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## Heritage Fest tickets on sale at Huntington

Three-day admission tickets for November's Sanford Heritage Festival are available at all Huntington Banks in Central Florida through Nov. 12.

Daily gate admission to the event is \$5, with children 12 and younger admitted free. Advance three-day tickets are \$10 and are good all three days of the festival, which runs Friday, Nov. 12 from 3 p.m. to 1 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 13 from noon to midnight, and Sunday, Nov. 14 from noon to 10 p.m.

The festival, a three-day street party held in historic downtown Sanford, features national recording artists Lee Roy Parnell, Chubby Checker, C-Note, and Backstreet Boyz the tribute. There will be six stages of entertainment, midway rides, a Bahamian marketplace, crafts, exhibits and over 100 events. Huntington is the official event sponsor.

## Today is ...

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 1999  
Today is the 300th day of 1999 and the 36th day of fall.

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1868, after having failed at seven previous business ventures, Roland Macy opened Macy's department store in New York City.

On this day in 1947, Groucho Marx's radio game show "You Bet Your Life" premiered on ABC.

On this day in 1978, Menachem Begin and Anwar Sadat won the Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts to bring peace to the Middle East.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Nicolo Paganini (1782-1840), composer-violinist; Theodore Roosevelt (1858-1919), U.S. president; Dylan Thomas (1914-1953), poet; Ralph Kiner (1922-), baseball star-broadcaster, is 77; Ruby Dee (1923-), actress, is 76; H.R. Haldeman (1924-1993), presidential aide-Watergate conspirator; Sylvia Plath (1932-1963), poet; John Cleese (1939-), comedian, is 60; Patty Sheehan (1956-), golfer, is 43.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day 1901, the Minnesota Twins shut out the Atlanta Braves 1-0, winning the World Series.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "I wish to preach, not the doctrine of ignoble ease, but the doctrine of the strenuous life."

Theodore Roosevelt  
**TODAY'S MOON:** Between full moon (Oct. 24) and last quarter (Oct. 31).

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# Sanford still county's top choice

By Russ White  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — If it were an automobile race — and, it may turn out to be just that — Sanford has retained the pole position in the great hotel/conference center competition. Others are encouraged to compete, however.

That's what the five Seminole County Commissioners unanimously agreed on Tuesday after a two-hour public debate. The Sanford project on the Lake Monroe

## Lake Monroe site is commission choice for hotel/conference center

waterfront remains the preferred site until something better comes along.

"Good," said Sanford Mayor Larry Dale. "We encourage competition — always have. If someone else comes up with a proposal, we expect the county to listen."

Dale, accompanied by Sanford City Manager Tony VanDerworp, grew impatient as commissioners Dick Van Der Weide and Grant Maloy tried to sever the exclusivity with Sanford.

Commissioner Daryl McLain, a Sanford native, said that doing so would

"send a wrong signal to withdraw our support. It would be the same as throwing cold water on Sanford's project."

A compromise was reached as the board did rescind a commitment to spend tourist tax dollars generated by the hotel/conference center toward paying off the project's debt or marketing the center. Whomever attains the go-ahead for the project, must earn any such aid.

Sanford's efforts to build the center See Sanford, Page 8A

## Date Night Tragedy



Members of the Altamonte Springs and Longwood fire departments race to rescue Lyman students

Shanete Mercado (left) and Lauren Shaefer (right) who played victims in a mock DUI crash staged before juniors and seniors at the Lyman High School football field. Today's drama was intended to focus attention on the perils of teenage drinking and driving. Lyman's Homecoming is this weekend.

## Mock tragedy drives home anti-drinking message

By Joe DeBentis  
Staff Writer

**LONGWOOD** — Longwood residents living near Lyman High School were probably a little startled this morning by the sound of police and ambulance sirens and the sight of a hearse pulling on to campus.

The emergency situation noise was all part of a mock DUI crash staged at the high school at 7:30 a.m. today to draw attention to the perils of drinking and driving. The staged event coincides with Lyman's Homecoming this weekend and is part of Red Ribbon Week throughout Seminole County, designed to heighten student awareness about the negative consequences of drug and alcohol abuse.

Members of the Seminole County Sheriff's office and the Seminole County Community Traffic Safety Team designed a scenario this morning that played out along these lines:

• A teen picks up his date for a night out on the town. They are involved in a wreck where

alcohol is a factor and there is a fatality.

• Another person in the mock drill, which took place on the school's football field was seriously injured and had to be airlifted out by helicopter ambulance.



• Further scenes in the mock scenario dealt with the notification of the parents of those involved that there was a death in the accident, and the arrest of a student driver on a Homecoming date: the charge-driving under the influence of alcohol.

"Today's event was part of an ongoing effort with several other programs that focus on the terrible problem of teenage drinking and driving," said Lyman principal Sam Momary. "Homecoming weekend is a traditional big party weekend and some students succumb to peer pressure. They lose their sense of rational decision making with alcohol playing a big part in that. Hopefully this morning's presentation will send a very positive message to our students."

Seminole County Emergency Medical per-  
See Tragedy, Page 8A

## Plaintiffs a no-show at Longwood meeting

By Joe DeBentis  
Staff Writer

**LONGWOOD** — A special meeting called by the Longwood City Commission Monday night failed to bring any compromise between parties involved in a lawsuit against the city dealing with the Annual Fall Festival.

City commissioners had hoped to reach some type of

compromise with five residents along Warren Avenue over issues surrounding a violation of civil rights and reasonable access to their properties during the two-day festival that attracts some 30,000 each year the week-end prior to Thanksgiving. None of the plaintiff's showed for the special meeting. Instead, the city received written notification from their attorney, Mike

Jones of Winter Springs, that the plaintiff's would wait for their day in court.

Jones' response indicated the special meeting was little more than a forum to discuss issues previously unresolved. Jones also admonished the city for dragging the complaint out for three months by first having the case moved to Federal Court in See Longwood, Page 8A

# No quick answers in jet crash

## NTSB officials expect lengthy investigation of crash that killed Payne Stewart

By Bill Kerna  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — Investigators are trying to determine why the private jet carrying golf champion Payne Stewart and three other passengers crashed Monday outside a small farm village in South Dakota.

Bob Francis, vice chairman of the National Transportation

Safety Board (NTSB) during a briefing Tuesday at the wreckage is buried in the farm field where it crashed, and that the first priority will be to remove wreckage without damaging evidence.

Francis said that the vertical stabilizer, the engines, and at least one of the wings appear to have survived the crash intact.

The Lear 35 aircraft was chartered from Sanford to Orlando, where Stewart and three other passengers boarded the flight destined for Dallas. The 42-year old Stewart was heading to Texas to prepare for this week's PGA Tour Championship.

Shortly after leaving Orlando, radio contact with the jet was See Crash, Page 2A



Sheriff Aviation President James Watkins, right, and Tony Vecchio, left, director of maintenance, meet with the media Monday following the crash.

## Sheriff concerned about service to apartments

By Russ White  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — It took a cell phone call to Sheriff Don Ealinger — and a 10-minute break by the county commissioners — before the board approved a final PUD Master Plan and developer's agreement for a student apartment project near the University of Central Florida.

Ealinger, unaware the matter was before the board, addressed his concerns about ensuring the citizens that their quality of life

and safety would not be compromised.

As many as 2,748 apartments in five buildings may be built in the next few years, and this would require Ealinger's hiring three to four additional deputies. It also would require additional community policing patrols.

"There will be 3,000 or more young people — 18- to 22-year-old mainly — living in these apartments," Ealinger said.

The sheriff said he is concerned that there would be a See Sheriff, Page 8A



# Vikki's kitchen will be hard to replace

Vikki's Kitchen is about to lose its flavor. Vikki needs to give up the kitchen next month.

For the past two years, Vikki Melvin has operated the second-floor kitchen at the Seminole County Services Building. Everyone loved her food. Commissioner Grant Maloy liked Vikki's pot pies, Commissioner Randy Morris enjoyed her chicken sandwiches. Diane Merk's pick was Vikki's pizza.

Everyone who came to the kitchen received a delicious breakfast or lunch, and better yet a warm reception from Vikki, a high-apple-pie-in-the-sky-hopas kind of woman.

Although Vikki can not see her customers — she lost sight when she was 10-years-old — she knows them by their mannerisms or voices.

"I can tell one man by the way he shakes his sugar, another by the way he slurps his soup," Vikki said. "I know some of the women by the scent. But if they change perfume, I'm at a loss."

Vikki won the concession at the county building through the Division of Blind Services.

Federal and state buildings use the division's services. So do many counties. But next month, the Seminole County contract will go to a bigger company, which won with a five-year bid.

"I made a bid," Vikki said, "but it wasn't enough." Vikki said she learned to cook and run a restaurant 20 years ago, and has had a job ever since. At first, she worked for her mom and dad at their restaurants in Cocoa Beach. Doug and John Melvin have since left the restaurant business.

Vikki and her boyfriend, John Williams, have worked as a team the last two years. John has run the kitchen at the Seminole County Courthouse. He's also out of a job next month.

"It's a tough time to be out of work," Vikki said. "Thanksgiving and Christmas are coming. We've known for awhile we were going to lose our work ... and now the days are running out."

Vikki said that John drives them to work from Deltona each weekday.

"We're usually to work by 7

a.m.," she said. "One morning we were stuck in the Interstate-4 traffic and we didn't get in until 8:45 a.m. Everyone was worried about us. And, some were hungry."

It's 5:30 p.m. or later when Vikki's workday is over.

"I mop the floor, John comes over to help clean up and stock for the next day," she said.

The television is on each afternoon at Vikki's kitchen. Sometimes, she'll sit next to someone eating lunch and listen to what's on.

"It's a good way to tell what time it is," Vikki said. "I know when certain shows go on and off."

Whenever a customer gives money to Vikki, she asks that they tell her if it is a \$5, \$10 or \$20 bill. She reaches into the register draw and gives them exact change. Just about everyone drops change or a dollar tip into a Styrofoam cup.

On Tuesday, several customers hugged Vikki.

She smiled and thanked them, realizing they also were sad she would be leaving soon. Friday, Nov. 12 is her last day.

"I just about live here," Vikki said. "This kitchen is home."

Sean White's column appears Tuesday through Saturday in the Seminole Herald.

## Flubs White

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## Obituaries

### THOMAS JEFFERSON BOWMAN SR.

Thomas Jefferson Bowman, Sr., 91, of Hawkins Ave., Sanford, died Tuesday Oct. 2, 1999 at Island Lake Center, Longwood. Mr. Bowman was a retired construction laborer. Born Dec. 25, 1907 in Monticello, Fla., he moved to Sanford in 1948 from Monticello. Mr. Bowman was a member of Hickory Avenue Church of God, Evergreen Lodge #23, Fallbearers Society #5, Sanford.

Survivors include wife, Seffonia, Sanford; daughters, Alice Agyemang, Elizabeth Okoye both of Rochester, N.Y., Mamie Bingham, Lake Mary, Mary Miller, Flint, Mich., Mable Wesley, Sanford; son, John Morris Bowman, Rochester, N.Y.; 13 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; nine great-great-grandchildren.

Sunrise Funeral Home, Sanford, is in charge of arrangements.

M. FLORINA DUBRACHEK  
M. Florina Dubrachek, 74, Sedgfield Avenue, Deltona,

died Tuesday Oct. 26, 1999 at Central Florida Regional Hospital, Sanford. Mrs. Dubrachek was an inspector in the textile industry. Born in West Warwick, R.I., she moved to Central Florida in 1989 from Coventry, R.I. She was a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Deltona.

Survivors include husband, Cyril J. Dubrachek of Deltona; son, Cyril Paul Dubrachek of Warrenton, Va.; daughters, Deborah L. Heale of Lynn Haven, Patricia L. Lambert of Lake Mary; sisters, Rose Pettit of West Warwick, R.I., Beatrice Rice of Coventry, R.I.; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren.

Baldaufl Family Funeral Home & Crematory, Orange City, is in charge of arrangements.

BEULA M. SIMMONS  
Beula M. Simmons, 77,

Preston Road, Longwood, died Monday Oct. 25, 1999. Mrs. Simmons was a retired bookkeeper for Public Housing. Born in Williamsville, Ill., she moved to Central Florida in 1993. She was a member of Lighthouse Baptist Church, Jupiter. She was also a member of Star of Jupiter Order of Eastern Star, Chapter 312, Past Master of the Solis Glade Order of Eastern Star.




Survivors include son, J. Robert "Bob" Thomas, Longwood; brothers, Robert F. "Bob" Smith of Florida City, William E. "Bill" Smith of Smithshire, Ill., Charles K. Smith of Colleyville, Texas; sisters, Ruth Duggins of New Albany, Ind., Jeanne Smith of Moab, Utah; his long friend, Letelle Thomas, Longwood; 10 grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren.

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## Police Log

### DUI Arrests

Winter Springs — October 25. Deborah Ann Cain, 43, Elkwood Court, Winter Springs, was stopped by Winter Springs police on SR 434. She was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, and driving on a suspended license.

### Sanford — October 26.

Gregory A. Windes, 31, Long Leaf Pine Circle, Sanford, was stopped by Seminole County deputies on West 13th Street, Sanford. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, fleeing or attempting to elude a law enforcement officer, resisting arrest without violence, and driving on a sus-

### Drug Arrests

Sanford — October 25. Todd Russell Holliday, 28, Creekwater Terrace, Lake Mary, was stopped by Seminole County deputies at Bethune and Airport Boulevard. He was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis, possession of perocet, driving under the influence of alcohol, and possession/use of drug paraphernalia.

Altamonte Springs — October 24. Michael Flanagan Smith, 18, Cabaleau Road, Ocoee, was stopped by Altamonte Springs police at SR 436 near the Altamonte Springs Mall

entrance. He was charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Robbery/Burglary/Grand Theft Altamonte Springs — October 25. Daniel Ross Farrelly, 19, was arrested at the Altamonte Springs police department in connection with a break-in at International Coach Design. He was charged with burglary, and grand theft.

Casselberry — October 26. Juan Antonio Verala, Oxford Road, Casselberry, was stopped by Casselberry police at Park and Lake Drive. He was charged with grand theft, and driving on a suspended license.

## Downtown Sanford property for sale

By IRE Kerna  
Staff Writer

SANFORD — In time, the vacant lot in front of the Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce may become a town square or community park. Just don't expect it to happen overnight.

A real estate agent representing the three owners of the vacant lot located between the Chamber and City Hall said the owners would consider selling the lot to the City of Sanford or Seminole County for \$700,000.

The four parcels of the lot collectively are 460-by-360 feet large, and patrons of the North Branch of the Seminole County Public Library frequently use the lot for overflow parking.

Sanford Mayor Larry Dale said that there is not money in the city's budget this year to purchase the property. However, Dale did say that the commission may discuss purchasing the property in the future.

"We already have a lot on our

plate with the conference center, the swimming pool at Seminole High School, the stadium, and the airport," Dale said. "We'll look at it and see. We can't pull money out of our hat like we can a rabbit."

Ron Rose, executive director of the Sanford-Seminole County Chamber of Commerce, wants the city to purchase the properties and develop a community town square that could host events, small concerts, art shows, and other activities, similar to town squares in Lady Lake or Daytona Beach.

"There are endless examples of where downtown green space can be utilized and be a tremendous asset," Rose said. "Imagine having a gazebo in the middle and possibly a fountain. This can bring years and decades of enjoyment."

Judy Herbaugh, an agent for Century 21 representing owners Andre Hickman, George Brown and Harry Robson, said that Sanford and Seminole County will have the first option to pur-

chase the lot. She is preparing letters to city and county commissioners.

"The community park idea is probably the best idea I've heard yet," Herbaugh said. "Sanford needs that."

The parcels will also be offered to anyone interested in making the purchase for a total of \$810,000.

The parcels are being listed for sale separately. The three owners are all local businessmen.

"I probably would approach some of the local businesses," Herbaugh said. "And I'd advertise nationwide and in Canada."

The owners of the properties pay for upkeep of the lot, hiring a contractor to mow the grass, Herbaugh said.



In Memory of Payne Stewart  
1957-1999

As a member of the Central Florida Community, Payne Stewart was a man of integrity and thoughtfulness toward his community. As we all feel the pain of this loss, our sympathy is extended to the Payne Stewart Family and the golfing world. Payne contributed greatly to the Central Florida Community by sharing his time and talent and resources with many worthy causes. He will be greatly missed.

We at Gramkow Funeral Home wish to express our sympathy to the Stewart Family and invite the community to join us in signing a "Book of Condolence", which will later be forwarded to Payne's family. We have the unique opportunity to show the Stewart family just how many lives Payne has touched and how his death has impacted our community. It is our heartfelt desire that the memories captured in this book will be a source of comfort to his family in their time of sorrow.

The "Book of Condolence" will be available at Gramkow Funeral Home from Wednesday, October 27, 1999 until Wednesday, November 3, 1999, 8:00 AM until 5:00 PM., Saturday, 8:00 AM until Noon and Sunday, 12:00 Noon until 4:00 PM.

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# Editorial & Opinion

## Our View

### The Meter

Who measured up and who came up short? The Meter takes the weekly vital signs of the county to discover who's got their mojo working. Oh, behave baby!



**HOUSE RULES :** Five cheers for the County Commissioners, who decided not to dump on Sanford. The city wants to build a waterfront hotel/conference center. Its worked harder than any other city to make it happen. No one else has a proposal. What's the fuss? If you're not with the plan you love, love the plan you're with.



**JUSTICE DELAYED:** Attorneys for convicted cop-killer Terry Sims labeled the state's use of the electric chair "cruel and unusual punishment." Makes you wonder how they would classify what Sims did to Seminole County reserve deputy George Pfiel and his family 22 years ago?



**GET A LIFE:** A simple request - a courtesy call - by County Commissioner Randy Morris to colleague Grant Maloy to delay a vote from morning to afternoon was denied. Morris wanted to allow Sheriff Don Eslinger time to attend the debate on a student apartment complex near UCF. Commission Chairman Carlton Henley allowed a 10-minute break for the sheriff to get to the meeting. Beginning to look like Longwood?



**FOR PETE'S SAKE:** New York Yankees say no to NBC reporter Jim Gray's request for live interviews. Home run hitter Chad Curtis told Gray that he did Pete Rose wrong with his badgering the night before.



**YELLOW JOURNALISM:** No wonder journalists are viewed as leeches and snakes. Following a Sunjet Aviation news conference regarding Payne Stewart's plane crash at Sanford's airport on Monday, "reporter" Steve Barnes rushed up to the President of the charter company and started shouting "Tell us what happened! You can't hide from the press!" He had to be removed by company security as he continued to shout. Get a life, and get some manners.



**SAYING NO:** Schools throughout Seminole County are celebrating National Red Ribbon Week. In an effort to teach kids alternatives to using illegal drugs. Students are participating in dances and a variety of fun activities, making school fun. The more students enjoy school, the more they learn.

### Berry's World



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"C'MERE, HONEY, YOU'VE GOT TO SEE THIS. WE'VE GOT PAT BUCHANAN, DONALD TRUMP, CYBILL SHEPHERD AND WARREN BEATTY."



## Your View

### Scarlata upset with endorsement

To the editor:

In last Sunday's paper, the Seminole Extra of the Orlando Sentinel ran an editorial which made a sweeping endorsement of the incumbents in Winter Springs for reelection. The endorsement is out of place coming from a paper that has yet to report the major blunders that have been committed in the past.

Residents of Winter Springs should have been told months ago that the city failed to file a comprehensive plan with the state until 1997. Comprehensive plans are like blueprints. Try putting a building together without one. This was a mistake that can not be pinned on the current members of the dais, but when they tried to fix the problem it was like rubbing out an ink spot.

It only became larger when a heavy-hand was applied.

So on the heels of the comprehensive oversight, a legal dispute occurred that resulted in a settlement agreement of more than two million dollars to end all legal disputes that go back "to the beginning of the world." The agreement included a confidentiality clause, which acts as a gag order. You would think it applied to the Sentinel the way the paper kept mum about reporting the details.

No one is served by keeping members of the public ignorant of the city's internal operations. It's time that our commissioners open the dusty doors and let the sun shine in. It's the only way that we can avoid the sloppy messes that have been created in the past because officials in Winter Springs have grown too accustomed to operating with such "strong, aggressive leader-

ship" that public input has been sacrificed at pivotal times.

The Sentinel endorsed the incumbents because they believed they're our best chance for the town center, and the thought of this makes the short hairs on the back of the neck rise. What the Sentinel fails to comprehend is that several of us live in communities that are maintenance headaches because the city simply didn't do their job. Developers have a long history of rushing in for the fast buck and the city makes it easy for them by not taking them to task on code issues which they have the authority to enforce. At a minimum, variances should have been filed, but in order to do it properly, it would have required notifying the public and holding hearings.

In addition, this city has been bad stewards of our recreational areas. A visit to the old plats

reveal that at one time this area had enough room to accommodate the outdoor activities of a large population. But this is not the case anymore. Dedication on plats are rarely discussed in open meeting and, as a result, open areas are lost to make room for still more houses. What confidence should we put in these commissioners and mayor when they don't show any evidence of protecting our easements and common ground dedications?

So if the Sentinel wishes to participate in the politics of Winter Springs it is incumbent upon them to check the past, beware of the present and help us shape good government for the future by using their investigative and communication abilities in an objective manner.

Terry Scarlata  
Winter Springs

## The curse of the Bubba

WASHINGTON — Call it the Curse of the Bubba. No matter how good their chances or how hard they try, Bill Clinton's rivals seem doomed to self-destruction.

Peruse the casualty list:

George Herbert Walker Bush. He's the father. When Bill Clinton launched his run in 1991, Bush was the victorious liberator of Kuwait. By November 1992, Clinton's target was the defeated captive of recession. The man who won 54 percent of the vote in 1988 would end his political career with 37 percent of the same electorate.

Bob Dole endured his own death of the soul in 1996. Worse than suffer defeat at Clinton's hands that year, he found himself imprisoned in a campaign in which he himself did not believe.

New York Sen. Al D'Amato. The first national politician to probe Bill Clinton's role in Whitewater, he was also the first to feel the boomerang. D'Amato learned too late the costs of prosecuting the Clintons, including

the one now running for his old job.

Newt Gingrich. He once promised to mention Bill Clinton's sex-and-cover-up scandal in every speech. Then came the election of last November that cost Republicans House seats in a year they expected to win them. Today, Gingrich's tie to a young female House aide stirs marvellously little interest for the cruel reason he is no longer tied to the speakership.

Bob Livingston. Before he could fill Newt's shoes, the Louisiana congressman was forced to take a walk for his own sexual misconduct.

Henry Hyde. He chaired the House impeachment hearings on Clinton only to see his own "youthful" affair exposed.

Fred Thompson. He entered the Senate with the cachet of a Watergate investigator, the star quality associated with a movie career. When he launched those 1997 hearings into illegal Chinese campaign money, he threatened to catch fire politically.

He fizzled.

Ken Starr. Imagine the hair shirt this man has been forced to wear: to depart the independent counsel's office far less trusted even than his prime suspect.

Every key Republican who has dared go mano a mano with Bill Clinton these past seven years has met the same grim fate. Like the Boston Red Sox, who made that accused sale of Babe Ruth to the Yankees eight decades ago, the anti-Clinton teams have gotten nastily close to triumph over the years.

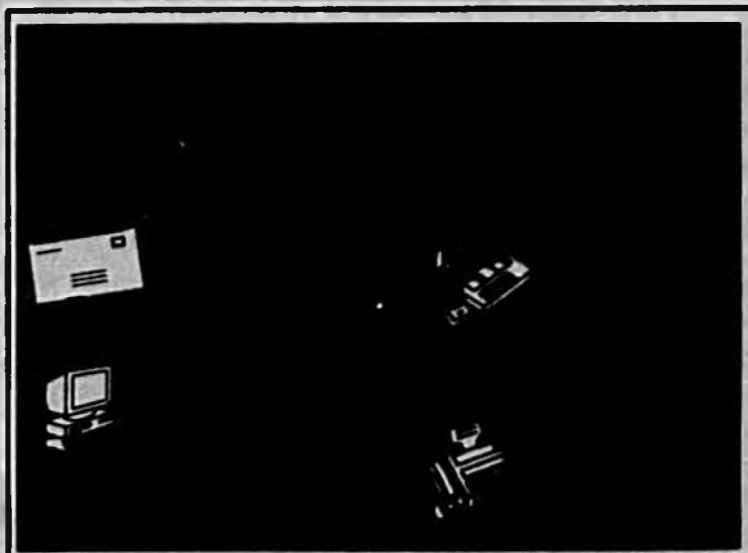
For a while, this year's Red Sox team looked like it just might do it. Sitting in Fenway Park, two Sundays ago, a friend wished hopefully that its young players, many of them Latino, would be immune to the Curse of the Bambino.

Republicans must wish the same of George W. Bush, a fresh political talent who is either too charmed to fear the Curse of the Bubba or too callow to sense its potency.

(Chris Matthews, chief of the San Francisco Examiner's Washington Bureau, is host of "Hardball" on CNBC cable channels.)  
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# Education

## School board honors 28 National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists

By Bill Kerns  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** - Twenty-eight Seminole County students who were recently selected as National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists participated in a reception at the Seminole County School Board's Educational Support Center on Tuesday.

As a group, the 28 students collectively scored in the top half of one percent nationwide on the Pre-Scholastic Aptitude Test. They averaged 1436 on the SAT. A perfect score is 1600. The students also accumulated an average grade-point average of 3.70, and ranked 15th in an average class size of 476 nationwide.

Colleges of choice for the students range from Florida's state colleges to Ivy League colleges.

Each of the students also participated in at least three extra-curricular activities at their schools, and four of the students worked part-time jobs. Some of the semi-finalists participated in up to 10 extra-curricular activities.

The awards and honors granted to the students range from "Who's Who in American High Schools," and citizenship or leadership awards to music, science, math, and other academic awards.

A dessert reception sponsored by The Foundation For Seminole County Public Schools was given before the Seminole County School Board meeting Tuesday, from 6:15 p.m. to 7 p.m. The students were also recognized at the 7 p.m. Board meeting.

The students who received the designation of National Merit Scholarship Semi-finalists include:

• **Lake Brantley High School** — Margaret Andrews, with a 4.15 GPA and a class ranking of No. 9. Andrews is playing varsity tennis and participating in the Debate Team and a literary magazine. She plans to seek a Ph.D in biochemistry.

Jonathan Mann holds a 4.16 GPA and ranks No. 7 in his class. He is on the debate team and a web page design team. In college, he plans to study politi-

cal science and sociology.

Kimberly Olvey holds a 4.269 GPA and is ranked third in her class. She is on the debate team, and a drum major in the school band. She plans to study biomedical or mechanical engineering or law. Leslie Weisstein holds a 4.2 GPA, and is a four-year member of the Allstate Chorus. She plans to study micro-biology, political science or English.

• **Lake Howell High School** — Sara Klemann ranks third in her class with a 4.104 GPA, and scored 1540 on the SAT. She is a member of the Thespians Club. Carla Montooth holds a 4.05 GPA, and plans to pursue a career in financial management. Maximilian Pham holds a 4.1154 GPA, scored 1560 on the SAT, and plans to study computer science at Georgia Tech.

• **Lake Mary High School** — Colleen Butler holds a 3.99 GPA, and scored a 1490 on the SAT. She plays Lacrosse, and is a member of the Florida Youth Symphony Orchestra. She plans to study biology or environmental science and minor in music performance.

Lauren Cox holds a 4.1 GPA, ranks seventh in her class, and is a member of the school band. She plans to attend Rice, Duke, the University of Florida, or Florida State University. Brian Davis holds a 4.0 GPA, and scored a 1520 on the SAT. He plans to study Psychology at Duke University.

Neil Halelamien, one of the top students in his class, scored a 1570 on the SAT. He volunteered more than 200 hours this summer, and plans to study computer science at either MIT or California Technical Institute.

Marc Harper holds a 4.275 GPA, and plays varsity soccer as well as varsity diving. He volunteers up to 16 hours per week as a peer tutor. John Hewitt holds a 4.0 GPA and scored a 1440 in the SAT. He plans to study Physics at MIT or Harvard. Laura Hlatt has a 4.27 GPA and scored 1530 on the SAT. A member of the Florida Symphony Orchestra, she plans to study bio-physics.

Rey Monteloyola holds a 3.8 GPA and plans to study theater as well as "something practi-

cal." Jonathan Paik holds a 3.8 GPA, scored 1520 on the SAT, and plans to study computer science at MIT or Cal Tech.

• **Lyman High School** — Esther Brown is a member of the National Honor Society who scored a 1550 on the SAT. A member of the French Club, she plans to major in linguistics.

• **Oviedo High School** — Alexis Chaves holds a 3.875 GPA and plans to study marketing or finance. Nicole Creanza is a member of the National Honor Society who scored a perfect 1600 on the SAT and is also a violinist. She plans to study biological science.

Katherine Rogers holds a 4.06 GPA and scored 1430 on the SAT. She plans to major in English or creative writing. Ramanujan Srinivasan is tied for first in his class with a 4.31 GPA, and scored 1510 on the SAT. He plans to study electrical engineering or physics.

• **Winter Springs High School** - Richard DeZego, Jr. holds a 3.8 GPA and plans to study engineering at MIT or Georgia Tech. Kimberly Dowd ranks third in her class with a 4.02 GPA and plans to major in business.

In addition, several Seminole County students are also National Hispanic or Achievement Semifinalists.

The National Achievement semifinalists include Erika Martinez of Lake Howell High School who holds a 3.83 GPA and plays varsity basketball, track, and volleyball. She plans to study psychology, English or law studies.

Christopher Stapler of Seminole High School is taking advanced placement courses in computer science and chemistry. He plans to study computers and literature.

The Hispanic Scholarship semifinalists include Alida Gertz and Christine Ortiz of Lyman High School. Gertz is ranked among the top students in her class, and plays varsity swimming and volleyball. Ortiz holds a 4.05 GPA, plays varsity soccer, and volunteers in 20 organizations.

Miguel Diaz of Oviedo High School holds a 3.974 GPA, plays varsity soccer, and plans to study engineering.

## Red Ribbon Week celebrations



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Above: Erik Adamson performs the "Just Think" rap song during a Red Ribbon Week ceremony at the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. Red Ribbon Week is an event designed to encourage students to stay drug-free. Below: Members of Millennium Middle School's Club Pride gather with McGruff the Crime Dog.



## School Notes

### Peer Helping Program

The Peer Helping Program started last year at Tusawilla Middle School, and 60 eighth grade students are currently participating.

The focus is on helping students with low academic ability or who are functioning below

grade level. Peer Helpers are graded on their dependability and responsibility while in the classroom.

### Community Meeting on Nov. 9

A Unitary Status overview meeting concerning the desegregation of schools in Seminole

County will be held Tuesday, Nov. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Goldsboro School Media Center.

The school is located at 1300 West 20th Street in Sanford.

For more information, contact Raymond Gaines, director of Secondary Education, at 320-0073 or 320-0075.

## Chamber honors award winners



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Lynda Batorfi, left, director of membership marketing for the Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce, presents the chamber's monthly school awards to October's winners. Those honored included Frank Heynis, assistant principal at Wicklow Elementary School; Andrew Heisen, a student at Wicklow; and Debra Upchurch, a Wicklow teacher.

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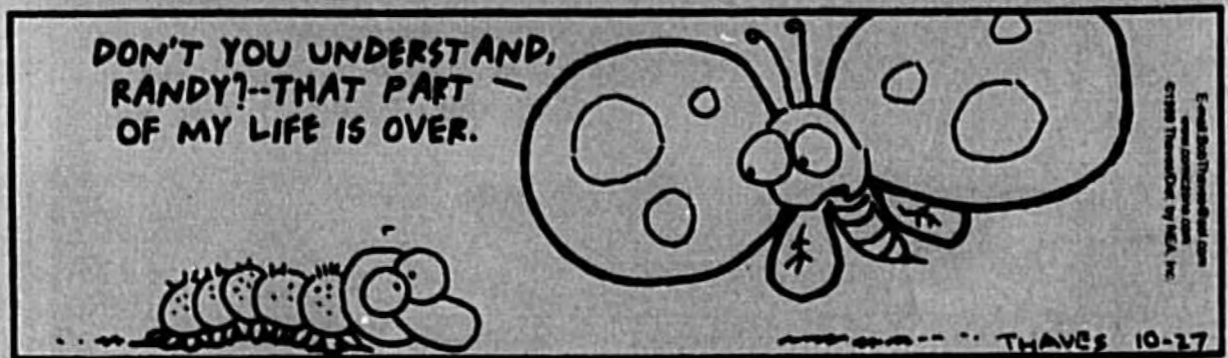
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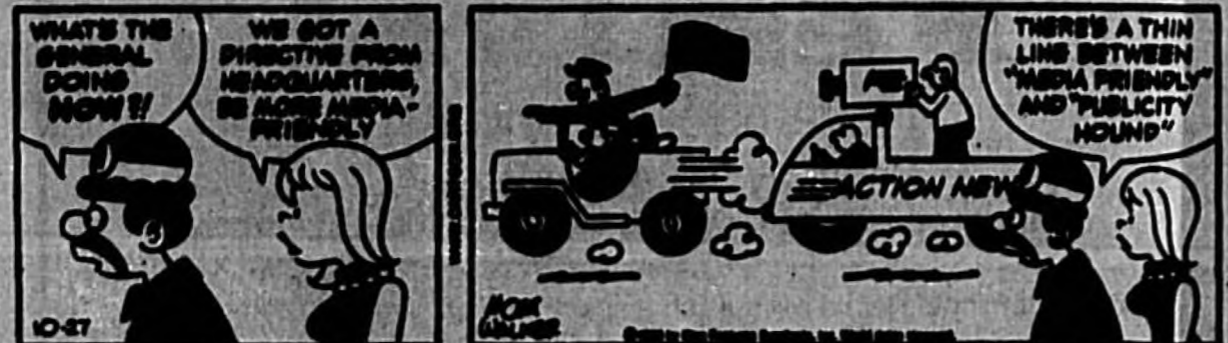
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## HOROSCOPES



Thursday, Oct. 26, 1990

In the year ahead, new contacts you make either for business or social purposes could prove of greater worth to you than those you've made in the past. Be sure to circulate.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** By expanding your horizons, you will be able to spot new opportunities that previously were blocked from your vision. Search out new areas of interests today. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1786, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10198.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** If you emphasize your cooperative spirit and understand your authority today, your dealings with others will go much smoother than expected. Kindness conquers what demands can't.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Today's aspects are developing in a manner that

could awaken new hope in your heart. Conditions are now taking a turn for the better concerning a matter that has been of concern to you.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** Don't waste your time and efforts today on matters of small consequence, especially where your career is concerned. Luck is present in meaningful areas containing big objectives.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** When you exert your authority in necessary situations today, you'll receive the largest approval. This is because of the fine manner in which you wield command at the time.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** The rewards you're seeking aren't that far off, so dismiss any discouraging thoughts, roll up your sleeves and get to work on it. This can be a most productive day.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Trust in your assessments of areas that you perceive to be fruitful. Your judgments are quite keen and will serve you well today when you start to do something about them.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Profit for work well done is looking extremely encouraging today. Utilize your talents, skills and training to put more bread on the table. You could benefit greatly at this time.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** That which you manage yourself or base upon your own ideas could prove to be the luckiest situations for you today. The trick is to keep kibitzers completely out of the picture.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Matters where you are looking out for the welfare and good of others could yield the greatest benefits for you today. Make this your priority over other interests that pop up.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** A good arrangement a friend of yours has established with a second party has room for a third link. You may be invited in on the chain today and it behooves you to take advantage of it.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** There is empty financial opportunity around you today, but you might have to first ferret it out. Leave no stone unturned in your search for material security.

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## WIN AT BRIDGE

### Back and forth across the sea

By Phillip Alder

W.S. Gilbert wrote many amusing lines. Here is a verse from "Iolanthe": "For you dream you are crossing the Channel, and tossing about in a steamer from Harwich — which is something between a large bathing machine and a very small second-class carriage."

Well, as you picture a ferry going from England to the Netherlands and back again, which declarer-play technique does it bring to mind? In this deal, how would you play in six spades after the club-queen lead? Did West have a more effective opening salvo?

The auction is ambitious — or bridge-writer's license. If you prefer North's four-diamond ruff is a splinter, showing game values in spades

with at most one diamond. It is a good evaluation of that hand. But South's use of Blackwood is debatable. His singleton and two aces are positive, but having only four trumps is a negative. (A singleton in partner's first-bid suit is often a negative, but not here, as North's suit is so weak.)

With four top side-suit tricks, declarer must score eight trump tricks. This points toward a crossruff. And there is one key to this technique: Cash all side-suit winners first. So, declarer should take dummy's two top clubs and the red-suit aces before ruffing dummy's four low hearts in his hand and his three low diamonds in dummy. South's 12 tricks are one top trump in the dummy, the four side-suit winners and seven ruffs.

If, as a defender, you think the declarer will be crossruffing, it is best to lead a trump. Here, that kills both one of the ruffs and the contract.

North 14-27-40			
♠	K J 8 5		
♥	A 8 5 3		
♦	4		
♣	A K 3		
East			
♠	4 2	♠	7 6 3
♥	J 9	♥	K Q 10 7 3
♦	J 9 7 3 2	♦	K Q 10
♣	Q J 10 6	♣	4
South			
♠	A Q 10 9		
♥	4		
♦	A 8 5 3		
♣	8 7 5 2		
Vulnerable: Both			
Dealer: North			
South	West	North	East
1♠	Pass	1♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♥	Pass
6♣	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♠Q			

## ASK DR. GOTT

### An M.D. by any other name...

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am confused by the different ways that doctors are identified. Some simply list their names, followed by "M.D." I can understand that, but others state that they are "board certified," "diplomats," "fellows," or "members of..." These designations must be important or the doctors wouldn't list them — but what do they mean? And why are some solo practitioners incorporated?

American College of Surgeons. To a large degree, these titles are honorary and simply indicate that the practitioner has advanced in his or her specialty. Such titles do not necessarily mean that your doctor is "better"; they reflect the fact that the physician/surgeon has mastered certain skills for which he or she has achieved recognition.

DEAR READER: After doctors complete their training, they usually choose to be tested and certified in certain specialties. This is called "board certification" and is usually a good sign that the physician or surgeon is competent in his or her field. Not all good doctors are certified, but those who are have met a standard of competence.

Doctors incorporate for financial reasons. The initial P.C. (professional corporation) after a doctor's name do not ensure ability or competence.

DEAR READER: Ordinary baking soda is a powerful acid-neutralizer and has been consumed for decades for that purpose. It is safe and cheap. However, because it contains sodium, it should be used sparingly by patients who must limit the amount of salt in their diets.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a senior citizen in good health. Would my organs be suitable for donation?

**DR. GOTT**

**PETER GOTT, M.D.**

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DEAR READER: In all probability, yes, some of your organs — notably the common to your arm — could be donated. Check with the pathology department of your local hospital to determine the method by which you could most easily donate organs. The need for such organs varies from community to community and state to state. Your local pathologist can advise you.

# People

## Hating others because others hate you is no way to live

**DEAR READERS:** After printing letters about racism during the summer, I received an onslaught of mail from readers who wanted to comment. It's a subject about which people are passionate.

I regret that space limitations do not permit me to share all of the terrific letters with you. Read on for a sample:

**DEAR ABBY:** I am writing in response to Mr. Jones' and Dr. Wood's replies to the letter from "My Kid's Mom." Dr. Wood claimed that he knew of "no dark-skinned people who believe they are superior to light-skinned people, at least not those living in Western societies," while Mr. Jones claimed "there is no racism in the African-American community."

Are these gentlemen actually serious? One only has to listen to the comedy of Chris Rock or D.L. Hughley, or a speech from Louis Farrakhan, to realize that there is racism in the African-American community.

The only way there can be serious discussion and improvement of race relations in America is if we as citizens refuse to accept ANY racist rhetoric, regardless of the skin color of the speaker. As long as American society accepts racist dogma from white, black, Asian and Hispanic communities, this country will never find peace among her citizens. Only when we can accept this fact and make a conscious effort to root out this aspect of ourselves will we truly end racism once and for all.

**CHRIS HOWELL, ALSO FROM GEORGIA**

**DEAR CHRIS:** I agree with you. Read on:

**DEAR ABBY:** When our society gets to the point where one discusses race only when talking about genealogy or national origin, and when we begin to describe ourselves as "Americans," then and only then can we make the statement that there is no racism.

**HOPING FOR A NON-RACIST AMERICA**

**DEAR ABBY:** Mr. Jones states that he teaches his kids "to be tough and smart, because a black person is always surrounded by whites with racist attitudes." Mr. Jones should

teach them instead to be intelligent and compassionate for the shortcomings of others. Defense mechanisms are no way to deal with real problems.

Teaching to hate because others hate only shows his willingness to sink to someone's level and to conform to racist policies, which only fuels racism.



Dear Abby

**CITIZENS FOR AN EQUAL AMERICA, PAXTON, ILL.**

**DEAR ABBY:** I applaud your attempt to cut out the sore from our society by bringing this to the written medium and opening the forum for discussion on the level where we need it — at our luncheon tables, our breakfast tables, our dinner tables, because so many people read your column. Thank you!

**PHOENIX READER**

**DEAR ABBY:** Hatred and bigotry should be as equally condemned when it comes from a minority as it is when it comes from the majority.

**D.L. IN S.C.**

**DEAR ABBY:** As an R.N. who has worked in a major city hospital in the United States as well as small hospitals, let me tell you — there is racism in the African-American community no matter what it's labeled. There is racism between blacks and Asians, blacks and whites, blacks and Hispanics, just as there is for white and other races in these United States. Racism is not just a white evil. It's an all-pervasive, color-crossing evil that debases us all.

**JEANIE, R.N., FORMERLY OF PHILADELPHIA (THE CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE)**

**DEAR READERS:** Stay tuned; there will be more on this subject tomorrow.

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## Perrinial favorite no longer just for snack-time enjoyment Cooking with popcorn

It's likely that only the popcorn farmers reading this are aware that October is "Popcorn Poppin' Month." Now that you too have been informed, I'll warrant that there's nothing you want to do more than run out and pop some corn.

The Popcorn Institute is pulling out all the stops. It has accumulated a list of "Fun Popcorn Facts," including the little-known fact that the Pilgrims ate popcorn at the first Thanksgiving. The Institute informs me that Americans will consume 16 billion quarts of popped popcorn this year (59 quarts per capita) and that the largest popcorn ball ever recorded weighed 2,000 pounds.

Popcorn is one of five varieties of corn (the others are sweet, dent, flint and pod), and it's the only one that pops. This is so because the popcorn variety stores water in each kernel. As the kernel is heated, the water turns to steam and builds up pressure until — you got it — the corn pops.

Even though I love popcorn, it never occurred to me to use it in recipes. It was Chef Peter Kelly, a teacher at the New England Culinary Institute in Montpelier, Vt., who had that inspiration. "We can use it as a breading!" he said. Under his tutelage, two of his students came up with the Maple-Popcorn Salmon recipe below. It is very easy to make and absolutely delicious.

I happened to be trolling through a used-book store while pondering the notion of popcorn-as-breading when I found, to my delight, a 1977 book entitled "Popcorn Cookery," written by Larry Kusche. Mr. Kusche, it turns out, is a cutting-edge genius when it comes to popcorn. He uses ground popcorn as a breading and as an ingredient in all sorts of dishes. I've reprinted two of his recipes here.

If you are not quite ready to

think of popcorn as part of your dinner entree, you don't have to feel left out of the Popcorn Poppin' Month festivities. Just pop up a bowl and settle in with a good book. How much excitement can one person take?

Note: For use in cooking, Chef Kelly recommends air-popping or popping corn on the stove top using as little oil as possible. Microwave popcorn tends to be too greasy to use in recipes.

### MAPLE-POPCORN SALMON

4 cups popped popcorn  
1/4 cup maple syrup  
salt and pepper to taste  
4 5-ounce salmon fillets (see note)

mustard  
vegetable oil, for cooking

Preheat oven to 375 degrees.

Put the popcorn in a plastic bag and crush it with a rolling pin as though you were making cracker crumbs. You don't have to make them too fine — single lobes of popcorn are the desired size. You will have about 2-1/2 cups

of crumbs.

Put the crushed popcorn into a shallow dish and drizzle the maple syrup over it. Add salt and pepper to taste. Mix well with your hands so that the syrup is well distributed.

Season the salmon fillets with salt and pepper and, using a pastry brush, brush the flesh-side of each with your favorite mustard. Press the coated side of the salmon in the maple-popcorn mixture, pressing the popcorn on with your hands. Set the fillets aside, coated-side up.

Heat about a tablespoon of oil (or enough to coat bottom of pan) in a skillet until quite hot but not smoking. Sear the popcorn side of one fillet about 45 seconds; flip over and sear skin side for about a minute. Remove and place in an oven-proof dish large enough to hold all four fillets. Repeat for the remaining three fillets, adding



Paul G. Bolover for the New England Culinary Institute  
Maple-Popcorn Salmon: A thoroughly American dish of seared, baked salmon with a maple-flavored popcorn crust.

more oil between searings if needed.

Bake for 7 to 10 minutes, or until fish is done to your liking. Serve immediately. Yield: 4 servings.

Note: This recipe will also work well with boneless, skinless chicken breasts. Pound them thin before cooking.

— Recipe created by Stacy Corley and Matthew Wellnitz, students, New England Culinary Institute, Montpelier, Vt.

### GRANOLA-POPCORN MUFFINS

3/4 to 1 cup popped popcorn  
1/2 cup granola  
1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour  
1/2 cup brown sugar, firmly packed  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon cinnamon  
1/4 teaspoon baking soda  
1 tablespoon lemon juice  
1 cup milk  
1 egg, beaten  
1/3 cup butter, melted  
1/2 cup finely chopped apples

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Grease or line two 8-muffin tins.

Put the popcorn in a plastic bag and crush with a rolling pin until coarsely ground; you should have 1/2 cup of popcorn "crumbs." Alternately, put the popcorn in a blender and grind for about 20 seconds.

Combine the ground popcorn, granola, flour, sugar, baking powder, salt, cinnamon and baking soda.

In another bowl, mix the lemon juice and milk. Add the egg, melted butter and chopped apple. Add this liquid to the dry

ingredients and stir just until well moistened. Fill each muffin cup about 2/3 full. Bake 20 to 25 minutes, or until a tester inserted in the middle of a muffin comes out clean. Yield: 16 muffins.

— Recipe from "Larry Kusche's Popcorn Cookery," (HPBooks; 1977)

### POPCORN STUFFED PEPPERS

2 cups popped popcorn  
3 large green bell peppers  
1 quart boiling, salted water  
3/4 pound ground beef  
2 tablespoons finely chopped onion

1 teaspoon salt  
1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce  
1/4 teaspoon black pepper  
1 8-ounce can tomato sauce

Preheat oven to 350 degrees.

Put a handful of popcorn in a blender and blend, at lowest speed, for about a minute. The popcorn will flow like a thick syrup. Slowly add another handful or two of popcorn. Let the grinding continue for a minute or more. You should have 1 cup of finely ground popcorn when you are done. Set it aside.

Cut peppers in half. Remove seeds. Cook for 5 minutes in the boiling water. Drain.

Mix the popcorn with the remaining ingredients and fill the peppers. Bake in a covered casserole for 1 hour. Uncover and continue baking for 15 minutes. Yield: 6 servings.

— Recipe from "Larry Kusche's Popcorn Cookery," (HPBooks; 1977)

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## Briefs

### Disaster Preparedness for the Home

The Seminole County Cooperative Extension Family and Community Education Volunteers are holding a Disaster Preparedness For The Home Program on Nov. 15 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Seminole County Cooperative Extension Service Auditorium located at 230 West County Home Road in Sanford.

The discussion will include what personal papers are needed and what supplies are needed before a hurricane or disaster. Seminole County Animal Control will be there to make recommendations on pets and what the county does during disasters.

The free program is open to the public. To pre-register, call 665-5559.

**Alumni Flag Football game**  
Oviedo High School is hosting an Alumni vs. Faculty flag football game on Nov. 4 as part of the homecoming festivities.

Anyone who is an alumni from OHS (any year) who wished to play in the game is encouraged to call Marge Carver, athletic secretary, at 320-4221 to register.

The faculty has never lost the game.

There will also be a barbecue chicken dinner with all the trimmings, and a parade that afternoon and a cow play fundraiser.

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## Tragedy

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sonnel were on hand as well as representatives from municipal police and fire departments. A touch of realism was added to the scenario when two donated wrecked vehicles depicted the scene of the alcohol-related tragedy.

Crews from the Altamonte Springs and Longwood fire departments, working in real time sequence, first had to smash glass windows and then use the jaws of life prying tools to extricate two students from one of the wrecked vehicles. A third student involved in the mock scenario needed no rescue, she was killed at the scene.

"There will be some emotion carried over after this scenario is completed, said Lake Mary police chief Richard Beary, who served as narrator for the hour-long depiction of events. "If exposing the students to this

type of message saves just one life, its worth it."

Beary said the mock DUI scenario is rotated among Seminole County high schools each year.

"Every time we do this at a school the emotional impact takes a few years off my life," he added.

"The purpose behind the mock DUI drill was to impress upon the high school students that they are mortal," said Seminole Sheriff's office spokesman Steve Olson. "Many high school students have a sense of immortality and sometimes take unnecessary risks."

Olson said the joint effort by the public safety officials was to remind students that accidents and tragedies affect not only those directly involved in the incidents, but friends, family members and others as well.

"That's what we hope to emphasize," Olson said. "It's sometimes typical for teenagers to rationalize, 'Gee-whiz, I only had a couple of drinks.'"

Olson added that the mock DUI drill is timely because of Lyman's Homecoming this weekend.

"If students decide to imbibe alcohol and then get behind the wheel of a car, that's a real dangerous combination."

The mock DUI scenario culminated with stunning realism. When the presentation was completed, one student was in jail, two students were hospitalized with serious injuries, and a third was dead. Lyman juniors and seniors then witnessed as police officers knocked on the door of the parents of the student killed in the accident to inform them their daughter had become the latest victim of drinking and driving.

## Longwood

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Orlando, then having the 5th District Court of Appeals rule that Circuit Judge Tom Freeman should excuse himself from presiding over the complaint. Freeman agreed with the appellate ruling during a hearing two weeks ago and removed himself from the case.

The next step in the case comes Nov. 5 in Seminole Circuit Court. Judge O.H. Eaton will rule on the plaintiff's request for a temporary injunction to force the city to keep Warren Avenue and Wilma Street open during the festival. Court action on other issues regarding damages and attorneys fees is expected to come at a later date.

The plaintiff's also complain in their suit that the city illegally entered into an agreement with a private organization, The Central Florida Historical Preservation Society. The Society contends the inability to close off Warren and Wilma will ruin the logistical layout of the event and ultimately ruin the festival.

A number of business owners from the city's Historic District came to speak on the situation Monday night, but failed to address any issues when none of the plaintiffs showed.

Board members also attempted to continue work on revamping an ordinance dealing with sign regulations within city limits. The meeting abruptly was

adjourned with only Mayor Paul Lovestrand and commissioners Annamarie Vacca and Dan Anderson in attendance. Any motions approved would have required a three-vote consensus.

The city's Board of Adjustment will meet tonight at 6 p.m. at city hall to take up the issue of a complaint filed against city commissioner Steve Miller, regarding a shed in Miller's backyard that some contend violates

city code. Miller has stated that many sections of the current code are confusing and contradicting.

Several weeks ago the city's Development Review Board voted to deny Miller a variance regarding the shed situation. The Board of Adjustment will consider that recommendation at tonight's 6 p.m. meeting at Longwood City Hall.

## Sheriff

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number of calls to his office.

Gainesville developer Phillip Emmer vowed his support to the sheriff, giving a discounted apartment to any deputy who wanted to live at the apartment complex. Deputies receive similar housing benefits in many

neighborhoods, parking their patrol car on site.

"I'm a silent partner in this deal," Eslinger said. "I'm very concerned about the big picture. I'm not opposing it (the apartment go-ahead), I just want everyone to know the impact."

Commissioner Randy Morris

had asked for the apartment issue to be delayed from the morning until the afternoon for Eslinger to attend. His courtesy request was denied, however, by district commissioner Grant Maloy.

Morris promptly made a cell-phone call to Eslinger, and Commission Chairman Carlton Henley allowed a 10-minute recess for Eslinger to drive to the County Services Building from his office at Five Points.

## Sanford

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were stymied earlier this month when the city voided the contract it had with developer Joe Pacitti to build a 300-room hotel and center. Pacitti's company, PRA Management and Development Inc., didn't meet deadlines to satisfy the city. Dale said a number of other developers and hotel chains are ready to join the race.

The familiar contingent of Sanford protesters — Millard Hunt, Dennis Ferguson and Neil Snow — attended Tuesday's meeting. Hunt repeated his plea not to harm the Lake Monroe/Fort Mellon Park waterfront.

McLain said that the majority of Sanford citizens voted that

**"We encourage competition — always have. If someone else comes up with a proposal, we expect the county to listen."**

Larry Dale  
Sanford Mayor

they supported the waterfront center.

The county's Tourist Development Commission had recommended the BCC rescind the preferred site status Sanford enjoyed. Commission members seemed satisfied that the BCC made a good call Tuesday.

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# Sports

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## Briefs

### PDS-HACKERS GIVE NIGHTMARES TO KNIGHTMARES

**OVIEDO** - The PDS-Hackers got back into the win column in a big way, posting a 17-4 run-rule victory over the Knightmares in City of Oviedo Recreation Department Women's Class C Fall Monday Night Slow Pitch Softball League action at the Oviedo Sports Complex.

PDS manager Mickey Norton may have found a much-needed pitcher as Michelle Field made her first start of the season and tossed a three-hitter.

The Hackers also welcomed back Heidi Green, who had not played with the team for five years, as she went 3-for-3, scored three runs and drove in two.

Also contributing offensively for the Hackers were Field (2-for-4, two runs scored), Anna Hollis (2-for-2, two walks, two runs scored, one RBI), Pam Lindsey (2-for-3, three RBI), Connie Thomas (1-for-2, three RBI), Debbie Pegal (1-for-3, three runs scored, two RBI), Jackie Janowiak (one single, two runs scored, three RBI) and Roseanne Fry (one single, two RBI).

The PDS-Hackers improved to 2-1 on the season and will take on AT & T Wireless at 7 p.m. next Monday at the Oviedo Sports Complex.

### OVIEDO ALUMNI WHERE ARE YOU?

**OVIEDO** - Oviedo High School is hosting an Alumni vs. Faculty flag football game on November 4, 1999 as part of its homecoming festivities.

If you are an alumni of OHS (any year) and wish to play in this game please call Margo Carter, Secretary at 390-4221 to register.

Our faculty coaches can provide buses that they have never lost this game. Could this be the year the alumni wins?? Call today.

There will also be a Bar-B-Que chicken dinner with all the trimmings, a parade in the afternoon prior to the game and a cow plop fund-raiser. Be there, it could be your lucky day.

### YANKEES ON VERGE OF SWEEPING WORLD SERIES AGAIN

**NEW YORK** - The Atlanta Braves' offense finally woke up, but it was still not enough to fend off the New York Yankees.

The Braves took a 5-1 in the third inning on the strength of three doubles by Brett Boone and a two-run double by designated hitter Jose Hernandez.

But the Yankees got back into the game on the strength of an unearned run in the first inning and solo home runs by Chad Curtis and Tampa's Tino Martinez off of Atlanta starter Tom Glavine.

The two-time Cy Young Award winner went into the eighth inning having only thrown 72 pitches, but catcher Joe Girardi, who threw out two potential base stealers, led off the eighth with a single and three pitches later Chuck Knoblock hit a home run to right that appeared to bounce out of Brian Jordan's glove and off the top of the wall before going into the stands to tie the game.

After a pair of scoreless innings, Curtis, who hit only five home runs in the regular season, crushed a long home run into the left-field bullpen off of Mike Remlinger to give the defending World Series Champions a 3-0 lead in the Best-of-Seven series.

The Yankees have now won 11 straight games and are within a victory of tying their own franchise record for consecutive World Series victories. The 1926-27-28 Yanks also pulled off the trick.

Games four-and-five (if necessary) will be played in Yankee Stadium tonight.

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# Lions, Rams tune up for state

## Boys teams finish in Top 10 at War Eagle Cross Country Meet

Special to the Herald

**TITUSVILLE** - The Oviedo and Lake Mary boys cross country teams gave a good account of themselves as both squads finished in the Top 10 at the War Eagle Pre-State Meet hosted by Astronaut High School and held at Brevard Community College in Titusville.

The Lions, led by 14th place finisher Trent Fuchs and 26th place runner Robert Huggins, came home in Seventh place, while the Rams, led by 42nd place finisher Caleb Smith, was 10th.

Bishop Kenny from Jacksonville, Cypress Creek, Astronaut, Flagler Palm Coast from Bunnell, Tampa Jesuit and Titusville made up the top six, while Spruce Creek and Lake Region from Eagle Lake were eighth and ninth.

Chris Batista from Flagler Palm Coast was the individual winner, with Colonial's Carlos

Hinojosa, Bishop Kenny's James Johnson, Cypress Lakes' Anthony Taveras and Bishop Kenny's Carlos Garcia rounding out the top five.

Today at Lake Mary High School (see the brief, below) the 1999 Seminole Athletic Conference Cross Country Championships will be held starting at 4:30 p.m.

All of the athletes will march into Don T. Reynolds like they do in the Olympics and be introduced prior to the start of the race.

### WAR EAGLE PRE-STATE MEET

Brevard Community College, Titusville  
**TEAM SCORES** - 1. Jacksonville-Bishop Kenny, 1:22:21.77; 2. Ft. Myers-Cypress Lakes, 1:23:04.98; 3. Titusville-Astronaut, 1:23:35.58; 4. Bunnell-Flagler Palm Coast, 1:24:45.70; 5. Tampa-Jesuit, 1:24:53.71; 6. Titusville, 1:28:37.57; 7. Oviedo, 1:28:38.68; 8. Spruce Creek, 1:29:57.71; 9. Eagle Lake-Lake Region, 1:30:45.88; 10. Lake Mary, 1:31:41.18; 11. Belleview, 1:31:53.21; 12. Deltona, 1:32:58.80; 13. Lake Highland Prep, 1:33:21.45; 14. Colonial, 1:45:28.15.  
**INDIVIDUALS** - 1. Chris Batista,

senior, Flagler Palm Coast, 19:34.04; 2. Carlos Hinojosa, senior, Colonial, 19:52.20; 3. James Johnson, junior, Bishop Kenny, 19:02.80; 4. Anthony Taveras, junior, Cypress Lakes, 19:05.54; 5. Carlos Garcia, senior, Astronaut, 19:11.51; 6. Robert Garrett, Astronaut, 19:13.31; 7. Joe Harris, Cypress Lakes, 19:17.00; 8. Kris Wilson, Deltona, 19:22.11; 9. Ryan Ripley, Belleview, 19:24.17; 10. Brian Hawkstrom, senior, Astronaut, 19:28.08.  
**COUNTY RUNNERS IN TOP 50** - 14. Trent Fuchs, junior, Oviedo, 10:40.47; 26. Robert Huggins, junior, Oviedo, 16:52.67; 42. Caleb Smith, senior, Lake Mary, 17:47.88.

at 5:30 p.m., and the boys junior varsity race at 6 p.m. All of the races will end inside Don T. Reynolds Stadium.

The top seven finishers in each varsity race will earn First Team All-SAC honors, with the next seven runners (8-14) making Second Team All-SAC. Spectator cost is \$4, with athletes admitted free with a team jersey and a maximum of two team managers per school entered being admitted free.

4:30 p.m. and the boys race will start at 5 p.m.

First place & second place trophies will go to the two top schools, both male & female and individually, the winner of each race, both male & female will receive a trophy with second, third, & fourth receiving a medal and fifth thru 30th receiving ribbons, both male and female.

There is no charge to the middle schools or athletes to enter as the Lake Mary Track Club will be paying for all awards, trophies, medals, & ribbons.

Each middle school team may be composed of 6th, 7th, or 8th graders. You may enter as many athletes as you wish, but only the top five finishers count in your score, male & female.

Please FAX 320-9664, and let Coach Gibson know if you are entering a boys and/or a girls team.

### 1999 SAC CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

**LAKE MARY** - The 1999 Seminole Athletic Conference Cross Country Championships will be run today at Lake Mary High School.

A coaches meeting will be held at 4:15 p.m., followed by the girls junior varsity race at 4:30 p.m., the girls varsity race at 5 p.m., the boys varsity race

### SEMINOLE COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

**LAKE MARY** - The 1999 Seminole County Middle School Cross Country Meet will be contested on Wednesday, November 10th at Lake Mary High School (course is 3,000 meters long).

The girls race will begin at

## Bixon Chiropractic regains lead

By Dana Smith  
SPORTS EDITOR

**SANFORD** - What a difference a week makes. Last Tuesday at Pinehurst Park, Curt's Alleycats looked awesome in scoring 34 runs and giving up just nine in sweeping a doubleheader and taking over the lead in the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Women's Fall Slow Pitch Softball League.

But last night, the Curt's Alleycats offense disappeared as they were held to four singles and Donnie's Darlins used an eight-run fourth inning to post a 13-0, run rule victory.

That game was the only "blowout" of the evening as the other two games were decided by one run, with one game going nine innings.

Lynn Webb scored an unearned run in the top of the ninth inning as Vaughan incorporated got back into the race with a 6-5 victory over the

struggling Sharks in the opening game of the evening.

The middle game was a heck of a battle with Donnie's Darlins and Bixon Chiropractic trading the lead three times over the first two innings.

Donnie's Darlins took a 2-0 lead in the top of the first inning and Bixon Chiropractic answered with three runs in the bottom of the first inning.

Donnie's Darlins regained the lead with two runs in the top of the second inning and added another run to the lead in the top of the third inning.

Bixon Chiropractic evened the score in the bottom of the third inning and grabbed the lead with a run in the bottom of the fourth inning.

The game looked like it might go to extra innings when Heather Lewis scored on a single by Helen Balanger in the top of the sixth inning for Donnie's Darlins to tie the game at 6-6.

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Belinda Anderson's two-out, none-on inside-the-park home run gave Bixon Chiropractic a 7-6 victory over Donnie's Darlins and sole possession of first place in the Sanford Women's Softball League.

## I.S. maintains AAA Co-Ed lead

By Dana Smith  
SPORTS EDITOR

**LAKE MARY** - I.S. doubled its pleasure in the City of Lake Mary Parks and Recreation Department AAA Co-Ed Fall Slow Pitch Softball League last Wednesday night at the Lake Mary Sports Complex.

I.S. counted nine doubles, and a triple for good measure, among its 16 hits as the league leaders romped past second place Accounting/Bombata, 16-1, in four innings.

The other two games were much more competitive as Map Attack scored nine runs in the

bottom of the first inning, then withstood a rally by Liberty Mutual to win 17-13 and move into a tie for second place.

The middle game saw Cross/Bones take a 5-0 lead in the top of the first inning and hang onto the lead until Liberty Mutual rallied for seven runs in the bottom of the fourth inning to take a 13-11 lead.

Cross/Bones tried to answer back in the top of the fifth inning, getting a triple and an RBI grounder to close to within a run and then getting a single and a walk, which put the potential tying and winning runs on second and third base with

only one out. But a pop up and a fly out ended the threat and the game with Liberty Mutual on top 13-12.

I.S. is now a perfect 4-0 on the season and leads by at least two games in the loss column over Map Attack and Accounting/Bombata with 11-0, Liberty Mutual (2-3) and Cross Bones (0-5).

Tonight at the Lake Mary Sports Complex on Rantoul Lane (North extension of Country Club Road, leaving Lake Mary), south of CR-45A and across from the Mayfair Country Club.

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## Cardinals knock off Athletics in Majors

By Dana Smith  
SPORTS EDITOR

**SANFORD** - Andrew Kezobom, D.T. Blaseil and Drew Abbott did most of the damage as the Longwood Cardinals outscored the Sanford A's, 11-6, in a Babe Ruth Baseball Fall League Major Division contest at Ray Moller Junior Field in Ft. Mellon Park last Saturday.

Blaseil and Abbott drove in first inning runs as the Cardinals took a 3-0 lead in the 13-and-Under game.

Kezobom homered in the second inning to give Longwood a 4-0 lead before Brian Ireland and Jeff Downing drove in runs for the A's in the bottom of the second inning.

Abbott's RBI double highlighted a three-run top of the third inning for the Cardinals, but Sanford answered right back with three runs of its own in the bottom of the third inning with Josh Annett's double and Tom Quinn's RBI single being the big hits.

But Longwood started to pull away scoring a single run in the fourth inning and three runs in the top of the fifth inning with Josh Owens' RBI single being a key hit.

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## OPTIMIST PLAYER OF THE WEEK



**SANFORD** - The Optimist Club of Sanford recently honored Seminole High School bowler Derrick Hulme as its Seminole High School Athlete of the Week for the week of August 27th through October 1st. Hulme rolled a 608 series and scored 100 of a possible six

points for the Fighting Samboles on Wednesday, August 27th, then came back with a 547 series that included a high game of 214 on Monday, October 1st. Hulme is shown receiving his trophy from Optimist member Andy Nelson (left) and Bob Vorn (right).





