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Sizzling for SCC

On a spring day Swarthout pitched the greatest game of not only her life but in Seminole Community College's history, throwing a perfect game, striking out 13, and winning 11-0. See story, Page 10



Out of the Dust

Tajri Arts, Inc., a Sanford after school program that teaches self-esteem through the performing arts, has announced the development of the "Sanford Out of the Dust: History Still/History Alive" tour. Page 1B



Light & delicious

Longer days and warmer weather inspire light and tasty meals that can be enjoyed outdoors in the backyard or patio. Page 8B



Seminole Smile

Richard G. Bartlett — Chef for Meals on Wheels Eat. of Lake Mary

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Apopka man presumed dead in lake mishap

By Jamie J. Anderson-Potter
Staff Writer

NEAR APOPKA — Al-n McMurray of Apopka is missing and presumed dead after a canoe accident Thursday.

The search for the 19-year-old began early Thursday afternoon on Bear Lake near Apopka after Seminole County sheriff's deputies received a 911 call.

According to reports, McMurray was canoeing on Bear Lake with friend and roommate, Lewis Hanks. The two, who recently moved into a home located on

19-year-old borrowed canoe but did not know how to swim

Cecelia Drive in Apopka, had borrowed the canoe from their landlord, Shirley Smith.

According to Hanks, the canoe capsized approximately 50 to 100 feet offshore due to windy conditions and rough surf. Neither Hanks nor McMurray, who didn't know how to swim, were wearing life vests when the canoe tipped over.

Hanks told police he attempted to assist

McMurray to shore, but because McMurray was panicking and pulling them both underwater he was unsuccessful in the rescue. Hanks later swam to shore and made the 9-1-1 call from a nearby home on Bear Lake Road.

Upon arrival, Officer A.L. Homan of the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, borrowed a ski boat from a resident on Bear Lake Road

and began searching the area. The canoe was found partially submerged just off shore.

"Divers are still looking for the victim," said Steve Olson, public information officer of the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. "They do a grid search, which is when they try to map out the location based on the witness' state-



McMurray

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Renowned Seminole educator dies at age 88

By Jamie J. Anderson-Potter
Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — Rayburn T. Milwee, former superintendent of Seminole County Schools and one of the founders of Seminole Community College, died Tuesday at home. He was 88.



"He was a wonderful man who was devoted to education and his family," said longtime friend, Geraldine "Gerry" Weldon.

Milwee was born in Crockett, Texas, and moved to Longwood in 1938 to accept a teaching position at Lyman High School. While an instructor at the school, he met his wife, an English teacher named Aldia. During their 50-year marriage, Aldia would give birth to the couple's two children, Tom and George.

As Milwee began to climb the professional ladder — being promoted to principal at Lyman — he took leave to join the U.S. Navy. Serving during World War II, he was assigned to ships in the Pacific and Atlantic oceans.

Once he returned from active duty, Milwee was elected as superintendent of schools, a position he held until the late 1960s. During his tenure, Milwee oversaw the desegregation of public schools in Seminole County.

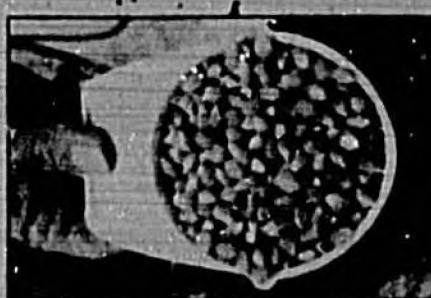
In 1967, Milwee was instrumental in founding Seminole Community College, the state's 23rd junior college. He served as the college's vice president for 20 years before his retirement.

"He was my husband's right hand man," said Weldon, whose husband, Earl, was founding president of Seminole Community College. "He was the most humble man I've ever known."

"My children adored him," she added. "He was like a grandfather figure to Steven and Janice. From our first day in Seminole County he made us feel like family. He was always there for us; I just can't say enough good things about him."

Family friend and Seminole Community College Professor

Making money one POP! at a time



Wicklow Elementary School fifth-grade teaching assistant Lisa Borows Friday makes popcorn for a class fundraiser. The fifth-graders have already raised \$1,200 for an end-of-the-year trip to Islands of Adventure.

Students learn about business while raising money for trip

By Michelle Jeria
Managing Editor

The smell of fifth-graders raising money filled the hallways Friday at Wicklow Elementary School.

The familiar fragrance emanated from a popcorn machine located in the school's main hallway. For more than two hours, students helped pop, stuff and deliver the light and fluffy snack to raise money for an upcoming field trip to Universal's Islands of Adventure.



Fifth-graders Charlton Irgang and Corey Chang count money earned during Friday's popcorn sales.

"Friday has become popcorn day at the school," Lisa Borows said. "This is our eighth week of selling it, and when people see me wheeling out the machine on Thursday, they know it's almost time for popcorn Friday."

Borows, a fifth-grade teaching assistant, is organizing the fund-raiser to help students save money. The original cost of the field trip was set at \$40, which includes transportation to and from the park, lunch and almost 12 hours of rides and entertainment.

"But, \$40 is still a lot of money for a field trip, so we wanted to lower it as much as we could," Borows said. "Now, as a result of the popcorn sale, the cost of the trip is \$30 for each student."

Each of the 130 fifth-graders is responsible for a certain aspect of the fund-raising enterprise. From advertising to accounting the students are realizing what it takes to become young entrepreneurs.

Janay Haynes' responsibility is bagging the popcorn. On Friday, she helped fill more than 500 paper sacks full of the snack.

"This has been a really fun fund-raiser, but I think it has also made us more

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For Crooms students, school serious business

By Sarah Scoles
Herald Intern

SANFORD — What do business suits, computer programs, and Dallas have in common? For seven students at Crooms Academy of Information Technology, they represent the opportunity of a lifetime.

Because of their recent awards at the state level, these students have been invited to attend the National Business Professionals of America competition in May.

"Our students continue to impress us with their determination and drive to succeed," said Connie Collins, principal of Crooms ACT. "In competitions like the Business Professionals of America, the students are not only demonstrating their academic knowledge but their abilities to apply concepts in practical situations."

In careers after graduation, students will surely go on to use the technological proficiency they gained while in the BPA.

The purpose of Business Professionals of America (BPA), as declared by the national organization, is "to contribute to the preparation of a world-class workforce through the advancement of leadership, citizenship, academic, and technological skills." The students at Crooms Academy have exemplified the success of these goals through their impressive rankings at the state competition.

The following students placed in their respective events and will advance to the national level: PC Servicing and Troubleshooting: Kevin Walsh (1st), Joshua Mendez (2nd); CISCO: Steven Schulz (1st), Matthew Clark (2nd), Curtis Hill (3rd); Advanced Word Processing: Yusuf Corley (4th); Information Technology Concepts: Ariel Poliak (3rd), Steven Schulz (4th), Matthew Clark (5th); Visual Basic: Ariel Poliak (1st) and \$1,000 scholarship.

These events required skills such as working with system design concepts, using VISUAL BASIC computer language, acting as a PC technician, performing fundamental network management tasks, and demonstrating advanced skills in document production and the information technology industry. Obviously, the members of the BPA at Crooms have mastered each of them.

The specific program in which Crooms ACT participated is named the Workplace Skills Assessment Program, an integral

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Commissioner Eckstein retires after 17 years

By Dan Ping
Editor

SANFORD — The torch was passed Tuesday night as Sanford City Commissioner Whitney Eckstein participated in his last official meeting, the swearing-in ceremony for his replacement and neighbor, Kevin Hipes.

Eckstein was first elected to the city commission in 1986 and distinguished himself by becoming, in his words, "the city's penny pincher." Almost any discussion of city business brought a warm-

ing from Eckstein to consider the fiscal impact of another new program or service.

"I know I was always saying that back in the '80s we did this or that, and I'm sure this commission wanted to hang me for it," Eckstein said.

Mayor Brady Lessard joked about Eckstein's reputation as a tightwad, but noted that his commitment to financial stability is a hallmark every elected official should have.

"You can dream all you want for a city, but at the end of the day,

the bottom line is you've got to have the money to pay for it," Lessard said.

Eckstein praised his fellow commissioners and said cooperation had been the hallmark of his years in public service.

"If I had to say anything that got me through these years is that I liked all of the city commissioners I worked with," Eckstein said. "You don't have to agree, but you should listen to each other. Don't get caught up in who gets the

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Commissioner Whitney Eckstein, left, shakes hands with Sanford's newest commissioner, Kevin Hipes, following a swearing-in ceremony held Monday.

Photo submitted to the Herald

SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

Big spender: So how tight with a buck is Whitey Eckstein? Ask the valet parking attendants in Anaheim.

Eckstein, who officially retired Tuesday as District 4 city commissioner after 17 years of service, traveled to California last fall to watch his son David play in the American League Championship for the Anaheim Angels. Upon his return to the Celery City, the former school teacher and world-class curmudgeon was greeted by Mayor Brady Lessard, who of course wanted to hear all the stories about being at the big games.

"Brady, you're not going to believe how expensive California is," was Eckstein's first response.

Lessard was surprised that money, not the Angels' march toward the World Series, was the topic of conversation and pressed for some examples. David's dad noted that valet parking was a bit pricey.

"Do you know you have to tip the guy when you drop off your car and when you pick it up?" Eckstein said incredulously.

"Whitey, how much could it cost to tip the valet guy?" Lessard inquired.

"Well, if you didn't make eye contact, you could get away with 50 cents," Eckstein advised.

Lessard said he's not sure if Eckstein is kidding. "I'm not sure I want to know."

Street talk: There's a new "media outlet" in town that is so exclusive you can't buy a subscription to it. Its mission is to publish "for the First Street Merchants who will be negatively impacted by the First Street Streetscape Project." In another words, it's Bill Kirchhoff's main source for news.

The publisher of this *Mini Mullet Wrapper* (as I call it) refuses to attach his, or her (but I doubt it), name to it, though my suspicion is that the person has a feral desire to express himself. I would also conclude that the publisher is a great lover of the ARTS and ENDS up writing a sassy little street sheet.

It's actually a fun read if you like that "Chicken Little" sort of thing where every attempt to make progress is proof that the sky is falling. For instance, to hear this tabloid sheet's publisher carry on, you'd think the city's plans to switch 1st Street from angled parking to parallel parking is the death toll for downtown.

Here's why parking is a smoke screen for those who argue against renovating 1st Street.

Whether there are 100 spaces or 50 spaces, parking on 1st Street is not an option if you plan to have a successful downtown. You want lots of people in downtown shopping and dining at our fine establishments? You're going to need a heck of a lot more than 100 parking spaces. The solution is a parking garage. So if we're building a parking garage to house all of these vehicles coming into downtown, why not build wider sidewalks so pedestrian traffic along 1st Street doesn't resemble a Mardi Gras-style group grope?

Furthermore, if there is true concern about parking for customers of 1st Street business, perhaps business owners, including the publisher of the *Mini Mullet Wrapper* (MMW), should refrain from parking in front of their own establishments.

Not all downtown merchants share the views expressed in the MMW (when said out loud it should be "Double M W"). In fact, a meeting with Pete Sechler, the city's engineering and design consultant, drew just four merchants. This was the meeting that Kirchhoff, president of Sanford Main Street, said all the merchants were demanding. Those attending said they represented the views of all the other merchants. That's an overstatement. Privately, some merchants desperately want the improvements made, while others just want to get it over with as quickly as possible. They don't speak up because they fear getting caught up in all the petty politics.

"I just want to run my business," said a downtown merchant who made me swear to withhold name, business and gender. "If I wanted to get involved in politics, I would have run for Congress."

Up all night: The good news for downtown merchants is that business is about to pick up. Yes, the television commercial commissioned some years ago by the Sanford Advertising Co-Op is finally going to pay dividends.

I caught it a few weeks ago when I couldn't sleep. Hoping that Channel 9's rebroadcast of its 11 p.m. newscast would do the trick, I saw the commercial at about 1:15 a.m. For those less media-savvy than the Sanford Advertising Co-Op, 1 to 4 a.m. is a key time slot to reach the always important insomniac demographic.

Any day now, Central Florida's sleep deprived community is going to converge on downtown to shop for antiques — if they don't fall asleep on the drive over.

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OUT & ABOUT

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Remote Area Medical (RAM) and the Seminole County Health Department are conducting a free medical, dental, and eye clinic today and Sunday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Seminole High School in Sanford.

Dental cleanings, fillings, extractions, PAP smears, mammograms, OB, birth control, diet education, eye exams, glasses, blood pressure, diabetes, cholesterol and HIV screenings will be provided. All services provided by volunteer physicians, dentists, optometrists, nurses, hygienists, dental assistants and other health care professionals.

The fourth annual Spring Fest and Earth Day will take place 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at Touhy Park and Sanford's Student Museum, located at 301 W. 7th St. The event will include musical entertainment, vendors, exhibits, food, a student art festival, contests and tree give-aways. Rain date is Sunday. For more information, call 407-330-5688.

The Casselberry Spring Egg Hunt will take place 10 a.m. until noon today at Secret Lake Park, 200 N. Triplet Lake Drive, in Casselberry. Groups of 0-3 year olds, 4-8 year olds and 9-12 year olds will search for 16,000 eggs. The event also features live music by Creig Camacho and the Caribbean Crew, games, pony rides and clowns. An autograph session will include the Orlando Predators, Prowler Dancers, Sealvester, Orlando Seals' mascot, and Knightro. UCF mascot, Ures, admission. For more information, call 407-262-7720, ext. 1304.

Midway Elementary School of Performing Arts will host its annual Spring Carnival 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. today at the school, located at 2251 Jitway Ave., in Sanford. Activities will include a Rock n Roll Ride, obstacle course, moonwalk, dunking booth, games, cake walk, lots of food, prize drawings throughout the day and performances from some of the children in the community.

Sanford Youth Football Association (SYFA) will host a spring fashion and talent show from 5 until 8 p.m. today at the Sanford Boys and Girls Club, 919 Permission Ave.

Enjoy local talent, charming children's Easter fashions and elegant prom attire for a donation of \$5. All proceeds will benefit SYFA. Participants will also be eligible to win a prize at the end of the day.

Participating retailers include J.C. Penny's of Seminole Towne Center and Mr. Formal of Altamonte Springs.

For more information or to participate, call Mrs. Layton at 407-302-1688.

Seven step teams will compete during the Middle School Stomp Down Competition at 6 p.m. today at League Middle School, located at 1350 McNeil Road, in Altamonte Springs. For more information, call 407-320-1481.

Waiting in the Wings



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Performers wait patiently for their turn to entertain at Tajiri School of the Arts, located in the first public school in Sanford built in 1883. The performers were part of the "Sanford Out of the Dust" History Still/History Alive cultural tour.

Battery

• Donald Francis Lebau, 59, Orlando Drive, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Monday on Orlando Drive in Sanford. He was charged with aggravated battery (offender knew or should have known the victim was pregnant).

• Paul Brian Mulvehill, 44, Youngstown Parkway, Altamonte Springs, was arrested by Altamonte Springs police Monday at his home. He was charged with aggravated assault (domestic violence).

• Joshua Lee, 22, Cochran Road, Geneva, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Wednesday at Bush Boulevard in Sanford. He was charged with battery (on a law enforcement officer).

Multiple

• James Willis Napier, 42, West Seminole Boulevard, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday at his home. He was charged with hit and run (failure to remain at a crash involving injury).

• Reddick Pendleton, 20, Burrows Lane, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Thursday at the intersection of East 11th Street and Hickory Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis, driving with a suspended license, resisting an officer without violence and resisting an

Police Blotter

officer by refusing to stop when ordered.

• Melanie Tanya Griffin, 42, homeless, was arrested by Altamonte Springs police Thursday at East State Road 436 in Altamonte Springs. She was charged with trespass to a conveyance and loitering and prowling.

Other

• Joseph Carl Paschek, 40, Mullet Lake Park Road, Geneva, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Wednesday on Radio Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with trespass (after warning).

• Robert Kirk Reeve Jr., 26, Carrige Hill Drive, Casselberry, was stopped by Altamonte Springs police Wednesday on East Altamonte Drive in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with driving with a suspended or revoked license (knowingly).

• Jacqueline E. Little, 32, Little Pond Court, Orlando, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Wednesday at a school on East State Road 436 in Apopka. She was charged with trespass (failure to leave property upon order by custodian).

• Norald Cookley, 29, Chase Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday on Wyndham Crest Boulevard in Sanford. He was charged with trespass (after warning).

• Alexander Kinghorn, 26, Lorraine Drive, Altamonte Springs, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Wednesday on South Hunt Club Boulevard in Apopka. He was charged with probation violation.

• Morris Dean Cockman, 49, Seminole Avenue, Longwood, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Thursday on Lake Marion Drive in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with contempt of court (willful violation of domestic violence).

Drugs

• Melissa Anne Ayvaz, 21, Southeast Fallon Drive, Port St. Lucie, was stopped by Altamonte Springs police Wednesday on East Altamonte Drive in Altamonte Springs. She was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis.

• Robert Allen Ramage, 23, Camellia Avenue, Altamonte Springs, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Thursday at the intersection of State Road 434 and Montgomery Road in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis and possession of narcotic equipment.

Injunction

DUIs

• Michael Ray Lyda, 40, Vienna Drive, Casselberry, was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Tuesday on Hidden Pines Court in Casselberry. He was charged with DUI and driving with suspended license. According to the police report, both are his first such convictions.

• Barbara Jean McNeil, 38, Crooked Pine Drive, Sanford, was stopped by Winter Springs police Wednesday at the intersection of Edgemont and Murphy. She was charged with DUI.

• Antonio Ortiz, 25, Zavatt Street, Inwood, N.Y., was arrested by Oviedo police Wednesday at an accident scene at the intersection of Mitchell Hammock Road and State 434. He was charged with DUI.

Theft

• Jose Luis Choez-Ramirez, 52, Forest Avenue, Ridgewood, N.Y., was arrested by Oviedo police Wednesday at a department store at Oviedo Marketplace on Oviedo Marketplace Boulevard in Oviedo. He was charged with retail theft.

• Robert Shayne Beatty, 34, homeless, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday at the intersection of 10th Street and Maple Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with two counts of burglary of a structure (unarmed without a person inside) and larceny (petty).

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OPINION

Flag waving

Let's stay united even after all the statues fall

It's like the days immediately following the Dec. 7 attack by the Japanese on Pearl Harbor. I don't believe I have ever seen the country as gung-ho as they were then that statue of Saddam Hussein came down in downtown Baghdad on Wednesday.

Yes, it was a lift to the people of Iraq who knew of Saddam's brutality to the citizens, but probably even more, it was a lift to the people of the United States who saw this as a symbol of the end of Hussein's rule.

New reports even tell us the Democrats and Republicans in Washington are hailing the event with a new feeling of unity. The support of President Bush has sky-rocketed to a much higher level.

People with service men and women serving in the Iraqi area are elated that a member of their family made a direct blow to Saddam. Did you see the faces of the two families whose sons died that line around the Saddam statue? (They were extensively interviewed on television). They were as proud as the family of the men who raised that flag on Iwo Jima in the Pacific area of World War II.

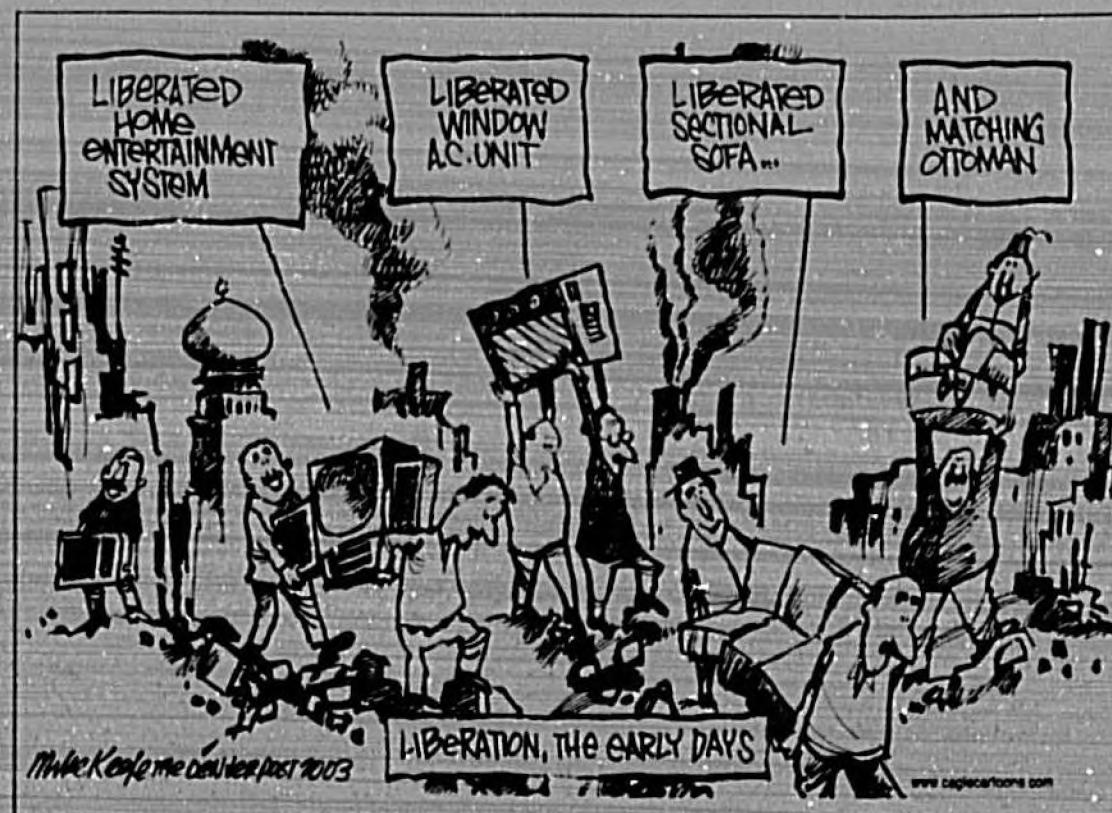
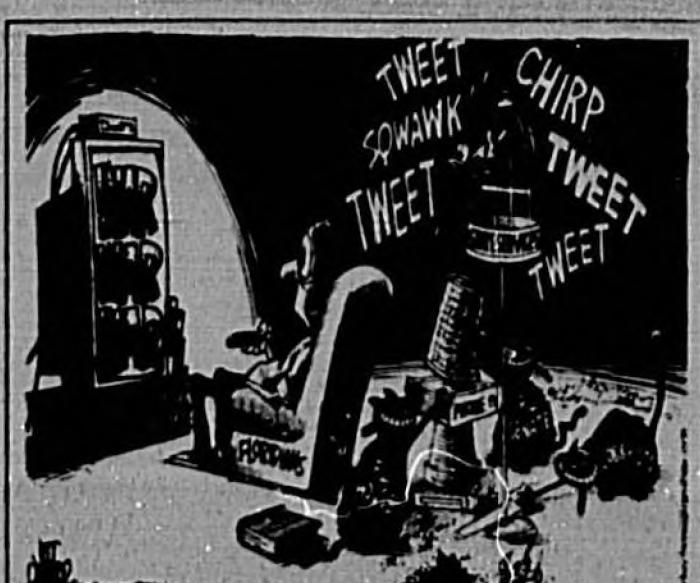
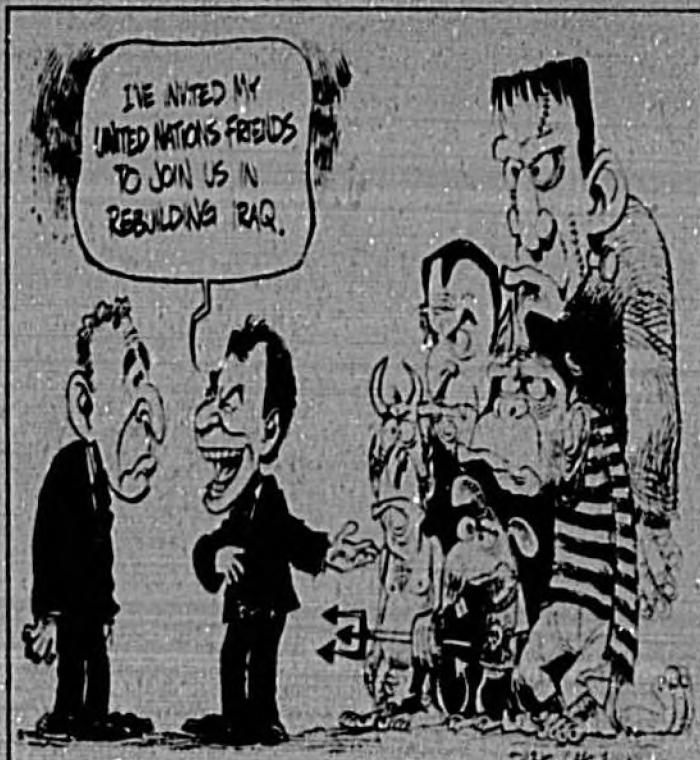
Even people who knew their offspring were in the same detachment or brigade as those who did this were as proud as punch. Watching the news probably more than the average, I was elated to hear one of the government officials comment that this statue dropping was an historic occasion. "It's much more than the doom and gloom predicted by those retired generals who house themselves in TV stations," he said.

For those who don't remember the unity we had right after Pearl Harbor, we can give a similar comparison to the feeling we all had right after the disaster of 9/11 in New York City.

It is my hope, and I feel certain the hope of most Americans, that we can continue to be a unified nation, supporting our military and our government. We may not agree to everything coming out of Washington, but this is OUR nation. They are OUR sons, daughters, husbands, wives, relatives, neighbors or friends.

If you think this is a flag-waving column — you are ABSOLUTELY correct.

And keep in mind, while we are Americans, we are residents of the UNITED States. Let's keep it that way.



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Who defines what is and what is not patriotic?

There was a photograph of the memorial in an Allied military cemetery near Calais, France, on the front page of The Washington Times last Friday morning. You may have seen it in other papers. Somebody spray-painted across the front of it in red, in French that translates as: "Dig up your trash, it's soiling our land."

There was also a swastika, the names of President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair, and the line, "Death to the Yankees." I almost threw up.

Living in France during the 1980s, I walked many of those cemeteries and was moved beyond words each time. There are 60,486 Americans in military graves in France — young men who came there in World War I and again in World War II to protect and liberate the people of that country. Except for the most famous of the 11 American cemeteries, the one above Omaha Beach where we landed on D-Day, June 6, 1944, few people come to see them — partic-

ularly the oldest ones, from World War I.

Once while I was walking through one of them, west of Paris in the valley of the Marne, where no one had signed in the guest book for several days, I said to my wife: "It's amazing that so few people come. You would think their children or grandchildren..."

"They never had children," she said. "That's what war does."

It was impossible not to cry that day, reading names the same as the ones I knew where I grew up, in Jersey City. I was proud of that, and of what those men forever young did there. Is that what patriotism is? It is certainly not patriotism to the dozens of people who write each day to accuse me of treason or mental illness because I oppose the war in Iraq.

(The vicious graffiti discovered last week at the Epelles Cemetery with the graves of 10,744 soldiers from the British Commonwealth, also included the line: "Saddam

will triumph and spill your blood.")

The United States is a hyper-patriotic country and always has been, probably because it was created in reaction to the sins and corruptions of an older place, Europe. A shining city on a hill, we would be. And we are in many ways, the best in the world.

"Nothing is more annoying in the ordinary intercourse of life than this irritable patriotism of the Americans," Alexis de Tocqueville wrote in his notebook in 1831, when he was in Albany, N.Y., collecting material for his classic, "Democracy in America." "A foreigner will gladly agree to praise much in their country, but he would like to be allowed to criticize something, and that he is absolutely refused."

The night before I saw the picture of Epelles, we went to see the Chris Rock movie, "Head of State." The funniest bit, which is not saying a lot, was a foolish vice president who ended every speech and appearance by saying, "God Bless America! And no place else!"

A man of the times. He could pour French wine down the drain,

chomp freedom fries and then call Peter Arnett a traitor, as Fox News does. He could read David Frum's cover story in the current National Review, which lists "Unpatriotic Conservatives — A War on America." One of those listed is Pat Buchanan.

Maybe that's because Buchanan is anti-immigrant. One of the more interesting stories to come out of this war is the fact that so many of the men and women in American uniforms in Iraq are not American citizens. There are more than 31,000 green-card holders (legal immigrants), most from Mexico and the Philippines, on active duty now, many hoping to move up the date they can become naturalized citizens.

They want to be a patriotic part of a great country. They are doing their duty to become citizens. Some of us think we are doing our duty by understanding that we have the right and the responsibility to analyze and criticize the actions of our government, in the hope of making the United States an even better place.

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Tides of cultural change may yet reach fairways of Augusta

America's newest hero is the petite Pfc. Jessica Lynch, who was rescued from behind enemy lines on April 2. Private Lynch,

who may have engaged Iraqi troops in a firefight before being captured, is one of the valiant women warriors helping to erode the strictures against allowing women in combat.

But Jessica's heroes mean nothing to the impious William "Hootie" Johnson, who runs his own little tyranny in the conservative east Georgia city of Augusta. His exclusive club, Augusta National, will not abide incursions by women members — no matter their courage, honor, stature or wealth. While the Army, the Navy, the Air Force and the Marines have given up the old-fashioned notion that placing women alongside men would erode discipline and hurt morale, the snooty Hootie has not.

Johnson runs the club as his predecessors did — with an iron fist, brooking no dissent, rarely admitting error (Johnson did, however, reverse an earlier edict that would

have stripped all Masters champions of a lifetime right to play in the tournament). But that reversal may have arisen from Johnson's natural sympathy toward his AARP contemporaries.)

Just last month, Johnson lambasted Gov. Sonny Perdue for suggesting that it would be logical to include women — even though the governor also went out of his way to express a modicum of sympathy for Johnson's defiance.

"From what I'm hearing, they want to do the right thing," Perdue told an Atlanta Journal-Constitution reporter. "They just feel a little trapped. I think there can be some argument made for not doing it at the point of some ... figurative bayonet."

I think everyone at some point would like to see (the club admit women), Perdue added.

The governor, by the way, hardly has a reputation as a crusading progressive. He also knows something about feeling trapped. After all, he is still mired in a foolish campaign

pledge to allow Georgians to vote on the return of a recently retired state flag, which prominently features the Confederate battle emblem, a divisive symbol that especially galls black Georgians.

Johnson insists that his club, as a private group, has every legal right to exclude women. As a strictly legal matter, he is probably right. But it is a curious policy, nevertheless, especially at a time when at least one other female soldier, Army Specialist Shoshana Johnson, is still being held as a prisoner of war. Condoleezza Rice advises President Bush on national security, and 14 women serve in the U.S. Senate, surely the most exclusive club in the nation.

But Johnson's defenders insist, the members of Augusta National are entitled to their privacy, one of the most important privileges of a free society. OK, I'll buy that. But it still seems an odd view of privacy. What could the boys be up to that they must hide from the likes of the handful of women who would be eligible to join — Supreme Court justices, CEOs of Fortune 500 companies, U.S. senators?

Does Johnson think women

would recoil from cigar smoke or agitate for facials and manicures? That they'll try to change the color of that garish green jacket?

Johnson and his supporters point to polls, which they claim show that most Americans support their implicit policy of gender segregation. Actually, they're wrong. A poll that Johnson commissioned supports his view, but independent polls commissioned by news organizations show that Americans are evenly divided over Augusta's exclusionary practice, with women more likely than men to support change.

Besides, Johnson ought to know better than to rely on polls for moral clarity. As a man who enjoyed a reputation as a progressive on racial matters earlier in his career, Johnson knows perfectly well that public sentiment is no guide for a man trying to do the right thing.

No matter what polls may show, Augusta National is wrong to exclude women from its membership. It's as simple as that.

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On the Street

The Herald asks people what they think ...



Coverage of the war in Iraq has been 24/7 since U.S. troops began moving into the country three weeks ago. We asked people what they think of the media coverage of the war.

It's been good — but I think it's also been too much. They have made it like a war on a computer game, and I wonder about the effect it will have on children.
Paula Marcinak
Geneva

Some of them have presented a balanced view, while some of them have not. Some of it I don't watch because of the slanted opinions.
Pat Vinson
Geneva

I think it's overdone, but I've been glued to the television. It's been such an over saturation, you can't help but be glued to the television.
Nancy Anderson
Geneva

I think overall it's been fairly good. But, sometimes they've presumed too much. They don't need to discuss things until they get all the facts.
Nancy Anderson
Geneva

I think they have told things too far ahead of time and given out too much information, which could have helped Iraq intelligence.
Olive Babbitt
Oviedo

Popcorn

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responsible," Haynes said. "We all have a job to do, and we are learning about business. When we are older and have a job, what we learn now will help us out."



Jaynay Haynes holds up a bucket of popcorn she is getting ready to pour into bags so it can be distributed to other students at Wicklow Elementary.

Drowning

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ments of where the person was last seen and underwater currents. Then, they go underneath the water and search the area."

According to area residents, the lake is only 4 feet deep in most areas, but there is a hole that reaches 12 to 17 feet.

"That is complicating things a little," said Olson.

Crooms

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part of Business Professionals of America. It was created to provide business students with the opportunity to demonstrate skills learned in business education curriculums. Because of Crooms' information technology focus, the aims of the school and the BPA are perfectly in line.

The motto that guides the philosophy of the organization is "We are met in the spirit of friendship and goodwill as we prepare for productive lives in business and office careers. We work together to develop professionalism and leadership through Business Professionals of America and pledge our loyalty to our nation."

Further explicating the aims of the club, the BPA website broke down each part of the name. "Business—the field for which we prepare our students, emphasizes that we educate our members to work efficiently, not only in an office setting, but also in a wide variety of business situations. Professionals—our students indicate they join to take advantage of a wide variety of professional development opportunities.

Milwee

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Stephen Wright first met Milwee in 1964 as a senior at Crooms High School.

"Mr. R.T. Milwee was a brilliant man who was generous and firmly compassionate," said Wright, who teaches English and creative writing. "He was a humanitarian, gifted with sound vision."

He shared his wisdom with me, as he did with many others, he added. "I am honored that he called me friend."

In recognition of Milwee and his devotion to education in Seminole County, when Lyman High School became a middle school in 1973 the community renamed it R.T. Milwee Middle School.

During his years of retirement, Milwee enjoyed traveling and spending time on the English

Borows couldn't agree more. "They are doing a great job, and they are learning all aspects of business," Borows said. "They are learning to work together, and they are

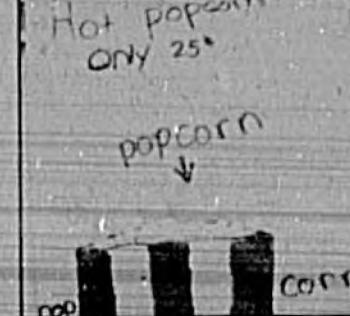
having a good time doing it."

Orders for the popcorn are taken during morning roll call and then given to Borows, who begins popping the corn around 9 a.m. The fifth-graders, who use their "special area" time for the fund-raiser, begin counting money, filling orders and delivering their product by 9:30 a.m. Around lunchtime, the popcorn machine is ready to be cleaned up and put away for another week.

Each bag of popcorn costs 25 cents. As of Friday, the fifth-graders had raised more than \$1,200. With two weeks left, they have almost reached their goal of \$1,500. Since the school's PTA has provided the supplies needed for the fund-raiser, everything the students earn is profit.

Borows said there probably will be money from the fund-raiser not used for the field trip, which will be used to benefit the entire student body.

"It will go back to the school in



some way," she said. "It might be used for a party, gift to the school from the fifth-graders."

As for the students, including Janay, they are just looking forward to their end-of-the-year field trip.

"I can't wait to ride the Hulls because it's the most twisty of the rollercoasters," Janay said. "But, mostly, I think it's going to be fun because we can spend the day together one last time before school gets out."

Lake Mary Fire Department's CERT class begins Wednesday

From Staff Reports

Are you prepared for a hurricane or other type of disaster? If you had to stop and think of your answer then you should contact the Lake Mary Fire Department to find out how you can get better prepared. On April 16, the fire department will host their next CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) course.

The CERT program provides information regarding disaster awareness and preparedness, rescuer safety, basic emergency medical skills and search and rescue techniques. The course is designed to provide citizens with the basic knowledge and skills needed to assist themselves, their neighbors and emergency responders after a disaster. The information provided is applicable to both nat-

ural and man-made disasters as well as to everyday situations.

Working under pressure, working as a team, utilizing your available resources and creative thinking are emphasized throughout the course.

If you'd like to get involved in your community or have several members of your neighborhood or business interested in the program, contact Wendy Benton at the Lake Mary Fire Department, 407-333-8207 or wbenton@lakemaryfl.com. The next class starts Wednesday, April 16, and runs through June 11.

The program is an eight-week course consisting of one 2 1/2 hour class each week.

The program is offered at no cost to Lake Mary residents and business members. Class space is limited, so sign up early and get prepared.

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Eckstein

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credit."

Eckstein also thanked the city's department heads for their service to the city.

"If I made any of you angry, I apologize," Eckstein said. "I always tried to put your interests first, but sometimes you have to make decisions and have to do what is right for the city."

Hipes, who replaces Eckstein as District 4 commissioner, is an able replacement, Eckstein said.

"If I'm stranded on an island, I want to be on it with the world's best boat builder," he said. "Kevin is a boat builder."

Following the swearing-in ceremony by City Clerk Jan Dougherty, Hipes thanked

Eckstein for his comments.

"I take this role very seriously, and I'll do my best to be a good city commissioner," Hipes said. "I want you to know how much I appreciate the advice you have given me in the past. These are big shoes to fill. I've got a long road ahead of me, and I do appreciate your support."

"This is the end of my public life," said Eckstein, who is the father of David Eckstein, starting shortstop for the World Champion Anaheim Angels. "I'm now known as David's dad, although right now he's hitting .145. If he doesn't get a hit tonight, I'm going to be known as David's dad in the minor leagues."

Community Notes

Behind the Scenes with American Idol

Coca-Cola's "Behind the Scenes with American Idol" will take place 1 to 5 p.m. Sunday at Seminole Towne Center, Center Court, in Sanford. The event will feature former American Idol finalists, karaoke, prizes and photo opportunities.

Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club

Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club will meet at 9:30 a.m. Monday at the Community Center, Fox Valley Drive, in Longwood, for a brief meeting prior to a Watercolor Garden Party at the Bradley McIntyre House in Longwood. Pat Janes will instruct on the process of painting a Mandala. Also, lunch from Panera Bread will be served. Cost is \$8.50 with materials at \$5. New and prospective members are welcome. Please make reservations by calling Pat at 407-461-0981.

Seminole County Sheriff's Office Assessment

As part of the on-site assessment by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc., members of the community are invited to offer comments at a public information session at 7 p.m. Monday at the Sheriff's Office Community Room, 100 Bush Blvd., in Sanford. The agency will examine all aspects of the Seminole County Sheriff's Office's policies and procedures, management, operations and support services. If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to comment, call 407-665-6947 between the hours of 1-5 p.m. Tuesday.

Income Tax Assistance

Tax-Aide volunteers, sponsored by AARP and trained/certified by the IRS, will provide free income tax assistance now through Tuesday at 20 locations in Seminole and Orange counties. Locally, the service is available noon to 4 p.m. Tuesdays at the Seminole County Library, West Branch, 245 Hunt Club Blvd., Longwood. For information, please call 407-628-4381.

Lyman High School Dedication

After several years of construction, the campus at Lyman High School, located at 865 S. CR 427 in Longwood, is nearing completion. A dedication ceremony for the new facilities will be held Tuesday, in the courtyard at the school. A town meeting will begin at 6 p.m. in the auditorium and the dedication will follow at 6:30 p.m. Featured entertainment includes the award-winning Lyman jazz band, drama, chorus, dance and ROIC programs. Food and beverages will be served and tours of the new facilities will be conducted. For more information, call 407-320-2050.

Support Our Troops

American Legion Post No. 53 will sponsor a support group for military families and friends at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the American Legion, 2874 Sanford Ave., in Sanford. Everyone is welcome. The meeting will feature counselors, resources, group discussions and networking.

Florida Trail Association

The Florida Trail Association (FTA) will feature a 4-mile hike at 8 a.m. April 19 in Brickyard Slough, from the Water Management area to the St. Johns River on a loop trail. Bring water, snacks and sun screen. Meet at 8 a.m. at Oviedo Mall in front of Target.

Easter Egg Hunt

The Sanford Recreation Department will hold its annual Easter Eggstravaganza at 9:30 a.m. April 19 at Lev P. Moore Park, located on Sweet Bay Drive in the Hidden Lake subdivision. Children ages 12 and under can hunt for more than 3,000 eggs. Prizes will be given to participants who find the "golden" eggs. Come and enjoy face painting and a moonwalk. Bring your Easter baskets. For more information, please call 407-330-5697.

Earth Day Fair

Mount Dora's Earth Day Fair will be held 10 a.m.-5 p.m. April 19 at Main Street Festival Park, located at the corner of Fifth and

McDonald streets, in downtown Mount Dora. For more information, please call 352-735-0334.

Bluegrass Pick-In

The city of Longwood is holding its monthly bluegrass pick-in 6 to 10 p.m. April 19 at the Longwood Community Building, located at 200 W. Warren Ave. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the music, bring strings and join in. Refreshments will be available, and no alcoholic beverages are allowed. For more information, call 407-260-3447.

2003 Battle of the Bands

The City of Altamonte Springs T.O.P.S. team will present the 2003 Battle of the Bands noon to 8 p.m. April 19 at Cranes Roost Park in Altamonte Springs. The winner will receive a one-day recording session at Greg Rike Productions. All genres welcome. Fifty percent of each band must be high school students and present a valid school ID card. For more information or to receive a participant package, contact Jason Marsick at 407-571-8781.

Torch Run

The 2003 Torch Run for Special Olympics will be held April 21 in Seminole County. The course is U.S. Highway 17-92 from the Orange/Seminole

county line north to the rear of Sanford City Hall. The run will begin shortly after 9 a.m. The purpose of the Torch Run is to raise money and awareness for Special Olympians. Torch Run T-shirts and ball caps will also be

on sale during the events. For more information, call 407-667-6670.

CLEA Class

Class 29 of the Community Law Enforcement Academy

begins at 6:30 p.m. April 23 at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. The 14-week course will include hands-on scenario-based training, in which the entire class observes and participates. To be eligible you must live or work in Seminole County, be at least 19 years old, possess a valid Florida driver's license, not be a convicted felon, and file an application with the sheriff's office. If interested, call Pete Robinson at 407-665-6741.

Seminole County Public Schools

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Sanford City Commission Agenda for 4-13-03

- Sanford City Hall**
300 North Park Avenue
- Joint Work Session with Sanford Redevelopment Agency**
3:30 to 4:45 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, First Floor
- Presentation of First Street Plan by Staff and Consultants
- WORK SESSION**
5 p.m. or as soon thereafter as possible, in the City Commission Chambers, First Floor
- Presentation to Employee of the Month for April 2003.
 - Discussion re: electoral process enhancements.
 - Discussion re: moratorium on multiple family developments and preparation of Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulation Amendments affecting multiple family developments.
 - Discussion re: selection process for the position of City Manager.
 - Discussion of Regular Agenda Items: Add-On Items, and Other Items.
 - Mayor's briefing.
 - Interim City Manager's briefing.
 - Second May Regular Meeting date, (C-1)
- REGULAR MEETING**
7 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, First Floor
- Approval of Minutes March 24, 2003 Work Session and Regular Meeting Recommended by the City Clerk and the Interim City Manager.
- Consent Agenda**
- Se second May Regular Meeting date as discussed in Work Session. Recommended by the Interim City Manager. (WS-7.A.)
 - Approve water service to property outside the City at 2585 Cameron Avenue, with owner to pay all fees; and authorize the City Clerk to record the Annexation Petition; and to consider annexing the property when it becomes annexable. Todd and Shirley Driscoll, owners. Recommended by the Interim City Manager.
- Public Hearings**
- Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 3778 to amend City Code, Chapter 9, pertaining to Fire Prevention and Safety. Recommended by the Fire Chief and the Interim City Manager. This item was tabled at March 24, 2003 meeting. Ad published April 2, 2003.
 - Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 3779 to rezone 8.577 acres of property lying between Narcissus Avenue and W. S.R. 46 and between Rand Yard Road and N. Kennel Road
- City Manager**
- Authorize purchase of RecTrac computer software, training and maintenance for the Recreation and Parks Department, in the amount of \$12,790. Recommended by the Interim City Manager; funds available in account number 001-5501-572-64-08 and 001-5501-572-40-01.
 - Award contract to Aagaard-McNary Construction, Inc. and Janus Building Corp. for the Department of Community Affairs funded Residential Construction Mitigation Project (RCMP), in an amount not to exceed \$55,000. funds awarded by DCA Recommended by the Interim City Manager.
 - Award contract to Aagaard-McNary Construction, Inc. for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funded 13th Street Facade Project, in an amount not to exceed \$65,000. Recommended by the Interim City Manager.
 - Award contract to Brothers Keepers, Inc. for the Pinecrest Wall Neighborhood Improvement Project, in an amount not to exceed \$14,200. Recommended by the Interim City Manager.
 - Approve sale of Fire Department's old self contained breathing apparatus that have been replaced with new SCBA, to Seminole Community College Fire Training Program at a cost per unit of \$400 for 15 to 20 SCBA, to include cylinders; and waive sealed bid process. Recommended by the Interim City Manager.
- (3290 W. S.R. 46)(Hudson Furniture) from GC-2, General Commercial, RI-1, Restricted Industrial, and AG, Agricultural, to PD, Planned Development, and approve Development Order No. 03-0002. Fred C. Hudson, III and Catherine J. Hudson, Trustees; Mitch Collins, P.E., Inc. applicant. Recommended by the Interim City Manager. Ad published March 26 and April 2, 2003.**
- Planning and Community Development Director and Interim City Manager recommend demolition after 30 days.**
- Board appointments
 - Nuisance Abatement Board: The terms of Oscar Redden, Jr., Robert J. Kinney, and Sharonda Wynn expired March 7, 2003. Each member has been contacted and wishes to be reappointed. NEED TO (1) confirm or deny the appointment of Sharonda Wynn (currently an alternate) as a regular board member or appoint new board member pending receipt of new application(s); (2) confirm the appointment of Oscar Redden, Jr. (currently a regular board member) as an alternate or continue the vacancy; (3) reappoint Robert J. Kinney or appoint new board member pending receipt of new application(s). There are no applications on file for this board.
 - Presentation of the City Financial Budget Update
 - Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Pemberton (FBS) Industrial Subdivision. Director of Planning and Community Development and Interim City Manager recommend this item be tabled to meeting of April 28, 2003, per applicant's request. This item was tabled on March 24, 2003.
 - Approve Final Plat for Venetian Bay, a 92-lot single family residential subdivision located at 2385 W. Seminole Boulevard based on consistency with the approved Preliminary Subdivision Plan and compliance with Chapter 177 of State Statutes, and subject to compliance with Development Order No. 01-0019. Recommended by the Director of Planning and Community Development, Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Interim City Manager.
 - Approve request for "Elks Parade" event to be held on City property and streets (El-Mellon Park) from 11:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M., Saturday, May 17, 2003 (event is a total of one hour); and
- Development, Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Interim City Manager.**
- Approve Final Plat for Baker's Crossing Phase II, the remaining 139 lots of a 243-lot single family residential subdivision located at 4045 Sanford Avenue, based on consistency with the approved Preliminary Subdivision Plan and compliance with Chapter 177 of State Statutes, subject to conditions. Recommended by the Director of Planning and Community Development, Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Interim City Manager.**
- Approve Final Plat for Magnolia Park, a 170-lot single family residential subdivision located at 3801 Mellonville Avenue, based on consistency with the approved Preliminary Subdivision Plan and compliance with Chapter 177 of State Statutes, and subject to compliance with Development Order No. 01-0019. Recommended by the Director of Planning and Community Development, Planning and Zoning Commission, and the Interim City Manager.**
- ADVICE TO THE PUBLIC: IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL A DECISION MADE WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THE ABOVE MEETING OR HEARING HE MAY NEED A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE WHICH RECORD IS NOT PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF SANFORD. (FS. 286.0105)**
- PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF THESE PROCEEDINGS SHOULD CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE ADA COORDINATOR AT 407-330-5626 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING**
- Add-on items**
• Information
• City Attorney's Report
• City Clerk's Report
• Interim City Manager's Report
• Citizen Participation
• City Commissioners' Reports

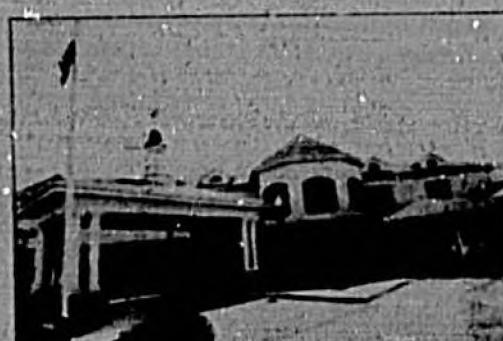
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The Way We Were: News from the Gate City

By Grace M. Stinecipher
Herald Correspondent

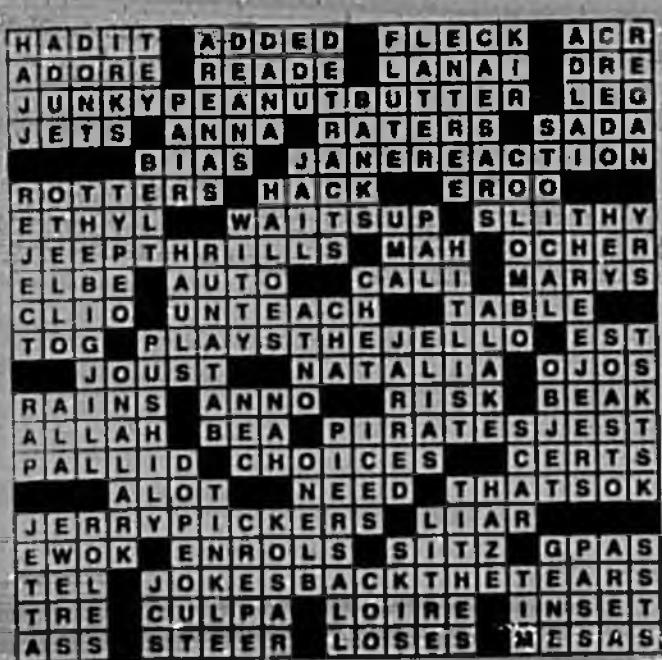
Here are some more items from the Nov. 8, 1897 edition of the Gate City Chronicle.

Literary Society Organized - The Seminole Literary Society has been organized at the Sanford High School. Every Friday afternoon is devoted to recitations, etc. The program for today includes a debate on the question "Resolved: That the United States should aid a freeing Cuba." Those on the affirmative side are Celia Ferguson, Nellie Cowan, Tom Appleyard and George Fox. The negatives are Lelia Cassil, Bessie Long, Robert Herdon and Harland Clark. Reciting will be Hilma Lindholm, May Vaughn and Nellie Gayle. Maud Doyle, Esther Murray and Nellie Evans will read original compositions.

Traveling Dealers Arrive - Parties arrived in Sanford Monday to make this their headquarters while selling stoves on the installment plan. We understand that prices are \$62 cash or \$69 on time. One of the parties in charge informed us they had put out over \$60 in Putnam County alone. Now we have no desire to injure anyone engaged in legitimate business, but we have three houses - George E. Fernald, W.J. Hill and Co., and Theo J. Miller - will do as well by you than itinerant vendors of goods in their line. If there is anything wrong with your purchase, they are on the ground - like the poor they are with us always - and you can have the matter straightened out to your satisfaction - and theirs. With these traveling dealers you distinctly agree that the face of the contract means what it says, and if you do not live up to it - no matter what it may be - and make your payments promptly, you lose what you put in.

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In and Around Sanford

- Preaching at the Congregational Church 11 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sacrament of the Lord's Supper after the morning service. Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Organization of pastor's Bible class next Sunday. A cordial invitation to all young people not attending another Sunday school at this hour to join the class. C.E. at 6:30 p.m.
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The Methodists held a social last Friday at the residence of Mr. J.J. Cowan in Fort Reid. The attendance was quite large, there being some 150 people present.

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Mr. A.E. Jameson has bought a place between Winter Park and Orlando and left on Tuesday. He said that his Sanford friends will know the place by the word "Hendra" (home) over the gate. The latch-string will always be on the outside.

It looks awfully suspicious. After fixing things up "in apple pie order", Mr. L.R. Phillips has purchased a north bound ticket and had it dated Saturday, so we understand. But where he's going and what he's going to do "we ain't agwine to tell."

Dr. Weaver jumped three deer within four miles of Trilby, but was too far to get a shot. He has arranged to place W.B. Higdon on a stand Monday morning where he expects to run three or four over him.

Mr. J.H. Cowan and J.M. Wynn spent Monday hunting in my neighborhood for quail, as the law was out.

The county surveyor was in our section yesterday looking over the proposed route for the clay road.

Mr. Frank Karel went to Orlando this week to attend the commissioners meeting.

Messrs. Madison and Robert Moye have gone to Slab City, near Oviedo, to spend a few weeks.

Quite a crowd of young people attended the League social at Mr. and Mrs. John Cowan's last Friday and a pleasant time was reported had by all.

Mr. J.D. Leeson brought into the city this week three fine wild turkeys killed by him Sunday. They were fine birds - two hens and a gobbler, sportsmen should know that this season is fairly alive with game of all kinds.

The upper St. Johns River teems with fish. You'll miss it if you fail to come to this city for

good hunting and fishing.

The meetings of the Methodist Church continue to increase in interest. The pastor is assisted by Rev. T.A. Harrison of Deland who will remain over Sunday and fill the pulpit morning and evening services every day except Sunday. Pastors and members of all other churches are invited to cooperate in the

meeting.

Jay Beck caught a fox Monday morning last, near the home of his father on Orange Heights. The dogs started and tried it about 5:30 a.m. and in a half-hour Reynard was captured as he jumped from a tree.

Firewood; all lengths, promptly furnished on order.

Calhoun and Braswell

• Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Secord were elected as delegates to the South Florida Conference of Congregational Churches to be held at Tavares, Tuesday, next.

• Miss Anne Appleyard has been requested to recite at the benefit given for Martha Reed Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, in Jacksonville next Wednesday night.

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Local author speaks to Sanford Historical Society

By Grace M. Stinecipher
Herald Correspondent

Christine Kirshaw Best, author of the Sanford Historical Society's recently published book "The History of Fort Mellon," presented the program at the recent society meeting held at the Sanford Museum.

She explained that Camp Monroe was established December 1836 during the second Seminole War (1835-42). The name was changed to Fort Mellon following the death of Captain Charles Mellon during the Feb. 8, 1837 battle with the Seminole Indians.

Fort Mellon was in existence for seven years, with 700-800 men there during that time. Their uniforms consisted of heavy wool which were very unsuitable to the climate. Inside the fort were among other things, horses, a commissary, stables and a bakery. Camped in the vicinity outside the fort were 200-300 Indians.

The approximate boundaries of the fort were Lake Monroe, Virginia Avenue,

Second Street and San Carlos Avenue. Some of the individuals associated with the fort that Christine gave information on were General Zachary Taylor, Col. William Worth, Col. A.C.W. Fanning, Col. David Twiggs and Aaron Jernigan. The book, which contains newly discovered material, is available for purchase at the Sanford Museum. During the business meeting, presided over by Jay Jacobs, several announcements and reports were made. The Society now has a web site and also access to the internet at the Sanford Museum. A new computer system has been purchased and a generous donor has made possible the purchase of a digital camera.

Volunteers were secured for the Spring Festival to be held in Touhy Park at the Student Museum on April 12. The Society will give out information on the Society and the Sanford Museum in addition to selling their books and other items.

Mona Walker, Sunshine Chairman, announced that longtime member Buddy lake was deceased, and the group was made aware of several members who were ill. Society membership was presently 130 with 12 new 2003 members. Members were encouraged to attend the dedication of the Vigilante Memorial at the former Sanford Naval Air Station on May 30 at 10:00 a.m. A report was given on the recent special program on P.T. Barnum given by Marian O'Keefe of Derby, Ct. Barnum had been from that area and Ms. O'Keefe had enlightened the large group of his life. She was also able to give information on the early life of Henry Sanford who was born and raised in Derby. Ms. O'Keefe is the curator of the Derby Historical Society. Alicia Clarke, Sanford Museum curator, explained the work that she and the publications committee were doing in preparing for the publication of an Arcadia Publishing Co. book on Sanford. This will be a pictorial history



Local author Christine Kirshaw Best presents her book "The History of Fort Mellon" to Sanford Historical Society president Jay Jacobs.

beginning with Camp Monroe and Fort Mellon. The Museum has a large collection of photographs to draw from, including the Vincent Collection and a recent donation of several photos by Sophie Shoemaker. Arcadia is

SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS

Set Up A Cleaning Schedule With Neat-N-Tidy

By Adinah Greene
Herald Intern

In a residential home off of Palmetto Avenue resides a business that serves more than 2,000 customers. In her home office, Carol Blair runs Neat-N-Tidy, a cleaning business which has served Sanford for 18 years.

Prior to starting the business, Blair was a receptionist for various professionals. Many friends told her to start a cleaning business because of her fanaticism for cleanliness.

"People said I was a fanatic about cleaning and I was," Blair said. "So I just decided to open my own business. My husband and I invested our savings into it and it's exploded, thanks to Sanford and Lake Mary."

Neat-N-Tidy serves a large customer base in Sanford, Lake Mary, Heathrow, Alqua, Magnolia, DeBary, Deltona, Orange City and other surrounding areas. Their customers range from college students to seniors, residential homes to large businesses. Neat-N-Tidy works with customers to set up cleaning schedules that meet their needs. Some customers have daily service, others weekly, biweekly, and some even have monthly service. Neat-N-



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Tidy also cleans all the apartments for Lake Mary and also give the business a better reputation and more customers. Our rates are much more reasonable than most companies, Blair said. Other companies charge \$100 for a house and we do detailed cleaning like vacuuming the refrigerator and microwave.

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Briefs

SCC IN MOURNING
Seminole Community College Athletics and the Baseball program join friends and family members in mourning the death of Joe Howell, father to SCC third baseman John Michael Howell.

Mr. Howell died Tuesday, April 8, 2003, in Orlando from complications related to an ongoing illness. The funeral will be held today (Saturday, April 12th) at noon at Family Funeral Care, 7265 Red Ring Lake Road, Oviedo, FL 32765. Family members will be receiving friends at the same location from 10 a.m.-noon that same day.

In related news, the baseball team won an important game from Santa Fe Community College on Thursday and now stands 33-13 overall and 14-5 in Mid-Florida Conference play. The team is scheduled to play at home on Tuesday against St. Johns River Community College starting at 3 p.m.

The softball team also picked up a pair of important conference wins on Thursday as the Raiders swept Florida Community College of Jacksonville to improve to 40-10 overall and 14-7 in the M-FC. The team is scheduled to play its final home games of the regular season next Thursday (April 17th) also against St. Johns, in a doubleheader starting at 2:30 p.m.

Admission to all home games are free and a recap of the games will appear in the Herald next week.

GUARDIANS TO PLAY FINAL HOME GAME

The Orlando Guardians, a member of the National Public Safety Football League composed of certified Police, Firemen, and Correction Officers, will play their final home game today (Saturday) at 7 p.m. at Lake Brantley High School against the Dallas-Ft. Worth Panthers.

The gamers being called the "Kids House Classic" with all monies collected being donated to the Kids House of Seminole for abused and battered women and children.

SOCER MADE FUN

Soccer Made Fun is taking sign-ups now for boys and girls grades kindergarten through 7 years old for its Spring Break Camp.

The camp will be held this Monday (April 14) through Friday from 9 a.m. to noon at Lake Highland Prep in Orlando.

The cost is \$85 per player. For information go to www.utisoccer.com or Call 407-772-7782.

PRO WAKEBOARDING IN ALTAMONTE

The MasterCraft Pro Wakeboard Tour, presented by Chevy, Trucks & GM Vortex engines, will attract professional wakeboarders from around the world to Cranes Roost in Altamonte Springs this weekend (April 12 & 13).

Top names such as Darren Shapira, Parks Bonifay & Shaun Murray will entertain the crowd. The Pro Wakeboard Tour has spawned such competitions as the X Games & Gravity Games where the top pro riders make regular appearances.

Altamonte Springs is honored to be the first stop on this exciting tour. During the competition, which will be aired on ESPN, wakeboarders will do flips, spins and other acrobatic stunts in the water.

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Sports

Local coaches make the news

Shafer, Kohn in headlines; Oviedo boys win at Optimist

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — Unlike college and professional sports, it's not very often that you hear a lot about high school coaches. It is almost always the players that get the headlines.

But this week has seen a pair of Seminole Athletic Conference coaches whose names in ink.

Bryan Shafer has changed his mind regarding the head football coaches position at Apopka.

On the other side of town, Stater, 41, has been named coach at Lake Howell High School. The new coach is a former defensive end who graduated from Lake and the blue.

Both coaches were voted into the Class 4A Hall of Fame.

Then on Thursday, veteran Lake Howell High School head basketball coach Steve Kohn was voted the runner-up for the Florida Daily Farmers Coach of the Year.

Mark Lieberman, who led Miami Park to the Class 3A state title, was voted

Coach of the Year by a 132-106 margin over Kohn, who guided the Silver Hawks to their first ever appearance in the Class 5A State Final Four.

Mark Griseck of Gainesville P.K. Yonge was third, followed by Edgewater's Travis Jones, Steve Strand of Fort Lauderdale Aquinas, and Brad Giese of Colendale.

In a surprising boys' baller, 6-foot-8 senior forward Chris Richard of Lakeland Kathleen beat Edgewater junior Darius Washington 155-146 in Florida.

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K92FM Dugout Patrol to visit Chase

Special to the herald

SANFORD — Jolani and the K92FM Dugout Patrol will be paying a visit to Chase Park next Saturday (April 26).

Sponsored by The Orlando Rays at Disney's Wide World of Sports, the Patrol will give out cool K92FM prizes and take pictures that will appear on Jolani's Web Page on K92FM.com.

K92 will be at the 4-ball and Rookie League games from 8 a.m. until noon and all are welcome to attend.

The Cal Ripken Minor League (9-10 year olds) recently completed the first half of the season. Here are the results from the final games and the first half standings.

**APRIL 5
MINOR LEAGUE
(9 AND 10 YEAR OLDS)**

Field #2, in the first game of a doubleheader the Sanford Ace Hardware Angels beat the Elks Lodge Royals, 12-3.

Adam Tindell, Seth Creek and Kodi Schaffer led the Angels with two hits apiece. Julius Bender, Benaiyah Kimming and Matthew Votino also had base hits for the Angels.

For the Royals JJ Roberts had two base hits, while Alex Curtis stroked a double and Robin Hickman had a single.

In game two, which was a make up game from a previous rain out, the Angels won 12-6.

Seth Creek again picked up two base hits. Elijah Kimming and Brandon Bowes each lashed an RBI single. Matthew Votino hit safely as did Kodi Schaffer, who also had an RBI.

JJ Roberts' bat stayed hot for the Royals as he tipped two.

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Patriots ease past Tribe

Mier's pitching does in Seminole

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

SANFORD — Behind a strong pitching performance from senior Cassie Mier and some timely hitting, Lake Brantley defeated Seminole, 4-1, in a district softball game at the SHS Softball Complex Tuesday evening.

Mier only struck out two, but she also allowed only two hits, both in the same inning, as the Patriots pulled off a big victory.

Sophomore third baseman Nicole Hall flashed a brilliant glove on defense and led the Lake Brantley attack with a two-for-three game, while senior first baseman Jackie Phillips also had a pair of hits going two-for-four.

The Fighting Seminoles' only run came in the fourth inning when Beth Gase led off with a bunt single, stole second, and scored on a double over the left fielder's head by losing pitcher Jenny Abendroth.

Seminole did bounce back on Wednesday with an 8-0 victory over Lake Howell in a Seminole Athletic Conference contest.

Two players who have just joined the Fighting Seminoles varsity squad, Edleman and Joyce, led the way.

Edleman hurled a complete-game two-hitter, striking out 11, and also drove in two runs with a double.

Joyce, meanwhile, added a triple to the Tribe attack.

Lake Mary showed that it deserves its state ranking as the Rams edged past powerful See Softball, Page 12



Herald photos by Jim Wentz



Winning pitcher Cassie Mier (above) fires to first as teammate Nicole Hall, who went two-for-three at the plate, looks on during Lake Brantley's 4-1 victory over host Seminole Tuesday evening. Losing pitcher Jenny Abendroth (left) tried to help herself, getting the only Fighting Seminoles run home with a double, one of two hits the Tribe had all night against the slants of the Patriots senior. Things would be different in the next game for both teams, however, as Seminole would shutout Lake Howell and Lake Brantley would fall to state-ranked Lake Mary.

Swarthout sizzling for SCC

By Craig Johnson
Contributor to the Herald

SANTORD — At 8-10, the Seminole Community College softball team is off to a solid start this season.

On March 11, in a battle versus St. Johns River Community College, Badger pitcher Lacey Swarthout was 12-for-12.

On Saturday spring day, Swarthout pitched the greatest game of not only her life but in Seminole Community College's history, throwing a perfect game, striking out 17 and winning 11-0.

It was not the first time Swarthout put herself into the SCC record books, as she set six school records as a freshman, including wins 26, shutouts 12, and strikeouts with 222. Following the season, she was named a Junior College All-American.

Since then, she has broken more records as a sophomore and junior, by already breaking her school records for strikeouts, she now has 237 in 177.5 innings, and shutouts 14. Her record, 21-6, has taken a little beating of late as she has lost four of her last six decisions, but in one of the

losses she hurled a no-hitter only to lose 1-0, lost another game 1-0 and a third by a 3-0 score in which she did not allow an earned run. She has given up just 73 hits and has allowed only 17 runs, nine earned, while walking just 24. Her earned run average is a minuscule 0.36.

Born February 13, 1983, Swarthout is the younger of two children to Tom and Jackie Swarthout, in Orlando. She is not like most college softball players. She's special, so special that Randy Coach Courtney Miller said, "Watching Lacey pitch is almost surreal. You just know she is going to pitch a great game."

Swarthout began playing softball at the young age of eight in the Conway Little League, where she recalls being hit by a line drive that sent her to the hospital. But that was not enough to stop her as she went on to play on all-star teams from the age of 9 through 15.

From there she went on to become a star at Colonial High School, playing all four years on the varsity squad. Her most notable memory was being named the MVP of the high school tournament as well as being recruited by several

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Photo courtesy of Arch Johnson, The Herald

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Sunday
 April 13, 2003

LifeStyle

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Sanford Out of the Dust

Tour features historical sites in city's African-American community



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent



Pictured, top: Valada Flewellyn recites her poem, "The Mosquito of Seminole County." Above: The children perform during the recent tour. Pictured far right: In the front row are Faith Nathan, Ezrah Ishah Fisher and Davonna Hensley. In the back row are Angel Nathan, Deborah Curry, Kenya Moore and Harmon Watson, along with Tour Director Pat Whaley and Tajiri Arts Board Member John Simpson. At right: Thomas Flewellyn, chairman of the Tarn Board, speaks to the group during the recent tour.



From Staff Reports

Tajiri Arts, Inc., a Sanford after school program that teaches self-esteem through the performing arts, has announced the development of the "Sanford Out of the Dust: History Still /History Alive" tour. The tour was introduced to Seminole County Public School officials in a meeting held April 1 at the Tajiri facility.

The riding tour features historical sites in Sanford's African American community and makes stops for visitor walk-through. Among the unique features of the tour are recreations of past events by tour docents and storytellers. Tajiri students who are being taught tour information are also included as hosts and future docents. Organizers of the tour are deeply familiar with Sanford's African-American history and seek to retain the rich cultural contributions and locations of Sanford's African-American past.

School officials, including School Superintendent Paul Haggerty, were treated to both oral and video presentations regarding the tour and its stated objective of having the tour included in the school system's fourth-grade history curriculum noting the tour focuses on reading about, writing about and remembering important historical facts from Sanford and Seminole County's history.

Many of the school system's curriculum specialists were on hand to hear the presentations and take a sample tour that familiarized them with tour locations. School officials will be meeting to consider the addition of the tour to its curriculum. Operating out of Sanford's first public school building, "The Little Red Schoolhouse," at 519 Palmetto Ave. in the Historic District, the tour can be arranged by contacting Tour Director Patricia Whatley at 407-277-5558.

The "Sanford Out of the Dust" tour was established in 2000 by Tajiri Arts, Inc. as a method to maintain and educate the children (and adults) in the rich history of Sanford's African-American people, traditions and locations. Featuring a "narrator/storyteller," the tour takes the guests through Historic downtown Sanford, the Harris Nest, Hopper Academy and other significant African-American locations in Sanford. All tour locations are on national, state or local historic registries.



School Notes

Two Lake Brantley High School juniors have had an outstanding debate season so far this year. **Justin Zorn** and **Josh Weiss**.

Zorn's debate record includes the second place finish among 385 competitors at the Harvard National Congress; a fourth place finish at the Yale National Speech and Debate Tournament; a fourth place finish at the Crestian National Congress, and a sixth place

finish at Emory University's Barkley Forum for Speech and Debate. In February 2003 he won the Florida Forensic League's Varsity State Tournament and was thereby named the Florida State Champion in Student Congress. At the local level, he has received 1st place awards at Eastside High, Colonial High, Winter Springs High, and Trinity Prep debate tournaments. Zorn is currently ranked

fourth nationally in Student Congress. Weiss is the co-captain of his debate team. Through the course of the 2002-2003 school year, Josh won three straight local CFL tournaments and placed third and fourth in the other two. In addition, Josh finished second at the FFL Varsity State Tournament. Nationally, Josh has been a finalist at every tournament he has attended, including

Blue Key, Crestian, Emory, Yale, and Harvard. He began competing in Student Congress as a sophomore and hopes to continue his level of competition nationally as a senior.

On Saturday, Feb. 15, the Hamilton Elementary School SECME team participated in the SECME Regional Competition at the University of Central Florida. Hamilton Elementary SECME team

members worked hard to complete projects to enter in the Regional Competition. Members of the team are: Andrea Bell, Michaela Carrier, Ashely Freeman, Hannah Gardner, Zach Hinsley, Adrienne Hilsman, Ryan Hollie, Clyde Kinder, Olivia Kinder, Ebony Lewis, Alfrencia Perkins, Macario Rodriguez, Marco Rodriguez, Andrea Shaw, Justin Williams, Dequan Wright, and William Wright.

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Bathé, O'Brien announce engagement

Jenifer Leigh Bathé and Joshua Andrew O'Brien, both of Lake Wales, recently announced their engagement.

Bathé is the daughter of Ramona Knoll of Zephyrhills and the granddaughter of Bill and Betty Harrison of Old Town. Born in Tampa, she is a 1997 graduate of Chamberlain High School and a 2001 graduate of Warner Southern College. She currently is a teacher at Haines City High School.

O'Brien is the son of Shaun and Marcy O'Brien of Plant City, formerly of Sanford, and the grandson of Ginny and the late Robert Goudreau of Sanford and Grace and the late John O'Brien of Sanford. Born in Winter Park, he is a 1998 graduate of Lake Mary High School and a 2002 graduate of Warner Southern College. He currently is a teacher at Dennis Middle School.

The wedding is planned for 3 p.m. April 26, 2003, in First United Methodist Church of Zephyrhills.



Jenifer Leigh Bathé and Joshua Andrew O'Brien

Mars Hill to host community day

Mars Hill SDA Church is hosting a community guest day Saturday, April 19.

Sabbath school begins at 9:15 a.m., with a worship service at 11 a.m. A free lunch will be served at 1 p.m.

Mars Hill SDA Church is located at 800 E. 2nd St. in Sanford.

Volunteers needed

The Kiwanis Club of Sanford is looking for help to assist in the preparation of an upcoming Memorial Golf Tournament. Those interested should call Tournament Director Betsy Nein at 407-831-9991.

New Beginnings Childcare Center opens

New Beginnings Childcare Center, located at 1221 W. 7th St., and Olive Avenue, is the full-time, year-round facility that is always open to serve the needs of Sanford families.

Daryle Mobley and his staff of professional childcare providers will give and render top service and loving care for your children. The opening was held Saturday, April 5. The facility is now accepting new enrollees. It provides hot meals, a safe environment for learning, kindergarten preparation, a Christian foundation, creative curriculum, baby care, and after school care.

Services available include van service from home and local school, summer camp with FCAT and computer training, field trips for the kids to Sea World, Cypress Gardens, Busch Gardens, Orlando Science Center, Central Florida Zoo, and Certificate Swimming Lessons.

Call now and get your

full enrollment slots by calling 407-268-4392.

Joining the celebration of the Grand Opening for this much needed center was Sanford Housing Director Aduis Billberry, City Commissioner Velma Williams, Harbor Director Elizabeth Graham, more than 100 kids and parents who enjoyed an afternoon of fun, pony rides, food, prizes and music by Mike Valot.

St. John Metropolitan Baptist Church will observe Holy Week Services nightly beginning at 6:30 p.m.

- April 13, Joint Musical With James AME beginning at 4 p.m.
- April 14, What Did the Lord Do On Monday?
- April 15, The Wicked Husbandman
- April 16, Two Great Commandments
- April 17, Maundy Thursday Feast, Holy Communion
- April 18, Good Friday, The Seven Last Words
- April 20, Resurrection Sunday, Sunrise services at New Bethel M.B. Church beginning at 6 a.m.

Joint Easter Program with St. James A.M.E. beginning at 3:30 p.m.



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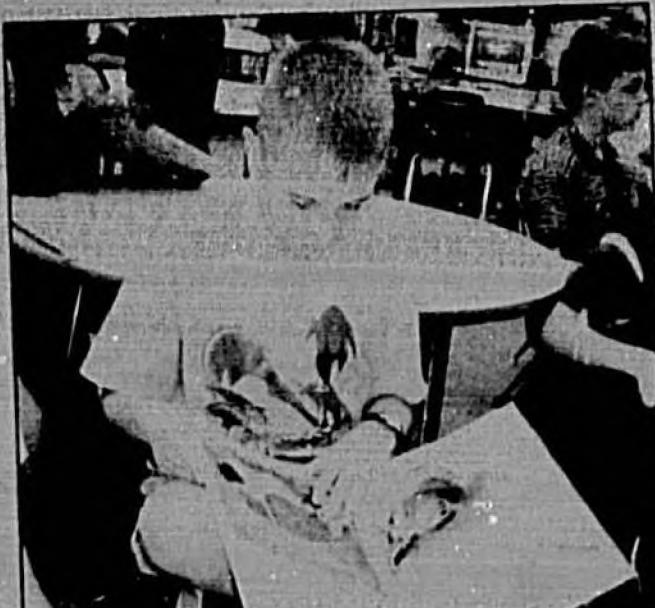
Betty Helton, with her twins Jhum and Jaquie Helton, attended the grand opening of New Beginnings Childcare Center in the Goldsboro community.

Happy squirrel

Alexander Hunter recently visited Midway Elementary School to give each student a copy of her book, "The Handicapped Squirrel." The book tells the tale of Sugar Puss the squirrel and how it became a part of Hunter's family. Pictured left, Hunter signs books for the children. Below left, Edward White reads a copy of Hunter's book. Below right, Hunter holds up her pet squirrel.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent



Growing roses in Central Florida

To grow roses in Florida, you have to be willing to work hard since roses require a lot of maintenance to produce high quality flowers.

Under our climatic conditions, roses will grow all year and produce flowers at least nine months of the year. Plants grafted on Rosa fortunata rootstock have been shown to grow larger, more vigorous, produce more flowers, and live longer than plants grown on any other rootstock.

Soil Requirements

Good drainage is very important for growing roses. Most sandy soils in Florida have a very low moisture and nutrient holding capacity and need to be amended with organic matter to improve this condition.

Peat, muck and manure are often used to improve the soil characteristics. A pH value of 5.5 to 6.5 is satisfactory for growing roses.



Al Ferrer

Irrigation

With an average rainfall of about 50 inches per year, roses need supplemental irrigation to grow well. Roses should be irrigated with one inch of water once per week if not provided by rain. On sandy soils, it may be necessary to irrigate twice per week. Water should be applied to the soil and not over the plant to avoid "washing" of pesticides from the leaves and preferably early in the morning to allow the leaves to dry out fast and prevent fungal diseases.

Pruning and Grooming

Pruning should be done once each year during December or January. Leave at least half the length of each main cane that is one to three years old. Normal pruning for a well-established hybrid tea (long stem cutting type) means removal of approximately 1/3 to 1/2 of the top growth and floribundas (bush types) should be pruned back

to 4-5 and shaped. Pruning should be done after danger of frost is over. Any canes that rub across each other also need to be removed.

Prune plants back to canes the size of your index finger, leaving 3-5 major canes for newly planted roses and 5-7 canes for well-established ones. Canes should be cut to open the center of the plant to air and light. This helps to prevent disease and promotes strong growth.

The first flowers can be expected eight to nine weeks after pruning. Grooming consists of trimming the plants regularly to keep them healthy, attractive and producing flowers constantly. By removing faded flowers and diseased branches, you can induce additional growth of the plants. To control the time of bloom, pinch out all flower buds as they form until 28 to 34 days before flowering is desired.

Fertilization

After pruning is completed and new growth is visible, apply a cup of rose fertilizer or

a 6-6-6 fertilizer with minor elements plus iron every month. A fertilizer like 12-6-8 can be applied twice a month at 1/2 cup per application. Utilize slow release formulations if possible. The planting area should be moist prior to the fertilizer application. Be sure to keep the fertilizer at least six inches from the base of the bush and broadcast it out slightly beyond the drip line of the plant. Expect flowers in eight to nine weeks.

Pest and Diseases

The most important diseases of roses are black spot and powdery mildew. Black spot can be prevalent year round especially during warm, humid weather. Symptoms of this disease are black spots with irregular margins that appear on the leaves making them turn yellow and fall off prematurely.

It is important to rake up fallen leaves and handpick infected leaves as they can produce more spores that can cause more infections.

Fungicides like Funginey or Daconil are recommended

every 1 to 2 weeks during the wet months of the year to control black spot. Powdery mildew appears during the spring and fall when rainfall is at a minimum. It is seldom a problem during the rainy season because frequent rains inhibit the development of this disease. Powdery mildew covers the leaves with a white powdery growth and causes permanent distortion or curling of the leaves.

Powdery mildew can be controlled with either Funginey or Daconil. Spider mites are a serious pest of roses. Spider mites are usually found feeding on the underside of the leaves and can cause defoliation of the plants. Frequent sprays with insecticidal soaps may be helpful in controlling spider mites.

Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension Service, 250 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32773, call 665-5550 or e-mail alferrer@co.seminole.fl.us. All Seminole County Cooperative Extension services are open to all regardless of race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

Lake Mary Elementary hosts 11th annual festival

Lake Mary Elementary had a wonderful turnout for their 11th Annual Spring Arts Festival. The theme for this year's event was "Starry Night." Under the program entertainment was offered throughout the evening. Guest entertainers included the Lake Mary High School Marionettes, the L.M.H.S. Choral Group Odyssey, the Lake Mary Elementary School Band, Bigglez Jam Nation, and more.

In the auditorium, there



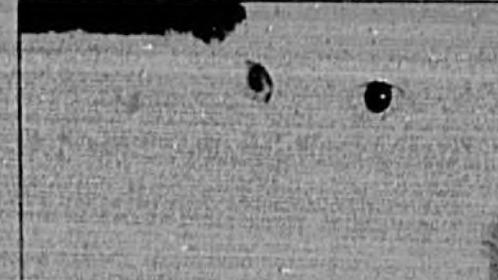
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was an impressive display of art by the students, including quite a few patriotic drawings. Also in the auditorium was The Storyteller. Two girls, The group Maureen Brennan and Shannon Dobbins make it their mission to weave words to shape imaginations. Maureen is the current President of the Storytellers of Central Florida. Shannon Dobbins is an 8th grade student and a 2002 Grand Torch Bearer for

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THE SEMINOLE HERALD'S ...

Pet of the Week



Kiki, a 6-year-old, spayed female Manx mix, is looking for a good home. Although Kiki's friends at the SPCA of Central Florida in Seminole County — where she's lived since March — will miss her, the feline is looking for a new home where she can have her head and ears scratched — but not her tail. She already knows how to use a litter box, and she is good with children of all ages, as well as cats and dogs. Her friends at the shelter say Kiki is a pretty cat, with fabulous white fur — the perfect lap cat!

To adopt Kiki, call the Humane Society of Seminole County at
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or visit the facility at 2800 County Home Road in Sanford.

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Rotary donation



Sanford Rotary recently donated \$1,000 to The Grove Counseling Center Inc. Picture, from left, are Cindy Gennell, Rotary program chair for Grove program; Larry Barr, president/CEO of The Grove and Sanford Rotary President Rodney Smith.

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This Easter adventure is sponsored by The Real Yellow Pages.

Admission to the Hippity Hop Adventure is included in the Zoo's regular admission, which is \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 3-12 years, \$5 for seniors 60 and over, and free for children 2 years and under. Central Florida Zoo members are admitted free.

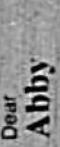
For more information, call 407-323-4450, ext. 149 or visit the website at www.centralfloridazoo.org.

Sunrise service

The 10th annual city wide Easter Sunrise Service will be held at Central Woods Park, next to Winter Springs High School, at 6:30 a.m., Easter morning, April 20. Bring blankets or lawn chairs. The event is sponsored by First Baptist Church of Winter Spring.

Pregnant Navy wife wasn't expecting rude questions

DEAR ABBY: I am a Navy wife whose husband is currently deployed. One woman actually counted out loud on her fingers and then exclaimed, "Lett! his mother passed away after a short, fierce battle with colon cancer."



My grieving husband barely made it home in time for her funeral, and he never got to tell her goodbye.

My husband and I spent 10 emotion-filled days together in his mother's hometown before he had to return to his ship and I had to travel home to our two children. Out of that terrible headache, we received a blessed gift — we discovered that we're pregnant!

However, our happy news has created an awkward situation. Now that I'm beginning to show, people who don't know about my husband's mother are asking, "When I'm due — and I can see them mentally add the

MOTHER: When you are asked who the father of the baby is, smile and reply, "Ask my husband when he gets home. He was there when it happened."

Our children are 13 and 11; and people have asked in their presence if they come from previous relationships — and if this new baby will be my husband's and my first child together. One of my daughter's teachers even had the nerve to ask her who the father of the baby is. My darling daughter responded in typical teenage fashion. "Mr. dad or course!" Then she milled her eyes.

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DEAR ABBY: On Sept. 11, I tragically lost my brother, New York firefighter Michael Kiefer, of Ladder 132 in Brooklyn. He was only 25 when he died, and his greatest dream was to be a New York firefighter. He lived his dream for only nine months.

The pain of losing my brother is such a violent and senseless act, it has been unbearable. My parents told me about the "memories" letters in your column — how each time someone finds a penny, it means a lot to them in heaven. In thinking of us one in heaven, is thinking of us, I cannot begin to tell you how trite this has been for my family. Whenever one of us is feeling especially down about Michael,

we always find a penny. An example: My brother loved to go to the gym, so one day I decided it was time for me to get back in shape and make him proud. All during my workout I told my angel brother I was doing it for him. As I walked out of the 35 m. there, it was — a bright, shiny penny. I knew then that Michael was proud of me. It truly was a penny from heaven, and without a doubt from my brother, whom I love and will miss for the rest of my life. Michael, you will always be our hero and you will never be forgotten!

LAUREN M. KIEFER, FRANKLIN SQUARE, N.Y.

DEAR LAUREN: I extend my deepest sympathy to you and your family for the loss of your heroic brother. The pennies from heaven letters have moved many of my readers. And one day I hope to publish

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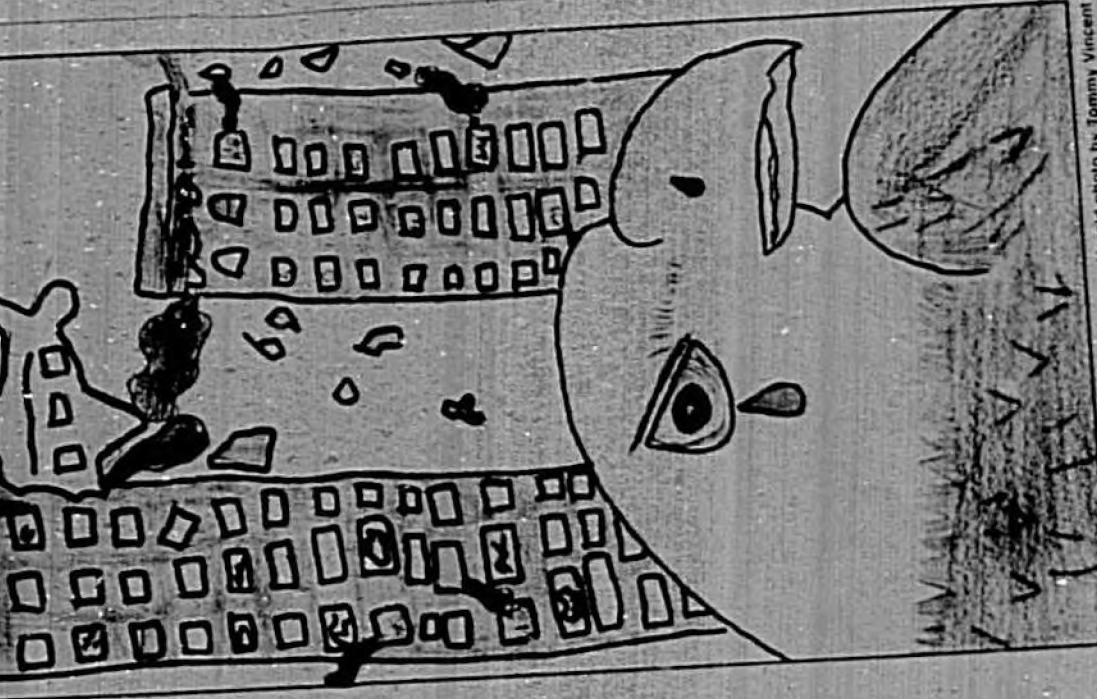
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Patronic drawing by Brandy Mammy in Mrs. Peoples' fifth-grade class

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the National Youth Storytelling Olympics. Daughter Shannon is a 6th-grade student and finalist for Florida Storytelling Association's 2002 "Youthful Voices." The great thing about this group is that they include the audience in the storytelling. At the Arts Festival not only were elementary school children captivated, but so were their middle school siblings and quite a few of the adults.

Because it was an arts festival, there was also some wonderful hands-on art activities for all the children to participate in. Indian Creek block printing, glitter golf ball art and Chinese symbols were just a few. Funding for the Arts Festival, and quite a bit of the volunteering, was provided by the Lake Mary PTA. This year's Festival coordinator was Maria Snoops.

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Think spring

Longer days mean light and delicious entrees

Longer days and warmer weather inspire light and tasty meals that can be enjoyed outdoors in the backyard or patio. Delicous make-ahead entrees are just right for leisurely weekend dining and a satisfying addition to a brunch with family and friends.

For an elegant outdoor brunch, consider Pear Cherry Crepes. This dish is designed to impress but it's not difficult to prepare. One tip is to prepare the crepes ahead of time and freeze them. Defrost for about an hour before assembling, then add the filling and complete, heat and eat.

Pear Cherry Crepes

Makes 8 servings

Crepes:

- 1 1/3 cup skim milk
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 2 egg whites
- 2 Tbsp. sugar
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- non-stick spray coating

Filling:

- 1 carton (15 ounces) skim milk ricotta cheese
- 3 Tbsp. powdered sugar
- 1 tsp. freshly grated lemon peel

Compote:

- 1 can (16 ounces) pear halves or slices packed in juice
- 1 1/2 cups frozen dark sweet cherries, thawed
- 1/2 tsp. freshly grated lemon peel

To make crepes: In small bowl, combine the milk, flour, egg whites, vanilla and granulated sugar. Beat with rotary beater until well mixed. Spray a 6-inch skillet with non-stick coating and heat over medium heat. Remove pan from heat and spoon 2 tablespoons of batter into hot skillet. Lift and tilt skillet to spread batter. Return to heat, browning crepe on one side only. Invert onto paper towels. Repeat with remaining batter to make 16 crepes.

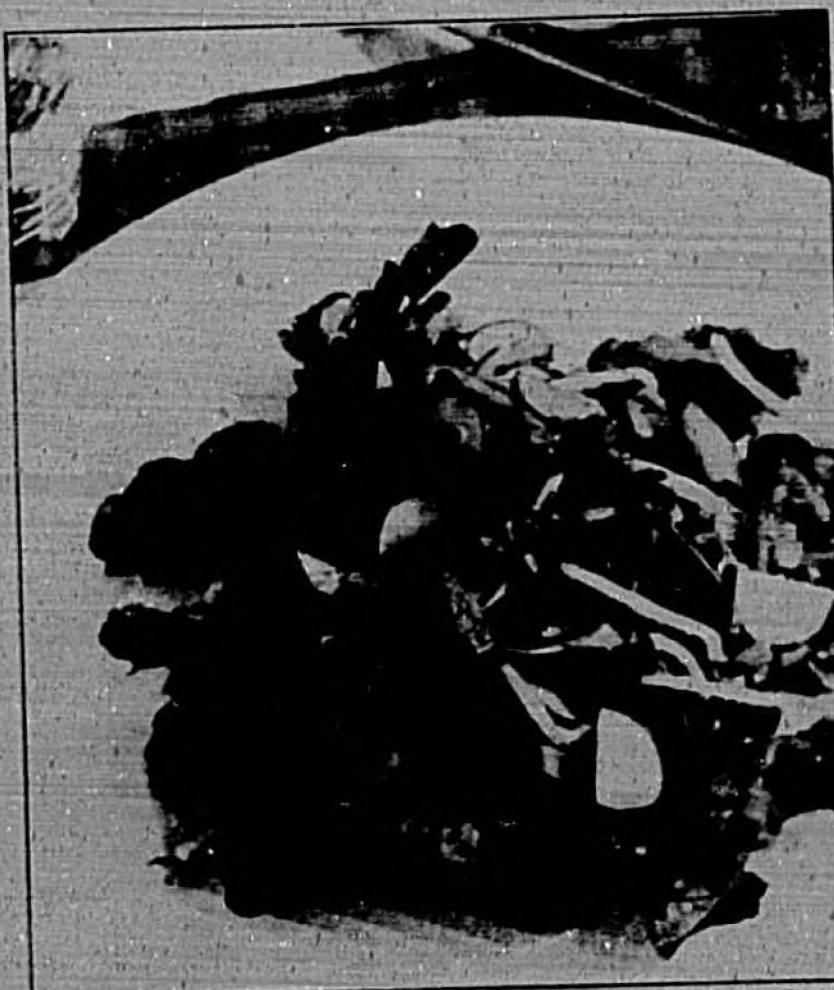
To make filling: In small bowl, combine filling ingredients; mix well.

To make compote: Drain pears, reserving juice in small saucepan. Bring juice to a boil, cook until reduced by half, about 8 to 10 minutes. Slice pears into 1/4 inch slices. Drain thawed cherries; discard juice. In medium bowl, combine hot juice, pears, cherries and lemon peel.

To assemble crepes: Spoon 3 tablespoons of ricotta filling across center of crepe and fold sides over filling. Place crepes seam side down on baking sheet. Bake at 350° F until warm and lightly browned, about 5 to 6 minutes. To serve, place two crepes on each plate. Top with warm compote.



Pear Cherry Crepes



Herald spring days with meals that are lighter and less labor-intensive like "Crispy Asian Chicken and Watercress Salad."

Lighten up' on meals when spring arrives

Up until now, your meals probably consisted of hearty foods that would "stick to your ribs" and help you wait out the cold days of winter. However, now that spring has sprung, it's time to trade in the rich and hearty offerings for a lighter menu.

Try this recipe for a fresh watercress salad with crispy Asian-style chicken, courtesy of "Gourmet Every Day" (Conde Nast Books), from the editors of Gourmet. Not just for "health nuts," there's something about a light-tasting salad that seems to signal the return of warm weather and fun in the sun.

Crispy Asian Chicken and Watercress Salad

Serves 2

- 1/4 cup hoisin sauce
- 1/4 cup water
- 1 1/2 tablespoons soy sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon finely grated peeled fresh ginger
- 4 radishes, halved lengthwise and cut crosswise into 1/4-inch-thick slices
- 2 scallions, cut diagonally into 1/4-inch-thick slices

- 3/4 bunch watercress, coarse stems discarded
- 3/4 cup fresh bean sprouts
- 1 pound boneless chicken thighs with skin

- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 1 cup vegetable oil for frying

Whisk together hoisin sauce, water, soy sauce and ginger in a small bowl.

Chill radishes, scallions, watercress and bean sprouts in a separate bowl.

While vegetables are chilling, pat chicken dry and season with salt. Cut into 1/4-inch-thick strips, without removing skin. Stir together flour and cornstarch and add chicken, tossing until coated well. Heat oil in a 12-inch skillet over moderately high heat until hot but not smoking; then fry chicken in batches, separating pieces and turning them occasionally, until crisp and cooked through, 4 to 6 minutes. Transfer to a slotted spoon to paper towels to drain.

Toss chicken with three-fourths ginger dressing. Toss vegetables with remaining dressing and combine with chicken.

Try your hand at magnificent meatless meals

As spring The air is growing warmer, the birds are returning from their winter sojourn and all manner fruits and vegetables spring anew once again.

Years ago, vegetarian options at restaurants and grocery stores were few and far between. There was ... tofu. Many people for years believed that dishes without meat were either too bland or too exotic. Vegetarian cookbooks were practically unheard of.

However, as people grew more health-conscious, they also became aware of how easy, fun and exciting meatless meals can be, like this fast and easy fettuccine with aromatic fennel and sprouts. Don't turn up your nose — delicately flavored and crisp-tender, these are definitely not your grandma's Brussels sprouts. Recipe courtesy of "Simply Vegetarian: 130 delicious recipes from everyday entrées to party creations" (Surrey Books), by Sue Spitler.

Fettuccine with Fresh Fennel and Sprouts

Serves 4

- 6 ounces spinach fettuccine
- Olive oil cooking spray
- 1 fennel bulb, thinly sliced
- 8 ounces small Brussels sprouts, halved
- 1/4 cup water or vegetable broth
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 2 ounces Parmesan cheese, shredded or shaved
- 4 tablespoons toasted pine nuts or slivered almonds

Cook fettuccine according to package directions. While pasta is cooking,

Spray large skillet with cooking spray; heat over medium heat until hot. Sauté fennel and onion three to four minutes. Add Brussels sprouts and water and heat to boiling; reduce heat and simmer, covered, until sprouts are crisp-tender, 5 to 8 minutes.

Stir in lemon juice; season to taste with salt and pepper. Spoon fennel and sprouts mixture over pasta on serving platter; sprinkle with Parmesan cheese and pine nuts.



Ricely flavored, Italian specialties like this "Tortellini in Brodo" are a perfect way to add a taste of the Mediterranean to your holiday menu.

Add a bit of Mediterranean flair to springtime menus

The arrival of the Easter holiday, with its chocolate bunnies and egg-coloring kits on supermarket shelves and sudden growth of artificial grass in crab shops and store windows, for many signals the start of the warm-weather entertaining season — and a chance to flex those culinary muscles after a winter-long "hibernation." However, there's no need to reserve this Mediterranean delight for special occasions. delicate tortellini pasta served in a rich, heavy broth makes a perfect addition to any springtime menu. Try this recipe courtesy of Balsamico A. Balsamico, Vinegar Cookbook.

Tortellini in Brodo

Serves 4

Stories abound detail the origin of the famous pasta. A favorite is the one about the

unscrupulous chef who was inspired to create this dish after peering through a keyhole at a beautiful woman bathing. The sight of her naked in the bathwater led to the creation of the dish we know as tortellini barding in a vessel of rich broth.

- 2 ounces prosciutto di Parma
- 4 ounces ground veal loaf
- 1/4 cup freshly grated Parmigiano-Reggiano
- 2 tablespoons Aceto Balsamico di Modena
- 1 pound pasta dough (available in specialty markets)
- 1 egg beaten with 1 tablespoon water
- 10 cups rich chicken stock
- 2 tablespoons finely shredded fresh basil

In a food processor, grind the prosciutto. Transfer to a bowl and stir in the ground

veal, 1/2 cup of the Parmigiano-Reggiano and the aceto balsamico. Place in a piping bag and set aside.

Cut the pasta into 2-inch rounds. Pipe about 1/2 teaspoon of prosciutto mixture in the center of each round, brush the edges with the egg mixture and fold in half to form a half-moon shape. Wrap it around your finger, bringing the corners together to overlap, and pinch tightly to seal the shape into a circle. Curl the thin edges of the pasta back. Set aside on a lightly floured surface to air-dry until the stock is ready.

In a large pot, bring the chicken stock to a boil. Add the tortellini and cook for three to five minutes or until al dente. Ladle into warmed serving dishes and sprinkle with basil and the remaining 1/4 cup Parmigiano-Reggiano.