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Today: Partly cloudy and hot with a chance of scattered afternoon showers. Highs in the low 90s. Lows tonight in the mid 70s.

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TODAY

Open house, no breakfast

LAKE MARY - The Lake Mary Heathrow Chamber of Commerce will not be serving breakfast as usual Wednesday, Aug. 6.

In lieu of their regular monthly breakfast meeting at the Heathrow Country Club, the chamber will hold an open house in their office at 101 International Parkway, in Heathrow.

The open house will be held from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. for more information please call the chamber office at 333-4748.

Development meeting

SANFORD - Review of the final master plan and review of revisions of the preliminary master plan for the commercial development of L&L Acres Ranch, in Lake Mary, will top the agenda of six items scheduled for consideration by county staff and applicants at Wednesday's Development Review meeting.

The meeting, beginning at 1:30 p.m., will be held in the Development Review Division conference room on the second floor of the County Services Building, 1101 E. First St.

Redevelopment meeting

SANFORD - The city of Sanford Community Redevelopment Agency will meet in the city manager's conference room, second floor of City Hall, on Wednesday at 4 p.m. The CRA will hear a report from committee on interviews with the event promoter/coordinator consultants and from the Waterfront Master Plan Steering Committee. There will also be a report on the Seminole County CRA.

Sanford City Hall is located at 300 N. Park Ave.

Nuisance abatement board

SANFORD - The city's Nuisance Abatement Board will review items of old business at their meeting on Wednesday, Aug. 6.

The matters of Moses Mitchell and Pine Shadow Apts. and an NAB Notice of Hearing form will be discussed.

The board will meet in the city commission conference room, on the first floor of City Hall, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Disaster update for AARP

WINTER SPRINGS - On Monday, Aug. 18 at 1 p.m., the Winter Springs AARP Chapter 4949, will meet at the Winter Springs Senior Center, 400 N. Edgemon Ave.

Bob Mahon, Vice President in charge of Program, has arranged a two-fold program presenting Jack Rupp, American Red Cross representative, who will up-date members about Hurricane/Disaster, and the newest techniques of emergency public safety. Preparedness during wind and electrical storms is a must for all residents. "Natural disasters are numerous in our area," said Rupp, "and we must be aware of the dangers".

The second portion of the program will be delivered by Ernie Hatton, Marketing Director representing Tri-Point Transit Systems of Seminole County. Hatton is a veteran of numerous government boards and is a civic activist in the interest of good government. Hatton is also a writer of local issues and events.

Following the program presentations, refreshments will be served. Visitors are welcome. There is no fee. For further information call 695-0285 or 695-4864.

UCF graduation

The University of Central Florida will hold three commencement exercises Aug. 9 for 1,092 graduating students. The College of Business Administration will be at 8 a.m., College of Arts and Sciences, 11:30 a.m., College of Education and Health and Public Affairs, 3 p.m.

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6 Diplomacy is to do and say the nastiest things in the nicest way. - Isaac Goldberg

When tragedy touches a family

Little girl, grandma go on after death of loved ones

By MARIA OREM
Herald Staff Writer

Independent, strong, private. Those are the words Doris Phillips uses to describe her granddaughter, Brittany Austin, who just two months ago suffered one of the worse tragedies imaginable.

On June 9, Brittany, 8, her father Brady, 46, her mother, Tammy, 35, and her brother, Ryan, 4, en route to visit Brady's ailing father in Fort Lauderdale, were hit by a drunk driver. Brittany was the sole survivor.

The accident occurred at about 2:30 a.m. on State Road 48 in Volusia County near the Seminole County line. Brittany was pulled from the wreckage by a passing truck driver. He covered the little girl with his jacket hoping to spare her the sight of her lost family. Brittany was rushed to the Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach, where doctors initially thought she might have suffered a broken pelvis. Upon closer examination, Brittany was found to have a sprained ankle and severe bruising. Only four days later, Brittany attended the funeral of her loved ones flanked by her beloved grand-

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Doris Phillips and her granddaughter Brittany Austin.

Sanford police solve murder, robbery

By DAVID FRAZIER
Herald Staff Writer

Robert Fields gave himself up to police after allegedly shooting James Gunn in the head on Sunday. Fields, a 40-year-old Sanford man, was charged with first degree murder and arrested by Sanford police after turning himself in at the station on Sunday.

Fields, of 1803 W. 16th St., was also charged with burglary to structure, felony causing bodily injury and use of firearm or weapon. Several witnesses correctly identified Fields. One witness said that she heard a repeated threat of "I'll kill you" from outside of the house.

Gunn, 48, of 1803 S. Roosevelt, was found slumped over in a chair with a gunshot wound to the head. The incident occurred at roughly 7:45 a.m. Sunday morning. If charged with the crime of first degree murder, Fields may face life in prison or the death penalty.

In an unrelated robbery, Sanford police said that at approximately 10:20 a.m. Monday morning, the R&W Trading Post at 1016 South French Avenue was robbed. Rick Hillis, proprietor of the Trading

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Substandard apartments to be renovated

By MARIA OREM
Herald Staff Writer

Final eviction notices were posted Friday at the Pine Shadow Apartments in Sanford.

The few remaining residents had until late Monday afternoon to vacate the 44-unit complex, according to Steve Chitwood, director of

Central Florida Hands Inc., a nonprofit agency that renovates and develops housing for low to very low income people. Central Florida HANDS is currently in the process of purchasing the apartments off Florida Avenue. The agency also renovated the Lake Jennie I and II apartments located nearby.

Evictions started in June when

living conditions were found to be unacceptable. Pine Shadows had its state license and city occupational license revoked because of substandard conditions and numerous violations including poor plumbing and electrical wiring and exposed pipes. Commissioners had called conditions there subhuman.

Charles Rowe, director of community development in Sanford,

said the evictions happened so quickly most of the residents did not have the time or money to react.

"We've tried to get information out to the people to help them get relocated," Rowe said. "The problem is they have no money."

The city had turned off water and electricity in June. When the city

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Shine a light, here comes the sheriff

By RUSS WHITE
Herald Staff Writer

Chances are you may be having an ice cream cone with Seminole County Sheriff Don Eslinger or one of his deputies this evening.

It's National Night Out Against Crime.

Eslinger is scheduled to drop by Remington Oaks and Weathersfield this evening, and as many as 40 deputies will be visiting with folks at block parties, cookouts and special events such as flashlight walks throughout the county.

Youngsters will get to meet McGruff, the Crime Fighting Dog, and see the remote controlled jeep with Deputies Fuzzy and Wuzzy. McGruff's headed to Tuska Ridge, Hidden Estates and Bear Lake Hills. Fuzzy and Wuzzy

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Zoom and Board



A skate boarder flips high above the crowd at Tsunami Beach Club at Sunday's Warped Tour event, a cross section of skate/surf culture and extreme cutting edge music. There were plenty of

musicians, athletes and spectators. Feel Big Fish was the musical catch of the day said Sanford Herald entertainment editor David Frazier.

NAACP presents Annual Freedom Fund Awards

MARVA HAWKINS
Herald Columnist

The Seminole County Branch of the NAACP this past week presented their Annual Freedom Fund Awards Banquet. The Orlando North Hilton and Towers-Altamonte was the setting for this yearly activity to make the community aware of the progress and work of the local branch.

This year's Freedom Fund Banquet was dedicated to the late Rev. Amos C. Jones who died this year. Rev. Jones worked in this community as a pastor, leader and life member of this branch. He served on the Board of Directors of Seminole Community College.

Those who knew him say he never left the table of discussion without everyone knowing fully where he stood. His spirit of fairness and patience will live on through with those who share his fight for justice.

The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People Seminole County branch president, Turner Clayton, Jr., emphasized the theme for this year's awards banquet: "Economic, Political, and Social Advancement: We Rise!"

Presiding during this grand affair was Monica May a radio personality. The dynamic voice of Terry Freeman led the quest into "Lift Every Voice and Sing." Rev. Harry Rucker gave the invocation and the blessing.

Words of Welcome were given by second Vice President Kenneth Bentley. The appeal for new life memberships was made by third Vice President Tony Covington.

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Pet of the week



Jocis is a 10-week-old Chihuahua. He is very affectionate and sweet and would love to be adopted. For information call the Humane Society of Seminole County, 333-8161.

She was like a Candle in the Wind



Today I Saw
RUSS WHITE

Thirty-five years. That's how long it's been since Marilyn Monroe died August 5, 1962. She was 36. The epitome of Hollywood glamour.

Today there are imitators galore, but there was only one Marilyn Monroe.

Today there is a postage stamp and a song, "Candle in the Wind," a tribute to Monroe from Elton John.

Rock Around the Clock

Amateur Handstand had its television premiere 40 years ago today starting out as a local show in Philadelphia. Disc jockey Dick Clark began the first to have and feature as the show's host.

The format was simple: teens dancing and performers doing their latest hits. **Fats Domino, Chubby Checker,**

Connie Francis, Bill Haley and the Comets, The Everly Brothers, Chuck Berry, The Platters

The four-hour show was TV's longest running musical and the first devoted exclusively to rock and roll.

Clark was the host for 30 years. He turned the show over to **David Hirsch** and soon the show was canceled, dropped in 1989.

Let's hope it is Dick Clark something like that.

Cheap thrills

Nation's biggest Homecoming Week begins today. Time to get new school subscriptions to the *Sanford Herald* at a low price. Classifieds for car, boat and land to the fore, making this coming weekend one everyone should something off cheap.



Marilyn Monroe

Fly Him to the Moon

Some 20,000 baby pictures were taken in Miami when **Neil Alden Armstrong**

much different from his hometown Wapakoneta, Ohio.

Loni Anderson is 51. She's an actress whose toughest role perhaps was being married to **Burt Reynolds**.

New York Knicks center **Patrick Ewing** is 35 today. He wants an NBA championship ring. Sorry, not this year.

Samatha Sang who sings, is 44 today.

What was Abe thinking?

You know what **Abraham Lincoln** did on this date in 1862?

He signed into law the first federal income tax. It became law on July 1, 1862.

It was a 3 percent tax levied on income of more than \$800. It was a temporary wartime measure. It was repealed in 1872.

What was Abe thinking? Well, it was a good idea. It was a good idea. It was a good idea.

U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to review status of fairy shrimp

Special to the Herald

The U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service will review the status of the Stone Mountain fairy shrimp, a species found near the summit of Georgia's highest mountains. The review is in response to a petition filed with the agency by the Friends of Georgia, asking that the shrimp be designated as an endangered species, it was announced.

This is not a listing of the fairy shrimp, said Acting Southeast Regional Director Megan Moriarty. "This review simply begins a process of collecting substantial scientific information, along with public comment, to determine whether listing of the shrimp, in fact, warranted."

Private groups, including some affiliated with the Georgia Chapter of The Nature Conservancy and the Georgia Environmental Action Institute, have indicated support for the Friends of Georgia petition. The petitioners have expressed concern that a Sky lift project proposed on Stone Mountain may harm the species. The project involves both building construction and demolition of the existing structure. The Stone Mountain Memorial Association, caretaker of this state-owned land, indicates that it has taken steps to protect the shrimp and its habitat from those activities.

Fairy shrimp can be found near the summit of Stone Mountain, an enormous granite dome and Civil War monument in DeKalb County, east of Atlanta. Adult and immature stages of the species are active during warm, wet months.

The Service must decide within one year whether the Stone Mountain fairy shrimp warrants listing as an endangered species. The agency is seeking the public's help in gathering pertinent information concerning the Stone Mountain fairy shrimp. Comments should be submitted by Sept. 22, 1997, to the Lead Supervisor, U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 9920 Southpoint Drive South, Suite 310, Jacksonville, Fla. 32216.



Scholarship winners

CBIS, founder of the Hispanic Scholarship Society, is giving Florida, along with 23 other founder companies, recently awarded seven Hispanic students from area public high schools to receive college scholarships totaling \$33,300. CBIS, headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio, operates a customer service call center in Sanford. The scholarship winners were honored at an awards ceremony at the Sanford High School on July 22.

THE WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

Today: Partly sunny with a chance of scattered showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the lower 90s. Lows in the low 70s. Tomorrow: Partly sunny. Highs in the low 90s. Lows in the low 70s. Wednesday: Partly sunny with scattered showers. Highs in the low 90s. Lows in the low 70s. Thursday: Partly sunny with scattered showers. Highs in the low 90s. Lows in the low 70s. Friday: Partly sunny with scattered showers. Highs in the low 90s. Lows in the low 70s. Saturday: Partly sunny with scattered showers. Highs in the low 90s. Lows in the low 70s.

FLORIDA TEMPS

City	Hi	Lo	Rain
Miami	91	73	*
Orlando	92	74	*
Tampa	91	73	*
Fort Myers	91	73	*
Daytona Beach	91	73	*
Sanford	91	73	*
Sebring	91	73	*
Winter	91	73	*
Titusville	91	73	*
Deltona	91	73	*
Altamonte Springs	91	73	*
Winter Park	91	73	*
Sanford	91	73	*
Deltona	91	73	*
Altamonte Springs	91	73	*
Winter Park	91	73	*

STATISTICS

The high temperature in Sanford Monday was 93 degrees and the overnight low was 75, as reported by the University of Florida Agricultural Research and Education Center, Citrus Avenue. Forecast rainfall for the period ending at 10 a.m. Monday total: .95 inches. Sunshine: 6:39 a.m. sunset: 8:13 p.m.

BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach: Waves are 2 to 6 feet and moderately choppy. Current is running to the south with a water temperature of 80 degrees. **New Smyrna Beach:** Waves are 2 to 6 feet with a light chop. Current is running to the south with a water temperature of 81 degrees.

TIDES

TUESDAY SOLUNAR TABLE: High: 10:55 a.m., low: 4:14 a.m., rise: 11:20 p.m., set: 5:19 p.m.

TIDES: Daytona Beach: low: 4:14 a.m., high: 10:55 a.m., low: 4:14 p.m., high: 10:55 p.m. **New Smyrna Beach:** low: 4:14 a.m., high: 10:55 a.m., low: 4:14 p.m., high: 10:55 p.m. **Cocoa Beach:** low: 4:14 a.m., high: 10:55 p.m.

SUN INDEX

The Ultra Violet Index is 11, rating by the Florida Dept. of Health.

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LOTTERY

Here are the winning numbers selected on Monday in the Florida Lottery.

Fantasy 5 (August 4) 1-7-17-19-26



Consumer confidence at an 8-year high

Special to the Herald

Consumer confidence among Floridians rose a point in July to 101, its highest level since June of 1989. The rise this month was fueled by increases in consumers' perceptions about whether it is a good time to buy expensive items, up four points from last month to 115 this month, and consumers' expectations about the U.S. economy over the next five years, up six points from last month to 85 this month. According to the monthly consumer survey by the University of Florida Bureau of Economic and Business Research, these gains were balanced by a fall in perceptions about current finances, which fell four points from 95 in June to 91 in July. The other two index components remained the same or changed only slightly.

Nationally, consumer confidence measured by the University of Michigan is showing the same trend. While confidence is on the rise, current expectations though still very high have begun to fall. However, optimism about the future is still rising.

Consumers' attitudes are still reflecting what appears to be a strong economy. While there have been signs of weakness in the retail market, inflation remains uncharacteristically low given the low levels of unemployment and modest rises in hourly wages. People seem to be telling us that they are doing fine and anticipate continued growth in the economy. Under what we would consider normal circumstances, this should translate into increased sales," said Chris McCarty, the survey director.

However, sales have not been rising much in 1997. Nationally, car sales fell in June and are down sharply from 1996. Retail sales are weak in the first quarter of 1997 and have only recently risen by about a half percent. Some of this increase is in sales at discount department stores such as Target and Wal-Mart, while other high end department stores are experiencing a buildup of inventory. On the

proportion of respondents who plan to buy off over the next six months is steadily increases. Some of this may be less aggressive credit strategies on the part of banks and other lending institutions. But some of it is certainly consumers changing their priorities towards paying off debts. This may be an anticipation for rise in interest rates by the Fed.

People seem to be taking advantage of an economy where inflation is low and interest rates are low by being more frugal in their spending and looking for the prospect of paying for past purchases. Investment in the stock market continues to rise which plays a large part in the life of the bull market. One big question is whether these retirement investments are being driven by perceptions of value of companies or by those who are looking towards their retirement and are hurriedly investing in mutual funds, so they won't be caught short. If the latter is true, then we must be cautious in using rising indicators such as the Dow Jones Industrial Average and NASDAQ as indicators of economic performance," said McCarty.

Since July 1996, Florida's confidence index has risen by 10 points, lifted by optimism about the national economy. Now a remarkable 89 percent of our respondents expect no recession during the coming year, up from 73 percent a year earlier. Moreover, two-thirds of Floridians say good times will last into the opening of the next century.

The jump in confidence does not mean retail sales and home building will surge. Income and wealth have been rising for years, leaving few households with postponed purchases of big-ticket items. Our signs point to steady sales growth. Plans to buy houses and cars, for example, are no higher now than they were a year ago," said Dave Denslow, UF economist.

One nagging worry, since three million retirees in Florida own a large chunk of Wall Street, is that would happen if the soaring stock market suddenly returned to earth," said Denslow. "But among our

Business conditions

Those respondents who are employed report more business activity in July compared to June. In fact, 67 percent of those who are employed said that business is better now than it was in the same month last year. In 1996, the percent of those employed who reported more business activity was only 45 percent. The percent of respondents who reported more business activity was up a point to 68, compared to 66 in June. In July 1996, only 41 percent anticipated more employees would be hired over the next six months.

From the perspective of employees, it appears that businesses in Florida are benefiting from the strong economy as much as consumers. However, employees may have a lagging view of the health of their business. The most recent results of the survey of purchasing managers shows the composite index down for June and the index measuring employment leveling off.

Floridians so far see their work environment as being stable. While there are some signs that the economy may be losing its steam, the overall picture for the near term is moderate growth. The positive aspects of the economy still outweigh the negatives by a wide margin," said McCarty.

Survey method

The Florida Consumer Attitude Survey is conducted monthly by the Survey Program at the Bureau of Economic and Business Research at the University of Florida. This 20 station computerized lab surveys Floridians throughout the state through random digit dialing. Responses are weighed to account for variable response rates across counties. The overall response rate for this survey was 62 percent.

POLICE BRIEFS

Drug charges

Raymond Lekniskas, 19, of 1455 23rd Ave., Vero Beach, was arrested Sunday by Sanford police. Lekniskas was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of marijuana. Lekniskas was arrested in the 2900 block of South Orlando Drive. Lekniskas was arrested at the Warped Tour concert.

Benjamin Theret, of 6981 Madonna Pl., Sarasota, was arrested Sunday by Sanford police. Theret was charged with possession of cannabis under 20 grams and arrested in the 2900 block of South Orlando Drive. Theret was arrested by the Q1 A.D. squad at this weekend's concert.

Matt Paquette, 20, of 163 13th Ave., Vero Beach, was arrested Sunday by Sanford police. Paquette was charged with possession of under 20 grams of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia. Paquette was arrested in the 2900 block of South Orlando Drive at this weekend's concert.

Mario Albarran, 25, of 204 7th Ave., Edgewater, was arrested Sunday by Lake Mary police. Albarran was charged with possession of cocaine and arrested on State Road 469. Albarran was checked by police coming through a 65 mph zone before being pulled over.

Burglary charged

Jeffrey Hines, 41, of 2741 St. Augustine, Sanford, was arrested Sunday by Sanford police. Hines was charged with burglary and possession of a firearm. Hines was arrested in the 1200 block of West 13th Street.

Bike patrol makes arrest

David Hines, 41, of 2741 St. Augustine, Sanford, was arrested Sunday by Sanford police. Hines was charged with possession of a firearm and possession of a controlled substance. Hines was arrested in the 1200 block of West 13th Street.

Mom, daughter disputes

Michelle Brown, 34, of 1129 Florida Ave., Sanford, was arrested Sunday by Sanford police. Brown was charged with domestic violence. Brown was arrested in the 1200 block of West 13th Street.

Grand theft auto charged

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Arrested at concert

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Domestic violence arrest

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More concert arrests

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Man found in stolen vehicle

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Evictions

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turned off water for the second time July 15, there was still an outstanding water bill for more than \$16,000.

Chitwood estimated that as of Friday there were probably four or five apartments still occupied. He had reported late last month to city commissioners that his agency had a contract to purchase the property when it became empty.

Central Florida HANDS had initially made an offer to buy the units about a year ago when the owner, who lives in England, rejected. Chitwood said. He said his agency was contacted by the owner about two months ago "when things started to get bad."

Chitwood said the cost to renovate each unit would be about \$12,000. If the deal goes through as planned, he said work would probably be complete sometime early next year. The agency also owns the recently renovated Lake Deming and 11 apartments located across the street. He said phase 1 is 100 percent occupied.



Residents of Pine Shadow Apartments were given until 5 p.m. Monday to vacate the property closed by order of the state and Restaurant Association of Florida.

Department of Professional Regulation, legal eviction proceedings will begin against any remaining residents.

Concerning the outstanding water bill, Rowe said he expects it to be handled like any

outstanding utility bill. Rowe said he expects the responsibility of the bill to be handled like any

Police

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Rowe said that the father who was arrested Sunday was charged with possession of a controlled substance.

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<p>2-Piece Super Snack \$2.39 Plus Tax</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 pieces of chicken, mixed 1 side dish of your choice (corn substitution extra) 1 homestyle buttermilk biscuit <p>Not valid with any other offer or discount. Good for a limited time.</p>	<p>2-Piece Combo Meal \$2.99 Plus Tax</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 side items 1 homestyle buttermilk biscuit 20 oz. drink <p>Not valid with any other offer or discount. Good for a limited time.</p>

Spawn looks borrowed



Spawn (PG-13): Spawn looks borrowed. It's a hodge-podge of various films with hardly any distinctiveness of its own. That's surprising seeing as how the comic book, *Spawn*, created by former Marvel Comics artist Todd McFarlane, tries to be painstakingly different.

No doubt that New Line Pictures is pegging its summer on the success of *Spawn*. There is already a built-in audience for the movie: comic book fanatics, avid toy collectors and viewers of the animated HBO series. *Spawn* is a pop culture icon for the 90's, but how ever popular *Spawn* may be doesn't mean an entertaining film will be made about the superhero.

Spawn is the story of Al Simmons (Michael Jai White), a devoted family man and a covert government agency's top assassin... aren't they all? Simmons, in a mission at a

biochemical plant, is ambushed by his boss, Jason Lynn (Martin Sheen), and a colleague, Jessica Priest (Melinda Clarke), who proceed to incinerate poor Simmons. As a result, Simmons goes to Hell looking like an over-fried piece of bacon, and talking a deal with Malebolgia, a gargantuan cross between a goat and a monkey.

Malebolgia solicits Simmons as the leader of Hell's army, and, as payment, Malebolgia will let Simmons see his wife again. Simmons agrees and *Spawn* is born. As *Spawn*, Simmons must track down and kill Jason Lynn, which should be easy since Simmons hates the guy so much. Once Lynn is dead, the army can take over the Earth. Why does Lynn have to be dead for that to happen? Beats me. But to make sure that *Spawn/Simmons* carries out his main objective, Malebolgia sends the repulsive Clown (John Leguizamo) to supervise. Soon, however, *Spawn* realizes that he is being played the puppet and decides to rock the underworld by turning the tables on Malebolgia and his minions.

Spawn is a jumble of a great story idea never really thought out. Here is a sample of pos-

sible commonly asked questions after viewings of the film: What does *Spawn* do in the five years prior to receiving his powers? What exactly is the purpose of the alley in the film? If *Spawn's* powers degenerate every time he uses them, how does he recharge? I mean, if he depletes his powers how can there be a sequel? Why does the audience not have more information on characters like Clown or *Spawn's* mentor Cogistro (Nicol Williamson)? Clarity could have been the biggest key to this film's success.

Director Mark Dippe, who worked on the effects of *Terminator 2* and *Jurassic Park*, producer Clint Goldman, who worked on *The Mask* visually, and visual effects supervisor Steve "Spaz" Williams, who worked on the re-amping of the *Star Wars* trilogy, have teamed up to provide *Spawn* with some of the best visual effects of the summer.

Dippe, Goldman and Williams all agreed that they didn't want the effects to drive this film. But when the story has you stumped, why not admire the visual wizardry? The effects are fun but flat without a strong story behind them. Basically, *Spawn* is a spectacular looking error. Two stars (out of four).

JEWEL B. BAILEY
Jewel B. Bailey, 82, Enterprise Road, DeBary, died Aug. 3, 1997. Born in Tellico Plain, Tenn. on Jan. 27, 1915, she moved to Central Florida in 1921. She was a retail clerk for McCroys. Bailey was a member of Family Worship Center.

Survivors include sons, Frank and Don, Sanford; Judy Baschore, Sanford; brothers, Bruner and James Giles, Lake Monroe; sisters, Rosale Duff, Lake Monroe, Marie Bledsoe and Martha Giles, Pensacola; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Brison Funeral Home, Sanford.

JOE CEPHAS BANKS
Joe Cephas Banks, 35, 431 Snowhill Road, Geneva, died Aug. 1, 1997 in a drowning accident. Born in Sanford, he was a native of Central Florida. He was a landscaper. Banks was a member of Oak Grove Missionary Baptist Church and was also an Army veteran.

Survivors include parents, Deacon Eddie L. Sr. and Viola O., Geneva; sisters Barbara Jean Banks-Stone, Mary Ann, Rose Mary, Geneva, Virginia Banks-Moyr, Sanford, Diana Dean Banks-Cason, Winter Park; brothers Eddie L. Jr., Willie L., Tyrone, Sanford.

Arrangements by Golden's Funeral Home, Inc.

ANNINA "NINA" CASHIN
Annina "Nina" Cashin, 63, Cove Lake Drive, Longwood, died Sunday, Aug. 3, 1997. Born in Queens, N.Y., she moved to Central Florida in 1978. Ms. Cashin was a registered nurse. She was a member of the Church of the Annunciation. She was a member of the St. Joan of Arc Circle and the Florida Quilters Guild.

Survivors include husband, Francis; daughters, Megan A., Mara J., Nina S., all of Longwood; sons, Daniel A., Tallahassee, Michael F., St. Louis; brothers, Richard Faber, New York, Gerard Faber, Lakeland.

Baldwin-Fairchild Memorial-Forest City Chapel, Forest City, in charge of arrangements.

WAVE PETERSON DAUS- PHILLIPS
Elvie Peterson Daus-

Phillips, 82, Orienta Drive, Altamonte Springs, died Sunday, Aug. 3, 1997. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she moved to Central Florida in 1957. Mrs. Daus-Phillips was a secretary for Martin-Marietta. She was a member of the Course of Miracles.

Survivors include sister, Edna Watterson, San Rafael, Calif.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Winter Garden, in charge of arrangements.

RUTH A. HOOPER
Ruth A. Hooper, 85, Islander Court, Longwood, died Monday, Aug. 4, 1997, at her residence. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., on Jan. 26, 1912, she moved to Central Florida in 1980. Ms. Hooper was a retired secretary for Exxon. She was a member of St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. She was a former president of the Christian Business Women's Association and a volunteer for the Missing Children Center, Winter Springs.

Survivors include, brother, Charles, Lake Mary.

Guinea Carry Hand Garden Chapel Funeral Home, Longwood, in charge of arrangements.

EILEEN LINTON MORRISON
Eileen Linton Morrison, 73, Ponytail Palm Circle, Oviedo, died Monday, Aug. 4, 1997. Born in Ayr, Scotland, she moved to Central Florida in 1995. Mrs. Morrison was a homemaker. She was an Episcopalian. She was a Coast Guard veteran.

Survivors include husband, Edward; sons, Randal, Oviedo, Edward R., II, Farmingdale, N.Y., William C. Las Vegas; seven grandchildren.

Baldwin-Fairchild funeral Home, Oviedo, in charge of arrangements.

BUSIE STOKES SNELL
Susie Stokes Snell, 63, South Sanford Avenue, died Sunday, Aug. 2, 1997, at Columbia Medical Center-Sanford. Born in Sanford, on Nov. 25, 1933, she was a lifelong resident. She was a homemaker and a member of Grace Apostolic Temple.

Survivors include sons, Closure Snell III, Richard Snell, Kenneth Snell, Jimmy Snell, Robert Snell and Marcus Snell, all of Sanford; daughters, Patricia McMiller, Deltona, Sherry Snell, Sanford; brothers, Richard Stokes.

Coatesville, Pa., James Stokes, Silver Springs, Md., Mitchell Stokes, Sanford, Wilbur Stokes and Abraham Stokes, Rochester, N.Y., and David Stokes, Ocott, N.Y.; sisters, Annie O'Neille and Alberta Daniels, both of Sanford; nine grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary, Inc., in charge of arrangements.



Jennings L. Hurt Jr.

HURT JR., JENNINGS L.

June 27, 1916 - August 3, 1997

Mr. Jennings L. Hurt Jr. died Sunday, August 3, 1997 in Winter Park, Florida. He was born in Lakeland on June 27, 1916 and grew up in Sanford with seven brothers and sisters. He attended the University of Florida and was a member of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. He served overseas in the United States Army corps during World War II. He was injured when the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor on December 7, 1941. He was awarded the Purple Heart and honorably discharged a disabled veteran. He married Virginia Ludwick on September 25, 1945 and they had four children. Jennings was survived by three daughters, Angela Hurt Hawley, Melanie Hurt Simmons, Marie Anne Hurt and one son, Jennings L. Hurt, III, all of Winter Park. He is also survived by six grandchildren, Jennings L. Hurt IV, Alexa Sullivan Hawley, Matthew Alexander Hurt, Davis Wright Hawley, Natalie Elizabeth Hurt and Joseph Connor Hurt. A mass of Christian burial will be celebrated at All Souls Catholic Church in Sanford at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, August 6, 1997. Burial to follow at All Souls Catholic Cemetery. Friends may call on Tuesday, August 5, 1997 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Brison Funeral Home, with a viewing at 8 p.m. All arrangements are being handled by Brison Funeral Home, 905 Laurel Avenue, Sanford, 322-2131.

NAACP

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The musical entertainment for the evening was by LaRue Baldi who filled the audience with her melodious voice, with the sounds of the tunes: "Why I Sing" and "I Believe in the Power".

After a delicious dinner, the guests sat back to enjoy the message of the evening after the quest speaker of the hour was introduced by the Executive Assistant to the 13th District Congresswoman Brown, Reggie McGill.

The Honorable Willie Logan of the 103rd District of the Florida House of Representatives, challenged the audience and this branch of the NAACP to get ready for the 21st century. To revive, revise, renew our branch and recruit our youth, Logan applauded the

group that the NAACP is bigger, better and the oldest in the nation. He spoke of various cases where the NAACP was very visible and was able to achieve and rebuild peace between people. Yes, Logan said, we will rise to meet the demand of the 21st century, without violence, with families, at home, school, and the workplace...we will rise!

The awards ceremony honored various persons, corporations, churches and community leaders. The 1997 awards were: "Community Services 1997" - Rev. Ricky Scott, pastor of New Mt Calvary Baptist Church for their community cleanup drive; The Zion Hope Baptist Church where Rev. Elias Coffey, Pastor received the Church Service of the Year 1997 and the yearly church award was the Human-

tarian Award which was presented to television announcer Marsha Reece.

The Corporate Award was presented to AT&T Wireless Service and The Earl William Award was presented to Turner Clayton, Jr., president of the Seminole County Branch of the NAACP.

The remarks of the evening and acknowledgments of the community leaders, local, state and national, were given by co-chairman of the Awards and Freedom Fund Banquet, Phyllis Richardson. Closing remarks were given by President Clayton.

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Tragedy

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mother. The physical damage has long since healed. It is Doris's hope, with the help of her close network of friends and family, to ease her granddaughter's psychological pain.

At a special fund-raising event Saturday coordinated by the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, District 4, Doris spoke to the *Sanford Herald* about how the family was coping these past few months since the fatal accident which took the lives of her eldest daughter, her son-in-law, and her small grandson. She is joined by her youngest daughter, Peggy Gordon of Deltona, Doris's sons, Michael and Frankie are also expected.

Brittany is there, too, switching off from sitting quietly by her grandmother's side to playing tag with her cousins. There is an underlying sadness in the eyes of the reserved third grader. As are most children, though, she is quick to smile during times of play. And although Brittany did not wish to speak publicly, her grandmother speaks for her, saying that the child wanted to thank everyone for their help and concern for her.

Brittany started her first day of school last week at Geneva Elementary School. By the third day, Doris said, she had made her first three friends. Also last week, Doris and Brittany moved back into Doris's Geneva home. Since the accident, the two had stayed with Doris's son and wife in Sanford.

Doris recently took Brittany school shopping and she is back working at Subway so that she can be home when Brittany comes back from school. They are always together, Doris said.

Family and friends had gotten together and painted and renovated Doris's trailer which sits on two acres of land on the outskirts of Geneva. Surrounded by plant life and trees planted by her family, Doris, 57, has lived there since 1973. She supported her own mother there for 30 years until her death three years ago. Brittany is the fourth generation Phillips to attend Geneva Elementary, Pastor Don Crabtree of the Community Church of God in Geneva, has seen the family

through births, weddings, and death.

The surroundings are familiar to the little girl who spent the first four years of her life living with her mother and father in a trailer right next to Doris's. Tammy and Doris worked together at the Subway shop in Sanford. Doris said, over the telephone, many people couldn't tell mother and daughter apart.

The Austins later moved to Lake County but the early ties remained. Brady worked as a truck driver for a Sanford cabinet maker. The family visited Doris at least once a week. There were plenty of sleepovers and daily calls. Tammy spoke with her mother and sister every day.

"Brittany never had a babysitter in her life except me," Doris said.

Doris remembers Brady as a hard worker.

"My son-in-law was good to me," she said, "and I know he thought of me as a mother."

Of her eldest daughter, Doris said Tammy always had a smile for everyone.

"Everyone here remembers Tammy. She was everyone's friend."

Doris and her children including Brittany, visited Tammy's grave at the Geneva Cemetery last Sunday with birthday cards in hand. The grandchildren helped pick out some plants and bushes for the site. Tammy would have been 38 on July 29.

"Brittany helped pick out my card and hers," she said.

Doris said she and Brittany talk about her family every day because it makes them all feel better and there are so many memories, especially her granddaughter. Photographs of Tammy have all been left in place.

"I'm her nana and I think she sees a lot of her mother in me," Doris said.

Since the morning when police first told Doris about the accident and began going down the list of who had been killed, Doris said she felt herself being in a daze. But as soon as they told her that Brittany was alive, she said her only concern at that time was for Brittany and that she had to go to her.

"When I heard about Tammy and Ryan and Brady, I begged

God to take me at that time, but when they told me about Brittany, I felt that God came into my heart and stood me up."

"Brittany kept me strong and I'm keeping her strong," Doris said.

Brittany told Doris she remembers seeing her great grandmother in the form of an angel sitting in the front seat of the wrecked truck as Brittany sat in shock in the back seat. She said her great grandma said it was alright to cry.

Doris, who is Brittany's temporary guardian, said she knew what she had to do and that was to take care of her granddaughter because "that's what my daughter would have wanted."

Doris hesitates ever so briefly as the emotion begins to sweep over her but she quickly composes herself.

She explains that there are times when she feels like breaking down under the weight of such a tragedy, but she knows that she must stay strong for Brittany's sake.

"I don't blame God and Brittany doesn't blame him for taking her people," Doris said. Brittany, Peggy and her children are currently in counseling at New Hope in Maitland. Brittany also attends individual sessions.

The family is grateful to everyone in the community who has come forward in their time of need. Beginning with Steve Ovide the Umatilla trucker who pulled Brittany out of harm's way on the night of the accident to the doctors and nurses at the hospital to Dottie Burkett of the sheriff's office.

Doris said she wants to thank everyone personally for all the phone calls, cards, and prayers. She wanted to conclude with a quote she says stuck with her because it describes how she feels.

"There is no such thing as strangers. It's only new friends that you haven't met yet."

A trust fund has been set up for Brittany at all Central Florida Barnett Bank branches. Persons interested in helping the family may also contact Dottie at 386-8800, ext. 376 or 349-9284.

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People

IN BRIEF

Newcomers Club sets luncheon

SANFORD — The Newcomers Club of Central Florida will hold its next luncheon meeting at Otter's Riverside Restaurant, Port of Sanford, on Thursday, Aug. 21, starting at 11:30 a.m. For information, call Anne, at 671-4798.

CALENDAR

New Al-Anon group

A new Al-Anon group has started at Sanford Christian Church, 730 Upsala Road, Sanford, every Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. For information, page Sissy at 317-5615.

Al-Anon group meets in Sanford

If you are troubled by the alcoholism of a friend or relative, there is help. Serenity Won, an Al-Anon group for friends and family of alcoholics, will meet each Tuesday and Thursday night at 8 p.m. at the Sahara Club, 2587 S. Sanford Ave., Sanford. For more information, call 332-4122.

Take off pounds sensibly

Members of Take Off Pounds Sensibly, TOPS, invite the public to join them on Tuesday evenings from 7 to 8 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 1607 Sanford Ave., Sanford. For more information about the club, call 323-1768 or 323-1664.

Toastmasters meet

Seminole Community College (SCC) Toastmasters Club #6581 will meet every Tuesday of the month, at 7:30 p.m., at the old Lake Mary City Hall on Country Club Road. Contact Rosella Bonham at 323-8284 for more information.

Longwood-Lake Mary Lions to meet

The Longwood-Lake Mary Lions Club meets the first and third Tuesday of every month, at 7 p.m., at the Ramada Inn, S.R. 434 in Longwood. Visitors and prospective members are welcome to attend.

Toward better communications



Beverly Janowski (third from left), outgoing president of Greater Seminole International Training in Communications Club presents gavel to newly installed president, Beth Abley. Also installed at the Sweetwater Country Club event were (from left): Marty Hooker, second vice president; Jani Searles, secretary;

Elaine O'Neal, first vice president; and Delores Van Ruden, treasurer. The communications club, which helps individuals improve their speaking, listening, parliamentary and timing skills, meets at 7 p.m., the second and fourth Thursday at Altamonte Chapel, 825 E. Highway 436, Altamonte Springs.

Human touch helps heal lonely residents in home

DEAR ABBY: I just read your column in the *Sanford Herald* about a woman who wrote about a woman whose mother had died in a nursing home. Rather than place flowers on her mother's grave, the daughter took them to a nearby nursing home and left them with a friendly note for a resident who had never had a visitor.

That certainly struck home with me. I've seen the same act of kindness many times, and can't tell you how much those small gestures mean to lonely elders who have outlived family and friends. The average age of nursing home residents is 85. It affirms their worthiness and restores an important connection to the larger community.

But I would also like to plead, in this case, that the woman actually meet the resident and give her the flowers in person. She needn't say much — just a quick hello, a brief introduction, a warm handclasp would do. Human touch is healing. It's encouraging. It's life-affirming.

I don't mean to belittle her anonymous act. That's a wonderful step, and if that's all she's able to do she has done more than most people would. I would just encourage her to take the next step. It would make all the difference in the world to that nursing home resident, who would be forever grateful. She might even make a great



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new friend — someone, perhaps, like her mother.

BRENT H. NETTLE, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, SAN FRANCISCO MINISTRY TO NURSING HOMES

DEAR MR. NETTLE: Thank you for your sweet letter. I, too, thought the idea of providing flowers to a nursing home resident on Mother's Day was touching and generous. But not all my readers would agree with the wisdom of revealing the residents' identities. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: In response to "Anonymous in Oklahoma," who suggested that readers send flowers or gifts to those at nursing facilities rather than leaving flowers at a grave.

While this gesture would surely be appreciated, I would question the judgment of any nursing facility that would reveal the name of a patient, especially a patient with-

out a family, i.e., heirs. While I believe that the woman who contacted "Anonymous in Oklahoma" was honest, not everyone is. A nursing home should, under no circumstances, disclose the names of its residents.

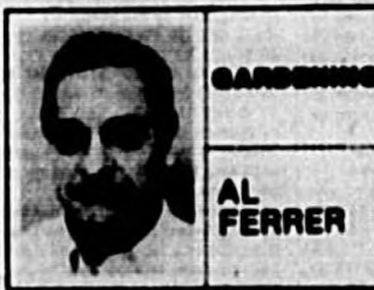
This reader obviously had her heart in the right place. However, in light of the often dishonest world we live in, where most scams target the elderly, it's much safer to suggest that readers send flowers to the nursing home and ask that they be delivered at the facility's discretion to a resident in need.

I have family members in nursing homes across the country and am unable to visit them as often as I would like, although they are always in my thoughts and prayers. I would be horrified to discover that a nursing home staff member had given the name of one of my relatives to a stranger.

While we should all perpetuate random acts of kindness, it is also important for caregivers and care facilities to respect and protect the privacy of their patients.

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GARDENING

AL FERRER

Spanish bayonet, *Yucca aloefolia*, is one of 30 species of Yucca that grow mainly in the dry soils of the desert southwest. All species of yuccas occur in the western hemisphere. Yuccas belong to the agave family which include the century plant, Adam's needle, dracena, and ti plant. This plant does not require watering, fertilizers or pesticide applications to survive in the environment, these qualities make it very interesting for use in the landscape when considering energy conservation.

The name: The name yucca was adapted from a Italian word by Linnaeus. The name aloefolia refers to the plant's aloe-like leaves.

The plant: Yucca is an evergreen woody plant that may grow up to 25 feet tall, usually with a single stem but sometimes branched. The leaves are dark green, one to two feet long, and dagger-like shaped. The leaves have needle-like spines on the tips that can be dangerous when handling the plants. Leaves are borne in clumps from a central crown and as the stem grows, the bottom leaves die off, giving the plant a palm-like appearance.

Flowers: Blooming occurs in late spring, with flowers being borne on a spectacular terminal panicle at the tip of the plant. Flowers are cream colored to white, hanging, and cup-like. Pollination of the

flowers is very specialized, apparently, they can only be fertilized by the yucca moth. This process provides food for the moth offspring which feed on the developing seeds. The petals of the flowers succulent and edible. They are said to be rather tasty when eaten raw, and can be used in tossed salads or dipped in batter and fried.

Fruits: The fruits are fleshy capsules about 3 to 5 inches long which dry and turn black at maturity.

Light requirements: Yuccas do best in full sun but can take some shade.

Uses: As confirmed by archeological evidence, yuccas were used by early Indians in pottery making and for footwear, taking advantage of the tough fibrous stems and leaves of this plant. They also used the fibers from leaves to make baskets. In the landscape, because of its tolerance to salt, they can be planted in properties near the beaches. For barriers, set plants or unrooted cuttings 2 to 3 feet apart. Yuccas add a tropical character to your garden.

Propagation: Yuccas can be propagated by seeds or transplanting. The easiest way to transplant a yucca is to cut 2 to 3 foot lengths of the stem and plant the butt ends about 1 foot deep. Plants can also be propagated by division, from suckers and sprouting from fallen stems.

Culture: Yuccas must be planted in well-drained soils. Plants will grow in soil with low fertility and little or no organic matter, but use a little fertilizer until established. Water sparingly during the establishment period, but later on additional watering will not be necessary. Under normal conditions yucca plants will look green and healthy without any care. Thorns at the tips of the leaves could be removed with sharp pruning shears as the

new foliage develops. There are also clones of yucca with foliage striped with gold or gold and pink. There is a spineless yucca that can be used if the thorns are a problem in your landscape.

Pests: The yucca moth larvae can destroy some plants by eating the terminal buds. The larvae can be controlled by hand-picking or a pesticide spray. B. T. or Sevin are recommended for control of the yucca moth larvae.

Diseases: There are no serious diseases that affect yucca. Too wet soils can lead to root diseases caused by fungi. Control of root rot problems is easily avoided by planting in well drained soils.

(Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension Service, 288 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32779 or phone 323-2888, Ext. 8888.

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Oh, Nellie Fox...It's a good thing you didn't know Jerry

One of these days or nights the Chicago White Sox are going to have no one show up for a home game at the new Comiskey Park. The players may not even be there.

Jerry Reinadorf has struck out. At least Casey took three cuts trying to jerk one out of the park.

Jerry, the Jerk, is another case. He's quit two months before the last pitch. There will be no pennant flag at Comiskey. Just a white flag - the one Reinadorf hoisted last week.

"Anyone who thinks this White Sox team will catch Cleveland is crazy," Reinadorf said last Thursday, justifying a ludicrous trade he made with the San Francisco Giants.

For some inexplicable reason, Reinadorf gave the Giants his No. 1 starting pitcher (Wilson Alvarez), his closer (Roberto Hernandez) and another dependable veteran pitcher (Danny Darwin.)

In return, the White Sox received six minor leaguers, only one of whom is considered much of a prospect.

...The White Sox were 3 1/2 games out of first when the deal was made. They may be 20 out by October.

"My God, you give away a good starting pitcher and your best reliever, and you're only 3 1/2 games out of first place - that's just not good for the game," said Mighty Whitley Herzog, former big-league manager and general manager.

Something like this could affect the game," said ex-Los Angeles Dodgers general manager Buzzy Bavasi. "Trading three established players in the middle of a pennant race?"

"It's baseball's version of 'no mas' said the owner of another team.

"They (the White Sox) treat players like garbage," Alvarez said after he won his initial start for San Francisco. "That's why they're not going to win."

"I've never heard an owner come out and say, 'We've got no chance of catching the team in front of us.' Darwin said. "I've never heard that in 22 years of professional baseball."

Reinadorf began the year thinking he had it all. Why the fans would pack the ballpark to watch Frank Thomas and Albert Belle bash everyone's brains. The two of them would hit 100 home runs and knock in 300.

...A year ago the White Sox averaged 21,220 per home date. That's an absurdly low total for such a big town team with big time ambitions.

...This year the number grew to 24,050. Not nearly enough jingle for Jerry. No sir, we quit. No use trying if people ain't buying. Jerry may make a couple more deals.

...Time to get rid of the popular third baseman, Robin Ventura. Rock 'N Robin got himself hurt in spring training, and worked his way back to the lineup. Everyone is thrilled. Except Jerry, who wants to peddle Robin Ventura to the Yankees. He may even get rid of Belle.

Whoa, Prince Albert Belle must be wondering. "What's this guy doing to me? I may not be getting enough to play for this creep. Nope, \$11 million a year ain't enough if we're going to quit in August.

Whoa, Nellie Fox! Here's the long-awaited weekend when the popular ex White Sox second baseman Nellie Fox gets inducted into the Hall of Fame. Little fella who hit a ton of singles, the American League MVP in 1959, leading the White Sox to their first World Series in 40 years.

...Folks, it's a good thing for Jerry Reinadorf that Nellie Fox isn't still alive. If he were, the owner of the Chicago White Sox just might have his face full of tobacco juice and a cigar stuck in his ear.

Nellie wasn't made of jelly. That's for sure.

'Bombing' their foes

Berryhill, Mergo help Bombers win AAU title

Special to the Herald

LAKE BUENA VISTA — The Central Florida Bombers cruised to a 5-0 victory over the South Texas Hitmen in the Amateur Athletic Union's 14-Under National Baseball Invitational at Disney's Wide World of Sports complex on Saturday afternoon.

Bomber pitcher Cameron Abel (Orlando Boone High School) threw a complete game, allowing the Hitmen only five base runners.

"He had a tremendous curve ball and great

BOMBERS V. HITMEN	
Central Florida Bombers	301 000 - 5 0 0
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Pitchers: Bombers — Cameron Abel, Hitmen — Juan Seans.	
Jorge Cabanes (1), G.J. Gonzalez (2), W.P. Abel, L.P. — Seans, 20	
— note: 20 — game HR — game. Records — Bombers 10-1, Hitmen 7-4.	

location," said Bomber coach Vic Incinelli of Abel's performance. "He just kept the hitters off balance."

The Bomber hitters had no trouble getting on track, scoring two runs in the first inning.

Hitmen pitcher Juan Seans's wild pitch with runners on second and third allowed on run to score and one pitch later Trinity Prep's Art Warnicke-Smith ripped a single to left driving in the second run.

The Bombers added some insurance in the fifth inning as Warnicke-Smith and Jayson Weir (Boone) led off the frame with back-to-back singles. After a sacrifice bunt, pinch-hitter Trevor Berryhill (Lake Mary High School) drove in Warnicke-Smith and Weir with a single in the

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EX-RAIDERS PLAY GOLF AND REMINISCE



Seminole Community College head coach Jack Pantellas (bottom photo, right) welcomed back several of the players who have played for him over the past 25 years at the Sanford junior college when the baseball and softball team held a 4-Bagger Golf Scramble fundraiser at the Ekana Country Club in Oviedo this past Saturday.

Among those playing in the event were (top left photo): Russ Lizzoli (seated, bottom), Sam Parker (from left), Reggie Major, Bob Meadows, Steve Zurkuhlen, Skip Skelton (back), (top right photo, left to right) former Chicago White Sox star Bobby Thigpen, Pete Frantzis, Major, Bobby Parker, (bottom photo, left to right) Brent Parker, Sam Parker, Meadows and Pantellas.

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GFC stocks record number of striped bass in St. Johns River

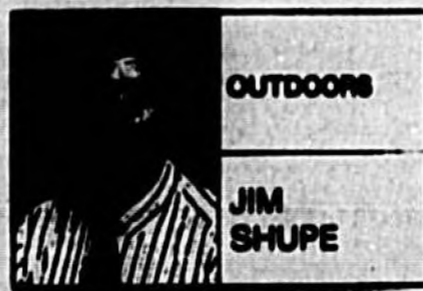
SANFORD — The Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission (GFC) stocked a record 2 million striped bass fingerlings during 1996 on the St. Johns River between Jacksonville and Sanford.

Chuck Starling, fisheries biologist who manages GFC's Richloom Fish Hatchery, said last year's striper stocking nearly doubles any produced in a single year since the program began in 1972. Stockings have exceeded 1 million fingerlings on only two occasions in the past 25 years.

In addition to GFC efforts, the Welaka National Fish Hatchery released about 200,000 striper fingerlings into the St. Johns River last year. The GFC also released approximately 240,000 hybrid striped bass fingerlings, commonly called sunshine bass.

"Stockings are necessary to perpetuate the striper fishery on the St. Johns," Starling said. "Because of human alterations of the river, natural reproduction of stripers no longer occurs in the St. Johns River system."

Although central Florida's heat



OUTDOORS

JIM SHUPE

precludes St. Johns stripers from attaining the sizes found in more northern latitudes, these fish do grow quickly and have reached weights of over 20 pounds.

GFC fisheries biologist Fred Cross, project leader for the St. Johns River, said fish stocked in the spring of 1996 have already reached nearly 14 inches in length and anglers are beginning to catch them in many areas of the river. By next year, these fish should be in the 4 to 6 pound range and provide anglers with exciting fishing action.

One of the hottest spots for

catching stripers during the summer is the Croaker Hole in Little Lake George. This submerged spring near Welaka provides a thermal refuge for stripers, which must avoid high water temperatures to survive. Anglers favor grass shrimp for bait but also occasionally use live shad, shiners and eels.

Other thermal refuges which attract stripers include the Welaka River, Oklawaha River, Black Creek, Alexander Spring Creek and the mouths of Blue and Salt springs. Stripers also are abundant at Silver Glen Springs, but fishing is not allowed at the spring boil, which is a designated swimming area. Anglers are generally most successful using live shad, menhaden or grass shrimp, but may have luck with deep diving crank baits.

SHUPE'S SCOOP

THESE FISH NOT ONLY ARE TASTY, THEY ARE EXCELLENT GAMEFISH AND PUT UP A GREAT FIGHT ON LIGHT TACKLE.

FISHING FORECAST

Bass action is fair early, late in the day, and at night. In the river, find areas of running water near sandbars and other points for the best action. Slow presentations work best due to the heat.

Expect good snook action at Sebastian Inlet on large live shrimp, flounder, small snapper, bluefish, jack crevalle, trout and a few redfish will also be present. The last phase of outgoing and the first of incoming seems to be the best tide. Snook and tarpon are also hitting back in the Sebastian River.

Captain Jack at Port Canaveral reports hot offshore action with king mackerel from just off the beach to S.A. Reef and Pelican Flats. Tripletail are in the buzz line and flounder and sheepshead are biting in the Port. Trout and reds are fair on the flats.

Count on sheepshead and drum at Ponce Inlet. Live or dead shrimp is the top bait. Trout and reds are rated as good in Mosquito Lagoon.

BLONDIE

by Chic Young



BEETLE BAILEY

by Mort Walker



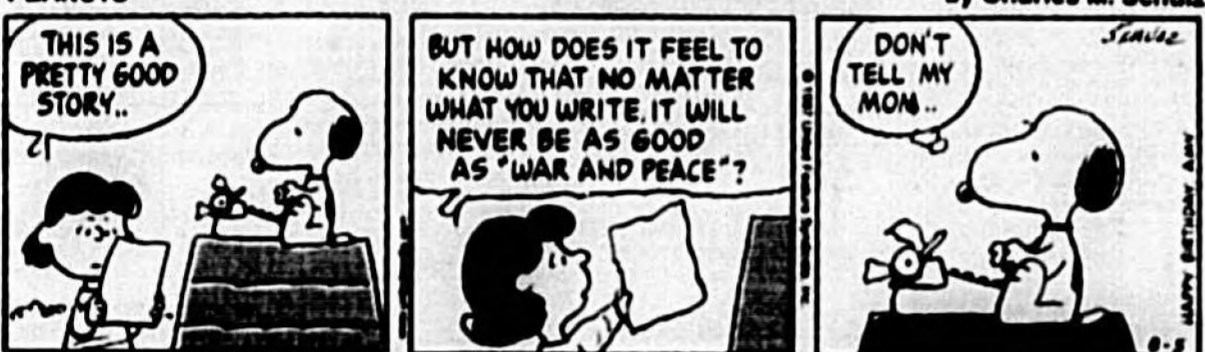
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GARFIELD

by Jim Davis



ROBOTMAN

by Jim Meddick



Sometimes morphine is best option



PETER GOTT, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband of 50 years is a former smoker who now suffers from incurable lung cancer. The tumors have spread to his liver and brain. He has not experienced relief from surgery or radiation therapy. Now he is in pain and appears to be dying. His doctors have prescribed morphine. Does the drug have effects that should concern me?

DEAR READER: When I first read your question, I felt confident that your husband's physician, being cautious and caring, had chosen to prescribe morphine to ease his final moments. Thus, your question seems off the mark. In truth, maybe you need to address the finality of your husband's terminal illness. It seems you are not doing this.

Morphine relieves the pain, suffering and tremendous anxiety of dying. It appears that your husband has exhausted his treatment options, which have come to naught. He is succumbing to his lung cancer, and the doctors, without wishing to speed his death, have apparently prescribed morphine to make him more comfortable. This narcotic drug has many documented side effects, including extreme sedation and constipation. It also poisons the respiratory center in the brain. By and large, however, morphine would seem to be a good choice in your husband's case. If I were you, I would not be very concerned about the effects of the drug. Value his remaining days or weeks, accept the inevitability of his death, and commit yourself to allowing the doctors to relieve his pain and suffering. This, in the final analysis, good medicine. And if you think about it, it's what we all hope for in the end. Support your husband's doctors and continue to be emotionally available for him during this difficult time.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I read somewhere that smoking causes psoriasis. Is this true?

DEAR READER: Smoking cigarettes contributes to many health problems, including cancer, heart disease and pulmonary disorders. To my knowledge, it has not been reported to cause psoriasis, a chronic skin disease of unknown cause. Psoriasis is marked by painless areas of dermatitis with silvery scales and is usually treated with cortisone creams and other medications. Like other people, those with psoriasis should not smoke. But the skin disorder is really a different condition.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In a recent column, you wrote that trichomonas infection in women is usually transmitted by sexual activity. In my case, I got it from a hot tub.

DEAR READER: Point taken. "Usually" means usually. Tricho-

monas is not always transmitted by sexual activity, but in the vast majority of instances, it is. In some cases, such as yours, it may be transmitted by other means.

DEAR DR. GOTT: During my 58 years of life, I've had many medical X-rays, some of them routine. Am I in danger? My family doctor says that I don't need any more because I'm

healthy; yet, I worry. **DEAR READER:** The damage from X-ray exposure is largely cumulative, meaning that decades of low-dose exposure for medical purposes can eventually add up to cause problems such as thyroid cancer, leukemia and other types of malignancy. This is why many authorities caution people to avoid unnecessary exposure to radiation: While the risk of future problems is small, it is nonetheless real.

If you are now in good health, I agree with your physician that "enough is enough." Should you need future X-ray studies for bona fide medical reasons, you should have them, of course. But exercise extreme prudence in having so-called "routine" X-rays, especially if the doctor can obtain the necessary information through other, safer means such as blood tests, ultrasounds or MRI scans (which use harmless electromagnetic waves).

- ACROSS**
- 1 Make a promise
 - 7 Gruffly
 - 13 Greater
 - 14 Lots
 - 15 Grapefruit
 - 16 Leisure
 - 17 Rumors —
 - 18 Roman 660
 - 20 Spelling contest
 - 21 Brew (coffee)
 - 23 Guido's high note
 - 24 Hoisting sound
 - 25 Drogs
 - 27 Greatest
 - 29 Eaten, indicator
 - 31 Moving part
 - 32 — Vegas
 - 33 Sing with lips closed
- DOWN**
- 1 Appear suddenly (2 wds.)
 - 2 A Barrymore

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- ACROSS**
- 34 Buy in advance
 - 37 Departed
 - 40 Close
 - 41 Greasy area
 - 43 Regretted
 - 46 Hesitation sounds
 - 48 See — Jung
 - 47 See —
 - 48 Break out (of jail)
 - 51 Cruel person
 - 54 Infant's garment
 - 56 Egg dish
 - 58 Regular income
 - 57 Paddy
- DOWN**
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 - 4 Stop working.
 - 5 as a battery
 - 6 Baton
 - 7 American
 - 8 — Angeles
 - 9 Anglo-German
 - 10 Espresso
 - 11 Most withheld
 - 12 Colorado part
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 - 14 Silt —
 - 15 Break in two
 - 16 Handle roughly
 - 17 Zebra-like
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 - 19 Shakespeare
 - 20 Turn!
 - 21 Uniform
 - 22 Phony herb
 - 23 Quizzes
 - 24 Public writer
 - 25 Short song
 - 26 Timber tree
 - 27 Actor
 - 28 Coda — Set

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The promise of more to come

By Phillip Alder

The 528th Maxim of Publilius Syrus (does that make him the Maxim Maximus?) was "Never promise more than you can perform."

A new book brings promise of many more equally excellent titles to come. It is "Card Play Made Easy: 1. Safety Plays and Endplays" by Ron Klingner and Andrew Kambitas (Gollancz). In under 100 pages, the authors furnish eight illustrative chapters, each ending with a quiz, which are relatively simple because you know the theme. However, the book ends with 24 further problems, which are slightly harder, as you don't know what to expect. I look forward to future volumes in this series.

This deal is illustrative of the book

as a whole. Given only the North South hands, the reader is asked to plan the play in six clubs against the diamond king lead from West. Well, what would you do?

At first glance, you seem to need the heart finesse to work. However, this isn't true if West has the diamond queen to back up his opening salvo.

After winning with the diamond ace, draw trumps ending in the dummy, and ruff the diamond seven in hand. Next, play off dummy's three spade winners. Finally, lead the diamond jack, discarding the heart two from hand.

West is endplayed. If he leads a heart, it is away from the king into your ace-queen. Alternatively, if he returns a diamond, you ruff in the dummy and discard the heart queen from hand. Either way, you lose only one diamond trick and score up a pleasing slam bonus.

The book is \$13.75 postpaid from The Bridge World, 39 West 94th Street, New York, NY 10025-7124.

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Your Birthday

Wednesday, Aug. 6, 1987

Progress and recognition in your chosen field of endeavor are indicated for the year ahead, but you must be patient. Be grateful for small gains; they will accumulate!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your probabilities for personal gain look encouraging today, but what you derive may not be as large as you like. Keep expectations within reasonable limits. Leo, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictors for the year ahead by mailing \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Do not leave critical matters to others today that you should be attending to personally. There

aren't any guarantees they will do a good job.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22) You will function better today if you're able to get off alone and work things out for yourself. Seek solitude if pressures begin to mount.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Spending time with friends could have greater advantages than usual today, provided you're selective. Choose pals who don't complicate life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Challenging developments could bring out your better qualities today. Do not duck issues where you know you're right; stand your ground!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Everything should eventually work out to your liking today if you treat developments philosophically. Keep a cool head and know this too shall pass.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Joint ventures could hold greater promise for you today than endeavors you try to do on your own. Find a knowledgeable team-

mate.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Cooperate today and strive to treat others as you would like to be treated yourself. Let fairness be your motivator for a beneficial arrangement.

AMES (March 21-April 19) Small details will take on more significance than usual today, so don't treat minor developments casually, especially regarding your career.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) People you meet in social activities today could help you in other areas of interest. All of your encounters will be memorable and warm.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is a good day to spend time and effort on finalizing things important to you and your family. Give domestic matters priority.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today you might discover you're more adept at doing things that are mental, not physical. Rest your muscles and give your mind a workout.

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