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Today: Variably cloudy with scattered mainly afternoon thunderstorms. Highs in the mid to upper 80s. Wind southwest 10 mph. Chance of rain 50 percent.

For more weather, see Page 2A

## TODAY

### BRIEFS

#### Polltbits

SANFORD — Don Nicholas has reportedly obtained enough citizen signatures to be placed on this fall's Seminole County Commission election ballot. Last week, Nicholas reportedly turned in 2,524 signatures, of which 2,327 were verified. He was only required to submit 2,306. Nicholas said he was informed of the verification Monday.

He will be seeking election to the District 5 seat on the commission, presently held by Daryl McLain. Others who have indicated their intentions to seek the District 5 commission seat include Paul Lovestrand and Franklin D. Carona Jr.

#### Art exhibit

SANFORD — The Department of Humanities and Fine and Performing Arts of Seminole Community College is continuing with the Inaugural Summer Invitational S.C. Art Student Exhibition. The exhibit continues through May 29 at the Fine Arts Gallery. The gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., and Fridays from 8 a.m. through 2 p.m.

The exhibit is sponsored by the S.C. Art Club. For additional information, phone 328-2039.

#### Derby planning

SANFORD — Final plans will be announced later this week regarding the Eighth Annual All American Soap Box Derby, to be held Saturday, June 1, at Sanford's Derby Park. Boys and girls ages 9 through 16 will be competing to see who represents the area in the All American Race to be held in August at Akron, Ohio.

For additional information, phone 330-5697.

#### Historical meeting

SANFORD — The Sanford Historical Society will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 23, at the Sanford Museum. Following the regular business meeting, Cecil Tucker will present a program on the Great Cattle Drive of 1995.

For additional information, contact the museum at 330-5698.

#### Turnpike speed

The Florida Department of Transportation will officially raise the maximum speed limit on a 156-mile section of Florida's Turnpike to 70 miles per hour, beginning this Thursday.

The area is between Fort Pierce, and Interstate 75. Existing speeds have been 65 miles per hour except for a six mile stretch through Orlando which has been 55.

#### Frey named

Former U.S. Congressman Lou Frey, a shareholder in the Orlando law firm of Lowndes, Drosdick, Doner, Kantor & Reed, P.A., has been elected president of the 600-member United States Association of Former Members of Congress (USAFMC).

Frey, a five-term congressman, served from 1969 to 1979.

#### Business loans

If you own a business with fewer than 100 employees, Seminole Community College has a free service for you. By dialing 328-4722, ext. 3326, business leaders can get help with SBA loans, marketing, franchising, personnel management and operational issues.

Compiled from staff reports

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**We challenge one another to be funnier and smarter...it's the way friends make love to one another.**

-Annie Gettler



The old street sign

## Street signs of the times

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Work on replacing street identification signs in Sanford has been called to a temporary halt. People have complained that the new signs do not reflect the historic significance of those being replaced.

The situation was discussed extensively this week. See Signs, Page 7A



The new street sign

## With all their hearts



Students in Anita Perlman's class at Goldsboro Elementary School in Sanford love their teacher. The youngsters, with the help of parents, including Marcy Robinson, created a big card expressing their emotions and brought her gifts of flowers and some other favorite things in a spontaneous Teacher Appreciation Day recently.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

## Survey reveals teaching shortage

From Staff and Wire Reports

WASHINGTON — As in big city school districts, the Seminole County school district has pressing needs for special education, bilingual and minority teachers.

But they are not in dire straits like other places, district officials said.

According to a survey, some districts are being forced to hire uncertified instructors.

Districts that responded to the survey also say math, science and elementary teachers are in demand.

There is a concerted effort in Seminole County to be sure teachers are prepared to teach in the subject area in which they are certified. The number of teachers teaching "out of field" has been

See Teachers, Page 7A

## Gas prices may dip, but not yet

From staff reports

HEATHROW — AAA says Florida motorists preparing for a Memorial Day car trip can expect

to pay high prices at the gas pump. While there have been some cases of prices dropping slightly at a few local gas pumps, AAA's May Fuel Gauge Report shows the average price for self-serve

regular unleaded is up 3.4 cents to \$1.296 per gallon, from April's price of \$1.262. Since March, prices have jumped 15 cents per gallon.

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## Deputies crack down on auto theft ring

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Seminole and Orange County deputies are investigating a rash of auto thefts and car burglaries that may be linked to three juveniles and one adult.

According to sheriff's spokesman Ed McDonough, since March 6, 43 vehicles have been reported stolen in just the Wekiva, Sweetwater and Sabal Point areas of Seminole County. Several more have been reported stolen in the Sanford and northern Seminole County area, but the present concentration is in the Wekiva area.

McDonough said in each of the 43 cases, the vehicles were abandoned

after the audio equipment had been removed from them. Items included CD players, radios, cellular phones and CDs. There was also damage in most cases to the vehicle's doors and steering columns.

Monday night, Orange County deputies arrested three juveniles and one adult following a foot chase in the Apopka area. The suspects were reportedly nabbed while in the process of breaking into a vehicle.

The vehicle, a 1986 Chevrolet had been reported stolen from Virginia Lane, in the unincorporated area of Seminole County.

McDonough said officers believe the suspects are members of a youth gang in the Apopka area of

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## Federal grant will aid Florida in preserving endangered lands

From staff reports

Rep. John Mica, (R-Winter Park), has announced the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will provide a federal grant of \$200,000 to acquire the final land link between the Ocala National Forest and the Wekiva State Park.

Mica said he has been working for two years with the St. Johns Water Management District to acquire a total of 18,000 acres to join the two parks with an environmental preserve along the St. Johns River.

"This grant is the first federal assistance in helping Florida create a seamless environmental preserve along the St. Johns River between

the Ocala National Forest and the Wekiva State Park," Mica said. "These funds will come from money Congress appropriated last year which provides federal assistance to states attempting to acquire environmentally endangered lands."

To date, the state has spent \$20 million, and acquired 14,000 acres toward this effort. The funds from this latest grant will go toward obtaining the remaining 4,000 acres.

Mica concluded that it is critical that we save and preserve these lands which create a natural buffer to the urban encroachment that's taking place in Central Florida along the St. Johns River.

## They earned their diplomas



Herald Photo by Russel Janney

Preschool graduation brought the school year to a conclusion at the First United Methodist Preschool in Sanford. Led by Kaitlyn Baker, the class of 1996 crossed over to kindergarten in the church's fellowship hall Tuesday evening. Other members of this year's graduating class were Amy Brown, Michael Corso, Kyle Evans, Julian Egler, Kyle Fitzgerald, Cheyanne Hardy, Austin Hutto, David Livingston III, Sarah McNulty, William Michaels, Sara Oranchak, Lawrence Overton, Kimberly Pittman, George Porzig, Paul Sellers, Jamie Steidle and Austin Wilhey.



## POLICE BRIEFS

### Drug arrest

Members of the Sanford police QUAD-Squad arrested Lonnie Bradley, 23, of 87 Lake Monroe Terrace Monday. Officers said they were conducting a surveillance in the area of 13th Street and Oleander Avenue when they saw what appeared to be a drug sale in progress. Bradley was reportedly also recognized as being a habitual traffic violator. Following his apprehension and an investigation, Bradley was arrested on charges of driving with a suspended license, refusing to sign a traffic citation, sale and delivery, possession with intent to sell approximately 41 grams, possession of over 30 grams of cannabis, and two charges of resisting officers with violence.

### Retail theft

Joe Henry White, 27, with no local address, was arrested by Sanford police Monday at a retail store in the 1500 block of S. French Avenue. Officers said he attempted to take a bottle of wine from the store without paying. He was charged with retail theft.

### Stolen and recovered vehicles

• A 1990 Chevrolet van, reported stolen in Orange County, was located Monday at a business in the 3500 block of S. Sanford Avenue in Sanford.  
 • A 1999 red Ford post-central company truck was reported stolen Monday in the 1100 block of State Street in Sanford. The vehicle was subsequently recovered in Winter Springs.

### Domestic case

Michael Lee Webb, 30, with no local address, was arrested by Sanford police Monday in the 400 block of Palmetto Avenue following a reported dispute with a female. He was charged with aggravated assault, domestic violence.

### Sheriff reports

• A business was reportedly burglarized Friday in the 4000 block of W. SR-46, west of Sanford. Deputies said an estimated \$110 was taken from the cash register.  
 • Over \$5,000 in various jewelry was reportedly stolen Saturday from a residence in the 300 block of Spaulding Cove in Heathrow.  
 • A vehicle owned by a West Palm Beach woman was reportedly burglarized Monday in a parking lot in the 3700 block of Lake Emma Road near Lake Mary. Home reportedly taken included a laptop computer and day planner.  
 • Six fishing rods and rods were reported stolen Monday from a residence in the 2400 block of Dollar Way in Midway.

### Sanford police reports

• An estimated 30 fishing poles, valued at \$400 were reportedly stolen Monday from an enclosed porch at a residence in the 1300 block of W. 13th Place in Sanford.  
 • A \$16.99 video tape, "Waiting to Exhale" was reportedly stolen from a business Monday in the 1500 block of S. French Avenue. Police said the man believed to have taken the tape fled on a bicycle.

## Dare to say no to drugs

Drug Abuse Resistance Education graduation at Coleman Elementary School was held on May 18. All of the fifth graders, wearing D.A.R.E. T-shirts, received diplomas from Principal Ben Nathan and Officer Rick Poovey. This program teaches children to not use drugs. A special award of a basketball went to each Essay Contest winner: Chequilla Jessie, Natasha Henderson, Kimberly White, Anthony Dixon, and Christopher Lawrence. T-shirts were donated by Tim Raines.



## House poised to OK modified 90-cent minimum wage hike

By David Gans  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — Facing a savage campaign-season struggle, the House is on track to approve a modified 90-cent increase in the minimum wage despite opposition from many Republicans.  
 Legislation to raise the federal wage floor from \$4.25 to \$5.15 in two steps was slated for a vote today in the House. Minority Democrats and a small group of GOP moderates have been demanding the increase — also sought by President Clinton — from a reluctant Republican leadership.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., today predicted the House would pass the increase along with provisions he said would benefit small businesses.

"What we tie it to is very straightforward," he said on CBS-TV. "We have several things that help small business and would encourage small business to hire more people. I think it's going to pass."

Under the measure, a 50-cent-an-hour increase would take effect on July 1, to be followed a year later by an additional 40-cent hike. It also could include several GOP provisions exempting certain small businesses and young employees during their first few months on the job.

"Democrats have refused to give up on this issue," House Democratic Leader Richard Gephardt said Tuesday. "And Newt Gingrich and Bob Dole are finally showing signs of surrender, after desperately trying to stall and submerge and defeat the issue," he added of the House speaker and the Senate majority leader, the presumptive GOP presidential nominee.

House Majority Leader Richard Arney, R-Texas, made it clear he hasn't changed his mind about his opposition, even though it fell to him to work out the terms for floor debate.

"I think you can give all the blame in the world to the Democrats," he told reporters Tuesday, although he added that some moderate Republicans "feel very good about their efforts."

Republicans are also advancing companion legislation that includes tax breaks for small businesses designed to offset any economic damage caused by the proposed increase in the minimum wage.

The minimum wage hike itself would be attached to a separate measure. And to further mollify conservatives, the GOP leadership was hoping to add provisions that limit its effect.

These include a proposal permitting an "opportunity wage" that would allow businesses to pay young, new employees the old rate of \$4.25 an hour for their first 90 days of work.

A second proposal was likely to spark stronger opposition from Democrats, and perhaps the White House, as well. It would exempt businesses with income of \$600,000 or less from the minimum wage requirements.

Supporters of the pay hike argue that the minimum wage is currently at a 40-year low in purchasing power. Opponents counter that an increase will cost jobs as business adjusts to higher labor costs.

Approval in the House would send the issue to the Senate, where the minimum wage struggle has also been waged fiercely. There, Democrats have been demanding a straightforward vote, only to be thwarted by Dole, who plans to resign from the Senate by June 11 to campaign full time.

House passage may help ease a Senate logjam, however, and lead to votes on the minimum wage as well as a temporary toll back at the federal gasoline tax that the House cleared on Tuesday.

Democrats have been trying for weeks to force the minimum wage increase to the House floor. The GOP leadership has managed to thwart their efforts by promising Republican moderates a vote on the issue this spring.

Even so, there was evidence of lingering tensions among the GOP ranks.

While Rep. Jack Quinn of New York has been the most vocal GOP supporter of a minimum wage increase, the GOP leadership has given California Rep. Frank Riffe, also a Republican, the right to be the principal sponsor of the measure today.

Several sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Riffe was chosen in part because he faces a difficult election this fall and could benefit by his association with the increase. They also said the decision underscores unhappiness among the leadership at Quinn, who has sided with Democrats on several test votes on the subject over the last few weeks.

Quinn replied that he was "disappointed that the bill is not in Jack Quinn's name first, but what's most important is that a decision on the minimum wage was brought to the Congress this year."

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## Veterinarian admits to Online blackmail in 'married but looking'

By David Gans  
Associated Press Writer

Some men who got down and dirty with "Rita" on America Online's "Married But Looking" chat line got a letter from her enraged husband threatening to beat them up unless they paid up.

Now authorities say both Rita and her husband were one man, and all he really had on his mind was blackmail.

Veterinarian Ron Hornbaker, 29, of Shawnee Mission, Kan., pleaded guilty to extortion Tuesday in a case some say illustrates problems in the unpoliced cyberspace. He faces two years in prison and fines up to \$250,000.

"It's definitely a new way to commit one of the oldest crimes on earth," said assistant U.S. Attorney John McKenzie, who prosecuted the case in U.S. District Court in Rockford, Ill.

Although Hornbaker threatened about 10 men in the same way, it was a Rockford, Ill., man who alerted the FBI and helped them arrest Hornbaker.

In August 1995, Hornbaker created an America Online profile of himself as a married

woman named Rita, authorities say. He would log onto "Married But Looking" or similar chat areas and engage male victims in typed conversation. After a while, he would ask them to go to a more confidential area called a private chat room "to get to know each other better."

There Rita would engage each man in erotic conversation and offer him provocative photos of herself.

Hornbaker, meanwhile, stored the conversation and printed out transcripts.

The men awaiting the nude photograph instead got a threatening letter in the mail. In it, Hornbaker — now posing as Rita's enraged husband — said he'd found a transcript of the conversation between each man and his "wife."

He gave each man two options: "One, to track you down and hurt you," or two, to pay money. Hornbaker claimed to be a police officer, warning his victims not to go to police.

Hornbaker set up boxes at private mail services to handle the bribes, usually between \$500 and \$5,000. None of the recipients paid him.

Hornbaker's sentencing was set for Aug. 16.



## For the needy

Letter carrier Don Ghauk usually just delivers mail in the Leach Arbor community, but recently he accepted packages of non-perishable food from residents as part of the Letter Carrier

Food Drive. Aramney Bledsoomak and her cousin Ryan and Matthew Bledsoomak brought some food out to the postal service truck to help feed the hungry in Central Florida.

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## EDITORIAL

### Damn sick and tired of talking

Sanford City Commissioner Lon Howell expressed anger during the city commission work session Monday afternoon. He was alluding to several cases in which action has been delayed for one reason or another during the past few months. The actions involved enforcement of city codes.

Howell commented, "I'm damn sick and tired of code enforcement saying certain things can't be done. Why not say that when we find a problem, we work it out. Nobody is willing to take a stand and I'm tired of it."

One of the cases to which he referred was the Certificate of Appropriateness submitted by Sica Nacu, but denied on April 11 by the Historic Preservation Board. Rather than hear the appeal, the city commission Monday voted to have the matter returned once again to the Historic Preservation Board.

Another matter to which he referred was the long-term discussions on houses owned and operated by Violetta Williams. Controversy over denials of certificates and questions on whether or not to have some of the houses closed were discussed during many meetings over several months time.

While Howell has previously complained about postponements in decision making, many have been justified because of a lack of sufficient information, on site surveys, or time limitations called for in allowing for response time to a complaint or other legal ramifications.

We can see where delays may be necessary if the city would be put in jeopardy by making a decision without sufficient codes or legal backing to support it.

At other times however, there is clearly a lack of information. Either there is an insufficient amount of information supplied to the commissioners on a particular subject, or the commissioners are not doing their homework in studying background before a situation is brought up at a formal meeting when a vote is expected.

The city presently has only one code enforcement officer. Seeking code violations and following up on violation warnings which have been issued is more than the city should expect from only one person. It is perhaps little wonder that there are times when there is not enough information.

Perhaps during Monday's commission meeting, Commissioner Kerry Lyons put it best when he voted against having the Nacu appeal tossed back into the hands of the Historic Preservation Board. "That shouldn't be done," he said. "This has been brought before us as an appeal, and we should be expected to make the decision."

There are logical reasons to delay or postpone items. But we believe there have been too many instances when these delays have been because of a lack of proper information. Or could it be, as Howell believes, the city has a tendency to fail in decision making, even when presented with the facts?

### LETTERS TO EDITOR

Letters to the editor are welcome. All letters must be signed. Include daytime telephone number. Letters should be on a single subject and be as brief as possible. The letters are subject to editing.

### Berry's World



"I've got an idea! Let's use tax-payers' money to build stadiums, then let gladiator franchise owners utilize them."

### JOSEPH SPEAR

## Don't lose sleep over Bob Dole

Judging from the reaction to Bob Dole's announcement that he will resign the Senate seat he has held for 27 years to concentrate on his presidential campaign, you would think he was risking his life savings on a roll of the dice, or taking a second mortgage to finance a secret invention, or selling the family farm to stake a long shot on the senior golf tour.

It is utter nonsense. By so saying, I do not mean to disparage Dole's courage or his sincerity. I do mean to say he is being a bit disingenuous.

An every interested citizen knows by now, Dole announced on May 15 that he will quit the Senate to focus on his run for the presidency. He had planned to conduct a "retrospective" sending Republican bills to the White House and defying President Clinton to sign them. But the Democrats thwarted Dole with legislative tricks and left him looking ineffective.

He therefore decided he needed to quit playing the inside game, needed to have his message needed to get on the road and sell it. For several weeks, he confided in no one but his wife and his campaign manager. He wrote a farewell speech and rehearsed it. Three months ago, after he botched the response to Clinton's State of the Union address, the pundits were saying he couldn't deliver a luminous speech if they...

hooked him up to a couple of dry cells. When he finally delivered his resignation statement, it was described by hundreds of politicians and editorial writers as a "dramatic" success and a "held" move.

Dole himself did all he could to enhance the notion of personal risk, vaguely suggesting that he would be without an emotional rudder and without a lifeline if he lost. Witness: "My time to leave this office has come, and I will seek the presidency with nothing to fall back on but the judgment of the people, and nowhere to go but the White House or home..."



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"As the campaign... begins in earnest, it is

my obligation to the Senate and to the people of America to leave behind all the trappings of power, all comfort and all security...

Well, not exactly all. Consider: Robert Dole will retire with a pension that is estimated by the National Taxpayers Union to be worth somewhere between \$107,000 and \$122,000 a year. It comes with a cost-of-living adjustment, and if Dole lives as long as the actuarial tables predict he will, he will pocket between \$1.9 million and \$2.19 million in taxpayer-funded retirement payments. As a World War II veteran who was wounded in battle, Dole also receives an annual disability pension of nearly \$18,000.

Before the Senate banned lecture income six years ago, Dole made thousands of dollars every year in honoraria, and he socked a lot of the money away in a private pension plan. As of 1991, it reportedly would have paid him \$68,000 annually.

Dole has a law degree, and if he loses, he could surely pick his firm and probably his salary.

When Elizabeth and Robert Dole were married in 1975, she was worth about \$200,000. Her fortune is now estimated at more than \$2 million. As the president of the Red Cross, she earns a salary of about \$300,000 a year.



### JOSEPH PERKINS

## He wouldn't call it bashing

The last time I had my consciousness raised by representatives of the local homosexual community, they left behind an 80-page "media guide" to help me avoid writing any future columns that would provoke their phone calls and letters.

I confess that I have never found the time to peruse the entire guide (produced by an outfit that calls itself the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, or GLAAD for short), but I did read the four pages devoted to Morality, Family and Children.

"Lesbians and gay men have often been portrayed as threats to the American family," according to GLAAD, "and blatant homophobia has been accepted without question or thought of as a 'pro-family' stance."

GLAAD poses the following rhetorical questions: "What constitutes a family? Is it only a mother, a father and their minor children? Or is it any constellation of individuals, including gay and lesbian couples, with or without children, who share each other's joys and problems and are willing to take responsibility in each other's lives?"

These questions bear consideration in light of legislation now before Congress that will effectively outlaw homosexual marriage. The Defense of Marriage Act formally defines "marriage" as "a legal union between a man and woman." The definition of "spouse" is legally limited to a person of the opposite sex.

Most Americans accept these definitions as a given, but Hawaii's highest court came down with a ruling three years ago this month that threatens to redefine marriage not only in the Aloha state, but in the other 49 states as well.

The Hawaii Supreme Court declared that denial of marriage licenses to three homosexual couples was discriminatory under the state's Equal Rights Amendment. The matter was sent back to a lower court where the state government must show a "compelling interest" in barring same-sex marriages; otherwise, homosexuals will be free to head to the altar.

This prospect would not matter much here on the mainland except, under the "full faith and credit" clause of the U.S. Constitution, states are required to grant reciprocity to other states' contracts, including marriage contracts.

So if Hawaii recognizes homosexual marriages, then every other state will be forced to do so as well. That's why Congress is amending the U.S. code to reaffirm that marriage must be between one man and one woman. And that's why President Clinton has stated for the record that he opposes homosexual marriage because he believes it's wrong.

Of course, none of this sits well with the small, but extremely vocal, homosexual community. The Defense of Marriage Act is little more than "statutory gay-bashing," claims the Human Rights Campaign, a national gay and lesbian lobbying group.

But it hardly is "gay bashing" to say that the institution of marriage should be reserved for heterosexual men and women, as it has been for at least the past five millennia.

And it is hardly homophobic to say that the federal government has a compelling interest in encouraging traditional two-parent, heterosexual families, which have been proven beyond a reasonable doubt to be the best unions for rearing children.

It's simply ridiculous for the homosexual community to suggest that the two-thirds (at least) of Americans who oppose same-sex marriage simply hate gays. It's as absurd as when my fellow black Americans suggest that anyone who opposes quotas is racist. It's as ludicrous as when radical feminists suggest that any man who opposes abortion must be a misogynist.

This is not an issue of whether homosexuals share each other's joys and problems and take responsibility for each other's lives. It's about family life in America. Indeed, by recognizing homosexual marriage, the government would play an active role in undermining the traditional American family (much as it does by rewarding single motherhood through welfare, much as it will do by legally recognizing "domestic partnerships").

If gays and lesbians want to couple off, to live under the same roof, to share the same bed, that's their private and personal business. But when they try to overturn the marriage laws of all 50 states, to force the government to sanction their homosexual lifestyle, that's a matter of the utmost public concern.

That's why the Congress ought to pass the Defense of Marriage Act. And that's why President Clinton ought to sign it into law.



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### ELLEN GOODMAN

## She says 'I told you so'

I hate to say, "I told you so." After all, most of the time, a simple "Nyah, nyah" will do the trick. But today I feel like trilling James Carville's book title: "We're Right, They're Wrong."

What brings about this attack of gloating is a report just released on the Family and Medical Leave Act, the law passed during the first hopeful weeks of the Clinton administration. It's FMLA that guarantees up to 12 weeks of unpaid leave to full-time workers in companies with 50 or more employees who need to care for their parents, their spouses, their newborn or newly adopted children, their sick children, or themselves.

In a rare moment of sanity, Congress decided to actually study the effects of a law that it passed. Now a commission consisting of friends and enemies of family and medical leave has found that the law is helping millions of Americans balance family and work without burdening business.

In better times, this would deserve a "ho-hum," or a modest "of course" rather than a full-throated gloat. But it took a decade to win this teeny-weeny piece of pro-family legislation. FMLA was introduced to five Congresses, subject to 17 hearings, and voted on 13 times before it became law.

The bill's opponents swore up and down that it would (1) hurt our ability to compete in the global economy, (2) take away our personal freedom, (3) force business to scale back other benefits and (4) bring economic ruination down on the heads of patriotic Americans everywhere.

My personal favorite attack was by conservatives who warned dourly that a maternity leave policy would hurt young (and fertile) women the most because employers wouldn't hire them. This deep concern was uttered by senators who had no previous record of deep concern about working women. Let's just say, there was a first time for everything.

None of these warnings was even as accurate as a weather report. In FMLA's first year and a half somewhere between 1.5 million and 3 million Americans took leave for a median of 10 days. Of these, some 59 percent took leave for their own illnesses (not including maternity). Another 25 percent of the leaves were for the birth, adoption or serious illness of a child. Ten percent for seriously ill parents or spouses.

Of the businesses surveyed, somewhere between 89 percent and 98 percent reported either small or no extra costs. Indeed, they painted "an overall picture of enhanced employee productivity, good will and willingness to go the extra mile..."

Well, I told you so.

But here is where the gloating ends. The Family and Medical Leave Act was always, well, a bit wimpy.

It covers only companies with 50 or more workers. That's 10 percent of the work sites and half the workers. It covers only full-time workers. And it's unpaid. The biggest reason workers don't take leave is that they can't afford it. One of eight women who took leave for maternity needed public assistance.

Donna Lenhoff, of the Women's Legal Defense Fund, who originally proposed the leave, says, "We needed to show that the sky was not going to fall in order to begin to build a case for more benefits." Now, the sky seems to be holding. It's the family that's still collapsing.



I hate to say, I told you so.



# Study: Most people shouldn't worry about salt

By **LINDSEY TANNER**  
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO — Most people — even some with high blood pressure — shouldn't worry about shaking on the salt.

According to a new study that challenges the conventional wisdom among doctors and government experts.

The report by Canadian researchers concludes that while a salt-restricted diet can lower blood pressure in hypertension

patients over age 45, it has little or no benefit among younger hypertension patients and those with normal blood pressure, the vast majority of the population.

"We feel people can probably stop worrying about salt," writes

the study's co-author Alexander Logan, an epidemiologist and high blood pressure specialist at the University of Toronto.

The analysis of 56 previous studies was paid for in part by the Campbell Soup Co., which has been criticized by the U.S. government and interest groups for touting the health benefits of its salt-laden soups.

The report appears in today's Journal of the American Medical Association in an issue that focuses solely on high blood pressure, which afflicts some 50 million Americans. It also includes a study underscoring the link between high blood pressure and heart disease, and one emphasizing the effectiveness of diet, exercise and drugs in treating hypertension.

In an accompanying editorial, Dr. Claude Lenfant, director of the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute, challenged the Canadian report because it includes several studies of less than two weeks' duration — not enough time, he said, for a salt-hypertension relationship to show up.

"The preponderance of evidence continues to indicate that modest reduction of sodium, as recommended in the 1995 U.S. Dietary Guidelines for Ameri-

cans, would improve public health," Lenfant wrote.

Prompted by research linking high-sodium diets with high blood pressure, the U.S. government has been warning all Americans since the early 1980s to go easy on salt. The recommended daily allowance is 2,400 milligrams, though the average daily consumption is about 3,300.

Meanwhile, a report in the May 14 edition of the British Medical Journal found conflicting results, concluding that dietary salt guidelines are warranted and recommending a one-third reduction in daily salt consumption.

The British researchers, reanalyzing data from a 1988 study of more than 10,000 people, said the latest study found "overwhelming" evidence that higher salt intake is associated with higher blood pressure.

Dr. John Laragh, director of the cardiovascular and hypertension center at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center, said the Canadian report is "truly important ... because many bureaucratic organizations have been advising the whole population of America not to eat salt."

"They make low-salt everything ... They charge more for it ... The implication is that this is good for your health," Laragh said. But the analysis shows "that is an exaggeration, to put it mildly."

Logan and his colleagues argued that advising everyone to lower their salt can even be risky. One recent study found that some hypertensive men on such diets faced an increased risk of heart attacks; another suggested that blood pressure could rise in people without hypertension who severely restrict their salt intake.

Logan said Campbell's funding did not influence the report's conclusions, though he acknowledged that he sought the company's support knowing it would find him "an attractive candidate" given his own previous research exonerating salt.

## AARP tailoring programs for aging baby boomers

By **JUDITH KOHLER**  
Associated Press Writer

DENVER — They were the generation of Woodstock, anti-war demonstrations and the warning "Don't trust anyone over 30." Now they're turning 50 — old enough to join the AARP.

While it still may be a drag getting old, the impact of aging baby boomers on the American Association of Retired Persons could be huge.

Already the nation's largest advocacy group with 33 million members, it hopes to attract many of the 75 million people born in the United States be-

tween 1946 and 1964.

To do that, it's aiming programs specifically at the graying boomers.

At AARP's convention, which opened Tuesday to more than 20,000 people, "baby-boomer track" sessions focused on financial planning, stress management, maintaining good health and new computer technology.

For a group that is still the loudest lobbying voice for Medicare and Social Security, it's a time to reinvent itself for a crowd that grew up rebelling against the very people AARP represents.

"Their experiences have been

totally different," said Wayne Haefler, AARP's membership director. "They're more likely than not to have gone to something like Woodstock, maybe used drugs, had a family that is divorced, or they're divorced themselves. They're going to have different expectations of the organization."

Haefler said he expects the boomers to be more aggressive about planning for the rocking chair.

For some elder boomers, like Thomas Durland, 50, of Aurora, Colo., the lure of AARP is its emphasis on planning for retirement at a time when Social Security doesn't seem as secure as it has in the past.

## Gas

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"Traditionally, prices rise as summer approaches because travel demand increases," said Rena Callahan, manager of Public and Government Relations for AAA Florida. "This year, we saw a sharp increase earlier than expected because of low inventories of oil and gasoline after a long, cold winter, and because of uncertainty over whether or not Iraq would reach an oil trading agreement with the United Nations."

Iraq signed an oil-for-food deal with the UN on Monday of this week, which will allow Iraq to sell \$2 billion worth of oil. The sale is expected to reduce oil prices worldwide.

"It looks like gas prices may have reached their peak," Callahan said. "Throughout the country, prices are beginning to stabilize, and motorists will likely begin to see lower prices at the pump in the next couple of months."

In the meantime, AAA is encouraging motorists to shop around for the best possible prices. Often, motorists can find a difference of up to 5 cents per gallon from one neighborhood to the next.

Callahan also recommends motorists check their vehicle's maintenance manual before filling with expensive premium unleaded gasoline. The average price for premium unleaded is often 20 cents more per gallon than regular unleaded, and she said most cars don't require premium unleaded.

"If your owner's manual advises you to use premium gasoline, you should do so," she said. "But generally, most cars will run fine on regular unleaded gasoline."

Around the state, Palm Beach had the highest prices in May: \$1.344 per gallon for regular unleaded, and \$1.551 for premium unleaded. Fort Richey had the lowest prices at \$1.252 for regular unleaded, and \$1.428 for premium unleaded.

The average in the Orlando/Sanford area was \$1.307 for regular unleaded and \$1.512 for premium unleaded.

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# Sports

## IN BRIEF

### LOCALLY

#### Merithe Basketball Camp

**SANFORD** — The Bernard Merithe Summer Basketball Camp for boys and girls ages 7 to 14 will be held in three sessions.

Merithe, the men's basketball coach at Southeast Community College, will hold the four-day camps from June 10 through 13, June 17 through 20 and July 18 through 21.

Sessions will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at a cost of \$120. Half-day sessions are also available from either 9 a.m. to noon or 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at a cost of \$60. All classes will be held in the air-conditioned Southeast Community College Health and Physical Education Center. For information call 338-3061 or 338-3060.

### AROUND THE STATE

#### O-Cube slam Jacksonville

**JACKSONVILLE** — Harold Williams and Dee Dwyer each hit grand slams Tuesday, lifting the Orlando Cubs to a 13-10 victory over the Jacksonville Suns.

The Cubs had four homers in a game that featured 23 runs and 18 hits.

Matt Connolly (2-1) picked up the win in relief. Steve Rain earned his seventh save.

#### Dolphins' Green has surgery

**MIAMI** — Tight end Eric Green underwent arthroscopic surgery Tuesday on his left knee, which he injured following the Miami Dolphins' recent quarterback school.

Green, who was hurt while running at home, had the surgery at the University of Pittsburgh. No further details were released.

#### Marlins break above .500

**CINCINNATI** — The Florida Marlins moved their record above .500 for the first time in nearly two years as David Weathers homered and pitched six shutout innings Tuesday night in a 4-0 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

The Marlins have won 12 of 15 to improve to 24-22. Weathers pitched seven shutout innings Tuesday night, his first since 1989. Florida has won 12 games in May, a record for the franchise, which is in its fourth season.

The Reds have lost seven straight and 16 of 23. They are 16-39, their worst 40-game mark in 10 years.

Cincinnati has had trouble against Weathers (1-0), whose last three wins have been over the Reds. The right-hander was called up Monday to replace the injured Kevin Brown.

Weathers put the Marlins ahead with a first-pitch solo homer to left field in the fifth inning off Roger Saleed (0-1). Weathers is a .100 career hitter with only one other RBI.

The Marlins added two in the eighth on Greg Calhoun's RBI single and Gary Sheffield's sacrifice fly off Johnny Ruffin. Right fielder Eric Anthony's throwing error set up the second run.

#### Ex-Patriot Rigby gets win

**KNOXVILLE, Tenn.** — Lake Brantley High School graduate Brad Rigby was the winning pitcher Tuesday as Huntsville beat Knoxville 10-6 in Southern League action.

The game was tied 1-1 after two innings. Then Huntsville's Webster Garrison hit a two-run homer to put the Stars up 3-1.

#### Vartek doubles in loss

**WILMINGTON, N.C.** — Jason Vartek, a graduate of Lake Brantley High School, drove in the only run for the Fort City Roosters with an RBI double in a 9-1 Southern League loss to the Carolina Mudcats.

Vartek's double, which came with one out in the eighth inning, tied the score at 1-1.

#### Griffey hits 200th homer

**BOSTON** — Ken Griffey Jr. became the seventh-youngest player to hit 200 homers as the Seattle Mariners pounded the Boston Red Sox 18-7 Tuesday night.

Griffey was 28 years, 181 days old on Tuesday. Hal Ott was the youngest to reach 200 homers at 28 years, 144 days. He was followed by Eddie Mathews, Jimmie Foxx, Mickey Vernon, Frank Robinson and Hank Aaron.

"A lot of guys didn't get an early chance to get in the big leagues as I did," said Griffey, who was a rookie at age 18. "I don't want to think about the Hall of Fame. Whatever happens, happens."



**BASEBALL**  
7:30 p.m. — ESPN, California Angels vs. Cincinnati Reds, (L)  
8:00 p.m. — ESPN, New York Mets at Los Angeles Dodgers, (L)

# Patriot legacy grows

## LBHS has 20 earn athletic grants

By GARY GATSON  
Herald Staff Writer

**ALTAMONTE SPRINGS** — Lake Brantley High School enjoyed some successful athletic seasons during the 1995-96 school year, and it showed as 20 of its graduating senior athletes have earned collegiate athletic scholarships.

"We're really proud of them," said Lake Brantley athletic director Bob Peterson. "Hopefully, they will go on to prove themselves on the collegiate level. I also hope they take advantage of the academic opportunities that they will have in college."

Pitchers David Etkin and Taylor Viersen, third baseman Jeff Hall, catcher and designated hitter Justin Vartek, shortstop Walter Wheatley and catcher Bryan Graessing all won baseball scholarships. Hall, who had a .403 batting average last season, will join Vartek at St. John's Community College. Viersen will stay local and attend Rollins College.

Granning has accepted a scholarship from Brantley Community College in Melbourne while Wheatley has elected to attend Brantley (N.C.) Junior College. Etkin is headed to Southern Illinois University after posting a 2-2 mark with a 3.08 ERA last season.

"They were the backbone of the team," said Lake Brantley coach Mike Smith. "They gave us senior leadership by putting in extra practice during the season, and they are all very good students. They are dedicated to baseball, and they did the little things to make themselves better. All six of them should do well in college."

Quarterback Dee Brown, offensive lineman Matt Maschfay, linebacker Brent Standage and wide receiver Brian Whitman all won football scholarships.

Brown, who rushed for 1,025 yards and 10 touchdowns on 123 carries, is headed to Syracuse after he participates in the Florida-Georgia high school all-star game next month. The signal caller also completed 13 of 33 passes for 281 yards.

Whitman, who caught 15 passes for 284 yards and two touchdowns last season, has accepted a scholarship to Northeastern University. Maschfay will attend the College of William and Mary, while Standage will attend Widener University.

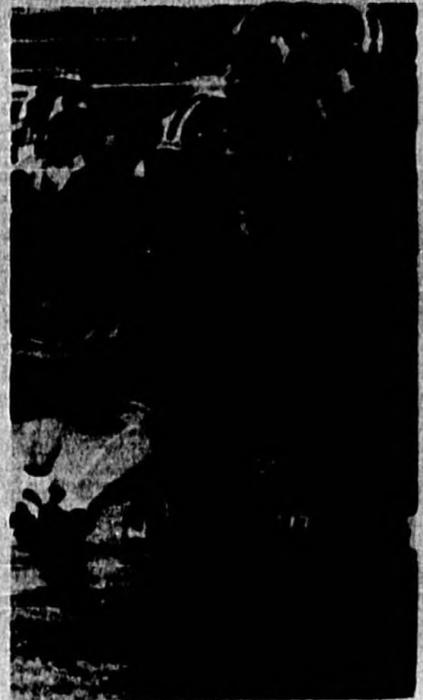
"They have helped win 37 football games for Lake Brantley in the last three years," said Lake Brantley coach Fred Almon. "Brian and Dee are sensational athletes. I have no doubt that all four of them will graduate from college."

Roxanna Hernandez, Beth Sprinkle and Karen Rowe were all on the Lake Brantley water polo team that went undefeated en route to the 1996 Class 6A state water polo championship.

Hernandez won a scholarship from the University of Massachusetts, Beth Sprinkle is headed to the University of California at Berkeley, and Rowe will attend either UMass or the University of Maryland.

The Lake Brantley girls soccer team was the only other team with more than one scholarship winner. Andrea Villal will continue her soccer career at the University of North Florida, while Megan Burkhart will do the same at Elon College. Phillip Cianculli, the lone scholarship winner from the Patriots boys soccer team, will attend Brantley (N.C.) Junior College.

Lake Brantley swimmer Jenny Debach and bowler Eliana Zubista each accepted athletic scholarships from the University of Florida. Kinsley Craven will attend Presbyterian College on a volleyball scholarship while Kyle Becker is headed to St. Petersburg and Eckerd College on a basketball scholarship.



Dee Brown (No. 7), who will play football at Syracuse University, is one of 20 Lake Brantley graduates to earn an athletic scholarship.

## Sunniland rips Angels

From staff reports

**SANFORD** — Sunniland Corporation improved its 2-1 Tuesday with a 15-3 victory over the Blue Angels to take first place in the Sanford Recreation Week's Softball League at Chase Park.

In other action, the Sharks (2-2) won twice to move into a third place tie with Sunniland (2-2).

Michelle Bering, who singled to lead off the game, and Diane McMackin, who reached on an error, scored on singles by Linda Seering and Kim Myers, respectively, to give the Blue Angels a 2-0 lead.

The advantage was short-lived as Sunniland answered with 12 runs in the bottom of the first. The game was halted after 4 1/2 innings by the 12-run mercy rule.

Ann Lanza was 4-for-4 with two RBIs and scored two runs to lead Sunniland. Lanza, Carol Crantek, and Teresa Finck each scored twice in the bottom of the first inning, while Micki Lewis, Jamie Hart, Sue Bagley, Katelyn Hillenbraun, Renee Lanza and Dino Wilson each scored once to give Sunniland a 12-2 lead.

Barb Martin scored Sunniland's lone run of the second inning, and scored ahead of Wilson in the fourth to close out the scoring in the game. The loss dropped the Blue Angels into second place with a record of 3-1.

Finck was 2-for-3 with five RBIs for Sunniland, while teammates Lewis, Crantek, Renee Lanza, Martin and Wilson were also 2-3. Hart Bagley and Hillenbraun each had one hit for the winners.

Bering and Myers were both 2-for-3 for the Blue Angels. McMackin, Seering, Patty Polley, Wendy Petry and Karen Calhoun each had one hit. Lisa Mann scored a run.

In their first game of the night, the Sharks blasted the She-Devils (1-2), 10-3.



Despite a pair of singles singles and a run scored from leadoff hitter Michelle Bering, the Blue Angels were the victims of the 12-run hit Tuesday night, falling 15-3 to Sunniland in a game stopped after 4 1/2 innings.

Blue Angels	15	3	0	0
Sunniland	12	2	0	0
Sharks	10	3	0	0
She-Devils	3	1	2	0
Sharks	10	3	0	0
She-Devils	3	1	2	0

Tracy McCormick was 2-5 with a run scored. Cathy Cole and Robin Bishop each had a hit for the winners.

Leah Sparrow was 3-for-3 with an RBI and scored a run to lead the She-Devils. Sue Mohr had one hit and scored the other run. Rhonda Kennedy and Jessica West were both 2-for-4. Kathy Kilgusmith, Julie Knecht and Sue Nickell each had one hit.

After dispatching the She-Devils, the Sharks went on to defeat Club Paradise 11-7. Cole was 4-for-5 and scored one run for the Sharks, while

## Renegades stay on top

From staff reports

**SANFORD** — The Renegades held on to first place in the Sanford Recreation Week's Softball League at Chase Park Tuesday night with a 3-0 win over the Sharks.

Debbie Cole was 2-for-3 with a two-run home run, a double and four runs to lead the Renegades while Connie Russell was 2-for-3 with a run.

Other contributors were Lisa Garrett and Marie Byrd (each with two hits and two runs); Patrick Knight (two hits); Kerry Ortis, Belinda Anderson, and Diane Calzagala (a hit and one run each); and Charlene Lingard (hit).

Providing the offense for 3 Webbs and Son (1-2) were Terri Hart and Gina DeLong (each with a hit and two runs); Shannon Hill (two hits, one run); Michelle Almed, Cindy Decker, Tina Hill and Nori Hagus (each with a hit and a run); and Chris Clark and Shannon Churnes (one hit each).

Lynn Webb and Donna Horne each were 4-for-4 with two runs to lead the Sanford Magic (2-1) to a 16-4 win over Bikmas Window Tint. Sherrie Denton scored three runs.

Also chipping in were Gina Bester and Marah Smith (each with two hits and two runs); Debbie Bering (two runs); Carmen Ramos and Sandale Chaplin (each with two hits and a run); Lis Turner (two hits); and Kelly Denton (hit, two runs).

Leading Bikmas Window Tint were Kim Mojca and Lisa Hartman (each with two hits and a run); Cynthia Hillary and Leola Wynn (two hits each); Wendy Wilcox (one hit each).

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Sanford Magic	16	4	0	0

## Magic squander lead, chance to get even with Bulls

By GARY GATSON  
AP Sports Writer

**CHICAGO** — Trailing in the second half by 18, the Chicago Bulls didn't look at all like the super team that won 72 regular-season games and trounced Orlando in the opener of the Eastern Conference finals.

"We were lost," admitted Michael Jordan. "In the first half, they played with a lot of rhythm in the way they got the ball into Shaq." "But once we were able to put that press on, they lost the rhythm. It takes a lot of energy to play the press. When we were down 18 points, we had no choice."

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STATS & STANDINGS

WHAT'S HAPPENING

Sanford Youth Baseball

Sanford Youth League... Expo vs. Kiwanis Club Indians, Zinn Beck Field, 5:45 p.m.

Sanford Recreation Softball

Men at Chess Park: Hopkins Meats vs. Monroe Harbour, 6:30 p.m.; Monroe Harbour vs. Fitzgerald's, 7:30 p.m.; Wells Contracting vs. Crazy Wings, 8:30 p.m.

Lake Mary Recreation Softball

Men at Lake Mary Sports Center: Beer 30 vs. Service Bldg, 7 p.m.; Home Depot vs. Fitzgerald's, 8:10 p.m.

Southern League Baseball

Atlanta Braves at Florida Marlins, 7:30 p.m.

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The City stays unbeaten

From Staff Reports

BANFORD — As The City continued to pull away, Sanford Lions Club moved into second place, and the West Sanford Boys and Girls Club won its first game of the season in Sanford Recreation Girls Spring Softball League action at Pinhurst Park Saturday.

From Staff Reports

Sanford Lions Club 5-0... Trailing Sanford Kiwanis Club 5-0 heading into the bottom of the fourth inning, The City rallied to tie the game, then scored the go-ahead run in the fifth inning and four insurance runs in the sixth to win 10-5.

Balough gets best of Powell

By THE WRITER Special to the Herald

BITHLO — Gary "Hot Shoe" Balough held off hard-charging James Powell III to win the Florida Pro Series 125 at Orlando Speed-World on Friday night.

From Staff Reports

Florida Pro Series 125... Powell Pro Series 125... Gary Balough, 1. Gary Powell, 2. Tony Ponder, 3. Rick Frazier, 4. Chuck Morris, 5. Kenny Vaughn, 6. Bobby Cover, 7. Tuffy Heater, 8. Zach Warron, 9. Scott Brantley.

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# People



Larry Dilligard and Betty Williams

## Williams-Dilligard

Mrs. Catherine H. Hawkins, 1909 West 15th Street, Sanford, announces the engagement of her daughter, Blaise Lenett Williams, of Sanford, to Larry C. Dilligard of DeLeon Springs, Fla. Ms. Williams, in the daughter of the late Matthew Williams. She is the maternal granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sam (Rosa) Fields. Her paternal grandparents are the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank (Abby) Williams.

When she was active in the A.M.U. Myrtle, and the Anchor Club. She is a 1966 graduate of Seminole Community College. The groom, born in DeLand, is a graduate of Southwestern High School in DeLand. He received his bachelor's degree from Eastern Carolina College, and is employed as an Engineering Representative for Florida Power Corporation. The wedding will take place on Sunday, May 29, 1988, 6:00 p.m. at New Bethel A.M.E. Church, Altamonte Springs, Fla.

The bride-elect is a 1980 graduate of Seminole High School.

# Memorial Day: Let the picnics begin!



MARIALBA GALTA

It's nearly Memorial Day, start of the official Picnic Season. Even though picnicking can be a lot of work, there's something truly wonderful about eating outdoors. If you live in a city and don't get to the country very often, you'll find it exciting to be in an old-fashioned "picnic area."

The following menu - read, write from "The Little Book of Big Sandwiches" by Michael McLaughlin, edited with a Culinary Institute of America Cookbook - can be easily rounded out with an assortment of pickles and olives, some chips and some coffee which will add homemade touches. It's an easy and food-safe menu to transport; note that the dressing, unlike most Caesar dressing recipes, contains no raw eggs which are considered a health safety no-no even when properly refrigerated.

Don't forget plenty of paper napkins, for a plastic tablecloth and a trash bag, too!

### MAM AND BRIS SANDWICHES WITH HONEY MUSTARD

2 thick, crusty loaves French bread, each about 14 inches

long, ends trimmed, cut into four 3-inch long sections, and partially cut horizontally

1/2 cup hot honey mustard

3/4 pound smoked baked ham, thinly sliced

1/2 pound imported bris cheese, rind intact, thinly sliced and at room temperature

Evenly spread the cut sides of the bread sections with the honey mustard, using a knife.

Arrange the ham slices over the mustard on the bottom of the sandwiches, dividing them evenly. Arrange the bris over the ham, dividing it evenly and using a knife. Cover the sandwiches and press them firmly with palm of your hand to flatten slightly.

With a serrated knife, cut each sandwich in half on the diagonal. Serve immediately.

Yield: 4 big sandwiches.

Recipe from "The Little Book of Big Sandwiches," by Michael McLaughlin (Chronicle Books, 1988).

### MEATLESS MUFFALETTA

1 8-1/2 ounce jar olive salad, drained

1 8-1/2 ounce jar mixed peppercorns, drained

1/2 cup sliced, drained, pickled hot cherry peppers

2 tablespoons olive oil

2-1/2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar

2 tablespoons minced fresh oregano

2 garlic cloves, crushed through a press

1 round armetina or sour-dough loaf, about 7 inches in diameter and 3 inches thick

1 pound smoked mozzarella cheese, thickly sliced, at room temperature

In a medium bowl, combine the olive salad, pepper salad, cherry peppers, olive oil, balsamic vinegar, oregano and garlic. Let stand at room temperature, stirring once or twice, for 15 minutes.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Slice the loaf lengthwise into 1/2-inch thick slices. Spread about 2/3 of the olive mixture into the bottom half of

the loaf. Arrange the sliced mozzarella in a overlapping layer atop the olive salad. Fill the hollow in the top half with the remaining olive mixture and invert it atop the cheese.

Wrap the sandwich in plastic, weight it (with a heavy pot lid, for example, or at the bottom of the picnic basket) and let stand at room temperature for 1 hour. Remove the weight, and with a serrated knife, cut the sandwich into quarters. Serve.

Yield: 4 servings.

### CAESAR SALAD DRESSING

2 fresh garlic

1/4 cup defatted reduced-sodium chicken broth or water

2 tablespoons red wine vinegar

2 tablespoons olive oil, preferably extra-virgin

2 tablespoons Dijon mustard

2 anchovy fillets, rinsed and carefully chopped

2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce

Salt and freshly ground black pepper to taste

Make dressing up to 2 days in advance; Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Remove loam paper outer skin from garlic heads, without separating cloves. Slice about 1/2 inch off tip of each head. Wrap the garlic in aluminum foil. Roast for 40 minutes, or until very soft. Unwrap the garlic and cool slightly. Squeeze the pulp into container of a blender or food processor. Add chicken broth or water, vinegar, oil, mustard, anchovies and Worcestershire sauce; blend until smooth. Season with salt and pepper. Refrigerate, covered, until ready to use. Serve on about 10 cups of shredded Romaine lettuce leaves, sprinkled with Parmesan cheese and black pepper, some minced anchovies (if desired) and croutons.

Yield: about 3/4 cup dressing, enough for a salad that serves 6.

### CRISP BREAD CRUMBS

2 cups raw wheatberries

2 cups washed lentils

1/2 cup flour

1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder

1/2 teaspoon salt

3 eggs

1 cup plus 2 tablespoons sugar

1 tablespoon pure vanilla extract

1-1/2 cups semisweet chocolate morsels

1-1/2 cups chopped walnuts

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Cream an 8-by-11-inch baking pan and dust lightly with flour.

Break the unwrapped baking chocolate and unwrapped chocolate into 1-ounce pieces. Bring the butter to a boil in a heavy-bottomed saucepan. Add both chocolates and immediately remove from the heat. Stir until completely melted.

Combine the flour, baking powder and salt in a small bowl and set aside.

Combine the eggs and sugar in bowl of an electric mixer. Beat until very thick; mixture should form ribbons when you lift the beater out of the bowl. Add the vanilla and blend lightly. Add the melted chocolate and mix lightly.

Gently fold the flour mixture into the chocolate batter with a spatula. Fold in the chocolate morsels and the nuts.

Spread the batter in the prepared pan. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes. When done, a cake tester inserted in the center will have a little batter clinging to it. Don't overbake.

Cool in baking pan on a wire rack. Cut into 1-1/2 inch squares.

Yield: 20 brownies.

## Job competitors must work on friendship after hours

DEAR ABBY: My best friend and I recently got jobs at the two biggest competitors in town. We always have confided in each other about everything important, including work-related problems. However, our two businesses are so cut-throat and competitive, we're not even supposed to associate with people who are employed by the competition.

I don't want anything to affect our character. How can we maintain our friendship and stay on top?

THEY ARE SO TIGHT

DEAR TIGHTEN: You will be doing a lot of a balancing act to stay friends in a competitive job situation, but it can be done. Look at Mary Natalie, who worked on the Republican campaign of former President Bush, while dating James Carville of President Clinton's campaign. They later married. Or United Press International's Helen Thomas, who worked in competition with her late husband, Doug Cornell of The Associated Press.

The secret is to keep your business and personal lives separate, agree to avoid discussing work-related problems or situations outside the office, and don't spread office gossip.

DEAR ABBY: I hope my story gives "Tighten" in Georgia a good laugh. He and his wife had attended a party given by friends. Not



ABBY

ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

returned, over coffee they commented that their preacher and his wife were dropping over for supper that evening. Then it all clicked. We felt better knowing we had been switched to the "B" list as the good preacher could have chicken for supper. Still chuckling...

JANETTE KAUFFMAN, BRAVERTON, ORE.

DEAR SHARON: Your friend was a victim of a dinner party in Sanford, Conn., one evening. When he was asked afterward for getting anything he wished that his host had talked so innocently as to have this opportunity for any conversation.

"It reminds me of the man who was reproached by a friend, who said, 'I think it's a shame that you have not spoken to your wife for 15 years. How do you justify it?'"

The husband replied, "I didn't want to interrupt her."

WORDS OF WISDOM: "So that has a little less an office of profit and honor. A pleasure on his lips is higher than a gentleman on his lips."

When my aunt and uncle

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**Is there help for restless legs?**

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** Please discuss the causes, symptoms and treatment of restless legs syndrome. Is there any relief?

**DEAR READER:** No one knows the cause of restless legs syndrome, a common affliction marked by periodic, uncontrollable nighttime crawling sensations in the legs. The disorder is, for many, a living hell: poor (or absent) sleep, depression and hopelessness. Often, patients with RLS have sought relief for decades — to no avail. The condition has only recently been recognized by the medical profession.

There are several prescription drugs, including Proscar and Stemetol, available for treating RLS.

For more information, write the Restless Legs Syndrome Foundation, c/o Bob Balkam, 817 South Columbus St., Alexandria, VA 22314-6306.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I'm a post-menopausal woman who is on an estrogen program. As a result, I've been having problems with bruising and inflammation of minor cuts and scratches. What is your opinion on changing to an herbal treatment for calcium loss instead of estrogen?

**DEAR READER:** To answer your first question, estrogen and other female hormones do not affect healing or bleeding. You'll have to look elsewhere to discover an explanation for your symptoms.

For example, is your skin thinning and bruising more easily? These are common consequences of aging. Are you taking aspirin, which can affect clotting? Could you have a blood disorder that interferes with your ability to heal? Your doctor can supply answers to these queries.

With respect to your second question, there are no herbs known to prevent post-menopausal loss of bone calcium. Therefore, if you have osteoporosis, estrogen supplements may help strengthen your bones. Herbs will not. Or, you may need other prescription drugs — such as Fosamax — to retard calcium loss.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Osteoporosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** You once wrote about the benefits of Proscar. My doctor says the product is worthless. Who's right?

**DEAR READER:** I am. Proscar is a relatively new drug used to treat the symptoms of an enlarged prostate gland, a condition

common to most men as they age, which causes frequent urination (especially at night), difficulty initiating urination, trouble controlling urination, dribbling, and so forth. The drug shrinks the prostate gland, thereby enabling men to avoid surgery, which used to be the only effective method of treatment.

Proscar should not be prescribed in the presence of proven prostate cancer or to men whose partners are trying to become pregnant. The medicine usually must be taken for six months or longer.

Side effects are unusual, the most frequent being impotence (about 2

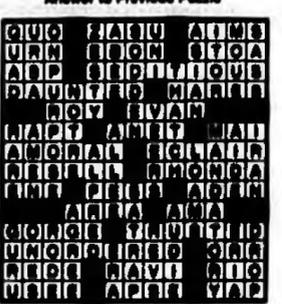


**MEDICINE**  
**PETER GOTT, M.D.**

percent of patients). I'm surprised at your doctor's reaction. Most urologists routinely prescribe Proscar and are satisfied that it is an effective therapy.  
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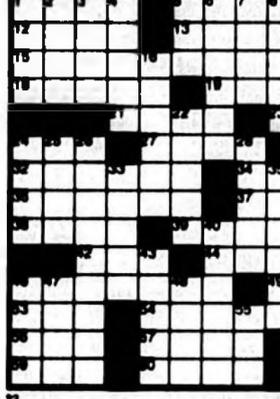
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  - 14 — Lingua (airline)
  - 15 Like a predator
  - 17 — Province
  - 18 Grass heavily
  - 19 Bottle-cap removers
  - 21 Force piece
  - 22 Research room
  - 24 Actor Brynner
  - 25 Diver (abbr.)
  - 26 Laundry product
  - 28 In good working order
  - 29 Peasants
  - 30 Kind of soil
  - 37 Baseball's partner
  - 38 News
  - 39 Icelandic epic
- DOWN**
- 1 Invitation letters
  - 2 Possessive pronoun
  - 3 Tamarisk salt tree
  - 4 Observer
  - 5 Tavern
  - 6 Actor Peter —
  - 7 Successful

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- 24 Christmas
- 25 Air defense org.
- 26 — Saints (religious group)
- 28 Unites by heating
- 29 On the briny
- 31 Actor —
- 33 Assail
- 35 Less sloppy
- 40 Pointed weapon
- 43 Iris
- 46 Leaves out
- 48 Successful shows
- 47 Envy
- 49 Knot
- 50 Type style (abbr.)
- 51 Ward on a highway sign, for short
- 52 Air-quality problem
- 56 Chemical suffix

**The obvious answer**

By Phillip Alder

I was sitting on a plane, looking at the video screen without being able to hear the sound. During a program from the Entertainment Network, I read on the screen that some celebrities were asked what they would never stop doing as long as they lived. What's your answer?

If you travel across several time zones to play in a bridge tournament, in my experience it takes at least three days to get over the effect of jet lag. South in today's deal had just arrived in North America from Asia. He reached three no-trump and West led the spade three. After winning with dummy's nine, declarer played a diamond to his king and another diamond. East won with the ace and switched to the heart queen. Suddenly

South noticed that he probably didn't have a dummy entry. Spotting one chance, he ducked the first heart trick, won the second, cashed his other top heart, discarding a diamond from the dummy, and exited with the club jack. He was hoping that West would have both club honors and be employed into giving the lead to the dummy. It wasn't to be, the contract finishing two down.

"I could have done a trick better," said South, "but I wanted to try to make it."  
"You could have done three tricks better," replied North. "Just win the first trick with the spade queen or ace! After East wins with the diamond ace and returns a heart, win and lead a low spade, forcing a dummy entry. You get three spades, two hearts, four diamonds and a club."  
I don't know what the celebs said, but my immediate answer was "breathing." Oh well — I'll blame it on jet lag, like the declarer.

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 ♥ 6 5  
 ♦ Q J 10 7 6  
 ♣ 10 6 3

West East  
 ♠ K 7 3 2 ♠ 8  
 ♥ 9 7 4 ♥ Q J 10  
 ♦ 9 8 ♦ A 5 4 3  
 ♣ Q 9 5 ♣ K 8 7 2

South  
 ♠ A Q 5 4  
 ♥ A K 3 2  
 ♦ K 2  
 ♣ A J 4

Vulnerable: East-West  
 Dealer: South

South West North East  
 2 NT Pass 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 3

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**Horoscope**

**April Birthday**  
 Thursday, May 23, 1996

You can achieve new career goals in the year ahead. Your ambitions, material desires and need for recognition will motivate you to succeed.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Let your imagination work for you instead of against you today. Do not envision frustration and negative complications where they don't exist. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1788, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Before volunteering to work on a special project for your club or church today, assess the

cost. Do not get stuck with the bill.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** If you insist on doing things your way, you could create complications. For example, your boss might be equally determined to squeeze in the last word.

**VRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** An inability to keep your temper in check today could cause a number of unnecessary problems. Try to keep disturbances within realistic boundaries.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Your curiosity might be more intense than usual today and as a result, you may be tempted to poke your nose into situations where it doesn't belong.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)** Today, you might be used as a pawn in an power game being played by two friends. This can be circumvented if you're aware of their maneuvers.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Today you might have to work closely with an unreasonable and difficult individual. Try to make the most of a bad arrangement.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Do not use your love for someone as an excuse for being possessive today. Your good intentions might be interpreted as unreasonable restraints.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** An unresolved issue that has caused a problem between you and your mate might flare up again today. Have your fire hoses ready to battle the blaze.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** This will not be the right day to offer companions unolicited advice or criticism. If they want input from you, they will make direct requests.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** That day little sum you've been prudently stashing away could be gone in one fell swoop today. Do not spend now; you will regret it later.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** You might not be as tolerant as you should be with relatives or family members today. Do not lose your temper around the people who love you most.

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**ANNIE**

by Leonard Starr

