \$10,000 to purchase six benches and four trash receptacles for Magnolia Square.

Mayor Kuhn, who was present at the meeting, said she has received numerous comments on Magnolia Square.

"Unfortunately, it's like the Sahara Desert. It's not inviting," Kuhn said.

Current plans include the placement of several Blanchard Magnolia trees that grow taller and wider than normal Magnolia trees.

"We'll be able to provide shade eventually, but it's not going to be instantaneous," Marc Hultin, parks and grounds operation manager, said.

The city staff is also placing new lights and other amenities into Magnolia Square, such as permanent newspaper racks.

• Requested city Finance Director Kevin Smith to speak with the city attorney's office regarding allocation of stormwater credit funds.

Smith suggested that revenue from the credits may need to go in a stormwater fund, although the board was interested in dispersing part of the revenue to fund a project in Goldsboro to provide swim lessons for children.

"This is new ground," Smith said. "Let me flush this out with the city attorney and get back to the board."

The board also approved a

motion to ask the City Commission to reimburse the CRA for the cost of a study to determine the price of the credits.

"The \$50,000 we invested should come back to the CRA," Chairman Parsell said.

• Approved a \$5,000 facade grant for Angelo's Pizza and Tin Lizzie Tavern to install a new canvass awning across the front of the building, including lettering on the awning with the names of the two businesses. The grant would also include restoring metal roof shakes; replacing and painting soffits; installing recessed outdoor lighting and speakers; and trimming out and painting the exterior windows and doors.

The applicant requested that it also include staining the concrete in the outside seating area, but it was recommended by the Design Review Team to deny that aspect of the

request.

The CRA agreed that since the sidewalks were new, they would approve the grant on the condition that the owners did not stain the concrete.

• Decided to get with the city attorney after Mayor Kuhn told the CRA they had the authority by Florida Statute to force downtown property owners to fix termite and other problems causing structural damage to some downtown buildings.

"They will fall down," Kuhn said of buildings with termite damage.

• Approved a motion to request that the City Commission move forward with construction of the play fort for Fort Mellon Park, which had its ground breaking ceremony in February, but has not started construction.

Citizen and 1st Street property owner Virgil Hurley was present at the meeting and

applauded the CRA for their work. He announced that due to unusual circumstances he had three recently vacated properties and is close to signing new lease agreements in less than a week for all three buildings. Hurley said he also has a waiting list of around 15 interested parties if any of the leases fall through.

According to Hurley, the last time he had a vacant building it took almost a month to fill the building.

Two of the buildings will hold a coffee shop, Volcanos Coffee Bar, which is a new franchise with another location in Longwood. The second is a women's boutique from South Orlando.

"What you're doing is working," Hurley told the board members.

The CRA meets on the first Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. in the city manager's conference room.

Chapman

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a machine called a "bucket" truck. Chapman said she isn't sure if they even have those anymore. At one of her old jobs, there was only one man who knew how to operate the machine.

"Watching Beau operate that machine was like watching an artist paint. He could put it exactly where he wanted," Chapman said.

Chapman said that when she saw the opportunity in

Sanford she felt it would be a challenging position, and one that she would love. She said that after meeting with the department heads, she realized how comfortable they all were and she felt it would be the right move for her.

"I really think that Sanford has so much potential. It's not only a great location, but the city has a wonderful staff," Chapman said.

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OPINION

TV bugs me

Having been with a local television station for 25 7 years, I am perhaps one of the most critical viewers of TV, knowing what was in the past, compared to what is in this present day. In watching, not only my previous place of employment, but other channels, there are a number of things which have bugged me over these 15 years I have been in the print media. Some of them deal with commercials.

We see many commercials which are humorous. I chuckle at the humor but within a few minutes after the commercial has ended, I couldn't tell you, if my life depended on it, what product they were trying to promote. Do you have the same feeling? Frankly, if I were a client who purchased one of those expensive 30 to 60 second commercials, I would feel my money was wasted.

Recently, there were commercials from an auto dealer selling vehicles at what they told us is a very low price. The announcer says the price is so low he is forbidden from telling you. Who FORBIDS them from this? In my years on TV, I have never encountered this prohibition. They tell you to visit the dealership to find this out, I guess.

News programs also get my goat. When I was News Director and chief anchor at Channel-2, it was my job to tell YOU the news. Now, it appears they are telling each other what is going on. Let an anchor call up a field reporter, and the first words out of the reporter's mouth are, "Well Jim...etc." Is he or she telling Jim or is he or she telling us? Wouldn't it be better if they just started their report, telling US what happened? I might add that other local stations don't do that. Then, after many field reports, the anchor adds one more question to the reporter, as if the anchor has more knowledge of the situation than the person on the scene. Is this pre-planned so the reporter doesn't give the full facts right away?

NBC news really bugs me, when they start each segment with the word "And". They will begin by saying, "And..., we're back". "And" denotes the continuation of something, not the beginning of a new half hour or so of

the program.

Network anchors also conduct interviews with prominent persons. Listen closely and you'll find they are attempting to "trap" the person into saying something which can be taken out of context. They keep driving toward the negative, and should the person being interviewed make even the slightest comment, it will be used in future newscasts and identified as a "scoop". Case in point; during a recent interview, the person was asked if she thought the President should bring our troops home from Iraq soon. The response was that while the guest hoped the troops would come home sooner than projected, she believed the President's plan was correct. The next day, the same interviewer said that this guest had commented the troops should come home sooner than what the President wants. That's not what she meant, but it was blown out of proportion.



Nick Pfeifauf

Local as well as network news always gives what are called "teasers". That is, to give you a brief sentence telling you of up-coming news stories. "We'll have that story next," they will say, "but first, let's have a look at the weather, right after these commercials." From observing this technique, they not only confuse the viewer, but make it appear they don't have their ducks in a row. Many folks may be interested in that story "coming up next", but are forced to wait for it. I have noted at times a "teased story" doesn't come up for possibly 20 minutes or more, when they have told us it is "next".

Local TV also repeats many stories from the field. In doing so, the caption "Live" often appears on the screen, even though it is the same live story we saw the previous day. Then too, they often go to a field reporter during the 11 o'clock news, who is standing in broad daylight. I could go on, but what's the use. These problems (as I see them) have been going on for years, and there appears to be little chance of any change. Oh well, at least I have had my say.



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Your Views

'Restroomgate' was an error on side of caution not disrespect for visitor

To the Editor:

This letter is in response to your "Opinion page" of Sunday, July 3, 2005, "Just wanted to use the Chamber restrooms" by Bill MacLaughlin.

It was certainly not our intent as a visitor's center to deny restroom privileges to our friends, visitors, and neighbors...but...it is my responsibility to consider the safety issues of protecting our female volunteers and of proactively addressing, any and all, potential situations that could place them in harm's way. You are correct in stating that "it was never this way during the 25 years I was an active and supporting member of the Sanford Chamber." The times, Mr. MacLaughlin, have indeed changed

and I say this to you, not as rude and irresponsible Chamber "hired help" but as a Criminal Justice master's degree graduate from the University of North Carolina and past criminal investigation instructor. We have no view of who enters or leaves the restrooms. We cannot see any items being carried in or out. We have no back door exit from any Chamber administrative office. The Chamber does not deny our guests restroom access; unfortunately I was not present when you made your request to our young Seminole High School volunteers who were not aware of any Chamber restroom visitor policy. I apologize for your inconvenience and our bad manners; we erred on the side of caution, not disrespect.

Nancy Vallianatos
Public Relations
Sanford Seminole County Chamber of Commerce

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1 Pope's work
6 More cautious
11 Orthodox's concern
14 Attempt
18 Gripless
20 "Crazy" country singer
21 Lurinox
22 Elusive
23 Himalayan
24 Dear out
25 Lab agents
26 Underage drinker in Lincoln?
27 Duke professor's lecture on Scotland?
30 Buret
31 Pooch pal
32 Shoe attachment
34 Healy
35 Outback gem
36 Dallas-to-Houston dir.
39 Lout
40 Armistice Avery
41 Sand for consultation
43 Object of a Fox hunt
45 Chewy candy
47 Kscape
50 Partner of away
51 Curry of "Today"
53 Old knowledge
55 Electric guitar pioneer
57 Parthenon feature
59 Restaurant window posting
60 Coat often removed?
62 Asian tourist city
63 Regatta group
64 Dark clouds, perhaps
65 Keasers
66 "What more can?"
67 Important exams
69 What job was happy to be after the 2000 election ruling?
71 Current events?
73 Author Buchanan
74 Pro votes
76 Travel expense
77 Vienna veto
78 Whistle-blowing outcome?
79 Colorful fliers
80 Provide money for
81 Beach acquisition

DOWN

1 Lamon covering
2 1982 Olympics site
3 Grand in scope
4 Lee of "Knots Landing"
5 Pousan's river
6 Traumatized
7 Rootless sea life
8 Regal order
9 Add nutrients to
10 Firm
11 Chitchat
12 In pieces
13 Where Quechua is spoken
14 Word-for-word account?
15 Start driving
16 Asteroids game creator
17 Used the Schwimm
19 Entends a visit
20 Flings
28 It's in the bag, on the mound
29 Infamous fiddler
33 Franklin's 1936 opponent
35 "Carmina Burana" composer
36 Sechal or Boac
37 Schwarzenegger's energy solution?
39 Duplicated
40 Judgment of young
42 Flattered
44 James
45 Meredith's alma mater
46 To-do
47 Shrewish visitors to Microsoft?
48 Psychic fields
49 Does in
52 Inuit at the Miss America Pageant?
54 Spring flood causes
56 Contributed
58 Editorial goofs
59 Razor-toothed swimmer
60 Castle with a stone
61 Inflated
67 With 87-Down, "The Little Fosses" star
68 Reasons to take out the trash
70 Earthshaking matters?
72 Court deadlock
75 Bridge seat
82 Slightly
83 El
85 A Vanderbilt
88 Quick as a wink
87 See 87-Down
91 Gym alternative
92 Excuses
94 "Show Boat" standout, 1936
96 Antarctic waters
97 Provided
99 Scoundrels
101 Clunky attire
103 '80s-'90s legal drama
104 Greek finale
105 Escape site in "Les Misérables"
107 When repeated, a calming expression
108 Spots for buggies
110 Getaway
112 Watches the kids
113 Word with roll or tail
114 Got down
115 Some honor cards
117 One or more

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Obituaries

ISABELINO ALAMO
Isabelino Alamo, 98, of Altamonte Springs, died Wednesday, July 6, 2005. He was born Nov. 19, 1906 in Cayey. He was retired from the Merchant marine and was a World War II veteran of the U.S. Army.
Survivors include wife, Fermína Alamo; sons, Rafael Alamo, Raymond Alamo, David Alamo and Peter Alamo; daughters Isabel Sierra, Carmen Alamo and Julia Nix; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.
Visitation will be Saturday, July 9 from 2 until 4 p.m. and from 6 until 8 p.m. at Banfield Funeral home, 420 West SR-434.
Banfield Funeral Home, Winter Springs, in charge of arrangements.

TAMEE ANN MATTHEWS
Tamee Ann Matthews, 47, of Wisconsin Rids, Wis., died Thursday, June 9, 2005 at her residence. She was born March 22, 1958 in Schenectady, N.Y. and had just recently moved to Wisconsin Rapids from Apopka.
Survivors include her parents, Gerald and Marilyn Matthews; two sisters, Trudee Langford of Longwood and Tarra Starr Matthews of Richland Center, Wis.
A Memorial service was held Monday, June 13, at her residence.
Taylor Funeral Home, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis., in charge of arrangements.

STANLEY W. WRIGHT
Stanley W. Wright, 71, of Lake Mary, died Tuesday, July 5, 2005. He was born April 2, 1934 in West Virginia. He was employed in the food service industry.
Survivors include wife, Shirley Wright; daughters, Vanessa Wright and Clarissa Wright; son, Stanley Wayne Wright, Jr.; stepchildren Guy E. Walker, Paul M. Walker, Linda S. Grayson, and Sherry L. Turner; 10 grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren.
Funeral services were held Friday, July 8 at Oaklawn Chapel.
Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Oaklawn Chapel, Sanford/Lake Mary, in charge of arrangements.

ROBERT EUGENE FARNUM
Robert Eugene Farnum, 69, of Altamonte Springs, died Tuesday, July 5, 2005.
Woodlawn Memorial Park & Funeral Home, Gotha, Florida, in charge of

ALICE L. SIPLIN
Alice L. Siplin, 63, of Tallahassee, formerly of Sanford, died Wednesday, July 6, 2005 in Tallahassee. She was born Dec. 22, 1941.
Survivors include three brothers, four sisters, and a host of relatives and friends.

Hurricane help for your landscape

SANFORD — Hurricane season is just around the corner — as we learned last year, it's nothing to take lightly. Now is the time to get your home and your yard "hurricane ready."
June 1 marks the beginning of this year's hurricane season, which runs through November 30. In preparation, Girard Environmental Services recommends the following tips to ensure the safety of your home and lawn:
Look to the skies — Carefully inspect each tree in preparation for hurricane season. Walk a good distance away from each tree so that you can view all areas that might be affected by the storm.
Pay close attention to any limbs or branches that are too close to your home or property. Look carefully for dead or decaying limbs and branches

that might fall during strong winds.
Remove unwanted landscape — If you detect dangerous tree growth, it should be removed by a licensed and insured professional. Have your tree care professional evaluate branch patterns that may be susceptible to wind damage.
Be careful what you cut — Make sure your tree care specialist isn't randomly pruning trees so that there is little or no growth. This practice will reduce the beauty of your trees and potentially weaken them, causing them to become more hazardous.
Watch out for "Hurricane Pruning" — Often used by inexperienced tree services, "hurricane pruning" involves the removal of large amounts of healthy growth so winds may pass more easily through the trees. Research has shown,

however, that many trees can actually shield homes and structures from damaging winds if properly maintained and placed within the landscape.
To contact an arbor care professional at Girard Environmental Services, call 407-302-5568.
Established in 1998, Girard Environmental Services provides construction services, management services and residential services for the "green" industry and generates more than \$15 million in annual revenue. Serving Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Lake and Volusia Counties, Girard Environmental Services operates a fleet of more than 80 vehicles and employs 200 full-time employees. For more information about Girard Environmental Services, visit www.girardonline.com.

Health department lauds three courageous women

Seminole County Health Department applauds the efforts of three courageous women, Laura Grant, Diane Black and Debbie Gerken, who have committed themselves to the fight against cancer.
After raising \$34,000 through their 3rd Annual Community 5K for a Cure in April of this year, the women donated the monies to increase the number of services for clients who are cared by the Breast and Cervical Cancer Program at Seminole County Health Department.
Thanks to their gracious contribution the program is now able to provide uninsured women ranging in age 50 to 64 with additional needed services that may not be covered by the state, such as diagnostic mammograms, sonograms and biopsies. "Laura, Diane and Debbie are inspirational in their commitment and conviction to a cause that we all have been touched by in some way," said SCHD Administrator Michael J. Napier, MS.

SCHD Breast and Cervical Cancer Program is partly funded by the Florida Department of Health and serves clients from Orange, Lake and Seminole counties. Last year the program was able to assist over 400 women, many of which have been able to seek treatment as a result of early cancer detection.
Early detection is the key to fight this disease. Over 2,800

women died of breast and cervical cancer in the state of Florida in 2003. Steering away from this trend takes great commitment and community involvement.
Seminole County Health Department commends Laura Grant, Diane Black and Debbie Gerken for their exemplary efforts in making our Central Florida community healthier.

For more information about SCHD Breast and Cervical Cancer Program please contact Doris Lenz at (407) 665-3362.

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LIFESTYLE

The Way We Were: Sanford in 1972

We've been back in the 1920's for quite awhile, so I thought we'd move forward a little into the 1970's. The following information comes from the Sunday, Dec. 17, 1972 edition of the Sanford Herald. This paper was saved because of the article about our open house.

Stineciphers have Open House

After living my entire life at 2404 Park Avenue (except for college and three years in Winter Park), my dad, Martin Stinecipher and I had a home built at 2401 Oak Avenue. My parents had bought the Park Avenue house in 1932 and the six lots behind it, facing Oak Avenue, a few years later. For a few years, one of these lots had a goat pen and later a pen for bird dogs. Yes, we had goats right here in the city limits. I had intestinal problems as a child and the doctor prescribed goat milk. I'm sure I've written about this before.

Anyway - we moved into our new home in August, 1972, and on Dec. 9 we held an "Open House" so our friends could see it and also it was a good excuse to have a party.

Several friends sent flower arrangements and my second grade teacher, Mrs. Velma Mitchell, brought over a gold-rimmed bud vase with red and white carnations. This was placed on the guest book table.

Refreshments were served to our guests in the dining room after which they toured our home. Friends of ours were hostesses in the various rooms. Many also enjoyed the pool and patio area.

Assisting in the serving were Mrs. Fred Winslow, Altamonte Springs; Mrs. Fred Chance, DeLand; Mrs. David Ayers, Mt. Dora; Mrs. James DeBrine, Rockledge; Mrs. Clyde Jund, Winter Park; Miss Dorothy Walker, Mrs. Grower Williams and Mrs. W.A. Kratzert.

Hostesses in the various rooms were Mrs. Robert Morris, Mrs. Fred Wilson, Mrs. W.D. Hawkins, Mrs. Jack Stemper, Mrs. W.H. Stemper, Mrs. Robert Brown, Mrs. Bill Park and Mrs. Jim Weekley.

Floating hostesses were the Misses Rene and Melodie Chance.

Approximately 300 guests called during the appointed hours.

Candid Chatter

Doris Williams' weekly column, "Candid Chatter" told of the following holiday events that she had attended in one night.

Bill and Walter Gielow, editor/publisher of the Sanford Herald, had entertained the "Herald Angels" at their home for their annual Christmas Party. A buffet dinner was served and employees received Christmas bonus checks.

The winter ballet "The Captured Dolls" was presented at the Seminole High School auditorium by the Ballet Guild of Sanford/Seminole County. It had attracted its largest audience ever.

According to Doris, "The 24 guild dancers and the 75 guest dancers from the School of Dance Arts were absolutely sensational". All were products of the talented Rye sisters, Miriam Wright and Valerie Weld.

Following the ballet, Mimi and Jack Green had a Champaign buffet to honor the ballet guild sponsors of

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Cruising the Red Carpet



Brea Tato of Longwood works the red carpet at the New York premiere of "War of the Worlds," the summer blockbuster starring Tom Cruise. Tato earned the opportunity to interview Cruise and other stars by winning a nationwide contest sponsored by AOL's Movie Fone.

Longwood's Brea Tato shines at movie premiere

By Liane Edixon
Herald Staff

LONGWOOD — Brea Tato, of Longwood, whisked the nation away with her three-minute video that sent her to New York City on June 23, for the War of the Worlds premiere to interview celebrities on the red carpet.

Tato, who says her life has always been about her family, needed to try something for herself when she sent in the tape for AOL's Movie Fone contest. Moviefone.com is a Web site dedicated to new movie releases. Visitors can check reviews, see what movies are playing, and even buy movie tickets online.

Tato found out on June 14, that she had been voted by the public on the online contest and began preparing right away.

"I wanted to be the best that I

could be," Tato said in an interview Monday.

Tato picked out her dress and shoes and did her own hair and make-up, because she wanted to be herself, she said.

"I took everything so seriously," Tato said. "I'm representing my town that supported me, so I have sort of a different outlook."

Tato submitted her own questions to AOL and they added a few of their own for non-television personalities. The basic questions seen on Tato's online video of her interviews were mostly her own.

The list of celebrities Tato interviewed and which can be seen online include Tom Cruise, Dakota Fanning, Donald Trump, Howard Stern and Ice-T.

"For me it was triumphant, in that it wasn't someone feeding me the questions, it was me," Tato said.

Tato asked Steven Spielberg if

making of the film satisfied his alien interest. He told her that the question was very good one.

"You can expect more movies about aliens from me because it has not quenched my thirst for looking up at the sky at night and wondering what's really out there," Spielberg said.

The whole event put a lot of pressure on Tato and she says she's proud of how well she handled it.

"I had to do intakes and outtakes. I had no clue then what those were," she said. "You're walking, you're standing, you have to hold your mic a certain way. Look at the camera, and do all these things."

Tato said she received a lot of praise for the work she did and many were surprised she had never been in front of the camera before.

"The camera man said, 'The

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Club members attend regional workshops

Celery City Lodge 542 and Evergreen Temple 321 Order of Elks of the World of Sanford's Educational Department members attended the Region Four Educational Workshop and oratorical Contest, June 24th and 25th, in Greensboro, N.C.

Region Four states represented were from Florida, North Carolina, Georgia and South Carolina.

Winners of the Oratorical contest for Region 4 were: 1st place, Virgil Hayes, Jr., with the topic "Issues of a Divided America" (Florida); 2nd place, Christopher O'Donoghue with the topic "Survival of the Fittest" (North Carolina). 3rd place, Joshua Harris, with the topic "Pay Day" (Georgia). Honorable mention, Ashley McCrory with the topic "What is Freedom" (South Carolina).

Representatives from Florida were Walter Butler, Florida State President of Lodges, Alfred Williams, 1st Vice President of Lodges, Kevin Blackman, 2nd Vice President of Lodges, Joseph Maner, 3rd Vice President of Lodges, Nathan Hayes, Florida State Director of Education, Sylvia Riley, Florida State Directress of Lodges and Temples. Representatives were from Sanford, Clearwater, Cocoa and Lakeland.

Sanford native Virgil Hayes, Jr. will attend the national Elks Oratorical Contest in July in New Orleans, La. He will orate on the topic, "Issues of a Divided America".



Marva Hawkins

Seminole High School Class of 1995 will have their class reunion on September 16-17. If you are a 1995 graduate, contact Alicia Francis Douglas at addougla@volusia.k12fl.us or call 386-878-5095.

Improved Benevolent Protective Elks of the World Education banquet to honor Earl E. Minott and Elaine Crumity will be

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Stetson's Corner: Reflections on the Fourth

I hope that you were able to attend Geneva's Annual 4th of July Parade and Festival. To say it was memorable and awesome doesn't do it justice.

"We're just a little place," said one volunteer, "and yet just look at all this going on." So many sights, smells, sensations, and emotions-it was overwhelming in a good way, to the eye, nose, ear, and heart.

Red, white, and blue was everywhere. Shorts, jeans, T-shirts, tank tops embroidered with "these colors don't run" and uniforms of times past and future. Our hats shielded us from the intense July sun but also kept us in the spirit. Caps were turned forward and backward, many adorned with pins or pinwheels. There were festive and funny hats, colorful, cowboy, fishin' -all removed respectfully during the Pledge, the prayers, and the Star Spangled Banner.

So many flags! Stars and Stripes on the floats, horses, dogs, baby goats, motorcycles, bikes, skateboards, classic cars, tractors, and in the fists of toddlers. She is a 'grand ole flag' to be sure.

Family and friends were the fabric of Geneva's celebration. We may have added cell phones and digital cameras to the scene but kids still ran and screamed and begged for money to do "just one more" activity. Family included neighbors and kids from other families as moms checked in with other moms-"Don't worry, Billy can spend the afternoon with us." Kids spent time with parents-"I kinda miss him sometimes," one boy said of his dad. Teens still broke from parents to socialize with friends and the oldest of us fanned themselves, taking it all in under the shade of a tree or a tent. In a time where "reality" shows inun-

date us, families came from surrounding communities to see something real, not high tech but deeply rooted in God and country.

Ahh, the smells of summer cooking are the best. We so enjoy the delicious aroma of hamburgers, sausages, and onions sizzling on the open grill. (The new cook shed is beautiful.) The occasional smell of horses on the parade route is not so nice, but we'll deal with it because they're family too.

Sounds were big at the festival and I do mean big. The roar of the Flight Goggles flyovers, the blast of the Fire Engine #42 horn, the cannon boom from the Sons of the Confederate Veterans, and the whirling rotors of the Medivac helicopter definitely caught our attention. (Folks loved seeing the inside of that chopper.)

Water, water everywhere-Geneva made sure the crowds were hydrated, thank you very much as bottled water was plentiful and the misting area was fantastic! And speaking of cooling off, it was so hot I think the "dunkees" wanted to be dunked. They were good sports and young arms were sore trying to hit that bulls-eye.

It was a day of heroes. A time to remember the heroes of our country past and present who fought for us in uniforms of blue and gray, khaki and camouflage. There are also the heroes that serve us everyday, the law enforcement and fire and rescue teams who are always watching out for us.

We love our wonderful community heroes behind the scenes, like Parade & Festival Honoree, Mrs. Imogene Yarborough recently honored by the Girl Scouts Citrus Council with the Women of



Herald photo by Karen Phillips
The Geneva Homemaker's Association won first place for best float.



Herald photo by Karen Phillips
Imogene Yarborough was the Grand Master of the parade.

Distinction Lifetime Achievement Award. There were young heroes too. The Boys Scouts of Troop #37 proudly carried the flags along the parade route, performed the beautiful Flag Retirement Ceremony, and helped wherever they were needed throughout the event. Although I'm sure they

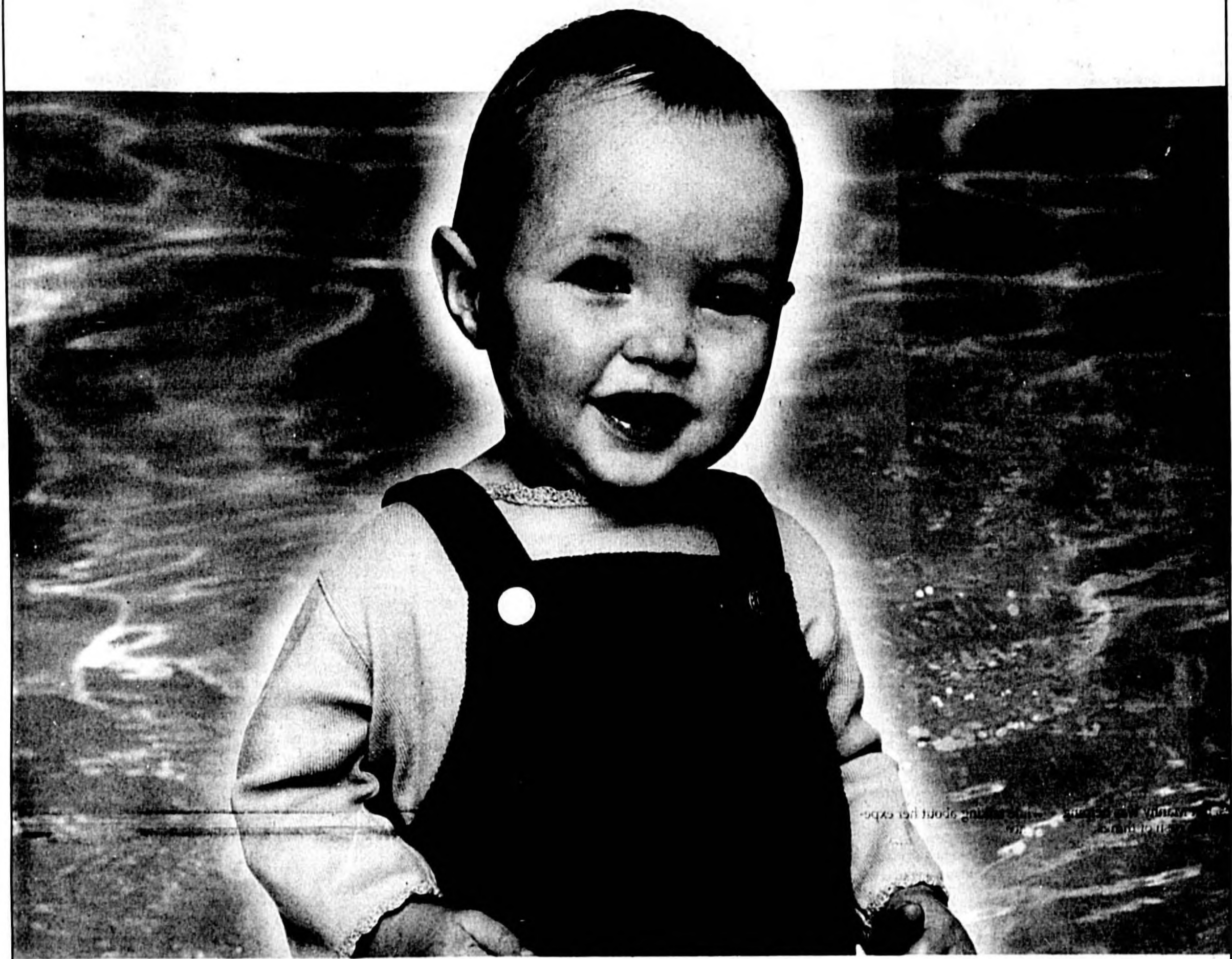
would protest, we can all agree that Rich Sloane, Tracey Ward, Jeff Whiting, and Richard Creedon along with the many, many other volunteers are true heroes as well having spent hours of their precious personal time putting this event together. The leaders and members of the Geneva Historical Society,

Geneva Homemakers' Association and the Geneva Citizens' Association should be so proud of their fine efforts.

Which brings me to the pony rides. I want to honor two young ladies who I was told work very hard everyday taking care of their own horses, and for the 4th of July celebration, they wanted to share their love of horses with other children. In preparation for the pony rides, they raked the entire path through the woods so that the trail "would be done right." Then, hour after hour, they led the ponies and children through the shaded woods with serious and

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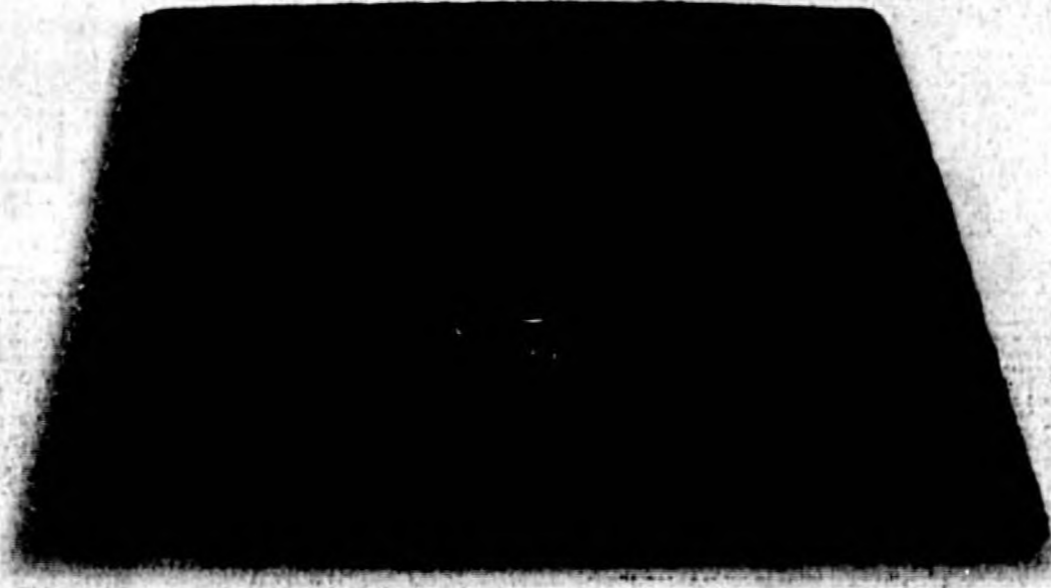
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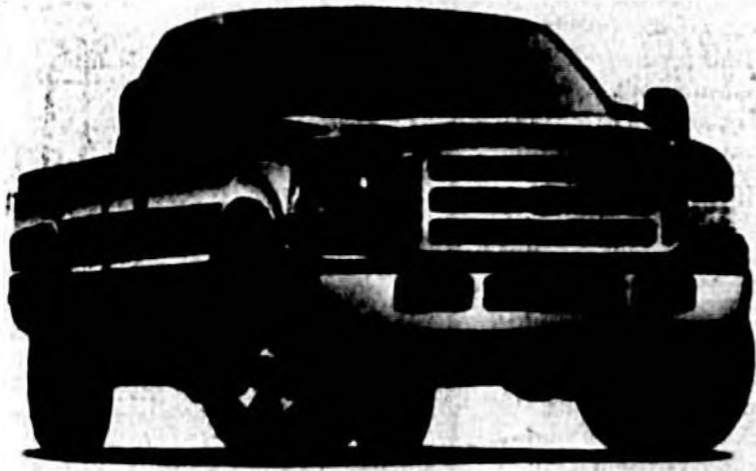


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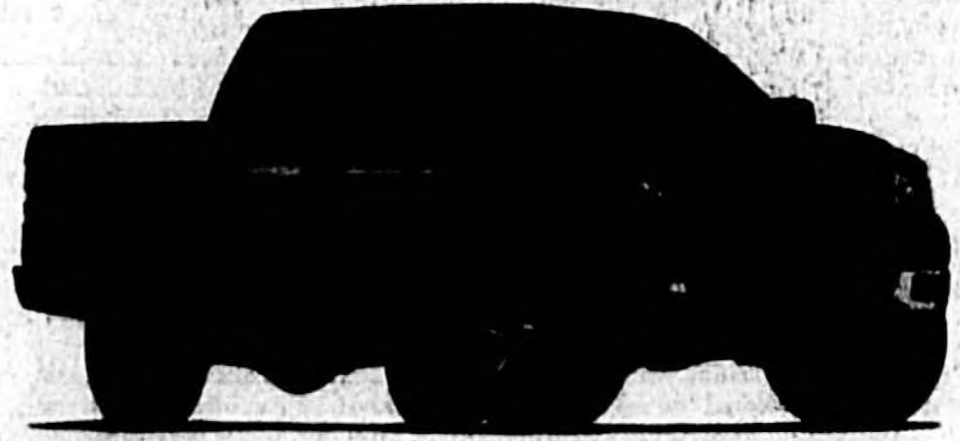
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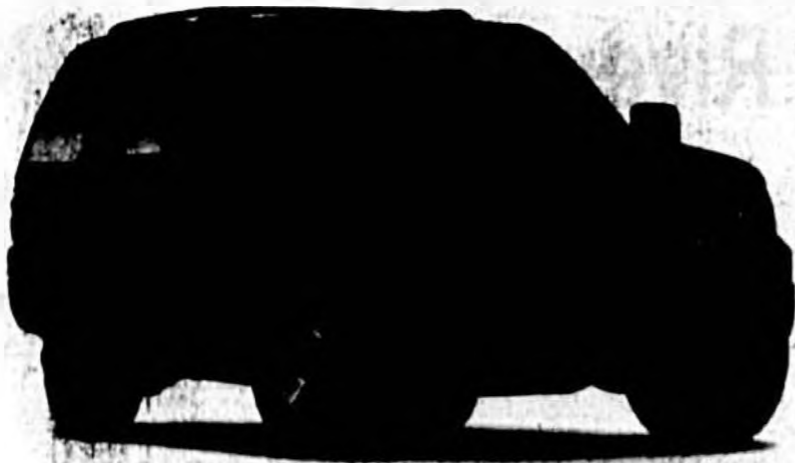
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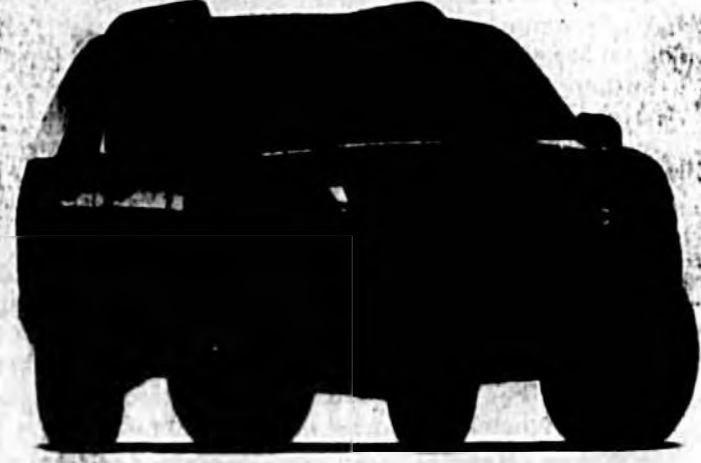
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Sports

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Weekly stats for Seminole County's Major League Baseball players Oviedo High School's

MARK BELLHORN
2B

Boston Red Sox

ab	r	HR	rbi	avg.
263	58	37	6	.221

• Hitless in last 15 at bats and 2-for-23 in July, but still has good .335 on base %.

Seminole High School's

DAVID ECKSTEIN
SS

St. Louis Cardinals

ab	r	HR	rbi	avg.
311	89	46	2	.286

• Will start first All-Star Game on Tuesday and had game-winning suicide squeeze bunt on ESPN in 2-1 win at Arizona on Wednesday.

Lake Mary's

DANNY GRAVES
P

New York Mets

w	l	sv	so	bb	era
1	1	10	15	13	6.80

• Has no decisions or saves since going to Mets, but ERA is 5.79 in eight games with only one walk and seven strike outs in 9-1/3 innings.

Lake Brantley High School's

FELIPE LOPEZ
SS

Cincinnati Reds

ab	r	HR	rbi	avg.
279	87	46	14	.312

• Going to first All-Star Game on Tuesday. Was 4-for-5 with a home run, a triple, three runs scored and two RBI against Houston on 7/2.

Sanford Middle School's

COREY PATTERSON
CF

Chicago Cubs

ab	r	HR	rbi	avg.
314	73	36	11	.232

• Only 19-for-120 (.158) in June and July and job may be in jeopardy as Cubs are reportedly looking for outfield help.

Lake Brantley High School's

JASON VARITEK
C

Boston Red Sox

ab	r	HR	rbi	avg.
250	76	39	13	.304

• Will start for American League in All-Star Game on Tuesday.

Lake Brantley High

RICKIE WEEKS
2B

Milwaukee Brewers

ab	r	HR	rbi	avg.
92	24	13	5	.261

• Hit home runs in three straight games last weekend and hit fourth blast of the week at Florida Thursday.

In The Minor's

- Tim Raines Jr. is batting .241 for AAA-Ottawa.
- Chaz Lytle is batting .292 for A-Lynchburg.
- Kyle Bono is 1-1 with a 1.74 ERA for A-Wilmington.
- Kevin Melillo is batting .385 since promotion to Stockton.
- Matt Allegra is hitting just 154 back at A-Stockton.
- Larry Grayson is hitting .259 for Class A-Hagerstown.

What a week for Lake Brantley baseball

By Dean Smith
Herald Staff

Lake Brantley High School baseball coach Mike Smith is on cloud nine.

With three of his former players starting in the Major Leagues, two making the All-Star Game and one having a great individual week, and three current underclassmen taking part in the 2005 USA Baseball Youth National Team trials, what more could you expect.

As everyone probably knows by now, Boston Red Sox catcher and Captain, Jason Varitek, will be the starter behind the dish for the American League, while Cincinnati Reds shortstop and

Grads and newcomers alike make national news

leadoff batter Felipe Lopez will be a back-up to Sanford's David Eckstein for the National League in Tuesday's Major League All-Star Game in Detroit.

The 76th All-Star Game will be televised nationally by FOX Sports (Channel 35 locally) and around the world by Major League Baseball International, with pre-game ceremonies beginning at 8 p.m. ESPN Radio will provide exclusive, national radio coverage, while MLB.com will

provide extensive online coverage and MLB Radio will provide exclusive play-by-play coverage of the Midsummer Classic on the Internet.

But there has been a lot more national news made by Patriots other than Varitek and Lopez.

Rickie Weeks, who was the starting second baseman along side Lopez when Lake Brantley won its last State Championship in 1998, has been 'the man' for the Milwaukee Brewers the

past week. Weeks, the No. 2 player taken in the 2003 Draft out of Southern University, hit go-ahead home runs in three straight home games against the Pittsburgh Pirates last weekend, the first two both being game winners, and drove in seven runs as Milwaukee won two of three from the Bucs.

On Friday, Weeks was facing veteran reliever Rick White with two men on and the score tied at 4-4 in the seventh inning, but he was down in the count, 0-2. The rookie worked the count back to 2-2 before pounding a high slider 423 feet to left-center field.

The home run was Weeks' second
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Widening the gap

River Rats outduel Barracudas

By Dean Smith
Herald Staff

SANFORD — Once the rains stopped it didn't take long for the Sanford River Rats to get back in the saddle.

Jon Lozada belted a home run and T.J. Large and Brandon Webb made it stand up as the defending Florida Collegiate Summer League Champions blanked the Daytona Beach Barracudas, 1-0, at Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium Wednesday night.

The victory was the third straight for Sanford and gives the locals a 10-4 record and a 1-1/2 game lead over the Barracudas (10-7) and a two-game lead over the Winter Park Diamond Dawgs (10-8).

After a week because of the weather, the River Rats lost the opening game of a doubleheader to the Orlando Shockers, 4-3, on July 2nd at Tinker Field, but roared back in the nightcap for a 14-7 victory.

Sanford then stayed on the road, traveling to Winter Haven on Wednesday and outslugging the Warhogs, 8-7, before surviving the pitcher's duel with Daytona on Thursday.

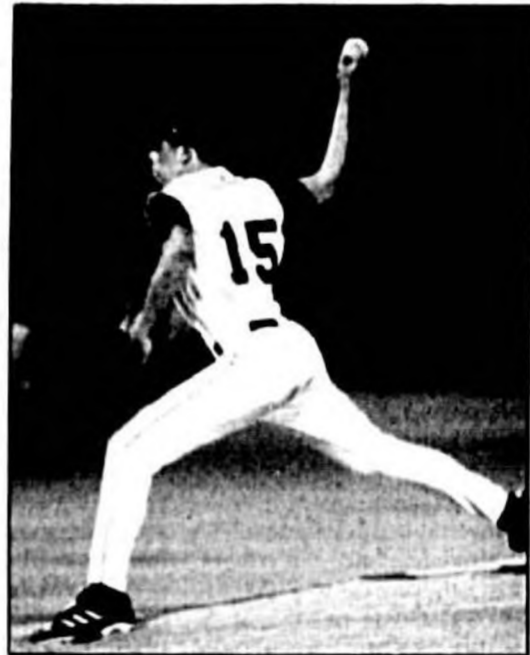
The River Rats were supposed to play at Tinker Field against the Shockers again on Thursday before returning home to host Winter Park in the first of a three-game series on Friday.

Weather permitting, Sanford and the Diamond Dawgs will play at 7 p.m. today (Saturday) and at 5 p.m. tomorrow.

The River Rats will remain at home to host the Zephyrhills Snappers in a doubleheader starting at 5:30 p.m. on Monday and then head to Daytona on Tuesday and Winter Haven on Wednesday for single games starting at 7 p.m.

All fans are invited to the fan-friendly games with no charge for admission to anyone.

For more information, check out the league website at www.floridaleague.com.



Former Seminole Community College slugger Jon Lozada (top) launched a home run out of Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium Wednesday night and pitcher's T.J. Large (above, left) and Brandon Webb made the blast stand up as the host Sanford River Rats blanked the Daytona Beach Barracudas, 1-0, to give Sanford a 1-1/2 game lead over Daytona in the FCSL standings.

Big Red loses to young angler

By Captain David Rogers
Special to the Herald

MOSQUITO LAGOON — What a day for Lee Pancake, 12, Tyler Ishak, 14, Jordan Gray 14 and their uncle and granddad, Bill Pancake.

We departed the dock at 5:45 a.m. with high hopes of seeing some nice big redfish. It did not take long for our hopes to meet reality. About the time the sun broke the horizon, the tails of the mighty redfish began to wave above the surface. It was a sign of happy fish. Quietly, we approached the tailing fish and gently cast to the school.

Tyler was the first to hook up with a nice fish. After a short 10-minute battle the hook pulled from the mouth of the monster fish. All was not lost, because within a few minutes Jordan was battling another fish. Oh no, not again, the hook pulled. Those darn rubber hooks. Time to bait the hooks with some fresh shrimp from Skeeter Lagoon's Bait Shop. This time I broke out the Daiichi Bleeding bait hooks and threw the rubber hooks away.

Moments later we spot the school tailing again and Tyler makes a perfect cast. Wham! Fish on. This time Tyler was sure to land the fish and he fought the fish like a pro. Moments later we were taking pictures of a 20-pound red.

After a few photos the fish started tailing about 30 yards away and Jordan hooks a nice fish and lands an 11 pound red. Moment later Bill hooks a fatty and battled him for a while. The next fish was a half an hour away. When Bill hooked his fish the school took the deep route and moved about 100 yards away. Suddenly the first tail pops up and then another, and then about eight or 10 tails are wav-

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New Smyrna returns to regular racing this

Special to the Herald

New Smyrna Speedway returns to racing action tonight (Saturday) with the Super Late Models, Open Wheel Modifieds, Sportsman, Super Stock, Mini Stock, Strictly Stock and a special surprise that will be filmed for Spike TV.

The Super Late Models will begin a once a month schedule starting this Saturday so if you love Super Lates, this Saturday is the night to come to New Smyrna to see them. Orlando's David Rogers leads the points followed by Jeff Choquette and fellow Orlando driver Ronnie Roach. David Froelich is fourth and Dalton Zehr in fifth. Only one point behind Zehr is yet another Orlando driver, Jared Allison in sixth. Completing the Top 10 are A.J. Factor, Fain Skinner, Rich Clouser, and Scotty Crockett.

The Late Models have the night off for the Goodyear Challenge Late Model 100 at Columbia Motorsports Park but when they return next Saturday it is Rusty Eberole who leads the points with 216. A.J. Currell stands second with 195 followed by rookie Alli Owens in third with 180. Jeremy Fitch stands fourth with 173 points and completing the top five is Mark Smith with 142 points. Completing the Top 10 are Robert Andercheck, David Gibbs,

Amanda Gogel, Phillip Bessette, and Sam Watts.

Art Zunzeman holds a 27 points lead over Orange City's Tank Tucker in the Open Wheel Modified division. Tucker has won every time he has come to New Smyrna except once when he had mechanical problems. Bobby Blake stands third but only has a one point lead over Orlando Modified driver Jared Allison. Ted Helmes stands fifth. Alan Bruns, Jerry Symons, Skip Honaker, Dave Savicki and Mike Dahm round out the Top 10.

Donny Williams has a commanding lead in the Sportsman division with 390 points over second place Jim Snyder with 288. Ron Lufcy stands only 14 points behind Snyder in third with 274 points. Dale Clouser is fourth with 251 points followed by newcomer Dale Howard in fifth with 201 points. Mike Soukup, John Nusbbaum, Ken Lewton, Brian Dula and Randy Jones round out the Top 10.

Ben Cutler Jr. holds a 30 points lead over Ted Vulpius in the Mini Stock division. David Castello stands third with 388 points followed by Wayne Wells in fourth with 211 points and Anthony King in fifth with 197 points. Ron Karto Jr., Mark Brust, Rex Christensen, Jeff

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Tony Stewart stands atop the frontstretch fence and exalts with the fans after winning the Pepsi 400 at Daytona International Speedway last weekend.

