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Briefly

Car show is Saturday
Sanford Main Street will host the monthly Classic Car Cruise this Saturday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

An estimated 50 to 100 cars expected to cruise First Street in downtown Sanford. Classic music will be played from the 1950's and '60's. Downtown restaurants and merchants will remain open, and a hot dog vendor will also be present.

This is the second year of the monthly event. The Classic Car Cruise is held every month, except for November and December.

Lake Mary Planning and Zoning meets Tuesday

The Planning and Zoning Board of Lake Mary will meet Tuesday, Feb. 22, beginning at 7 p.m. Items on the agenda include final subdivision plat approval for the Tuscany at Lake Mary Subdivision, also known as the Lake Como Subdivision, consisting of 81 lots on over 42 acres at the intersection of CR-46A and Oregon Ave. Also, there has been a request for two sign variances at the southern entrance to Seminole Community College in the Weldon Blvd. median.

The meeting will be held in the commission chambers of Lake Mary City Hall, 100 N. Country Club Road.

Today is ...

Friday, Feb. 18, 2000
Today is the 49th day of 2000 and the 59th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1885, Mark Twain's "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" was first published. On this day in 1930, Clyde Tombaugh, working at the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Ariz., discovered the planet Pluto.

On this day in 1972, the Supreme Court of California struck down the death penalty, declaring it to be "cruel and unusual."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Peabody (1795-1869), merchant-philanthropist; Jack Palance (1920-), actor, is 80; Helen Gurley Brown (1922-), author-editor, is 78; Toni Morrison (1931-), novelist, is 69; Cybill Shepherd (1950-), actress, is 50; John Travolta (1954-), actor, is 46; Matt Dillon (1964-), actor, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1928, at the winter Olympic Games at St. Moritz, Switzerland, Sonja Henie won a gold medal in figure skating.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "There is really nothing more to say — except why. But since why is difficult to handle, one must take refuge in how."
Toni Morrison,
"The Bluest Eye"

TODAY'S MOON: Day before full moon (Feb. 19).

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Homeless hospital officials skip meeting

By Bill Kerns
Staff Writer

SANFORD — Residents filled Sanford City Hall Thursday to oppose a convalescent center for the homeless that would be located less than 10 blocks away from a soup kitchen operated by Seminole Volunteer Enterprises.

The Health Care Center for the Homeless wants to use the old Helig Meyers building on U.S. Highway 17-92 to house up to 47 homeless people who are ill.

However, representatives of the Health Care Center for the Homeless failed to show up to make a presentation before the city's Planning and Zoning

Concerns raised about location of proposed facility

Commission. The planning board's next meeting is set for March 2.

Sally Pickering, a nursing case manager who would be a co-administrator of the proposed center, said Sanford has not been ruled out as a possible location for a convalescent facility.

However, she said officials are looking at eight other sites in Seminole County and the Central Florida area. Pickering said that a flier sent by Sanford residents

provided a warning that the facility would face opposition.

"We sent an observer to the planning board meeting, but not a representative," Pickering said. "It was so negative and hostile. We are not into confrontation, we are into helping people."

The flier contained warnings about tuberculosis potentially being spread by people being housed at the facility.

Pickering said that patients with tuberculosis or other infectious diseases would not be housed in Sanford.

She said the non-profit organization operates a tuberculosis clinic located in Orlando where those found to be carrying the disease could be transported.

Pickering said that those using the proposed convalescent facility would be treated in three phases, including a two-week assessment period, respite care, and a third phase of supportive living and self-sufficiency.

"The homeless camps are all over the area," Pickering said. "Our Hope Team could clean them all out."

The main facility for Health Care
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Two hurt in Lake Mary wreck



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Two pick-up trucks and a mid-size car were involved in an accident at the intersection of Lake Mary Boulevard and Country Club Road in Lake Mary at 1:40 p.m. Thursday. A pick-up truck rolled over, and police had to remove the driver from the vehicle. Two people were hospitalized with possibly serious injuries, and one person was transported to a hospital with minor injuries. Two of those involved were transported to South Seminole Hospital, while another was brought to Central Florida Regional Hospital. Lake Mary police are investigating the cause of the accident. Police are not releasing the names of those involved at this time.

Pool will open March 20

By Bill Kerns
Staff Writer

SANFORD — The opening ceremonies for the Sanford's new community swimming pool will be held March 20, the city announced on Thursday.

Grand opening ceremonies for the Sanford-Seminole Aquatic Center will be held at 3 p.m. March 20 at the facility, located near the main entrance to Seminole High School. The 50-meter, Olympic-sized pool will open to the public the next day.

"This is great," said Mayor Larry Dale. "We'll have a com-

munity swimming pool that's second to none. The school is already using the pool. It will be wonderful for the school, the city and the county."

It will mark the first time a community swimming pool has been open in the city in 30 years, since a pool at Fort Mellon Park was closed during disputes over federal desegregation rulings.

"This 2000 year reality is a symbol of much needed positive change," said City Commissioner Velma Williams. "It is indeed a premier asset to the city."

Seminole High School is

already using the pool. It will be used by the school for practices, swim meets, and as a place to teach swimming safety.

Sanford, Seminole County and the school-district shared the costs of constructing the \$1 million pool facility near Seminole High School. Sanford is paying \$500,000 toward construction of the pool, while the county and school board are splitting the remaining \$500,000 for construction.

The pool will have heating, lighting, decking, a 5,000 square-foot bathhouse, polo capabilities, and diving boards.
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Gaipman ponders race for school board

By Bill Kerns
Staff Writer

SANFORD — A third candidate may soon join the race for Bob Goff's seat on the Seminole County School Board.

Paul Gaipman, a parent with two children attending Lake Brantley High School and who founded the Weapons In School Eliminated (W.I.S.E.) program, said Thursday that he is considering running for the School Board.

"I feel that there is a need for better communication with the students," Gaipman said. "The present Board doesn't communicate well with the students."

Gaipman founded the W.I.S.E. program three years ago. The violence-prevention program is now in operation at Lake Brantley High School, Beth Am Parochial

School and Spring Lake Elementary School.

He also gives discussions about topics such as violence prevention and the importance of the school-districts Save-A-Friend Hotline at various Seminole County schools.

Gaipman said that he is concerned about whether students are receiving a well-rounded education, because the primary focus appears to be on grades and testing.

"We're so focused on grades that we may be losing track of the education," Gaipman said.

Gaipman is an insurance broker with National Health Insurance Services.

Dede Schaffner, who serves as the Seminole County school district's director of Community Involvement and Public Information, has announced her

candidacy for Goff's District 3 seat on the School Board.

So far, only Schaffner and Goff have qualified for the seat with the Supervisor of Elections Office. The election will be held in November.

Schaffner will remain in her current position unless she is elected to the School Board.

The deadline for qualifying for the seat is noon July 21.

If no more than two people qualify for the seat, the election will be held during the general election Nov. 7. If three people qualify for the seat, the first primary will be held Sept. 5, followed by a second primary runoff on Oct. 3 if necessary, prior to the general election.

The state sets the annual salary for School Board members at \$30,218.

Paradise lost in Lake Mary

Commission drops plans to build park after residents voice concerns

By Michelle Jeria
Managing Editor

LAKE MARY — Residents living on Big Lake Mary no longer have to worry about Paradise.

City Commission voted 4-1 Thursday to discontinue plans for Paradise Park, putting an end to the city's Florida Communities Trust's Preservation 2000 Program grant application. The decision was met with a standing ovation from residents attending the meeting.

Commissioner Gary Brender was the sole vote to uphold the Parks and Recreation Board's decision. He voted against the motion to halt plans for the nature preservation area since it was "green space" for the city.

"I believe if you really want the land to stay the same than your best choice is to let the city build a preserve," Brender said. "I doubt anybody will say they want to take this 11 acres of nature preserve and change it into something else."

During a public forum held

earlier this month, community members living in the area of the proposed Preservation 2000 park voiced their opposition to the city's plan for their neighborhood. Many were concerned about their privacy and safety once a park or nature preserve opened.

"If there is going to be a picnic area, there is going to be loud music," resident Jim Thomson said. "If there is going to be a boardwalk, there are going to be people with binoculars looking at the birds. And, they can look into our homes with those binoculars."

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Jim Thompson
Lake Mary resident

Despite protest, the city's Parks and Recreation Board voted 4-2 to continue plans for the 11.2 acre conservation area located on the south side of Lake Mary Boulevard adjacent to Big Lake Mary citing the park's would benefit the entire Lake Mary community, or more than 10,000 residents.

Specific plans for the park began last year when the city submitted two grant applications to the Florida Communities Trust's Preservation 2000 Program. The grants are commonly used to acquire land for natural resource conservation, outdoor recreation and urban green space.

The grant application for
See Park, Page 6A

Fair donates \$25,000 to SCC



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Dede Schaffner and Pam Webber, left, accept a \$25,000 check from Valerie Cockerham, right, of the Central Florida Fair, as Sanford Chamber of Commerce Director Ron Rose and chamber president Bob Parsell look on. The check will provide an endowment at Seminole Community College. Schaffner is the chairman of the Board of Trustees at SCC and Webber is the director of the SCC Foundation.

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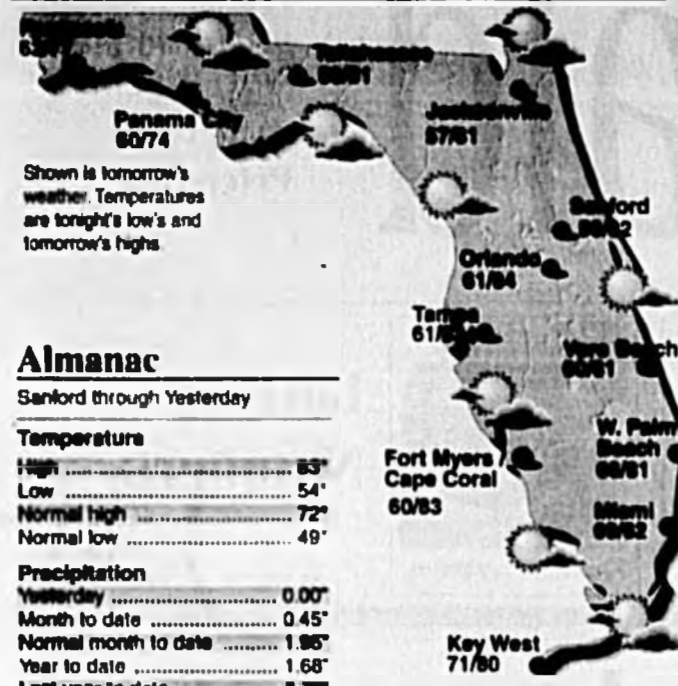
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Temperature
 High 63°
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 Normal low 49°

Precipitation
 Yesterday 0.00"
 Month to date 0.45"
 Normal month to date 1.96"
 Year to date 1.66"
 Last year to date 3.72"
 Normal year to date 4.72"

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Regional Weather

Florida: Clear to partly cloudy and pleasant tonight. Sunshine mixed with clouds tomorrow; a shower is possible across the north.

Georgia: Mostly cloudy tonight with a shower or two across the north. A couple of morning showers tomorrow, then partly sunny.

Mississippi: Mostly cloudy tonight with showers and thunderstorms. Gradual clearing, brisk and cooler tomorrow.

Alabama: Variable cloudiness with showers and thunderstorms possible tonight. Morning clouds tomorrow giving way to sunshine.

South Carolina: Mainly cloudy tonight with nothing more than a shower. Morning clouds and a shower tomorrow, then some afternoon clearing.

Louisiana: Gradual clearing and cooler tonight. Partly to mostly sunny and pleasant tomorrow.

Sun and Moon

Sunset tonight 6:17 p.m.
 Sunrise Saturday 7:01 a.m.
 Moonrise today 5:28 p.m.
 Moonset today 6:17 a.m.

Full Moon: Feb 19
 Last Moon: Feb 26
 New Moon: Mar 6
 First Moon: Mar 13

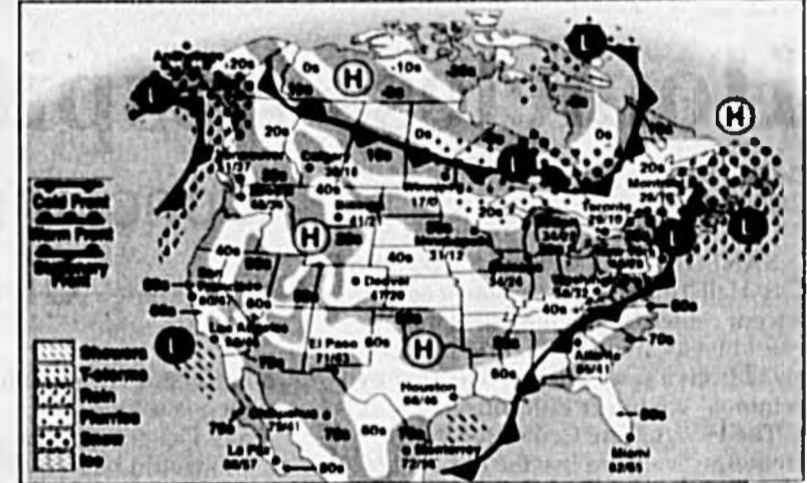
Tides

Tides for Daytona Beach Shores, Sunlight Pier

Tomorrow
 First Low 1:14 a.m. -0.9 ft.
 First High 7:40 a.m. 5.0 ft.
 Second Low 1:50 p.m. -0.6 ft.
 Second High 8:03 p.m. 4.5 ft.

Sunday
 First Low 2:05 a.m. -0.9 ft.
 First High 8:29 a.m. 4.9 ft.
 Second Low 2:36 p.m. -0.7 ft.
 Second High 8:52 p.m. 4.6 ft.

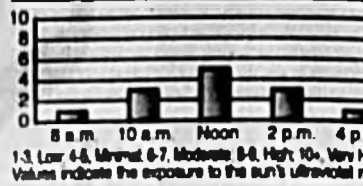
Tomorrow's National Weather



National Cities

City	Tom.	Sun.	City	Tom.	Sun.	City	Tom.	Sun.
Atlanta	65/41	61/38	Grand Rapids	34/23	30/20	Oklahoma City	80/65	88/62
Atlanta City	55/25	43/20	Havana	32/9	41/25	Omaha	44/21	45/27
Baltimore	52/28	42/22	Honolulu	79/86	84/86	Philadelphia	52/28	42/22
Bilings	41/21	48/33	Houston	68/46	67/52	Phoenix	76/54	76/57
Birmingham	61/38	60/38	Indianapolis	38/25	41/34	Portland, OR	64/38	64/40
Boise	46/24	49/31	Jacksonville	61/53	68/40	Providence	43/25	36/18
Boston	40/25	35/19	Kansas City	45/29	49/34	Raleigh/Durham	69/40	54/27
Charleston, SC	78/51	65/36	Las Vegas	65/46	64/47	Rapid City	41/14	50/28
Charleston, WV	48/30	41/24	Little Rock	64/35	67/38	Reno	69/28	53/34
Chicago	34/24	34/22	Louisville	44/30	45/29	St. Louis	38/31	49/33
Cleveland	35/23	32/18	Memphis	51/34	56/38	Salt Lake City	43/25	52/35
Daytona Beach	80/56	73/46	Miami	82/65	82/63	San Francisco	46/25	55/35
Denver	47/20	38/30	Missoula	34/24	33/22	St. Ignace, MT	27/16	24/11
Des Moines	40/21	43/27	Mobile	31/12	32/23	Seattle	48/36	52/41
Detroit	34/22	34/18	Nashville	49/32	53/31	Topsham	44/26	52/34
El Paso	71/43	70/48	New Orleans	71/47	64/46	Tucson	76/49	72/51
Fort Worth	51/13	48/0	New York City	48/28	38/24	Washington, DC	58/32	48/28

UV Index Tomorrow



Regional Cities

City	Hi	Lo	W	Sun.
Albany, GA	72	61	c	69
Alpharetta, GA	75	53	c	70
Atlanta, GA	65	41	c	61
Bainbridge, GA	75	51	c	71
Boonville, GA	80	58	pc	81
Calhoun, GA	78	41	c	71
Conrad Springs	78	67	pc	79
Crossville	74	47	pc	66
Fl. Lauderdale	78	68	pc	83
Fort Myers	83	80	s	82
Gainesville	80	55	s	74
Key West	80	69	s	80
Kissimmee	83	87	pc	83
Lakeland	83	58	s	78
McIntosh	81	59	s	76
Norcross	85	60	s	83
Ocala	84	68	pc	78
Panacea	77	48	pc	66
Sarasota	80	62	s	76
St. Augustine	79	59	pc	74
St. Petersburg	82	62	pc	78
Tallahassee	81	50	c	72
Tampa	83	61	s	75
Thomsonville	78	51	c	71
W. Palm Beach	81	68	s	78
W. Palm Beach	81	65	s	80

World Cities

City	Hi	Lo	W	Sun.
Albany	81	60	pc	87
Beijing	39	25	sn	39
Berlin	37	27	pc	30
Buenos Aires	77	66	pc	81
Calcutta	33	24	pc	30
Hong Kong	78	70	c	75
Jerusalem	58	40	s	57
London	41	32	s	41
Manila	88	74	pc	80
Mexico City	75	43	pc	68
Montevideo	40	29	sn	38
Paris	45	32	s	44
Rome	57	39	pc	48
Seoul	40	36	c	42
Sydney	75	41	pc	64
Tokyo	42	41	s	57
Warsaw	34	25	sn	30
Zurich	34	27	sn	34

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I would never trade my life for anyone else's life

The trouble with our times is that the future is not what it used to be. Long ago it was told by prophets. Today it is told by profits.

Football coach George Allen used to tell his players, "The Future is Now."

I'm such a procrastinator that I put off my future years ago. Before I knew it my future had come and gone.

They say we learn from our experiences. That's not true. I know less today than I did before learning from my experiences.

I once crossed a bridge before I came to it. I had to pay two tolls.

Life for the most part is a long lesson in humility. I believe that humility is making an honest estimate of yourself. Only I'm not that honest.

Tennessee Williams said that success and failure are equally disastrous. I don't know if he's right about that. I haven't been that successful.

When I was 16, Doris Day sang, "Que Sera Sera." That

means whatever will be will be. Evidently, this is true.

An ounce of hypocrisy is worth a pound of ambition. Evidently, this also is true.

My second grade teacher — Mrs. Mason — told me I was "awkward and ugly" and would be that way the rest of my life. How could she have known that?

I wore glasses early in life and frequently made a spectacle out of myself.

Until my twenties, I was skinny. Now, I live beyond my seams.

Surveys indicate that a great number of those who read my column are up in years. Some of them tell me they love what I write but that they forget what they've read. I'm that way, too. I can't remember what I'm writing while I'm writing it.

Groucho Marx once said that he didn't want to belong to a club that would accept him as a member. I feel the same way. I recently refused an offer to join Sam's Club.

I used to have a mustache

until someone asked me if I could see what I had under my nose. My wife told me she liked the way my mustache looked but not the way it felt. I shaved it. Her feelings were more important to me than my looks.

My aunt told me to collect friends and knowledge. I wish I had listened more closely.

You'll notice that I'll frequently use quotations in my columns. That's because I've run out of things to say. (Hope this is alright with you, Mr. Donald Fann.)

Failure is the path of least resistance. Been there, done that.

My wife told me I was a good-looking guy. As pleased as I was to hear that, I'm worried about her eyes.

Oscar Wilde said that to love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance. I messed up on that, too.

George Bernard Shaw said that life does not cease to be funny when people die any more than it is serious when people laugh.

I wouldn't trade my life for anyone else's. I haven't had any offers, anyhow.



Russ White

Russ White's column appears daily in the Seminole Herald

Obituaries

NITA M. FAIRCLOTH
Nita M. Faircloth, 44, Amelia Avenue, Sanford, died Thursday, Feb. 17, 2000 at her residence. Born March 2, 1955 in Windber, Pa., she moved to Central Florida in 1956. She was a homemaker and a Catholic. Survivors include father, Dale Varner, Sanford; mother, Mary Varner, Sanford; daughter, Jessica Ligac, Sanford; brother, Thomas Varner, Sanford; sister,

Karen Jones, DeBary; two grandchildren.
Gramkow Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

JOHN H. FIELDEN, JR.
John H. Fielden, Jr., 78, Steward Terrace, Deltona, died Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2000 at Florida Hospital Fish Memorial, Orange City. Born in Knoxville, Tenn., he moved to Central Florida in

1987. He was a decorated World War II veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a retired mechanical superintendent and a member of the Masonic Lodge. Survivors include wife, Kathleen, Deltona; sons, Ronald D., New Braunfels, Texas, John S., Coshocton, Ohio; daughter, Lenore Thom, Deltona; brother, Paul, Knoxville; one grandchild. FourTowns Cremation, Inc., in charge of arrangements.

Special performance



Members of the Dazzlers Dance Team of Seminole High School performing for the Sanford Woman's Club at the February meeting are, from left, Kirsten Marlette, Robin Dvornick, Mandy McLain and Pamela Trinidad.

Briefs

Weed and Seed
Saturday, Feb. 19, Eatonville's Weed and Seed Program, and Mayor Anthony Grant will honor special persons at a community luncheon. Appreciation will be extended to persons who volunteer and show a willingness to go that extra mile to make certain city officials keep their attention on the needs of the constituents they serve, helping Eatonville keep pace into the 21st century and beyond.

The celebration will be held at Hungerford Elementary School cafeteria, 230 College Avenue, from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. The public is invited.

Seminole County
For additional information or to register in advance, phone Linda Lafitte at 407-852-3369.

Tennis clinic
The City of Altamonte Springs is offering free tennis clinics Saturday, Feb. 19, from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. for children ages 8 to 15. From noon until 2 p.m., the clinic will be offered for youngsters age 16 and older.

The clinic will be held at Westmonte Park. For directions or questions, phone Ryan Thompson at 407-830-3880.

Ad Litem volunteers
The Seminole County Guardian Ad Litem Program is in need of volunteers to advocate for the best interest of abused, neglected and abandoned children in a court proceeding.

To become a Guardian Ad Litem volunteer you must be 21 years old, possess good judgment, common sense and be capable of helping a child in crisis. You must present favorable

references, consent to have your background checked and complete 24 hours of training.

Guardian Ad Litem training will be held at the Juvenile Justice Center, 190 Bush Blvd., Sanford on March 3, March 4 and March 10. If you are interested in attending or wish more information, call Myrna at (407) 665-4370.

Power Wheelchairs available
The Senior Wheels USA Program makes available power (electric) wheelchairs to senior citizens 65 and older, and the permanently disabled, at no cost, if they qualify.

Power wheelchairs may be provided to persons who cannot walk and cannot self-propel a manual wheelchair, and who meet additional guidelines of the program. No deposit is required.

Individuals in need of a power wheelchair for use in the home should phone Leon Johnson for additional information and qualification requirements. 1-800-246-6010.

Dads only
United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) Child Development Centers are sponsoring a "Dad's Only" support group meeting for fathers with special needs children. The meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 22, from 7 until 9 p.m. at the UCP Holloway Child Development Center, 3305 S. Orange Ave., Orlando. They will be dedicated to an educational topic and an informal exchange among the dads. A light dinner and baby-sitting will be available.

The support group is for fathers of special needs children at five locations including

LOTTO

Here are the winning numbers selected in the Florida Lottery:

Fantasy 5 (Feb. 17)
3-8-13-18-24

Lotto (Feb. 18)
1-23-26-35-38-45

Mega Money (Feb. 18)
2-21-22-25 — Megaball 6

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3-4-7-7
Cash 3
6-3-6

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Religion

Religion notes

United Methodist
Christ United Methodist men will hold their annual breakfast on Saturday, Feb. 19. Breakfast will consist of eggs, bacon, sausage, grits, waffles, orange juice, coffee or milk, for only \$2.50. Serving times will be 8 a.m. until 10 a.m. The church is at the corner of Tucker Drive and CR-427, about 1 1/2 miles south of the Greenway ramp on CR-427. Worship services at the church are Sunday mornings at 10:55. Everyone is invited to the breakfast and the services.

God of Prophecy
Everyone is invited to a street meeting, Saturday, Feb. 19, at the corner of 25th Street and Elm Avenue in Sanford. There will be music and singing, featuring Teen Challenge and others. There will be testimonies, preaching and prayer for the sick and needy, and free refreshments while they last. The event will be from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. For additional information, phone Pastors Roy and Carolyn Stone at 407-322-4015.

AME
Grant Chapel AME Church youth department presents "Young People in Praise, Tearing Down Satan's Kingdom" at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20. Guest Choir will be from Rescue Church of God in Christ youth of Sanford. Special guest will be Octavius Smith of Mt. Olive AME Church youth department of Orlando.

Grant Chapel AME Church is located at 387 Franklin Street, Oviedo. For additional information phone 407-365-6039.

Presbyterian
The Markham Woods Presbyterian Church has announced Sunday, Feb. 27, at 3:30 p.m. as the date for the next in the "Music at Markham Woods Concert Series." Featured will be a performance by Wes Hamrick and Friends. The event will take place in the sanctuary of the church, 5210 Markham Woods Road. The concert will include classical, popular and Christian music performed by Wes at the piano. There is no charge, but a free-will offering will be taken to help defray expenses. For additional information, phone the church at 407-333-3202.

A.M.E.
St. James A.M.E. Church, 819 Cypress Avenue, Sanford, will present a play, "A Look Back" on Feb. 20 beginning at 4 p.m. The play will be presented by the Y.P.D. Department, headed by Mrs. Rhonda Easley. Preston Adams Jr., is pastor.

DOVE Christian Fellowship
DOVE Christian Fellowship International will present "Growing Healthy Cell Groups," a weekend conference offering field-tested training to grow effective cell groups. The conference will be held at the Gathering Place in Lake Mary, March 10-11. For more information, call 1-800-848-5892.

Courage is fear that said its prayers

Whenever the Seminole County Commissioners meet, they begin with a public prayer. Usually, an area pastor leads the prayer. Once in a while one of the commissioners leads.

"I hope no one will ever try to change this," Commissioner Grant Maloy said.

A mayor in a nearby Central Florida community actually considered dropping prayer from her city's agenda. The others on the commission quickly dissuaded her.

If someone took a poll, I believe most Americans would vote to put prayer back in the classroom at public schools. Banning prayer in schools wasn't a good decision. It would seem that placing an emphasis on God might help our children. The Constitution didn't intend to give us freedom from religion. Freedom of religion

is what it says. You've probably read that several high schools in Texas have a public prayer before football games. Most Texans like this. Some, of course, want to stop the prayers. I used to work at a newspaper where employees were asked not to bring religion to the office. The editor was irritated that some one was leaving prayer tracts in the rest rooms. He put a notice on the bulletin board that solicitation of this nature would not be tolerated.

The Republican presidential candidates have been denounced for putting too much emphasis on God in their debates. George W. Bush said that Jesus Christ was his favorite philosopher. Leave Christ out of it, the governor was advised. Stick to politics. God will forgive us, of course. That's his

business. He realizes people use his name improperly but He still manages to get a lot of praise. Kurt Warner praised him when the Rams won Super Bowl XXXIV.

One of the first football players to praise the Lord was born again quarterback Craig Morton when he was with the Denver Broncos. Fans in Denver said this was fine with them. They couldn't understand, however, how he could find God and not find Moses — Broncos wide receiver Haven Moses.

Gore Vidal once quipped that he was a born again atheist. He also said that the reason so many people have religion is that they are afraid of death. Perhaps Vidal should sit down with Kurt Warner. This guy doesn't seem to be afraid of anything. Courage is fear that has said its prayers.

Religion is insurance in this world against fire in the next. I'd like to upgrade my policy. That way I'll have a prayer when I need it the most.



Russ White

Geneva Church to host concert

By Nick Pfeiffert
Staff Writer

GENEVA — Some of the finest gospel singing groups in the area will be in performance Friday, March 3, at Geneva Elementary School. The event is a fund-raiser in support of the Heart-to-Honduras mission. Featured at this gala event will be The Floridians, a renowned group from Kissimmee, who have appeared throughout the southeastern states and made a number of television appearances. Also, stirring gospel singing will feature The Tomlin Family, The Pathfinders, and The 3-Times Blest.

All of these groups are donating their services to help meet the need in missions. The concert is a combined church effort with many denominations to support the Heart-to-Honduras project.

"We're very thrilled about this project," said Don Crabtree, pastor of the Community Church of God in Geneva. "There are many different denominations of churches in Honduras, and the pastor of the Church of God down there determined that there needs to be more of a combined effort rather than each church working individually. So he organized pastors of all the churches, Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, and many others.

Now they are working together, but they are in need of support in their drive to make Honduras a better nation."

Pastor Crabtree urged everyone to turn out for the gospel concert, not only to enjoy the music, but to share in the fellowship and help these many denominations in Honduras in their work.

The Geneva Elementary School is located at 275 First Street in Geneva. Admission to the concert is free, but a free-will offering will be taken up during the performance for the Heart-to-Honduras project.

For additional information, phone Pastor Don Crabtree at 407-349-9058.

Spring Flea Market set for March 11

The Lutheran Haven Fellowship Hall will host a Spring Flea Market 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Saturday, March 11 at the Lutheran Hall, State Road 426 (between Chapman and Slavia).

The flea market will contain plants, household items, crafts, clothing, jewelry, books, ceramics, toys, and furniture. Lunch will also be available.

Proceeds will go to the Lutheran Haven Nursing Home.

Wife thinks girlie calendar in office is definitely way behind the times

DEAR ABBY: Here we go again. Besides being disrespectful, could it be construed as sexual harassment when a business establishment that caters to men and women hangs a calendar depicting nude or almost nude women in a conspicuous place? My husband has one of those calendars in his office in a white-collar business that is patronized by male and



Dear Abby

female clients. When I or my daughter, adult sons, grandson or granddaughters go to an auto repair shop, gas station or tire shop that displays girlie calendars, I am embarrassed and offended. My company has seminars regarding sexual harassment, and we are informed that this is a form of it. I do not allow it in my office. It is disrespectful, and I don't want to be part of a lawsuit. Please don't get me wrong, Abby. There is nothing wrong with nudity — it just doesn't belong in a public place.

OFFENDED IN PALATINE, ILL.

DEAR OFFENDED: It may be in poor taste, but it is not against the law. As a member of the public, you are free to take

your business elsewhere if the "calendar art" offends you. However, if you had to WORK in that environment, and if there was also demeaning conduct that was severe and pervasive, it might be considered sexual harassment.

DEAR ABBY: Yesterday my husband had surgery to remove a lump. The doctor prepared us for the worst, indicating that it might be cancer. My husband told only close family members and a few friends about his condition.

His sister, "Winifred," traveled 150 miles to come to the hospital, even though she was told there was no need for her to be there. I was very upset with her presence. I wanted some private

time with my husband in the pre-op room, but within minutes, Winifred ushered herself in. I became upset and told her so. However, she refused to go back to the public waiting room.

While in the waiting room, during my husband's surgery, Winifred asked me if I would like to "talk about" the way I was acting. I told her I had wanted private time with my husband. She said I was selfish, that she is dearly fond of her brother. Abby, in the nine years we've owned our home, I can count on one hand the number of times Winifred has visited us. For the past year she has lived only 150 miles away.

Winifred has three children and a granddaughter to go home to, but what would my son and I have if my husband didn't make

it? She would have lost her brother, but our lives would be drastically changed.


Fortunately, my husband does not have cancer. Do you think I was selfish requesting private time with my husband?

BELIEVES IN THE RIGHT TO PRIVACY

DEAR BELIEVES: Your sister-in-law was frightened over the possibility of losing her brother, and probably felt guilty for not visiting him more in the past. Although you were understandably upset, you could have acted with a little more sensitivity. She is your husband's sister, not a stranger. She, too, could have been more sensitive to your request, and left you and your husband alone after making her presence

known. Since your husband appears to be healthy and the crisis is past, I urge you to bury the anger and resentment you feel toward each other and try to become a closer family. Everyone will benefit.

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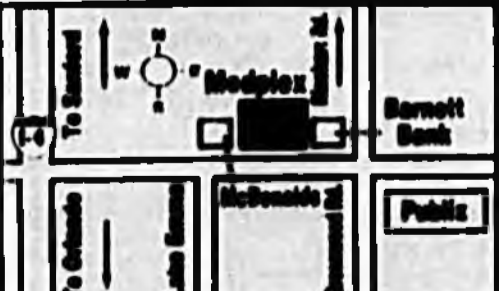
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Park

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property located on the east side of Longwood-Lake Mary Road was denied, but the application for Paradise Park requesting funding for more than \$800,000 was approved earlier this year.

According to the application, the city planned on creating a passive park that would have included a nature trail and a picnic area. Swimming or boating would not have been permitted.

Updated plans included a less intrusive park with no beach area and a boardwalk constructed beside the lake.

During Thursday's

Commission meeting, many of the same residents who voiced their opposition during the public forum returned to the city chamber to reiterate their concerns.

Several residents, however, spoke in favor of the preservation grant.

"There are 10,000 other Lake Mary residents and you have been approached by 90," Ursula West said. "You can always kill it, but you can't resurrect it."

Nevertheless, Commissioners George Duryea and Al Crump, Deputy Mayor Thom Greene and Mayor David Meador voted in favor of halting plans for the

nature preservation due to the residents discord.

"After reviewing the matter, I think it is clear the residents don't want the preservation," Greene said.

Following the meeting, Mayor Meador said Commission was not trying to disenfranchise residents from other amenities within the city and emphasized there are numerous areas within the city that offer outdoor features.

"I believe we already have one of the most beautiful points in northern Seminole County at our Community Center," Meador said.

New directional signs will point the way for visitors

By Bill Kerna
Staff Writer

SANFORD — New roadway signs at the Orlando Sanford Airport are aimed at easing difficulties faced by travelers.

Twenty-eight new street signs were placed in various locations around the airport at a cost of \$1,000. In addition, the airport is also working with the city of Sanford to construct 24 new directional signs, with a total estimated value of \$10,800.

The new signs, such as the one located at West Airport Boulevard approaching Carrier Avenue, has a width of four feet-

by-eight feet. The goals of the new signs are to provide high visibility with easily understood directions, and to upgrade the appearance of the signs. In addition, directional signs will be standardized.

The space between lines on the signs will be increased, and lettering will be at least half an inch larger so that airport customers can more easily read the signs.

Sanford Mayor Larry Dale will propose to the City Commission the city provide the 24 new directional signs at little or no cost to the airport.

"To me, I think it's a benefit to the city at large," Dale said.

Airport officials will also ask Seminole County to standardize directional signs to the airport.

In addition, Larry Gouldthorpe, president of the company that manages the international and domestic terminal at Orlando Sanford International, this week requested the names of British charter carriers be placed on airport directional signs.

"It would be helpful to show the UK carrier signs," Gouldthorpe said. "Right now Pan Am is shown, but the British carriers aren't. Showing them on the signs would give reassurance to our international passengers."

Pool

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The facility is the only 50 meter swimming pool in north Seminole County.

"This shows what can happen when you act as a team," Dale said. "I'm really appreciative of the School Board, the County Commission, and the City Commission."

Tentative plans call for the pool to be open to the public Monday through Friday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., and reserved for

the school prior to 5 p.m.

On Saturdays the pool will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and on Sundays the pool will be open from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

The Sanford City Commission this week established fees that will be charged to use the community swimming pool located near Seminole High School.

The daily fee to use the pool will be \$3 for adults, and \$1 for children under 18 years of age. An annual pass will cost \$100

for individuals, and \$220 for families. The three-month seasonal pass will cost \$40, and \$90 for families.

The cities of Altamonte Springs and Orlando have also worked with local school-districts to construct a community swimming pool. A swimming pool being constructed at Seminole High School will be similar to the pool already in use at Lake Brantley High School.

Meeting

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Center for the Homeless is located in Orlando. At the facility, a staff of 17 including doctors and nurses provides medical care and other services such as assistance in finding transitional housing to 800 clients per month.

Linda Kuhn, director of Sanford Main Street, said she hopes the application by the Health Care Center for the Homeless is withdrawn because of the concerns of area resi-

dents.

"Obviously, the next step would be to notify the city," Kuhn said.

City staff has recommended against the project because it would be located within 1,500 feet of the Laura Clark Mission and the Human Crisis Council.

In addition, the center would not meet city regulations for parking, setbacks, and landscaping, according to city planners.

The City Commission on

Monday passed a zoning ordinance limiting where social service agencies — such as convalescent homeless shelters — can be located.

The ordinance bans pawnshops, bail-bond businesses and certain community resource facilities from being within 1,500 feet of each other.

However, the City Commission can waive the requirement of a 1,500-foot separation regulation.

Bach Festival celebrates 65th anniversary

The annual Bach Festival is always a special event in Winter Park.

This season, however, the Festival has an extraordinary number of reasons to celebrate a group of significant anniversaries.

The Festival will present concerts in the Knowles Memorial Chapel to celebrate the Festival's 65th Anniversary Season. This is also the 10th Anniversary for Dr. John V. Sinclair as Conductor and Music Director and the 50th amazing year in which John Tiedtke serves as president of the organization. All of this celebration is held to honor music's great master - Johann Sebastian Bach, as the world celebrates the 250th Anniversary Commemoration of his life.

The Festival's opening concert on Friday, February 25th, at 4 p.m., will feature a program of French songs performed by Edmund LeRoy, baritone with Dr. Gloria Cook at the piano. That concert will take place in the Bush Auditorium on the Rollins College Campus.

The Friday evening performance will be an all Mozart performance including Mozart's Grand Mass in C minor. This performance is currently sold out on subscription.

Guest artists for the Bach Festival 2000 include Henriette Schellenberg, soprano; Laura Pudwell, mezzo-soprano; Brad Diamond, tenor; Kevin Deas, bass-baritone; Dr. Edmund LeRoy, baritone; Gloria Cook, piano; Routs Kroumouitch, violin; and Alvaro Gomez, viola; and Dr. Christoph Wolff, featured lecturer.

The Empire Brass Quintet will perform Saturday, Feb. 26 at 4 p.m. These five musicians perform over 100 concerts throughout the world each year and are known for their best-selling recordings. They prove that the excitement of the "brass section" ranges from Bach and Handel to Stravinsky, Richard Rodgers and Duke Ellington.

Dr. Christoph Wolff will lecture Saturday morning, February 26, at 10 a.m.

Single tickets for the concerts will be sold separately for \$29 and \$15. Single tickets will be available for sale Feb. 1. Call (407)646-2182 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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NOTICE OF CHANGE OF LAND USE

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the City of Sanford Planning and Zoning Commission, acting as the City of Sanford's Land Planning Agency, in the City Commission Chambers, City Hall, Sanford, Florida at 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, March 2, 2000 to consider the proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Plan Map within the area depicted below:

Property address: 700 East Lake Mary Blvd. Parcel ID: 12-20-30-300-0120-0000

Existing Future Land Use Designation: High Density Residential

Proposed Future Land Use Designation: General Commercial

Land Area: Approximately 9.97 acres.

It is anticipated that the Sanford City Commission will consider this matter at a public hearing on Monday, March 27, 2000 in the City Commission Chambers, City Hall, Sanford, Florida, at 7:00 P.M.

Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard regarding the transmittal of the proposed plan amendment to the City Commission. Interested persons may submit written comments.

The proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Plan Map and the Future Land Use Element of the Comprehensive Plan can be inspected by the public at the Department of Engineering and Planning Office, Second Floor, Sanford City Hall, 300 N. Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida. For further information contact Jay R. Marder at 330-5670.

All parties in interest and citizens shall have an opportunity to be heard at said hearing.

ADVICE TO THE PUBLIC: If a person decides to appeal a decision made with respect to any matter considered at the above meeting or hearing, he/she may need a verbatim record of the proceedings including the testimony and evidence, which record is not provided by the City of Sanford. (FS 286.0105).

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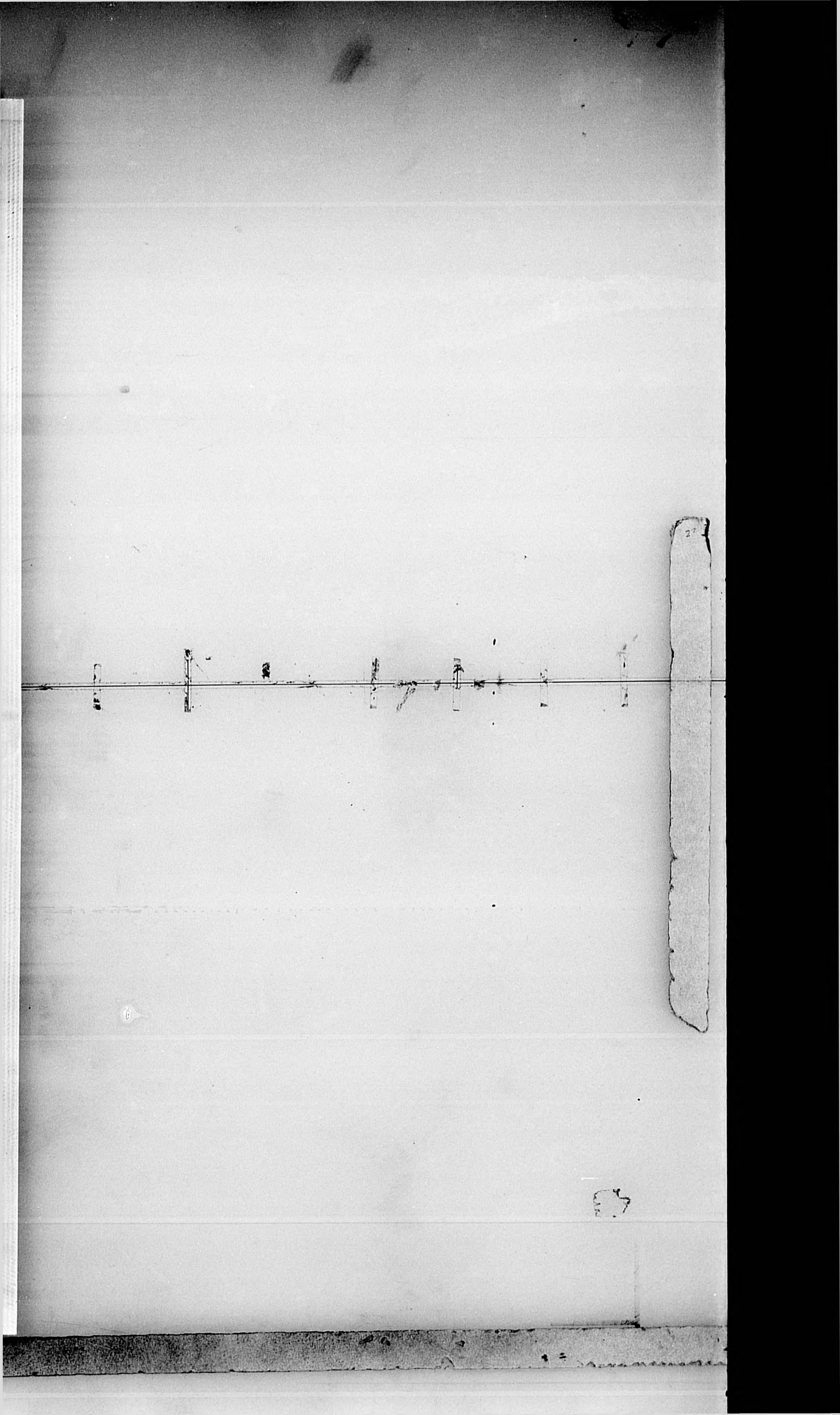


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Sports

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Recreation leagues in action this weekend

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

SANFORD - With the automobile portion of Speedweeks wrapping up and several high school tournaments in various sports being played this weekend, the recreation leagues have kind of been pushed onto the back-burner.

But the leagues will be in action tonight and Saturday.

On tonight's schedule will be the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Polar Bear Industrial Slow Pitch Softball League at Pinehurst Park and the Adult Church League at Sanford Middle School, and the City of Lake Mary Department of Parks and Recreation Men's Friday Night Polar Bear Slow Pitch Softball League at the Lake Mary Sports Complex.

On Saturday, the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Youth Basketball League will conclude its Championship Tournament at Sanford Middle School.

In the Industrial Softball League last week, Metalade got a 7-0 forfeit from Briar/BBM Corporation and Bundy/TI Auto got its first win of the season by upsetting Kemco, 23-5.

With the upset, Metalade (5-0) got a little breathing room over Kemco (3-2), Briar/BBM Corporation (1-4) and Bundy/TI Auto (1-4).

Tonight at Pinehurst Park, Bundy/TI Auto takes on Briar/BBM Corporation at 7 p.m. and Kemco challenges Metalade at 8 p.m.

In the Lake Mary Men's League last week, Lunch Box Bagels outscored M.T. Muggs, 22-10; Fairway Jeep clobbered Mace Aluminum, 24-4; and Blue Haven Pools upset Nice 'N Easy, 18-15.

Fairway Jeep is now 5-0 and leads Lunch Box Bagels (2-1), Hills Gang, M.T. Muggs and Nice 'N Easy (all 2-2), Blue Haven Pools (1-3) and Mace Aluminum (0-4).

Tonight at the Lake Mary Sports Complex, Nice 'N Easy battles Lunch Box Bagels at 6:30 p.m.; Blue Haven Pools takes on Mace Aluminum at 7:30 p.m.; M.T. Muggs faces Hills Gang at 8:30 p.m.; and Fairway Jeep has the bye.

In results from the Church Basketball League, from February 4th - New Covenant 47, First Baptist Church of Sanford 43; New Life Word Center 59, Sanford First Church of the Nazarene 48; and Rescue Church of God 74, Providence Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Monroe 58; from February 11th - Church of God of Prophecy 66, Providence Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Monroe 45; and New Life Word Center 54, First Baptist Church of Sanford 53.

The standings: New Covenant (6-0), New Life Word Center (5-1), First Baptist Church of Sanford (4-2), Rescue Church of God (3-3), Church of God of Prophecy (3-4), Sanford First Church of the Nazarene (1-5) and Providence Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Monroe (0-6).

Tonight in the Dan Pelham Gymnasium at Sanford Middle School, Sanford First Church of the Nazarene plays Church of God of Prophecy at 6:30 p.m.; Rescue Church of God tackles First Baptist Church of Sanford at 7:30 p.m.; New Covenant battles New Life Word Center at 8:30 p.m.; and Providence Missionary Baptist Church of Lake Monroe has the week off.

In the Sanford Youth Basketball League: The results from last

See Recreation, Page 2B

Another shutout for Tribe

Seminole baseball team blanks third straight opponent in Big Blue

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS - A change of scenery had no effect on the Seminole High School baseball team as Angelo Petracca and Jeremy Meyers combined on a three-hitter as the Tribe whitewashed University, 4-0, Thursday to advance to the Championship Game in the Big Blue Invitational at Lake Brantley High School.

After playing its first two games at its own Alumni Field, Seminole went on the road for the first time, but the outcome was the same as the first two games, another shutout, this time, 4-0, over University.

The Fighting Seminoles scored single runs in the third, fourth, fifth and seventh inning, which were more than enough for Petracca and Meyers.

Petracca, a junior righthander, went the first six innings for his first win of the season, while Meyers, a senior righthander, worked the seventh to get his first save.

Justin Cooper and Uriah Kimmig both went 2-for-2 with

an RBI to pace the Seminole offense. Petracca helped his own cause with a 2-for-3 evening, while Willie Bennett was 2-for-4, Jason Louwama was 1-for-2 and Chris Dauchon had an RBI.

Asher, Carmichael and Mathis were all 1-for-3 for the Cougars (1-2).

The Fighting Seminoles will play in the Championship Game on Saturday at 6 p.m. against probably West Orange, which also entered Thursday's play with a perfect 2-0 record.

Consolation games will also be played at 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. on Saturday at Lake Brantley High School.

The Raminole Invitational Tournament will open on Monday at both Seminole and Lake Mary high schools.

At SHS's Alumni Field, Seminole takes on New Smyrna Beach at 4:30 p.m. and Lyman battles Seabreeze at 7 p.m.

At Lake Mary, Winter Springs faces Spruce Creek at 4:30 p.m. and the host Rams tackle Mainland at 7 p.m.

Games will also be played on

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Pitching carries Rams

Special to the Herald

LONGWOOD - Brett Nuss and Trevor Berryhill allowed no earned runs and scattered four hits over nine innings as Lake Mary outlasted Edgewater, 3-2, at the Lyman Invitational Thursday afternoon.

Nuss pitched six strong innings before being relieved by Berryhill, who just came out from the basketball team, in the seventh.

With no one out and a runner on first the Eagles batter attempted to bunt but popped up near the first base line.

Berryhill dove for the ball, caught it and doubled the runner off first, killing Edgewater's best opportunity to score.

The Rams offense was led again by senior first baseman Eric Schmoock with three hits, one driving in the winning run.

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HAIL COLUMBIA



SANFORD - Garrett Goldsmith (seated center), who quarterbacked the Seminole High School football team to a 23-8 record as a three-year starter, signed a Letter-of-Intent to attend Columbia University on Thursday.

On hand for the signing were his parents, Steve and Valerie (seated), assistant coach Mark Pozatek, SHS Principal Karen Coleman, head coach Jim Worthington and assistant coach Mickey Yasko (standing, left to right).

Moore blanks Lyman

By Tony DeSomer
HERALD CORRESPONDENT

LONGWOOD - Coming into the season, the big question about the Oviedo High School baseball team was would the Lions have enough pitching to go with what is expected to be a potent offense?

Junior Luke Moore has given a hint that he may be a part of the answer.

After getting his feet wet with a short relief stint earlier in the week, Moore took the mound for his first varsity start Thursday against the host Lyman Greyhounds in the Lyman Invitational.

He responded with a two-hit, five-strikeout shutout as the Lions pounded out a 10-0 win.

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Craftsman Trucks highlight Friday's activities at Daytona

Special to the Herald

DAYTONA BEACH - The Daytona International Speedway debut of the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series highlights Friday's double-header of activities at the "World Center of Racing," as Speedweeks 2000 draws to a close.

The Daytona 250 for the Craftsman Trucks, as well as Race No. 1 of the True Value IROC Series, will give fans of action as the NASCAR week of season opens continues.

Numerous drivers in the Daytona 250 have Daytona experience, but no one really knows what to expect when the green flag drops Friday.

"I think people would be pleasantly surprised if they could hop in the car and hop in the truck," said Mike Wallace, who will start second in the Daytona 250. "The only difference that you actually feel in the trucks versus the cars is that they don't have the amount of down force. That's the biggest difference."

"Will it be a good race at Daytona? I certainly think it will be an exciting race. I know I'm anxious about it, and I can't wait to get it started."

Joe Ruttman will start from the pole after qualifying at a speed of 187.563 mph Wednesday, while Lyndon Amick, Marty Houston and NASCAR Winston Cup Series regular Bobby Hamilton will start in positions three through five.

"When you qualify here it's strictly the machinery," said Ruttman, who is one of eight drivers in a Dodge. "Dodge has been really working hard on their engine program and the tremendous team that Bobby (Hamilton) has assembled."

"It's really special to me to take the pole because this time a year ago I was released from a

truck ride that really crushed me. This has done wonders for me and I'm very excited about racing at Daytona."

The 11 a.m. Daytona 250 was to be followed by the 40 lap International Race of Champions featuring 12 drivers from three forms of motorsports. Dale Earnhardt will begin his defense of Daytona and the series by starting on the pole. Earnhardt gained the No. 1 starting position through a draw held Wednesday at the track. His son, Dale Earnhardt Jr., will start directly behind him in third.

"Last year I played a little bit patient and waited until the right time," said Earnhardt about his victory a year ago. "I was able to race Mark (Martin) pretty good and beat him. I look forward to doing the same thing again."

Greg Ray, the 1999 Indy Racing League champion, is one of three open-wheel competitors in the event. Eddie Cheever and Mark Donohue of the IRL also are in Friday's 100-mile dash.

"As an open-wheel driver, I'm very honored to be a part of IROC," Ray said. "It's a series that I've watched on TV for many years. Certainly the drivers that I'm driving with I look very much up to. I'm kind of like a sheep among the wolves down here. My first reaction is not what to do, but learning what not to do."

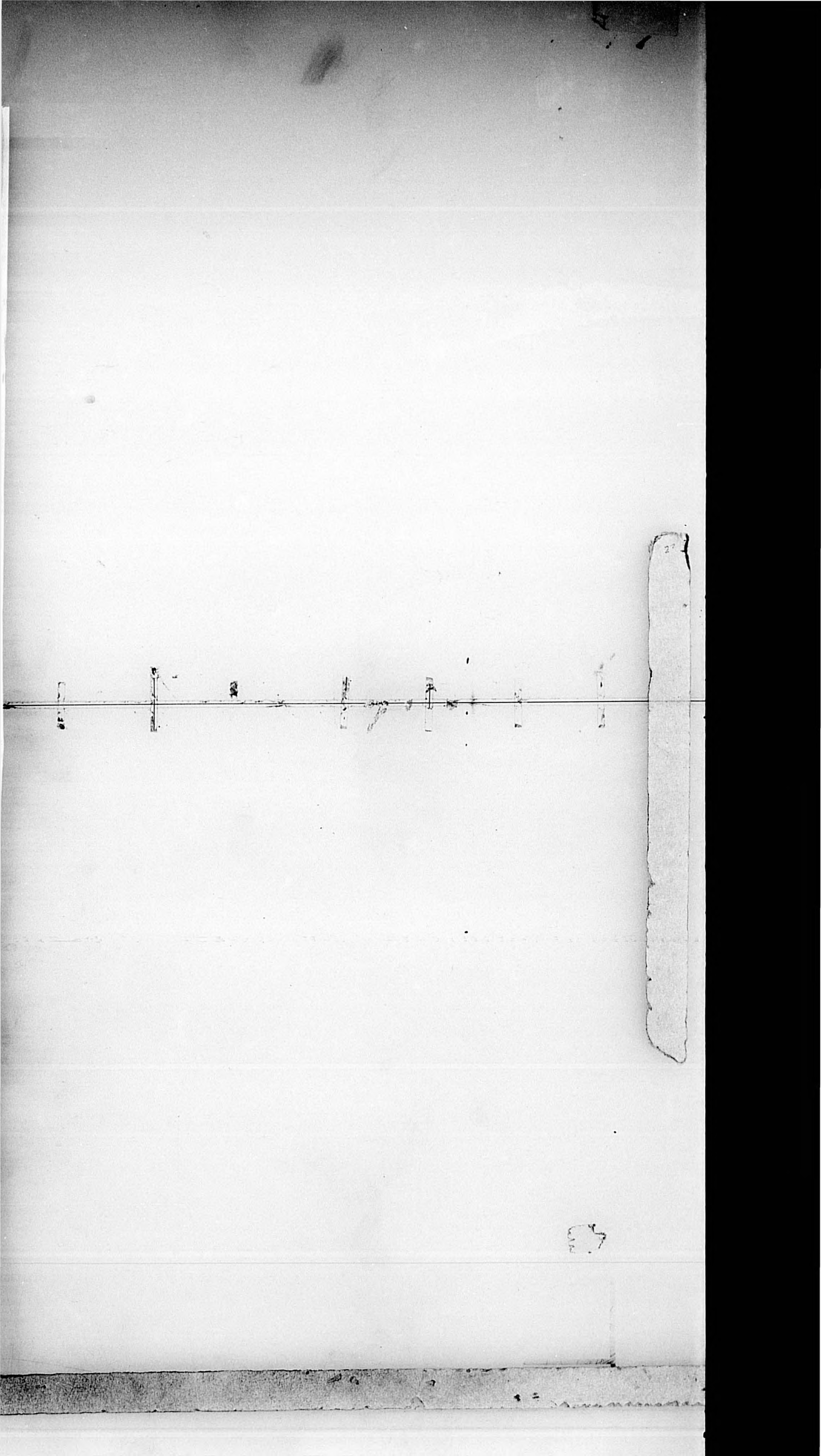
Ray will get that first opportunity at approximately 1 p.m. Friday as IROC XXIV begins its season at Daytona.

NEMECHK BOUNCES BACK TO LEAD SECOND ROUND QUALIFYING FOR NAPA 300

DAYTONA BEACH - Joe Nemechek bounced back Thursday from Wednesday's disqualification. Please see Racing, Page 2B



Bill Elliott looked like the "Awesome Bill from Dawsonville" of old on Thursday as the Georgia driver took his McDonald's Ford to the lead on the first lap and held off Dale Jarrett and Rusty Wallace to win the first of the Gatorade Twin-125's at Daytona International Speedway.



Lions

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"He came to pitch tonight," said Oviedo coach Harold Hitt. "He didn't know he was going to start until three hours before the game, but he came out and pitched an outstanding game, not just an outstanding game for a junior making his first start, but an outstanding game for any pitcher at any stage in his career."

Moore retired the first 10 batters he faced before Matt Riggie spoiled his perfect game and no-hit bid with a single to right field. An out later, Kyle Sommerville singled and Chris Brummet walked to load the bases.

After a visit from Hitt, Moore struck out the next batter on a called third strike to end the threat.

"He showed a lot of poise, working out of a jam like that," said Hitt.

While the final score might suggest the Lions gave Moore considerable margin for error,

Moore was walking a tightrope through the first four innings. Oviedo jumped on Lyman starter Jason Wyler for three runs in the first inning, then were held in check until the fifth inning.

After Moore escaped the bases-loaded threat to protect the 3-0 lead in the bottom of the fourth, Kenny Starling came through with a two-run triple in the top of the fifth to give the junior some breathing room.

Starting added a two-run double in the sixth to help seal the win for Moore.

"There's one word to describe the way we played tonight: solid," said Hitt. "If we continue to get pitching like we did this week and we play good defense, we'll be all right."

Starling led the Lions by going 3-for-4 with a triple, double, four RBI, and a run scored. Blaine Schulte added a pair of singles, three runs, and two RBI. Larry Grayson had a

single, three runs scored, and three stolen bases.

Also contributing were Nick Tenekedes (single, two RBI); Brett Murphy (double); Jered Goodwin (single, run); and Justin Holmes (two runs).

Thursday's win puts Oviedo (3-1) in place to claim at least a share of the tournament championship pending the outcome of today's games.

Both Winter Park (2-1) heading into the 4 p.m. game against Edgewater and Lake Mary (2-1) before playing Lyman (2 p.m.) could also finish the tournament with 3-1 marks.

The Lions play again Monday at Boone in a 7 p.m. contest.

LYMAN INVITATIONAL

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Moore and Wolf, Wyler, Wojtowicz (P) and Sommerville. WP - Moore (1-0). LP - Wyler (0-2). Save - none. 2B - Oviedo. Starling and Murphy. 3B - Oviedo. Starting IIR - none. Records - Oviedo 3-1; Lyman 1-2.

Rams

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Schmook then lined a single to right driving in the winning run.

Jose Rosado led off the bottom of the ninth with a single to right, his third single of the day. Tim Brown followed with a sacrifice bunt that moved Rosado to second base. On the next pitch Rosado stole third as the Eagles pitcher went from the wind-up.

Lake Mary will face the host Greyhounds Friday night at 7 p.m. in the final game of the Lyman Invitational.

The Rams will open their home season on Monday in the Raminole Invitational against Mainland at 7 p.m., following a 4:30 p.m. game between Winter Springs and Spruce Creek.

The Raminole, which also has two games scheduled each day of the four-day tournament (Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday) at 4:30 p.m. and 7 p.m. at Seminole High School's Alumni Field, also has Seminole, New Smyrna Beach, Lyman and Seabreeze in the field.

Through his victory in the first Gatorade 125, Elliott sealed the No. 3 starting position for the season opener. It was Elliott's first visit to victory lane in a Winston Cup car since September of 1994 when he won at Darlington Raceway.

"As I recall, I almost won this 500 in 1997, and you have years where things come together," said Elliott. "You're gonna ride that roller coaster. I've had a lot of inconsistency within the team over the years and that's what I feel has hurt me, but if I can get that consistency I believe I can put everything together."

Elliott, who started second, got the jump on Jarrett at the start, and held off Jarrett and Rusty Wallace to the checkered flag. He won by .171 seconds and averaged 188.758 mph.

"I kept seeing Dale trying to run on me and where he was running on me and what he was trying to do," Elliott said. "He could never put up a unified effort with Rusty to beat me to a position, plus I caught those slower cars and that just helped me that much more. 'I've always said that this race seems to kind of put things together and it makes a year start well.'"

Rudd earned the No. 2 starting position through Saturday's qualifying, which gave him the pole position for the second Gatorade 125. Like Elliott, he got a jump on the competition and led to the checkered flag.

Mike Skinner and Ward Burton chased him to the line, but were .468 seconds short.

"It was real important that I get a hole shot out of there and, as it turned out, that was the key," said Rudd, who last visited victory lane in September of 1998 at Martinsville Speedway. "I looked a lot easier than maybe what it was inside the car. It was giving us a fit."

"We got some good information and good advice from Dale Jarrett, our teammate. This is just a good shot in the arm for us."

Elliott's victory put an end to Dale Earnhardt's 10-year streak of victories in the Gatorade 125. Earnhardt finished 11th and earned the 21st starting position for the Daytona 500 - his worst start since 1984.

Elliott and Rudd both won \$48,921 for their victories.

Jarrett and Rudd earned the front row starting positions through qualifying Saturday, while the remainder of the teams had to race their way in through the Gatorade 125s, or depend on a speed posted during qualifying runs either Saturday or Monday. The final seven positions were set through provisionals based on last season's car owner points.

Thirteen drivers failed to make the field, including Dave Marcis and 1996 winner Geoffrey Bodine. Marcis had started every Daytona 500 since 1968. Bobby Hamilton, Sterling Marlin, Kenny Wallace, Elliott Badier, Kevin Lepage, Kyle Petty and Darrell Waltrip all received provisionals for Sunday's 200-lap event.

The 42nd annual Daytona 500 gets underway at 12:15 p.m. Sunday at Daytona International Speedway. The race will be broadcast live on CBS (Channel 6 locally).

Tribe

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Parents can also register by mail to Winter Springs Basketball League, 102 Laurel Drive, Sanford, Florida 32773.

The Winter Springs Basketball League has the following divisions: K-1st grade Co-Ed, 2nd grade Co-Ed, 3,4,5th grade girls, 3rd grade boys, 4th grade boys, 5th grade boys, 6th grade boys, 7th grade boys, 7th & 8th grade girls, 8th grade-high school girls and high school boys.

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Racing

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to lead second-round qualifying for Saturday's NAPA 300 NASCAR Busch Series race at Daytona International Speedway.

Nemechek, whose pole winning speed was disallowed Wednesday because his wheel weight distribution fell outside of NASCAR's parameters, turned in a lap of 187.141 mph. His speed earned him the 26th starting position.

"We're trying everything we can to make sure when we go back through inspection everything is okay," Nemechek said. "Yesterday was tough on all the team. 'We just have to make sure when we go back through inspection that everything is okay. I think we will be good in the race.'"

Mark Green, Kelly Denton, Mike Skinner, PJ Jones and Wayne Grubb were the only other drivers to go fast enough in second-round qualifying to make Saturday's season opener for the Busch Series. Twenty-two drivers attempted to better their speeds during second-round qualifying.

Forty-three drivers will take the green flag Saturday at noon with Hut Stricklin leading them to the green flag. Stricklin's speed of 187.336 mph was fast enough for the pole once Nemechek's speed was disallowed.

VETERAN RACERS RETURN TO VICTORY LANE

DAYTONA BEACH - A pair of seasoned veterans returned to victory lane Thursday, as Bill Elliott and Ricky Rudd won the Gatorade 125-mile qualifying races at Daytona International Speedway. Elliott and Rudd, who have combined for 80 NASCAR Winston Cup Series victories in their careers, led all 50 laps of their qualifying races, as the field was set for Sunday's Daytona 500. Both races were caution free.

Through his victory in the first Gatorade 125, Elliott sealed the No. 3 starting position for the season opener. It was Elliott's first visit to victory lane in a Winston Cup car since September of 1994 when he won at Darlington Raceway.

"As I recall, I almost won this 500 in 1997, and you have years where things come together," said Elliott. "You're gonna ride that roller coaster. I've had a lot of inconsistency within the team over the years and that's what I feel has hurt me, but if I can get that consistency I believe I can put everything together."

Elliott, who started second, got the jump on Jarrett at the start, and held off Jarrett and Rusty Wallace to the checkered flag. He won by .171 seconds and averaged 188.758 mph.

"I kept seeing Dale trying to run on me and where he was running on me and what he was trying to do," Elliott said. "He could never put up a unified effort with Rusty to beat me to a position, plus I caught those slower cars and that just helped me that much more. 'I've always said that this race seems to kind of put things together and it makes a year start well.'"

Rudd earned the No. 2 starting position through Saturday's qualifying, which gave him the pole position for the second Gatorade 125. Like Elliott, he got a jump on the competition and led to the checkered flag.

Mike Skinner and Ward Burton chased him to the line, but were .468 seconds short.

"It was real important that I get a hole shot out of there and, as it turned out, that was the key," said Rudd, who last visited victory lane in September of 1998 at Martinsville Speedway. "I looked a lot easier than maybe what it was inside the car. It was giving us a fit."

"We got some good information and good advice from Dale Jarrett, our teammate. This is just a good shot in the arm for us."

Elliott's victory put an end to Dale Earnhardt's 10-year streak of victories in the Gatorade 125. Earnhardt finished 11th and earned the 21st starting position for the Daytona 500 - his worst start since 1984.

Elliott and Rudd both won \$48,921 for their victories.

Legal Notices

ST. JOHN'S RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

THE DISTRICT gives written notice of its intent to issue a permit to the following applicants on March 7, 2000:

Best Distributors, Inc., 200 Tech Drive, Sanford, FL 32771 application 64-117-0116AM11-ERP. The project is located in Seminole County, Section 25, Township 18 South, Range 30 East. The ERP application is for modification to the previously issued surface water management permit associated with construction for the Sanford Central Park, Phase 2, Lot 25. The receiving waterbody is the San Juan Canal.

MS Demosolastic, Inc., Attn: Bob Weiss, 2860 S. Stateville Ave., Sanford, FL 32773 application 64-117-0253AM11-ERP. The project is located in Seminole County, Sections 04, 05 & 06, Township 20 South, Range 21 East. The ERP application is for modification to the previously issued surface water management permit associated with construction of a second building at the Hill Demosolastic facility. The receiving waterbodies are Lake Jessup & Lake Monroe.

Bishop & Butney, Inc., 6228 Edgewater Drive, Suite D-1, Orlando, FL 32810 application 64-117-0372AM11-ERP. The project is located in Seminole County, Section 04, Township 18 South, Range 30 East. The ERP application is for construction of a 25.2-acre borrow pit known as Pond 2 of the Bishop & Butney, Inc. #103 project and the connection of a previously permitted pit, known as Pond 1, to the City's Mill Creek drainage system. The receiving waterbody is Mill Creek.

QDB-Magnolia Plantation, Inc., Attn: Edward Egan, 7228 W. Sand Lake Rd., Suite 200, Orlando, FL 32819 application 64-117-0165AM11-ERP. The project is located in Seminole County, Sections 03, 04 & 05, 10 & 11, Township 20 South, Range 25 East. The MSW application is for modification to the previously issued surface water management permit associated with construction for a golf course structure at Magnolia Plantation. The receiving waterbodies are the Wekiva & Little Wekiva Rivers.

The District gives written notice of its intent to deny a request for a permit to the following applicant(s) on March 7, 2000:

Lake Kathryn Estates, Attn: Helen L. Stears, 898 Manoa Drive, Casselberry, FL 32707 application 64-117-01704-1. The project is located in Seminole County, Section 04, Township 21 South, Range 30 East. The ERP application is for construction of a surface water management system to serve the Lake Kathryn Estates Mobile Community. The receiving waterbody is Lake Creek.

The file(s) containing each of the above-listed application(s) are available for inspection Monday through Friday except for legal holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the St. Johns River Water Management District Headquarters or the appropriate Service Center. The District will take action on each permit application received above unless a petition for administrative proceeding (hearing) is filed pursuant to the provisions of Sections 190.993 and 190.97, Florida Statutes Chapter 38-195 and 40C-1.007, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.). A person whose substantial interests are affected by any of the District's proposed permitting decisions identified above may petition for administrative hearing in accordance with Sections 190.993 and 190.97 or all parties may reach a written agreement on matters to be submitted to the hearing under Section 190.97. Choosing mediation will not adversely affect the right to a hearing if a hearing does not result in a settlement. The procedures for pursuing mediation are set forth in Section 190.973, F.S., and Rules 28-108.111 and 28-108.401-406 F.A.C. Parties must comply with the requirements of Florida Administrative Code, Chapter 28-108 and be filed with (received by) the District Clerk, located at District Headquarters, 6008 Road 28, Panama, Florida 32177. Petitions for administrative hearing on the above application(s) must be filed within twenty-one (21) days of publication of this notice or within twenty-one (21) days of the District's proposed action, whichever is later. Failure to file a petition within this time period shall constitute a waiver of any right such person may have to request an administrative proceeding (hearing) under Sections 190.993 and 190.97, F.S., concerning the subject permit application. Petitions which are not filed in accordance with the above provisions are subject to dismissal. Because the administrative hearing process is designed to formulate final agency action, the filing of a petition means that the District's final action may be delayed from the position taken by it in the notice of intent. Persons whose substantial interests will be affected by any such final decision of the District on the application have the right to become a party to the proceeding, in accordance with the requirements set forth above.

Glenn Lewis, Director, Division of Permit Data Services
St. Johns River Water Management District
Public Hearing, February 18, 2000
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TENNIS CLINIC
ALTAMONTE SPRINGS - The City of Altamonte Springs will be offering a free Tennis Clinic on February 19th.

Ages 8 - 15 will be welcome from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. Ages 16 + up will be welcome from noon - 2 p.m.

The clinic will be held at Westmonte Park.

For directions or questions please feel free to call Ryan Thompson at (407) 830-3880.

WINTER SPRINGS BASKETBALL LEAGUE
WINTER SPRINGS - The City of Winter Springs Parks and Recreation and the Winter Springs Basketball League announce registration for the spring basketball season.

Site registration will be held this Saturday, February 19th from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Indian Trails Middle School, Winter Springs High School and the UCF Education Building.

Parents can also register by mail to Winter Springs Basketball League, 102 Laurel Drive, Sanford, Florida 32773.

The Winter Springs Basketball League has the following divisions: K-1st grade Co-Ed, 2nd grade Co-Ed, 3,4,5th grade girls, 3rd grade boys, 4th grade boys, 5th grade boys, 6th grade boys, 7th grade boys, 7th & 8th grade girls, 8th grade-high school girls and high school boys.

The registration fee is \$75.00 per child and provides a highly organized league, reversible jerseys, guaranteed playing time, certified coaches, eight games and a tournament, and certified officials.

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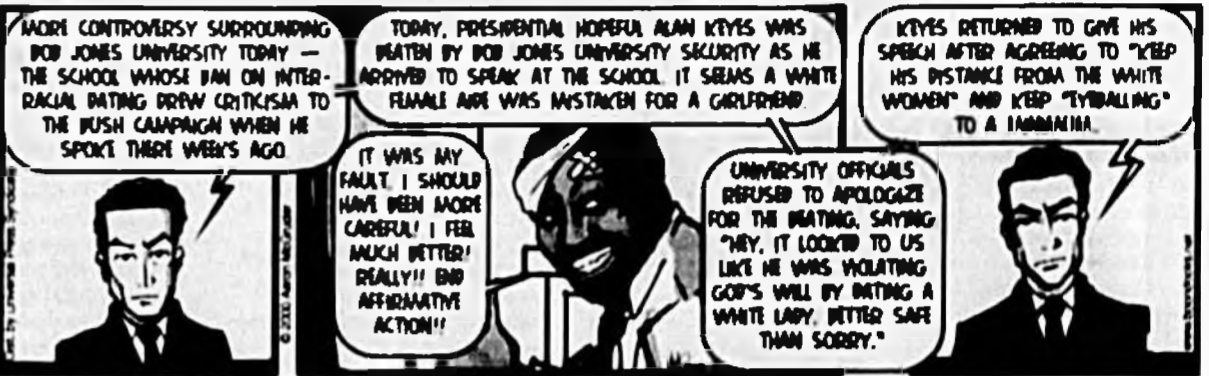
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HOROSCOPES

Your Birthday
Saturday, Feb. 19, 2000
In the year ahead your greatest chances for success will come almost as much from Lady Luck as it will from your own efforts. Hang in there and wait for the fates to intervene on your behalf.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)
Don't go shopping today too early, because as time ticks on, you're likely to have a change of heart about what is important to you in regards to what you want to purchase. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)
Today your splendid attribute of wanting to get along with all around you will serve you well. Your open-mindedness and ability to accept other points of view reward you with good fellowship.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
A couple of problems might get dumped in your lap today, but instead of

logging you down, something very fortuitous could come out of them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
The worst thing that can happen to a Taurus is to be placed in an opposing position with someone quite unpleasant. But the way you handle it will gain you the admiration and respect of others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
Even if it looks early on like you're being cast in the role of a "patay," the joke will be on everyone else. What you do with that script will win you an Oscar.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
Try to avoid heavy topics like politics or religion today when engaged in conversations with others. By simply refusing to respond, you can turn the talk around.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Be careful when out shopping today that you don't purchase the first items you spot. Look around, because bargains for the exact same pieces will be plentiful.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Any one-on-one dealing you might have to encounter today could be a trifle tricky, but if you're prepared to listen to reason and make a few com-

promises, the outcome could be exceptional.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
You might want to wait a little before you get started with today's plans, because as the day wears on, the work gets easier. As the jobs get easier, they become more fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)
Try to steer clear of any group involvements today that show signs of hampering your mobility. The more active you can become, the more you'll make of the day.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)
Should you get off on the wrong foot when trying to work with someone today, stop and regroup. Upon reflection, you'll find a more compatible way to deal with one another.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
People whose philosophy diametrically opposes yours should be given little attention today. Stick to your own guns and you'll know you're doing what's right for you.

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Win at Bridge

Was it a good move?

There is an old saying that if your opponents never make a contract that you double, you aren't doubling enough. Yet there is nothing more frustrating than doubling a contract that was dying before, only to watch the opponents run to another contract and make that.

What do you think of the bidding in today's deal? And if you were sitting West, what would you lead against five diamonds?

South was right to open in the higher-ranking of two five-card suits. Then, on the second round, he had to jump to show his extra strength. North thought about rebidding three spades, to hunt out a 5-3 spade fit, but that would have led to three no-trump by South. West, seeing a bird in the hand, would probably have passed it out and led the heart king. However, when North bid three no-trump, West made a lead-directing

double, asking for a lead of dummy's first-bid suit. (Without the double, East would probably lead the club two. North makes the contract by winning with dummy's king and playing the spade queen.) Taking the hint, South ran to five diamonds, where he expected his partner to have some support.

Now the spotlight was on West. As he was so strong in declarer's second suit, he opened with a trump, which defeated the contract. If declarer led the spade queen, West would win with the ace and play another trump. If instead South took two heart ruffs in the dummy, when in with the spade ace, West would cash two heart tricks. On any other lead, though, declarer could win 11 tricks.



Phillip Alder
Bridge

declarer could win 11 tricks.

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North 02-18-00			
K 7 5 3 2			
A 2			
9 8 3			
A 7 6 5			
West	East		
A J 10	9 8 6 4		
K Q J 10 9	8 5		
6 2	7 5 4		
Q 9 4	10 8 3 2		
South			
Q			
A 7 6 4 3			
A K Q J 10			
K J			
Vulnerable: Both			
Dealer: South			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	3 NT	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ??			

Doctor Gott

'Bat therapy' is stupid

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a friend who is 24 and has trouble dealing with problems in life. I guess you could call him ragged. While in high school, he saw a counselor who suggested that he take a baseball bat to the living room furniture, while imagining that it was his grandfather, who supposedly was the cause of his problems. What is your opinion of this therapy?

DEAR READER: Expensive, noisy and bound to create more animosity than it solves. Most therapists realize that the expression of pent-up anger is a useful tool to reduce rage and channel aggressive tendencies. To this end, it is more appropriate to beat up a pillow or have a shouting match with yourself away from everyone else. Blasting up perfectly good furniture with a baseball bat is not only wacky, it's downright stupid. It sounds to me as though the high school counselor needs some help himself.

You do raise an interesting issue, however: The question of personal

responsibility. Many people who have difficulty dealing with life's problems labor under the misconception that someone else is to blame for their unhappiness. The favorite scapegoats in this fantasy are parents, grandparents, spouses, boyfriends, girlfriends and the police. When you're angry and confused, it's all too easy to say that another person has the responsibility for your feelings and failures. Of course, as any experienced adult knows, this is pure hogwash. No one "makes" us angry. We don't have to resort to being victims. Rather, we choose to be angry, although we almost always have better options. Most children have unpleasant experiences — or even survive catastrophic tragedies. We all live through unhappiness and frustration. What else is new? In order to promote emotional growth and achieve a balance in our lives, we have to learn how to "own" our feelings: I am happy or sad — not, you made me happy or sad. I doubt that your friend's grandfather was the sole source of his rage. Once the young man puts the focus on

himself, he can start dealing with his own feelings and behavior. This is the beginning of the healing process. Naturally, this is a difficult first step to take. But it's essential. Otherwise, he runs the risk of establishing a "blame-everybody" mentality, when what he needs is a little self-honesty and the courage to look hard at his own destructive attitudes. Young people are especially inclined to throw around a lot of blame. "I use drugs because my father rejected me." "I got drunk because my girlfriend broke up with me." "School makes me mad, so I'm going to get even." I don't buy this kind of cop-out. Therefore my advice to your friend is: Get off the pity pot, look at yourself, and get some reliable professional help with your problems. Oh, and leave the baseball bats to the Little Leaguers. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Mental and Emotional Illness." 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.



Doctor Gott

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