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Individual activities offered

SANFORD — The Sanford Recreation Department offers several continuing classes to help athletes of all ages get involved in a new sport or become more proficient at an old one. See Page 15

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Plan for fall garden

It's almost time to plant your fall vegetable garden. Get ready now. See Page 23

Local

Turn the pages to Lake Mary

For club news and stories about people you know in Lake Mary: See Page 7A

New Smyrna Beach ticket wins

TALLAHASSEE — A \$1 ticket bought in New Smyrna Beach for last week's Florida Lotto game has given its owner sole claim to an estimated \$6 million jackpot. Lottery Secretary Marcia Mann said Sunday.

The ticket was the only one sold that had the six winning numbers drawn late Saturday. The numbers were 4-15-16-23-24-32.

More than 239,000 other tickets won cash prizes: 223 are worth \$3,442 each for having five of the six numbers; 12,964 are worth \$88.50 each for having four of the numbers, and 228,028 are worth \$4.50 for having half the winning numbers.

This week's Lotto game will have a jackpot also estimated at \$6 million, if paid to a single winner over a 20-year period.

Mother on trial in alleged plot

HOUSTON — A woman charged with trying to arrange a murder to help her daughter make the high school cheerleading squad was set up by her former brother-in-law, her lawyer says.

Opening arguments were scheduled for today in the trial of Wanda Webb Holloway, described by police as the "ultimate stage mother" to her 13-year-old daughter, Shanna Harper.

Prosecutors allege Mrs. Holloway tried to hire a hitman to kidnap or kill Verna Heath, 38, the mother of her daughter's chief rival for a spot on the cheerleading squad.

Authorities said Mrs. Holloway hoped Amber Heath would be so distraught over her mother's death that she would drop out of the competition.

Defense attorney Troy McKinney has said the plot was thought up by Mrs. Holloway's former brother-in-law, Terry Lynn Harper. McKinney said Harper was trying to help his brother gain custody of Shanna and the girl's brother.

Would-be robbers foiled

ST. PAUL, Minn. — A would-be robber's attempt to intimidate a family by jumping on their station wagon was foiled when the family sped to the nearest police station with the suspect clinging to the car roof.

Pang Xiong, 30, was practicing her driving about 9:30 p.m. Saturday when two men suddenly stood in front of the car, blocked it and demanded money, police said. She was accompanied by her sister, Vang Xiong, 29, and brother-in-law, Yer Song Moua, 28.

Although terrified, the family refused, rolling up their car windows and locking their doors, police said. The men then jumped on top of the car and began pounding on the roof.

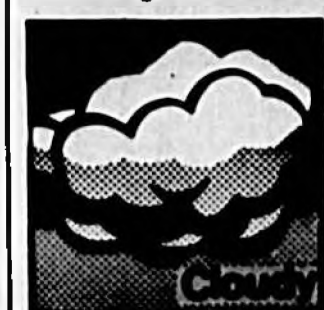
Police said Moua took the wheel from his frightened sister-in-law and drove to a police precinct headquarters at breakneck speed. One of the men jumped off the car immediately, but a second suspect clung to the top of the car all the way to the police station.

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Cloudy conditions linger



Mostly cloudy with a 60 percent chance of thunderstorms likely mainly during the afternoon. High in lower 90s. Light wind.

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49,000 start school today

Wilson shares with Heathrow until November

By VICKI DeCONNOR
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — More than 49,000 students rushed through the doors of classrooms around Seminole County this morning.

For some it was their first experience away from the safe confines of home, for others it was the first day of their last year in school.

Emotions ran high at Wilson Elementary School this morning where students from Heathrow Elementary will attend classes until their school is completed in November.

"They'll get two first days of school this year," said Terry Rabun, Wilson's principal, who will be sharing his facilities with Mike Townsley and his staff until the Lake Mary school is ready. "They'll be able to start all over again in their new school later in the fall."

Portable classrooms are crammed into every nook and cranny on the Wilson campus. They are next to buildings and between buildings.

"It's crowded at school," said Jeanne Sorenson, a fourth grader at Heathrow.

John Gallows, who started the fourth grade this morning as a Heathrow student at Wilson, said that he thought having two schools in one was "radical" and noted that with twice as many students there'd be twice as much fun.

Wearing neon pink and green shorts and a black and white T-shirt, Gallows was the height of elementary school fashion, but he complained that the denim backpack his mother had selected was not up to snuff. He said that wasn't as upsetting as the opening of the new school in November will be.

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Schools plan for district authority

By VICKI DeCONNOR
Herald Staff Writer

Seminole County schools have been preparing for the transfer of authority in some areas from the state level to the district.

While other districts struggle to develop the support of the community to help organize, finance and implement programs to enhance education, Seminole County schools have been developing such com-

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Educating America

Second of a series



Cora Sneed, curriculum specialist at Heathrow, directs students to classes.

Bush: We must lead way in educational motivation

By LAMAR ALEXANDER
Newspaper Enterprise Assn.

President Bush is going back to school and he is bringing the rest of America along with him.

"Did I do it wrong?" the president asked an 11-year-old student last May in a classroom in St. Paul, Minn. The youngster was trying to help Mr. Bush with a computer. In the first public test of the president's efforts to become computer literate.

Despite his two-finger style, it was clear that the "education president" was making good on a promise made only one month before.

Speaking at the White House on April 18, the president had told a gathering of the nation's senior educators, business executives and government officials: "If we want America to remain a leader, a force for good in the world, we must lead the way in

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Plans being formed for schools accountability

By JACKIE HALIFAX
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE — The most hotly-debated education topic of the 1991 legislative session was accountability, a reform package supporters hailed as a fundamental shift in how schools operate.

The proposal passed. But the talk continues.

Workshops and public hearings will be held across Florida this fall as state officials work to better acquaint the rest of the state with a subject that was widely debated in Tallahassee this spring.

The basic theory underlying

accountability sounds simple: Schools and districts are given more flexibility from the state to operate and are then held accountable for the results they achieve.

Since accountability is so radical, however, implementing it will be a complicated affair. Changes will not be made overnight.

Under accountability, the parents, teachers and administrators at each school have two years to develop a plan to improve their school.

"Every individual school will build a road map," Education Commissioner Betty Castor said.

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City to discuss financing study of gas contamination

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Florida Public Utilities Company is requesting the city to help pay for a contamination assessment on its property. The land, near 830 W. 6th Street, was the site of the Sanford Gasification Plant many years ago.

According to previous tests, the property is suspected of being polluted, although no human health risk has been determined. The FPUC now wants more testing, and is requesting the city to help pay for the costs.

Assistant City Attorney Donna L. McIntosh has prepared a status report on the problem, which will be presented during tonight's meeting of the Sanford City Commission.

A year ago, the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation completed a preliminary assessment of the site to determine if it had been impacted by pollutants from the former manufactured gas operation. Their testing was done by Ecology & Environment, Inc. (E&E) in March of this year.

Florida Public Utilities Company, the current owner of the site, undertook a similar test, hiring Environmental Consulting Technology, Inc. (ECT). At that time, the City of Sanford helped pay for the investigation, at a cost of approximately \$3,000.

The results of the DER's investigation was completed in June of this year. After reviewing the report in July, the DER issued a Warning Notice to Florida Public Utilities directing them to conduct additional contamination assessments.

McIntosh has reviewed both results of the E&E and

ECT reports and believes they are similar. "Basically," she writes, "the soil and groundwater were impacted with coal tar at the site of a former tar well and groundwater concentrations of cadmium, lead, chromium, and benzene exceed primary drinking water criteria." She said the horizontal and vertical extent of the impacted soil and groundwater is not known.

The Florida Public Utilities Company has determined that additional assessment work, including soil borings, test trench excavations and monitor wells will be necessary in order to completely delineate the extent of coal tar impacts at the site. The cost is estimated at approximately \$45,000. The company is requesting all potentially responsible parties to share in the cost of the contamination assessment.

The attorney is recommending that the city agree to participate, with an amount not to exceed \$7,500, although she has informed the city, "Our participation in the funding of this report is not an admission of responsibility for remediation."

There is a possibility the city may be able to claim an exemption on the liability for the assessment and cleanup costs. McIntosh said she is working on the case.

Although specific research is still underway, the city of Sanford is believed to have owned the site between 1924 and 1928. Yet there is an indication the manufacturing of gas for home fuels may have continued into the early 1950s, before it was no longer needed due to the development of propane and other natural gas.

The status report will be presented during the Sanford City Commission meeting, tonight, beginning at 7 p.m., in the Sanford City Hall.

Schapker named SHS principal

By VICKI DeCONNOR
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Gretchen Schapker has been named the principal at Seminole High School to replace Wayne Epps who transferred to Oviedo High School to take over the top spot there.

She is the first woman to be named a high school principal in the Seminole district.

Schapker, who has been with the Seminole County school district since 1978, has spent her entire career at Lyman High School in Longwood.

She must be approved by the school board at tomorrow evening's board meeting, but it is unlikely that there will be any opposition to her appointment.

She was selected from a field of nine candidates, including Bobby Lundquist who is presently an assistant principal at Seminole. A group of 85 Seminole High employees had signed a petition to show their support for Lundquist.

The list of candidates was narrowed to five by a committee comprised of administrators, teachers and parents.

The final decision was made

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POLICE

DUI arrests

The following people were arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol this weekend:

Jennifer Ann DeBock, 30, of 725 Creekwater Ter., Apt. 305, in Lake Mary, was arrested Saturday morning on Lake Mary Boulevard near Interstate 4.

Kevin Douglas Stuhrik, 25, of 3600 Wimbledon Drive in Lake Mary, was arrested Saturday morning in rural western Seminole County.

David Eugene Miller, 30, of 451 Daytona Ave., in Longwood, was arrested Saturday morning on Wekiva Springs Road at Sweetwater Boulevard near Longwood.

Misapplication of funds charged

Charles Curtis Jennings, 48, of 218 Lockberry Place, in Longwood, was arrested at his home Friday morning and charged with misapplication of construction funds.

Jennings was wanted in St. Lucie County on charges that he "unlawfully, knowingly and intentionally" failed to use the money he had borrowed to pay off a construction loan for that purpose.

According to the warrant, he had borrowed an amount more than \$20,000, but less than \$100,000 from Cloud Nine Investments of Sarasota.

He is being held in the John E. Polk Correctional Facility on \$100,000 bond.

Man charged with lewd act

Elisha Benjamin Smith, 54, of 112 Batusama Drive, in Sanford, was arrested Friday evening at Big Tree Park in Longwood.

He was charged with committing a lewd act.

He was taken to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held on \$100 bond.

Man arrested for hitting driver

Reginald E. Bellamy, 21, of 1015 Holly Ave., in Sanford was arrested Friday and charged with throwing a deadly missile and two counts of aggravated battery.

The arrest report stated that Bellamy threw a brick through the back window of car, striking the driver in the head, causing her to black out and drive off the road.

A two-year-old in the car was slightly injured in the accident.

The victim had seen the assailant and was able to pick him out from photos at the police station, the report said.

Bellamy was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility and held on \$4,000 bond.

Auto theft charged

Charles Christopher Daniels, 20, of 4 Higgins Terrace was arrested Saturday morning in the wooded area near the 500 block of Magnolia Avenue in Sanford.

He was charged with grand theft auto and resisting arrest without violence.

The owner of a stolen vehicle saw his car parked behind Sunny's Pool Hall on 5th Street. Police later found it the parking lot of the apartment building directly behind the pool hall.

They said that Daniels was standing next to the car. As police tried to arrest him, they reported that he broke away and ran into the woods. He was found by the K-9 unit.

Daniels was transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held on \$1,000 bond.

Battery charged

Joseph Brian Perrone, 30, of 104-D Springwood Drive, in Longwood, was arrested Friday evening in Big Tree Park in Longwood. He was charged with battery and resisting arrest without violence.

According to police, an undercover agent targeting complaints of lewd and lascivious behavior in the park, struck up a conversation with Perrone.

The agent asked Perrone what he was looking for and he told him "probably the same thing you are," the report said.

The two started for the woods, but Perrone suggested that they go to his car instead, police reported. Perrone grabbed the agent's groin, the report said, and was told he was under arrest. He immediately ran from the car.

Perrone was stopped by other agents and transported to the John E. Polk Correctional Facility where he was held in lieu of \$500 bond.

Waste linked to lead poisoning

By Associated Press

WINTER GARDEN — The canning plant identified as the source of contaminated gravel that gave lead poisoning to at least seven children has several types of hazardous waste in its ground water, it was reported.

Tests of water samples taken from the plant showed dangerously high levels of lead, chromium, mercury, vinyl chloride and toluene, said Jim McCarthy, an environmental specialist with the state Department of Environmental Resources.

The toluene, a colorless, poisonous solvent, is especially worrisome because it was found at 58 times the acceptable level, McCarthy said.

But DER officials "don't feel there is a threat to drinking water. They (nearby homes) are tied to the city's wells about a mile away," McCarthy said.

DER also doesn't believe the

contaminants threaten an elementary school across the street. Tests show the waste has not seeped into drinking water, and the site is fenced so children cannot get in, McCarthy said.

Earlier this week, Orange County health officials said seven children who played in a gravel driveway at a nearby house are suffering from lead poisoning.

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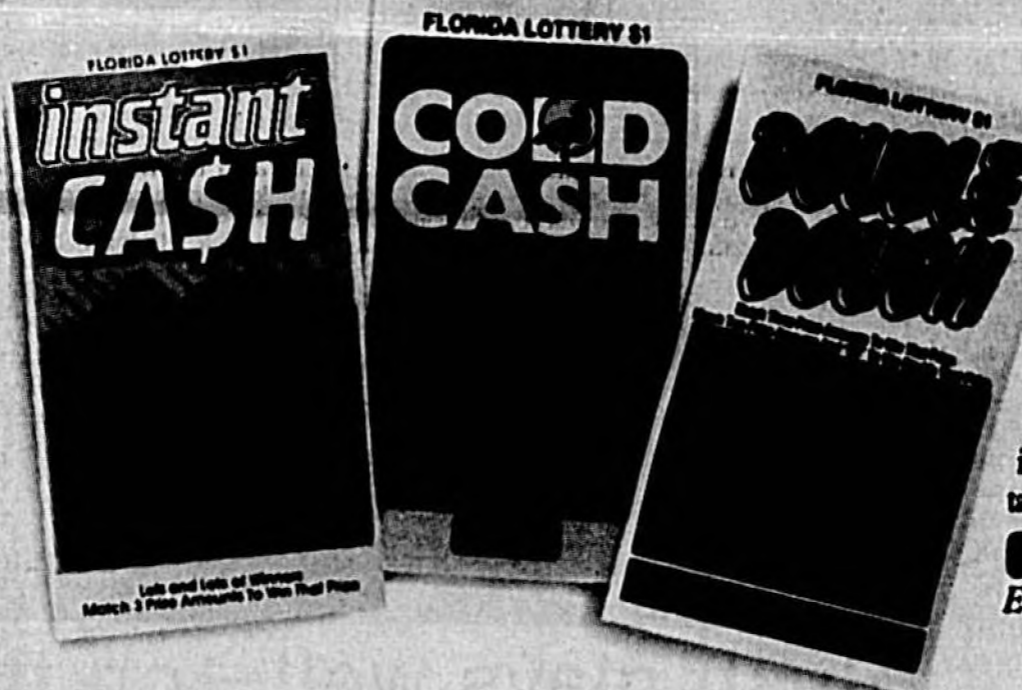
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Stabbing-Suicide:

Man stabs ex-girlfriend, shoots self

By Associated Press

LUTZ, Fla. (AP) — A Gainesville businessman broke into his ex-girlfriend's apartment and stabbed her repeatedly before shooting himself to death, according to a police report.

Neighbor Tim Bell said he entered the apartment Saturday night after hearing screams and found Ashley Ann King, 29, stabbed in the abdomen, chest and hand. The Tampa Tribune reported today.

Ms. King's former boyfriend, Douglas Bonebrake, 44, put a small-caliber handgun under his chin and shot himself when Hillsborough County sheriff's deputies confronted him outside a nearby convenience store shortly afterward, said Lt. Ted Gibson of the Sheriff's Office.

Ms. King was in fair condition at Tampa General Hospital, while Bonebrake died at 12:30 Sunday afternoon, the Tribune reported.

Bell said he saw Ms. King bleeding heavily and hovering over her 3-month-old son when he entered the apartment. Across the room stood a man with a nylon stocking over his head.

"He bent down and pulled this silver revolver out of his sock and pointed it at me and said, 'OK, back off,'" Bell said Sunday.

Ms. King then grabbed her baby and fled from the apartment, Bell said. Paramedics ar-

rived after her other son, a 7-year-old, escaped from the house and called 911 from a neighbor's apartment.

Bonebrake, who entered the apartment by smashing a window and opening the front door, fled the through another door, Bell said.

Doran Oster of Gainesville, a friend of Bonebrake's for about 15 years, said the incident came as a total shock.

"I've known him for many years and I never noticed any behavior that was like this. It's unbelievable," Oster said.

Bonebrake was a founding member of the cooperative that started the Mother Earth Market in the 1980s. After his wife, also a member of the cooperative, died several years ago from cancer, Bonebrake sold Mother Earth Market. He was currently employed with a local medical software company.

Bonebrake had recently remarried in the last three or four months, according to friends.

After the incident, Bell said he thought Ms. King would die before paramedics arrived.

"She was bleeding all over our couch and ... she was giving us orders about taking care of the baby," Bell said. "If we hadn't been home he probably would have finished her off."

King and Bonebrake have had a running dispute since breaking up, Bell said. Although Bonebrake lived in Gainesville, she urged neighbors to watch out for his car.

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EDITORIALS

Murderous

Violence and mayhem are endemic to American society. The latest evidence is a Senate Judiciary Committee report projecting a record 23,700 homicides this year. At the present rate of one homicide every 23 minutes, Americans are twice as likely to be murdered today as they were three decades ago.

No other industrialized nation comes close to the United States in homicides. In fact the U.S. murder toll in 1991 alone will exceed the homicide totals of Great Britain, West Germany and Japan combined during the last 10 years.

There are multiple explanations for prevalence of violence in American society.

They include the ready availability of guns, the increase in teen-age gang activity, widespread drug abuse, and possibly the pernicious influence of violent television programs and films. But another major factor is the steady decline of America's criminal justice system.

Consider that, of 100 felony complaints filed by private citizens, only 30 result in arrests. Of the 30 arrests, only 20 are prosecuted. Of the 20 prosecuted, only 15 are convicted. Of the 15 convicted, only five are sentenced to prison time of more than one year. And of the five, not even one ultimately serves a full sentence.

Criminals are aware that the scales of justice are tilted in their favor. The prospect of long and hard jail time is hardly a deterrent because it is so remote in most cases.

Even the death penalty is not much of a deterrent. Only 16 murderers were executed in 1990, while more than 21,000 murders were committed. That means a murderer's chance of being put to death is less than one-tenth of 1 percent.

This statistic would be less troubling if the public knew that murderers and other dangerous criminals were being put away in prison for good. But that is not the case. Because of a chronic nationwide shortage of prisons and jails, violent and deadly criminals are routinely set free prematurely.

With the revolving door system of justice that has developed during the last 30 years it is little wonder that America has become an increasingly violent society.

A patchwork approach to reducing violent crime — modifying laws, throwing a few more dollars at enforcement, limited drug treatment programs — has not worked. Any serious effort to stem violent crime must not only address its causes but also include a complete overhaul of this nation's broken criminal justice system.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Letters to the editor are welcome. All letters must be signed, include the address of the writer and a daytime telephone number. Letters should be on a single subject and be as brief as possible. Letters are subject to editing.

Berry's World

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SARAH OVERSTREET

Peace-loving reservists not dupes

On Aug. 9, at an Army base 80 miles from me, a kind Kansas physician was sentenced to 30 months in prison. From all accounts, Dr. Yolanda Huet-Vaughan was cut from the cloth of the old-time family doctors we talk about fondly and lament that there are far too few of these days. As her case progressed, her patients and co-workers wrote to local newspapers of her willingness to take Medicaid patients when they could find no other physicians to treat them, of her special kindness to patients with AIDS. That she is a good person and extremely valuable to the rest of us is unquestionable.

The case is a heartbreaker. Her three young children will be motherless for a time if she doesn't win her appeal, and who will treat the indigent patients who found their way to her when others shut their office doors? Yet I am at a loss to explain the behavior that earned Huet-Vaughan this sentence. I find it more reasonable that the Army reacted as it did, than that Huet-Vaughan did what she did.

What she did, very simply, was desert. A physician in the Army Reserves, she refused to go to the Persian Gulf when ordered. Then she walked away from the U.S. base where she was assigned and back to civilian life.

Her defense was that she believed the United States could have done more to avoid war with Iraq, and she could not in good conscience support the military action. When she was found

guilty she told reporters, "I've learned from this experience. You can't trust government to do the honorable thing."

Of the many statements Huet-Vaughan made to the press in the months leading up to her trial, I found this one the most stunning. Given the history of government military actions, what could she have expected? Did she think the military underwent a complete personality, as well as personnel, change since Vietnam? What newspapers was she reading during Grenada and Panama? Did she not have access to a television?

I can't speculate about Huet-Vaughan's motives, but it's not speculative to point out that she joined the Army Reserves during a time expected to remain relatively peaceful, in an era when reserve duty paid well for part-time work. Lots of Americans gambled that they could get



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that pay without ever having to pay the piper.

A reservist colleague of mine used to play recruiter with me on long road trips we had to take together, extolling the virtues of his "easy" reserve duties and the great pay. Time after time I told him that if we ever got into a conflict where I thought I should serve, I'd enlist if they'd have me or do related civilian work if I could. But I also realized that if I signed up as a reservist, I was promising the Army any duty for any reason at any time. I wasn't going to make promises I might not want to keep.

Time after time my colleague would tell me, "Oh, this country's not going to war anytime soon," and then recite his knowledge of current world affairs, gleaned from reading magazines he subscribed to. It turns out he was wrong. There is no way a military can operate if each service member can decide whether or not to obey each order. Huet-Vaughan's was not a case where a soldier was conscripted for duty that might end up going against his or her ethical beliefs. It's a case where the soldier knew full well the Army might sometime ask her to do something that violated those beliefs. She was gambling it would not.

A true act of conscience would have been to level with herself before she signed up and started collecting her pay, and acknowledge that there were things the military might do that she could not support, and that there was precedent to expect the military might do them.

CREATURES DISPLAYING LOW LEVELS OF INTELLIGENCE



MARTIN SCHRAM

Bush plays well—on the road

Twice in one August, President Bush had to interrupt his Kennebunkport vacation to deal with emergencies. And his handling of these back-to-back crises tells us all we need to know about his presidency.

Bush handled the international emergency — the Soviet coup — swiftly: He telephoned world leaders, coordinated measured responses, even flew to Washington to swear in his new ambassador and dramatize his concern.

But Bush handled his domestic emergency — the plight of the jobless middle-class victims of the Reagan-Bush recession — even faster: He simply declared that there was no emergency.

Pausing between golfing and yachting, Bush rejected Congress' bill to extend unemployment benefits to the formerly hard-working people who once lived the American dream but have now lost all but their hope. Can't bust the budget for that, Bush explained, as his free-flying chief of staff, Air Sununu, nodded approvingly. And anyway, his own Dr. Feelgood, Dr. Michael Boskin, cheerleader-in-chief of Bush's Council of Economic Advisers, assures us that the recession is over and recovery is at hand — so please disregard the latest headlines about new layoffs in your hometown.

Meanwhile, back in Washington, Bush's top Interior Department officials took the lead in the race to cut government spending. Er, well actually it didn't happen in Washington. It happened at a luxurious hotel overlooking the majestic Grand Canyon. That's where Interior Secretary Manuel Lujan decided to convene an emergency meeting of his own top budget-trimmers. He flew seven of his brightest brass out from Washington, apparently secure in his belief that the El Tovar Hotel, being a three-star resort, presented just the right ambience for officials to figure out how to cut 5 percent from their own department budget, as the Office of Management and Budget has ordered. Surely it's better than asking our officials to try to think in their own offices in Washington; that, as we've seen, clearly doesn't work.

Those Bush officials who remained in Washington because they didn't merit a free-loading, budget-cutting jamboree were the first to get the word of yet another emergency: Our federal deficit has again exploded without warning, the Congressional Budget Office

announced. Our deficit will be \$280 billion this year, \$362 billion next.

Two-thirds of it is due to debt service on the whopping deficits of the Reagan-Bush years of "cut-our-taxes-now, you-pay-later." One-third is due to the bailout of the only Have-Notas Bush doesn't mind bailing out, those savings-and-loan institutions whose hard times were caused by their own gluttony, and whose officers made out like bandits in the '80s while our deregulators demurely averted their eyes.

So it goes in the presidency of George Herbert Walker Bush: Those middle-class Americans who worked hard all their lives may lose their jobs, lose their pensions and be at risk because they have no health insurance. Those Have-Notas who once thought they were living the American dream get little in sympathy and less in substance from Bush and his fellow Have-Gots (who live grandly at our expense). These middle-Americans have no golden parachutes to break their fall. They would get more aid from Bush if they were middle-class Kurds or Kuwaitis.

That is because the man who variously promised us he would be our Education President, our Environmental President, our War-on-Crime President and our Prosperity President has turned out to be none of the above.

Just 11 years ago this summer, a rather desperate presidential nominee, Ronald Reagan, was afraid he could never be elected on his own — and so he was ready to create a co-presidency, where he would divide the presidential duties right down the middle with a new vice president who would be his old adversary and our old president, Gerald Ford. At the last second, hotter heads prevailed.

Today we're closer than we ever were to a co-presidency. George Bush is our International President. We are still looking for our Domestic President.



He simply declared that there was no emergency.

JACK ANDERSON

The signs pointed to a Soviet coup

WASHINGTON — The blips on the radar showed danger ahead even during Mikhail Gorbachev's honeymoon days of perestroika. When Kremlinologists sift through the debris of the Gorbachev era, they will see why last week's coup in the Soviet Union was a given.

The Bush administration always knew that it was taking a river-boat gamble on Gorbachev, a man who was as mistrusted in his own land as he was defied in the West. But Gorbachev and perestroika were the only bets worth making.

There is strong reason to believe that the last hand has not been played, that the Soviet people themselves will ante up, and next time the winner will be different.

The Soviet mood was described as one of "hope, frustration, and foreboding" in a report prepared by Richard Fairbanks, former State Department Ambassador-at-Large and a noted foreign-policy scholar. Fairbanks wrote the report after an extensive fact-finding tour of the Soviet Union in 1990. President Bush requested a copy and gave it high marks. Fairbanks correctly foreshadowed the coup when he wrote, "The feeling of coming apart around the edges with a weak center is pervasive."



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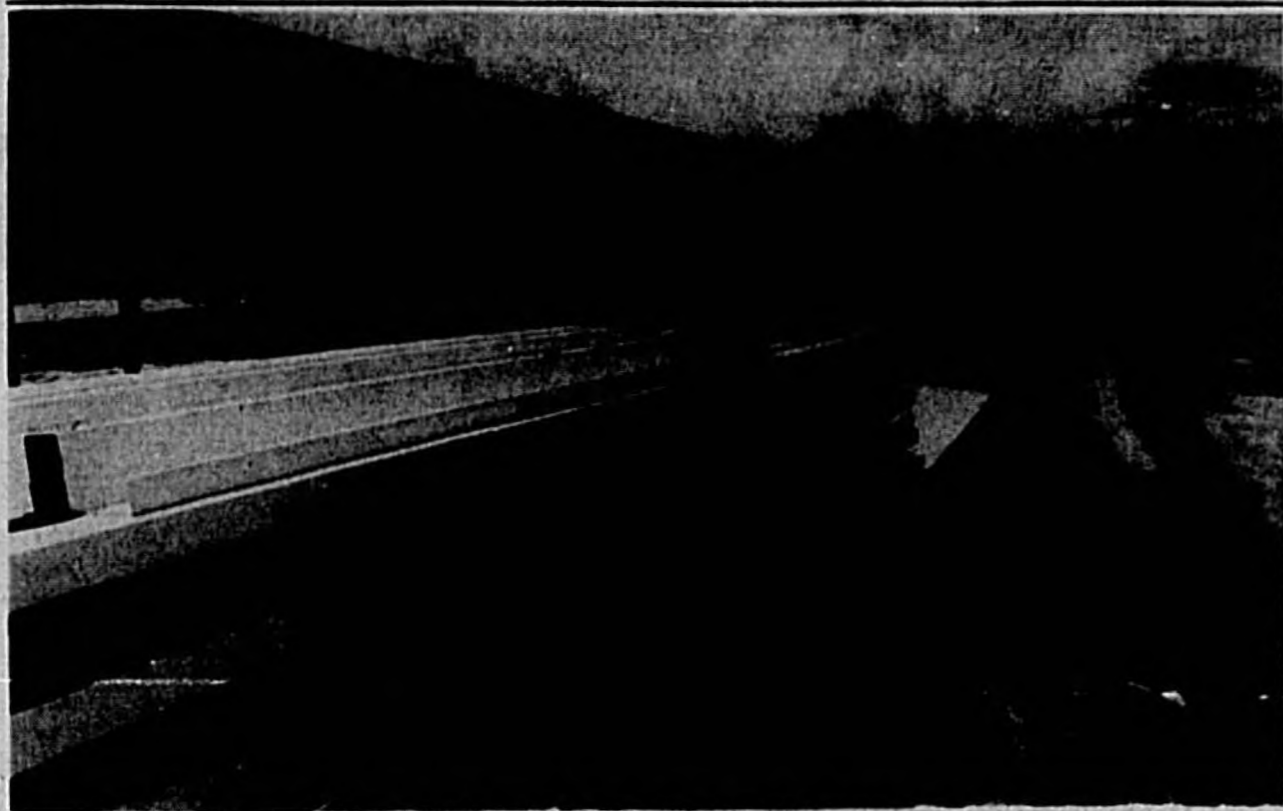
The report contained a warning about the restive military, and hinted that power, perks and privilege could be the embers of an overthrow. "There is also widespread fear about the military situation, particularly with the regard to the hordes of both officers and enlisted men returning from Eastern Europe," Fairbanks said. "There is no housing available for them, and no obvious jobs or other career paths for the officer corps at middle levels who have been living by communist standards 'high off the hog' in Eastern Europe."

These military men were the casualties of Gorbachev-engineered reforms. They were returning in droves to temporary tent cities around Moscow. Their families and children had tasted a better life, attended better schools, enjoyed better food and were better clad.

The Soviets were warily eyeing the various experiments of Eastern Europe for clues to their own future, Fairbanks wrote. "They (Soviet leaders) are fearful that there is not a political consensus to support the pain of any transition period." Fairbanks was struck by the lack of political leaders who could rally public support to make the dramatic changes everyone conceded were essential.

The old communist religion was variously referred to with scorn and cynical humor, but the reformers got little respect either. "Gorbachev and the other top leadership are clearly very unpopular, both with the man-in-the-street and among leading cadres," the report reads. "There is some understanding, however, at least among the top officials and more informed intellectuals, of the magnitude of the problems facing them."

One of the hallmarks of the Soviet's embryonic democracy was growing freedom of religion. For Gorbachev, religion provided a central authority for the masses, a glue for glasnost and perestroika. Fairbanks noted the wide belief that the "younger generation has no moral authority or moral precepts upon which to fall back, and religion is seen as filling part of that void."



Heathrow

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"It's going to be a major summer when we have to go out to the new place."

Gallows admitted that he's been by the new school's construction site on summer bicycle treks and he thinks the new facility is "pretty cool."

More than 2,000 students entered the Seminole County school system this year.

"That's a tremendous number of students," Supt. Robert Hughes said. "Seminole County is one of the fastest growing counties in the state."

Jenny Cate Hodul, about to march into kindergarten for the first time, posed for photos for her mother in front of the school.

"I'm definitely excited," she said.

Even though she expressed some reservations about the fact that the school was "bigger" than she was used to at her day care facility, she said she

couldn't wait for classes to start. Katie Stewart, a second grade teacher at Wilson, arrived early on campus to check last minute details in her classroom. Her son Matthew, a fifth grader at Wilson, dragged a little behind.

"I'm ready for classes," she said. "It's going to be fun."

Matthew was less sure. "I'm ready to start summer again," he said.

While the majority of the growth in the school district is taking place at the elementary school level, only two new elementary schools will open this year, Heathrow and Parin Elementary School in Oviedo.

Five schools would have been needed to alleviate the current overcrowding situation, but financing was not available to build more facilities.

The land on which each of the new schools is built was donated by local developers. The Arvida Corporation gave the land for

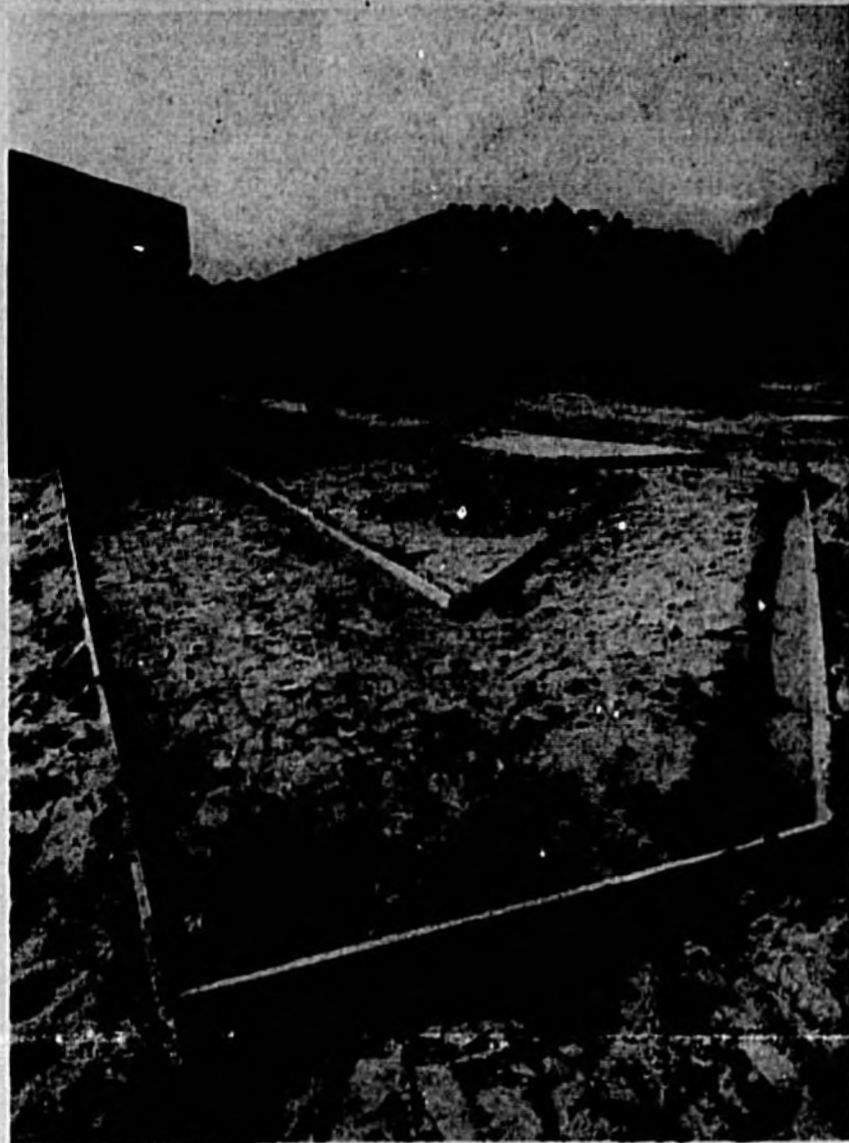
Heathrow Elementary to the district.

While most of the students crowding onto the Wilson campus this morning were excited about being back in school, some had ideas of what they thought might be better use of their time.

"I think I'd rather be back in bed," said Shelly Mercer, a second grader on her way to classes at Heathrow. "I'm too tired."

The frenetic activity of unloading students from buses and cars at Wilson continued for quite a while this morning. As soon as the Heathrow students were settled in their classrooms, the students enrolled at Wilson began to arrive.

"It's going to be crazy in the mornings around here," said Sandy Lendrina whose son James was about to enter the third grade as a Wilson student.



The framework is in place for the sidewalks at Heathrow Elementary School, 5715 Markham Woods Road in Lake Mary, left photo, but the school won't be ready for students until November. In the meantime, students who are supposed to go there will share classroom space with students at Wilson Elementary in Sanford. In above photo, the covered walkways around Heathrow Elementary School are starting to take shape but, for now, the school is still a hard hat area.

Herold photos by Gary F. Vogel

Future

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educational motivation. The days of the status quo are over."

With that as his cause, President Bush launched "America 2000," a crusade to re-invent American education — to make the schools we have all they should be; to design New American Schools for the year 2000 and beyond; and to make our country a nation of students, living in communities where education is a way of life. The six national educational goals established by the president and the nation's governors are that by the year 2000:

(1) All children in America will start school ready to learn.

(2) The high-school graduation rate will increase to at least 90 percent.

(3) American students will leave grades four, eight and 12 having demonstrated competency in challenging subject matter, including English, mathematics, science, history and geography; and every school in America will insure that all students learn to use their minds well.

(4) U.S. students will be first in the world in science and

mathematics achievement.

(5) Every adult American will be literate and will possess the knowledge and skills necessary to compete in a global economy and exercise the rights and responsibilities of citizenship.

(6) Every school in America will be free of drugs and violence and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning.

"America 2000" is a prelude to a renaissance not only in our schools, but in our homes, neighborhoods and places of work. It comes from knowing that when we are challenged as individuals — and when we have a choice of paths to take — we succeed. It comes from knowing

that partnerships of communities and businesses can re-install prosperity and pride whenever people come together with good ideas and open minds.

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support for many years. Groups such as the PTA, the Local School Advisory Committee (LSAC) and the Foundation for the Advancement of the Community Through Schools (FACTS) have been taking on the task of school assistance for

many years. Last year a Business Advisory Board was formed to give the school board professional advice on the business aspects of running the school district.

Previously, many business decisions were made at the state level and the district staff was

not equipped to handle some of the decisions without professional advice.

The Business Advisory Board, as well as FACTS, LSAC and PTA, are composed of volunteers working to improve the schools.

Parental involvement in the schools has always been an important element in how Semi-

linole County schools develop programs and curricula.

Seminole was the only county in the state to have all of its high schools receive grants from the state last year based on the improvements made in areas, such as drop out prevention and test score improvement.

DEATHS

HAZEL D. ALMANY

Hazel D. Almany, 62, 117 Club Road, Sanford, died Saturday at Central Florida Regional Hospital, Sanford. Born Nov. 8, 1928, in Abingdon, Va., she moved to Sanford from Bristol, Tenn., in 1980. She was a kitchen aid in the nursing industry and a Baptist.

Survivors include husband, Stewart W.; son, Steven D.; Sanford; daughters, Brenda J. Blichfeldt, Las Vegas, Dian Jones, Gaithersburg, Md., Sandra K. McNabb, Apopka; sisters, Mable Powers, Cincinnati, Dorothy Wright, Bristol; brothers, Bert Dillard, Cincinnati, Sam Dillard, Abingdon; one grandson.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Oaklawn Park Chapel, Lake Mary, in charge of arrangements.

JAMES BROOKS

James Brooks, 72, of Apt. 70 Redding Garden, Sanford, died Wednesday at his residence, Born April 18, 1919, in Falmouth, he moved to Sanford 60 years ago from there. He retired from Atlantic Coastline and Celery City Printing and was a Baptist.

Survivors include daughter, Sharon Riggins, Sanford; stepdaughter, Beatrice Thompson, Sanford; sisters, Eldora, Sanford, Elizabeth Brown, Hampton; 10 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren.

Sunrise Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

RUBY S. HALL

Ruby S. Hall, 85, 1301 W. 7th

St., Sanford, died Friday at Hamilton Memorial Hospital, Jasper. Born Sept. 8, 1905, in Jasper, she moved to Sanford in 1930 from there. She was a homemaker and a member of Allen Chapel A.M.E. Church where she was a member of the Usher Board #1, Lily White Lodge #144 and Palbearers Lodge #5.

Survivors include brothers, Eddie Lee Robinson, St. Petersburg; sisters, Zona Turner, Sanford, Eunice Carter, Deater Daniels, both of Jasper, Vera Byrd, St. Petersburg.

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

HABANI JAMES

Hasani James, 4, 3608 Biscayne Drive, Winter Springs, died Saturday in Longwood. Born Dec. 17, 1986, in Rockville Center, N.Y., he moved to Winter Springs from New York in 1988. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include parents, Wayne and Janice James, Winter Springs; brother, Kwame, Winter Springs; paternal grandmother, Veronica, New York; maternal grandmother, Ena Bennett, New York. Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Goldenrod, in charge of arrangements.

VOLA M. LAMBERTSON

Vola M. Lambertson, 75, DeBary Drive, DeBary, died Friday at her residence. Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., she moved to DeBary from Long Island, N.Y.,

in 1955. She was the executive secretary for ACT of DeLand and former secretary for Karn's Insurance Agency of Sanford for 25 years. She was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church, of Enterprise, Altar Guild and Flower Committee of All Saints Church.

Survivors include one cousin, Robert Strasswimmer of Long Island, N.Y.

Altman Funeral Home, DeBary, in charge of arrangements.

GERTRUDE PHILLIPS

Gertrude Phillips, 91, 180 Islander Court, Longwood, died Friday at South Seminole Community Hospital, Longwood. Born July 14, 1900, in New York, she moved to Longwood from there in 1956. She was a homemaker and a member of the Temple of Liberal Judaism.

Survivors include husband,

Charles E.; son, Gordon, Birmingham, Ala.; two grandchildren; six great-grandchildren.

Cox-Parker Carey Hand Funeral Home, Winter Park, in charge of arrangements.

SUZETTE MARIE PROPHET

Suzette Marie Prophet, 26, 456 Longwood Circle, Longwood, died Saturday at South Seminole Community Hospital, Longwood. Born Nov. 2, 1964, in Panama City, she moved to Longwood from Birmingham, Ala., in 1971. She was a licensed ball bondsman and a Baptist.

Survivors include maternal grandmother, Catherine Bradley, Mobile, Ala.; paternal grandmother, Mary, Annapolis, Md.

Carey Hand Garden Chapel Home for Funerals, Longwood, in charge of arrangements.

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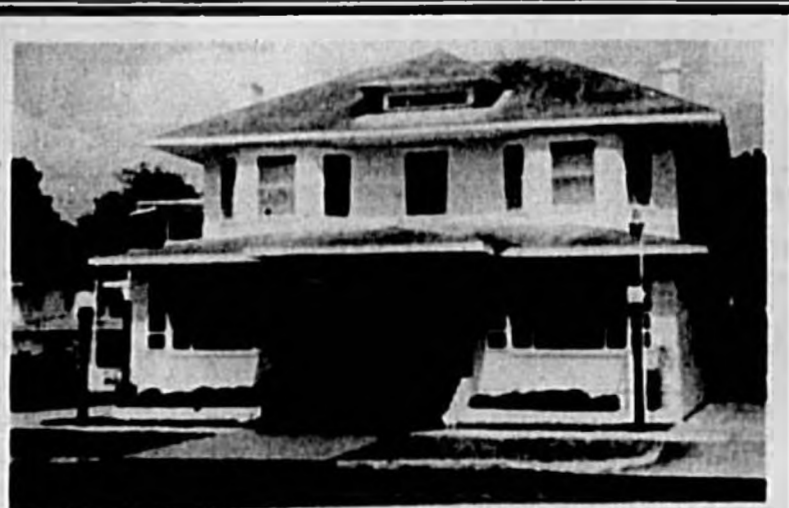
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Lake Mary

IN BRIEF

Panamanian pastor to speak locally

LAKE MARY — The Rev. Bill Wilbur, pastor of Gamboa Union Church, in Panama, will speak at a special meeting of Abundant Life Christian Fellowship, 232 Seminole Ave., a newly formed Evangelical Presbyterian Church.

Bill Wilbur, brother of the Rev. Bob Wilbur, pastor of Abundant Life, is pastor of Gamboa Union Church, located on the Panama Canal between Panama City and Colon, where he has served 15 years.

During that time he has shared the Christian faith at the highest levels of government, laborers of the dredging division, American military, prison inmates (including close staff of toppled dictator Manuel Noriega) and also with Indians in the jungle.

"He has witnessed God's work in remarkable ways," according to his brother Bob. "He lived through the invasion of Panama and its aftermath and saw God working even during those difficult days."

The meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Aug. 28 at the Lake Mary Dance Academy, 549 Lake Mary Blvd. Fellowship and refreshments will follow. The public is invited to attend.

Optometrist offers free eye screening

LAKE MARY — Poor vision can affect more than a child's school performance. If left untreated, some common eye disorders in children can lead to serious and irreversible vision problems.

Martin Kansol, O.D., is offering free eye screenings for area elementary school children on Aug. 26 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 641 W. Lake Mary Blvd.

"Children have a biological timeclock that may affect the success of treatment for certain eye problems such as strabismus (misalignment of the eyes) and amblyopia (lazy eye)," according to Dr. Kansol. "A thorough eye exam should be an essential part of a child's back-to-school routine."

Dr. Kansol said about 50 percent of all blindness can be prevented if treated early. The best form of prevention is an annual eye examination by a trained professional. Children should have a thorough eye exam before the age of nine because the visual system is usually fully developed by then.

The free screening will determine 20/20 vision (the ability to see characters of a certain height from 20 feet away), eye muscle imbalances such as lazy eye, general eye health and whether the child needs corrective lenses, Dr. Kansol said.

For an appointment, call 321-8434.

Seniors to meet for activities

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

The program begins at 9:30 a.m. with watercolor class and drawing. Lap quilting, 10-12 noon and bridge from noon to 3 p.m.

Details, call 323-4938.

Club takes the lead

L.E.A.D. to Success, a newly formed club to share business connections, will meet 7:30 a.m. Wednesday Ma's Kitchen, 3817 Lake Mary Blvd. One of the focal points of the meeting is to exchange business cards. Only one member of a particular type of business or profession is allowed to join.

For more information, call 323-5399.

Rotary meets early

Rotary Club of Lake Mary meets Thursday mornings, 8 to 9 a.m. at the Lake Mary Community Center, formerly the CIA Building, 260 N. Country Club Road. Contact Roger Campbell, president, at 323-1273.

Optimists gather every week

Lake Mary Optimist Club meets every Monday, 7 p.m., at Shoney's. Contact Kevin Greene at 322-8787.

Women resume meeting in fall

Lake Mary Woman's Club meets the fourth Wednesday of each month and will resume meetings in September. Contact Paulette Pedigo at 323-1989.

Historical Commission gathers

The Lake Mary Historical Commission meets Mondays at Old City Hall. Contact Mary Wolff at 321-5666 for more information.

Be a volunteer firefighter

The Volunteer Fire Association in Lake Mary meets at 7 p.m. at the Fire Hall on the second Tuesday of each month. Contact Bob Stoddard, fire chief, at 323-7029 for more information.

Clogging group to have classes

Dixieland Cloggers hold classes from 7-8 p.m. each Monday at the old Lake Mary fire station, First Street and Wilbur Avenue.

Weight Watchers meet on Thursdays

A local chapter of Weight Watchers meets at the Lake Mary Community Building every Thursday from 4:45 to 6:45 p.m.

Youth Center open on Friday nights

Every Friday night, the Lake Mary Community Building is transformed in a Youth Center from 7-11 p.m. Area youth are welcome to participate in the fun.

Muzeka plans telethon activities

By LAGY BOWEN
Herald People Editor

LAKE MARY — Robin Muzeka has a busy night planned Sept. 1.

The Lake Mary resident and businesswoman has been named coordinator for the Muscular Dystrophy Association Pledge Center, serving Lake Mary and Sanford. For the 24-hour period the Jerry Lewis Telethon is broadcast, Muzeka will be manning phones with about 50 volunteers.

"They'll flash our number on the screen so people can call us with pledges. But anyone who wants to drop a donation by our

office can be assured the money will stay in the local area. By calling the number, the money goes into a big pot," Muzeka said.

Officer manager for Daniel & Wohlwender ERA of Lake Mary, Muzeka said all the agents in the office have donated time to this cause.

"They deserve all the credit. I'm just coordinating everybody's efforts," Muzeka modestly explained.

But David Steinaek, president of the MDA Central Florida Chapter, praised Muzeka for her involvement.

"We're proud to have caring people like Robin Muzeka

working closely with MDA and its supporters," Steinaek said. "Our telethon team is dedicated to making this year's show an all-time record-breaker."

Muzeka said more volunteers are needed locally, and the volunteer staff will get hungry throughout the 24-hour period.

"We'd love to have area restaurants donate food to the cause for our hungry volunteers," she said.

Stressing the importance of community involvement, Muzeka is excited about the upcoming event.

"MDA scientists are now closer to developing treatments and cures for these diseases."



Robin Muzeka

Summer vacation comes to an end



Flag team members, Renee Glad, 16, Dina Courison, 15, and Keili Woodall, 16, sing along during lip sync at high school.



Terry Pattishall, director of Lake Mary High School Band, sizes up weak spots during a recent practice.



After a short summer at the YMCA summer camp at Greenwood Lakes Park, the children helped Jennifer Clinard, day camp counselor, keep America beautiful by picking up paper, cans and whatever else they could find.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

City spreads the word with quarterly report

LAKE MARY — The City of Lake Mary is ready to spread the word again. The quarterly Report to the Citizens is now being mailed to the city's residents.

Coordinator for the publication, Matt West, said, "We mail these out to about 2,500 property owners throughout the city, every three months."

Contained in the city's quarterly are reports about up-

coming city events, parks and recreation programs, matters pertaining to code enforcement such as lawn mowing and junked cars regulations, financial rates, and the mandatory utility hookups.

The publication contains three pages of information, with an additional page for address labeling.

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The Sanford Herald welcomes announcements about social activities and club news for publication in the Lake Mary pages each Monday. There is no charge.

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Three arrested after parties are robberies

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The arrest of Stephen Michael Pickens, 18, of 1407 Valencia Court, Sanford, may have solved two or more separate cases of robbery during this past weekend. According to several police reports, a man and two women spent Sunday night luring unsuspecting men to what was supposed to be a party, only to end up with a robbery.

Charles Duncan was picked up by the three persons, as he exited Shuckles Lounge, 2690 S. Orlando Drive Sunday night. He was reportedly driven by the three, to a wooded area near Lock Lowe School. While they were reportedly sharing some beer, Duncan was threatened with a metal object, and his wallet was taken.

In a separate incident, Raymond B. Watrous, 206 Laurel Avenue, Sanford, was walking near highway 17-92 and 13th Street Sunday night, when he was also picked up by a man and two women. Watrous was taken to a wooded area near Oregon Avenue where he was robbed of his wallet.

According to Sanford police reports, Pickens reportedly confessed to the Duncan robbery, telling officers there were two other similar incidents for which he would be charged.

Pickens' two companions were

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by Supt. Robert Hughes, who said that his main criteria in making the selection would be to choose someone who met the needs of the school.

"Each school has its own special needs," he said last week. "We just have to find the best person for the job."

Schapker, who has a bachelor's degree in English and Journalism from Florida Atlantic University and a master's degree in administration and supervision from Barry College taught English in Broward County and in Michigan for seven years before being hired at Lyman in 1978.

She taught English there for a year before being promoted to the position of dean where she served for a year.

She has been an assistant principal at Lyman for 11 years. Because the principal's salary is based on a formula which includes the principal's experience and the number of certificated teachers at the school, Schapker's salary has not yet been calculated.

It is expected that, if approved, Schapker will take over the reins at Seminole on Wednesday morning. Epps has said that he will be available for as long as necessary to make the transition easier.

Correction

An article in Sunday's Sanford Herald stated a group of west Sanford residents will meet with Seminole County Commissioner Jennifer Kelley in her office Thursday at 11 p.m. The group will meet with the commissioner at 11 a.m.

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Plans

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Once the plans are in place, schools will be measured against them and the state will provide assistance to those that don't do well. Baseline data will be ready by next year, Castor said.

Meanwhile, a 23-member Accountability Commission appointed this summer to oversee the new initiative, has its work cut out. The panel of teachers, parents and community leaders is charged with setting state goals and deciding how to best measure schools' performance, something that could be tricky.

Castor said she expected the commission would turn first to goals for graduation rates and school readiness and then math and science, language arts, writing, history and geography and safe schools.

In the interim, schools already will be enjoying greater flexibili-

ty. Legislators this spring agreed to suspend many of the laws they've put on the books over the last several years, dictating how schools operate.

The statutes put on hold range from the major programs for primary and middle education to transportation funding to money for textbooks and other supplies.

Several laws remain in effect. They range from the opening and closing dates of the school year, grade progression, attendance requirements, the 180-day requirement for a school year and teacher certification requirements.

Over the summer, the commission has held two hearings and Castor's department has held two five-day seminars, each attended by more than 400 administrators, teachers, parents and community leaders from throughout the state.

Those sessions, in Naples and

Jacksonville, were held to train teams that will return to the districts and explain accountability in greater detail to the people who will be held accountable.

"Everyone seems to be highly motivated," Castor said.

The next thing on the agenda is for 30 one-day workshops that will be held around the state to help districts and schools prepare for the new system. Those should be held over the next couple of months.

"Things are moving along on schedule," Castor said.

As work continues, the Florida Education Association/United is still on guard. The union was vocal in raising concerns about the state's accountability plan this spring.

A basic flaw of Florida's accountability plan is that it threatens rather than encourages, FEA/United

spokesman Ron Sachs said.

"It holds a hammer over the heads of parents, teachers, students and schools," he said.

The union also fears the shift in power may be more an illusion than a reality.

"When you shift responsibility without shifting resources, you are building in a great level of frustration," Sachs said, adding that he didn't think the reality had set in yet.

"I don't believe the average parent or teacher knows much about it," he said. "The only cheerleaders are the people who proposed it."

Castor agreed that "a moment of truth" will arrive if the Legislature doesn't find more money for education when it convenes in January.

When lawmakers do return for the 1992 session they will be greeted with an assessment from every school in Florida on its true financial needs.

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IN BRIEF

RUNNING

MDA fund-raiser planned

ORLANDO — The Muscular Dystrophy Association, in conjunction with WESH-TV, the Buena Vista Palace, Culligan Water, Track Shack and Mix 105.1 FM, have teamed up to sponsor the 4th annual Prediction Run for Jerry's Kids.

The Prediction Run has been scheduled for Monday, Sept. 2, at the Buena Vista Palace at Walt Disney World Village. Individuals and teams that come the closest to predicting their finishing times will be the winners.

Prizes, which include two round-trip tickets to London, accommodations at the PGA National Resort in Palm Beach Gardens and at The Lodge at Ponte Vedra Beach, will be awarded for fund-raising efforts as well as for accurate prediction of finishing time.

For more information, call the MDA at 877-8665.

Summertime Jamboree set

LAKE MARY — This year's Lake Mary Summertime Cross Country Jamboree has been scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 7, at Lake Mary High School.

Competition will be offered in seven different age classes — from 8-and-Under to 50-and-Over — as well as girls' and boys' club team races for athletes between the ages of 13 and 18.

Four different races have been scheduled, starting with a one-mile event for 12-and-Under boys and girls at 8 a.m. The age groups in that race will be 8-and-Under, 9-10 and 11-12.

Then, at 8:30 a.m., the girls' 13-to-18 club teams will run a two-mile race. That will be followed by a three-mile race for the boys' 13-to-18 club teams at 9 a.m.

Finally, men and women 19-and-Over will compete in a three-mile race scheduled to start at 9:30 a.m. Age groups for that event will be 19-to-29, 30-to-39, 40-to-49 and 50-and-Over.

An awards ceremony will follow at 10 a.m. In the 12-and-Under and 19-and-Over events, the top male and female in each age group will be awarded a medal with the top five in each age group receiving a ribbon.

In the club team races, a championship and runner-up team trophy will be awarded in both the girls' and boys' divisions. The top 15 individuals in each race will receive medals with the 16th through 50th finishers getting ribbons.

Registration is \$3 for those who pre-register by Monday, Sept. 2, or \$5 on race day.

For information, call Mike Gibson, 333-2370.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Fortay leaving Miami

CORAL GABLES — Quarterback Bryan Fortay says he has decided to leave the University of Miami because his football career is at stake.

Fortay, who last week lost his battle with Gino Torretta for the starting job, quit the team Sunday and said he'll transfer to another school.

"I left here because I need an opportunity to play," Fortay said. "I felt they didn't want me to be at the controls here."

Coach Dennis Erickson announced last Thursday that Torretta would start the opener Saturday at Arkansas. Fortay said he's not bitter, but he suggested the coach may have decided on his quarterback before spring practice began.

"I just don't know if I had the chance to win, and that's the part that hurts me the most," Fortay said.

In two fall scrimmages, Fortay completed 28 of 47 passes for 417 yards, with two touchdowns and three interceptions. Torretta completed 18 of 44 for 185 yards, with one touchdown and four interceptions.

SOUTHERN LEAGUE

Memphis sweeps Jacksonville

JACKSONVILLE — Darryl Robinson paced a 12-hit attack going 3-for-4 with a double home run, two runs scored and two RBIs to lead Memphis to a 10-5 win in the first game of a Southern League doubleheader Sunday night.

Memphis then scored three unearned runs in the eighth inning of the second game to complete the sweep with a 5-2 win.

The Chicks jumped out to a quick lead in the first game, sending nine players to the plate in the top of the first for a 3-0 lead.

In the second game, Memphis tied the game in the third on a solo home run by George Wright.

The Suns strung together three consecutive base hits to take a 2-1 lead in the fifth. Singles by Bobby Holley and Jim Campanis were followed with a RBI single from Ruben Gonzalez for the go-ahead run.

Compiled from wire and staff reports.

BEST BETS ON TV

BASEBALL
 8 p.m. — WGN, Los Angeles Dodgers at Chicago Cubs. (L)

TENNIS
 7:30 p.m. — USA, U.S. Open, first-round matches. (L)

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Softball's not for everyone

Rec Department offers classes in individual activities

By DEAN SMITH
 Herald Sports Writer

SANFORD — When talking about recreational activities, the focus tends to fall on team sports, if for no other reason than those leagues can have a greater combined impact than individual athletics.

But team sports don't appeal to everybody. To meet the recreational needs of those individuals, the Sanford Recreation Department has several different continuing classes available to help men and women as well as boys and girls either get involved in a new sport or become more proficient at an old one.

TENNIS
 The Recreation Department offers afternoon and evening Professional Tennis Instruction at Groveview Park every Monday through Saturday. All levels and ages welcome.
 Group lesson fee is \$5 per class and is paid at each class.

The instructor is Peter Kaczmarzyk. Participants are reminded to please wear tennis shoes.

AEROBICS
 A continuing aerobic class is offered by the

Recreation Department at a cost of \$2 per class. Non-Sanford residents will have to pay an annual \$10 non-resident's fee.

The class is given at the Downtown Youth Center on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday mornings from 9 to 10 a.m. Classes are also conducted on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.
 Exercise mats will be furnished for each participant.

BASKETBALL
 The Recreation Department offers non-competitive basketball at the Crooms High School gymnasium Monday through Friday.
 The gym is open to teenagers from 5 p.m. and to adults from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. There is no charge to use the court.

KARATE
 Karate classes are available at the Downtown Youth Center for ages 8 to adult.
 Classes meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 8:30 to 8 p.m.
 Registration fee is \$20 per month. Currently, there is a special registration offer of paying for two months and getting a third month free.

The class is taught by Larry Jackson, a Sho Don black belt.

CHEERLEADING
 A cheerleading class meets at the Downtown Youth Center every Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m. New classes will be starting Wednesday, Oct. 2.
 There are classes offered for children ages 8-12 and 13-and-Up.
 The first month's fee is \$20, which includes pompons and T-shirt. Thereafter, the cost will be \$12 per month.

BATON
 A baton class will be offered starting Monday, Oct. 7 at the Downtown Youth Center.
 Classes will meet every Monday from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.
 The fee is \$10 per month and the instructor will be Joy Clore.
 For information on these or any other programs offered by the Sanford Recreation Department, either come by the Downtown Youth Center (located on the first floor of Sanford City Hall, 300 N. Park Avenue) or call 330-5697 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Monday through Friday.

DOUBLE TAKES



Herald photo by Gary F. Vogel

Getting ready

With the start of the high school football season only 18 short days away (if you don't think that's a short period of time, just ask any high school football coach), every available minute of practice is squeezed out by coaches to get their teams ready, both mentally and physically.

Lake Mary defensive coordinator Boyd Rasmussen (left) works on the mental aspect with some of the Rams while Seminole High School players Jeff England (below left), Carlo White (center) and Sam Becker (right) concentrate on the physical. After playing in preseason jamborees on Friday, Sept. 6, all six Seminole County schools will open the regular season on Friday, Sept. 13.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Kresge cruises in Amateur

By ROBBIE STOCK
 Herald Correspondent

ORLANDO — When Cliff Kresge crushed his tee shot down the fairway at the par-4 16th hole at Dubsread Country Club, the question was not whether he would win his second Orlando City Amateur Championship but whether he would beat the rain in doing so.

Although Kresge had to wait out a 90-minute rain delay before he could hit his second shot on the 16th, he wasn't affected, cruising in with three consecutive pars for the 1991 title.

He won the 1989 Orlando City Amateur, which was also played at Dunsread. That year, the final round was cancelled because of rain.

Kresge, who grew up across the street from and learned the game at Dubsread, didn't make any mistakes, using a solid putter to record a final round of 68 and a nine-under-par 204 total, two better than the runner-up, Oviedo High School graduate Mike Doane.

"I played real solid," said Kresge, who will turn professional this week. "I was never in any trouble."

Kresge birdied the par-4 second and 10th holes as well as the par-5 fifth hole to go along with his 15 pars. He teed the victory with 4-foot par putts on the last two holes.

Doane, who works at Winter Park Pines Country Club, pressured Kresge with a birdie on the 16th to pull within two shots, but fell back after a bogey on the 415-yard 17th.

Despite not winning tourney, Doane was pleased with his finish, his best ever in an amateur event.

"I played well," commented Doane. "I got up and down almost every time. I just knew I was going to be missing greens and the putter was working well."

"I did about whatever I had to do (to pressure Kresge), but he did what he had to do. He kept making putts."

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Photo days a necessary but frustrating tradition

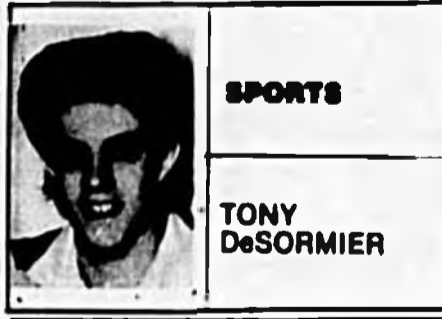
Like most other sports, tradition has its place within the confines of football. And of all the traditions that surround football and other sports — pep rallies, halftime shows and the like — possibly the biggest pain in the back of your front is picture day.

I say this only because we (and I'll get to just who "we" is, or are, in just a few lines) have gotten through four photo days and still have two looming ahead like icebergs.

What are photo days? At the risk of being overly simplistic, it's a day when photos are taken of a team, including all coaches and players.

Trust me when I say it's a hassle. Depending on the circumstances, there can be as many as three different organizations trying to get pictures for four or five different publications. Besides the two local daily newspapers, each school has contracted with a professional photo studio to produce the art necessary for the game programs and yearbooks.

And just like the standard school



SPORTS

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pictures that almost everybody goes through every year, many parents want copies of those photos taken of their son in his football uniform.

Several of the studios capitalize on that by offering those big photo buttons you see adorning parents and/or girl friends.

As a result, orders have to be taken and processed.

During a photo day, it's not uncommon to see players scurrying around the field from station to station, making sure his photo has been taken by everybody who needs or has to take it. There's also the

inevitable scramble for extra order forms, pens to fill out said order forms and money to pay for said orders.

You're starting to get an idea of just how involved a process this can be. At it's best (which it rarely is), it's like a large and cumbersome but effective dance routine: Step 1. — Walk through this line; Step 2. — Stand in place; Step 3. — Get your photo taken; Step 4. — Go to this line; Repeat until finished.

More often than not, it degenerates into chaos punctuated by yells of "Has everybody had all their pictures taken?"

The coaches deal with these sessions with a large dose of good humor. While it does cut into available practice time — and with the season 18 days away and counting, every minute is precious — all the coaches know it's a necessary evil.

In Seminole County, there are two basic ways that photo days are executed. At Lake Howell, the photo

day is a full-blown event scheduled for a Saturday afternoon with family, fans and friends invited to attend and even participate.

At Seminole, Lake Mary Lyman, Oviedo and Lake Brantley, the sessions are generally scheduled for early in the morning or mid-afternoon during the week. The idea is for the session to be cut and dried, quick and functional.

For us at the Herald, the photo days yield those facial shots used in the weekly Player of the Week selection story and the annual All-Seminole County team announced on Thanksgiving. And despite the best efforts to get pictures of everyone, there have been several "photos not available" in the last two All-County teams.

Luckily, we're two-thirds of the way there. Lake Howell, Oviedo, Lake Brantley and Oviedo are done with only Lake Mary (this Thursday) and Seminole (Saturday) remaining.

Then we can get back to concentrating on the games.

People

IN BRIEF

Dog obedience class planned
The Seminole Dog Fanciers offer a new basic obedience class for all breeds of dogs beginning September 5 at 7 p.m. at the Recreation Department in Casselberry. This is located at Secret Lake Park off Ivey Road. Price for the classes is \$50 for eight weeks.

Also scheduled for September 3, 7 to 8 p.m., is a class for puppies. From 8 to 9 p.m., a conformation class is forming also starting September 3.

Advanced obedience classes are offered by the club at the same location on Thursday evenings.

For more information, call Dolores Vanek at 628-1550.

VFW, Auxiliary to gather
Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Ladies Auxiliary of Sanford Post 10108 meet the fourth Monday at 7:30 p.m. at their post home (the log cabin on Seminole Boulevard). For more information, contact Nina Crouse at 323-7671 during evening hours.

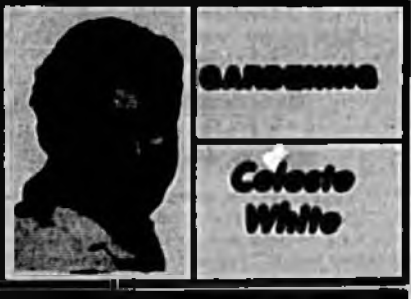
Overeaters to have step study
A step study of Overeaters Anonymous is conducted on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at West Lake Hospital, State Road 434, Longwood. For more information, call Maribeth at 260-7032.

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

Clogging group to have classes
The Old Hickory Stompers hold classes 7-8 p.m. each Monday at the Knights of Columbus Hall on S. Park Avenue, Sanford. Cost is \$2.50 per class. For more information, call 349-9528.

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

Get ready for fall planting



GARDENING
Collette White

Planting time for a fall vegetable garden is only a few weeks away. Even though summer is still with us, now is a good time to begin to plan and prepare for a garden.

The first consideration in planning your garden is where the best location will be. A garden should be convenient to the house so it will be handy to work in. Also, it should be near a faucet so watering will not be a problem. The garden should be located where it can get at least 6 hours of sunlight a day. In most backyards, you will probably have to choose between morning and afternoon sun. Full sun, especially in Florida, is better in the morning for growing vegetables. If your area does not get much full sun all day, plant crops like tomatoes, corn, potatoes, cucumbers, melon and most root crops in the best area of sun you have. Leafy crops like lettuce can tolerate more shade.

Good soil is an important factor too, but most of us have to do the best we can with the soil we have. Getting the soil ready to plant will probably be the most physical part of the whole gardening project.

Don't give into the temptation to cut corners with this phase of garden preparation. If you are planning a large garden, you may want to rent a rototiller, but most backyard gardens can be prepared with a spade and shovel. If your area has a lot of weeds or grass, you may have to wait a few weeks for the material to decompose once you turn it under. You could also remove it and start a compost pile.

To prepare the soil, dig down six to eight inches and turn each shovel full completely over. After

indicate if your soil is acid or alkaline, or in other words, whether or not you need to add lime. To take a soil sample, use a hand trowel to collect several 6-8 inch "cores" of soil in various locations in the garden. Mix these samples together in a bucket and remove one pint of soil and bring it to the Agriculture Center. (We are located off 17-92 south of Sanford). We also do a soluble salt test to determine the need for fertilizer. But if the garden has been tested over the years with good results, or you have had it on a program of fertilization without problems, chances are you can skip this part of soil preparation. When you receive your results from this test, we make recommendations on adding lime or fertilizer so you can amend your soil. Now

you are ready to plant!

For more information on the basic of vegetable gardening, plan to attend a fall vegetable garden program at the Seminole County Agriculture Center Auditorium on Wednesday, August 26th at 2 p.m. Topics covered will include soil preparation, starting the garden with seeds and transplants and general garden care. The program is free and open to the public. For more information call the Extension Service at 323-2400, Ext. 5558.

All Seminole County Cooperative Extension Services programs are open to all regardless of race, color, sex or national origin.

Collette White is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Phone 323-2500, ext. 5558.

Men with earrings feel their ears burn for several reasons

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Abby is on a two-week vacation. Following is a selection of some of her favorite past letters.)

DEAR ABBY: A Montana wife asked you why her husband suddenly started to wear a tiny gold earring in his left ear. (She asked him and he refused to tell her.) You said you didn't know, but if she ever found out, to let you know.

I'm surprised that you didn't know, Abby. It means that he has become a member of the gay community.

KEP IN OAKLAND
DEAR ABBY: That Montana husband probably wears a gold earring in his left ear for the same reason I have a gold tooth in front with a ruby in it. I like it!

AN INDIVIDUAL
DEAR INDIVIDUAL: I'm with you. A person's right to be himself is one of our cherished freedoms, so why should a person have to "explain" his reason for it? It's his ear and his business, and as far as I know, wearing an earring is neither immoral nor illegal. But there seems to be a variety of opinions. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I'm a man who had his ears pierced four years ago, and you wouldn't believe the static I've had from people because of one little speck of gold the size of a pinhead!

I've been accused of being a homosexual, a latent transvestite and just plain weird. I assure you I am as average as most men.

I attend college and see more and more macho guys wearing earrings on campus. I don't know if there is any significance to wearing only one earring in the left ear. I wear mine there because I am right-handed and it's easier to put on. My buddy wears one in his right ear because it's not seen by the police if he's stopped for a traffic violation. Sign me...

PIERCED AND PROUD
DEAR ABBY: A sailor who has sailed three years on the coast of China wears a gold ring in his left ear to prove that he has been there.

RETIRED CAPTAIN, AGE 80
DEAR ABBY: Men have worn

earrings for centuries — Shakespeare, Rembrandt and King James II, to name a few of the more prominent of them.

Ancient Greeks and Romans borrowed the custom from the Persian and Indian men. Our own American Indian braves also wore earrings. And how about the early African warriors? And the pirates?

Men wore earrings long before women did, so why all the ruckus?

LIVE AND LET LIVE
DEAR ABBY: According to an ancient Chinese belief, the wearing of an earring in the left ear symbolizes that the person's life has been endangered, and to prevent a recurrence, an earring is worn. It is supposedly protection against bad luck.

AUDREY IN SINGAPORE
DEAR ABBY: A man wears a gold earring in his left ear to let the world know that he has crossed the equator.

OLD MARINER
DEAR ABBY: I am a man who wears a little gold earring in my left ear because of my religion.

I am a Buddhist, and all Buddhists wear one gold earring — and always in the left ear.

I am surprised you didn't know that, Abby.

A BUDDHIST
DEAR BUDDHIST: And if you are really a Buddhist, I am surprised that you don't know how to spell "Buddhist."

regularly. They can save your life. Please tell your readers that any woman can get breast cancer whether it's in her family or not; 80 percent of the women who get breast cancer do not have it in their family.

A mammogram can detect breast cancer two years before a woman or her doctor can feel a lump. All women should have regular mammograms beginning at age 40 — particularly women of color because they are more likely to die because they didn't catch it early enough.

I urge all my sisters, black or white, to educate themselves about this scary but treatable disease. For more information, your readers can dial 1-800-4-CANCER.

PATTILABELLE

DEAR ABBY: Like "Scared to Death," I felt a lump in my breast. Unlike her, I immediately saw my doctor. Even though it was cancer, I was one of the lucky ones because I sought early diagnosis and treatment and I am alive today to talk about it.

"Scared to Death" is afraid of how her husband would feel about her following a mastectomy. I had the same fears, but throughout my ordeal, my husband was my biggest supporter and my best friend. If anything, the situation brought us closer together. He says he loves me for me, not for my body parts.

I am thankful to have made it and I would love to tell the world that I am extremely proud of my supportive husband. If you use my letter, feel free to use my real name.

JAN NICHOLS, CARLETON, MICH.

DEAR READERS: The letter from the woman who felt a lump in her breast but was afraid to go to the doctor prompted a deluge of mail. Some typical letters:

DEAR ABBY: I lost my mother and three sisters to cancer, so I can sympathize with "Scared to Death," who felt a lump in her breast and was afraid to get a mammogram.

I join you, Abby, in urging all women — even those without lumps — to get mammograms

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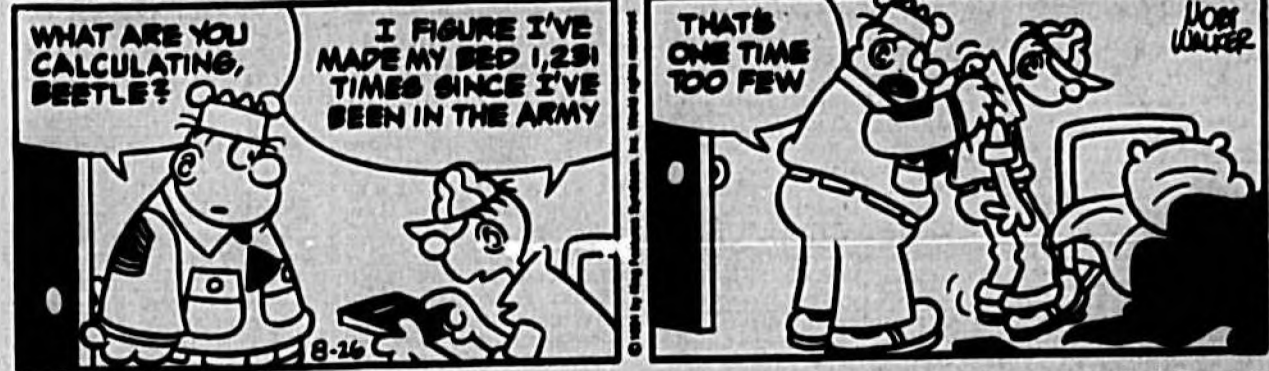
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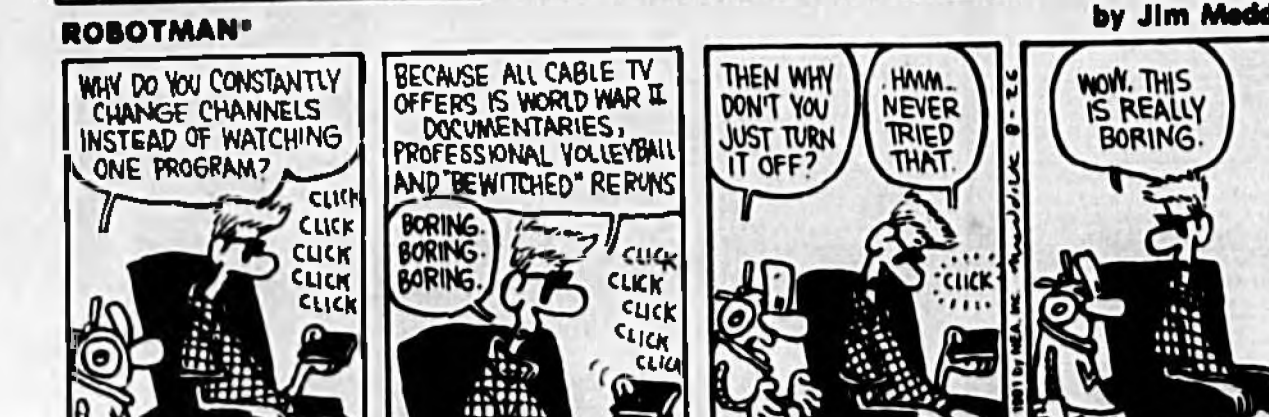
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Consult dermatologist about fatty growths



DEAR DR. GOTT: What causes fatty tumors and what can be done about them? My son has developed several, and we're not sure how to proceed.

DEAR READER: Fatty tumors, called lipomas, are benign, harmless (but cosmetically annoying) growths arising from the adipose tissue beneath the skin. They are painless. Their cause is unknown. When lipomas appear in areas of pressure — such as belt lines or beneath bra straps — they can be irritated and become tender. Then, patients should consider surgery to remove them. But my standard advice is: Leave them alone unless they hurt or enlarge. Lipomas often become more noticeable when overweight patients shed pounds, because the growths do not shrink. Therefore, in assessing a lipoma's enlargement, it's helpful to keep in mind the possibility that the tissue around them is shrinking, giving the illusion of growth.

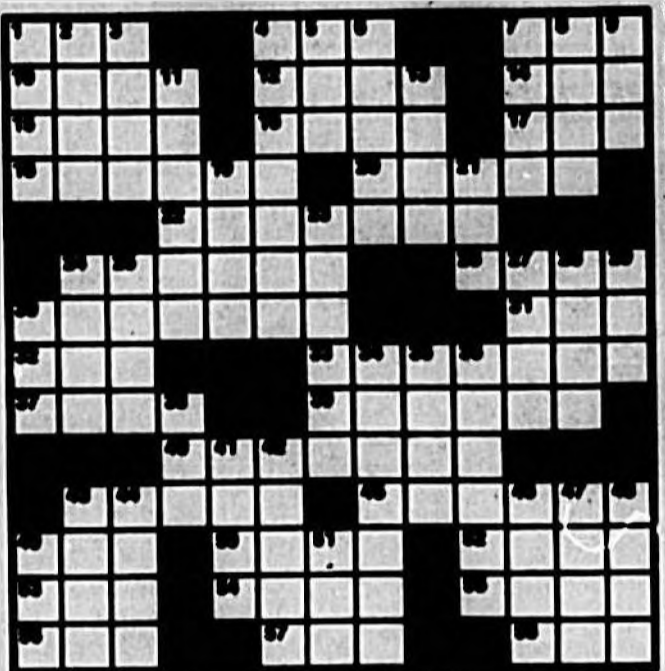
DEAR DR. GOTT: Please provide information on macular degeneration and labyrinthitis. Is there a connection?

DEAR READER: To my knowledge, the conditions are unrelated. Macular degeneration is the spotty shrinkage of a part of the retina, the film at the back of the eye which enables us to see. Patients with this condition often complain of dark spots in the visual field and loss of vision — particularly, an inability to focus on objects. The condition is untreatable, except in select cases that may be helped by laser surgery. An ophthalmologist can make that determination. The cause is unknown. On the other hand, labyrinthitis is a malfunction of the balance portion of the inner ear, leading to vertigo and loss of equilibrium. The cause is unknown, but the affliction may be



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Stumped? Get answers to clues by calling "Dial-a-Word" at 1-800-484-3636 and entering access code number 000; 95c per minute; Touch-Tone or rotary phones.



WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder
In rubber bridge, your primary aim as declarer should be to make your contract. If there is a chance for an overtrick or two without raking the contract, fair enough — go for it. But if the contract is put in jeopardy, forget those overtricks. The value of a game is worth more than a lot of overtricks. It is true that sometimes you will be a heavy favorite to collect an overtrick, but once in a while the cards will kill you, defeating you when you had the contract locked up. It is hard to explain that sort of thing to partner, who sees his wealth decreasing instead of increasing. Without glancing at the East-West cards, decide how you would play in three no-trump. West leading a low club. The careless declarer wins the first trick with the club jack and immediately takes a diamond finesse. It loses, and back comes a club, won with dummy's king. Now suppose declarer cashes dummy's diamond ace. When West discards, South has that sinking feeling. He tries a heart, but both honors are offside, and West is able to establish and cash his club suit. The more careful declarer starts by counting his top tricks. Here, given the club lead, there are eight: four spades, one diamond and three clubs. Only one more trick is needed, and it is guaranteed if hearts are attacked. Just win trick one and immediately lead a low heart from hand. Even if West wins with the queen and plays another club, you just lead a second heart, establishing your ninth trick while you have all suits under control.

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By Bernice Bode Ouel
YOUR BIRTHDAY
Aug. 27, 1991
Be on the lookout in the year ahead for ventures you can transform from outmoded to new and useful. You might uncover two or more.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) There are some additional benefits in work you perform well today. However, you won't be in a position to appreciate the rewards unless you put forth the effort. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You have a lot in common that you can share with someone you know only casually. You may have an opportunity to get to know this individual better today. Capitalize on it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Conditions in general appear quite promising for you today, primarily because of your tenacity in overcoming difficulties. You can accomplish everything you desire.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Individuals for whom you're responsible should be managed with a firm hand today. Instinctively, you'll know how to assert yourself without being cold or unkind.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your fundamental business sense could put you in the profit column today — if you adhere to it in commercial dealings. You shouldn't have trouble with either the pennies or the dollars.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Associates will find you an admirable individual to be involved with today because of the way you handle responsibilities. Your attitude will help elevate their capabilities as well.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Be charitable and compassionate today with those less fortunate than you. However, be realistic as to what extent you are able to help them. Don't get in over your head.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're the dependable one that friends can lean on today when they feel they have problems with which they can't cope. You'll be remarkably adroit at coming up with solutions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You have a slight edge over others in competitive developments today. Keep this in the back of your mind in case a "hard nose" starts throwing some weight around.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Take time today to communicate in some manner with an old friend who now resides far from you. This relationship is worth proper maintenance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The probabilities for achieving your objectives look promising today, but you may not score your victories on your initial attempt. If you are stymied, regroup and try again.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Someone who admires and respects you might make a suggestion today that will be a tough pill to swallow. It's best you bite the bullet and heed the advice. (C)1991, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

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