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TODAY

BRIEFS

No meeting

SANFORD — The meeting of the Waterfront Steering Committee, originally scheduled for this evening, has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held April 16, at which time the committee will hear a presentation on the operation of the New Smyrna Beach waterfront redevelopment efforts.

Carnival time

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — This Thursday, Friday and Saturday, March 20 - 22, the big event is the Third Annual Altamonte Springs Carnival and Circus. The event is being held at Cranes Roost Park. Partial proceeds will benefit various children's charities.

Breakfast with Bunny

SANFORD — Alpha Alpha Theta Chapter of Delta Sigma Phi, together with Angelo's Restaurant, will sponsor "Breakfast with the Easter Bunny," on Saturday, March 22 from 10 a.m. to noon at Angelo's, 107 W. First Street, Sanford. In addition to breakfast, patrons may have their photo taken with the Easter Bunny and each will receive candy and a toy. Tickets, \$5 each, will be available at the door. A portion of the proceeds of this service project for the chapter will go to SafeHouse of Seminole County for abused spouses and children. For information or reservations phone 322-5644.

Housing applications

SANFORD — Applications for the conventional public housing program will be accepted March 24, 25 and 26, and every Tuesday thereafter from 9 a.m. until noon and 2 until 5 p.m., at the Administration Building, 94 Castle Brewer Court in Sanford. A criminal background check is required and the housing authority enforces a "One Strike, You're Out" policy on lease violations and drug/criminal activity. For additional information on the applications for public housing, phone the housing authority office, 323-3150.

March against violence

SANFORD A March Against Violence will be held Saturday, March 22 beginning at noon, at the Seminole County Court House on E. Park Avenue. The gathering will then march to Fort Mellon Park for a memorial service for those who have died violently because of drugs, alcohol, weapons, car homicides and suicides. For additional information, contact Michael Mobley, chairperson, at 328-5202.

Lake Mary business

LAKE MARY — The Lake Mary/Heathrow Chamber of Commerce will hold a Business After Hours gathering this Thursday, March 20, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Galleria Restaurant, 3837 Lake Emma Road.

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One word frees us of all the weight and pain of life: that word is love. *-Sophocles*

Seminole County Teacher of the Year

Physics teacher tapped for top honors

By VICKI DeSOMMER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

Larry Brown did not jump up and down and squeal on Tuesday afternoon when Supt. Paul Hagerty handed him a bouquet of longstem roses. The Lake Howell High School physics teacher did glow with pride, however, for along with those roses came the title of Seminole County Teacher of the Year. Brown, who is also the school's junior varsity football coach, was selected from more than 50 nominees from across the county for the top honor. He will now represent Seminole County in the competition to become the Florida Teacher of the Year.

At Lake Howell High School, Brown has instituted the dual enrollment laboratories with

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Lake Howell physics teacher Larry Brown accepts roses from Supt. Dr. Paul Hagerty and school board Chairman Sandy Robinson upon being named Seminole County Teacher of the Year.

Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Your tax \$\$\$ at work

Stormwater problem must be solved

By RUSS WHITE
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Whether they like it or not, the residents of Seminole County will eventually be paying more taxes or fees for the funding of a stormwater management system and possibly for upgraded library services.

Federal and state governments require the county to find a source of cash to manage stormwater runoff - and unless the county commissioners can work some magic that source is going to be the people.

Residents also may be asked to do their fair share to obtain books and library supplies (stormwater management material, perhaps) to bring the county's library system up to

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State attorney and gain time decision

By WICK PPEIFAUF
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Seminole County State Attorney Norman Wolfinger says he is disappointed about the U.S. Supreme Court wiping out Florida's attempt to keep prisoners in jail longer. "It was sort of a double whammy," he said.

Wolfinger had assisted Florida State Attorney Bob Butterworth in pushing through legislation which would have eliminated so-called gain time. The move would have kept prisoners in jail for longer periods of time, rather than granting them an automatic two days off the sentence for every one day served.

"I thought we had won this," Wolfinger said.

"But then the high court turned it down." He said Butterworth commented that it was a great time he had lost a case before the Supreme Court.

The court, in effect, said that prisoners who had been granted the gain time prior to the enactment of the Florida law, could not have that gain

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Flipping over substantial meal, good cause



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Practice makes perfect, and it does. Just look at those perfect pancakes. Members of Sanford Kiwanis prepare for Saturday's Pancake Day fundraiser at the Sanford Civic Center. Left to right, Kiwanis President-Elect Al Rosin, President David Liddell, Director Harvey Hale, advisor to the

President Phil Gunster, and Past Lt. Governor Walt Smith. In addition to the pancake breakfast from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., the event will also feature a silent auction. Proceeds will go to help support 20 local organizations. Tickets are \$3, with free seconds or thirds. Takeouts will also be available.

Behind the scenes in county juvenile court

By BARBARA MARTIN
Herald Correspondent

A Seminole County judge and an assistant state attorney exchanged some heated words Monday, over the continued placement of a 16-year-old in the home of the mother of the man who abducted her last August.

Assistant State Attorney Laura Bosco told Judge Gene Stephenson she believed there were other charges pending against the man, Robert Reynolds and that her office was investigating.

"There is no doubt this girl is a victim of a crime," said Bosco. "I find something incredibly wrong here. This man has criminal charges against him."

Bosco firmly objected several times to the placement continuing—calling the placement "inappropriate." She recommended the girl be placed in a shelter.

The judge, however, explained his decision. "I have followed all the best professional recommendations from Boy's Town, the (Juvenile Justice) Department, Guardian Ad Litem and the respected (psychologist) Dr.

(Stephen) Jordan," said the judge. "These reports tell me that my previous placement was appropriate."

A review of the reports reveals that all recommended against sending the girl home to her parents. The Boy's Town report was based on interviews with the girl—her parents were not interviewed. Dr. Jordan didn't see the girl until two weeks after the judge's placement decision. Only one agency—Guardian Ad Litem—recommended the girl be placed at

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IN BRIEF

Elephant walk

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS - Republican Women's Club of Seminole invites everyone to join the elephant walk for new members in March. The event starts with lunch Saturday, March 23 from 11:30 until 1:30 at Holiday Inn Altamonte. Membership dues are \$15 per year with associate dues at \$7.50. For information phone Verdell Pugh at 323-7069 in Sanford, or Bev Wineburgh at 788-0891 in the Orlando area.

Spring Fling

CHULUOTA - The Southeast Seminole County Voters Association is holding a flea market and arts and crafts show, complete with live music and food as well as activities for children, on Saturday, March 23, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at VFW Post 10139, in Chuluota. Space is available for inside as well as outside tables at \$10 per space. For information or to arrange for a table, phone Margaret at 365-5249.

Raising money

SANFORD - The Sanford Food Commodities Office is holding a garage sale Friday and Saturday, April 18 and 19 from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Old Zayre Plaza, 2970 Orlando Drive. Donations for the event are presently being sought. To donate or for additional information, phone 323-1830, or take them to the Food Office, Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The purpose of the sale is to raise money to pay shipping costs of fresh vegetable trucks which are available from Florida farmers and through Farm/Share, Inc., and to restock the food pantry. Food is used to assist people who go to the Commodities Office seeking assistance at times other than when USDA foods are distributed.

Water

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par. A study revealed Tuesday that Seminole's system ranks last of 13 counties comprised of 300,000 or more people.

The Board of County Commissioners ordered a task force to assess the library situation - and after a stormy debate Tuesday, gave the go-ahead to proceed with Phase II of the development of a Stormwater Management Assessment Program that will cost \$285,000 to implement - and could cost up to \$300 million over 20 years to effectively maintain and improve drainage ditches, pipes and ponds and enhance the quality of lakes, rivers and streams.

"It's a hard choice to say, 'yes' or 'no' - but the things need to be changed," said BCC Chairman Randy Morris, who pushed his fellow commissioners toward the go-ahead on stormwater management. The vote was 3-1 (commissioner Grant Maloy against).

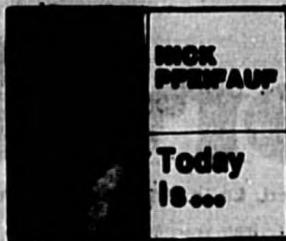
Commissioner Dick Van Der Weide was also against but left the work session to meet with Sanford Mayor Larry Dale before the vote was taken. Before leaving, Van Der Weide said he needed more information before he went against the public's wishes. (In November, voters rejected a \$4-per-month stormwater fee. The BCC, however, agreed to finance the program by enacting a stormwater utility for unincorporated residents.

Upset, Van Der Weide and Commissioner Win Adams hedged on approving Phase II of the assessment program. Morris criticized both on Tuesday. "I find this flip-flopping very offensive," Morris said before coaxing Adams to be the deciding "yes" vote on the measure.

"We have to solve the stormwater problem," Adams said. "I just want to be certain we have a proper handle on the issue."

At the heart of the utility **See Water, Page 5A**

Swallows mark start of spring



Look, up in the sky. It's a bird...it's a plane...nope. It's a bird. People in San Juan Capistrano, California are probably walking around with umbrellas today. It may not be raining, but it's the day when the swallows return to the old mission.

They have been seen arriving in that town annually on this date since 1776. As usual, a few actually arrived a day or so earlier and some apparently had delayed flights. But I was actually there when the birds returned several years ago. I didn't go undetected. In fact, several of the swallows spotted me.

Locally, while we're still a few days away from Easter, the Easter Bunny is now appearing at Center Court, lower level, at the Seminole Towne Center.

One of the colorful figures of the past was born on this date. During his lifetime he was a railroad hand, saloonkeeper, gambler, lawman, hired gun, miner, and a real estate investor. TV has made him a

hero with his most notable event being the gunfight at the OK Corral in 1881. Wyatt Earp was born March 19, 1848.

Another birth anniversary today is Dr. David Livingstone, born in Scotland in 1813. He was most noted for being found by Henry M. Stanley in Ujiji near Lake Tanganyika, Africa on Nov. 10, 1871. "Dr. Livingstone, I presume," was the quote. Actually, Livingstone wasn't lost. He knew where he was all the time.

In additional historical birthdays, Judge John Sirica, "The Watergate Judge" was born in 1904. Pilgrim father and governor of Plymouth Colony William Bradford was born on March 19, 1590. American political leader William Jennings

Bryant was born in 1830. U.S. Army four-star general James Van Fleet was born in 1892. His new service in both world wars, American jurist and 14th Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court was born in 1891.

And Edith Neourse Rogers was born on this date in 1881. After serving with the Red Cross in France during World War I, she was elected to the U.S. Congress (1925) to fill the unexpired term of her husband who had expired. Her big claim to fame was that she was re-elected to the U.S. House of Representatives 17 times.

For today's birthdays, actress Ursula Andress is 61; actress Glenn Close is 50 today; and actor Bruce Willis is 49.



Song and dance

The Altamonte Springs Chapter of Links, Inc. visited the Good Samaritan Home being honored of cheer for the residents on Saturday, March 18th. The chairperson of the community project of Links is Link Queen, Ester Jones. Ester greeted the residents and gave them a brief history of the International Women's organization who's aim purpose is to provide educational, civic and cultural enrichment. They take the opportunity to give back to the community (these residents in particular) by contributing quality time, giving them essential supplies and providing musical entertainment. Heather Elementary School, under the direction of Link Lorraine Orr, sang the beautiful "Battle Hymn of the Republic", "Let There Be Peace On Earth" and "Love Makes the World Go Around". These selections made for an enjoyable afternoon for the residents. Collette Hurley is President of the Altamonte Springs Chapter of Links. On hand at the Good Samaritan Home recently were members of the Hamilton Elementary School choir, including Alan Linnson, Eric Oesch, B.J. Ploch, Amanda Mann, Joel Carty, Rachel Hanson, Christina Edwards and Shanel Pined.

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Let us know

The Sanford Herald wants to publicize your events, classes and seminars that are available to the general public.

We'd like to have the information for your announcement at least a week in advance.

All items should be typed or written legibly and include information about who, what, when, where and even why your event is taking place. Be sure to include your name and a daytime phone number in case we have some questions about the information.

WEATHER

Today: Partly cloudy. High in the mid to upper 80s. Wind northeast 10 mph. **Tonight:** Partly cloudy. Low in the upper 60s. Wind northeast 5 to 10 mph. **Thursday:** Thunderstorms. High in the mid to upper 70s. Wind east 20 mph. **Friday:** Sunny. Lows in the low to mid 80s. Highs in the low to mid 70s. **Saturday:** Partly cloudy. Lows in the mid to upper 40s. Highs in the mid 70s. **Sunday:** Scattered showers. Lows in the 50s. Highs in the upper 70s.

The high temperature in Sanford Wednesday was 80 degrees and the overnight low was 55 as reported by the University of Florida Agricultural Research and Education Center, Colony Avenue.

Recorded rainfall for the period, ending at 10 a.m. Wednesday, totalled 0 inches.

Daytona Beach: Waves are 2 to 3 feet and glassy. Current is running to the south with a water temperature of 68 degrees.

New Smyrna Beach: Waves are 2 feet and glassy. Current is running to the south with a water temperature of 65 degrees.

The Ultra Violet Index (UVI) rating for Orlando is 9. Better wear hat and sunscreen. The UVI exposure levels are rated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

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THURSDAY SOLUNAR TABLE: min., 11:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m., maj., 5:40 a.m., 5:30 p.m. **TIDES:** Daytona Beach: high, 8:05 a.m., 8:17 p.m.; low, 1:37 a.m., 2:01 p.m.; New Smyrna Beach: high, 8:10 a.m., 8:23 p.m.; low, 1:42 a.m., 2:06 p.m.; Cocoa Beach: high, 8:25 a.m., 8:37 p.m.; low, 1:57 a.m., 2:21 p.m.

MIAMI - Florida 24-hour temperatures and rainfall at 8 a.m. EDT today:

City	H	L	Rain
Apalachicola	80	71	0.0
Daytona Beach	80	62	0.0
Ft. Lauderdale	80	71	0.0
Fort Myers	80	69	0.0
Gainesville	80	65	0.0
Jacksonville	80	65	0.0
Kay West	80	77	0.0
Miami	80	71	0.0
Panama	76	64	0.0
Sebring	80	69	0.0
Tallahassee	80	69	0.0
Tampa	80	71	0.0
W. Palm Beach	80	69	0.0

Dinner, dancing downtown is delightful

By VICKI BOGGS
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD - They just want to get together for a good time.

Many of the regular customers at the Colonial Room restaurant in downtown Sanford wanted to do more than have a scrumptious like-home dinner at their favorite eatery.

"When they suggested to owner Bill Painter that they wanted to have a supper club at his restaurant, he was thrilled with the idea."

With nothing more sophisticated than a poster board and a pen, Painter started signing up friends to join in the fun of a Christmas dance. It was an immediate success with nearly 50 people signing up to take part.

Appetizers, a dinner and a dance with music provided by Don Zimmerman left participants asking for more as the yuletide celebration.

A Valentine's Day dance fell by the wayside as a scheduling conflict forced the cancellation of the event.

When St. Patrick's Day rolled around on Monday, however, nearly 65 people were signed up to dance the night away at the Colonial Room.

While the dinner crowd finished up in the restaurant, those who'd signed up for the event snatched on appetizers in the back meeting room.



Then, once the doors had been locked behind the last customer, the restaurant was opened up for the dinner and dance. Zimmerman, who regularly provides dinner music on his electric accordion for the evening diners, picked up the pace a little bit so there could be dancing.

"It was such fun," said Mona Walker who was one of those who danced her way through the evening.

The crowd was mostly older, she said, but there were a few younger people who joined in the festivities.

"It was wild seeing night life in downtown Sanford until 10 p.m.," Walker said.

The next dinner dance has not yet been planned, but it is expected that it will draw an equally large and enthusiastic crowd.



Frankie Lautzenheiser and leprechaun-like Jim Benson danced the night away at the Colonial Room.



There was a good size crowd at the St. Patrick's Day dinner dance at the Colonial Room.

POLICE BRIEFS

House ramming

Carlson Davis, 23, of 1800 W. Fifth Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Saturday. Officers responded to a call in the 1700 block of W. 14th Street, regarding a woman ramming her car into a house. When they arrived, they found the woman had three young children in the car, and was apparently ramming into a house following a domestic disagreement with a man. Police said she also attempted to run the man over with the vehicle when he attempted to stop her from striking the house.

Davis was arrested on charges of criminal mischief, battery domestic violence, aggravated assault with a motor vehicle, negligent treatment of children and reckless driving.

Drug arrests

Members of the Seminole County sheriff's City/County Investigative Bureau (CCIB) arrested Kehale Addison, 19, of 2201 Dollar Way at SR-46 and Greenway Friday. Addison was charged with sale of a controlled substance.

Members of the Sanford police Special Investigative Unit (SIU) conducted an undercover drug sting Friday at 13th Street and Mangoustine. Robert Lee Tharncs, 39, of 1400 Dixie Way, Sanford, was arrested on charges of sale/delivery of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Jeffrey Wade Stanley, 23, of Ocala, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Saturday following a traffic stop on U.S. Highway 17-92 at 13th Street in Sanford. He was charged with possession of under 30 grams of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, and attached tag not assigned.

Christopher L. Hoff, 38, 308 Wood Street, Lake Mary, was stopped by Lake Mary police Friday on Crystal Lake Drive. He was charged with possession of a controlled substance, and driving under the influence.

Prostitution

Pamela Lynn Tyson, 26, listed as homeless, was arrested by Sanford police SIU officers Friday at 11th Street and Sanford Avenue. She was charged with assignment to commit prostitution.

Traffic stops

Jason Robert Marietta, 27, of 244 Lake Markham Road, was stopped by sheriff's deputies Friday on 17-92 and SR-417. He was charged with driving under the influence, reckless driving, and failing to use a designated lane of traffic.

Kenneth M. Taylor, 35, 8872 Deer Path Lane, was stopped by sheriff's deputies Friday at SR-46 and Greenway. He was charged with driving with a suspended/revoked license.

Richard Edward Grzelewski, 35, 115 Silver Maple Terrace, Sanford, was stopped by deputies Sunday on U.S. Highway 17-92 at S. Sanford Avenue. He was charged with driving under the influence and having an altered license plate.

Warrant

James Edward Knight, 42, of 1015 Parkman Avenue, was located by Sanford police Sunday at First Street and Poplar Avenue. He was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia. Officers also served him with warrants for failing to appear to pay a fine for a having a suspended license, and failing to appear on a charge of possession of drug paraphernalia.

Lake Mary city commission agenda

By BOB WOODWARD
Herald Staff Writer

LAKE MARY — An early work session will once again be held this Thursday at Lake Mary City Hall. The commissioners will discuss a proposed water and wastewater rate study, and additional personnel needs for the Community Development Department.

The work session will begin at 5 p.m. in the commission chambers. The regular meeting is scheduled to begin at 7 p.m. or as soon as possible after the

work session. As of earlier this week, the following items were listed for the regular meeting agenda:

• Opening ceremonies
• Special presentation — Fiscal Year 1996 audit by Scott St. John, KMPG-Peet Marwick

• Ordinance 833 — 1st reading — Change of zoning from A-1 to R-1AA, H.G. and Caroline Durham, applicants.

• Ordinance 834 — 1st reading — Change of zoning from A-1 to R-1AA, Peter and Patricia Ann Volchko, applicants.

• Ordinance 836 — 1st reading — Regarding off-street parking requirements for office uses.

• Resolution 566 — Accepting lift station from Home Depot, USA.

• Adjournment
As of earlier this week, the following items were listed for consideration during the city manager's report:

• Request commission formalize economic incentive commitment of 10/17/96 to HTE and authorize mayor to execute interlocal agreement with

Seminole County for up to \$150,000 over five years (Continued from 12/1996 and 3/97).

• Request commission authorize continuation of architectural services by TOP Architects to include the final design drawing and bid documents for the parks maintenance facility, not to exceed \$30,500.

Thursday's meetings will be held at Lake Mary City Hall, 100 N. Country Club Road.

Brown

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physics and pre-calculus which allows students to integrate their math and science curricula. He has obtained Advanced Placement grants totaling more than \$11,000 in order to provide more resources for his students.

When he isn't looking for ways in which to directly assist his students, Brown finds the time to work on textbooks directed at both young people and teachers. Recently, he has served as a contributing author on the *Physics AP Textbook* and as the technical editor to the text *Physics: Build A Review Book*.

He has established a physics lab at Lake Howell High School with computers donated by Westinghouse.

He also has made numerous presentations at local, state and national conventions, working directly with secondary and university instructors to find ways in which to enhance science education at all levels.

In his 13 years of teaching, Brown has had a brush with the Teacher of the Year program before. In the 1985-86 school year, Brown was named Teacher of the Year at Lake Mary High School. That year, he was selected as one of the top three semi-finalists in the county-wide program.

Don Smith, principal at Lake Howell High School, said that Brown has the ability to mo-

tivate and involve his students in the classroom activities.

"He shows a true concern for all students," Smith said.

Cush Copeland, a fellow science teacher, admires Brown's commitment to his charges.

"The single most consistent facet of his personality is that he is totally committed to the welfare of his students," he noted.

Students also agree that Brown is a strong and committed teacher. When asked to identify the teacher who has most influenced them in their academic careers, 30 students who have a grade point average of 3.6 or better nominated Brown.

The Brown family is one completely involved in school, the top teacher noted. His wife Sandy is also a teacher and his daughter Cindy Nelson serves as a substitute teacher in the Seminole County public

schools as well.

The finalist in the Seminole County Teacher of the Year program are Adda Hedges, who teaches physically impaired

students at Winter Springs Elementary School and Chuck Burgess, who teaches language arts at Rivk Lake Middle School.

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EDITORIAL

Paying for municipal pool

Does Sanford need a city swimming pool? Should it be located on Seminole High School property? Would city residents use the facility if it was made available during non-school days and hours?

Several attempts have been made toward having a pool in northern Seminole County. Thus far, all have failed, mostly because of money. We believe, although this could be in error, that the majority of Sanford residents, from youngsters through seniors, would not use the facility. It may be more used after it opens, but when it becomes common place, only the steadfast swimmers will use the facility.

Considering this therefore, we believe a move to have it on the ballot to approve a bond with which to obtain money would probably fail. It has in the past. Talk about floating a bond with which to finance anything immediately leads people to see a tax increase looming in the future.

Plans have been kicking around for six years or more on having it at SHS, which would require a cooperative effort between the city and school board if it is to become a municipal pool.

Since it was first discussed, there have been indications that the various entities are in agreement with each other. But this has generally come from word-of-mouth during planning sessions and meetings. We don't believe any formal agreement has actually been authorized.

Sanford had a municipal swimming pool. It was located in the eastern end of Fort Mellon Park. Surviving for several decades, it was torn down in the mid 1950s.

There were many reasons floating around regarding why it was torn down. One source would say that it was too expensive to maintain, keep in repair, and supervise. Others would say it had become a racial problem. In the 1950s, there was a great deal of racial unrest. Each race accused the other of trying to take control over the pool. True or not, it was rumored, and it was discussed privately. But that's as far as it went before the city had the pool demolished.

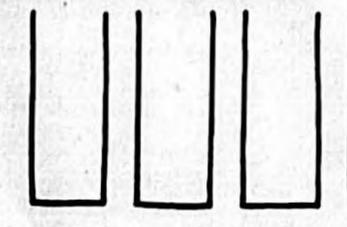
Now they want a new one. Seminole High School would use it during school hours. The rest of the time it would be available to citizens. Whether or not they would charge a fee or require membership is something which has not been approached at this time.

There is no question that small children are in dire need of swimming lessons. We have had too many (even one is too many) children drown in private pools and lakes lately. Knowing how to swim or at least tread water would be a life saver.

While we believe the prospect of creating a new municipal swimming pool is worth serious consideration, we also believe planning on how it will or may be used and how it will be financed is of the utmost importance before proceeding at this time.

The pool must be easily and agreeably accessible to everyone, and Sanford residents who already pay the highest property taxes in the county shouldn't be unduly burdened with paying for it.

Berry's World



"Now, Fred, let's have your report on the 'Life on Other Planets as a Source for Cheaper Labor' project."

ELLEN GOODMAN

Worst thing Bill Clinton has done

BOSTON--At first the newspaper ad barely registers. I am so immune to the endless presidential campaign that it passes across my line of vision like a subliminal political message.

There is the full-page photo of Bill crossing the White House lawn with Hillary and Chelsea saying that the "toughest job in the world isn't being president. It's being a parent."

What is this, another Dick Morris Moment in the creation of the Papa Presidency? Yet another message for the soccer moms?

Then a variation on this ad campaign appears on television. Once again Clinton talks about trying to meet the daily challenges of the world's toughest job worrying that "if I fail, the consequences could be serious." Once again the coy twist: "That job isn't being president. It's being a parent."

Finally it comes to me that this is 1997, the campaign is over. Yet the man in the Oval Office is still playing Papa Bear--this time for a public service campaign.

Now, I have no beef with that campaign--or, surely--with the sponsors, an alliance of children's organizations seeking volunteers. But after too many ads and too many images, I have used up my patience with this Father Figure.

I don't doubt or discount Bill Clinton's success as a parent. But history will not judge his administration by the fate of one child.

Long after the first daughter has gone to



college, he will be held accountable for the future of the most vulnerable of American children. The Clinton-era policy that will affect the most lives has nothing to do with curfews or school uniforms.

It goes by the moniker of "welfare reform." But maybe it should be known by the more damning title of Peter Edelman's article in the current Atlantic Monthly: "The Worst Thing Bill Clinton Has Done."

Last September, Edelman, an assistant secretary of Health and Human Services and certified FOB, walked out of the administration as a protest against welfare "reform." Then, like many others, he said little more during the campaign because, "Bob Dole would certainly have been worse."

But now in spare prose and unsparring detail, Edelman describes how a dreadful welfare

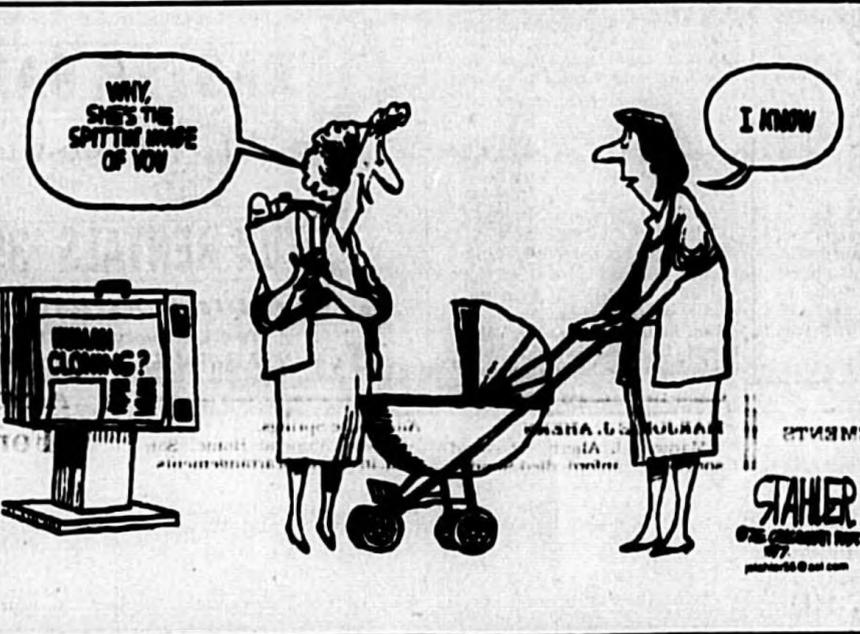
program was transformed into a worse reform. Why it is a catastrophe in the making.

Clinton signed onto a bill, writes Edelman, even though it is likely to move a million more children into poverty. Even though some 8 million families with children, many working poor with food stamps, will lose an average of some \$1,300 apiece.

With protest, this Father Figure signed a bill that camouflaged budget cuts as "welfare reform," eliminating programs for immigrants and for food stamp recipients--the safety net under the safety net. But he made no protest at all about the bill's central provision that eliminated entitlement and turned welfare money over to the states to do with as they will. And, inevitably, that will mean less do less with.

Edelman, the husband of child advocate Marion Wright Edelman, walks through the "reform" like a tour guide through a disaster zone. A two-year time limit that pays no mind to the job market. A lifetime limit of five years of benefits no matter the economy. An exception for 20 percent of the recipients and never mind that 30 percent are disabled or caring for the disabled.

"The big hit, which could be very big," he warns, "will come when the time limits go into effect--in five years or less if the state so chooses--or when a recession hits."



NAT HENTOFF

A bowdlerized Larry Flynt

Not long before the Supreme Court made its decision in *Hustler Magazine v. Falwell*, I was debating the issues involved on CNN's "Crossfire" with the Rev. Jerry Falwell's attorney, Norman Roy Grutman -- a combative man of sweeping self-confidence. He assured me that the court would rule for his client in a unanimous vote.

There was a unanimous 8-0 vote. (Anthony Kennedy had only just been sworn in.) But the court decided against Falwell. Speaking for the court was Chief Justice William Rehnquist, hardly known as a devoted believer in the First Amendment.

I had expected a closer decision, for here was a claim of intentional infliction of emotional distress based on an ad in Larry Flynt's *Hustler* that had Jerry Falwell saying the first time he had ever had sexual intercourse was with his mother -- while he was drunk -- in an outhouse.

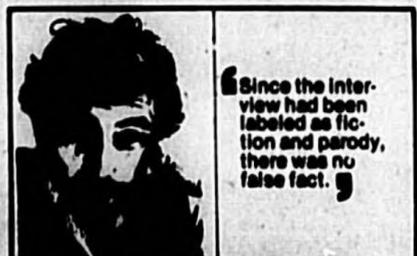
In the table of contents, the Falwell "interview" was listed as fiction and "personality parody." At the bottom of the page where the ad itself appeared, there was the disclaimer, "Ad parody -- not to be taken seriously." Still, Falwell said he had been greatly embarrassed and offended. He was, after all, a nationally known preacher of moral standards, and many people might not have actually seen the small-print disclaimer or looked at the table of contents.

Nonetheless, Rehnquist said, "We conclude that public figures and public officials may not recover for the tort of intentional infliction of emotional distress by reason of publications such as the one here at issue -- without showing in addition that the publication contains a false statement of fact which was made ... with reckless disregard as to whether or not it was true."

Since the "interview" had been labeled as fiction and parody, there was no false fact.

"Such a standard is necessary," Rehnquist emphasized, "to give adequate 'breathing space' to the freedoms protected by the First Amendment." It was an important decision, strengthening parody and caricature as forms of free expression.

I looked forward to the celebration of the First Amendment in Milos Forman's movie, "The People vs. Larry Flynt." And I enjoyed it, having suspended my memory of what Larry Flynt had persistently chosen to feature in *Hustler*. Gloria Steinem was the first to spur me to recall that -- as she put it in the New



York Times -- the movie omitted "the magazine's images of women being beaten, tortured and raped, women subjected to degradation from bestiality to sexual slavery." There was more. Bob Herbert, a columnist for the New York Times, recalled that "the people at *Hustler* have portrayed black women with enormous lips and buttocks and with grotesque vaginal areas infected with crab lice and infected with venereal disease. ... They have shown white women with leeches attached to their pubic areas, and with vermin crawling over their bodies."

Herbert contends that if Forman's film had been more honest about the contents of *Hustler*, it would have made an even stronger -- though much more controversial -- case for First Amendment protection of the magazine, repellent though it often was.

I agreed. An unbowdlerized approach would have been more commercially risky, but it would have had more integrity. And it would have taken a lot more courage on Milos Forman's part.

Forman is quoted by Bob Herbert as stating: "I could have splashed the screen with images from *Hustler* that would make people scream in disgust and throw eggs at the screen."

Obviously, then, he was doing some censoring. Actually, that kind of reaction might well have been good for the box office, attracting moviegoers who would want to see what all that disgust was about.

Meanwhile, in Hollywood, after an anonymous ad had appeared in *Variety* commenting on what had been left out of the film, the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Southern California placed a rebuttal ad lauding Forman as a "First Amendment advocate and an artist of unsurpassed creativity, ability and courage."

SARA ECKEL



The enlightenment is way past due

I've just found a new role model. Still, I plan to watch and worship her. She is Daria, the extremely hip animated teen-ager who now has her own show on MTV. A spin-off of "Beavis and Butt-head," "Daria" centers around a very smart high-school misfit. There are a lot of unpopular-kid tales out there, but Daria is different. Because Daria doesn't give a damn. When she is told she has low self-esteem, she replies "I don't have low self-esteem. I have low esteem for everyone else." When a ditzy cheerleader complains that she hates it when there is skin on the chocolate pudding, Daria says, "I know what you mean, and that scares me."

She is, in short, the teen-ager I wish I had been. Daria is too self-possessed to be bothered by the teacher who hates her for knowing all the answers, with the cheerleader who invites her to a party because her friends "don't want any other cute girls there" or with the popular sister who tells her friends she's an only child. She's a dream.

Best of all, she's one of a number of smart, funny, subversive women who are slipping past the cultural gatekeepers.

The biggest gains have been made in music, where the rise of the Angry Young Woman has been well documented. Some of this has been hype, like the success of singer Alanis Morissette whose songs, though angry, are neither smart nor funny. But women rockers like Liz Phair, Sheryl Crow, P.J. Harvey and Courtney Love have made real breakthroughs for women. Not only have their sexually frank lyrics smashed decades worth of taboos, these anti-cream-puffs are creating a new definition of femininity -- one in which go-go boots and fire-engine-red lipstick indicate a bitchin' attitude, rather than a desire to please. (Fittingly, the "Daria" theme song comes from a great new chick band, Splendor.)

This philosophy can also be found in a lot of alternative media sources. GURL, an Internet magazine, bills itself as a "love/hate look at the beauty culture" and offers virtual makeovers (in one a corn-fed blonde is transformed into a spiky-haired woman's studies major) and interactive paper dolls with clothing options ranging from combat boots to a fluffy pink coat (www.gurl.com). Action Girl, an alternative comic, is an anthology that centers around the adventures of the title character, a superhero whose challenges include coping with a feminist rock group that sells out to a pro-life sponsor. Editor Sarah Dyer describes Action Girl as "girl-positive and female-friendly but never anti-boy" (Slave Labor Graphics, 800-888-8899).

My personal favorite is Bust, a feminist site that bridges the void between Ms. and Cosmopolitan. With unwavering frankness, Bust writers discuss their feelings about sex, men, motherhood and teen-idols. In the fashion and beauty issue, editors Celina and Betty describe the complexity of Bust readers. "We (resent) the fashion-and-beauty industry, yet we wanna worship at the feet of whoever it was that invented strawberry-scented lip gloss," they write.

Court

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Ross's home. According to the parents, it wasn't a surprise as a Guardian Ad Litem had asked them when the agency was first assigned, "Don't you know that all 18-year-old girls sleep with their boyfriends?"

"The Guardian Ad Litem wanted us to accept this situation all along, but we will never accept the fact that the man who has physically, emotionally and sexually abused our daughter can still have access to her," said the girl's father, Dino Vespucci, after the hearing.

Later in the proceedings as the judge appeared about to make a recommendation to leave the girl where she was, Bosco interrupted him saying she hadn't received copies of the latest reports so she hadn't reviewed them.

Annoyed, Stephenson said, "Well, if you would have read these reports instead of telling me things like this you would know what's happening. There is a displacement in the family occurring here. The parents are concentrating on the boyfriend as the problem. It is not the boyfriend that is the problem."

In Dr. Jordan's latest report dated February 4, he recommends the girl be placed in a foster home to provide the control and structure she was not now receiving at Ross's home. A February 28 report by Guardian Ad Litem representative Norma Ragdale concurs with the doctor's recommendation, but a March 14 report by Ragdale recommends she stay with Ross until June to complete a GED course scheduled to start on March 25.

Stephenson then went on to tell Bosco how much "the parents liked this boyfriend for a long, long time."

When Bosco asked again about the charges against Reynolds, Stephenson said, "For the time being, he is presumed to be innocent and not guilty."

On February 20, Reynolds pleaded "no contest" to charges of battery in connection with the first of two abductions of the girl last August. Judge Carmine Bravo sentenced Reynolds to one year of probation along with community service and counseling. One probation stipulation was that Reynolds could have "no non-consensual contact" with the victim. When the girl's mother, Tammy Vespucci objected, Bravo asked, "If this guy is

so bad, why was the girl placed in his mother's house?"

But Tammy Vespucci said Bravo never heard the whole story. She said she was nervous about speaking in court, especially since Stephenson had threatened to jail her—more than once. She just told Bravo she didn't want Reynolds seeing her daughter.

Front of the courtroom unusually full

Stephenson admonished some of the 11 people in front of him—an unusually large number of people for one court case. Besides the parents, their daughter, and the assistant state attorney, the Guardian Ad Litem had three representatives plus their attorney, Sarah Howler who was there to defend the organization's recommendations and actions. Reynolds' mother, Barbara Ross, was accompanied by her daughter, Jade, who testified and a representative from the Department of Children and Families (formerly DHS) was present.

The judge wanted to know why he wasn't notified by the Guardian Ad Litem when the girl had violated his orders on several occasions.

Ragdale then handed the judge and the state attorney the violation notification stating that to her knowledge there were only two incidents. Her February 28 report, however, specifies "several" incidents. The parents said that there were at least eight incidents of the curfew violation imposed by Barbara Ross including one morning when the girl called

home at 3 a.m. asking for a ride. The last incident occurred when the girl went off with three adult men she had met at Seminole Community College. According to the parents, they tried to get their daughter out of the men's pick-up truck when they noticed the men were drinking. The girl was gone all night and Barbara Ross filed a missing person's report the next day before the girl arrived at her home.

The judge also admonished the girl for not obeying his orders.

"I'm unhappy with you," said the judge. "I was inclined to place you in a temporary shelter but I received a report that you have turned things around within the last two weeks."

"Turn-around" developments listed in the March 14 report by Ragdale included: improved behavior and attitude toward following rules and limits since dropping out of the GED program at SCC, attending one church and doing volunteer work at another, seeing a counselor from the Children's Home Society, having a desire to resume music education and complying with the curfew.

Stephenson said he will make a decision on the case this week. According to Stephenson's assistant when the judge takes a case under advisement, he could either just enter an order in court stipulating his decision or he could call all parties involved back into court for the arraignment. His assistant was not sure which course the judge would take.

Water

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strategy for Seminole County is the special assessment. Consultants proposed Tuesday basing the fees on the amount of rooftop and pavement on each property - the idea being that those who cause the problem pay for it.

The commissioners initially agreed that the stormwater charge should be on the annual property tax bill. There's going to be a scramble to find the \$265,000 to start the utility, scheduled to be in place when

tax bills go out in November.

Undertaking the task of creating and implementing a stormwater utility is no easy task but it has proven to be an effective tool to more than 90 jurisdictions in the state and hundreds in the country. Volusia, Brevard and Sarasota counties are among the municipalities already using stormwater utilities.

Educating the public is important to the program. Stormwater runoff picks up pollutants such as automobile oil, gasoline, fertilizer, and

debris from developed areas. These pollutants can contaminate groundwater, rivers, lakes and streams.

Lower property values can result from loss of land due to erosion, home damage from flooding, and degraded water quality.

Orange County has supplied its residents with brochures that summarize the county's recently completed stormwater management capital improvement needs.

In other business, Jean Rhine, Director of Library and Leisure Services for the county, spelled out the need for more books and other materials, during a workshop that preceded the stormwater management session. There are 300,000 volumes in the five county libraries. Rhine told the BCC it needs to increase the books per capita, expand the leasing program, expand hours and create more work processing stations.

Rhine said that people are reading more books than they did before, but also demanding word processing systems. She was delighted that 70-percent of the residents use the county libraries, and urged the commissioners to make sure the services were top rate.

Jail

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time taken away. As a result, persons convicted of murder, rape, robbery and other major crimes are being allowed back on the streets of Florida once again.

"My big concern," Wolfinger said, "is the quality of people who are getting out early. They are pretty low on the totem pole."

"But there are new laws coming up that I'm very pleased with," he said. "One of them would provide for much stiffer sentences for persons who get out of prison and commit another crime. That second conviction would have a much more severe sentence."

"While I think it's a good move," he continued, "the sad note is that it means there will be another victim involved before the stiffer sentence can be imposed."

While Wolfinger said Butterworth has been getting criticism over the failure of the elimination of gain time law, "I assure you, he is not deserving of that criticism. In fact, he is

really doing an excellent job in trying to do whatever he can to keep hardened criminals off our streets."



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MARJORIE J. AHERN
Marjorie J. Ahern, 62, Windsor Court, Sanford, died Sunday, March 16, 1997 at Columbia Medical Center-Sanford. Born March 7, 1935 in Holyoke, Mass., she moved to Central Florida in 1962. She was a drug/alcohol counselor for Metropolitan Alcoholism Council.

Survivors include daughters, Kathleen M. O'Connor, Dudley, Mass., Mary Connelly, Plattsburgh, N.Y., Eileen Shaughnessy, Sanford; sons, Daniel Shaughnessy, Altona, N.Y., Michael Shaughnessy, Lyon Mountain, N.Y., Kevin Shaughnessy, Upton, Mass.; seven grandchildren.

All Faiths Cremation Service, Casselberry, in charge of arrangements.

NORFLEET REID CHEEK
Norfleet Reid Cheek, 77, Hartwell Avenue, Sanford, died Tuesday, March 18, 1997 at Columbia Medical Center-Sanford. Born Sept. 2, 1919 in Eastman, Ga., he moved to Central Florida in 1979. He was a retired Lt. Colonel and a U.S. Army Finance Officer. He was a member of DAV Florida Chapter 30, Retired Officers Association and American Legion Post 63.

Survivors include sister, Flora C. Middleton, Sanford; niece, Shirley M. Grieme, Sanford; nephew, John C. Barrington.

Altamonte Springs.
Brisson Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

FLOYD BOBBY
Floyd Bobby, 81, Willow Avenue, Sanford, died Tuesday, March 18, 1997 at Mariner Healthcare Center, DeLand. Born April 30, 1916 in Waynesboro, Ga., he moved to Sanford 35 years ago. He was retired from the Sunniland Corporation. He was a Mason and a Baptist.

Survivors include wife, Minnie L.; son, John Warren, Gough, Ga.

Sunrise Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

CHIEF, NORFLEET REID
Gravestone services for Norfleet Reid Cheek will be held at Oaklawn Memorial Park on Thursday, March 20, 2 p.m. There will be a visitation Thursday, from 10 to 1:30 p.m. at Brisson Funeral Home, Sanford.

Survivors include his sister, Flora C. Middleton of Sanford; his niece, Shirley M. Grieme of Sanford; and his nephew, John C. Barrington of Altamonte Springs.

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Herald photos by Mary Rowell

Drama club's 'Music Man' a real spellbinder

By SHARI BRODIE
Herald Staff Writer

We've got TROUBLE...right here in Lake Mary. A troupe of spell binders, led by Professor Harold Hill, is taking to the stage at Lake Mary High School. If you are in the audience, by the end of the play, you might just believe that you, too, can play the "Minuet in G."

"The Music Man," presented by the Lake Mary Drama Club, opens tonight, and continues Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights in the auditorium at the school.

The merriment begins at 7:30, when a whistle, like the start of a parade, signals the band to play the overture which includes "78 Trombones." The first scene is of traveling salesmen aboard a train about to disembark in River City, Iowa. The momentum for the musical is set in this scene and continues throughout the entire play.

Cory Warren plays the film-fam man who spends the month of July in River City, convincing the citizens that the young boys of the town will soon come together as a band, with uniforms and learn to play their instruments via the "Think Method."

Cory has no problem handling the hundreds of lines it takes to bring this fast-talking traveling salesman to life. His performance is enhanced by antics and animation of Nick Sprysenaki, who plays Marcellus Washburn, the only person in town who knows Hill's true identity and intentions.

Sarah Westbrooks, as Marian Paroo, the town's librarian and piano teacher, could spot all of Hill's plans, showing him to be the musical illiterate that he is, so Hill sets out to win her heart.

Skeptical at first, Marian, destined to be an old-maid, soon melts under the attention of this smooth talking, worldly man.

Sarah has several solos, which showcase her well-trained voice. Her strongest performance is "My White Knight," sung from the front porch of her house.

Maruxa Faustman plays her mother, and delivers a convincing Irish accent. Nicholas Rowell is her brother, Winthrop, who speaks very little at first, burdened with a lisp. But, Winthrop also falls under the spell of the bogus professor, gaining confidence when he believes he will soon

be a coronet virtuoso. Rowell, 9, is a student at Lake Mary Elementary and is one of several children on the cast. The children are featured in a dance scene which eventually leads the entire cast into the aisles and through the audience.

Other excellent supporting roles are played by Mayor Shinn, "Watch your phraseology!" (Dan Thompson), Eulalie Makecknie

Shinn, "Balzac", (Dana Smildain), Zaneeta Shinn, "Yee-godal", (Emily Taylor) and Tommy Djilas (Adam Williams).

The cast combines on "The Wells Fargo Wagon" for a great choral presentation.

The efforts of the choreographers, Tara McClure and Jen Cipolla, shine in the "Marian, The Librarian" sequence.

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Megan Martin. Sharon Kaczowka is the assistant director. Betsy Sarnell, the student director. The technical director is Emily Saxton. Jill Werner is the stage manager and Bari Smildain is the assistant stage manager.

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Sports

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Herald Staff Writer



All pro sports should adopt a farm system

College athletes are quickly becoming a thing of the past.

Even though grade point averages are rising, there are far too many athletes that attend college only because they have to in order to have the opportunity to turn pro.

Baseball has the right idea.

Three options exist for baseball teams seeking the nation's best from high school.

If a high school senior is awarded a scholarship for a college team, he must remain in college for three years or until he turns 21 before he can be drafted onto a professional team.

Of course, there is no requirement for receiving a degree, but at least Major League Baseball attempts to recognize the commitment that should be made when going to a four year university.

The second option is called draft and follow. A professional team can opt to have their new player attend junior college for at least a year. To gain experience, not to gain an education. In my opinion, at least this allows an adjustment from high school to a college team before the move to the majors is made.

Baseball players can also be signed right out of high school onto a professional team.

I do not necessarily agree with this practice, because I think that 18 year old boys are too young to handle the pressure associated with being a professional athlete. However, there is no law concerning attending college.

The minor league system is set up to groom young athletes and allow them a chance to adapt to the traveling and playing schedule of a professional team. Isn't that what our colleges are doing these days?

Athletes that actually want an education should go to college and play college sports. When they leave college, they should then embark on the career that they spent four years learning about.

Athletes that want a career in professional sports should go into farm leagues and study their sport. Instead of taking up space in a classroom that a student could make better use of, they would be able to learn lessons that will prepare them for their chosen career.

I don't propose to know how a minor league system could actually be set up and function for every sport. I do know that I don't believe that college is the place for every athlete.

The scholarship dollars that are pumped into the athletic programs in our colleges and universities are simply ways for the school to lure a player to their team under NCAA guidelines. Just because a person goes into the university system to play ball, does not mean that he or she wishes to obtain a college education.

College is supposed to prepare you for the real world. Is the real world a place where your average 19-21 year old makes \$20 million a year? No wonder everyone thinks it's okay for athletes to leave college early. How can that kind of money compare to what they can make with a college degree?

And why shouldn't they leave early and start making money? Athletes make their colleges millions of dollars and receive no legal money in return. If they are going to be prostituted, they might as well be paid well for it.

Over 80,000 people flock to Florida Field each weekend, thousands of people proudly wear their number seven jerseys, the Gator football team appears almost weekly on national television, generating millions of dollars for the University of Florida.

Everyone makes money off of Danny Weirffel...except Danny Weirffel.

The entire system seems backwards to me. Kids are going to college without wanting an education. Athletes are heavily marketed without making a dollar from it. Universities make tons of money, only to turn around and reinvest it in athletic programs to keep the cycle going.

If young men who wish to play on professional teams were drafted into farm leagues to learn and mature, colleges would have more room for those who want an education, young athletes would be better prepared for the big time, and the quality of athlete on professional teams would be higher.

SCC 'doubles' pleasure, wins

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — The Seminole Community College baseball team relied on the old commercial saying, "double your pleasure, double your fun." In the eighth inning of Tuesday's Mid-Florida Conference game with Central

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Biding one's time

Lake Mary capitalizes when time is right

By KELLIE WERNER
Herald Staff Writer

LAKE MARY — Mick Jagger wasn't the only one who had time on his side.

Lake Mary found that time was definitely on their side as they faced conference rival, Lyman, and a 0-0 score in the bottom of the sixth.

"We were playing the waiting game," head coach Jeanette Fisher said. "We waited for something to happen and it finally did. Once we started hitting, the rest finally came together for us."

The Lady Rams waited long enough to score twice in the sixth inning and went on to shut out the Greyhounds, 2-0.

Just when it seemed that Lake Mary might be facing another 18 inning game, similar to the one that took place last month in their opener against Apopka, the ball started flying, the bases started loading, and the runs started coming in.

Before that, nothing much was happening. Lyman opened by loading the bases twice in the first inning before committing their third out. Third base would see no further action until the bottom of the fourth inning.

Hitting wasn't getting Lake Mary anywhere, but their pitching was keeping them in the game.

Sara Smith, Lake Mary's number two hurler behind Halle Sowards, made a rare appearance and came through brilliantly, allowing only one hit while striking out eight Greyhounds.

She did begin to wear down in the fifth, but found her second wind in time to close out the game. "When I started to get tired, I just concentrated on fundamentals and what I needed to do to keep us in the game," Smith said. "Bill (Wolcott, Lake Mary's catcher) really kept me in the game, too. I wanted to try to throw the ball harder to make up for my arm getting tired, but that only takes away from accuracy. I just concentrated and tried to close it out."

Fisher was very proud of her sophomore pitcher.

"Sara is a very focused player," Fisher said. "If she throws a bad pitch or one that the batter gets a hold of, she doesn't let it shake her. She regroups and throws the next pitch the way she should. She is very mentally tough for such a young pitcher."

Pitching for Lyman was top notch, as well, attributing to the Lady Rams poor batting average. Carol Wylet shut Lake Mary down at the plate until the sixth, striking out two batters and allowing only 11 hits in the entire game.

Lake Mary finally pulled themselves together and Eric Von Sweatinger and Wolcott each scored. Those two runs proved to be enough to hold off Lyman and earn the Lady Rams another conference win.

Up next for Lake Mary is the Distry Tournament, which begins tomorrow. The Lady Rams will host the event which pits them against Boone in the first round.

LMHS Winter Guard ready to compete

From Staff Reports

LAKE MARY — The Lake Mary High School Color Guard prepares for a frantic finale to their season. This year was expected to be a rebuilding year after they finished twelfth at Nationals in 1996 and lost numerous senior members.

This year, surprisingly, the 16 rookies have developed their skills and turned a rebuilding year into potential national recognition.

Winter Guard is called "Sport of the Arts" because it combines the artistic elements of dance, music and drama with the physical elements of drill and use of flags, rifles, and sabers.

The Winter Guard Inter-national season begins in the fall after football season. The guard creates a new drill show and prepares for the season which runs from January through March. Competitions consists of local and regional competitions throughout the state. The WGI competitions utilize judges from California to New York to maintain consistent rankings throughout the nation. To earn the privilege to perform at Nationals, a guard must attain a specific level of performance at a regional competition.

As a result of a strong regional performance, the LMHS Guard is currently ranked as fourth in the nation this year. Last weekend, the team second at the Miami Regional. On March 22, they will be competing at Circuit Championships at Emory Riddle in Daytona Beach.

There are only two local WGI competitive guards in Seminole County and one in Orange County. There are however, numerous guards in the Tampa, Miami, and East Coast areas. The Lake Mary guard has consistently performed



The LMHS Winter Guard at a recent practice (above, from left, front row) Suzanne Kechejian, Lauren Schoen, Colette Klopp, Maria Jose Mondaca, (back row) Amber Tassone, Jessica Van Derlofske, Kristina Durley, Candice Olson, Mandy Bumgarner, Naomi Maingot.

Staff Photos by Tammy Vincent



The team practices with flags as well as rifles and sabers

exceptionally at the local competitions (first place at three different competitions) where competition consists of six to 12 teams in their class. At the Tampa regional, where 30 teams competed in their class, the LMHS group placed fourth.

There are more than 10,000 winter guard units around the world, because of the money and commitment necessary to be highly competitive, most guards never make it to the world

championships. At National, the top 300 groups in the world will compete in the prelims with the top 30 schools advancing to the semi-finals. After competing in the semi-finals, the top 15 schools in the world compete at the Phoenix Convention Center in the Finals for national recognition.

This year, the team is also in a competition to see if funds can be obtained. The National Competition alone requires approximately \$18,000 for the

team to compete. This is needed to cover air fare, transportation to Phoenix, and hotel rooms for three nights. None of these funds come from the school itself but must be raised by the parents. The LMHS Color Guard is a non-profit organization that is looking for support from local businesses and organizations. Interested sponsors should contact either Michelle Fiola (324-3245), Gayle Rogers (330-0618), or Barbara Stewart (330-4185).

Pitchers dominate Bambinos

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — Pitching took center stage Tuesday night as all four winning hurlers turned in strong performances in the Sanford Recreation Department Babe Ruth Baseball Bambino League at Ft. Mellon Park.

At Roy Hollar Field, Jamie Corns struck out 11 in five innings during a two-hit shutout as the Sunniland Corporation Red Sox remained undefeated with a 10-0 whitewashing of the First Union A's; and Daniel App struck out 16 and gave up just four hits as the Braves improved to 3-0 with a 10-2 triumph over the Play It Again Expos.

At Lakeside Field, Michael McKenzie tossed a three-hitter and struck out 11 in four innings as the Fisher, Lawrence, Deen and Fromang Diamondbacks routed the Rinker Materials Devil Rays 14-1; and Steve Bacak scattered six hits and struck out 11 as the Marlins downed the TEC Mortgage Pirates 9-3.

The standings in the American Division are: Sunniland Corporation Red Sox (4-0), Railroaders White

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Sox (3-0), D.A.V. (Disabled American Veterans) Royals and Fisher, Lawrence, Deen and Fromang Diamondbacks (both 2-1), the First Union A's (2-2) and the Rich Plan Indians (0-3).

The standing in the National Division are: Braves (3-0), Play It Again Expos and Marlins (both 2-2), TEC Mortgage Pirate (1-3), Towne Centre Dodgers (0-3) and Rinker Materials Devil Rays (0-4).

The league will be in action again Thursday with games at both Roy Hollar Field and Lakeside Field

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Pats and Dogs win at LMHS

From Staff Reports

LAKE MARY — Lake Brantley's girls and DeLand's boys were the team winners at the 16th Annual Lake Mary Classic held on the Don T. Reynolds Stadium Track Friday night at Lake Mary High School.

Lake Brantley's girls scored 153 1/2 points to easily outdistance Deltona-Pine Ridge (131 1/2) and Lake Howell

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People



Women's club doings

The Suburban Republican Women's Club Federated met recently at Sweetwater Country Club in Altamonte Springs. Left to right: President Nancy King, Cotton James, 11 months of the Good Shepard Program and the Hon. Bob Starke Joyce Scanton, not pictured, spoke about her ministry with the program, a special ministry to babies and prison moms.

Maple syrup: Sweet from sappy

By **MARIALISA CALTA**
NEA Food Writer

It's sugaring time, and as anyone who lives in a certain part of the country -- New England, the northern Midwest, upstate New York -- knows, the sap is running (or about to start running) in the maple trees. And that means the maple sugarmakers are about to start working 'round the clock to handle the sweet harvest.

Now, I live in Vermont, which often leads the nation in syrup production, and it always amazes me how little people out of state know about the process. (A friend's husband -- a lawyer with the State Department -- actually thought that syrup, not sap, came right out of the tree! Other people, I guess, think it just comes out of those cute little cans.)

Well, I'm here to tell you that sugaring is a grueling process. The trees must be tapped, the sap collected and boiled down to syrup, which is often an all-night process. It takes about 40 gallons of sap to make a gallon of syrup, as well as a huge amount of effort, which explains not only the relatively high price but also the exquisite taste.

I know many Vermonters who will drink syrup straight, and many others who use it as coffee or tea, or on their morning bowl of cereal. I don't need to tell you that the thought of using maple-FLAVORED syrup is anathema to anyone in Vermont (and other sugaring states. I'm sure). If you don't have the real thing, use sugar or honey, don't mess around with that imitation stuff.

Here's what I like to do with syrup (aside from eating it on

pancakes, waffles, French toast, oatmeal and ice cream -- try it on coffee ice cream, it's a great combination):

-- to sweeten vinaigrettes, baked beans and applesauce -- as a glaze for turkey, chicken and ham

-- in baking; especially apple and pecan pies, cornbread and muffins

-- as a finishing touch on cooked carrots

-- as a flavoring for baked apples and winter squash; I use it as I would brown sugar -- for sugar-on-snow: boil syrup to 235 degrees and pour it over clean snow or shaved ice. Serve it with pickles and doughnuts and black coffee. (Eat the taffy-like syrup, not the snow.)

My neighbor, David Healy, is famous for his "Vermont Chicken" recipe, which calls for sprinkling chicken pieces with chopped walnuts and baking them in a 350 degree oven in a 1:1 mixture of apple cider and maple syrup 1-inch deep. (I recommend skimming the chicken, and adding some chopped shallots or red onions.)

Stanley Fitch, another neighbor and backyard sugarmaker is famous for his maple butternut fudge (a true Vermont specialty), but making fudge is a mystery to me so I couldn't begin to tell you how to do it.

I like to cook with maple syrup and the recipes below are just a fraction of the ones I've collected. The red cabbage recipe has been printed in this space before; it is so yummy that I cannot pass up an opportunity to print it again.

You can receive a copy of "The Official Vermont Maple Cookbook" by sending \$1.50 (includes postage and handling) to Vermont Maple Promotion Board, c/o Vermont Department of Agriculture, 116 State

Street, Drawer 20, Montpelier, VT 05620-2901.

MAPLE-MUSTARD VINAIGRETTE
1/4 cup balsamic or red wine vinegar
2 cloves garlic, peeled and minced
2 small shallots, peeled and minced
1/2 teaspoon fresh cracked black pepper
1/2 cup Dijon mustard
1/2 cup maple syrup
3/4 cup canola oil
Salt to taste

Whisk vinegar, garlic, shallots, pepper, mustard and maple syrup together in a bowl or process in the container of a blender. While whisking (or with motor running, if using blender) add the oil so that an emulsion is formed. Salt to taste.

Excellent as a dressing for spinach salad or for spring greens.
Yield: 2 cups.
-- Recipe source unknown

RED CABBAGE GLAZED WITH MAPLE SYRUP
5 strips bacon, minced
1 onion, minced
1 pound red cabbage (about 1/2 head, cored, with outer leaves removed)
1 medium firm, tart apple
1 bay leaf
1/2 cup maple syrup
Salt and pepper, to taste

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In an oven-proof pot large enough to hold all ingredients, cook the bacon until crisp. Add the onion. Meanwhile, shred the cabbage, and peel, core and slice the apple.

When the onion is translucent, add the apple, red cabbage, bay leaf and syrup, and season with salt and

pepper. Cover and cook for 1/2 hour in 350 degree oven.

Yield: Four to six servings.
This recipe was given to me by Chef Yves Labbe, who ran one of my favorite restaurants -- regretably, closed -- Le Cheval D'Or in Jeffersonville, Vt.

VERMONT PORK CHOPS
1 tablespoon oil
4 pork chops
1/4 cup chopped onion
2 cloves garlic, peeled and minced (optional)
1 tablespoon vinegar
1/2 teaspoon chili powder
1/8 teaspoon black pepper
1/3 cup maple syrup
1/4 cup water
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon salt

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In an oven-proof skillet (preferably one with a lid) heat the oil, tipping the bottom of the pan to coat. Lightly brown the pork chops on both sides. In a saucepan, heat together all the remaining ingredients, stirring until heated through. Pour over browned pork chops. Cover skillet with lid or aluminum foil and bake 45 minutes, removing cover to baste occasionally. Remove cover and allow to bake 15 minutes longer.

Place chops on a warmed platter and serve with sauce. If you want the sauce to be thicker, put the skillet (without the chops) back on the stovetop and simmer sauce until thickened as desired.
Yield: 4 servings.

-- Recipe adapted from "The Official Vermont Maple Cookbook," by the Vermont Maple Promotion Board.

IN BRIEF

Rotary meets early

Rotary Club of Lake Mary meets Thursday mornings, 7:30-8:30 a.m., at the Marriott Courtyard, off West Lake Mary Boulevard. Contact Brian Lee, president, at 323-6128.

Sertoma Club helps children

The Sertoma Club of South Seminole County, dedicated to the advancement of speech and hearing children, meets every Thursday morning, from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. at the Sabal Point Country Club on Wekiwa Springs Road, Longwood. Potential members are invited to attend.

Weight Watchers meet on Thursdays

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

Omni Toastmasters meet at Heathrow

The Omni Toastmasters Club #6861 will meet at 5:30 p.m. every Thursday at the AAA building, 1000 AAA Drive, Heathrow. Guests and prospective members are welcome. Call Bertram Glick, 323-6089, for more information.

The Columbia Medical Center-Sanford Chapter of Senior Friends meets every second Thursday, at 10:30 a.m., at the Sanford Senior Center, 401 E. Seminole Blvd. Interesting and timely programs are featured monthly plus social exchange. All Seniors are welcome. For information, call Ellen Rollins, 321-4500, Ext. 5784.

Dads' steady hands offer essential support

DEAR ABBY: I was appalled when I saw in your column that you had trotted out an outdated, sexist, factually inaccurate and socially dangerous quote: "The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother."

Surely you are aware of the research which now establishes that fathers have unique and important contributions to make to the healthy development of their children. Fathers -- not race, not income and not mother -- are the key ingredient in reducing youth violence, crime and gangs; drug abuse, promiscuity, eating disorders and suicides. Fathers have a greater effect than mothers in producing empathy, a sense of humor, academic achievement and more.

My son's mother has assaulted, harassed me, stalked me, vandalized my property, stolen from me, made false allegations against me and more. I don't love her. But I do something far more important. During most of my son's waking moments since he was 8 months old, the hands he has been holding him and helping him, the voice he has heard teaching him and loving him, the face he has seen smiling at him, and encouraging him have been mine.

My son's mother is not insane and not that rare. She has simply been encouraged by the media to blame her unhappy and to think of fathers as



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ABIGAIL VAN BUREN

second-class parents. You can sign me **FIRST-CLASS PARENT**.

DEAR PARENT: Considering the fact that your ex-wife suffers from the emotional instability (not insanity) which you have described, your son is indeed fortunate to have such a committed father. However, there are far more absent fathers in single-parent families than mothers.

DEAR ABBY: Hugo Borreson wrote "Martin Luther King had to go to India to learn the principles of non-violence because they were neither understood nor practiced in the United States."

Abby, Dr. King did not have to go to India to learn the principles of non-violence. In his book "Stride Toward Freedom" (New York, Harper and Brothers, 1958), he wrote: "One Sunday afternoon, I traveled to Philadelphia to hear a sermon by Dr. Mordecai Johnson, president of Howard University. He was there to preach for the Fellowship House of Philadelphia."

"Dr. Johnson had just returned from a trip to India, and, to my great interest, he spoke of the life and teachings of Mahatma Gandhi. "His message was so profound and electrifying that I left the meeting and bought a half-dozen books on Gandhi's life and works..." I just wanted to set the record straight, Abby.

ARTHUR H. PRINCE, PH.D., MEMPHIS

DEAR DR. PRINCE: I am (as always) profoundly grateful for your consistently accurate corrections and additions to my column since its inception. However, I, too, want to keep the record straight. According to "A Testament of Hope: The Essential Writings and Teachings of Martin Luther King Jr." (edited by James M. Washington), Dr. King and his wife did travel to India in 1960 or 1961, and he made reference to the trip in a speech within months of his return.

DEAR ABBY: I have a very dear, older friend who has one bad habit. No matter what the situation, she always asks me the price of everything I buy. She demands to know the cost of any improvements I make to my home.

It seems she puts a price tag on everything. A member of her family is quite wealthy, and she never hesitates to tell everyone what they spend on everything. I don't have a lot of money and what I do with it, I think, is my

personal business. I have tried the old retort, "Why would you be interested?" but it doesn't seem to work. I don't want to be rude, but can you give me a good comeback that might squelch this nasty habit?

MIFFED IN MECHANICSVILLE, VA
DEAR MIFFED: What's wrong with this direct response: "That's a very personal question that I prefer not to answer." Smile when you say it, and if you repeat it often enough, let's hope she'll get the message and quit asking.

DEAR ABBY: Here's another one for your "never thought I'd be writing to Dear Abby" collection.

I've been reading your column for ages, but I don't recall having seen this topic addressed. I have an old Bible that has seen better days. The pages are tearing and beginning to fall out. I have purchased a new Bible, but I am not sure what to do with the old one. I don't feel right just throwing it into the garbage.

Is there a proper way to dispose of an old Bible?
MIKE IN TEXAS

DEAR MIKE: Yes, I consulted the Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif., and was told: Protestants can dispose of an old Bible by giving it to someone or throwing it away if they are comfortable doing so -- the paper and ink are not "holy." However, if the individual is not comfortable with that, it can be given to a Bible bookstore or Bible Book Society for refurbishing or disposal. Father Joe Moniz at St. Joseph's Church in Torrance, Calif., advised that Catholics can either burn or bury old Bibles.

Persons of other religions should consult their religious authority concerning an accepted manner of disposing of holy books.

(Problems? Write to Dear Abby. For a personal, unpublished reply, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 88440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90068. All correspondence is confidential.)

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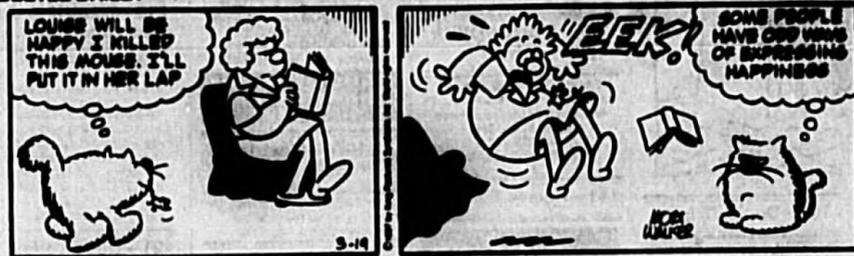
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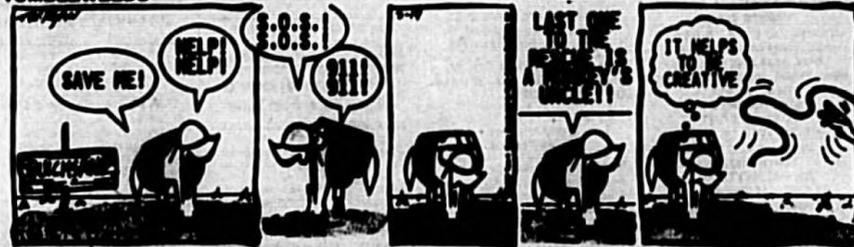
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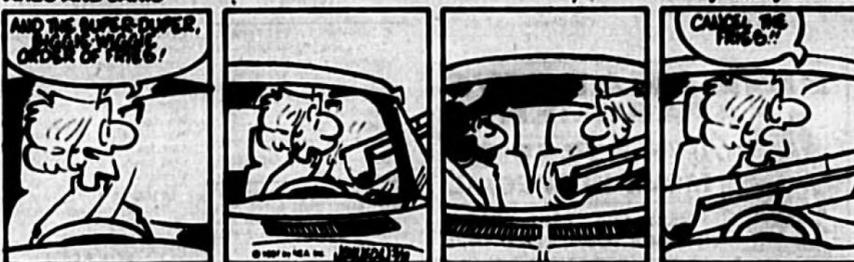
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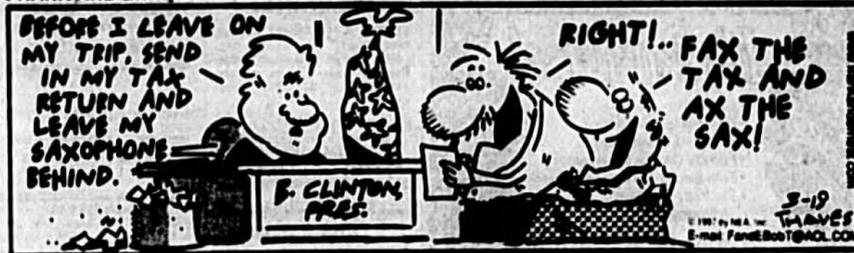
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Is blocked artery a danger sign?

DEAR DR. GOTT: My carotid arteries are 40 percent blocked, and my doctor put me on an aspirin a day. Why? Is 40 percent something that I should worry about at age 67?

DEAR READER: As part of the aging process, rough and irregular arteriosclerotic plaque builds up on the lining of arteries. Although such plaque rarely blocks an artery completely, it often provides the basis for blood clots that can occlude an artery, leading — among other afflictions — to heart attack. Or pieces of a clot may break off and be carried in the bloodstream to cause damage, such as a stroke.

A 40 percent narrowing of your carotid arteries — the blood vessels in your neck that supply the brain — is not severe enough to require surgery (to remove the plaque and associated blood clots); however, your physician has wisely suggested that you take aspirin, which acts as an anticoagulant, in order to reduce the risk of stroke.

While I wouldn't worry unnecessarily about a 40 percent blockage, I am concerned that the amount of plaque will increase as you age. Once you get above about 60 percent occlusion, surgery may become an option. Therefore, in my opinion, you need follow-up tests — called carotid Doppler studies — at yearly intervals to monitor the state of circulation in the arteries.

Also, your physician will want to examine you at intervals to see if you develop characteristic noises in your neck, called "bruits."

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 78. Six years ago, I had three benign polyps removed from my colon. Should I have another colon exam? I'm asking because all I have is Medicare, and I'd like to avoid the procedure if possible.

DEAR READER: Benign polyps (small growths) can easily be removed without surgery during a special exam called colonoscopy, during which a specialist — usually a gastroenterologist — examines the entire colon with a long, flexible, fiber-optic tube.

Most gastroenterologists advise periodic colonoscopy (every five years or so) for people who have had polyps.

Thus, my answer to your question is "yes." Nonetheless, you should follow your gastroenterologist's advice in this matter. Incidentally, also review the cost with him. Because you have only Medicare to help with medical expenses, the specialist may be willing to accept assignment, meaning that he won't charge you more than Medicare will recognize as a reasonable fee.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am taking Lasol, a diuretic, for hypertension. I believe that the drug is causing me to experience atrial fibrillation. My doctor diagnoses this. I wrote to the Food and Drug Administration to express

my concern but was told that there is no concrete evidence that Lasol does this. I believe that this cardiac reaction should be published so that other elderly patients won't get into trouble.

DEAR READER: In the first place, Lasol is a drug used to lower cholesterol. It is not a diuretic and has not been reported to cause atrial fibrillation (irregular, uneven pulse).

True, a small percentage of patients on Lasol may experience occasional disruption of the normal heart rhythm, but this is not considered by authorities to be particularly important, in comparison to the enormous benefits of the medication.

In the second place, atrial fibrillation has many causes, ranging from coronary-artery disease to hyperthyroidism and hypertension. Therefore, I am not sure why your heart is beating unevenly. This is a condition that



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your doctor should address and treat. As you know, all medicines have the potential to cause harm of one kind or another. In deciding whether to prescribe a drug, both the doctor and patient must carefully weigh the risks vs. the benefits.

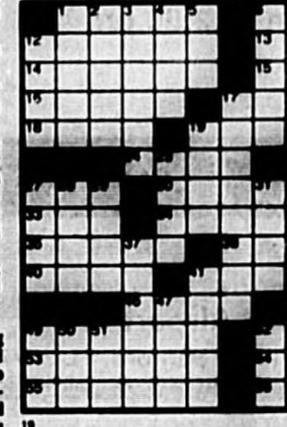
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- 1 — the Greek
 - 6 Chill
 - 12 Radio technique
 - 13 Mountain chains
 - 14 State current
 - 15 Not performed
 - 16 Variety of wheat
 - 17 Small monkey
 - 18 Robinson
 - 19 Paintings
 - 20 Vice pres.
 - 24 Connecticut university
 - 26 Eagle's home
 - 27 Supermodel
 - 30 Passed out the cards
 - 32 Letters of the alphabet
 - 33 Currency
 - 34 Muscle protein
 - 35 Flared
- DOWN**
- 28 — the ground floor
 - 40 Feed the kitty
 - 41 Look at
 - 42 A — apple
 - 43 Pouches
 - 46 Dragon constellation
 - 49 City in California
 - 52 Tissue
 - 53 State irrational
 - 54 Coral islands
 - 56 Piece in another chair
 - 58 — decimal system
 - 1 Singer
 - 2 More unusual
 - 3 Absolutely
 - 4 Stealing post
 - 5 Chemical outfit
 - 6 Pear or peach

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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DOM	LIBERTY	REE
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TRAGEDY	AMOR	
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VROOM	PINTOS	
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ITA	BOOTY	NAB

STUMPED?



WIN AT BRIDGE

Chest your cards

By Phillip Alder

In the last two days, you have seen that occasionally a side-road trick — or three — must be taken before moving into the main highway. But as mentioned Monday, usually this isn't right. Today's deal helped Mary Chilcote, Zeke Jabbar, Billy Eisenberg, Fred Hamilton, Tommy Sanders and Russ Arnold win the Senior Knockout Teams at last year's Fall Nationals in San Francisco. How would you plan the play in three n-trumps after West leads the club nine?

When Chilcote was East and Jabbar West, the declarer won the first trick with dummy's king. Then he cashed the queen and jack of diamonds before calling for a low spade. Chilcote knew exactly what to do. The opening lead had marked South with

the queen and jack of clubs, giving him three tricks there. When West discarded on the second diamond, South was known to have five tricks in that suit. So, if he was allowed to win a spade trick, he would run for home. There was only one chance. Chilcote went in with the spade ace and cashed her two top hearts. After the queen dropped, Chilcote continued the suit, giving the defenders five tricks: one spade and four hearts.

At the other table, Eisenberg won the first trick in the dummy and immediately played a spade to his king. When it won the trick, he claimed nine tricks: one spade, five diamonds and three clubs. Here, it was much harder for East to go in with the spade ace as he knew so much less about the lay of the land.

If you need to sneak a trick while wide open in another suit, try to sneak it immediately.

North 6-10-97
 ♠ 10 6 5
 ♥ 8 4 2
 ♦ Q J 10 5
 ♣ A K 2

West East
 ♠ Q 8 7 ♠ A 9 4 3
 ♥ 10 9 7 6 ♥ A K J 3
 ♦ 2 ♦ 8 8 4
 ♣ 8 7 5 4 ♣ 6 3

South
 ♠ K J 2
 ♥ Q 5
 ♦ A K 7 6 3
 ♣ Q J 10

Vulnerable: Neither
 Dealer: South

South West North East
 1 NT Pass 3 NT All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 9



Thursday, March 20, 1987

The chances of success will be in your favor in the year ahead, especially in situations you personally manage. Your potential for doing something big is promising.

PISCES (Feb. 28-March 29) What you're involved in could eventually lead to material gains, but they won't be handed to you on a silver platter. It will embellish your self-esteem to earn them. 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 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have good leadership qualities, but you might not use them effectively today. You must set a proper example of what it is that you want others to do.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you let associates think for you today, you may not achieve desirable results. You will be better-equipped to call the shots.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The expectations you have for the day might be too much for others to attempt. That is their problem; be dedicated and positive in order to succeed.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today's achievements could be extremely significant. Define your objectives as clearly as possible, then follow your blueprint.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Treat serious matters with the respect they deserve today, but don't let things get so grave that it takes the joy out of life. This too shall pass.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You may have some success in your financial affairs today. Your gains, however, might not be as large as you expect. Be grateful you're ahead.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Binding agreements should not be signed in haste today. Do not be impulsive in matters with legal overtones; make sure to get good advice first.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today, it's not how fast you do something, it's how well you do it that counts. Do not despair if you have to work harder than usual to achieve your objectives.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A mutual liking has developed between you and someone you recently met that could turn into a very desirable relationship.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might not get off to a running start today, but don't let this upset you, because you'll pick up speed. What counts is who crosses the finish line.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Grit and determination are two of your most effective assets today. You will not likely experience failure once you have clarified your intentions.

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