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## Business leaders support strong mayor

By Jack Perry  
Editor

**SANFORD** — Business leaders in the city of Sanford overwhelmingly support a strong form of government.

The Sanford Chamber of Commerce conducted a straw poll Tuesday during a lunch meeting to gauge its members' opinions. At issue is whether the city should adopt a form of government that elects a mayor who is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the city and appoints a professional manager to handle those duties. Sanford voters will have a chance to

## Sanford Chamber conducts straw poll to gauge popular opinion on charter change

register their vote on March 4 at the polls.

By a 4-to-1 margin, chamber members approved changing to a strong mayor form of government, with 77 members voting in favor of the change and 9 voting against it.

"This was one of the larger Sanfords we've had," said Angela Condon, president of the Sanford-Seminole County Chamber of Commerce. "We believe this is an important issue. Before the chamber can take a stand, we need to know what our members

want. They told us today."

David Lantieri, executive director of the chamber, said he was pleased with the ease of the poll and the high participation rate. "We wanted to have good representation from all phases of the community and we could accurately say it represented the position of the chamber membership," said Lantieri, who is president of CNA Engineers and is also a chamber chairman.

"We actually had a much higher turnout than we could have expected. We could have had a much lower turnout, but every one of those votes is in favor of a strong mayor."

Business development and smart growth will be key issues for voters, Lantieri said. He noted that Sanford has lost to land and residential growth potential that would be a factor who can bring the current business growth while still maintaining a high quality of living.

"What the business community's standpoint is looking for a strong leader in the city," Lantieri said.

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## Seminole rising in the polls

Sanford voters are expected to support the Seminole County Commission's plan to merge the county and city of Sanford. The plan would create a new government structure that would allow for more efficient services and cost savings. The plan is currently being discussed by the Sanford City Council and the Seminole County Commission.

## Four people die in Sanford light bound for Titusville

A plane that took off from the Sanford Orlando International Airport crashed Tuesday on an island in the lake. The plane was carrying four people, including a pilot and three passengers. The crash occurred shortly after the plane had taken off from the city of Sanford, near Mosquito Lagoon. The plane had four people on board that were killed in the crash. The pilot was identified as the pilot of the plane. The other three people were identified as passengers. The plane was bound for Titusville. The crash occurred on Tuesday, Jan. 13, 2003.

## Arizona man arrested in Stonebrook rape case

**SANFORD** — Police arrested an Arizona man wanted in connection with a rape and hostage situation. The man, identified as [Name], was arrested Friday by Sanford police after a three-day search for a man who posed a threat to the community. The man was arrested in Stonebrook, Arizona. The man was wanted in connection with a rape and hostage situation that occurred in Sanford, Florida. The man was arrested on Friday, Jan. 13, 2003.

## Letey Gulf veteran dies at 80

**SANFORD** — Leo P. Zeola, known for his love of his family, music and the U.S. Navy, died Saturday, Jan. 11, 2003. He was 80. According to a family report, Leo, an excellent saxophone player, was visiting a dance in the Daytona Beach area this past Friday night, when he developed a cramping in one of his arms. The following morning, he passed away because of a blood clot. Leo worked with the Deltona dance band for many years and was well known for his saxophone solos at the Sanford Civic Center during the Deltona Wednesday afternoon social dances. One of his sons was in the U.S. Navy. He spent over 20 years in the Navy, first during World War II, then after a brief stint in the Naval Reserve, was recalled to duty for the Korean War.

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## Remembering his dream

City honors the memory of Martin Luther King Jr.

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## 12-year-old student is dancing his way to top

By Jimmie J. Anderson  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — Drew Stanley of Sanford has danced his way to the top — literally. The 12-year-old top dancer was recently named Florida's Male Rising Star at the Florida Dance Industry's Male Rising Star Competition held in Orlando.

"Dancing is like breathing," Stanley said. "You just get out there and do your best." Four of Stanley's students represented Marietta and Valerie's School of Dance Art in Sanford. Stanley placed in the male division while Claire Schmitt and Shady Ratchford both placed in the top 12 in the female division.

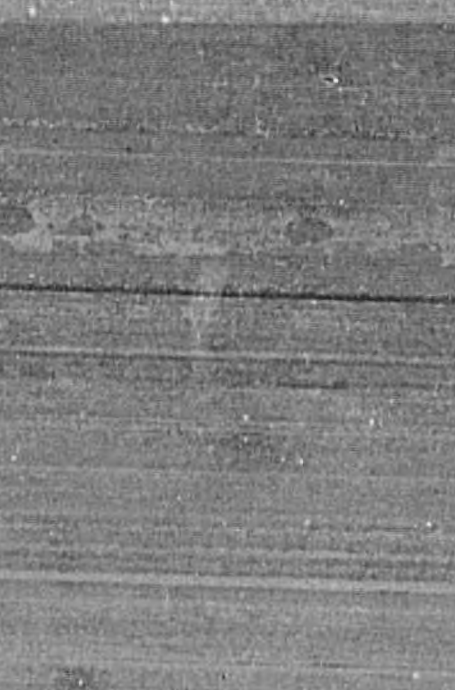
"Drew is kind of new in relation to dancing, but the judges love him," said Wadd. "Everyone finds his personality appealing on stage." This is the third consecutive year the school has taken top honors in the male division. During the 2000 competition, Vince Amorino was honored as Florida's Male Rising Star, followed by Joshua McLamb in 2001. Stanley began dance lessons four years ago at Marietta and Valerie's School of Dance Art with Wadd. Although concentrating on tap, he also attends classes in

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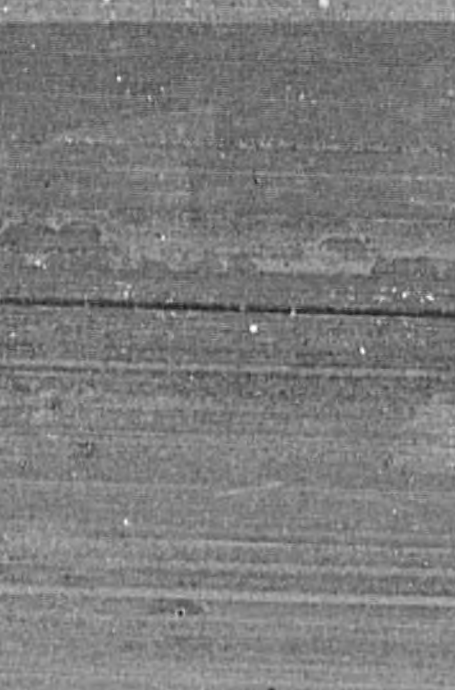
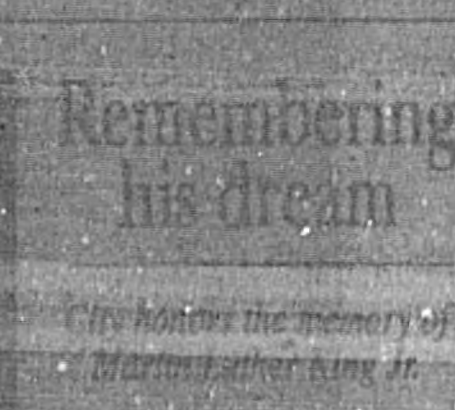
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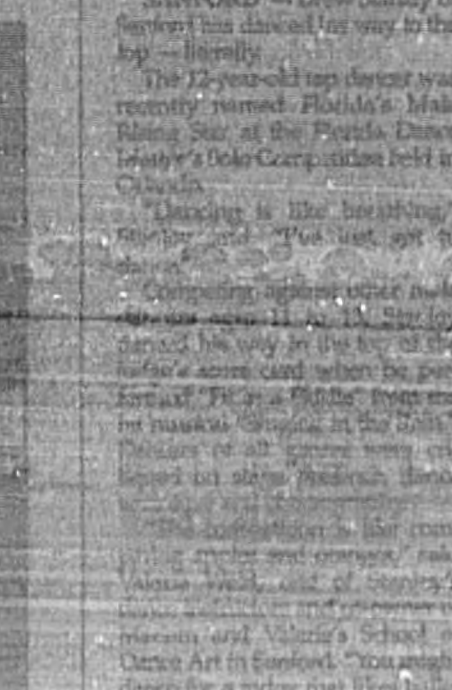
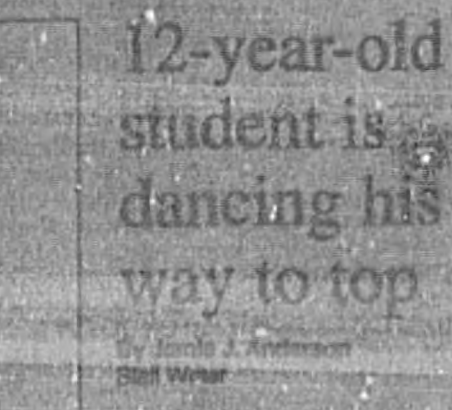
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# SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

## Son placed for adoption kept secret from fiance's family

**DEAR ABBY:** Almost two years ago, I placed my beautiful baby boy for adoption. His name is William. A wonderful couple adopted him. As difficult as it was for me, I know I was doing the right thing.

My fiance's family knows nothing about William. I want to tell them, but my fiance doesn't want me to, so I've kept quiet. This has bothered me for two years, and I carry a lot of unappiness inside because of it.

I am considering telling my fiance's family without him present, but I'm afraid I could lose him over this. Should I allow this situation to go on and wait for my fiance to tell his family, or should I be honest with them about William?

Please give me your opinion, Abby.  
**HARRIE IN TEXAS**

**DEAR HARRIE:** I admire you for wanting to level with your fiance's family. It's the right thing to do because "secrets" like yours have a way of coming to light eventually.

However, I strongly feel that you should not tell his family unless your fiance is beside you. It is important he make it clear to them that regardless of their reaction to the news, he loves you and you are the person with whom he intends to spend the rest of his life.

**DEAR ABBY:** I come from a large family. Because there hasn't been a family reunion for more than 25 years, I thought it was time. I contacted all my aunts, uncles and cousins and asked them to provide me with names and addresses of their children and grandchildren so I could send invitations.

After receiving the information, I sent everyone a letter announcing the place and time of the reunion — and asked them to donate \$25 per family to cover the cost of food, beverages, paper plates, table rental, etc. Several of my relatives found this extremely offensive and asked they had no way to attend a family reunion that wasn't funning!

Abby, do you think I was wrong to ask for some financial help?

**NOT WEALTHY IN TEXAS**

**DEAR NOT WEALTHY:** No, I do not. Perhaps this is one of the reasons it has lasted 25 years since the family gathered. Considering the cost involved, the reunion you requested was not excessive. I hope you held the reunion without the complaints and that it was a success.

**DEAR ABBY:** I don't know what's wrong with me. I am an 18-year-old girl, and I date only older guys who either have a girlfriend or are engaged. It's like I can't be happy with any one single or available.

Sometimes I have even dated my friends' boyfriends behind their backs. I'm afraid in the future this will all catch up with me. I don't want to act like this anymore, Abby. I really don't. Please help.

**"SALLY" IN CINCINNATI**

**DEAR "SALLY":** It is an intelligent person who recognizes she (or he) is engaging in self-defeating behavior — and that's certainly a first. I don't know if you have a fear of commitment or whether "poaching" gives you a feeling of power. Whatever your motivation, some counseling to get to the bottom of it would be very helpful. Unless you're willing to examine your behavior, the pattern will continue.

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## Long shot



This is a view of the Spang-Stanley Club's Thursday lunch as seen from The Seminole Herald. Herald Sports Editor Dean Smith watched the match this December 19th event, leaving a long white coffee behind.

**DUI**  
• **Seamus McWhorter, 22, Sanford,** was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Tuesday at the intersection of West 25th Street and French Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest without violence.

• **Yanick, 17, 20th and Oak Drive in Altamonte Springs** was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Tuesday at the intersection of West 25th Street and French Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest without violence.

• **John Smith, 32, 20th Street, Sanford,** was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Tuesday at the intersection of West 25th Street and French Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest without violence.

• **Hubert Lee Williams, 32, East 20th Street, Sanford,** was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Tuesday at the intersection of West 25th Street and French Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest without violence.

• **Harold Anthony Marcus, 27, and Nicholas Edward Rosalia, 24,** both of Nantuxy Court, Altamonte Springs, were arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Monday on Bonnie Drive in Apopka. They were charged with damage to property.

• **Joseph Frank Even, 35, Tuscawilla Road, Warner Springs,** was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Monday at a convenience store located on the 3000 block of West State Road 425 in Oviedo. He was charged with disturbing public peace for making false 911 calls and trespassing.

• **Orlando Ryan Mondragon, 22, Interlaken Way, Apopka,** was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Monday at the intersection of Orange Boulevard and Wayside Drive in Sanford. He was charged with a non-moving traffic violation for driving with a suspended license.

**Fights**  
• **James Ronald Mitchell, 55, Boncan Avenue, Sanford,** was arrested at home Monday by Seminole County sheriff's deputies. He was charged with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon without intent to kill and battery (domestic violence).

• **Kenyatta Eugene Scott, 26, Holly Avenue, Sanford,** was arrested at home by Sanford police Monday. He was charged with battery.

• **Traci Elizabeth Bokash, 35, Wax Myrtle Court, Sanford,** was arrested by Sanford Police Monday at a retail store located on the 300 block of Iowa Center Circle in Sanford. She was charged with larceny.

• **Dario Lopez, 34, Marby Avenue,** was arrested by Longwood police Wednesday at South US Highway 17-92. He was charged with petty larceny.

• **Anthony Louis Flegler, 28, Holly Avenue, Sanford,** was stopped by Sanford police Friday on Avocado Avenue. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and resisting arrest without violence.

• **Mark Anthony Ledbetter, 42, Sileo Branch Circle, Oviedo,** was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Friday at Spring Valley Road and Wymore Road in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and giving a false identification.

**Battery**  
• **Evelyn W. Carlburg, 44, Pickfair Terrace, Lake Mary,** was arrested by Lake Mary police Thursday at her home. She was charged with battery (domestic violence).

• **Russell Allen Crawford, 24, Margo Lane, Longwood,** was arrested at his home Friday by Longwood police. He was charged with battery (domestic violence).

**Threat**  
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• **Raphael Sherman Gray, 18, Scarport Circle, Winter Park,** was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Monday at the intersection of Interlachen Court and Sidemore Road at Winter Park. He was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and possession and/or use of narcotic equipment.

**Other**  
• **Hubert Lee Williams, 32, East 20th Street, Sanford,** was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Tuesday on Lincoln Street in Sanford. He was charged with resisting officers without violence.

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## OUT & ABOUT

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Seminole County Alliance will educate the general public regarding the Abandon Baby Law at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Jan. 22 at the

Seminole County Office Community Room, 308 Duane Boulevard, Sanford. The lecture is free. For more information, please call 337-320-0011.

### THUR

The East Allamonte Community Clean Up will be held Saturday, Jan. 25, from 8 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Winwood Park in Altamonte Springs. Refreshments will be served. For additional information contact Sgt. Mike Wappert or Col. Chris Stronko with the Seminole County Sheriff's office at 407-331-0621.

### SUN

A Super Bowl party will be held at the Celery City Elks Lodge, 619 Cypress Avenue in Sanford at 4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 26. There will be free food, big screen TV, football trivia competition and much more. Donation is \$5. For additional information, call Phyllis Page at 407-323-8206 or the Elks lodge at 407-323-4433.

### MON

Oviedo High School will be hosting a Parent Information and Curriculum Fair from 4 to 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 27, in the gymnasium for all 9th graders and their parents. The fair is to advise the design what clubs and athletic groups students can join. Representatives from all departments will be on hand to share information. For additional information contact Tony Flores at 407-320-3020.

**Wheelchairs Available**  
The Independent Services program makes available power (electric) wheelchairs to Senior Citizens, 65 and older, and to others permanently disabled, at no out-of-pocket cost. If they qualify, the wheelchairs can be provided to those who cannot walk or self-propel a manual wheelchair, can walk only 10 feet or less and at risk of falling, or who meet the additional guidelines of the program. If your need is for use in the home, call for more information. No nursing homes or HMO Insurances. Call toll free at 1-800-383-8435.

**Nar-Anoa Meeting**  
If there is a drug problem in your home, the Nar-Anoa Family Group may be able to help solve the problem. Nar-Anoa meets at 8 p.m. each Wednesday at Orlando Regional South Seminole Hospital Behavioral Health Department, 553 W. SR 424 in Longwood. Friends and relatives are invited to attend. For more information phone 407-534-7448 or 407-333-9204.

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## Community Notes

**Glass Show**  
The annual January Depression Glass Show will be held from Jan. 24 through Jan. 26, in the Sanford Civic Center.

Twenty-seven dealers will be participating. An unusual display of jute runners will be on display. Gene Finmore, well known author, along with his wife, Cathy, will be the special guest. He will have many books on glassware for sale.

Door prizes will be awarded every hour, and a snack bar prepared by the Colonial Room Restaurant will be on hand. Doors open Friday at 6 p.m., and the show ends at 9 a.m. Admission is \$5, and includes all three days of the event. Doors are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$3.50 each day.

This is the last glass show that will be held in the Sanford Civic Center. The September show will be held at the Heater Building at the Volusia County Fairgrounds on Highway 44 in DeLand.

### Anti-Smoking & Weight Reduction

Central Florida Regional Hospital will sponsor Wellness Seminars for smoking cessation Feb. 20 from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. They will also have Wellness Seminars for weight reduction today and Feb. 26 also from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. In both seminars, participants will receive a 45 minute session to determine if they are eligible for the program at the center.

For additional information, please call 407-327-2022.

### Seniors' Party

Central Florida Regional Hospital will host a social club helping new seniors make friends and become familiar with the Central Florida area, will hold its monthly luncheon meeting Feb. 12 at Southwestern Country Club in Longwood. For details and/or reservations, please call at 407-894-6330 or Joyce at 327-213-3677.

### March Grad Party

The Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce will present "Sowing Red in the Streets", a March Grad Party, Feb. 15. Full details are still to be announced. Booth space is still available at \$25, which includes a table, tent and two chairs. For information or to reserve a space, please call 407-327-2212.

### Volunteers Needed

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 or older, possession 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 Feb. 21, 22 and 23. Contact Tina at 407-665-5376 or visit the web site at [www.galseminole-county.org](http://www.galseminole-county.org)

## Obituaries

### S. EDWARD 'EDDIE' BARBOUR, JR.

S. Edward "Eddie" Barbour, Jr., 62, of Sanford, died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2003 in Midland, from Oct. 30, 1940 in Washington, D.C. He spent most of his life in Sanford. He was owner of Barbour Motor Line Trucking Co., and attended First United Methodist Church of Sanford. Survivors include mother, Helen; wife, Mary Jane; daughters, Katy Barbour and Terri Quick; brothers, Robert and Bernie; one granddaughter. A graveside service will be held Wednesday, Jan. 22, at 2 p.m. at the Lake Mary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Alzheimers Disease Center, Grantview Funeral Home.

Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

### GREGORY M. BELL, JR.

Gregory M. Bell, Jr., 78, Costa Circle, Winter Springs, died Thursday, Jan. 16, 2003. He was born March 13, 1924 in Norfolk, Va. He was a college professor and a U.S. Navy veteran. Survivors include son, Gregory M. Bell, III, Pinellas Park; daughter, Ann C. Dully, Gaithersburg, Md.; Leslie G. Fulford, New Market, Md.; Emily B. Rios, Winter Springs; brother, Clay Bell, Virginia Beach, Va.; 11 grandchildren; three great-grandchildren. Banfield Funeral Home, Winter Springs, in charge of arrangements.

### OLIVE RUTH HEWETT

Olive Ruth Hewett, 57, Woodland St., DeLand, died Sunday, Jan. 19, 2003 at her residence, born in Ellijah, Ill., who moved to Central Florida 22 years ago. She was a retired school teacher and a member of American Association of University Women of Ocala. Survivors include daughter, Marlene Hewett, Ocala; Judith Clingard, Ocala; Betty four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren. Baldauff Family Funeral Home/Cremation Service, Orange City, in charge of arrangements.

died Monday, Jan. 21, 2003. She was born June 9, 1928 in Cocléwa, Ontario, Canada. She was a former volunteer for the March of Dimes. Survivors include daughter, Kate Walcott, Sanford; son, Bill How III, Mich.; sister, Mary Tompkins, Québec, Canada; five grandchildren. The family will receive friends Wednesday, Jan. 22 from 6 until 8 p.m. at Baldauff Funeral Home, 903 Laurel Avenue, Sanford. Baldauff Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

### LEO P. ZOLA

Leo P. Zola, 80, Powder Horn Circle, Lake Mary, died Saturday, Jan. 18, 2003 in Orange City. He was born in Conneville, Pa. and moved to

Central Florida in 1975 from Lakehurst, N.J. He was a retired U.S. Navy captain. He was a member of First Baptist Church of Sanford. Survivors include wife, Marjorie Zola, Lake Mary; daughter, Karen McLean, Winter Springs; son, John Zola, Ft. Mill, S.C. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday followed by a memorial service at 2 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Sanford. In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be made to the First Baptist Church building fund or to Gideon. Baldauff Family Funeral Home/Oaklawn Chapel, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

## Military Notes

**Navy Airman Kelvin McKinney**, son of Janice McKinney and Prince McKinney, III of Sanford, recently completed a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf while assigned to Strike Fighter Squadron 87, embarked aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington, home ported in Norfolk, Va.

McKinney is one of more than 10,000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines aboard the ship of the USS George Washington Carrier Battle Group and USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group.

McKinney's squadron, home based at Naval Station Oceana, Virginia Beach, Va., flies the F/A-18C Hornet, a twin-engine supersonic strike fighter which possesses an all-weather intercept and ground attack capability.

McKinney is a 2001 graduate of Seminole High School and joined the Navy in July 2001.

Marine Corps Plc. Gregory R. McCray, son of Jackie S. McCray and Bruce W. McCray of Sanford, recently completed the Basic Electrician's Course.

During the course at Marine Corps Engineer School, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N.C., students receive instruction on the repair and maintenance of generators, transformers and power lines.

McCray is a 2002 graduate of Seminole High School and joined the Marine Corps in June 2002.

Navy Hospitalman Apprentice Christine A. Holder, whose husband, Jonathan is the son of Mrs. Tucker of Miami,

recently graduated from the Basic Hospital Corps School at Naval Hospital Corps School, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the 14 week course, Holder learned a wide range of medical procedures used to provide first aid and assist Navy doctors and nurses. Holder also received an introductory instruction for service in a variety of medical environments, from fleet hospitals and ship-

board medical departments to fleet marine forces and medical administration offices.

Holder's first assignment after school will involve direct patient care, but with her training,

Holder can work in several areas including first aid and assisting with minor surgery, pharmacy or if laboratory analysis, patient transportation, and food service inspections.

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# Business

## Boom in town center projects is a bust for some developers

A nationwide boom in development of sophisticated in-bus-use town center districts - 1,000 town centers in suburban neighborhoods to major urban redevelopment projects like Thornton Park in Orlando, CityPlace in West Palm Beach, and The Grove in L.A. - is creating unusual development patterns nationwide, says an economist who has been watching the trend closely.

Some developers and municipalities eager to capitalize on the latest trend are making some big mistakes, said David Marks, founder and president of Marketplace Advisors, Inc. in Orlando.

"Developers who are used to building strip centers base their decisions on a simple set of factors," said Marks. "A successful town center district, from a main street program in a small town to a regional attraction like Winter Park Village or Kendall Commons in Scottsdale, is governed by a much more complex and sometimes subtle set of criteria."

Marks should know. Over the past two years he has conducted a massive nationwide study of town center districts, compiling the world's largest database on the genre.

"We can look at patterns of development, it's very clear that each community is unique and the success or failure of a district depends on the developer's skill in assessing the characteristics of the individual market," he said.

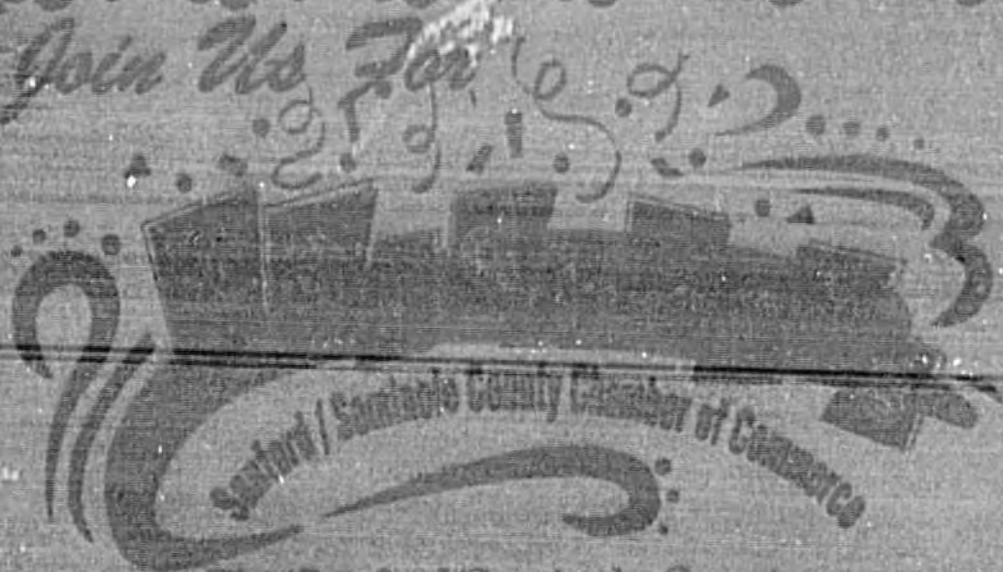
Marks recently presented at the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) Annual CenterBuild Conference in Scottsdale, Ariz., where the chatter among development professionals was focused almost exclusively on town centers.

"A lot of communities around the country would prefer not to see any more strip centers. They are looking for higher quality development," Marks explained. "Developers, on the other hand, are worried about costs. A strip center constitutes relatively low cost

design and construction program, but part of the attraction in a successful town center district is the architecture, the articulated facades, the landscaping, the extra details, the human scale of the buildings."

Community leaders and developers who don't study their market closely are in for an economic drubbing, Marks said.

"Developers who rely on a town center concept to make their development project a success without having their economic fundamentals addressed are fooling themselves," he added. "The urban plan and the architecture are very important parts of a town center program, but other elements are also critical to the success of a project such as transportation access, demographics and competition. It is like baking a cake, if the proportion of the various ingredients are off, no one will want to eat your cake, or visit your town center as the case may be."



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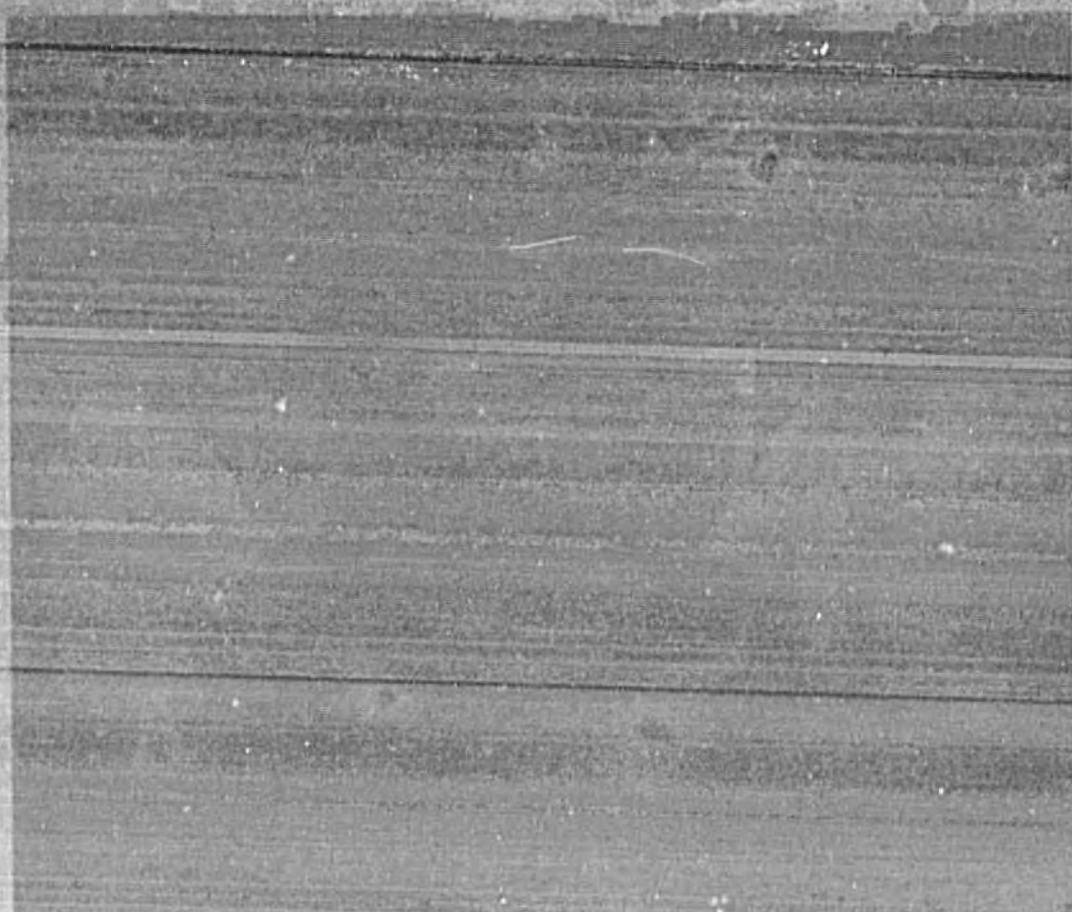
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## Cambata donates to Navy memorial



Nelson Cambata, left, president of Cambata Aviation International LLC, shakes hands with Jack Dow, chairman of the Sanford Naval Memorial Committee, after Cambata donated \$5,000 to the project. The memorial will be located in front of the Orlando Sanford International Airport to remember the U.S. Navy's history in Sanford and to honor the men and women who served in Sanford. In return for the donation, Dow presented Cambata with a framed painting of the RA-50 Vigilants. A fleet of the Vigilants reconnaissance jets were stationed in Sanford.

## Engineered Homes names Oviedo resident as VP of construction

Bracing itself for what is expected to be another active home-building campaign, Winter Park-based Engineered Homes has made a key top-level change in its Construction Division with the promotion of Dennis Perez to Vice President of Construction.

Perez, an Oviedo resident who has been with the Engineered Homes since its inception in 1996 and had previously served as Director of Construction, will oversee all field and construction operations for the company which has residential developments in Seminole and Lake counties.

The appointment provides Engineered Homes with the "experience, expertise and leadership necessary to help the company through the important

challenges of the new year," says President Igor Tepitsky.

Perez has been instrumental in the company's rapid emergence over the past several years as one of Central Florida's fastest-growing production builders and will play a major role in its future growth and development, adds Tepitsky.

Engineered Homes, which chalked up a record \$77.4 million in gross volume last year on 343 home sales, has been one of Central Florida's busiest builders over the past four years and expects to be even busier this year. The company currently has three developments underway in Seminole County and another in Lake County totaling nearly 900 homes and is expected to launch several new communities this year.

Perez has more than 16 years experience in the construction industry, including the past 14 in the residential construction field. In his new capacity, he will be responsible for developing and managing the budgets for all new projects, construction schedules and overseeing engineering and quality control.

Over the years Perez has worked all field related positions including labor foreman, assistant superintendent, superintendent, project manager, area manager and is a licensed General Contractor. Prior to joining Engineered Homes, he served as Area Manager for Crown Homes and was responsible for the company's semi-custom operations in Orange, Osceola and Seminole counties.



### Business Briefcases

Stirling International reports sales of \$1.1 billion in one week. Stirling International Realty reports that new luxury home sales in 2003 have started with a bang.

Roger Soderstrom, founder and CEO of Stirling, said Stirling associates negotiated sales of eight luxury homes at Lake Mackham Preserve in north Seminole County from Jan. 8 through Jan. 15.

Altogether, the sales were worth just over \$5 million.

"Lake Mackham Preserve is one of north Seminole County's most prestigious and exclusive waterfront luxury communities," said Soderstrom. "I believe there is a large pent up demand for luxury properties and consumers are starting to regain their confidence in the economy. Everyone is interested in taking advantage of record-low interest rates as well."

Stirling International Realty operates Real Estate Showcase Centers at Heathrow, Altus, Winter Park Village, the Dr. Phillips area, downtown Orlando and the Home Expo Center in the Seminole Towne Center Mall in Sanford.

Arlington Homes begins work at Preserve at Soldiers Creek.

Arlington Homes, the Winter Park luxury homebuilder, has started construction of two luxury model homes at The Preserve at Soldiers Creek, a gated luxury neighborhood located on Lemwood-Lake Mary Road in Seminole County.

Fred Schwab, company president, said 25 home sites are available in The Preserve at Soldiers Creek that range from 2.73-acre to 10.0-acre lots. These sites in this Schwab said homes at the community will be priced from the \$600s to the \$800s. The home sites are heavily wooded.

A grand opening for the community is scheduled in March.

Centex announces launch of Wekiwa Terrace.

Centex Homes, one of Florida's largest and foremost home builders, reports the impending closout of its Wekiwa Terrace community located immediately north of SR 435 on Wekiwa Springs Road in Apopka.

With one model unit left to be sold, Centex expects to close out by the end of February, 2004.

"Wekiwa Terrace offers homeowners a tremendous value for their investment dollars," explained Centex Homes Orlando Division President, Pat Knight. "Not only do they receive a considerable amount of home for their money, they have a prime location in the middle of the much sought after Wekiwa River area."

The last remaining Centex home available in Wekiwa Terrace is the Anaha Manor II model, a one and a half story design symbolic of the other 71 years of renowned home sites with an additional \$20,000 in options. The model home encompasses 2,207 square feet with three bedrooms, a home office with built in desk, two full baths, two living rooms, dining room, kitchen breakfast nook, plus a second floor bonus room available at a modest price of \$219,403.

Interested homebuyers can contact the sales center at (407) 463-0090 for more information on the last opportunity to own a Centex home in Wekiwa Terrace.

Dallas-based Centex Homes is one of the nation's leading homebuilders, operating in approximately 30 markets in 25 states and Washington, D.C.

Its brands include entry-level Fox & Jacobs Homes, on-your-lot builder Wayne Homes and Resorts/second homebuilder Margolis Homes by Centex. Centex Homes expects to deliver more than 25,000 homes during its current fiscal year which ends March 31, 2004. The company is a subsidiary of Centex Corporation (NYSE: CFX), a

Fortune 500 company. More information about the company can be found at [www.centexhomes.com](http://www.centexhomes.com).

NAI Kenwood Partners reports new lease transactions.

NAI Realvest Partners, Inc. recently negotiated three new leases that total 15,914 square

feet of office space in DeBary, Sanford and Deltona.

NAI Realvest President Michael Heiderich handled all three transactions with associate Chadwick Herring, participating in two of the lease transactions representing the landlords.

In DeBary, Employee Data Research, LLC, leased 1,414

square feet of office space in the Springview Office Center at 256 Inglenook Dr. CFC Enterprises, Inc. is the landlord. In Deltona, Kystic Cruise and Marine, Inc. leased 11,000 square feet of office and warehouse space at 3316 Dangrove Rd. HGA Holding Ltd. is the landlord. Jeff Tanzer of Commercial Realty partici-

ipated in the transaction. Heiderich also represented landlord DBS Properties, Inc. in a lease of 3,500 square feet of office space at 2292 W. Airport Blvd. in Sanford. The new tenant is Deverett of Florida, Inc., a mental health provider.

Maitland based NAI Realvest Partners, Inc. is fully employe-

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### Military Notes

Army Pvt. Charles Brown has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the first weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army's history and received instruction and practice in drill and marching, marching, rifle marksmanship, combat and terrain reading, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, traditions and core values, and special training in human relations.

History, tradition and core values and special training in human relations.

She is the daughter of Marine Capt. R. H. Powell of Powell Ave., both of Sanford. Brown is a 2001 graduate of Semole High School.

Army Recruit Group 19c Robert W. Moore has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the same weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army's history and received instruction and practice in drill and marching, marching, rifle marksmanship, combat and terrain reading, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history, traditions and core values, and special training in human relations.

He is the son of Maria Rigaud

of Murphy Road, Winter Springs, and Victor Moore of Iris Road, Casselberry.

Moore is a 2002 graduate of Winter Springs High School.

Marine Corps Pvt. Shaun E. Fleming, son of Glen E. Fleming of Sanford, recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Fleming successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits

both physically and mentally.

Fleming and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a.m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Fleming spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill

and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Fleming and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour team effort, problem solving evaluation which culminated with an emotional ceremony in which the recruits were presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and were addressed as "Marines" for the first time since boot camp began.

Fleming is a 2002 graduate of Liberty Christian School.

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### 17-92 crossing closed starting this Friday

From Staff Reports

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has announced that work will begin Friday, Jan. 24, on rebuilding the railroad crossing on U.S. Highway 17-92 (French Avenue) in Sanford near 6th Street. This is one of a pair of crossings at that location. Work on the other crossing was completed in a similar project in November.

Lack of adequate material at that time prevented work on the second crossing.

Work, to be performed by CSX Transportation, Inc. closes will commence the total closure of French Avenue at the crossing location beginning at 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 24, and continuing until not later than 6 a.m. Monday, Jan. 27. The work may be completed by early Sunday. A similar project at a U.S. Highway 17-92 crossing near 13th Street is scheduled for the weekend of Feb. 7.

Highway 17-92 will remain open to local traffic up to the railroad crossing. The 2001 average daily traffic along this section of French Avenue was 33,500 vehicles.

The cost of the project will be reimbursed by the FDOT for the project's contribution of an estimated cost of \$1.5 million.

Additional measures to address congestion of the impending closure will be put in place this week, with a detour route signed for through traffic.

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### Gas prices continue to move upward

From Staff Reports

As if "John Q. Gasoline" doesn't already know it, gas prices in Florida are continuing to rise.

According to AAA Auto Club South, curtailed oil and gasoline exports from Venezuela and the threat of war with Iraq have sent gasoline prices up an average of eight cents per gallon since mid-December.

The nationwide average price of self-serve regular gasoline is now \$1.68 per gallon, returning gasoline prices to levels seen prior to the Thanksgiving holiday last November.

According to Kevin Bakerwell, Senior Vice President for public and government regulations with AAA, "OPEC (Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries) members met this past week and agreed to increase oil production in order to bring world oil prices back below \$28 per barrel." On Monday of this week, the price per barrel on the stock exchange was \$32.26.

According to the latest AAA survey based on over 60,000 credit card transactions last Friday, the Orlando area, which includes Seminole County, had the lowest price per gallon for regular gas in the state at \$1.456. The West Palm Beach/Boca Raton area having the highest price for regular at \$1.607, and the highest price for premium gas at \$1.670, but only seven cents per gallon higher than the state average.

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# King

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and children whose husbands and fathers weren't around.

"To a child, that sounded like a good thing," Smith said.

As she grew older, she learned of the KKK's real mission. Like a lot of whites of that era, she didn't agree with the Klan but lacked the courage to publicly condemn its existence or the prejudice it endorsed.

"I was not guilty of hate, I was guilty of indifference," Smith said. "I could have spoken out many more times but didn't."

That indifference began to change through her work as a public servant, first as a deputy for the Seminole County Sheriff's Office and later as mayor.

"My real education began in the 1970s as a deputy," Smith said. "I saw things I never had knowledge of before."

She said it was love that made those first steps of her journey easier. Though there were countless individuals who shared that spirit of love, Smith cited two examples: Jan Henry and Arlene Davidson.

"Our second granddaughter was born premature and Jan was deeply concerned," Smith said. "Jan prayed for her and he asked the members of his church to pray for her."

As for Davidson, "She taught me about dignity, patience and courage," Smith said. "It was about love. There was no other reason for her to do what she did."

Smith said it was Christ who reminded his disciples that love was the greatest commandment.

"In John 13:34-35 it says, 'A

new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, by this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another,'" Smith said. "You and I are never going to solve the world's problems, but we can certainly solve the problems right here in our community."

"It will happen through love," she said in closing. "I renew my commitment to love you. Would you join me in that commitment?"

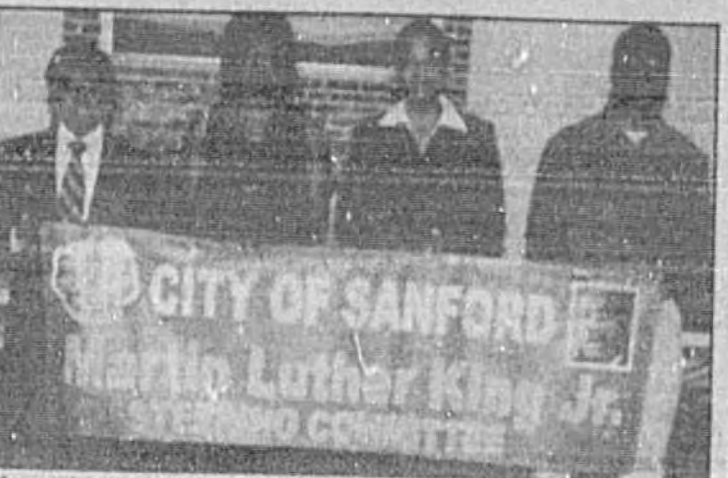
During Saturday's banquet five people were honored by the Martin Luther King Jr. Steering Committee. Richard L. Evans was the 2003 Brotherhood Award recipient, the committee's highest award. Evans is a Sanford native and long-time Seminole County educator. He was the first principal of Lake Howell High School and was named as the Outstanding Educator of the Year in 1973-74.

Dr. Calvin and Lottie Collins Jr. received the 2003 Community Service Award. A native of Midway, Dr. Collins earned his medical degree from Howard University. Along with his wife, he started the Orlando Times newspaper, whose mission is "to publish African American news from a black perspective."

Bristol "Cal" and Phyllis Conklin received the 2003 Humanitarian Award. Bristol is a founding partner of CPH "engineers, and the couple has been active in the Sanford community for 39 years. The couple has received numerous awards for their community service, including the Martin Luther King Jr. Brotherhood Award.



Herald photo by Marvin Hawkins  
Dignitaries at the 18th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Banquet included keynote speaker, former Sanford Mayor Bettye Smith; Melvin Phibot, co-chairman of the MLK Jr. Committee; Richard L. Evans, recipient of the 2003 Brotherhood Award; Phyllis and Cal Conklin, recipients of the 2003 Humanitarian Award; Dorothy Curry, Chairman of the MLK Jr. Banquet; Sanford District 2 City Commissioner Velma Williams; Master of Ceremonies, Kenneth Bentley; Sanford Mayor Brady Lessard; and Bernard Milne, chairman of the city of Sanford MLK Jr. Steering Committee. Not pictured are Dr. and Mrs. Calvin Collins Jr., recipient of the 2003 Community Service Award.



Winners of the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Oratorical Contest include: first place, Chiquita Renee Fryer, a senior at Lake Mary High School; second place, Harry Muthenhor, past, a senior at Seminole High School; third place, Tashunda Williams, a senior at Lake Mary High School; and honorable mention, Matthew S. Davis, a senior at Winter Springs High School. The Poster Contest include: first place, Judy Reese, Highland Elementary School; second place, Aashari Rhymer, Bentley Elementary School; third place, Ori Cash, Goldsboro Elementary School; and fourth place, Artigue Fiermon, New Life Center.

# Zeola

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According to his son, John, Leo was a pilot on the USS Gambier Bay escort carrier in World War II. He was on duty in Leyte Gulf during the second battle of the Philippines when his ship was destroyed by one of the largest battleships of the Japanese Navy.

"My father tried to get to his plane," explained his son, John, "but he was only an ensign at that time and the senior officers took all the aircraft. He went down into the water ending up on a raft."

"But the raft had so many people on it, most of his time was spent in the water, hanging on to the side of the raft. My dad spent two full days in that near-freezing water before he could be rescued," John added.

During his Navy career, he spent time at Naval bases in Korea; Memphis, Tenn.; Chicago; Jacksonville, Tenn.; Argentina; Newfoundland; Norfolk, Va.; Willowgrove, Penn.; Washington, D.C.; Glenview, Ill.; and several others. He was at one time Commander of the Naval Air Reserve for the state of New Jersey.

Although never stationed at the Sanford Naval Air Station, Leo met his wife, Marjorie Newman, at a dance at the USO in Sanford. Marjorie was the daughter of Hall and Marjorie Newman of Sanford, and Leo always considered Sanford as one of his homes, although he was originally from Connellsville, Penn., and had only moved to Sanford following his retirement in 1975.

Continuing his love for the Navy after retirement, he became a member of the Vigilante Memorial Committee, the group preparing to have a Naval Memorial (Vigilante aircraft) put in an appropriate marker at the entrance to the Orlando-Sanford Airport, formerly the Naval Air Station.

His other love was that of his family, and he is survived by his wife Marjorie of Lake Mary, daughter Karen McBee of Winter Springs, and son John Zeola of Fort Mill, S.C.

A graveside service will be held Thursday, Jan. 23 at 11 a.m. at Oaklawn Park Cemetery. A memorial service will be held that afternoon beginning at 2 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Sanford.

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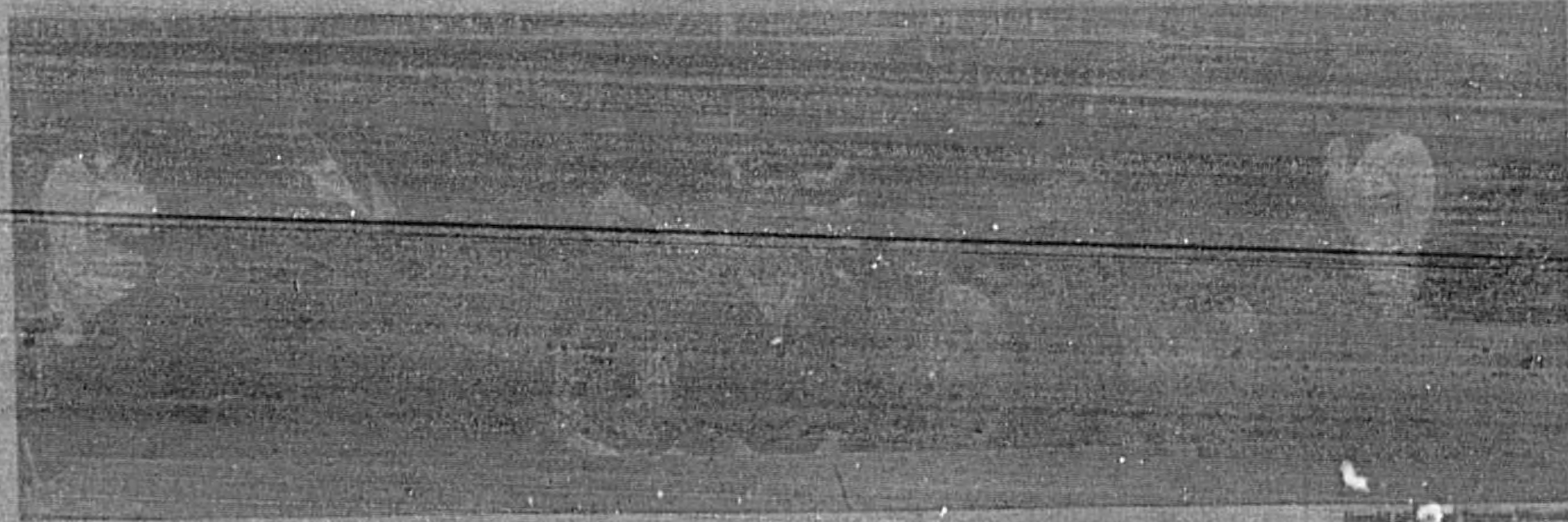
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## Miss Seminole High School 2003 candidates



Herald photo by Torrey Wilson

Candidates for Miss Seminole High School 2003 posed for a group photo following a recent telethon fundraising held in the school's gymnasium. The contest is scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 25, beginning at 7:30 a.m. in the school's auditorium. Pictured standing, from left, are Kaitlin Miller, Shavon Myers, Alex Pickett, Christine Purnell, Sarah Scales, Holly Street, Jessica

Sosa, Amanda Thomas, Carli Hyslop-Gow, Heidi Yanna, Whitney Wynn and Sarah Young. Seated are Wendy Durr, Stephanie Parnell, Lisa Gressman, Logan Hernandez, Amanda Howard, Ryan Kasperow, Danyelle Kemp, Kaitlyn Leggett-Whitman, Misty Lejner and Nabil Maza. Not pictured are Ashley Johnson and Rebekah Soyars.

## Amnesty Day slated for Feb. 9

On Sunday, Feb. 9, Seminole County will hold its annual Household Hazardous Waste Amnesty Day at the Seminole County Central Transfer Station from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a free household hazardous waste collection for residents of Seminole County. Residents may bring in items from their homes such as automotive batteries, battery acid, lawn care oils, paint, antifreeze, insecticides, pesticides, disinfectants, solvents, used motor oil, oil based paints and paint thinner.

This year, the event will also include the collection of old electronics for recycling. Residents may bring in items such as computers and computer accessories, cell phones and televisions from their homes.

For further information, contact Seminole Waste Management Customer Services at 407-555-2297.

## American Red Cross of Central Florida offers safety tips in preparation for cold weather

American Red Cross Safety Tips for Cold Weather: The American Red Cross of

Central Florida encourages local families to stay safe during cold weather. Exposure to

cold can cause injury or serious illness such as frostbite or hypothermia. The likelihood of

injury or illness depends on factors such as physical activity, clothing, wind, humidity, working and living conditions, and a person's age and state of health. Follow these tips to stay safe in cold weather:

- Dress appropriately before going outdoors. The air temperature does not have to be below freezing for someone to experience cold emergencies such as hypothermia and frostbite. Wind speed can create dangerously cold conditions even when the temperature is not that low.

- Dress in layers so you can adjust to changing conditions. Avoid a wet lining or overexertion that can lead to wetting.

- Heat of your body heat is lost through your head so wear a hat, preferably one that covers your ears.

- Mittens provide more warmth to your hands than gloves.

- Wear waterproof insulat-

ed boots to help avoid hypothermia or frostbite by keeping your feet warm and dry to maintain your footing in ice and snow.

- Get out of wet clothes immediately and warm the core body temperature with a blanket or warm fluids like hot cider or soup. Avoid drinking caffeine or alcohol if it seems that you or someone you are trying to help has hypothermia or frostbite.

- Recognize the symptoms of hypothermia that can be a serious medical condition: confusion, dizziness, exhaustion and severe shivering. Seek medical attention immediately if you have these symptoms.

- Recognize frostbite warning signs: numbness or yellow skin discoloration, numbness, and waxy-looking skin. Seek medical attention immediately if you have these symptoms.

- Holiday traveling and winter can be a dangerous

combination. Allow extra time when traveling. Monitor weather conditions carefully and adhere to travel advisories.

- Keep a winter storm survival kit in your car. This should include blankets, food items, chains, gloves and first aid supplies. Visit the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Web site for a more extensive list.

- Remember to keep your pets indoors during very cold days and nights. Also protect plants that might be affected by the low temperature.

For more information about signals at 407-555-2297. See our Web site at [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org). Take a Community First Aid and Safety course for more information.

Red Cross chapter for more information contact the American Red Cross of Central Florida at 6000 Central Florida Expressway, Suite 100, Orlando, FL 32817.

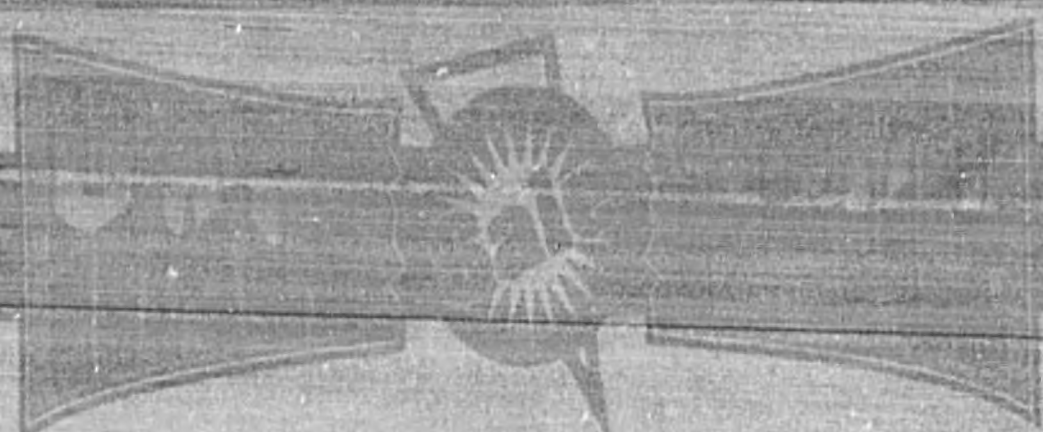
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### Blood

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three minutes, someone needs blood. Blood has a shelf life of only 12 days, which means it constantly needs to be replanted.

"Donating blood is about giving the gift of life," Walker said. "That's what it is all about."

Every day in Central Florida, blood is required in hospitals and emergency treatment facilities to save the lives of accident victims, patients with cancer and other diseases, as well as those undergoing routine surgeries, Walker said. The Central Florida Blood Bank has facilities in 17 counties and services 51 hospitals.

There are several other benefits of giving blood on a regular basis — especially for men.

According to research, donating blood three times a year can dramatically reduce the chance

of a heart attack and certain types of cancer in men. Medical evidence shows that too much iron in the human body may lead to colon cancer and clogging of the arteries, which in turn may lead to a heart attack.

Blood iron is a simple way to rid the body of excess iron. Because men store iron at a much higher level than do women, it is important for them to be able to continually reduce the level. Regularly donating blood is one way to lower the level of iron in blood, thus reducing the risk of heart attacks and strokes.

People can donate blood as often as once every eight weeks, Walker said. As long as a person's iron levels, blood pressure, pulse and temperature are in check, blood can be donated following the required registration.

"We have people who come in

every eight weeks," Walker said. "Some of them come in a little sooner to get checked out so they know they can give blood."

Now that Gililand has given his 20th unit of blood, he plans on setting another goal for himself and reaching it. He will be back at the blood bank in eight weeks ready to give another pint.

"People like Carl, I think they are just wonderful," Webster said. "We just have to have these donors."

Walker said right now is the perfect time to start donating blood. The Central Florida Blood Bank is challenging the community to donate 23,633 units of blood during the month of January as part of National Volunteer Blood Donor Month. Last year, the blood bank collected 22,057 units of whole blood

during the month-long observation.

"Our goal is to ensure that blood is available to patients whenever and wherever it is needed because it is the blood on the shelves that saves lives," said Karen Shous Lipton, chief executive officer for American Association of Blood Banks.

The Sanford branch of the Central Florida Blood Bank is located at 1702 E. 7th Street and can be contacted by calling 407-322-0022. Hours of operation are Monday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. People should remember to eat within several hours prior to donating blood.

For more information on the Central Florida Blood Bank or becoming a blood donor, visit its website at [www.cffb.org](http://www.cffb.org).

### Dance

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Dance classes are popular with students and faculty.

Stanley offers six classes at the studio and practices a minimum of 30 minutes a day.

The new members of the Ballet Guild and the Sanford S.O.P.A. are also active. He will spend a week-long vacation in Hawaii, which he will lecture at the dance school.

"When he was not able to attend to watch the old-time movies with Ted Astor and Gilbert Rogers," his mother, Sheila, told Stanley, "he was always getting up and acting things out. He seemed to have a real flair for it."

"I think he was to see Mr. Fred Astaire, 'Lord of the Dance' and 'The Band Wagon' during his vacation."

Stanley's mother, Sheila, said that in a few weeks, Stanley will compete in Panama City during Astaire's birthday. He also plans to visit the Mr. Astaire Dance of Florida next year in the future.

Stanley says he will pursue an acting and dancing career like that of his favorite performer, Donald O'Connor.

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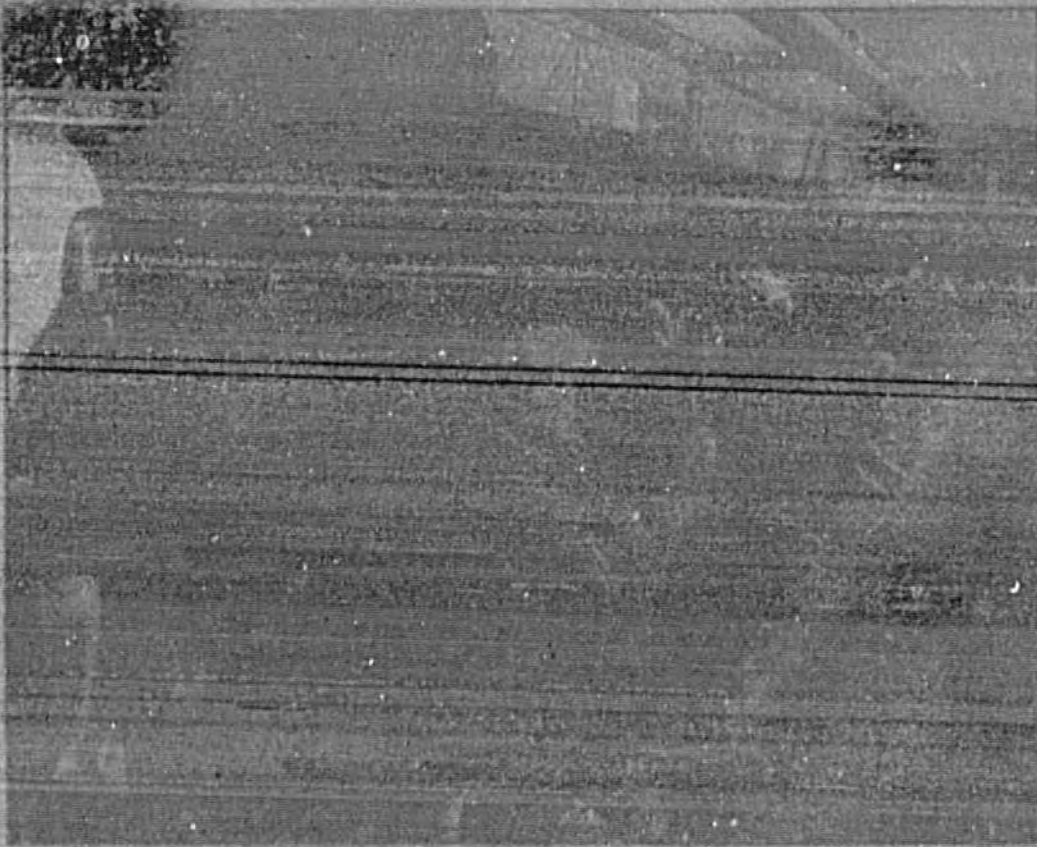
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and drums flash away in their usual display during the parade.



Featured above, Dr. North Luther King Jr. photo adorned the front of many parade floats. At top, back row from left: Judge Brown, Faith Green, T.J. Prigmore, Percussionists in the Student Outdrum Band — BAS

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Seminole finished first in the overall school standing. This is the first time the school has finished first at a regional. Here are some of the other results:

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- Calc Team — Fifth, Seminole High School
- PreCalc Ind — First, Nimitz, sixth, Josh Apple
- PreCalc Team — First, Seminole High School
- Alg2 Ind — 13th Trent Center; 14th BC Rithabrishton
- Alg2 Team — Second, Seminole High School
- Geom Ind — Fifth, Ben Wu, 6th Kellee Chan; eighth, Adam Yeh; ninth Matt Kaufmann, 11th Erin Hionold
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# Preps

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 used to show his muscles, winning eight weight classes in the 500-meter, 400, 300, 200 and 100-meter sprints. He also showed well in another big meet, this time traveling to Key West and finishing second to Michael Braddock in the Key West Invitational over the week-

end. Sophomore Jason Robbins continued to lead the Lions, maintaining his place in the top three at the 400-meter. Junior Frank (130), J.C. Paskch (166) and sophomore Merry Lester (Heavyweight) also won their weight classes at Key West. While Kyle Coffman was a runner-up at 135.

Lake Mary also picked up an impressive victory last Thursday, knocking out Hyman 60-26, winning seven straight clinch.

Maria (150) Jon Ruhning (125), David Pankala (140), Anthony Sotakis (145), Harris (121), Calvert (160) and Xiong (Heavyweight) were the winners for the Bears.

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# Basketball

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A pair of Class A squads, Orangewood Christian (11-2) and The Masters Academy (13-2) are getting votes. Another 13, in fact, missed making the top 10 by only two votes.

way for the Silver Hawks with 15 points and 13 rebounds, while senior point guard Jared Kelsey did his job of running the show with 10 assists.

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The Bears (8-9) had lost another overtime decision, 68-67, to Delton last Wednesday, then came back to top First Academy, 69-67, on Thursday.

Kelsey was the only player in double figures against the Wolves, finishing in a game-high 24 points, with 13 of those points coming on five three-point shots.

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After they came back the next night with 26 points in the win over First Academy, Center left McClellan had a big hand in the victory with 12 rebounds and 10 assists.

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# Baseball

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 and the fee is \$85 per player. For more information call the HSD Office at 707-399-5697, Chase Park at 407-328-0722, or Sanford Stadium at 407-328-0773.

**LAKE MARY GAMES**  
 The Lake Mary High School Track Club will be hosting the Lake Mary Games 2003 for High School Age Division athletes on Saturday, February 8.

Each athlete is limited to three events, counting relay, and the cost is \$3 per person if paid by Feb. 5. Late registration is \$5. One of the events will cost \$3 per person. Proceeds will benefit the Lake Mary track program.

**OVERDO BENEVOLENT GOLF**  
 The 12th annual Overdo Benevolent Golf Tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 22-23, at the Orlando High School Golf Course. The tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 22-23, at the Orlando High School Golf Course.

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