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## NEWS DIGEST

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#### River festival preview

Take a look at what's coming up this weekend, in our exclusive guide to the St. Johns River Festival, fine arts and crafts show, to be held in Ft. Mellon Park.

#### Sports

##### Crown within grasp

SANFORD — Ace Drilling had a chance to take a huge step toward nailing down the Sanford Recreation Tuesday Men's Softball League title last night at Chase Park.

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#### People

##### Cook of the Week

Our cook of the Week, Margie Davidson, is a born artist who incorporates ingenuity and imagination into her cooking with a pinch of this and a dab of that.

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### BRIEFS

#### Government meeting

SANFORD — The Council of Local Governments in Seminole County, CSGSC, (originally known as CALNO) is holding its monthly meeting today at the Sanford City Hall.

Now using the CSGSC identity, minutes of previous meeting indicate that individual members continue to refer to the organization as CALNO. The title came about when the government group was formed consisting of the cities of Casselberry, Altamonte Springs, Longwood, and North Orlando, (now Winter Springs).

Specific old business items to be discussed were not identified on the agenda list.

The only new business listed is a review of ordinances and interlocal agreement regarding signage along the U.S. Highway 17-92 corridor.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. in the commission chambers of Sanford City Hall, 300 N. Park Avenue.

#### Robbery suspects nabbed

SANFORD — Two teenagers have been arrested by Sanford police in connection with an armed robbery at a convenience store on E. Celery Avenue late Saturday.

Police Commander Dennis Whitmire said the two youths, ages 15 and 16, were located at their homes, in the neighborhood near the store, following an intensive investigation.

"We recovered the 357 Magnum revolver taken in the robbery, as well as the two guns reportedly used in the robbery," Whitmire said.

"We also recovered about \$610 of the money that was taken," he added. "We understand much of the total amount (estimated at \$8,900) was already spent."

#### The rains came down

SANFORD — Rain fell in an irregular pattern over most of Central Florida this morning. Heavy downpours lasted only minutes, followed by minutes of calm, then another heavy flow. A weather bureau spokesman said it was caused by an open-wave-low, which causes unstable air to produce squalls.

A tornado watch had been issued for most of Central Florida, until noon today.

The "watch" indicates that there is a possibility of a tornado occurring. The stronger level is the "warning" which indicates at least one has been cited. No tornado warning was issued.

For thunderstorms however, a warning was issued, but only for the Ocala County area between 8:45 and 9:30 a.m.

Although the temperatures are expected to turn slightly cooler for the next few days, no more heavy rain was predicted through the week.

#### From staff reports

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#### Hold on to your hats.



Mostly cloudy with a 80 percent chance of rain, some thunderstorms will be severe. High in the mid 70s. Wind south 20-30 mph. A lake wind advisory is in effect through Wednesday night.

For more weather, see Page 2A

# Leaders: Let us pray

## Bowden vows crowd at annual Prayer Breakfast

By KELLEY MITCHELL  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Through wind, rain and early morning light, they came.

A capacity crowd filled the Sanford Civic Center this morning for the 3rd Annual Seminole County Prayer Breakfast to supplicate blessings upon businesses, schools, government and residents of the county in the coming year.

Organized annually by Strang Communication Co., Lake Mary, with the assistance of a multitude of area businesses and community leaders, the program, with Mayor Bettye Smith as master of ceremonies, was filled with inspirational music and prayers for the community by the Rev.

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Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Bobby Bowden

## School prayer: Students divided

By VICKI DeBORJA  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — A controversial bill that would allow "nonsectarian" prayer in public schools if a majority of students agree was passed by a House committee after tense debate yesterday.

Students at Seminole High students are divided over whether or not the prayers would be acceptable, even at events where students were not "forced to attend."

Administrators and students alike agreed that prayer should not be placed in the classroom.

The bill allows prayer before assemblies, graduations, football games and other events, but it would have to be "planned and led by students."

The House Education Committee on Tuesday

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## Two men and a baby



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Central Florida Regional Hospital yesterday celebrated the birth of Columbia Park Healthcare System with guests such as Sean, 3-day old son of Brian and Wendy Curry, and brother of Jessica, of Deltona, who wears a T-shirt commemorating the event. Left: Joe Swadish, president of Columbia Park, and Richard Scott, president and CEO of Columbia/HCA Health Care Corp. Central Florida Regional and three other hospitals in the central Florida area are involved in the merger.

# Repeat rapists

## Move toward chemical castration is not the answer, sheriff says

By SANDRA ELLIOTT  
Herald Staff Writer

A bill allowing the courts to impose chemical castration on repeat rapists was approved by a Senate panel Tuesday but Seminole County Sheriff Don Eshlinger said life in prison is a better solution for repeat offenders.

A bill to allow courts to impose a sentence of chemical castration on rapists convicted of a second sexual assault has been approved by a 6-to-2 Senate panel vote. The bill has one more committee review before it is heard by the entire Senate.

"It's not cruel. It's not unusual. It's being done in communities and countries that are very civilized, very advanced," said Sen. Robert Wexler, the bill's sponsor. "What's cruel and unusual is to allow our citizens to continue to fall prey to sexual perpetrators."

The Senate Criminal Justice Committee voted for the legislation (CS-SB 1984) after hearing testimony Tuesday. The measure has 15 Senate sponsors. The House is not

expected to act on the measure until after the Senate vote, which may be in the next two weeks.

Wexler modified his original proposal which would have required judges to order chemical castration of two-time convicted rapists and execution for a third offense. Now the sentences are proposed as options for judges to impose.

Sen. Gary Stegel, R-Longwood, opposed execution on conviction of a third offense saying he worried that rapists might kill their victims to silence them. Instead, Stegel wanted the provision changed to life without parole. He was told such sentences do not exist in Florida.

Seminole County Sheriff Don Eshlinger said chemical castration is not the answer to protecting the public from repeat rapists.

The sheriff said the only way to protect people from a career rapist is to lock him up for a lifetime. Sexual batteries (rapes) are sometimes committed using other objects, not just a rapist's sex organ.

"You are treating the symptom as opposed to the root cause of the

See Rapists, Page 5A

# Drainage fix: Utility tax jump nixed

By J. MARK BARFIELD  
Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — Seminole County commissioners rejected a proposal by County Manager Ron Rabun to

increase the utility tax to pay for a massive drainage fix-up.

Commissioners said they'll spend countywide property taxes to pay for this year's \$3.8 million costs of the program. Total costs for the

20-year program range from \$160 million to \$300 million.

Commissioners unanimously agreed to cut the county "rainy day" emergency fund for the second year to pay for the program which is

growing. The county spent \$1.8 million in 1990 for the program and appropriated about \$2.8 million this year. County officials expect they'll need \$3.8 million next year.

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## Kids' park OK'd; problem is the money

By NICK PPEIFAUF  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Sanford commissioners are in complete favor of developing a park on Orange Avenue at 7th Street, but a question of how to pay for it remains to be determined.

The Concerned Organized Men in Action, COMA, has been conducting a fund raising drive for many months, hoping to help finance the improvements at the park. So far, it has raised \$5,000.

The total project however, is estimated at as high as \$26,000, if all plans for construction and equipment are carried out.

The matter was discussed during Monday night's work session of the City Commission. One of the strongest supporters was Mayor Bettye Smith who commented, "There is no question. I want this park to be developed."

Smith and several other commissioners commented about the drug problems which have been noted in the area near the park. The development of the park was seen as a possible help in providing youngsters with something to do for their entertainment.

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## Meet on Main Street



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Eleanor Mathews, principal with Marketek, an Atlanta based consulting firm, addresses members of the Sanford Main Street Economic Restructuring Committee during a meeting Tuesday at the Colonial Room. Committee

chairwoman Helen Stairs is at her right. The scope of Mathews' presentation dealt with marketing and economic development, which may be included in the Main Street plans.













# Double espionage

## KGB allegedly set aside \$2.7 million for CIA officer

By RITA BEAMISH  
Associated Press Writer

ALEXANDRIA, Va. — Payoffs totaling \$2.7 million, Swiss bank accounts and the promise of a summer cottage in Russia were Aldrich Ames' alleged rewards for double espionage, government prosecutors say.

Details of the CIA officer's alleged working arrangement with his Russian masters were laid out in a letter prosecutors say the FBI discovered at Ames' home and other evidence introduced Tuesday at a bail hearing for Ames and his Colombian-born wife, Maria del Rosario Casas Ames.

U.S. Magistrate Barry R. Poretz ruled there was sufficient evidence for a grand jury to pursue the espionage case. Poretz ordered the Ameses held without bond, rejecting attorneys' assurances that the couple would not flee the country. He said Ames, if freed, would pose a danger to the nation because he possessed valuable intelligence information.

The Ameses are charged with conspiracy to commit espionage. They are accused of selling secrets to the Soviet Union and then Russia for eight years. If convicted, they could face a maximum penalty of life in prison.

The purported letter from the KGB introduced at Tuesday's hearing begins "Dear Friend," and states that Ames' "balance sheet" showed \$2,705,000 had been appropriated to him as of May 1, 1989.

As of that date, Ames had received \$1.9 million of the total, according to the accounting statement, which also indicated some funds had been used to buy bonds.

One way the Russians showed

## Olympics is ratings gold for CBS

By SCOTT WILLIAMS  
AP Television Writer

NEW YORK — The 1994 Winter Olympics were golden for CBS, giving the network record ratings as the most-watched games ever, according to Nielsen figures.

The CBS juggernaut rolled over everything in its path for the week of Feb. 21-27. It won all seven nights and all 34 half-hours of prime time for a second straight week, and won the week by its widest-ever margin.

The seven CBS Olympic specials were the highest-rated shows for Feb. 21-27. The venerable "60 Minutes," CBS's only non-Olympic program to air during the week, ranked No. 5.

CBS's average rating for all of prime time was a 30.5 rating, the equivalent of a peak rating for a single, hit show.

Wednesday's coverage — the women's figure skating short program that put Nancy Kerrigan in first place and doomed Tonya Harding's hopes for gold — was the highest-rated Olympic broadcast ever.

It drew the fourth-largest audience in TV history, ranked as the highest-rated Wednesday in history and the sixth-highest-rated broadcast of all time, at a 48.5 rating.

One national ratings point equals 942,000 households, or 1 percent, of the nation's 94.2 million TV homes.

Friday's coverage, featuring the rest of the women's figure skating, was the second-highest rated Olympic broadcast and the sixth most-watched broadcast in TV history, CBS said. Its 44.1 rating also made it the highest-rated Friday in history.

There wasn't much left for the competition.

For the week, No. 2 ABC and NBC were within a half-point of each other, ABC with a 10.0 rating, and NBC with a 9.5 rating. The Fox network, which programs only 15 of the 22 prime time hours, averaged a 7.3 rating.

The numbers guaranteed CBS an easy victory in the February ratings sweep — one of three monthlong periods each year of intensive audience measurement, which help local affiliate stations set their advertising rates.

CBS said ratings for the affiliates' late evening newscasts in Nielsen's 30 metered markets were up an average of 80 percent for the week, compared to the four weeks before the winter games.

CBS also led season-to-date rankings, averaging a 14.5 rating since Sept. 20, 1993. ABC had a 12.4 rating; NBC had an 11.3, 18, and Fox had a 7.2 rating. CBS has won 13 of the season's 22 weeks.

their appreciation was by sending him photos of a piece of riverfront property where he could build a "dacha," or summer home, the government said. The photos were presented as evidence, along with a note telling Ames the land "now belongs to you forever."

At the hearing, Assistant U.S. Attorney Mark Hukower portrayed Mrs. Ames as "very supportive" of her husband's alleged spying, even to the point of urging him to be more imaginative in his dealings with the KGB, the Russian intelligence service.

"Mrs. Ames knew she was riding on a Russian gravy train, and she jumped on it with both feet," said Hukower.

FBI Special Agent Leslie Wiser Jr. told of incriminating documents found in the Ameses' home in suburban Virginia and in his office at the CIA.

Among materials in Ames' office that were unrelated to his current counterintelligence work was a description of methods the Russians employ to foil U.S. efforts to track Russian nuclear submarines, Wiser said.

In addition to the financial statement, Wiser said, FBI

agents found at the Ames house a nine-page 1989 letter containing a list of instructions from the KGB.

The letter indicated that Ames had disclosed the identity of an Eastern European internal security official who was cooperating with the CIA and went by the code name "GTMotorboat," Wiser said.

That official met with Ames in Italy and furnished him with top-secret documents for the CIA. At one point, "GTMotorboat" returned to his homeland promising to meet again with Ames, but he never returned and "the CIA has made many attempts to locate him without success," Wiser told the court.

Officials believe as many as 10 U.S.-paid Soviet and Russian agents may have been killed because of disclosures by Ames, who from 1983 to 1985 was chief of the Soviet section of CIA counterintelligence.

The letter laid out priority tasks for Ames, including getting information about CIA penetrations of the KGB and the Russian military intelligence service, GRU, Wiser said. It also referred to three Swiss bank accounts

where Ames stashed money and warned Ames about computer security and about ways the CIA had of trapping double agents, according to Wiser.

He said FBI agents also found computer disks in Ames' residence containing more than 100 classified CIA cables, in violation of CIA rules against keeping such material at home.

Under cross-examination by Ames' attorney, Plato Cacheris, Wiser said agents never directly saw Ames with Russian operatives.

Considerable attention was focused on Mrs. Ames' statements to the FBI after her arrest. Her attorney, William Cummings, said she talked under stress while worried about the well-being of her 5-year-old son.

Plans were being made to send the boy to South America to be with relatives unless the parents were released on bail, Cummings said.

He said afterward that Mrs. Ames will plead innocent. He described the couple as "very much in love." Despite earlier reports that she was cooperating in the investigation, he said, "she has no such thoughts at this time."

# Court hearing challenge to military base closing

By LAURIE ASBEO  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON — The future of hundreds of U.S. military installations is at stake as the Supreme Court considers whether citizens can go to court to overturn the government's base-closing decisions.

The Clinton administration is asking the high court to throw out Sen. Arlen Specter's challenge to the closing of the Philadelphia Naval Shipyard. The administration contends the federal base-closing law was intended to shut off such lawsuits and avoid political stalemate over the post-Cold War move toward a leaner military.

Specter, arguing on his own behalf today before the high court, contends the government violated procedures required by the law.

A decision in Specter's favor could lead to a flood of lawsuits over the government's decision to shut 250 military bases and realign another 152. Another round of base-closing decisions is scheduled next year.

Today's argument by Specter, a Pennsylvania Republican, marks the first time in 22 years that a U.S. senator has argued before the court. Sen. Sam Ervin, D-N.C., faced the justices in a 1972 congressional-immunity case involving the Pentagon Papers.

Specter is leading a group of government and labor leaders seeking to overturn the government's 1991 decision to close the Philadelphia shipyard, which has operated on the Delaware River for almost 200 years. The lawsuit also was joined by three states — Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware.

The shipyard's labor force of 7,000 has shrunk to 5,500 already. The facility is scheduled to close after refurbishing of the aircraft carrier USS Kennedy is completed in 1995.

The Philadelphia yard's shutdown was ordered under a 1990 law that was intended to make it politically easier to close military bases that provide jobs and government money in lawmakers' home districts.

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HEUSTON

Table with columns for player names (e.g., Skiles, Turner, Hardaway) and statistics (e.g., 3 Point goals, Total fouls).

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Table with columns for team names (e.g., Overland Park, Phila. Textile) and statistics (e.g., Record, Pts, Pvs).

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TENNIS

Table with columns for player names (e.g., Florida Slims Results, Delray Beach) and statistics (e.g., Record, Pts, Pvs).

Baseball

Continued from 1B... need to play baseball like that if we're going to string some wins together. We hit the ball when we needed to, Mark did a super job after he settled down and forced them to hit the ball, and we made clutch defensive plays that got us out of key situations.

BASEBALL

Table with columns for team names (e.g., Exhibition Game, San Diego vs. Seattle) and statistics (e.g., Record, Pts, Pvs).

COLLEGE BASEBALL

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NBA STANDINGS

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NBA BOXES

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Final NAIA Men's Div. II Top 25

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JUCO Top 25

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Tuesday's Women's Basketball Scores

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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League CALIFORNIA ANGELES - Agreed to terms with Mike Butcher, pitcher, on a one-year contract.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League CHICAGO WHITE SOX - Agreed to terms with Scott Sanderson, pitcher, on a minor-league contract.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League LOS ANGELES DODGERS - Agreed to terms with Doug Henry and Charlie Rogers, pitchers, and Mike Matheny, catcher, on one-year contracts.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League NEW YORK METS - Agreed to terms with Todd Hundley, catcher, Eric Hillman, Pete Schourek and Frank Seminara, pitchers, Jeremy Burnitz, outfielder, Tim Boger, shortstop, and Jeff McKnight and Jeff Kent, infielders, on one-year contracts.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League SAN FRANCISCO GIANTS - Agreed to terms with Bryan Hickerson, Dave Burba and Kevin Rogers, pitchers, and Steve Schiraldi, John Patterson, infielders, on one-year contracts.

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BASEBALL American League TAMPA BAY - Agreed to terms with Bryan Hickerson, Dave Burba and Kevin Rogers, pitchers, and Steve Schiraldi, John Patterson, infielders, on one-year contracts.

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL American League TEXAS RANGERS - Agreed to terms with Hector Fajardo, pitcher, on a one-year contract.

Track

Continued from 1B (1,600-meter run, 6 minutes, 33.3 seconds), and Brenda Mel (800-meter run, 2 minutes, 56.3 seconds).

Track

Continued from 1B Lake Brantley's Autumn Shannon ruined the team's bid for a sweep of first place finishes by winning the 400-meter dash in 1 minute, 9.9 seconds.

Track

Continued from 1B In the boys' half of the meet, Lake Howell also received first-place finishes from Williams (high jump, 5 feet, 2 inches), Brooks (100-meter dash, 11.5 seconds), and Caban (400-meter dash, 59.9 seconds).

Track

Continued from 1B Posting wins for the Lake Brantley boys were Josh Barnum (shot put, 40 feet, 10 1/2 inches), Clayton (discus, 106 feet), Yvonna (long jump, 19 feet, 1 inch), Cuzman (triple jump, 35 feet), and Redmond (200-meter sprint, 24.1 seconds).

Tennis

Continued from 1B Miranda Westmark, at No. 3 singles, was the only Fighting Seminole to bring back a win. She had to go to three sets, but came out on top 7-5, 1-6, 6-3 over Nicole Gould.

Tennis

Continued from 1B Blanca Stevenson was done in by Kristi Dargle, 6-3, 6-0, at No. 4 singles and Tina White dropped a 6-2, 6-1 decision to Sherill Gross at No. 5.

Tennis

Continued from 1B The top 25 teams in the final NAIA Division II women's basketball poll with first place votes in parentheses, records, total points and previous rankings.

Tennis

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# Balough goes wire-to-wire at Orlando . . .

By PAUL MARSEGLIA  
Special to the Herald

ORLANDO — Panama City's Gary "Hot Shoe" Balough used his advantage of starting on the pole to go green flag to checkers in the Sonny King's Orange Buick 50-lap Late Model championship Friday night at Orlando Speedworld.

Balough, who set the evening's fastest qualifying time, drew the outside pole and outgunned fellow pole sitter Tuffy Hester for the point.

Despite several caution periods that bunched the field for restarts, Balough was able to pull away from the rest of the field to notch his third win of the Florida Association of Stock Car Automobile Racing season.

"We had a real hot rod tonight," said Balough, who drives the Pee Wee Griffin/Robert Hamke/Crane Camo Camaro. "During hot laps, I got off the track and hit a pot hole in the infield. That messed up the car some."

"The car is exceptional. We have a killer motor, but we need to do a little bit more work on the chassis. When we sort that out, we'll be tough to beat."

Longwood's Ronnie Burkett, who started dead last, chased Balough to the checkers. "All things considered, I'm happy with second," said Burkett, a former FASCAR

Late Model champion. "We got here late, didn't qualify or get any practice, and started the race in last place. We raced the car just as we backed it out of the hauler, so we missed the set up."

"Better yet, after a long distance race, the car is going home in one piece. That's nice."

Rounding out the top five were, in order of finish, Hester, Ricky Wood, and Eddie Perry.

"We started out good, then the car got loose on us," said Hester, who set the evening's second-fastest qualifying time.

"With six laps to go, the car came back on us, but it was too late to catch the two front cars."

"I'm very pleased with third tonight. This is my best finish in a 50-lap race."

Jim Crowe Jr. took the checkers in the Modified Division but Raymond Lovelady got the trophy and the winner's purse.

Crowe, the apparent race winner, was disqualified following a post-race inspection that revealed too much weight on the left side of the car. As a result, Lovelady, who finished second, was awarded the win.

Trailing Lovelady to victory lane were Wally Patterson, Dana Darveau, Russ Eldridge, and Ray Smith.

Olen Castro led every lap to take the win, his third of the season, in the Bomber class. "I'm glad to be in victory lane, but I didn't win these races by myself," said Castro, the

current points leader among Bomber pilots. "I have to thank my sponsor, Mims Auto Sales, my family and friends, and especially the fans who have supported me."

Boby Stevens, Mike Peppler, Robert Jenkins, and Bob Filliger chased Castro to the checkers.

In the Sportsman main event, Glen Carter held off a hard-charging Gary Schlichter to take the win. Following the lead duo to victory lane were Guy McRoberts, Eddie Rice, and Jeff Quinette.

Paul Colgan needed three laps of high-groove racing to go from sixth place to the point in the Sportsman feature.

Early race leader Bill Loomis and Rick Johns raced Colgan bumper-to-bumper in an attempt to take the lead. With each charge, Colgan slammed the door on the way to his fourth win of the season.

Barbara Pierce, who spun earlier in the race with a little help from Jeff Rule, finished fourth with Ronnie Powell taking fifth.

Kelly Jurrett was the winner of the Mini-Stock feature, finishing in front of Jared Allison, David Lecklitter, Bobby Sears, and John Gazdako.

Fred Peters won the Run-About feature with Darrell Erb edging brother Jim by less than a car length to win the Mini-Bomber circular demolition derby.

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By PAUL MARSEGLIA  
Special to the Herald

NEW SMYRNA BEACH — This is the news that the rest of the Florida Association of Stock Car Automobile Racing (FASCAR) Late Model drivers don't want to hear.

"Our car is now perfect," said Gary "Hot Shoe" Balough as he got out of his car in victory lane last Saturday night, Feb. 26, at New Smyrna Speedway. Competing in the 50-lap Interstate Battery Late Model championship, Balough dominated action as he led 46 laps of the event.

"Tonight was a tune-and-test night for us," said Balough, a 29-year racing veteran. "Our motor is real strong, but our chassis and set-up was off just a little. We've worked and worked and now we're there."

Balough, fresh off a victory Friday night at Orlando Speedworld, now has three consecutive FASCAR wins and six top-five finishes.

"We've had a lot of nagging problems the last few months," said car owner Pee Wee Griffin. "Our guys, with Gary's help, have been putting in a lot of hours on the car and now it's paid off. We're running better now than we have in a long time."

Balough, who pilots the Pee Wee Griffin/Robert Hamke/Crane Camo Camaro, was followed to victory lane by Ricky Wood, Mack Hanburg, Scott Laughlin, and Bruce Everett.

"Gary (Balough) is one tough Late Model driver," said Wood, the current FASCAR Late Model points leader. "The last few weeks, though, he's gotten awesome."

Gary Schlichter held off a charging Glenn Carter and Claude Collignon to take top honors in the Limited Late Model main event. Don Roberts and Glenn Foster rounded out the top five.

Bubba Norton led every circuit to win his first-ever Sportsman feature at the half-mile, high-banked oval.

With five laps to the checkers, Norton was hounded by Barbara Pierce for the lead position. But Norton held his advantage to take the checkers two car lengths ahead of Pierce. They were followed by Jon Harney, Ron Lufcy, and Robbie Barnes.

In Mini-Stock action, Bobby Sears started the race from the outside pole position and went on to lead every lap to secure his sixth win of the season. Rounding out the top five were, in order of finish, Steve Wheeler, Conrad Grenier, Keith French, and Harland Sanford.

Ed Meridith cruised to victory in the Modified main event as he recorded his seventh win of the season. Jimmy Crowe settled for second followed by Dave Savicki, Wayne Parker, and Wally Pat-

erson.

Bobby Stevens and Glenn Castro raced wheel-to-wheel for several laps in the Bomber

division with Stevens edging Castro at the checkers for the win. Chuck Voia was third ahead of Brian Schlimmer and Tony

Lagano. Keith Wood was the winner of the Action Performance Run-About headliner.

Marlin adds to advantage

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH — A second-place finish in Sunday's Goodwrench 500 at Rockingham, N.C., allowed Sterling Marlin to pad his lead in the NASCAR Winston Cup point standings after two of 31 races scheduled for 1994.

Marlin, of Columbia, Tenn., who won the Daytona 500 to open the 1994 season, has 355 points to lead the NASCAR Winston Cup standings by 20 points over Ernie Irvan of Modesto, Cal., who has 335.

"I've never led the points before and it feels great," said Marlin.

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Spectacular in combination with a wide variety of desserts, which can be effortlessly prepared either before dinner or just prior to serving, fresh cut pineapple adds appeal to even the most mundane of desserts. So, if you want a perfect pastry, a faultless flambé or an unbeatable upside down cake, fresh cut pineapple offers an easy solution.

For example, try livening up a pound cake by cutting it into slices and placing wedges of fresh cut pineapple on it, topped with whipped cream. Or, purchase ready-made tart

shells, fill them with wedges of fresh cut pineapple and crown them with your favorite topping.

For a dish that's easy to make and impressive to see, consider a pineapple variation on Bananas Foster. Simply melt butter or margarine in a skillet or flambé pan; add and melt brown sugar; place wedges of fresh cut pineapple and heat through. For the grand finale, add a liberal splash of rum and ignite. Serve over ice cream.

Pineapple upside-down cake, a favorite in many American homes, becomes an even more delicious confectionery creation when baked with sweet and juicy fresh cut pineapple.

**CREAMY FRESH PINEAPPLE PIE**  
(Makes 9-inch pie - 8 servings)

2 16-ounce bags of fresh cut Hawaiian pineapple, reserve juice and cut chunks in half  
1/4 cup sugar  
3 Tbsp. cornstarch  
1 egg yolk, beaten  
1 9-inch pie crust, baked and cooled

1/2 cup flaked coconut, toasted

Combine juice, sugar, cornstarch and egg yolk in saucepan. Cook over medium heat, stirring until clear.

Remove from heat and stir in pineapple. Spoon into crust. Chill at least 2 hours, until firm. Sprinkle with coconut just before serving.

**PINEAPPLE CHEESECAKE CUPS**

12 gingersnap cookies  
2 8-ounce packages cream cheese, at room temperature  
1/4 cup sugar  
2 eggs  
1/4 cup pineapple juice from bag

1 12-ounce bag of fresh cut Hawaiian pineapple  
Preheat oven to 325°F. Place cookies in cupcake liners.

Beat cream cheese until smooth. Beat in sugar, eggs and juice until blended; spoon into liners.

Bake 25 minutes until set. Cool on wire rack; chill.

Top with pineapple chunks just before serving.

## Alzheimer's symptoms may differ from age symptoms

**DEAR ABBY:** According to a Gallup Poll conducted for the Alzheimer's Association in 1993, one out of three American adults say they know someone with Alzheimer's disease, and one in 10 say a relative has it.

With physicians now reporting an increase of "early onset" cases of people in their 40s and 50s, distinguishing signs of Alzheimer's disease from normal aging is of utmost importance.

To assist people in recognizing the symptoms of Alzheimer's disease, and to encourage them to see their doctors for a proper diagnosis, the Alzheimer's Association has launched a major educational campaign that includes public service announcements, educational materials and community outreach.

A free brochure outlining the warning signs of Alzheimer's disease, titled "Is It Alzheimer's? Warning Signs You Should Know," is now available by calling the Alzheimer's Association's toll-free number: (800) 272-3900. Anyone who is concerned because a loved one is exhibiting unusual behavior, such as disorientation or impaired memory, will find this



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brochure helpful.

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In a while, but someone with Alzheimer's can exhibit rapid mood changes - from laughter to tears, or calm to tears to anger - for no apparent reason. Also, a person with Alzheimer's will put things in inappropriate places: an iron in the freezer, or a wristwatch in the sugar bowl.

The memory loss, confusion and disorientation described in these examples are common symptoms of dementing illness - the most common of which is Alzheimer's disease. However, depression, nutritional deficiencies, drug interactions or intoxication, and thyroid imbalances can cause similar symptoms.

The same symptoms are also associated with stroke, Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease, Pick's disease and AIDS.

It is important to consult a physician if you recognize these symptoms. Sometimes they are reversible with a physician's care. Even if the diagnosis is Alzheimer's disease, help is available to learn how to care for the person with dementia, as well as finding help for the caregivers in coping with these sometimes stressful circumstances.

## Cook

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cups of the chicken broth and discard the rest. Add 2 cups rice to chicken broth. Cover pot, bring broth to boil. Next, then turn heat down to lowest setting and let cook rice until done (approximately 20 minutes.) When rice is cooked add all soups, cut up chicken, and condensed milk. Mix very well and serve. If mixture seems a little dry, add 1/2 cup milk at a time until the mixture is creamy.

**SHEPHERD'S PIE**

2 lbs. ground beef, lean  
1 box instant potatoes  
1 can tomato soup  
2 cans string beans  
1 Tbsp. onion flakes  
Salt and pepper to taste  
Brown ground beef with onion flakes and salt and pepper. Drain off fat. Add drained cans of string beans to ground beef. Add can of tomato soup. Mix well.

Make six servings of instant potatoes substituting milk for half of the water. Also, add more butter and milk if the potatoes seem dry until mixture is the correct consistency.

Put ground beef into 9x13-inch pan. Put cooked potatoes on top of ground beef. Bake one-half hour at 350°F. Then broil for five minutes to brown top of potatoes.

**COUNTRY FRIED STEAK**

6 cubed steaks  
1 to 2 tsp. Kitchen Bouquet  
1 cup flour  
2 cups water  
Salt and pepper to taste  
In a large skillet brown cubed steaks which have been dredged in 1/2 cup flour. Do not cook steaks thoroughly. Set aside.

Drain grease from skillet. Add 2 cups water to skillet and bring to boil. Add remaining flour to pan by shaking in through jar with holes punched in lid or use colander. Stir and blend in flour so there are no lumps. When gravy becomes correct consistency, carefully add 1 to 2 teaspoons Kitchen Bouquet to add color and taste. (Be careful with the Kitchen Bouquet as a little goes a long way.)

Turn stove down to simmer and add browned cubed steaks making sure they are covered in gravy. Cover pan and let simmer for 1/2 hour. Serve with mashed potatoes and a vegetable.

**BARBECUE CUPS**

(Makes 24)  
1 lb. lean ground beef  
2 pkgs. (24) ready-to-bake rolls  
1/4 cup onion flakes  
Salt and pepper to taste  
1/2 cup barbecue sauce (preferably Bull's Eye)  
1 cup brown sugar  
1 large bag shredded cheese such as Colby or Monterey Jack with jalapeno)

Brown ground beef. Mix in brown sugar, salt, pepper, onion flakes and barbecue sauce.

Take rolls and press each roll into a cupcake tin making each one like a tiny pie shell. Fill each shell with mixture. Top with shredded cheese. Bake at 350°F. for 25 minutes. Let cool slightly.

(Renee Keith is a Sanford Herald correspondent and Cook of the Week columnist. Please submit nominations for the weekly feature to 321-8748.)



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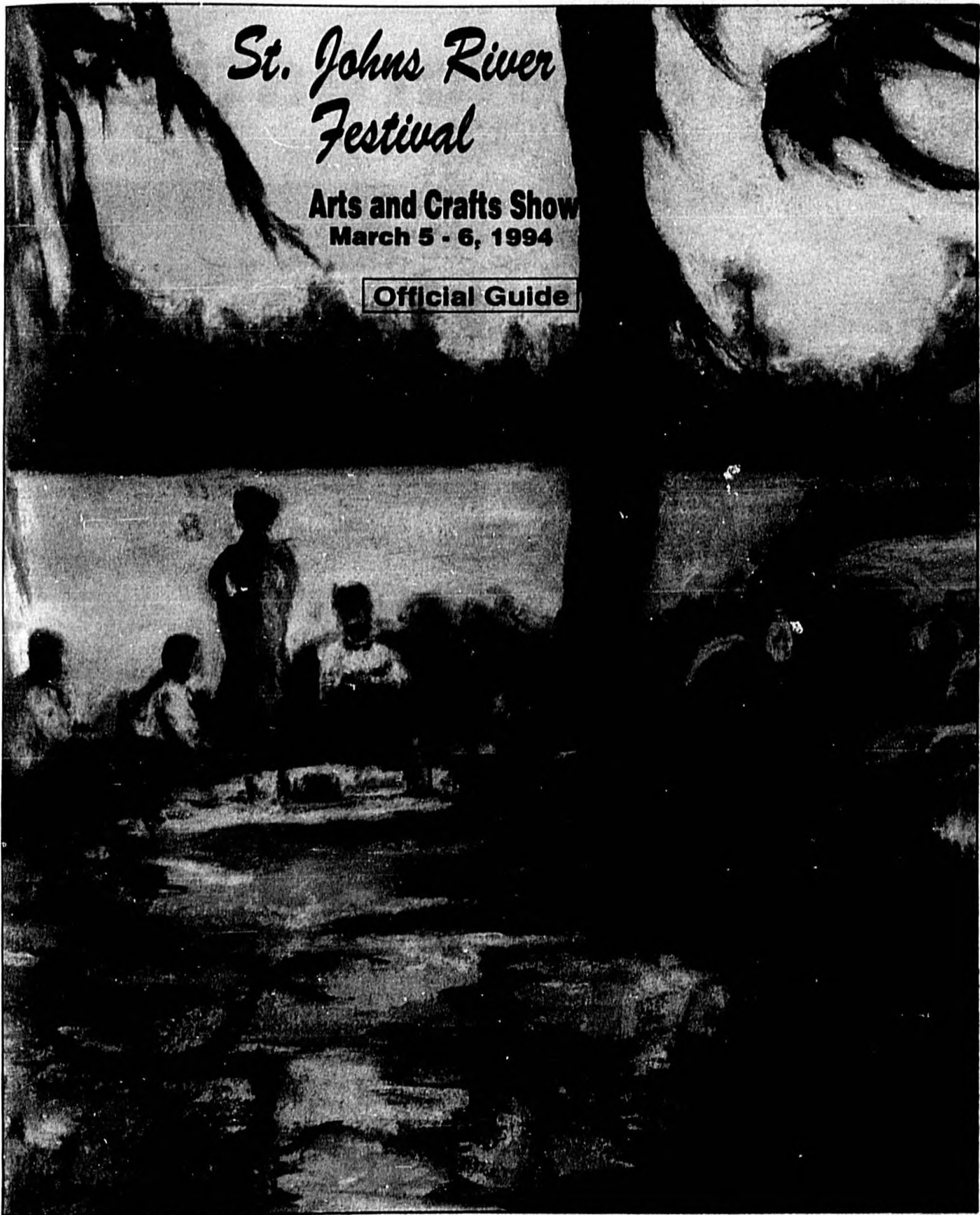


# *St. Johns River Festival*

**Arts and Crafts Show  
March 5 - 6, 1994**

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With her picnic along the river, Bettye Ragan captures another era, transformed into the 1994 St. Johns River Festival poster.

# Celebrate creativity

Check the oils,  
canvases awash  
in watercolor,  
clever crafts,  
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Artist's hands

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

By **SANDRA ELLIOTT**  
Herald Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — Artists and craftsmen from around Florida and several other states are poised to exhibit their works at the two-day St. Johns River Fine Arts and Crafts Festival which opens Saturday in Ft. Mellon Park.

The festival is sponsored by the Sanford Chamber of Commerce. Set against the backdrop of Lake Monroe, the event is expected to draw hundreds of visitors to Sanford.

Exhibitors will display their artworks and crafts and vie for "best-in-show" and "best-in-category" honors for watercolor, oil and acrylics, graphics, drawings and pastels, photography, sculpture, mixed media, crafts in clay, wood, weaving or stained glass.

The "Best-in-Show" winner will receive \$600, according to Dave Farr, executive director of the

Sanford Chamber of Commerce. For categories with 10 or more entrants, a "best-in-category" prize of \$300 may be awarded. If the judges award an "honorable mention" in the judging, recipients will receive \$125.

There is also an unjudged section of the festival for exhibitors who wish only to display and sell their arts or crafts including silver jewelry, Indian culture, sand art and clothing.

Winter Springs artist Anna Chen, winner of this year's Mt. Dora Festival award has entered her watercolor art in the March 5 and 6 St. John's festival. Nancy Seybold, who won a "Best-in-Category" award last year is entering her oil paintings this year. Seybold is from Orlando.

Most of the 66 exhibitors are from Florida, but there are also artists from New York, Georgia, Maryland, Alabama and Pennsylvania.

While festival goers feast their eyes on the many exhibits, they may also enjoy a wide variety of food offered by concessionaires ranging from hamburgers, fries, corn dogs and funnel cakes to Thai Chinese food, gourmet coffees, lemonade, iced tea, soft drinks and natural juices. For those seeking down-home fare, there will be barbecued chicken and ribs, slaw, beans, dirty rice, kabobs and chili.

Wansley United Transfer and Storage is providing hot air balloon rides. Pony rides, face painting and a moonwalker will also be available for the younger festival goers.

The band "Automatic Radio" is slated to perform original alternative and classic rock music.

The festival hours are 9:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. There is no admission charge.

## Categories

- A. Watercolor
- B. Oil and Acrylic
- C. Graphics, Drawings and Pastels
- D. Photography
- E. Sculpture (handcrafted Jewelry and wood)
- F. Mixed Media
- G. Crafts
- H. Open (unjudged)



### A stake in art

Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce Director Dave Farr helps stake booth sites at Ft. Mellon Park last year with Don and

Bettye Ragan. Bettye Ragan's painting was transformed into this year's poster and cover art for this guide.

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## The artists

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9	Ackler, Richard	Baltimore, MD	E
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11	Askins, John	Fern Park, FL	D
5	Athanas, Beatrice	Winter Garden, FL	B
61	Benefield, Gloria	Dundee, FL	H
12	Berhow, Gloria	Orlando, FL	A
13	Blackmore, Brian	Gainesville, FL	E
60	Blanzenski, Marsha	Orlando, FL	H
42 + 43	Brown, Kelly	Liverpool, PA	G
15	Burden, Ken	Melbourne, FL	D
59	Carroll, JoAnn	Geneva, FL	H
16	Chapo, Peter	Sanford, FL	B
17	Chen, Anna	Winter Springs, FL	A
20	Clay People	Englewood, FL	G
21 + 22	Coleman, Sonny	Midville, GA	G
23	Conrad, Bob	Smiths, ALA	G
24	Daniels, Agnes	Mt. Dora, FL	G
25	Emery, Mary Lee	Seminole, FL	G
62	Fayard, Trish	San Mateo, FL	G
69 + 70	Finkbeiner, John G.	Astor, FL	G
27	Foley, Anna	Bradenton, FL	E
72	Fortler, Kenneth	Brooksville, FL	G
28	Freeman, Diana	Altamonte Springs, FL	A
29	Frick, Valerie	Titusville, FL	B
55	Gagnon, Judy	Land O'Lakes, FL	H
32	Halliday, Pat	Daytona Beach, FL	D
33	Heinrich, Denis	St. Augustine, FL	E
34	Horthy, Eva	Jensen Beach, FL	B
35	Hummel, Tammy	Tampa, FL	E
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Anna Chen with her painting, 'Leaves and Twigs.'

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

## Heritage, nature inspire award winner Anna Chen

By VICKI DeSORMIER  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Anna Chen paints with watercolors to stay cool, but she is one of the

hottest artists around.

Chen is one of the artists who will be exhibiting and selling her work at the St. John's River Festival.

She recently added the Grand Prize award from the Mt. Dora Fine Arts Festival to her impressive list of accomplishments. Chen, who has been exhibiting her paintings at shows around the state for the last eight years said she has collected well over 150 awards for her work.

"They like my work," she said coyly. "I do it because it makes me feel good, but they like my work."

Chen, who immigrated from Taiwan, settled in Philadelphia with her husband when they first arrived in this country. There she earned a college degree at the Art Institute of Philadelphia.

"I studied everything there," she said. "I studied photo-

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An example of crafts to be seen next weekend, include decorated antiques by Dottie Mings. A flatiron and an old book of English classics are festooned with dried flowers and ribbons.

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**Chen**

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graphy, sculpture, painting. Everything."

Ten years ago the couple moved to central Florida.

"For two years, I escaped painting," she said. "I didn't do any of it."

Then when she took up the brush again, she said, she decided to do watercolors. The translucent quality of the paints and the clear water with which they are applied made her feel cool.

"You need that in Florida," she said. "It is too hot to paint with the thick paints of oils."

Chen paints flora and fauna that she sees around her and she paints Oriental still lifes.

"The Oriental paintings are my heritage," she explained. "It is where I come from and it puts me in touch with my past. It is what I grew up with. It is what I know."

The tropical plants are both a reminder of her present life and a reminder of the village where she grew up.

"It was a beautiful village," she said. "It was surrounded by natural beauty."

Chen said her paintings are like her life.

"Sometimes it makes me happy," she said. "Sometimes it makes me very frustrated. But, always, I enjoy it."

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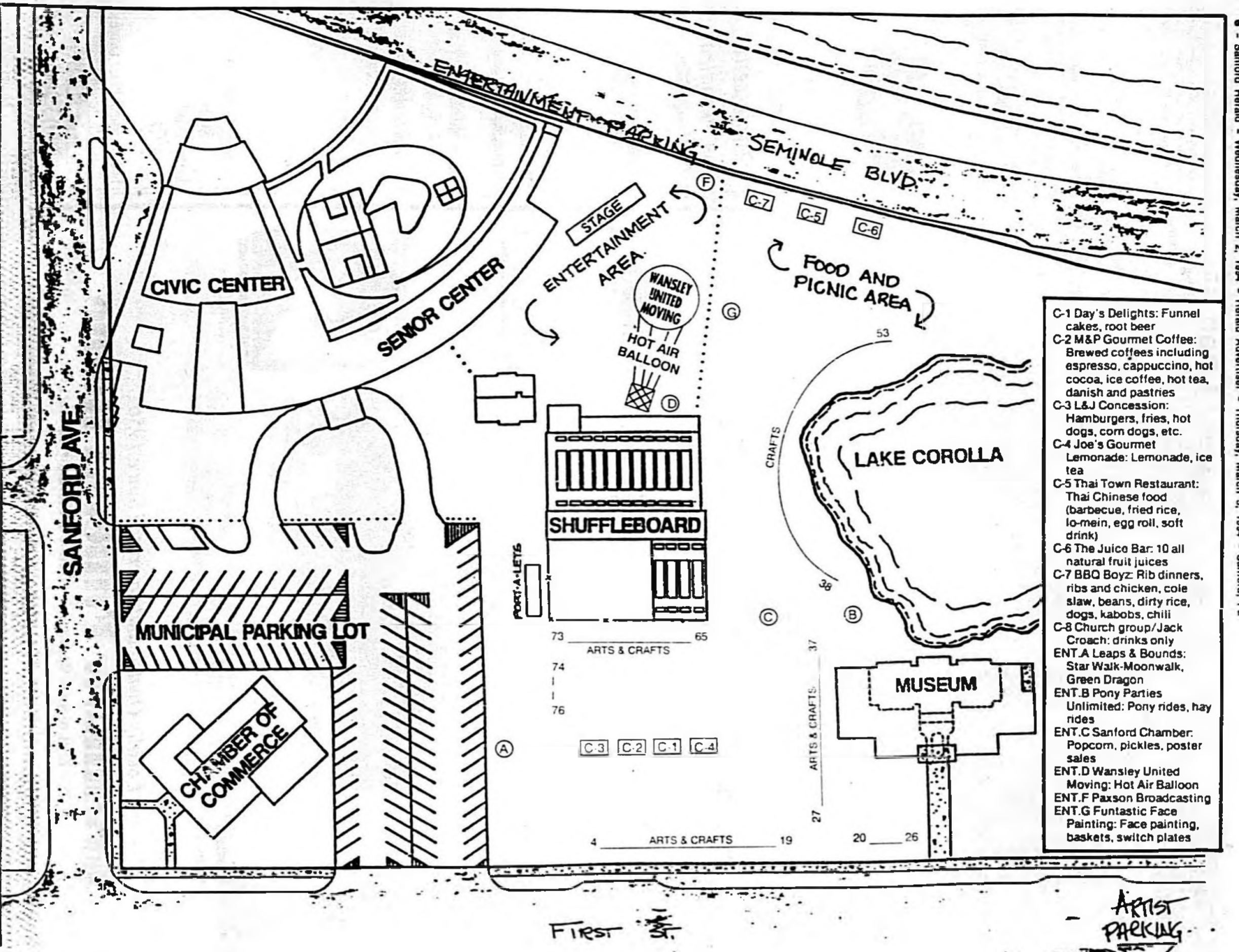


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# Disabling accident opened door to art

By Vicki Dossornien  
Herald Staff Writer

WINTER PARK — Basil Keyes retired abruptly a dozen years ago.

He said he was "playing around" out in the woods when he should have been working and fell. Fell from a tree and broke his back.

Though he is not paralyzed, he is disabled with the pain, he said. And his plans to do wicker repair when he stopped working were impossible because he could not stand the pain of being hunched over his work.

"I just had to find something else to do to keep busy," he said.

Then, his wife brought him a wire craft ring for his birthday a decade ago and he knew that it was something he wanted to learn to create.

He bought two or three books on the subject, but found they were inadequate teachers. He contacted the artist who had made the ring his wife had bought for him and he refused to teach him the craft.

"So I tried to teach myself," Keyes said. "I sat down and started doing it on my own."

He said he hit a point, however, where he could not determine what the next step should be and he became frustrated.

Finding another wire craft teacher at the Winter Park Mall near his home he approached him about learning the trade, but the gentleman said he would charge \$100 an hour for lessons.

"I'm a slow learner and I

felt I'm slowing down a little. But not too much,"

—Basil Keyes

only had about \$1,000 to spend," Keyes admitted. "So I asked if I could just stand behind him and watch him work."

The artisan agreed and Keyes said he watched "every move that man made" and then he went home and did it. He said that with some practice he became proficient and soon began to travel to arts and crafts festivals throughout the south to show and sell his work.

"I went to 27 shows the first year," he said.

With time, however, he has been able to attend fewer and fewer shows. Age, he said, is catching up with him.

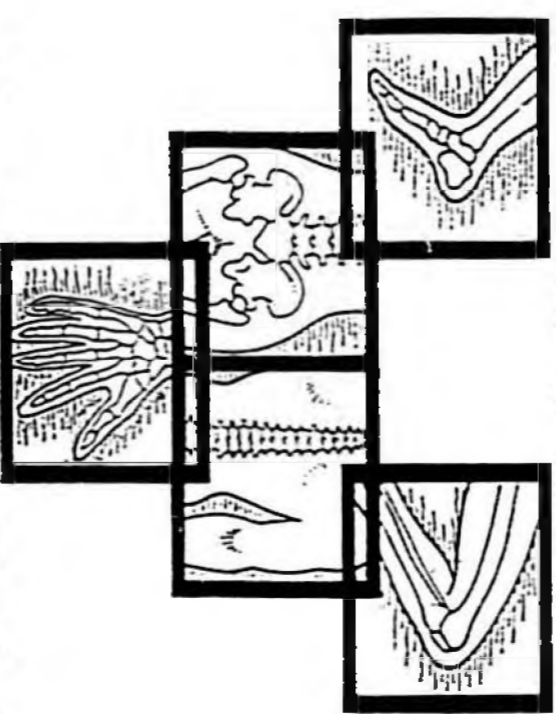
"I'll be 70 in a few days," he said. "I can't go like I used to."

This year he will take part in only four shows, including the St. John's River Festival.

"I'm slowing down a little," he said. "But not too much."

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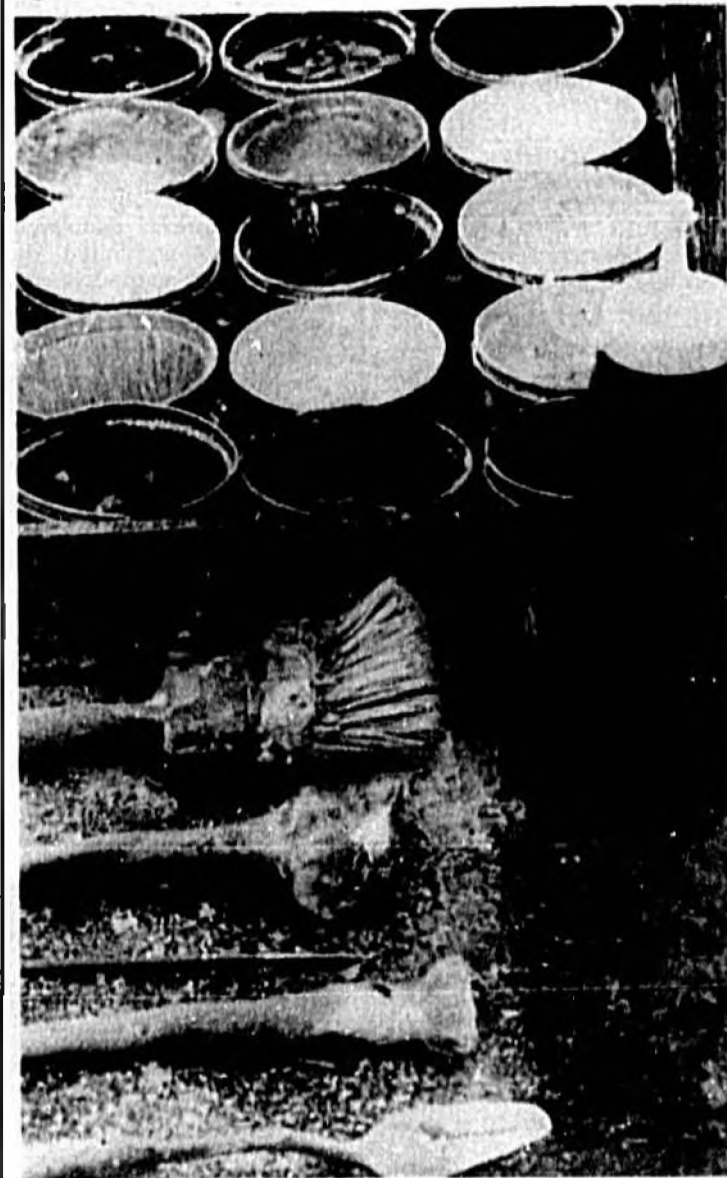
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# Beyond recycling, Mings makes old things beautiful

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Dotti Mings operates Vintage Cottage at 1209 S. Palmetto Avenue. She is well known by persons wanting decorative works for home displays or redecorating.

This weekend, Dotti puts her works of art on display and for sale, at the St. Johns Arts and Crafts show at Fort Mellon Park.

One of her featured exhibits is not what is usually found at an arts and crafts show. "It's a window," she explained. "I have this window which came from an old house. I've removed the glass, and decorated the frame area, to be used as a display item."

When asked what kind of display, she responded, "People may hang this in a kitchen where there may not be a window, on the wall of a

porch, or somewhere else where a decorated type window would become an asset to the appearance of the home or room."

She commented that she has made similar window designs in the past and they have been very well received by shoppers for unique items as well as spectators at the many arts and crafts shows where she has had displays.

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Dotti Mings with a silk flower arrangement.

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# Mings

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"It's difficult to put an exact classification on the type of artwork I do," she said. "I've been doing this for about 15 years now, and there is just no

exact title."

"Basically I work with floral designs and antiques," she continued. "You might say I recycle things. I take items which may not be of use any

more, and paint or decorate them to the point where they make an attractive display."

Mings will be located in booth G4 at the St. Johns Arts and Crafts show this weekend.

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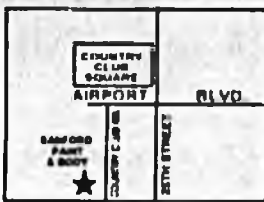


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# Temple's new medium tribute to nature

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — For 25 years, Sanford native Margaret Temple was involved with oil on canvas painting. During that time, she collected many awards at art shows in Florida as well as Georgia.

Three years ago, she switched her medium. "I just wanted to try something new," she said. "It has been so well received, it didn't take me long to realize that this is the way to go now."

This weekend, she will be displaying her new exhibit in booth 19 at the St. Johns Arts and Crafts show at Fort Mellon Park. The booth is expected to be near the end of the displays and exhibits, along First Street near the tennis courts.

Margaret Temple's art works now consist of wall displays. "Most of them involve nature scenes," she explained. "They have been cut out by my husband Lou, and after we put them together, I work on them with the oils, and put in the natural color which turns ordinary wood into what people consider works of art."

Many of her displays have been heralded by interior decorators, especially those interested in designs which lean toward nature.

"My latest offering," she said, "is three feet high and five feet wide. It consists of a Florida alligator, in the brush and swampy area, just like we see them in our wooded wetlands here in Central Florida."

One display of her wood artwork was held at a gallery in Georgia. "I really didn't know how they would be received or what people would think," she said, "but the reaction was amazing and I was very pleased."



Margaret Temple finishing one of her latest creations, an alligator in the wild.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

"One thing which concerned me," she added, "was whether or not the people who see my displays think of them as works of art. They aren't oil paintings because they are on wood rather than canvas."

She continued, "Yet they actually are a type of painting, because I try to put just as much feeling into putting the oils on that wood as I would have in painting on canvas. So, in reality, it is art."

Temple's displays are entered in the Mixed Media category for judging. In addition to being in competition for awards, she is also offering her works for sale. "I'll also be glad to talk to someone who

may want something special or out of the ordinary," she added.

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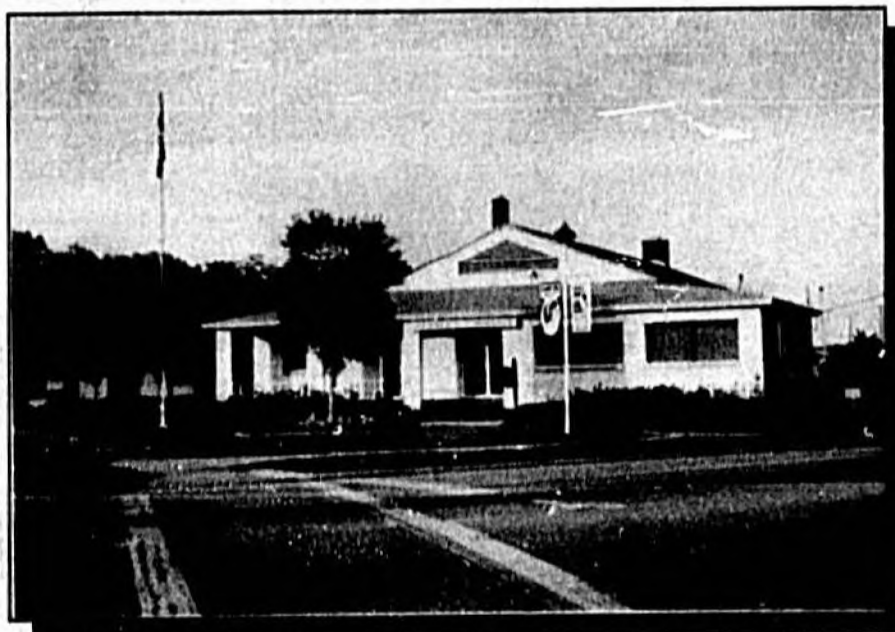
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