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## NEWS DIGEST

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#### Sports

##### Lake Brantley takes title

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Lake Brantley capped an upset-filled tournament by beating the Mainland Buccaneers 64-59 in overtime to claim the title in the 4A-District 9 boys' basketball tournament Saturday night at Lake Brantley High School.

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#### People

##### Tips for selecting lawn service

This is the time of the year when some people start thinking about hiring a lawn maintenance service rather than doing the lawn themselves. Selecting such a service is not an easy task, but some suggestions can help you in making a decision.

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### SNIPPETS

##### Man jailed for non-support

SANFORD — One of Florida's top 10 "dead-beat dads" has been sentenced to 179 days in jail for not paying child support.

Circuit Judge C. Vernon Mize Jr. ordered Robert Coleman to pay his former wife \$12,000 in monthly installments. The judge said Coleman, 40, could leave jail immediately if he paid \$8,000 at once.

State workers said Coleman owed more than \$30,000 for the support of his three children. But the judge cut the figure after hearing from Coleman and his wife on Thursday.

##### Rain, winds pummel Florida

Although no damage was reported in Seminole County from strong winds, heavy rains and tornadoes that touched down yesterday, structural damage and cut power were reported in scattered areas throughout Central Florida, authorities said.

The National Weather Service confirmed several reports of damage in Orange, Lake and Osceola counties including tornado damage in Orange County.

Sunday's thunderstorms, brought on by a strong cold front across Northwest Florida, were related to the fierce thunderstorms that blasted northern counties at earlier in the weekend, weather experts said.

High waters from two days of rain in North Florida flooded roads and homes, forcing several evacuations.

"The area of thunderstorms and heavy rain that moved slowly across North Florida has moved east and southeast into the Peninsula," said Tom Duval, meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Tallahassee.

Duval said the winds and rains were expected to ease up today.

##### Plant sale was a success

SANFORD — The Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce annual azalea and plant sale Saturday was termed a success, with over \$200 raised to help in the various projects of the chamber's Beautification Committee.

Chamber manager David Farr said this morning, "The Gerber daisies we had went over the best. In fact, we got rid of all we had during the first two hours of the sale."

He added that the azaleas also sold well but that there were some crape myrtles left, which are still available for sale.

The Beautification Committee plans to use the proceeds to help in such projects as the continuing beautification of the Sanford Civic Center and other scenic improvement projects in the city.

The sale was held Saturday, in front of the Chamber headquarters at the corner of First Street and Sanford Avenue, during the opening day of the St. John's River Festival which helped bring Central Florida residents into the area.

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##### Breezy and cool



Partly sunny with the high in the upper 60s and a gusty wind at 20 mph.

Partly Cloudy

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## 10 allied POWs released

### Coalition commanders lay down truce terms to Iraq

By RICHARD PYLE  
Associated Press

RIYADH, Saudi Arabia (AP) — The Baghdad government today released 10 allied prisoners of war, six of them Americans, CNN reported. The release was in line with the truce terms laid down for Iraq by coalition commanders in a desert meeting a day earlier.

The 10, including Army Spc. Melissa Rathbun-Nealy, 20, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Navy Lt. Jeffrey Zaun of Cherry Hill, N.J., were shown on CNN getting off a bus outside the

al-Rashid Hotel in Baghdad. They were clad in yellow suits with the letters "PW" on the breast pocket.

They showed no emotion but appeared to be in good condition as they walked briskly off the bus. One male prisoner's arm was in a sling. The network showed videotape of the release but did not say into whose custody the 10 were freed.

Rathbun-Nealy was the only woman soldier who had been reported missing in the Persian Gulf War, and a badly battered-looking Zaun had been shown on Iraqi and U.S. television after his capture in the early days of the air war.

In that television appearance, Zaun and other POWs recited wooden-sounding statements critical of the allied war effort. U.S. officials denounced Iraq, saying it was violating the Geneva Convention's provisions for humane treatment of POWs.

The freeing of allied prisoners was among terms agreed to by Iraqi commanders in truce talks at a desert air base in southern Iraq on Sunday, three days after an informal cease-fire took hold.

Later Sunday, Baghdad Radio announced that

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## Beware of free tank inspections

By J. MARK BARFIELD  
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — A state septic tank association urges homeowners to be wary of free tank inspections or discount tank cleaning services.

The homeowner and the environment could get ripped off.

"We're trying to weed out the jack-leg contractor who really doesn't do anything," said Jim Ogletree, representing the Florida Septic Tank Association. "Unregistered contractors cost everyone lots of money because they prey on homeowners."

Ogletree, who has operated a septic tank service in Sanford for 20 years, and Ray Mason, an Orlando septic tank contractor and an association director, said homeowners should check with the local health department to see if the septic tank contractor is registered with the state before hiring them. While a state registration is no guarantee against a rip-off, they said it usually assures a professional is doing the work.

Among the things for homeowners to be wary of is a "free" tank inspection, Ogletree said. A professional system inspection which includes checking the pipes for obstacles can cost \$100 for a complete job.

Another possible scam to watch out for is contractors offering discounts to pump a tank into a pick-up truck that has a small tank on it, Ogletree said. The average household septic tank can hold between 750 to 900 gallons of sewage and is large enough to contain a compact car.

What the scam operator does is just pump enough water out of the septic tank to allow toilets to operate better for three or four days before they begin backing up again, said Mason. By then, the operator is gone and can't be found. Most of the sewage pumped by scam operators is dumped in a wooded area, instead of an approved land spreading location or sewage treatment facility, he said.

"These operators give the whole

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Sanford artist Ashby Jones shows his festival display to Pamela Hale of Longwood

## Foul weather puts damper on festival and regatta

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Both the St. John's River Festival at Lake Monroe Park and the Spring Survival Sailing Regatta held on Lake Monroe over this past weekend were forced into cancellation Sunday, because of the foul weather and tornado warnings that were issued for the Sanford area.

Dorothy Raby, President of the Sanford-Seminole Art Association said the second day of the festival was cancelled early Sunday because of the winds and rain possibility. "Even the food concession was blown down early Sunday," she reported.

Festival Chairperson Janis McGee added, "Of course as soon as we cancelled Sunday's

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Lake residents observe regatta

Herald Photos by Kelly Jordan



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

## Business as usual for county manager

Former Clearwater city manager Ron Rabun settled into his new office in the Seminole County Services Building this morning, filling the county manager's seat left vacant for 16 months. Rabun says he'll be staying in a local apartment until he finds a home here.

## Code enforcement board wants strength renewed

By LAURA L. SULLIVAN  
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — The board charged with helping rid Sanford neighborhoods of junk cars and overgrown lots is asking the city commission to help it become more effective.

Bob Keith, chairman of the city Code Enforcement Board, told the commission last week the board no longer has the strength it once had. Loss of a full-time inspector to city layoffs last year, absenteeism among board members and lack of public support are keeping the board from effectively doing the work its seven members were appointed by the commission to do, he said.

"What do you want from the Code Enforcement Board of the City of Sanford?" Keith asked the commission during a work session Monday.

The board saw a decline after a 5-2 vote in November to waive more than \$24,175 in fines levied against a Sanford couple, Keith said. Keith and board member Joyce Malone opposed waiving the fine, which accrued over a three-year period when Randy and Josephine Gates

were asked to comply with a city ordinance that limits the number of pets that may be kept in a residential neighborhood.

The Gates case cost the city between \$17,000 and \$20,000 in legal fees.

City Commissioner A.A. "Mac" McClanahan said that decision prompted him to ask for the resignation of each of the five members who voted to waive the fine. Other commissioners last week expressed their anger that the board dropped the fine after city legal expenses had mounted.

"Some people on the board believe the Code Enforcement Board shouldn't have the power to levy fines," Keith told the commission. Mayor Bettye Smith quickly responded, "Then they shouldn't be on our Code Enforcement Board."

Code enforcement fines, which Florida statutes allow to reach \$250 a day for a first offense, are what Keith calls "our only stick" for making violators comply with city codes. Fines are levied in about 25 to 30 percent of all cases reported to the Code Enforcement Board, he said.

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## FLORIDA BRIEFS



### Tougher wetlands policy sought

FORT LAUDERDALE — State officials on Tuesday will ask lawmakers to put more teeth in their permitting process, which has allowed developers in Florida to destroy sensitive ecological areas as long as they promise to "mitigate" the damage by building or preserving other wetlands.

The Department of Environmental Regulation is armed with a study that indicates fewer than one-fifth of the state's manmade wetlands function as well as the natural systems they replace. A third of the time, developers don't even follow through on their promises, the study said. The agency has 82 people issuing permits and only nine enforcing them, the study found.

"There will be changes in the way we do business," said Ann Redmond, who coordinates mitigation permitting for DER. The agency is asking lawmakers to triple their enforcement staff and make developers pay for monitoring.

Florida officials aren't alone in pushing for better wetlands regulation. EPA administrator William Reilly said he was shocked by the degradation he saw during a tour of the Everglades this week, and vowed to fight for stiffer legislation in Congress.

However, some scientists and bureaucrats say minor reforms aren't enough to fix a permitting system they say is based on faulty science and corrupted by political influence.

### Flight log is living record of aviation

PENSACOLA — The cockpits of more than 100 historic aircraft are empty at the National Museum of Naval Aviation but their pilots will live on electronically.

By mid-March, visitors will be able to view biographical data, including photos, on computer screens and hear brief audio descriptions about hundreds of military and civilian pilots and others linked to aviation.

The National Flight Log is intended to inform and entertain, said retired Rear Adm. George M. "Skip" Furlong, executive vice president of the Naval Aviation Museum Foundation.

"It's going to be a living record," Furlong said. "There's never, to our knowledge, been anything quite like this before."

### Recovery spurred by fans, family

MIAMI — Gloria Estefan says her remarkable recovery from a nearly paralyzing broken back was spurred by the haunting memory of her father withering away in a wheelchair, and the overwhelming affection of her fans.

Whatever helped her through an agonizing yearlong recovery, the Cuban-born pop singer returned to the stage this weekend to kick off her 41-city, 53-day world tour that wraps up in New York City in September.

Her last tour was cut short March 20, 1990 by a bus accident on a snowy road in Pennsylvania.

### Dolphin deaths in Tampa Bay on rise

TAMPA — The number of dead dolphins spotted in the Tampa Bay area each year has more than tripled since 1985, with a record 33 spotted last year, says a state marine mammal scientist.

From 1980 to 1985, no more than nine dead dolphins a year were found in Hillsborough, Manatee and Pinellas counties, said Brad Weigle of the state Department of Natural Resources in St. Petersburg.

But in 1986, 26 dead dolphins were reported. And that number has steadily increased since, reaching last year's record 33 deaths, Weigle said.

He presented the information during the second Tampa Bay Area Scientific Information Symposium last week in Tampa.

Scientists don't know what is killing the dolphins. Most are too decomposed by the time they're found to properly study them, Weigle said, and there are no visible injuries on the others.

### Man convicted for threatening letters

FORT LAUDERDALE — A 41-year-old Chicago man who sent unreturned love letters to his high school sweetheart ever since they broke up in 1971 has been convicted of using the U.S. mails to threaten the woman.

David Taylor was found guilty Friday of sending threats through the U.S. mail and could spend up to 2½ years in prison under sentencing guidelines, but the judge said he may throw out their verdict during a hearing today.

Taylor was a 17-year-old high school jock when the two started dating in a Chicago suburb in 1967. Kathleen McHugh Goldstein married in 1973, but he never forgot her, sending more than 1,000 letters over 20 years. Most are romantic, but they became increasingly threatening, prosecutors said.

Now a pot-bellied, gray-haired computer salesman, Taylor didn't even recognize the trim, red-haired elementary school principal when she took the stand Thursday. He says the sight of a stranger cured his obsession.

Nerenhausen said jurors initially had trouble deciding if two postcards Taylor sent Goldstein and her husband were actually threats, as the FBI contended.

From Associated Press reports

## NEWS FROM THE REGION AND ACROSS THE STATE

# Longwood to honor Tourist Club

By NICK PFEIFAU  
Herald Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — The Tourist Club will be honored in a special presentation during Monday night's Longwood City Commission Meeting. The club will be observing its 60th anniversary.

The club was founded by a number of Longwood residents and several visitors from the State of Maine in the year of 1931.

Mrs. S. J. Nelmeyer donated the land which is the site of the present Community Building, and by 1938, an open pavilion building was built at the corner of Wilma Street and West Warren Avenue. It was at that location that the original Longwood Tourist Club held its regular meetings.

Acting City Manager Don Terry said, "The

original club started with a group of people who wanted to take some tours and see what Central Florida had to offer to local residents as well as visitors in the area."

The club currently has approximately 85 members, and they are still following the original concept of taking interesting tours, not only in the Central Florida area, but such places as Nashville and Atlanta. They enjoy the social and recreational activities during the trips as well as the planning sessions and meetings which are held on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month from noon until 1 p.m.

Not only does the group have fun and learn about the interesting places to visit in the nation, but any profits they make as a result of the various tours are donated to the Christian Sharing Center, in the Baywood

Industrial Park.

The present officers include Karl Berg, President; Donald Badger, Vice President; Dorothy Berg, Secretary and Treasurer. Co-tour Directors are Helen Flagler and Grace Sullivan.

During the Monday night meeting, Mayor Hank Hardy and the Commission will pay special tribute to the group and dedicate March 4, 1991 as Tourist Club Day in Longwood.

In the proclamation, the Mayor is calling on the citizens of Longwood, "to join the city in expressing sincere thanks and appreciation for all the efforts put forth by the members."

Monday's City Commission meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the Longwood City Hall.

# Investigation ends at biker's funeral

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH — Slain motorcycle gang leader Raymond "Bear" Chaffin had just been laid to rest. Under gloomy skies, the mourners lined up their pickups and vans and their rumbling Harleys, preparing to roar away and do what bikers do after biker funerals.

Suddenly, nearly 100 lawmen armed with pistols, shotguns and automatic weapons stormed in from all directions — ending what Volusia County Sheriff Bob Vogel said was a 13-month undercover investigation into gun-running, drug dealing and other criminal activity by the group.

Police seized guns, including some fully-automatic weapons, explosives, silencers, knives and drugs Saturday as they arrested 12 people on federal arrest warrants and 20 others on state charges.

Officers from Volusia, Orange and Seminole counties, the Orlando Police Department, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms were in the force that swooped in moments after Chaffin was buried at Cedar Hill Cemetery.

One resisted arrest, police said, and no injuries were reported during the mass arrest, which was witnessed by many startled residents of the

neighborhood.

"The take-down went exceptionally well," Vogel said. "This was a fine example of cooperation by local, state and federal law enforcement authorities."

Most of those arrested were still being processed in the Volusia County Jail on Sunday.

Complaints against them charged various federal firearms and explosives violations including the illegal possession and transfer of machine guns, silencers, pipe bombs and other weapons.

The 44-year-old Chaffin, leader of the Warlocks chapter, was found shot to death Feb. 22 in the garage of his Edgewater home. He had been shot four times in the base of his skull.

Authorities said Chaffin may have been killed by members of a rival motorcycle gang, the Outlaws, but said they're not sure.

The two gangs have been feuding in Central Florida for several years. As membership in the Warlocks grew to as many as 100 members, clashes have occurred with the Outlaws, who traditionally have dominated the state.

The timing of the big bust Saturday was intentional.

With hundreds of thousands of out-of-town and out-of-state bikers in town for Daytona's annual Bike Week, Vogel said authorities feared a gang war might explode.



Sign of the times

Kevin Harkey, City of Sanford Streets Division employee, is replacing a recycled stop sign at San Carlos Avenue and Second Street. The city recycles 400 aluminum signs, prolonging their use.

# State cracks down on pay-per-call

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — Florida regulators are joining a national effort to crack down on shady operators who use unscrupulous methods to lure callers to pay-per-call 900 and 976 numbers.

"It's grown into a big problem," said Public Counsel Jack Shreve, who represents utility customers in Florida.

The industry believes it can police itself. Most of an estimated 10,000 pay-per-call programs are legitimate.

The four major phone companies that deal with 900 services — American Telephone & Telegraph Co., MCI Communications Corp., US Sprint and Telesphere Communications — have guidelines they require 900 services to follow, including restrictions on services aimed at children and preambles that give callers a chance to hang up at no charge.

Pay-per-call lines cover a wide range of

subjects. Consumers can call for sports scores, stock market quotes, soap opera updates, congressional actions, weather forecasts and foreign travel information. They can talk with the opposite sex or the same sex, for that matter.

Most consumer problems have concerned contest and employment scams and services that fail to adequately disclose costs or encourage children to call.

The Florida Public Service Commission, at the urging of Shreve and Attorney General Bob Butterworth, is drafting rules to require phone companies to restrict 900 and 976 services that target children, fail to disclose charges, make false claims and fail to allow callers to hang up without a charge.

Nationally, the Federal Trade Commission has moved against a handful of 900 services since last summer, and the Federal Communications Commission is preparing new rules for the industry. Federal legislation

also has been proposed to regulate the industry, and many states are considering ways to monitor the industry.

"It's becoming a haven for con artists," said Steve Rogers, a spokesman for U.S. Rep. Bart Gordon, D-Tennessee, who has sponsored House Resolution 328. "Anytime you have a rapidly growing business, that's going to happen."

Pay-per-call services began quietly in the early 1980s with prerecorded messages and call-in polls costing about 50 cents a call.

The industry exploded after interactive programs, where callers could talk with a live person, were introduced in the late 1980s.

Annual revenue for the 900 industry is expected to soar 41 percent to \$1.2 billion in 1991 from \$871 million in 1990, according to Strategic Telemedia, a research and consulting firm in New York.

## LOTTERY

MIAMI Here are the winning numbers selected Sunday in the Florida Lottery

Cash 3  
9-8-6



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## THE WEATHER

### LOCAL FORECAST

Today...Mostly cloudy and breezy partly clearing this afternoon with a high in the upper 60s. Wind gusting from the northwest at 20 mph.

Tonight...Clear and cool with a low in the mid-40s. Light wind.

Tuesday...Mostly sunny with a high in the mid-70s. Wind west 10 mph.

Extended forecast...Partly cloudy and warm Wednesday and Thursday with a chance of showers. Lows in the upper 50s to low 60s and highs near 80.

### FLORIDA TEMPS

City	Hi	Lo	Pct
Apalachicola	71	45	00
Daytona Beach	80	56	102
Fort Lauderdale	81	55	81
Fort Myers	81	43	31
Gainesville	74	49	65
Homestead	83	65	104
Jacksonville	77	50	57
Key West	83	68	107
Miami	86	66	125
Panama City	84	43	20
Sarasota	75	60	105
Tallahassee	71	44	74
Tampa	77	59	70
Vero Beach	86	60	120
W. Palm Beach	88	64	204

### EXTENDED OUTLOOK

TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
PtyCldy 72-48	PtyCldy 80-55	Sunny 83-64	Sunny 79-66	Sunny 74-55

### MOON PHASES

LAST Feb. 6	NEW Feb. 14
FIRST Feb. 21	FULL Feb. 28

### BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 1 foot and choppy. Current is to the south with a water temperature of 64 degrees. New Smyrna Beach: Waves are 1 foot and semi glassy. Current is to the north, with a water temperature of 64 degrees.

### TIDES

TUESDAY:  
SOLUNAR TABLE: Min. 8:35 a.m., 9:05 p.m.; Maj. 1:35 a.m., 2:00 p.m. TIDES: Daytona Beach: highs, 11:01 a.m., 11:34 p.m.; lows, 5:03 a.m., 5:07 p.m.; New Smyrna Beach: highs, 11:06 a.m., 11:39 p.m.; lows, 5:08 a.m., 5:12 p.m.; Cocoa Beach: highs, 11:21 a.m., 11:54 p.m.; lows, 5:23 a.m., 5:27 p.m.

### BOATING

St. Augustine to Jupiter Inlet  
Small craft advisory in effect. Tonight, Wind northwest 15 knots. Seas 4 to 6 feet. Bay and inland waters a light chop in exposed areas. Tuesday: Wind north of cape canaveral west 10 to 15 knots. Seas 3 to 5 feet. Bay and inland waters a moderate chop in exposed areas.

### NATIONAL TEMPS

Temperatures indicate Sunday's high and overnight low

City	Hi	Lo	Pct	Dir
Anchorage	35	11		cdy
Asheville	57	50	42	clr
Atlanta	60	45	54	clr
Atlantic City	45	51	58	clr
Baltimore	43	52	35	cdy
Baton Rouge	58	58	17	cdy
Birmingham	56	58	95	cdy
Boston	40	41		cdy
Burlington Vt	31	25	09	sn
Caribou	32	25	55	sn
Charleston S.C	49	59	72	clr
Charlotte N.C	41	53	27	clr
Chicago	30	21		cdy
Cleveland	31	29	02	cdy
Colorado Spgs	47	22		cdy
Dallas Ft Worth	62	36		cdy
Denver	63	32		cdy
Detroit	25	24	11	cdy
Eugene	56	43	17	rn
Fairbanks	18	07		sn
Fargo	21	02		cdy
Flagstaff	55	18		cdy
Green Bay	22	10		cdy
Greensboro N.C	56	51	12	cdy
Helena	52	24	02	sn
Honolulu	78	58		cdy
Huntsville Ala	48	48	121	cdy
Indianapolis	32	30		cdy
Jackson Miss	49	41	20	cdy
Juneau	36	21		rn
Kansas City	36	21		cdy
Knoxville	55	40	94	cdy
Las Vegas	73	47		cdy
Los Angeles	73	50		cdy
Louisville	49	32		cdy
Memphis	43	42	11	cdy
Mpls St Paul	26	08		cdy
Nashville	41	35		cdy
New Orleans	58	44	58	cdy
New York City	45	51	32	cdy
Norfolk Va	69	53	69	cdy
Philadelphia	73	48	45	cdy
Phoenix	76	49		cdy
Pittsburgh	50	40	29	cdy
Providence	43	45		cdy

## POLICE BRIEFS

### Warrant arrest made

Michael Andrew Fisher, 25, of 825 Escambia Dr., in Sanford, was arrested on Friday morning and charged with failure to appear in court on an earlier charge of driving with a suspended driver's license.

Police arrested Fisher in a car near his home. He was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held on \$500 bond.

### Traffic violations charged

Steven A. Webster, 31, of 750 Pampas Grass Ct. in Lake Mary, was arrested on Friday morning and charged with several traffic offenses.

He was arrested on Lake Mary Boulevard and charged with allegedly driving under the influence of alcohol, driving with a suspended driver license and driving without insurance.

He was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held without bond.

### Disorderly intoxication charged

Richard L. Taylor, 29, of 2852 Gale Place in Sanford, was arrested on Thursday evening and charged with disorderly intoxication.

Taylor allegedly had been involved in an altercation with another man and refused to leave when police broke up the fight.

He was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held in lieu of \$100 bond.

### Forged check brings arrest

Michael Anthony Kennedy, 33, of 1204 W. 11th St. in Sanford, was arrested on Thursday and charged with uttering a forged instrument and dealing in stolen property.

In December, Kennedy allegedly tried to cash a check for \$170, drawn on the account of Del-Lor, Inc. at the B&W market on Sanford Avenue. Owners of the store refused to cash the check, however.

Investigation of evidence, including photos taken of the check and the writer allegedly revealed that Kennedy had been the person who had attempted to cash the check.

He was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he is being held on \$2,000 bond.

### Man arrested after fight

SANFORD — Kenneth Allen Montonya, 24, 137 Country Club Dr., was arrested Friday on two outstanding warrants. Warrants for failure to appear in reference to a DUI and violation of the open container law were discovered when, the report says, a Sanford police officer ran a computer check on the suspect after responding to a disturbance call at Harry's Bar, 114 Park Ave., Sanford.

A second warrant for violation of probation, grand theft, was revealed in Volusia County, the report said.

Montonya was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility. No bond was set.

### Jewelry stolen

SANFORD — A display case full of gold chains and charms were reportedly stolen from the vehicle of Kamran Nallali of DeLand, while he was unloading some supplies at his booth at Flea World around 4 pm Friday afternoon.

According to law enforcement reports, Nallali had taken one load of cases to his booth, and when he returned to his vehicle, he spotted two men taking the case from the back of his vehicle. Nallali told Sheriff's Deputies that he saw the men leave in a 70's model white and blue Cadillac El Dorado sedan. The case contained 40 gold chains and 20 charms, which were valued at \$5,000.

The Seminole County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident.

### Stolen batteries recovered in pants

SANFORD — Howard Robinson Sr., 26, 2350 W. 18th St., Sanford, was arrested by a Sanford police officer Friday on a charge of retail theft.

According to the report, the defendant asked the manager of the Winn Dixie, 1515 French Ave., where batteries were located.

The manager allegedly observed the suspect place two packs of batteries down the front of his pants. The suspect paid for other merchandise but did not pay for the batteries, the report said.

The batteries were found down the front of the defendant's pants when he was stopped while leaving the store, the report said. The value of the batteries was \$9.76.

Bond was set at \$100.

### Probation violator arrested

SANFORD — James Bernadette, 28, 911 S. Cypress Ave., Sanford, was arrested Friday by a Sanford police officer for violation of probation in connection with trespassing to an occupied conveyance.

Bond was set at \$1,000.

### Computer check nets prostitution arrest

SANFORD — Mary Acree, 34, 1615 W. 3rd St., Sanford, was arrested by a Sanford police officer Friday on an active warrant in Seminole County for failure to appear on a prostitution charge.

The subject was observed with a can of beer at her side as she sat near a grocery store at 315 Poplar Ave.

The warrant was discovered when the officer ran a computer check.

She was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility. No bond was set.

### DUI arrest

SANFORD — Johnny Lee Collins, 55, 908 Celery Ave., was arrested by a Sanford police officer Friday for driving under the influence, violation of the open container law and driving the wrong way in a designated lane.

He was transported to the Seminole County jail.

### Man gives himself up

SANFORD — Gary Dennis Weidner, 38, 420 Hanson Parkway, Sanford, turned himself in to the Seminole County Sheriff's Office where he was arrested on an outstanding warrant in Orange County for public assistance fraud. Bond was set at \$1,000.

### Man charged with burglary

SANFORD — Miguel Angel Coronado, 19, 1885 Roseberry Lane, Sanford, was arrested in Winter Springs Friday by a Seminole County sheriff's deputy. He was charged with burglary to a dwelling and grand theft in connection with a burglary reported on Jan. 11 in Winter Springs.

The report stated that on Jan. 24 the suspect waived his rights and confessed to the burglary, naming an accomplice.

Sheriff's deputies recovered a gold bracelet from a woman who said Coronado had given her the bracelet, the report said. The victim of the burglary subsequently identified the bracelet as property stolen in the Jan. 11 burglary.

After also matching fingerprints found at the scene, sheriff's deputies transported Coronado to the Seminole County jail. Bond was set at \$5,000.

## Regatta

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event, the weather turned nice again.

Throughout Saturday however, the festival was a large success with 126 booths of arts and crafts in the Fort Melon Park area. A majority of visitors to the event managed to purchase at least one item, if not more. One couple, driving a van with Orange County license plates, had almost the entire back of their vehicle loaded with wooden craft items and several paintings they had purchased.

The Lake Monroe Sailing Association Spring Survival Sailing Regatta, held as part of the planned two day festival was also cancelled on Sunday.

The sailing even was not as successful as organizers had hoped it would be, but for the sailboat operators who were entered, it was an exciting event.

The racing took place only on Saturday with three events. Ken Wood, one of the officials of the Lake Monroe Sailing Association, the sponsor of the races, said "We had our problems in those three events, all because of the blustery weather."

Sunday's race was cancelled during a meeting held early that morning because of the tornado possibilities. It was to have been a longer distance race with the sailboats covering the entire length and width of the lake. Board sailing was also to have taken place that day. That was also cancelled.

Saturday's events were around a triangle area situated closer to the Volusia County side of the lake. Wood said the races had to be held over there rather than

near the Sanford shore because the sailboats had to avoid the normal boat channel near the Sanford shore, and the water depth needed to be more than what is currently in the southern side of the lake. "It's not really a spectator sport," Wood said. "Mostly it's an event for boat owners and members of the association."

Because of earlier foul weather predictions, only 15 boats were registered for the race. Possibly as many as 40 had been expected.

In the three races held Saturday, first, second and third place trophies were awarded. In the first class, Dave Brendle of Sanford was the winner, with

Dan Duel and Allen Oupes taking second and third places. In Class 2, George Mann won, with the only female winner, Penny Potter taking second, and Woody Fraser coming in third. In the final race, another Sanford man, Eric Ericson won, with M.C. Scow taking the second place trophy. The third place winner's name was not known early this morning.

Wood said the board sailing that was to have been one of the highlights on Sunday, are now scheduled to be held in Lake Monroe on Saturday, March 30. "We had some of them out in the water this Sunday," Wood said, "and they were hitting speeds of possibly 40 miles per hour, but

the weather was just too bad to hold those events.

The Lake Monroe Sailing Association in a local organization, with the next regular meeting to be held in Sanford at Mac's Pub, 209 W. First Street on Tuesday, Mar. 12. "You don't even need to own a sail boat to be in the club," Wood added, "you just have to like the kind of sailing we do."

As for the St. John's River Festival, Raby said there is a possibility that there may be discussion on moving the dates of the annual event into the fall, or some other time of year, to reduce the possibility of rain cancellations during future events.

## POWs

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Iraq had accepted United Nations peace conditions, which could clear the way for a permanent cease-fire in the Persian Gulf War. In return, the Security Council authorized mercy flights into Baghdad of food, medicine and water purification equipment.

Under Sunday's terms, U.S. forces would leave Iraqi territory once a permanent cease-fire is signed and Iraq has complied with all U.N. resolutions, including accepting liability for war damages and renouncing all claims to Kuwait.

Despite the halt in hostilities, the conflict continued to claim American lives.

A female pilot and three other U.S. soldiers were killed in a helicopter crash in northern Saudi Arabia on Saturday, U.S. military officials said. Army Maj. Marie T. Rossi, 32, of Oradell, N.J., was the first woman pilot reported killed in the gulf.

As the terms for the truce were relayed to the Iraqis, leaders looked to prospects for long-term peace in the region. President Francois Mitterrand of France on Sunday proposed an unprecedented meeting of the leaders of U.N. Security Council member nations to discuss Middle East issues such as the Palestinian-Israeli conflict.

At the truce talks in Safwan, Iraq, victorious and vanquished generals faced one another across a simple wooden table in a dark-green tent pitched beside a crushed-stone runway.

Afterward, Desert Storm commander Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf told reporters: "I am very happy to tell you we agreed on all matters."

The Iraqis had little choice but to accept the terms put to them. But the allies, who annihilated the Iraqi army with their six-week air war and the 100-hour ground offensive, took pains to avoid sharpening the sting of

defeat. Before the talks, Schwarzkopf barred photos of Iraqi delegation being subjected to a metal-detector search, saying: "I don't want them humiliated."

Chief among allied concerns was the release of POWs and other captives. The allied chiefs refused to say whether they had learned how many prisoners of war were being held by Iraq. The U.S. command knew of at least nine American POWs.

On Sunday night, Iraq's U.N. ambassador, Abdul Amir al-Anbani, said in New York that Iraq had released 10 POWs already, among them six Americans, "including one of them the young lady that was captured."

The International Red Cross' chief representative in Baghdad said before today's release that Iraqi officials had told him they were ready to start the repatriation of POWs in accordance with details worked out at Safwan.

## Board

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Until last year, the board had the power only to levy the fine, not to waive it, Keith said. When boards across the state were given authority to waive fines last year, he said, Sanford's board then drafted provisions for such action in cases of financial or medical hardship, or in the event of technicalities.

Violations are brought to the Code Enforcement Board, which acts as a quasi-judicial board, either through surveying by city inspectors or through citizen complaints. Complaints from residents, which may be anonymous, are investigated by the city before they reach the board.

Board members are not permitted to file code enforcement complaints, Keith said.

When residents or businesses in violation do not meet an inspector's demands to comply, the cases are then referred to the Code Enforcement Board.

Violations range from safety hazards, which might mean improperly stored fuel tanks or old refrigerators posing potential hazards to small children, to violations that detract from the appearance of neighborhoods, such as tall weeds, garbage or cars on blocks.

The city now has one full-time code enforcement inspector, Building Department Director Gary Winn said. Although that inspector has duties outside code enforcement, he said, about 95 percent of her time is spent in that capacity. Inspection of new apartment units had recently taken time from that inspector's code enforcement duties, Winn said, but the apartment inspections are nearing completion.

Absenteeism is also a problem for the board, Keith said. With only three members present, he said, the board failed to reach a quorum at its December meeting. And considering that a by-the-hour city attorney attends all Code Enforcement Board meetings, he said, it was a waste of more than just time.

Keith asked the city commission to amend the ordinance that created the board in order to allow for alternate members to hold voting powers in the event of no-shows. The commission last week agreed to make the changes to allow for alternates with voting privileges.

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Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard regarding the transmittal of the proposed plan amendment to the State of Florida Department of Community Affairs.

Copies of the proposed revisions to the Comprehensive Plan are available at the Department of Engineering and Planning and at the City Clerk's office, City Hall, Sanford, Florida and may be inspected by the public.

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### EDITORIALS

## China unrepentant

China has been trying, with some success, to polish up its image in the wake of the Tiananmen Square massacre of dissidents in June of 1989. President Bush received Beijing's foreign minister last November, ending a period of high-level isolation dating from the bloody events in Beijing. That probably ensured China's acquiescence in a crucial United Nations Security Council vote authorizing military action in the Persian Gulf.

Then, in a gesture to U.S. concerns, Beijing received a State Department human rights official in December, listened to his complaints, but followed his departure with a scathing press attack on U.S. "guardians of human rights." Since then, at least 15 pro-democracy dissidents have been tried in camera and given prison sentences ranging from two to eight years for offenses — organizing demonstrations, making anti-government statements — that in the West would bring only fines or suspended sentences, if anything.

Beijing's behavior abroad is no better. Its support for the anti-Iraq coalition has been qualified at best. China abstained on the U.N. vote endorsing the use of force, which leaves it plenty of diplomatic room for maneuver. Indeed, Western diplomats in Beijing say that China, despite its vote last August for the U.N. embargo, sought as recently as late December to sell weapons to Iraq and to get North Korea to smuggle them there, but balked at the last minute for fear of diplomatic repercussions if the ruse were discovered.

Such chicanery is consistent with China's trade practice generally. Last year, Washington imposed sanctions after learning that Beijing had been circumventing textile quota agreements by routing falsely labeled goods to the United States through third countries. China not only remains unapologetic but threatens to retaliate, an action that would make the day of those in Congress just itching to revoke Beijing's privileged trading status with this country.

In the same vein, Chinese leaders have grown bellicose toward Britain as that country prepares to hand over its colony of Hong Kong to Beijing in 1997, demanding that London take no action in Hong Kong without Chinese assent. One unstated message is that no democratic institutions must be implanted in Hong Kong before Beijing gets its hands on the capitalist enclave.

All of this reflects a totalitarian mind-set that has not changed and is not likely to at least until the present generation of leaders passes from the scene. Fortunately, the Bush administration, which foolishly tried to placate Beijing even while imposing sanctions following the bloody events in Tiananmen Square, seems now to realize that that approach was morally wrong and paid few dividends. It would do well to keep that in mind if, as expected, China declares an amnesty for political prisoners any day now in an attempt to persuade the world that its authoritarianism is tempered with humanity. It isn't, and the world must not be duped into thinking so.

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### VINCENT CARROLL

## Saddam joins a cast of ignobles

Less than a year ago The Economist magazine noted, in a lengthy survey of the Arab world, that "Iraq enjoys an almost perfect balance of oil, population and water: its future will be bright unless President Hussein starts another war."

A prudent qualification, it turns out. Like everyone who has enough, Saddam Hussein wanted more.

At what point do you suppose he realized he'd overreached? Did misgivings set in on Aug. 5, when President Bush declared that the invasion of Kuwait "will not stand"? Or was it on Nov. 8, with the doubling of U.S. troops in the Gulf, that Saddam suddenly wondered if he'd gone one border too far?

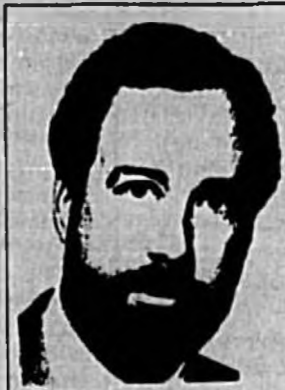
Nov. 29 must have been a bleak day for the bully of Baghdad. That was when the U.N. Security Council approved the use of force, a move Congress imitated on Jan. 12. But still the thought must have tugged at Saddam: This can't be happening. What the heck do these Americans care about Kuwait?

A British wag has quipped that it takes a special sort of incompetence for a third-rate dictator to maneuver himself into war with the most powerful nation on Earth. He might have added that it takes a heady mix of obstinacy and arrogance for a ruler to sacrifice an entire country on behalf of his own swollen sense of destiny.

But whatever the psychology at work, it's hardly new. Destroying a nation in a hopeless cause is the trademark of a certain kind of warrior throughout history. Napoleon waged battle until the only Frenchmen left to press into service were 15-year-olds. When Metternich remarked on the pitiful state of his troops, Napoleon boasted, "I'm going to bury the world in my ruin."

By 1944, every perceptive German knew the Third Reich was spent. Yet Hitler fought on, all the while complaining to Albert Speer that the German people had let him down.

Adm. Isoroku Yamamoto, mastermind of the strike on Pearl Harbor, realized even before the war's first volley that Japan was decisively



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outmatched. "Should hostilities break out between Japan and the United States," he wrote in early 1941, "it would not be enough that we take Guam and San Francisco. To make victory certain, we would have to march into Washington and dictate the terms of peace in the White House. I wonder if our politicians, among whom armchair arguments about war are being glibly bandied about in the name of state politics, have confidence as to the final outcome and are prepared to make the necessary sacrifices."

So why did Yamamoto fight? Duty, loyalty, honor: all the human virtues that ensure a good bloodbath.

Of course, Saddam is small potatoes compared with Napoleon, Hitler or Yamamoto. In retrospect, the Iraqi's vain ambition may more closely resemble that of Francisco Solano Lopez, the 19th-century Paraguayan dictator whose father left him one of the most powerful armies in South America. No less incompetent or stoneheaded than Saddam, Lopez promptly maneuvered himself into war against Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina — the combined force of which smashed through Paraguay like Attila reborn. By the time the allies were through, they'd slaughtered three-quarters of the country's male citizens.



### WALTER MEARS

## War victory hurts Democrats

WASHINGTON — As the Democrats were saying when they were interrupted by the Persian Gulf War, there are other issues to be faced, problems at home, an economy in recession.

But there aren't any other issues that count politically right now.

At this point, all the opposition party can do is applaud the Republican president's success in the conflict their leaders voted against authorizing, and the 100-hour ground offensive that wrapped it up.

So Speaker of the House Thomas H. Foley said President Bush had conducted himself brilliantly. Senate Majority Leader George J. Mitchell called the operation a credit to the president.

They will have other, contentious business with him, but that can wait. So can the field of Democrats who will compete for the nomination to challenge Bush in 1992. Every likely candidate but one, Sen. Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee, voted against going to war in mid-January. In favor of waiting to see if economic sanctions would force Iraq to surrender Kuwait.

The home-front argument already is beginning over appropriations to pay for the war, and on allied contributions to share the cost, especially from Japan, Germany and the front-line oil nations. That will, inevitably, flow into more general debate on defense spending, high-tech weaponry, the fate of the peace dividend.

But with Bush promising to bring the victorious troops home soon, and with his popularity ratings soaring to near 90 percent, political challengers and critics are out of season. They know and Bush's men know that the numbers will come down when euphoria subsides. They don't know how soon or how far.

Until that happens, they can't hope to change the subject to the domestic concerns that they want to make the focus of the 1992 presidential campaign.

Even then, they can only hope. In what surely will stand as the great crisis of his first term, perhaps of his presidency, Bush gained a triumph unmatched since the end of World War II.

And political seers in both parties had said that Bush would be almost invincible in 1992 if the war was won swiftly with few casualties.

Still, there is no guarantee the Republicans can make it all last until an election still 20 months away. The off-year campaign of 1990 began with Bush, and therefore his party, riding a wave of support that flowed from the end of the Cold War, the toppling of the Berlin Wall.

It didn't last the spring. Within months, the undertow of the federal deficit had dragged Bush with it. He had forsaken his pledge

against new taxes to seek a budget deal with the Democrats, and the surge became a slump.

While that deal was a problem at midterm, it may be a big asset when Bush himself is on the ballot. Under its terms, even if the deficit goes up — as it certainly will given the cost of war and the price of recession — the administration doesn't have to do anything about it before 1993.

The political benefits of victory in the Persian Gulf are direct and personal, not indirect or reflected as was the credit gained for the 1989 wave of democratic reform supplanting communist regimes in Eastern Europe.

Furthermore, as a wartime commander in chief, Bush has answered the first question Americans ask about a president or a candidate to become one: what does he do in a crisis?

In this one, Bush held his lines, against Democratic opposition before the war, against Iraqi threats of a battlefield bloodletting when some experts said they were credible, against Soviet diplomatic maneuvers aimed at ending the war short of Saddam Hussein's surrender.

It was done with fewer American casualties than were suffered in the Spanish American War.

When the campaign documentaries are put together next year, the Bush camp may find a spot for this comment from Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf's victory briefing:

"I'm very thankful for the fact that the president of the United States has allowed the U.S. military and the coalition military to fight this war exactly as it should have been fought."

The Democratic challenger in 1992 is going to have to prove — in the abstract — that he could exercise crisis command. That's difficult against an incumbent, doubly so against a war president who won.

So the Democrats' emphasis is, and will be, domestic. Setting their 1991 agenda, Senate Democrats said the war was critical, but "we must also address the urgent problems here at home," beginning with the recession.

Now that prediction will be tested.

### JACK ANDERSON

## When is a female soldier a POW?

WASHINGTON — As long as Melissa Rathbun-Nealy is going down in history as the first American female prisoner of war, her father, Leo Rathbun, would just as soon have the Pentagon call her a POW. But it won't.

Nealy disappeared near Khafji, Saudi Arabia, on Jan. 30, when she got lost while delivering a vehicle back to its unit after repairs. The Pentagon says she is "missing" and that the military needs more information before it can put her on the POW list.

It is a list that Leo Rathbun wants his daughter's name on so the Iraqis are forced to account for her when the dust settles in the Persian Gulf War.

Nealy, 20, never expected to make history when she joined the Army. She wanted an adventure, and she wanted to pay for her college education, her father told our associate Melinda Maas. Nealy's job with the 233rd Transportation Company of Ft. Bliss, Texas, was to drive heavy equipment, not to face an enemy in combat.

On Jan. 30, she headed north out of a maintenance facility near Dhahran in a heavy equipment transport vehicle, or HET. Another HET traveled with her. Their convoy commander passed them and then stopped for gas. He looked up to see the two HETs go straight through an intersection where they were supposed to turn west. They were headed or on Khafji, which was soon to become the site of the first ground battle of the war.

Outside of Khafji, the two HETs stopped and their drivers debated whether or not they were lost, according to the account the Army gave Leo Rathbun. Farther along the road, they spotted something they didn't expect to see in Saudi Arabia — Iraqi troops coming toward them. One HET made a U-turn. But Nealy's vehicle became stuck. The last thing the other driver saw before going for help was Nealy and her co-driver, Spec. David Lockett, still in the HET and Iraqi troops approaching them.

When Marines came back to rescue them, the HET was still there, but Nealy and Lockett were gone.

Iraqis taken prisoner by Saudi forces at Khafji told of seeing the capture of two American soldiers, a man and woman. The Saudis got another report later about two POWs seen near the Iraqi city of Basrah — a white woman and a black man. (Nealy is white and Lockett is black.)

That's not enough for the Pentagon to call them POWs, but it is enough for Leo Rathbun. The anguished father took matters in his own hands and wrote Saddam Hussein a letter, asking for his daughter's release, or at least to let the Red Cross see her. "I just want her to know that her family loves her and that we are doing everything we can," Rathbun told us.

Like many enlistees, Nealy was not prepared to be taken prisoner. Pilots and special operations people get rigorous POW training, but the Army says it is unrealistic and expensive to train everyone.

The vast majority of the reservists, national guardsmen and logistics personnel in the allied forces had no preparation for being taken prisoner by the Iraqis. A recent report by Amnesty International warns about Iraq's track record with POWs. They are routinely tortured.

Before the Vietnam War, the POW "Code of Conduct" said soldiers could give only their name, rank and serial number. But in Vietnam, POWs had to break the rules if they were to stay alive. Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., a Vietnam POW for five and a half years, said, "We learned we had to give something more to avoid torture."



She never expected to make history when she joined the Army.



## NATIONAL BRIEFS



### Pilot warned of winds before crash

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo. — A United Airlines pilot was warned of dangerous wind gusts before his jet buried itself nose-first in a park "like a missile" and exploded, killing all 25 people aboard, authorities said.

"We can't even find a chair," said Sheriff Bernard Barry. "There's not a great deal of that airplane."

Federal investigators arrived to poke through the wreckage today for clues to the cause of Sunday's crash of Flight 585.

However, officials said the pilot was warned of strong wind gusts just before the plane crashed as it attempted to land at Colorado Springs Municipal Airport. Gusts of 32 mph were reported by the National Weather Service.

### NORML seeks medical use of marijuana

WASHINGTON — A federal appeals court is being asked to order the government to legalize use of marijuana for medical purposes such as controlling nausea in cancer patients.

The Drug Enforcement Administration ignored evidence that marijuana can ease the suffering of patients with cancer, glaucoma and multiple sclerosis, said plaintiffs in the case being argued today before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia.

Smoked as a narcotic drug for centuries, marijuana has been illegal in the United States since 1937.

Marijuana has been shown to ease nausea in cancer patients undergoing chemotherapy, lessen muscle spasms caused by multiple sclerosis and reduce eye pressure for glaucoma patients, according to the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML) and the Alliance for Cannabis Therapeutics. They are represented in court by the Drug Policy Foundation.

### Cheapest heart drug proved safest

ATLANTA — The biggest comparative study of three competing clot-dissolving drugs found them equally effective in saving the lives of heart attack victims, but the cheapest drug proved safest, scientists say.

Preliminary findings showed that all save lives up to 12 hours after a heart attack and should be given to many more patients than are now receiving them, the study's director, Dr. Rory Collins of Oxford University, said Sunday.

Compared were streptokinase, a 30-year-old drug, and two newcomers: TPA, a genetically engineered drug, and APSAC, a chemically modified version of streptokinase.

The makers of TPA and APSAC have been touting their drugs as an improvement over streptokinase, based on several smaller studies. A dose of streptokinase costs about \$200; TPA costs \$2,200 per dose and APSAC sells for \$1,700.

### Arthur Murray dead at 95

HONOLULU — Arthur Murray, the ballroom dance school king who helped teach millions of people how to be lighter on their two left feet, died Sunday after a bout with pneumonia. He was 95.

A gawky, lonely teen-ager who gained confidence through dance, Murray used the promise of overnight popularity to build a string of 400 Arthur Murray Dance Studios in nearly 50 countries. He also had a TV show that ran for 11 years.

Eleanor Roosevelt reportedly learned to dance the Arthur Murray way, as did the Duke of Windsor, John D. Rockefeller Jr. and Jack Dempsey.

Murray's gift for turning wallflowers into the life of the party started with himself.

## WORLD BRIEFS



### Latvians, Estonians seek secession

RIGA, U.S.S.R. — Latvians and Estonians have voted overwhelmingly for independence from the Soviet Union, in referendums that carry no legal weight but represent a challenge to President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

With most ballots counted after Sunday's plebiscites, secession was favored by more than three-fourths of voters in both republics, officials said.

Ethnic Russians joined ethnic Latvians and Estonians in calling for secession, despite warnings from Moscow that the non-indigenous population would be second-class citizens if independence were approved.

The balloting was similar to a Feb. 9 referendum in which Lithuanians voted overwhelmingly in favor of independence.

From Associated Press reports

## Arrests made in deaths of 5 San Diego Women

By DENNIS GEORGATOS  
Associated Press

SAN DIEGO (AP) — A 13-month manhunt ended with the arrest of a young man in a string of five slayings that terrorized San Diego last year.

Cleophus Prince, 23, was taken into custody without incident Sunday in Birmingham, Ala., on a warrant accusing him of stabbing to death five women.

San Diego Police Chief Bob Burgreen said much of the murder case was based on DNA evidence, but he wouldn't elaborate.

"A whole variety of things that ultimately came together pointed to Mr. Prince," said police spokesman Dave Cohen.

The attacks occurred in the daytime from January through September in the city's Claremont and University City areas. Police said the killer entered through unlocked doors or windows.

Four victims were between 18 and 21. The fifth victim

42-year-old Pamela Gail Clark, was killed with her 18-year-old daughter Amber.

Alarmed by the slayings, some residents moved away, while others installed steel bars on their windows. Police beefed up neighborhood patrols and put as many as 27 detectives on the case.

Thousands of tips were examined and the killer was profiled on television's "America's Most Wanted."

The district attorney's office was expected to begin extradition proceedings this week.

Police refused to discuss Prince's background.

Burgreen said Prince had been arrested in Birmingham in a theft case. He was released on bail three hours before San Diego police called.

Bondsmen and Birmingham police then contacted Prince's parents to tell them he had to return and sign some bail forms.

When he came back, he was taken into custody.

# Honesty paid off for homeless mom

By TIM CURRAN  
Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — Rosemary Pritchett's three-bedroom home is the house that honesty built.

Visitors to a February open house saw new windows, wiring and walls. The plumbing has been replaced, along with the furnace. The downstairs is carpeted now, and there are frames for the mattresses in the upstairs bedrooms. The latest addition: two cocker spaniel puppies.

Three months ago, Ms. Pritchett was homeless, living with her three children in a shelter. But then a missing paycheck brought Cheryl Wood into her life — and honesty and human kindness turned her life upside down.

On that November day, Ms. Pritchett, 31, bid \$1,200 — all the money she had in the

world — on an abandoned wreck of a house.

On that same day, she found a \$400 paycheck endorsed by Mrs. Wood, a nurse. She did not hesitate. She called the rightful owner.

Mrs. Wood picked up her check that night at the Independence shelter where Ms. Pritchett was living, one of several where she and her children, Jeremiah, 13, Natasha, 9, and Stephanie, 7, had stayed since their arrival in Kansas City in June.

She offered a \$25 reward that Ms. Pritchett reluctantly accepted, on the condition that Mrs. Wood write her a thank you note.

"I wanted the children to know that when you find something, somebody lost it," Ms. Pritchett said.

Mrs. Wood also offered help on the house Ms. Pritchett had bid on. Perhaps she could paint, she said, or help hang wallpaper.

"I said, 'Why don't I call you?'" Ms. Pritchett said. "I didn't want her to know we didn't have walls to paint or paper. (The house) was just a few boards short of being on the endangered list."

Mrs. Wood soon saw it for herself. The boarded-up shell was a long-term project lacking all the essentials — a furnace, electricity, plumbing, even windows. Located across from two vacant lots, it had been abandoned and seized for back taxes by the county, which sold it to Ms. Pritchett through a special program.

The job seemed overwhelming, but Mrs. Wood took it on, working the telephone to find the help the Pritchetts needed. A fellow church member, contractor Charlie Copeland, offered to supervise free of charge. Others jumped in. A plumbing company donated a water heater; a construction supplier built windows. Mrs. Wood's uncle installed them.

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## IN BRIEF

### GOLF

#### Rain delays Doral

MIAMI — Andy Bean made a quick telephone call to Orlando, Fla. to cancel a corporate outing. He and 21 others — including Jack Nicklaus, Curtis Strange and lefty Russ Cochran — have to finish the storm-delayed final round of the Doral Open.

Play was delayed, then postponed overnight, by wind, rain and lightning that lashed the Doral Country Club and left 22 players stranded on the course.

They were due to return at 9 a.m., EST, today to complete play. It marked the first time since the 1988 Canadian Open that a PGA Tour event has been extended to Monday.

Cochran and Bean shared the lead at 11 under par. Each had nine holes to play.

Strange was three under par for the round and 10 under for the tournament — a single stroke off the lead — with six holes to play.

Nicklaus, 51, who hasn't won on the regular tour since taking his sixth Masters title in 1986, was two under par for the day and 9 under for the tournament. He will resume play from the 14th tee.

### COLLEGE HOOPS

#### Coaches All-SEC

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Shaquille O'Neal of Louisiana State was named the Player of the Year on the coaches' All-Southeastern Conference basketball team for 1991.

LSU, Kentucky and Mississippi State each placed two players on the team, with Vernel Singleton joining his teammate O'Neal.

Kentucky was represented by Reggie Hanson and John Pelphey and Mississippi State by Cameron Burns and Greg Carter.

Others named to the team were Melvin Cheatum of Alabama, Dwayne Davis of Florida, Litteral Green of Georgia, Allan Houston of Tennessee and Scott Draud of Vanderbilt.

#### USF falls in Sun Belt

MOBILE, Ala. — South Florida coach Bobby Paschal said his team has only a slim chance to play in the NCAA tournament after a 72-69 loss to Old Dominion in the semifinals of the Sun Belt Conference tournament Sunday.

Chris Gatling scored 26 points and Ricardo Leonard 21 as the seventh-seeded Monarchs pulled off their second straight upset, advancing to the Monday night finals.

"They accomplished more things defensively than we did," Paschal said. Nevertheless, his team is still 19-10 and he said, "We have a very, very good chance of being an NIT team."

On the other hand, Old Dominion (11-17) realizes that its only chance of qualifying for a post-season tournament is to win the Sun Belt.

Gatling, the 6-10 Sun Belt Conference Player of the Year, and the 6-7 Leonard did most of their damage inside. Leonard made nine of 10 shots from the field and Gatling hit 11 of 16. The Monarchs shot 55 percent to South Florida's 41 percent.

Fred Lewis had 15 points for South Florida. Rodenko Dobras 12 and Tony Armstrong 10. No one else was in double figures for Old Dominion.

### COLLEGE BASEBALL

#### Florida bests Louisiana

NEW ORLEANS — Brian Dava and Brian Puris each had home runs and pitcher Marc Valdes scattered seven hits while striking out five to help Florida to a 7-2 victory over New Orleans at the Busch Challenge baseball tournament in the Louisiana Superdome.

Florida claimed the Busch Challenge title in the state-versus-state tournament, winning five of the nine games.

Valdes (3-0) walked four. New Orleans reliever Sean Touchet (1-1) took the loss.

In earlier games Sunday, No. 4 Florida State blanked top-ranked LSU, 8-0, and Tulane defeated sixth-ranked Miami, 5-2.

Florida State catcher Pedro Grifol, who set a Challenge record with three home runs in the series, was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

#### Maine wins USF Invitational

TAMPA — Gary Taylor's two-run homer in the first started No. 25 Maine toward a 16-5 victory over No. 11 Michigan Sunday to win the South Florida Invitational.

Maine (3-0) added three runs in the third, two in the fourth on Mark Sweetney's two-run homer, two in the fifth and six runs in the sixth.

Michigan (6-2) scored their five runs in the sixth, four on a grand slam by Mike Matheny.

Maine won the tournament with three wins, 5-3 over South Florida, 6-3 over Coastal Carolina and the 16-5 over Michigan.

South Florida beat Michigan 11-2 and Coastal Carolina 20-1.

Compiled from wire and staff reports.



**BEST BETS ON TV**

**BASKETBALL**  
7:30 p.m. — ESPN, NCAA, Sun Belt Tournament finals, South Alabama vs. Old Dominion. (L)

Complete listing on Page 2B

# Patriots in; OCS Rams out

## Lake Brantley takes 4A-9 title

From staff reports

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Lake Brantley capped an upset-filled tournament by beating the Mainland Buccaneers 64-59 in overtime to claim the title in the 4A-District 9 boys' basketball tournament Saturday night at Lake Brantley High School.

The win was the fourth in as many days, the last two in overtime, for the eighth-seeded Patriots, who knocked off the seventh-seeded Buccaneers to claim the first-ever boys district basketball title in the school's 17-year existence.

Lake Brantley had advanced to the final by beating ninth-seeded DeLand, top-seeded Lake Weir in Candler and fourth-seeded Oviedo. Mainland had defeated second-seeded Lake Howell and third-seeded Lake Mary to reach the title game.

Junior forward Anthony Washington lead the Patriots with 17 points and six rebounds as Lake Brantley improved to 17-12 and set up a Region V matchup with District 10 winner Oak Ridge at Lake Brantley Tuesday night starting at 7:30 p.m.

The Patriots were able to pull off the win despite losing shooting star Trevis Certo to fouls with 1:39 left in regulation. Certo's running mate at guard, Jason Vallery, hit a layup with 19 seconds left to tie the game at 58-58 and force overtime.

Lake Brantley dominated the game. **See Patriots, Page 2B**

**MAINLAND (59)**  
Williams 0, Shropshire 4, Heard 4, Burch 22, Boykins 8, Gadsden 13, Wyatt 2. Totals: 24 10 12 59.

**LAKE BRANTLEY (64)**  
Kleinman 8, Vallery 11, Certo 15, Washington 17, Brock 11, Seymore 0, Lazar 0, Jones 2. Totals: 24 16 24 64.

**Mainland** 13 26 11 14 1 — 59  
**Lake Brantley** 17 15 12 14 4 — 64

Three point field goals — Mainland 1 (Gadsden). Total fouls — Mainland 18; Lake Brantley 15. Fouled out — Lake Brantley 1 (Certo). Technicals — none. Records — Mainland 15-15; Lake Brantley 17-12.

## Orangewood boys, girls fall

From staff reports

Whether you lose by two or 30, a loss is still a loss.

Within 24 hours, the Orangewood Christian School basketball teams tasted both kinds of defeat, the boys getting bombed by Wymore Career 101-74 Friday in the 1A-District 8 tournament semifinals while the girls dropped a 63-61 decision in overtime to Hilliard in the 1A-Section II title game Saturday night.

Up in Mount Dora on Friday, the Orangewood Christian boys played one of the finest games. But all the Rams could do is watch in awe as Wymore Career, led by Jerrell Bowman, give a sharpshooting exhibition that resulted in the Bobcats making 12 3-point field goals.

Bowman, who knocked down a half-dozen treys, scored 35 points to lead the Bobcats. Nate Williams **See Rams, Page 2B**

Girls

**HILLIARD (63)**  
T. Conner 8 9 11 26, A. Conner 3 1 2 7, Starling 0 2 1, D. Crews 7 1 4 15, Hodges 4 0 4 8, Coachman 3 0 1 6. Totals: 32 12 22 63.

**ORANGWOOD CHRISTIAN (61)**  
Hufford 4 4 7 12, Prammung 4 3 4 11, Gable 3 0 3 9, Hogan 9 3 4 21, Coleman 4 0 0 8. Totals: 24 10 18 61.

**Hilliard** 15 18 12 13 5 — 63  
**Orangewood Christian** 12 21 8 16 3 — 61

Three point field goals — Hilliard 5 (T. Conner 5). Orangewood Christian 3 (Gable 3). Total fouls — Hilliard 15, Orangewood Christian 21. Fouled out — Hilliard, A. Conner; Orangewood Christian, Hufford. Technicals — None. Records — Hilliard 25-1, Orangewood Christian 22-9.

Boys

**ORANGWOOD CHRISTIAN (74)**  
Jacobs 1 2 3 4, Reeves 0 2 2 2, Hufford 0 0 3 0, Senell 10 4 5 24, Stewart 1 0 0 2, Parke 13 10 11 40, McClintock 1 0 0 2. Totals: 28 18 27 74.

**WYMORE CAREER (101)**  
Bowman 14 1 1 35, Boies 7 1 1 17, N. Williams 10 1 1 25, Powell 4 0 0 8, Brown 2 1 2 5, S. Williams 1 0 0 2, Barginear 2 0 0 4, Cook 2 1 2 5. Totals: 42 5 7 101.

**Orangewood Christian** 17 14 18 25 — 74  
**Wymore Career** 34 26 26 23 — 101

Three point field goals — Orangewood Christian 4 (Parke 4), Wymore Career 12 (Bowman 4, N. Williams 4, Boies 3). Total fouls — Orangewood Christian 7, Wymore Career 28. Fouled out — None. Technicals — None. Records — Orangewood Christian 16-15, Wymore Career 16-13.

### DOUBLE TAKES



Herald Photo by Kelly Jordan

#### That's the way the ball bounces

Going into their respective district tournaments, the Seminole and Lake Mary high school varsity boys' basketball teams were considered to have good shots at reaching the championship game. As it turned out, neither team made it out of Friday's semifinals. At Edgewater High School, Kerry Wiggins (No. 34, left) and the Seminoles were eliminated by Jones. Meanwhile, at Lake Brantley, Mike Merthle (No. 40, right) and the Lake Mary Rams were dumped by the Mainland Buccaneers.



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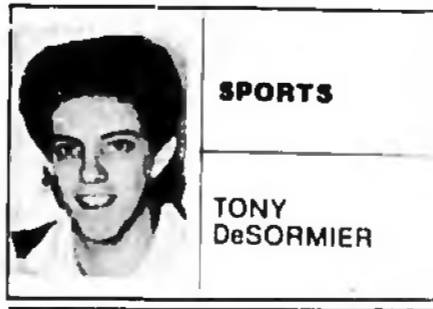
# End of a career just as difficult for preps as pros

Behind all the years of practice and all the hours of glory waits that inexorable terror of living without the game. — Bill Bradley

For a high school student athlete, the end of a season can be more trying, more traumatic than graduating. Generally, graduation is a positive step, the reaching of a goal or the passing of a milestone. As difficult as it may be for some to leave, there should at least be the sense of accomplishment.

But because of the way the Florida High School Activities Association decides its state championships, everyone ends their season with a loss except the state champ. And depending on how that almost inevitable loss happens, it could be one of the most painful events in an individual's life.

Those familiar with sports, not just fans, but those with an appreciation for the activity and all that surrounds it, understand that athletes die two deaths — one competitive, one physical. The sec-



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ond is complete. The first leaves a void not easily filled.

Don't sneer at the suggestion that this effects high school athletes as deeply as professionals. The competitive drive is not something amplified just by the introduction of salaries or prize money. There are those who would say that the presence of money dilutes that drive.

Pride is the ultimate motivating factor in an athlete's life. The presence of a crowd, the pressure to perform is what leads that drive.

Take the game and those trappings away and you (temporarily) take the motivation away.

There are several tired suggestions about how an athlete can rechannel these energies, as if it were that simple.

Recreational league play is the most commonly prescribed remedy for dealing with a Basketball (or whatever) Jones. But that's just a placebo. It's still playing but without the same emotional intensity. In high school or college, there's a winner-take-all finality. In recreation, there's always another league.

Over the last couple of weeks, the winter sports season has come to a close — with the exception of the Lake Brantley boys' basketball team. Of the over 400 boys and girls who participated in basketball, soccer or wrestling, there are many seniors who will continue their careers in college. There are more who won't.

How that end comes about can have a great deal to do with how an

athlete makes the transition. A definitive loss somehow makes it easier, much like quitting a bad habit cold turkey. The worst thing that can happen is a close loss clouded by any number of plays that would have changed the outcome. Then there's second guessing and self-doubt, making it even more difficult to let go.

Separation under the best of circumstances is still very difficult. In most cases with athletes, this separation is not by choice. Almost all would continue to play if given the chance. The fact they aren't is an indirect condemnation of not being good enough. That's another kind of pain, a sense of rejection.

It may sound morose or overly dramatic, but it makes it no less real. You work, you sweat, you dedicate yourself for the chance to compete. Then comes the day that when it's all gone. And no matter how hard you work, how much you sweat, how you dedicate yourself, it doesn't matter. It's over.

By BILL KERNS  
Herald Correspondent

## Leaders still in first in church play

SANFORD — Church of God of Prophecy and Sanford Christian maintained their early divisional leads in the Sanford Church Softball Spring League Saturday at Pinchurst Park.

In the "A" Division, St. Stephen Catholic beat First United Methodist 6-1 and Holy Cross Lutheran tipped Central Baptist 11-9. Church of God of Prophecy did not play.

Sanford Christian nipped First Baptist Geneva 10-9 in the "B" Division. Church of God bopped Holy Cross Lutheran 14-4 and Markham Woods First Baptist nipped Grace Christian 5-4 in other games.

Church of God of Prophecy kept the "A" Division lead at 2-0, while St. Stephen Catholic improved to 2-1. Neighborhood Alliance is 1-1, followed by Central Baptist, Holy Cross Lutheran and First United Methodist, all at 1-2.

Sanford Christian improved to 3-0 in the "B" Division. Church of God and Markham Woods First Baptist are 2-1. First Nazareth of Sanford is 1-1, Holy Cross Lutheran and First Baptist Geneva are 1-2, while Grace Christian is 0-2.

Next Saturday's schedule, which will take place at Fort Mellon Park, has Holy Cross Lutheran facing St. Stephen Catholic at 9 a.m., First United Methodist challenging Church of God of Prophecy at 10 a.m., and Central Baptist playing Neighborhood Alliance at 11 a.m.

In the "B" Division, Sanford Christian will open play against Grace Christian at noon. First **See Softball, Page 2B**

Central Baptist	203	001	3	—	9	14
Holy Cross Lutheran	202	210	2	—	11	17
St. Stephen Catholic	040	100	1	—	6	13
First United Methodist	000	010	0	—	1	7
Sanford Christian	304	010	0	—	10	17
First Baptist Geneva	021	042	0	—	9	16
Holy Cross Lutheran	012	001	0	—	4	10
Church of God	412	123	0	—	14	17
Grace Christian	010	021	0	—	4	8
Markham Woods	011	210	0	—	5	7





# People

## IN BRIEF

### PTA hosts vendor exhibition

Seminole County Council of PTA's will hold a Vendor's Exhibition Night free of charge. Approximately 25 product lines will be available for viewing with vendors on hand to answer questions and furnish samples. Local organizations involved in raising funds for activities are invited to take advantage of this opportunity.

The event will be held at Greenwood Lakes Middle School, 601 Lake Park Dr., Lake Mary, on Thursday, March 7, from 4 to 8 p.m.

### Embroiderers' Guild welcomes teacher

Central Florida Chapter Embroiderers' Guild of America will hold its monthly meeting on Friday, March 8, at 9:30 a.m. at the Junior Achievement Center, Loch Haven Park, 2121 Camden Rd., off Princeton, in Orlando.

The guild will welcome spring by hosting Lillian Bolstad, a member of the guild and a teacher who will demonstrate the technique of Hardanger.

For more information, call Becky Savill at 869-5066. The guild covers Seminole, Orange, Osceola, Lake and Volusia counties.

## CALENDAR

### Oddfellows to have meeting

Lodge No. 27 of the International Order of Oddfellows meets the first and third Monday of every month, except July and August, at 8 p.m. at 101 Magnolia Ave., Sanford.

### Overeaters to have step study

A step study of Overeaters Anonymous is conducted on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at West Lake Hospital, State Road 434, Longwood. For more information, call Charlie at 323-8070.

### Narcotics Anonymous to meet

Narcotics Anonymous meets Monday at 8 p.m. at the House of Goodwill, 317 Oak Ave., Sanford.

### Poets to talk verse

First Florida Poets meet at 10 a.m. every Monday at the Deland Public Library. Interested poets are welcome.

### Clogging groups to have classes

Dixieland Cloggers hold classes 7-8 p.m. each Monday at the old Lake Mary fire station, First Street and Wilbur Avenue, Lake Mary. Cost is \$25 per 10-week season. For more information, call 321-5267. The club meeting is held from 8-9 p.m., at the fire station.

The Old Hickory Stompers hold classes 7-8 p.m. each Monday at the Knights of Columbus Hall on S. Park Avenue, Sanford. Cost is \$2.50 per class. For more information, call 349-9529.

### Help for gamblers offered

Gamblers Anonymous and Gam-Anon for family and friends, meet separately Monday and Friday (non-smokers) at 7:30 p.m., Church of the Good Shepherd, 331 Lake Ave., Maitland. For more information, call 236-9206.

### Bridge club to meet, play

Sanford Duplicate Bridge Club meets at noon each Tuesday at the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce, 400 E. First St., Sanford.

### Sanford Lions to gather

Sanford Lions Club meets at noon each Tuesday at the Holiday Inn, Interstate 4 and State Road 46 in Sanford.

### Seniors to meet for activities

LAKE MARY — The Lake Mary Seniors meet every Tuesday for activities at the old city hall, North Country Club Road.

The program begins at 9:30 a.m. with watercolor class and drawing, Lap quilting, 10-12 noon and cards and games through the day.

Crafts are taught at 1 p.m. Day ends at 3 p.m.

Details, call 323-4938.

### Toss a few horseshoes

The Sanford Horseshoe Club will meet each Tuesday morning at 10 a.m. at the Sanford Senior Center. All interested horseshoe players are invited to join. In addition to advanced play, free lessons will be given to beginners. For more information, call Bill Ansell at 330-5956.

# Tips for selecting lawn service



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CELESTE WHITE

This is the time of the year when some people start thinking about hiring a lawn maintenance service rather than doing the lawn themselves. Selecting such a service is not an easy task, but here are some suggestions to help in making a decision.

Basically, three types of services are available. (1) partial lawn care, (2) complete lawn care, or (3) total landscape maintenance. Partial lawn care may mean only fertilizing and spraying for pest control or providing only mowing services. Complete lawn maintenance would provide mowing, fertilization and pest control. The partial care operators versus complete care firms vary in charges largely due to the number of visitations required for respective maintenance services.

When selecting a company, expect the following: a consultation which will include a survey of the landscape, description of services and treatments included, and the pricing structure. The program should meet local needs for fertility, mowing, insect, and weed control, and disease control and capable personnel that can promptly and courteously answer your questions. Ask the contact person how much training and

experience he or she has. Ask if the personnel are licensed for application of pesticides. This is a critical point since many effective materials are toxic and "just any" pesticide application will not suffice.

Contracts may be written or verbal, on a yearly or monthly basis, very detailed or very sketchy. Try to be aware of the pricing system and included services. Look at the cost of the total program and compare pricing for fertilization, pest control, and cultural practices like mowing or cultivation (aerifying or dethatching).

Keep in mind that cheapest is not always best, compare costs only among comparable

services, not just the bottom line.

Lastly, be careful of oversale! Weed free, trouble-free lawns can be maintained but not as easily as sometimes portrayed. Florida's climate and soil conditions require more attention to cultural details. Plants can be under water stress and more prone to pest problems in a matter of days. Find out if you can expect service if problems arise within a reasonable time if requested once the contract begins.

As with all commercial businesses, some lawn services companies are better than others. Find out the company's reputation. Some have better maintenance programs than others. It is, however, very important to realize that a lawn maintenance program is NO BETTER than the care given OUTSIDE the maintenance contract. If not mowed and irrigated correctly proper fertilization and pest control will not keep the turf quality at an optimum. If you do not take care of your part, you would be better off without spending your money on a lawn service company.

Celeste White is the Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Phone 323-2500, Ext. 5558.

### Garden of the Month

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Young, 212 Loch Low Dr. is framed with multi-colored azaleas. A single blooming hibiscus accents the driveway. The Garden of the Month award was presented by Mrs. George Palmer of the Wildflower Circle for the Garden Club of Sanford.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

# Closed casket opened mourner's memories

**DEAR ABBY:** I am writing in response to the letter signed "Unfinished Business," from someone who had not seen his deceased friend for several years and was dismayed with the family's decision to have a closed-casket funeral. I can relate to this situation wholeheartedly from the family's point of view.

When my father died of cancer 10 years ago, he had requested a closed-casket funeral. What an uproar that created! Relatives and so-called friends who had not seen Dad in years were appalled. They said, "This is not customary! We wanted one last look at him." My response was, "Dad wanted you to remember him as robust and healthy like



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he was, before he became ill."

We found a picture of Dad taken when he was hale and hearty, and placed it on his closed casket, surrounded by flowers.

### HIS DAUGHTER IN CALIFORNIA

**DEAR DAUGHTER:** Many others wrote objecting to the closed-casket funeral. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** I agree with "Unfinished Business" about closed-casket wakes. Recently I drove 60 miles one way to pay my respects to a friend who had died of a heart attack, only to find a closed casket. I was not very well acquainted with the widow, so I could have just as well paid my respects by sending her a sympathy card.

My point in writing is to suggest to families who feel that way that the words "Casket will be closed" be added to the obituary in the newspaper. It may not be considered proper etiquette, but it will save a lot of hard feelings.

### FINISHED BUSINESS IN BRYAN, OHIO

**DEAR ABBY:** I recall one funeral I attended a few years ago. It was for a loyal, longtime employee who had lingered with a terminal illness for a very long time. When his widow was asked why she wanted a closed-casket funeral, she replied, "Nobody came to see him when he was alive, so why would anyone want to see him when he is dead?"

### PINE BLUFF, ARK.

**DEAR ABBY:** You had a letter in your column about a girl whose friend was nearly hit by a car because she was jogging with a headset on and couldn't hear the car coming. My twin sister, Jackie Poole Roach, wasn't that lucky. She

was killed in January 1988. She was jogging with a headset on while listening to the Super Bowl. She was struck by a car driven by a 21-year-old man who left the scene of the accident. She lived four hours after she was found. I pray she never knew what hit her.

She left a husband, son and daughter, as well as 800 students, teachers, family and friends who filled the United Methodist Church in Lebanon, Ohio, the day of her funeral.

### JILL POOLE, ZANESVILLE, OHIO

**DEAR JILL:** My profound sympathy at the loss of your beloved twin. It would be a generosity if everyone who saw a jogger wearing a headset in traffic would stop that jogger and warn him or her of the inherent danger of that risky practice.

**CHUCKLE (OR GROAN) FOR TODAY:** "God invented football so grown men would have something to do between wars." — Dan Jenkins

**DEAR ABBY:** "Shocked," "Educated" and "Disillusioned Teacher" were all addressing the lack of educated high-school graduates in this country. This is not a new issue. Politicians, educators and businessmen have been lamenting this problem for years. I do not pretend to have the solution to this crisis; however, there is something every parent could do to alleviate the problem.

When my son's first-grade teacher told us that "John" was not doing very well in school, my wife and I allocated one to two hours an evening to help him study while we actively coached

him. John was not happy about the loss of his free time for play or television. (And we were not happy about our own loss of relaxation time.) We felt that the sacrifice was necessary to make him a good student before he developed bad attitudes or bad habits.

I am happy to report that our study time has made the family closer. John is now doing better in school. He no longer needs a lot of time to complete his studies, and we have not missed the time that we spent with him. Sign me...

### CATCH THEM WHILE THEY'RE YOUNG IN MUNDELEIN, ILL.

**DEAR CATCH THEM:** You are absolutely right. One cannot expect children with poor study habits to blossom miraculously into scholars without supervision and additional coaching from a caring parent or caretaker. You made an investment in time and patience, and it paid off. Congratulations.

## MONDAY'S PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
2	News	News	Current Affair	Ent. Tonight	Fresh Prince	Shoes	Mad Mad, He Nary (1991)	Suspicion	Barbara Eden	News	Tonight Show	
6	News	News	CBS News	Inside Edition	Shade	Major Dad	1987 "Thriller" II Leads	Worms	News	News	Tonight Show	
9	News	ABC News	Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	Elton John: Women and Men	Heart Disease	Arizona Heat	(1987) Drama Michael Parks	News	News	News	News
24	Sesame Street	Wild America	Machal/Lerner	Business Story	Ol' Blue and Mac: The Rocky and James Taylor in Concert						(Off Air)	
35	Growing Pains	News	News	Night Court	Earth Girls Are Easy	Comedy Genes	Hunter: Death Machine	Arms Race				
52	Human Body	Believers	God's News	News	Let the Bible Speak	Good Life	700 Club	News				
55	News	Robert Tilton	This Generation	College Basketball	College Athletic Association	Republic Theater						
58	Bonanza	The Way	Neel Stud	College Basketball	College Athletic Association	Republic Theater						
68	We Love	Charles in	Love Connection	Love Connection	Ellis Island (Part 1 of 3)							
A&E	Avengers	Kilrisha	Survival	Air Power	Battle of Britain	Miss Margie: Bye	Hanson	Isabel Sanford				
AMC	5:45	Annapolis Salute	Success at Any Price	(1934)	Phil Harris	Wake Up and Dream	(1945) John Payne	Wise Girl	(1937)			
BET	Video LP	Soft Notes	Our Voices	From L.A.	Screen Sc.	Video Soul (II)		Frank's	Screen Sc.			
FAM	Our House	(Part 1 of 2)	Maddams	Maddams	Beauty and the Beast	700 Club	Scarecrow and Mrs. King					
CHN	News	Let	News	News	Larry King Live	Gulf War Day 47	Gulf War					
CTV	Ideas for Fun & Leisure	Jewelry Showcase	Jewelry Showcase	Jewelry Showcase	Ideas for the Cook	Beaut. Home	Jewelry Showcase					
DISC	Beyond 2000	Bandstand	Monitor	Salaf! Bang! Tiger	Citizen Carter	World, Aay	Wild Things					
DIS	Babar	Bamba	(1942) Peter Bohn	G (I)	Arantes (in Stereo) (I)	Toral Total Total	(1976) Jason Roberts, Martin Balsam	G	Concert			
ESPN	Sports	Up Close	Sports	College Basketball	College Basketball	Sun Belt Champ	Hard Estate					
FHN	Police Academy	5: City Under Siege	Babar	Crack U.S.A. (II)		Full Metal Jacket	(1987) Drama Matthew Modula, Adam Baldwin	R	Kids in the Hall (II)			
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