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Murder suspect jailed Cops say neighbor suffocated little girl

By ROGER HARNACK
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — An Altamonte Springs man is in custody at the John F. Polk Correctional Facility today charged with the kidnaping and murder of one-year-old Jessica Knoll.

Altamonte Springs police arrested James Edward Crow Jr., 34, of 382 Los Altos Way, Altamonte Springs, at 11 a.m. Saturday without incident. Crow

is being held without bond charged with first-degree murder and kidnaping.

Acting on a warrant issued by Judge Hall, police apprehended Crow at his home after having suspected him all along in the April 5 murder.

Jessica, who lived with her family in the Los Altos apartments, the same complex Crow lives in, was last seen alive at around 5 p.m. April 5.

Shortly before 8 p.m.,

Altamonte Springs police received an anonymous call from a man who was subsequently identified as Crow, who said Jessica's body could be found near a pump house on the Wekiva River next to the Mobil gas station located off Montgomery Road just north of the apartments.

Police arriving on the scene found Jessica's body partially wrapped in a large plastic bag. One of her tennis shoes was

missing and there were tire tracks leading away from the crime scene.

After investigating the area where Jessica was last seen, police learned that Jessica was seen in Crow's company shortly after 4 p.m.

According to the police report, witnesses said they saw Jessica petting Crow's dog, Franklin. They also described Crow and said he often opened the play



Jessica Knoll



James Crow

Observing the mysteries of the galaxy

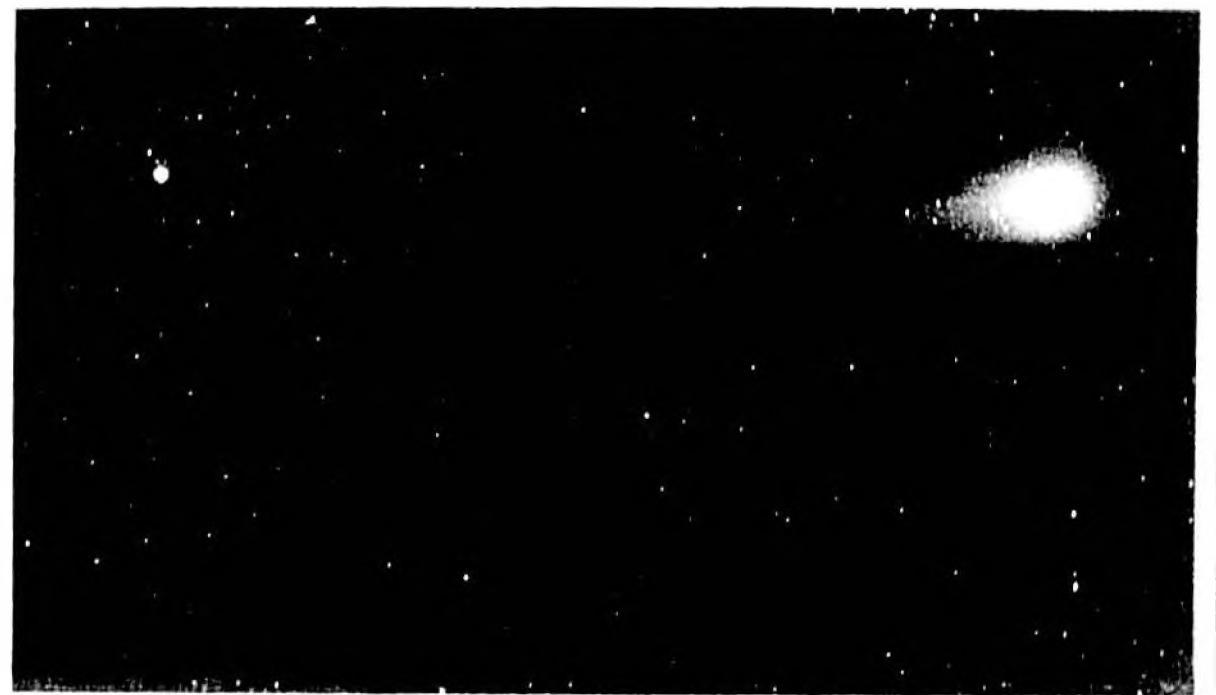


Photo Courtesy of John Rumbley

The comet Hyakutake (right) can be viewed in the evening sky close to the bright star Arcturus (left). The Central Florida Astronomical Society (CFAS) and Seminole Community College are holding a comet watch Tuesday and Wednesday, April 16 and 17 at the SCC planetarium to observe comet Hyakutake. The comet watch will begin at sunset and end at 9 p.m. This is one of the last chances to observe the comet before it gets too close to the sun. Telescopes will be

set up. However, the best view of the comet and tail will be through binoculars. To bring a pair with you if you have them. If you don't have a camera that can take exposure photographs longer than one second, some club members can show you how to take a picture of the comet. Bring high speed film, a tripod and a cable release. The comet watch is free and open to the public. For more information on the comet watch and/or club activities, contact John Rumbley at (407) 574-5492.



Herald Photo by Roger Harnack

Congresswoman Corrine Brown addresses participants in the Civil Rights Summit Saturday.

Civil Rights Summit

By ROGER HARNACK
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Congresswoman Corrine Brown (D-Jacksonville) who also represents portions of Sanford, was the keynote speaker at a Civil Rights Summit held Saturday at the African American Academy of Arts in Sanford.

Brown addressed a variety of issues during the summit, but focused on affirmative action.

According to Brown, affirmative action and black Americans' civil rights are at stake due to recent decisions in Texas and Georgia which directed universities not to use race as a factor in admissions policies.

In the Texas case of Hopwood v. Texas, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals struck down "race-normaling" or the practice of

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Single moms frustrated by child support system

By VICKI DeSORMIER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — Single mothers in Seminole County, as elsewhere, are often frustrated by the system as well as by their ex-husbands when it comes to collecting their child support.

Starting with an impersonal voice mail system that uses technical terms that are confusing and, perhaps, intimidating to those unfamiliar with the system, and moving through a bureaucracy that offers little personal help, many mothers become lost or simply frustrated in the system.

It is an unfortunate reality, some mothers say, that you need to have money to be able to get the money owed. A "real" lawyer, not an HRS representative assigned to assist, is what one needs, they say.

Melinda Barkley, a single mother of three, said she is owed in excess of \$22,000 by her

ex-husband who, she said, is absent from her children's lives both physically and financially.

She said a Sanford attorney "taught him the system and how to avoid the laws." He has found loopholes in the laws and continues to avoid making the court-ordered payments.

"The only way to fight this is to hire another attorney, which in this case is HRS due to the financial hardships of not being able to afford a real attorney," Barkley said. "This is a real hassle. It's a Catch-22 situation."

The clerk of the court's office which administers child support payments said they are unable to do anything for a mother unless the appropriate paperwork has been filed by an attorney or HRS.

"If they come to us, we just send them back to HRS," said an employee of the clerk's office who did not want to be identified. "There's

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Profiles in crime emerge: Young black males at risk

By NICK PFEIFAU
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The latest national study has revealed that most people treated at emergency rooms for nonfatal gunshot wounds related to crime are mainly male, black, and young. Locally, law enforcement officials say that while specific gunshot wound records are not immediately available, they are confident the statistics would reveal Seminole County and the City of Sanford are at approximately the same level in most categories.

The figures, released this past week, were from a new Justice

Department study using data collected by the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. It found that males made up almost 90 percent of those treated for firearm injuries connected to crimes and that 59 percent were black.

"We are about the same here," said Sanford police Chief Ralph Russell. "Our figures have for many years been very similar to the national averages."

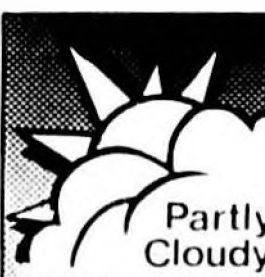
When it comes to comparing the county versus the state, however, said Seminole County Sheriff Don Eshinger, "we are doing much better in Part I crimes."

The Part I crimes list for county in the Uniform Crime Report (UCR) include murder, sexual battery, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary and motor vehicle thefts.

"I can't comment on shooting incidents at this time," Eshinger said. "But in the last Part I crimes, the state average was slightly over 1,000 crimes per 100,000 population last year, while we have an 800 crime rate per 100,000 population in Seminole County. That's less than half of the overall national average."

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Today - Partly cloudy with highs in low to mid 80s. Lows in the mid 60s.

Partly Cloudy

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INSIDE TODAY



Herald Photo by Joanne Lucas Bourg

Left: The Children's Wish Foundation grants wishes to children with life-threatening illnesses, such as Aja Dolada, pictured with Casey the Clown, Mary Dolada and Henry Thomas. Aja wants to go to school and



Herald Photo by Maria O'Connell

have new school clothes. Story, more photos Page 4B. Right: The widow, Mary Williams, retires from over 30 years of service at the educational equipment store. Story Page 4B.

POLICE BRIEFS

CCIB raid

Members of the Seminole County sheriff's department City/County Investigative Bureau (CCIB) conducted two raids Thursday as follow-ups to undercover drug purchases reportedly made last Sunday at 98 Lake Jesup Avenue near Oviedo.

CCIB agents say a man identified as David Rodriguez, of 1025 Kelsey Avenue had made the drug sale at the Lake Jesup home. Rodriguez was located at his home on Kelsey Avenue when CCIB agents, armed with a warrant, searched the residence. Rodriguez was arrested on charges of Sale of controlled substance (marijuana), Possession of under 20 grams of marijuana, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

A female said to also be a resident of the Kelsey Avenue home, Naomia Fahad, was also arrested on charges of possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia.

CCIB agents also converged at the Lake Jesup Avenue residence, and made two additional arrests. David Wilson Dees, 25, was charged with sale of a controlled substance, and Scott Curran, 25, was charged with possession of under 20 grams of cannabis.

QUAD arrests

Members of the Sanford Police QUAD-Squad made several arrests in the past few days, continuing their crackdown on street-level drug sales.

● Julian B. Wimberly, 20, of 1515 W. 17th Street, was reportedly seen involved in a possible transaction at 10th Street and Pine Avenue Thursday. Officers said he fled, but was apprehended behind a residence in the 700 block of E. Ninth Street. Wimberly was charged with possession of cocaine, tampering with evidence, and resisting an officer without violence.

● Jermaine Jerome Bradley, 19, 1506 Southwest Road, was arrested by QUAD members in the 1500 block of W. 13th Street. Officers said they were on surveillance duty at that area when they located him. Bradley was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute and possession of under 20 grams of cannabis.

● Terrance Frison, 20, 2180 Church Street, was located as the result of a QUAD surveillance in Edward Higgins Terrace. Frison was charged with possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, and resisting an officer without violence.

● Wednesday, Sanford police arrested Linda E. Chandler, 42, of 1200 Mangoustine Avenue, after officers say they saw her walking near 13th Street and Mangoustine carrying a container of alcohol. She was charged with having an open container, possession of cocaine, and possession of under 20 grams of marijuana.

Burglary

Sanford police arrested Rodney Lewis Woods, 38, of 113 Castle Brewer Court on Thursday, following an investigation into a vehicular burglary. On March 21, a report was filed that three men had entered the cab of a beer truck on 13th Street, and taken a \$6,000 computer/printer unit. Woods was reportedly identified through a photo lineup, and has been charged with burglary to a conveyance and grand theft. Police are still seeking the other two persons who were said to have been involved in the incident.

Traffic stops

● Marilyn Dawn Mayberry, 41, 1642 Torrington Drive, Longwood, was stopped on Lake Mary Boulevard by Lake Mary police Thursday. She was charged with driving under the influence and attached tag not assigned.

● Ben Hampton, 39, 1604 W. 15th Street, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police at Sixth Street and Avacado Avenue Thursday. He was charged with being a habitual traffic offender.

Retail thefts

● Russell G. Barnes, 35, of DeBary, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at a retail store in the 1500 block of S. French Avenue. Police said he took a low-priced bottle of wine, and went to the checkout counter attempting to exchange it, with a receipt from a more expensive bottle of wine. He was charged with retail theft and trespassing after warning.

● Tamara Tamecka Spradley, 18, of DeLand, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at the Seminole Towne Center. Officers said she attempted to take two pair of Calvin Klein jeans and a skirt from a store without paying. She was charged with retail theft.

Domestic cases

● Bernard Miller, 32, 924 Rosecliff Circle, was arrested at his residence Wednesday by Sanford police following a reported altercation with a female. He was charged with battery on a pregnant woman, domestic violence.

● James Theophilus Morris III, 21, 1603 Williams Avenue, was arrested at his residence by Sanford police Thursday following a reported altercation with a female in the 1500 block of W. 14th Street. He was charged with aggravated battery domestic violence.

Check problems

A number of checks have been reportedly cashed in the past month at several businesses in Sanford, only to have them proven either to have been stolen, or written on invalid accounts.

On Thursday, Sanford police were informed of the latest incidents. A store in the 1500 block of W. 13th Street reported cashing a check on Feb. 3 for \$169.13, and on Feb. 8 for \$363. Both checks have recently been returned from the bank declared as having been written on an invalid account. There were indications other checks had also been cashed at the same business, as well as another business on S. French Avenue in Sanford.

Sanford police reports

● A vehicular burglary was reported Thursday in the 500 block of Perammon Avenue. A \$75 purse with \$60 in cash was reportedly stolen.

● A Rottweiler puppy, reportedly valued at \$300 was said to have been stolen Thursday from a residence in the 1000 block of Holly Avenue.

● A pouch said to contain \$60 in cash and two gold chains, was reportedly stolen Thursday from a vehicle in the 300 block of Poplar Avenue.

● Patio furniture, consisting of four chairs and a table, valued at \$500, were reportedly stolen Wednesday from a residence in the 2000 block of Lake Avenue in Sanford.

Man dies in boating accident

By ROGER HARNACK
Herald Staff Writer

CROWS BLUFF — An Illinois man died Friday afternoon on the St. Johns River after the boat he was driving crashed into a grove of partially submerged trees just north of Sanford.

According to Volusia County Fire Services, Charles and Alberta Schempf, of

Peoria, Ill., were northbound on the river when they failed to negotiate a curve.

The couple sped into some trees in their flat-hulled fishing boat and came to rest when the vessel became lodged between two trees, a fire services report said.

A passing boater and his passengers heard the crash and went to help, the report said. The boater found the couple in their

boat with the motor still running and called authorities.

Initially Schempf survived the crash. However, moments before rescuers could arrive, he lost consciousness and died.

Mrs. Schempf, 64, sustained facial injuries and was transported to Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach. She is listed in stable condition, the report said.

Unique way of getting to know Sanford

By VICKI DeBORNIER
Herald Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — Beau Hayes is just passing through town, really.

But, so impressed is the Seminole High School junior with his temporary home that he wanted to record the history, past and present, of Sanford for posterity.

Hayes, a native of Birmingham, Ala., has spent this school year here while his stepfather is on temporary assignment with Brasfield and Gorrie, a general contracting firm.

As a part of his honors English class he was assigned to write a research paper on any subject he chose.

"I decided to do a history of Sanford," he said. "I really like Sanford."

But Hayes wanted to do more than just a research paper, he wanted to record Sanford as it is today.

"A few years ago my stepfather was in Jacksonville and I

went to visit for a couple of weeks," he said. "I did a little bit of research about the area and I took a video camera when I got there and went around with the camera and recorded the people I met. That was my first experience with a video camera."

He said he decided that at that time rather than use a still camera, he would record visits to other cities on videotape.

In Sanford, Hayes had no trouble finding Sanfordites who were interested in his project. More than 100 people talked to him about Sanford, about themselves or simply waved to the camera.

"People were great," he said.

Hayes said he finds Sanford a very friendly city. He said he has been to many cities "all over the east coast," but he likes Sanford and Augusta, Ga. best outside his home of Birmingham.

"I like the slow, laid back feeling of Sanford," he said. "It's a typical Southern town and I like that."

Hayes said he filled two full

videotapes with nearly 12 hours of film in order to have enough footage to make the final 15 minute movie.

He and his mother, Ramona Swindall, spent many hours driving around Sanford meeting people, taking video of homes, municipal buildings and people and getting to know Sanford at a more intimate level than many natives.

"I was surprised at how many people didn't know much about the history of Sanford," Hayes said. "When I showed the video at school, there were a lot of people who had been here all their lives who didn't know much about the town."

He noted that he hoped that his fresh perspective on the city would pique the interest of native Sanfordites in learning about their own city.

A copy of the video is available for viewing in the Seminole High School media center.

He is hoping to donate copies of the tape to the Sanford Museum and to the Seminole County Historical Museum.



Beau Hayes

By the start of the next school year Hayes may be back in Birmingham.

"I'll miss Sanford," he said. "This is a very nice place. People should get to know it."

Sanford musician appears in 'Rosewood'

By MARYA HAWKINS
Herald Columnist

SANFORD — On a very cold night last week, drummer George Myles, of Sanford, along with five other Central Florida musicians spent 12 hours preparing and filming "The Party" scene of the Warner Bros. movie, "Rosewood," scheduled for nationwide release this fall.

For Myles, the evening started at 6 p.m. with a visit to the cast barber to shed his curved beard to reflect the 1920's look. From there, he was off to the costume department to be fitted with a costume reminiscent of the era.

Cast call was 8 p.m., and at the outdoor set it was "rolling and cut" until 6 a.m. Myles was cast as a "washboard" player.

"A washboard was a very popular percussion instrument in bands in the early 20's," Myles said.

The party scene was a New Year's Eve party with about 20 dance couples, surrounded by the elite people of Rosewood who partied the night away.

As Myles puts it, "film director John Singleton (of Boys in the Hood fame) was a joy to work with; giving instructions to everyone around throughout the entire scene with total professionalism."

"Despite the low temperatures, everyone on the set had fun as we huddled together with Actress Esther Rolle, to kill the chill during breaks," George said.

Other Central Florida musicians performing with Myles were jazz guitarist Nathan Page, Universal Studio's saxophonist Elliott Dyson, violin virtuoso Reginald Von Knight, former Ray Charles' guitarist Melvinn Glass and well-known Central Florida bassist, Bernie Lee, with whom Myles performs regularly.

This group performed music of Wynton Marsalis. Other stars in the movie include actors Jon Voight, Ving Rhames and Michael Rooker.

"I was in awe to see so many people, camera operators, riggers, boom operators, lighting technicians, carpenters and directors, all working together in unison to create this marvelous scene; it was indeed an experience to remember," Myles said.



George Myles

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EDITORIAL

Drugs and crime

Seminole County Circuit Judge O.H. Eaton Jr. challenged us recently over an editorial we published lamenting the revolving door of crime in the state. We called for tougher sentencing laws for habitual offenders, including those who violate their probation and are often re-arrested. He called our approach to the crime problem a common sense one with which most people probably agree, but from his unique vantage point on the bench, one deplete of knowledge.

We appeal that we do have some knowledge of criminal procedure, but we are guilty of mirroring popular public opinion without exploring the merits of hard and better choices. We thank Judge Eaton for sharing his insight into the problem, which adds to our knowledge when defining our stand on an issue.

And criminal justice in Seminole County and the state is a doozy of an issue. It touches everyone. Enrages many. Enriches some.

Judge Eaton cut to the heart of the problem by saying it is not the laws under which our state and nation end up coddling the criminal element but the fact that "the public, including newspaper editors, believes the criminal justice system can solve all of society's problems with incarceration."

Judge Eaton cites the drug problem, "which is fuel for the engine that runs the criminal justice system, is not a problem that law enforcement and the courts can solve." He goes on to note that 80 percent of the felony crimes which are committed in Florida are drug related. Mostly illegal drugs. Every homicide, aggravated battery, robbery, burglary, theft, even every bad check is likely to be drug related, he writes. "Cut out the drugs and crime would be a part time problem for the courts in Seminole County."

Judge Eaton admits he does not have the answer to the problems he faces every day on the bench.

Certainly, we as journalists see these problems in the news we report, how drugs prevail and taint the lives of many in our county. For some, addiction leads to the commission of criminal acts to pay for the chemical high. For others, the lure of big money as a dealer overshadows any legitimate occupation.

Almost 35 years ago, the premier of the Soviet Union, Nikita Khrushchev told President Jack Kennedy that Russia would never have to attack America, Americans would destroy themselves from within...with drugs.

Judge Eaton says, and we agree, that this is a sociological problem, not solely a criminal justice problem. To find answers, we must look within the human psyche. Sociologists must explore choices to the dilemma which go beyond the lock-'em-up mentality. Choices range from early and continued education about the evils of drugs, coupled with expensive programs reaffirming self-esteem in people who lack it, to legalizing drugs and heavily taxing their sale to fund government programs that would obviously include drug rehabilitative ones. Tough and controversial choices for a tough and ugly problem.

Although we still believe incorrigible and psychopathic criminals need longer, harsher sentences, we also believe in a system that rehabilitates before it condemns everyone embroiled in it. We find it refreshing that a criminal court judge who could be hardened to the apologetic stories he hears from those repeatedly before him would instead be softened by the societal impact on real human beings whose lives are destroyed by drugs and crime. If Judge Eaton, and all of us, continue to search together for answers, perhaps one day we'll find them.

Berry's World

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We shall be blessed like Lucky the dog

What is in a name? I was recently informed by a knowledgeable individual that the most common name of dogs "surrendered" at an animal shelter was Lucky. It appears that the unfortunate fate that awaits the great majority of dogs named Lucky bears little relationship to their given name.

Names are symbols, and although symbols can be important, it is error to allow them to overshadow the things that they represent. In this era where style is more important than substance, we all too often get entangled in the symbols surrounding an issue, and miss the essence of the matter which is being debated.

Symbols allow us to handle complex issues and afford us the opportunity to define things simplistically. It takes much less effort for us to memorialize a name inscribed in a black granite than it takes for us to truly remember the human being whose life was lost. We can read the name, but it is impossible to interpret the vacuum created by the loss of the hopes, aspirations, wants, and desires of the lives of individuals who gave all they ever had and all they ever would have had in the service of their country.

I thought of this while reviewing one of the most extraordinary abdications of responsibility in American history. This week, while we as citizens slept, the Congress of the United States delegated its authority and power over the purse strings of our Union to the Executive Branch of Government in the form of the line item veto.

The line item veto is a form of government where the head, be it chairman, prime minister,



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JAMES SWEETING

president, generalissimo, or chief gets to pick out various items of a law, and approve or disapprove of them. With a fractious congress, devoid of consensus, and possessed with an aversion to responsibility, an ambitious or unscrupulous president could utilize the line item veto as a weapon to selectively fund or withhold funds. Anyone who ever had to depend on another individual for sustenance can attest to how undemocratic the power of the purse can be. I remind my children of it every day.

In our previous form of government, a president was stuck. He either had to accept the law proposed by Congress or reject it in its entirety. He could not pick and choose; his control was limited.

In changing a fundamental aspect of our form of government, Congress has taken a step in the direction of dictatorship. The framers of our Constitution organized our government purposefully and deliberately; the absence of power

in the executive that the congress so freely abdicated was not an oversight; it was an effort to limit the dangers associated with the concentration of power in a single office. It was an effort at forming a democracy.

I am astounded by the actions of our present Congress. They declare themselves to be conservative, but undertake radical acts. They disguise themselves as being righteous and patriotic, yet gut the Constitution. They pronounce us free from governmental intrusion, yet would regulate what we see and hear on the Internet. They stand up for states' rights, but attempt to usurp the authority of our state courts. They postulate that welfare mothers should assume responsibility for their own affairs, yet abdicate their constitutional budgetary responsibilities.

We thought we were going to get a conservative Congress in 1994. If the acts of the last year are any indication, conservatism is dead in this country. Liberalism having long since been buried. We no longer have conservatives or liberals in our body of politics, we simply have reactionaries left and right, who infect the debate as to our country's future with overtures to the extreme. Both political parties have broken down as well as traditional political thought; and we are left to the mercy of nature, led by men of little wit and less wisdom. If we are not careful, soon all that shall remain of our cherished freedoms, our democratic ideals are the symbols; and we shall be like Lucky the dog, blessed in name only.

BUSINESS NEWS

WRITER'S BLOCK

Telling kids about the birds and bees

When is the "right" time to tell a child about the birds and the bees?
 My precocious six-year-old, Genevieve, has a pretty good grasp on the subject of sex, though she's not sure it's something she would ever want to participate in. (I pray constantly that she keeps that attitude until she's out of college at least.)

I guess because I've never been good at keeping stories about Santa, the Easter Bunny and the Tooth Fairy straight, I thought I'd better not try my hand at the "I-found-you-under-a-cabbage-leaf" genre either.

So, nearly two years ago, when Genevieve asked where she came from, I told her. She was fascinated, but a little grossed out.

She knows how the sperm fertilizes the egg. (She's still struggling with the concept of how the shell that she imagines encases the egg is broken by the sperm.)

She knows how a pregnancy proceeds. Her science teacher is pregnant and the class has been able to watch first hand as the fetus has changed its mother's shape, moods and seating requirements over the course of the school year.

From her teacher, she also learned that a baby does not grow "in the mommy's tummy." If it did that, she later indignantly informed a less worldly playmate, "the digestive juices would digestive it all up and it wouldn't be a baby."

She knows there are ways to prevent pregnancy and that sometimes when a pregnancy happens, but is unwanted, that women will have an abortion. (Though we haven't gotten into the technical, ethical or political aspects of that yet, I can see that coming soon.)

"How could you talk to your child about such things?" an incredulous mother asked me recently when she overheard me answering a direct query about reproduction. "She's only six."

First of all, Genevieve asked me the questions and I wasn't going to lie to her and give her erroneous information. Secondly, I don't see what's wrong with telling a child of any age about a perfectly natural subject.

When I was a kid, I had a friend whose mother told her that the way a woman got pregnant was by wearing a man's clothes. When my friend was 11 she still believed that and was honestly dumbfounded when she found out she was pregnant. She had not worn her boyfriend's clothes. The problem was, neither had he.

I lost contact with that friend when we were about 21. At the time, she had four children, the oldest of which was speeding



VICKI DESORMIER

Staff Writer

recklessly toward puberty and she still had not explained to him the facts of life.

"He's too young for that," my friend said to me. "When he gets to high school I'll talk to him."

Didn't she remember her own experience? Had she learned nothing from it?

I don't know when she first became a grandmother, but I'm sure she is one by now. Though we have yet to reach 35, her oldest son is 23. She has 17 and 15 year-old daughters and another son who is 14. Maybe she has more children. When last we spoke, she was just entering her prime childbearing years.

I can't even begin to imagine being in her situation.

I'm sure that if she had been better informed by her mother, she might have had a much different life.

I'd rather have a six year-old who talks freely about sex than an 11 year-old who is pregnant.

The right time to talk to your child about sex is when your child asks the questions. Don't plop down on the floor with your four-year-old and interrupt Barney to talk about the birth process or birth control, but if he or she asks a question, answer honestly. If you don't know the answer, look it up or find someone (your doctor?) who does.

Don't send your child out into the world unprepared or armed with useless misinformation.

Stories about foundlings in cabbage patches are fine for moon-faced dolls, but they hold no place in conversations about reproduction with our children.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

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JOSEPH SPEAR

It's time to pump up the flat tax

Want to know if a flat tax would be good for you? Take out the tax return you just filed and let's do some figuring.

Add up your income for wages, salaries and pensions. (Do not include dividends and interest.) Now subtract your personal allowances. Under the flat tax plan favored by House Majority Leader Dick Armey, this would amount to \$21,400 for a couple filing jointly, plus \$5,000 for each dependent, or \$31,400 for a family of four. Under the plan touted by former presidential candidate Steve Forbes, it would be \$26,200 for man and wife and \$5,300 for each dependent, or \$36,800 for a family of four.

Now subtract the allowances from your income. Now multiply by 17 percent (the flat rate advocated by both Armey and Forbes). The figure you get is the amount of taxes you would owe.

Now compare this figure to the taxes you just paid. If it is substantially higher, chances are you won't be a flat tax fan. If it is substantially lower, you should favor a flat tax.

My guess is that 99 percent of you who do the math will

come down on the side of flat taxes. I just did the calculations for my family and learned we would have saved \$486 under Armey, \$1,302 under Forbes -- and that's not even counting the \$450 we pay an accountant each year to guide us through the tax morass.

And did you notice that we did not even take those precious mortgage and charitable deductions that flat-tax foes said we couldn't live without? Amazing, isn't it?

There are a lot of amazing things about the flat tax that aren't generally known. With the allowances, the poor are protected and the system is rendered progressive. You can figure that one out for yourself, too. Just pick some hypothetical salary levels and calculate the taxes (exactly as you did above) and figure what percentage of income that would be going for taxes and you will see that a taxpayer has to earn in excess of \$5 million before the rate completely flattens out to 17 percent.

The flat tax is simple: You just did the calculations and you managed it without consulting accountants and tax attorneys. You could file your taxes on a 10-line postcard and you wouldn't have to fool with any of the Internal Revenue Service's 600-plus forms or its 8,000-plus pages of tax code. Isn't it ironic that the simplest form the revenueurs provide is the 1040EZ, which comes with 33 pages of instructions?

The flat tax would foster honesty because there would be less opportunity for abuse. It would make it impossible for the pals to reward their pals with tax advantages. It would get the pals out of the business of coercing us, with tax breaks, to spend our money in officially approved ways. It would discourage consumption and encourage savings and give the economy a colossal kick -- \$2 trillion, according to one Harvard economist.

So what are the disadvantages? There are two big ones

-- In the short run, government revenues would fall. But the newly growing economy would soon produce gobs of additional money. We would have to be extremely careful not to increase spending as a result. This is what killed the Reagan revolution: He just couldn't bring himself to restrain defense spending.



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NATIONAL BRIEFS



BASS narrows headquarters choices

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — B.A.S.S. Inc. will move its headquarters from Montgomery to one of three sites in Birmingham, Daytona Beach, Fla., or Sevier County, Tenn., the fishing organization announced.

B.A.S.S., the nation's largest fishing group with 800,000 members, plans a multimillion dollar headquarters and theme park called Outdoors America. More than 70 cities submitted proposals trying to lure the company, which hosts the famous Bassmasters fishing tournament, publishes several magazines and has a television show.

B.A.S.S. president Helen Sevier cited tourism as a prime factor in the company's decision to seek a new home.

"It's hard to ignore the 8-10 million people who visit Daytona or the 10 million who visit the Smoky Mountains," Sevier said Friday. "And we're very excited about the future of Birmingham."

B.A.S.S. spokeswoman Ann Lewis said, "They were looking for areas that have lots of attractions and lots of traffic."

A group of investors with a large stake in B.A.S.S. is based in Birmingham.

The new headquarters, including a shopping center and theme park on a 200-acre site, is expected to cost about \$50 million. The construction will employ about 750 people.

Several states have offered millions of dollars in incentives to lure the fishing company. The Birmingham News reported Saturday that Florida offered the most — a package of tax breaks and other incentives worth \$32.5 million over 10 years.

Sevier said a decision on a site will be made in the next several weeks.

B.A.S.S., founded in 1968, is currently the target of a lawsuit by members who claim founder Ray Scott misrepresented the organization as a non-profit conservation group and duped people into joining. No trial date has been set.

WORLD BRIEFS



Fear of Syrian involvement

BEIRUT, Lebanon — Israeli gunboats imposed a naval blockade on Beirut today, as planes and artillery pounded south Lebanon in the third day of an onslaught against Shiite Muslim militants.

Five civilians were killed and two wounded when an Israeli helicopter fired at an ambulance on a road southeast of the southern port of Tyre, a United Nations officer said.

The officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said three of the dead were children and two were women. Lebanese security sources said the ambulance belonged to the Islamic Message Scouts, an affiliate of Shiite political groups.

The Israeli naval blockade was imposed amid mounting fears the offensive against the pro-Iranian Hezbollah group might draw Israel's main foe, Syria, into the fighting.

The Lebanese government lodged a formal protest with the U.N. Security Council over the Israeli "aggression" and called for an emergency meeting of the 22-nation Arab League.

Lebanese security sources said Israeli warships intercepted and ordered commercial vessels to stay 12 miles off Beirut in the Mediterranean. The Israeli navy also blockaded the southern ports of Sidon and Tyre.

From Associated Press reports

Murder

Continued from Page 1A area befriending children.

Armed with their description of Crow and his dog, police visited him on Monday, April 8 to question him about Jessica's murder.

While at his home, police noted there were several dark plastic bags similar to the one in which Jessica's body was found. Subsequently, the bags were compared and found to be the same brand and size.

Following the visit to Crow's house, he was asked to drive to the Altamonte Springs police station for a more indepth interview. In addition, they executed a search warrant on his car.

Investigators questioned Crow about new tires he had on his vehicle, his contact with Jessica, and about the events the day the girl was murdered.

Crow told police he purchased the tires from Sams Club in Casselberry using his tax refund. Investigators checking into

his story found he did purchase the tires after the murder, and even opted to dispose of them himself.

The tires have not been recovered.

As to his contact with Jessica, Crow confirmed he saw her in the neighborhood the day of the murder and that she had petted his dog.

However, Crow denied having anything to do with the murder and said he left her in the play area to continue walking his dog. He denied she had been in his car or residence at any time.

In addition to contacting people in his neighborhood, police learned a professional cleaning company had cleaned Crow's home prior to police visiting him on April 8.

One of the housekeepers told police she vividly remembered seeing a child's tennis shoe in the house that had been chewed on by his dog, the police report said. She even remembered picking it up and putting it in the dog's cage.

Police also questioned Crow's wife, Karen, about Jessica's disappearance.

During the interrogation, Mrs. Crow told authorities she had no knowledge of Jessica's murder.

However, she told police that when her husband picked her up from work the night of the murder, they drove past the crime scene where investigators were searching for evidence.

As they drove past, Mrs. Crow said her husband commented that police were investigating Jessica's murder.

However, police said that information had not been released to the public yet and only somebody with knowledge of the murder would have known what was going on at that time.

However, investigators searching the house failed to find the shoe.

The key in the arrest came Friday after NASA technicians from Kennedy Space Center and the Seminole County Sheriff's

Office teamed up with Altamonte police to compare Crow's voice to that of the man who called 9-1-1 with the location of the body.

A specialist in the field of voice analysis said Crow's voice matched that of the 9-1-1 caller to 85 percent certainty.

With the voice analysis match and the evidence linking Crow to Jessica's disappearance, police went to Crow's apartment and arrested him without incident Saturday morning.

Because the investigation is continuing, the 9-1-1 tapes are not going to be released at this time.

On Friday, the medical examiner's office determined the cause of death to be asphyxiation. A police report said the girl was smothered by a large hand being placed over her face. She was not sexually molested.

A Jessica Knott Trust Fund has been established at Barnett Bank, 460 E. Altamonte Drive, Altamonte Springs, to help the family.

Crime

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the shots involved in the injuries however, statewide figures were not broken down into by age, race or other factors.

The only facts revealed were: —12 percent of crime-related gunshot injuries came from drive-by shootings.

—1,400 police officers were injured and 67 killed in firearms assaults in 1993.

—About 3 percent of victims of serious violent crimes from 1987 through 1992 had been shot, according to the Justice Department's National Crime Victimization Survey.

Roughly 60 percent of assaultants were strangers, 25 percent acquaintances and 6 percent relatives or intimates.

Almost half were aged 15-24, with 22 percent coming from the 15-19 age group, according to records of 91 emergency rooms in the year beginning June 1, 1992.

Russell said it is a known fact that the age of people involved in major crimes is getting lower and lower as the years go by.

"That's why we must have a consistent increase in educating our children," he said. "We all realize what the problem is with our younger generation, and it calls for increasing efforts on the part of all of us."

The FBI and other law enforcement groups keep track of

gun-related murders, but the Justice Department said the CDC study was the first to give national estimates of firearm injuries.

The racial breakdown for crime-related wounds — 59 percent black, 19 percent white and 14 percent Hispanic — and the preponderance of young victims is similar to that for murders. An FBI study of homicides in the same period found that 53 percent of the victims were black.

One difference was that more wounds were connected to crimes. Of firearm injuries, 58 percent resulted from assaults, compared with 25 percent that were unintentional or suicide attempts. Of 37,778 firearm deaths in 1992, 48 percent were suicides, 47 percent homicides or legal interventions and 4 percent unintentional, the Justice Department said.

The CDC estimated that there were 99,000 nonfatal gun wounds treated during the survey year, of which 57,500 resulted from assaults.

The study said that among crime-related gun incidents, there were 3.3 nonfatal cases for every homicide.

"One of the saving graces is that a lot of kids aren't great

shots," said Susan Glick of the Violence Policy Center on the high percentage of gun crimes committed by young assaultants that result in nonfatal wounds. "That will change with improved technology."

The report cited a 1995 study estimating that costs per survivor of a gunshot wound, in terms of medical care, lost productivity and reduced quality of life, averaged \$260,000. Many young victims of gun-related crimes have no health insurance.

"We are talking about numbers in the billions of dollars," Jamie Shor of Handgun Control said of the economic losses from gun injuries.

Information from Associated Press is contained in this report.

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DEATHS

KOPELOV, JOSEPH Joseph Kopolov, 84, of Wheatland Court, Longwood, died Friday, April 12, 1996. Born in Pittsburgh, Pa., he came to this area in 1994. Mr. Kopolov was a retired general contractor and a member of Temple Beth Miriam and the Elks Lodge. Survivors include two sons,

Clifford Wooley of San Jacinto, Calif., and Kenneth Wooley of Ocean, N.J.; daughter, Sharon Troiano of Longwood; brother, Sidney of Hallandale; sister, Pearl Becker of Sunrise; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Forest City, is in charge of arrangements.

ROSADO, ANIBAL Anibal Rosado, 39, of Southcot Drive, Casselberry, died Friday, April 12, 1996. Born in Fort Rucker, Ala., he came to this area in 1988. He was a convenience store clerk. Mr. Rosado was a member of St. Augustine Catholic Church. He is survived by his parents, Pedro and Irma of Casselberry; and five sisters, Elizabeth and Mary, both of Puerto Rico, Anna and Miriam, both of Orlando, and Catherine of Houston, Texas. Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Altamonte Springs, is in charge of arrangements.

STEPHENS, ARLENE Arlene Stephens, 87, of Chinaberry Ave., Oviedo, died Friday, March 29, 1996. Born in Abbeville, Ga., she came to this area in 1952. She was a retired nursery worker and a member of Fountainhead Missionary Baptist Church. She is survived by step-sister, Beacie Bowers of Oviedo; and several nieces and nephews. Golden's Funeral Home, Winter Park, is in charge of arrangements.

SIRS, GEORGE E. George E. Sirs, 80, of South French Avenue, Sanford, died Saturday, April 13, 1996. Born

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Summit

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giving minorities bonus points in admissions processes.

"The decision forced Texas' major universities to suspend admissions and raised fears that this decision could end affirmative action programs at universities all across the nation," Brown said.

Following the Texas action, the Georgia Attorney General instructed that state's schools not to use race in their admissions.

Brown called the Georgia decision "ill-advised" because the state was not facing any challenges to the state's affirmative action programs and because it is not in the same circuit court system as Texas.

But Brown also tackled issues other than race norming.

Looking at the United States Supreme Court, Brown said her hero Thurgood Marshall had been replaced by a "black snake in the grass," referring to Clarence Thomas.

"And a snake is a snake," she said. "If it bites you, you're still going to die."

Brown said Thomas' opposition to affirmative action is a travesty for African-Americans trying to work their way up the ladder of success.

After voicing her disgust with Thomas, Brown criticized the Supreme Court for ruling Congressional districts carved to help get minorities elected were unconstitutional.

At the heart of the decision was the court's decision holding Georgia's 2nd Congressional District unconstitutional.

The Supreme Court refused to hear a challenge to the July 1995 Miller v. Johnson case which decided creating minority Congressional districts was unconstitutional.

For Brown, that decision hits close to home because Florida's 3rd Congressional District was created by linking minority communities in East-Central Florida, from Jacksonville to Sanford, together into one district.

A trial on the constitutionality of Brown's district was held in February. However, a decision has not been made yet.

Other states grappling with the constitutionality of minority districts include Illinois, Louisiana, New York, North Carolina, Texas, and Virginia.

Stinecipher

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Stone Island

In 1907, Mr. and Mrs. A.B. Commons arrived from Indiana and purchased the 600 acre tract of vegetable land across the river known as Stone Island. They had since been the only inhabitants of that nature's vegetable wonderland.

Mr. Commons was an artist whose mounted porcelains featuring Florida landscapes were fast becoming Florida's most popular souvenirs.

Mr. Commons was an enthusiastic grower of vegetables. He was the first to grow the lima bean successfully as a commercial crop. He was clearing and developing his property and was expecting to make this island one of the best farm properties in the state.

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Personnel head must keep nose clean

By ROGER HARNACK
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — After being charged with gambling on city time, Sanford Personnel Director Tim McCauley and secretary Althea Parrish can avoid prosecution if they can stay out of trouble for the next six months.

According to an agreement made public Friday afternoon by Assistant State Attorney Jack Kalella, both McCauley and Parrish are eligible for a pretrial diversion program, which requires them to complete 10

hours of community service, undergo counseling, and report monthly to a counselor.

In addition to the program guidelines, the two are not allowed to be involved with any illegal gambling, break any law, and can only associate with law-abiding citizens.

Kalella recommended the pretrial agreement after reviewing a police investigation filed by city employees who alleged some city staff members were participating in "fantasy football" gambling on city time.

Fantasy football is a mock

football league, in which participants "draft" National Football League players and "buy" ownership in a team. Participants monitor their player's performance in real NFL games each week and earn points based on the performance, yards gained, and points scored.

In many fantasy football leagues, points are replaced with dollars.

State laws and city policy prohibit the use of city-owned equipment in fantasy football, as

well as "playing" on city time.

Last October, after being notified of the fantasy football league, City Manager Bill Simmons suspended McCauley for five days without pay after learning McCauley allegedly directed a secretary to compile information on the fantasy league using city equipment and on city time.

Simmons asked the police to investigate the gambling operation in February after learning it was still operating in another city department.

Police found the league was operating out of the Utility Department, where Parrish distributed league information and results to other city employees playing in the league.

Parrish served as the league's treasurer and collected the money from participants, the investigation found. McCauley acted as the league's commissioner.

Neither McCauley nor Parrish could be reached for comment.

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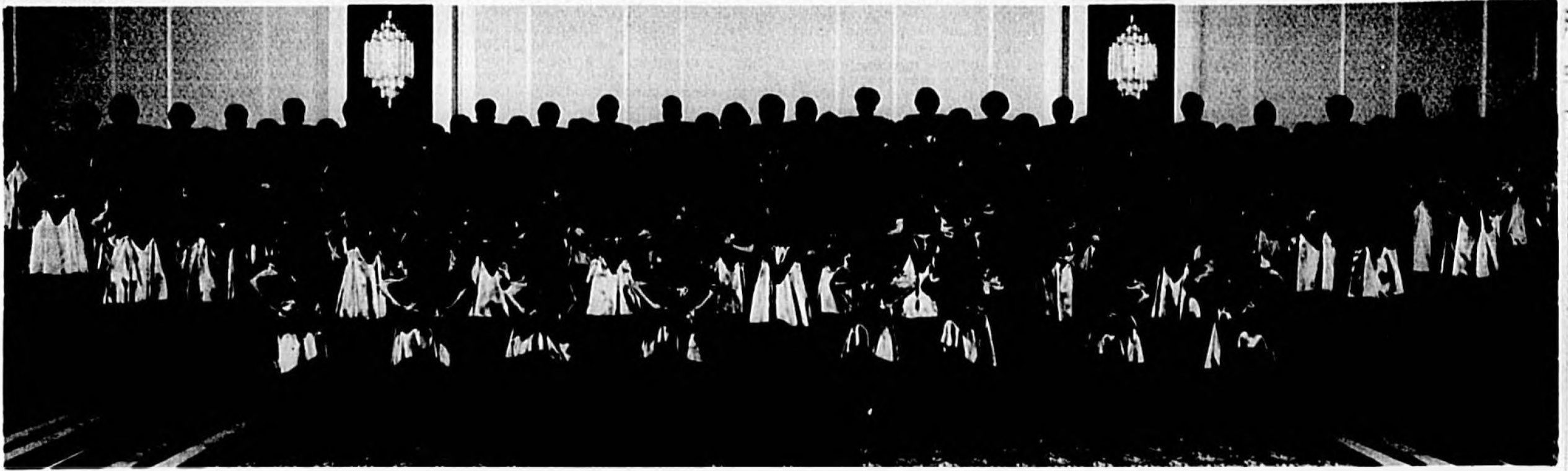
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- Orange County Public Schools Foundation
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Sound of Sunshine lifts voices in song



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More than 1,000 Sweet Adelines, along with fans of barbershop harmony from the State of Florida, will converge on the City of Orlando on April 18, 19 and 20 to participate in and observe a competition to be held at the Bob Carr Theater where judges will evaluate more than 20 colorfully costumed and choreographed choruses and quartets to select the 1996 Region -9 Champions. The Sound of Sunshine Show Chorus, pictured, scored sixth highest in world competition in 1995. Nancy Lewis master director, assisted by special coaches Jim Casey and Joe Connolly, has brought Sound of Sunshine Chorus two first place regional awards, plus numerous other awards. Sound of Sunshine will perform with Mel Torne on the Sweet Adeline International Competition Stage in Fort Lauderdale

In October. The group regularly performs at Disney World and is preparing for the Nov. 2 Annual Show with practice sessions at the Winter Park Mall Arts Center Thursday, from 7 to 10 p.m. The public is welcome to visit and listen. Sweet Adeline Quartet Competition - Friday, April 19, 5:00 p.m., \$12.00. Sweet Adeline Chorus Competition - Saturday, April 20, 1:00 p.m., \$12.00. Sweet Adeline Show of Champions - Saturday, April 20, 8:30 p.m., \$12.00. Both competitions and the Show of Champions are open to the public. Individual entry badges will be on sale at the Marriott Hotel beginning April 18 and throughout the weekend. Call (407) 849-0152 beginning April 18 for information.

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Oviedo City Council agenda

By **NICK PFEIFAU**
 Herald Staff Writer

OVIDEO — Six separate ordinances are scheduled to come before the Oviedo City Council Monday night, all dealing with partial easement vacating connected with individual lots at Kingsbridge East Village.

As of this past week, the following items were listed on the agenda for the Oviedo City Council meeting, scheduled to begin at 7 p.m.

- Opening ceremonies
- Public hearings
- Consideration — Conditional use permit for minor commercial site plan — Eckerd Drug Store.
- Consideration — Appeal of Board of Adjustment decision to deny request for variance, lot 15, Oak Hollow Subdivision.
- Consideration — Request from Home Builders Association of Mid-Florida (HBA) to allow a waiver from the city's sign regulations to allow placement of directional signs in the right-of-way.
- Request — From Interim Land Management Plan to clear Myrtle Street cul-de-sac area, stormwater management areas, parking and staging areas for construction of education building and family life center at First Baptist Church of Oviedo.
- Consideration — Final plat and irrevocable letter of credit from Kingsbridge East Village, Phase 2-A.
- Consideration — County one cent sales tax program, amendments to schedule of improvements — Presentation by County Capital Programs Analyst Pamela Hastings.
- Presentation by Tony VanDerworp, director of County Planning and Development Dept., and Bob Turk, manager of County Economic Development Program.

• Ordinance 989 — U.S. Home Corporation, Kingsbridge East Village, Unit 1, subdivision — Partial easement vacation of side lot line utility and drainage easement.

(NOTE: Ordinance 989 pertains to lot 53. The council is scheduled to hear five additional ordinances, 990 through 994, for lots 54, 57, 59, 66 and 68, each with a similar request for vacation of easement.)

• Request to place an event banner across right-of-way — St. Mary's Arohanal Monast Coptic Orthodox Church of Central Florida.

• Resolution 555-96 — Appreciation for Phillip E. Hampton.

• Discussion — Settlement agreement alternatives, Florida Department of Community Affairs and initial draft proposal related to the River Oaks land use amendment.

• Consent agenda.

• Reports of mayor, councilmen, city attorney and city manager.

• Suggestions for future agenda.

Following the regular city council meeting adjournment, the council will meet in a work session. The following items are scheduled for discussion.

• Charter revisions for possible September referendum.

• Parks and recreation future needs.

• Discussion on special assessment for street light funding.

The regular council meeting is scheduled to begin Monday evening, April 15, beginning at 7 p.m., at Oviedo City Hall, 400 Alexandria Blvd.

Longwood Commission agenda

By **NICK PFEIFAU**
 Herald Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — Several proclamations and a number of government operation matters will highlight Monday's meeting of the Longwood City Commission. As of this past week, the following items were listed on the agenda:

- Opening ceremonies
- Proclamation/recognition — Dist. 1 nomination for Business Person of the Month for May, 1996. — Proclaiming May 4-11 1996 as "Safe Kids Week."
- Public participation — Ed Cundiff, E. Bay Avenue, exotic birds.
- Consent agenda — including approval of donation of \$750 from Confiscation Fund to Rock Lake Middle School for the Eighth Grade End-Of-The-Year celebration, approve increase for police uniform purchase from \$4,500 to \$9,000, awarding of tennis court resurfacing bud, and approve soccer instructional program.
- Public hearing — Ordinance 96-1299 — Re: parking, stopping and standing, pro-

viding for referral of parking infractions to a civil traffic infraction hearing officer.

• Ordinance 96-1307 — 1st reading — Amending Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual, codes of conduct.

• Ordinance 96-1308 — 1st reading — Providing for the granting of a non-exclusive franchise to USA Services of Florida, Inc., for the collection of commercial solid waste.

• Resolution 96-840 — Amending budget for fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 1995, providing for budget transfers, providing for amendment of the Manning document.

• Resolution 96-841 — Amending budget for fiscal year beginning Oct. 1, 1995, providing for budget transfers.

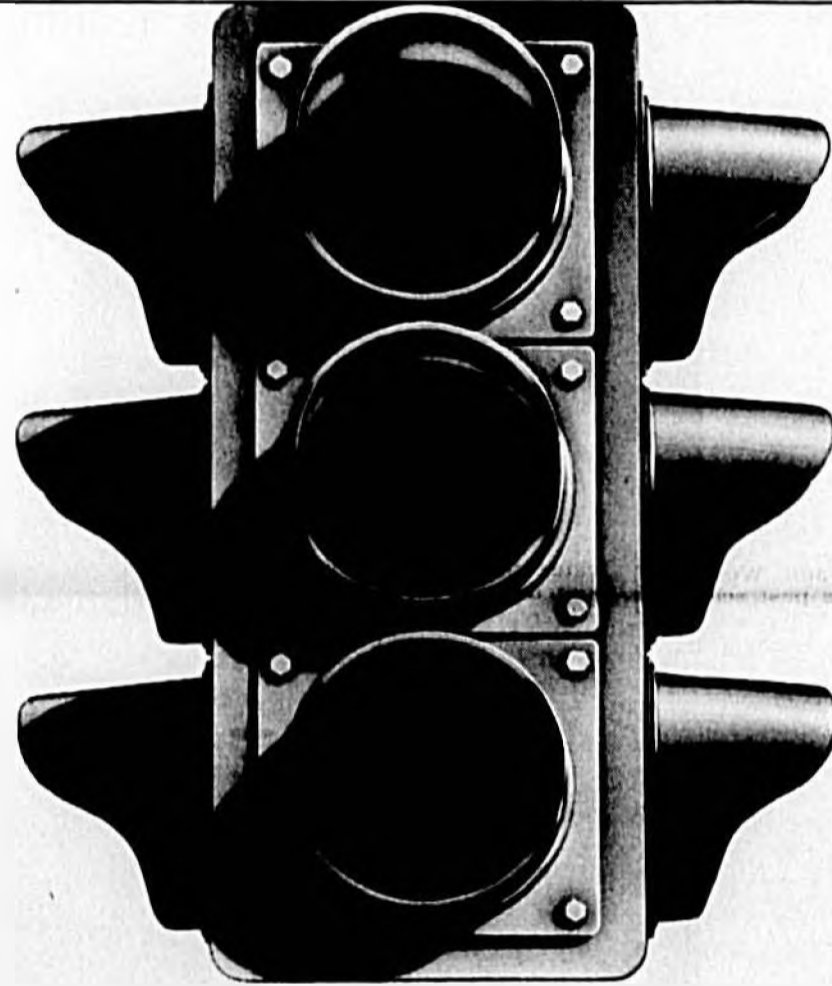
• Monthly financial report

• City Administrator's report

• City Attorney's Report — Columbus Harbour Park, release of interest.

• Reports from mayor and commissioners.

• Adjourn
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Lions open soccer season

ORLANDO — The USISL Orlando Lions open their 1996 season on Sunday against the best team they will face all season.

The Tampa Bay Cyclones are in the Professional "Select League," the United States Interregional Soccer League's highest level. The Cyclones defeated the New York/New Jersey Stallions 5-1 last Saturday in Tampa.

The game starts at 4 p.m. at Edgewater High School Stadium. Gates will open at 3 p.m. Adult ticket price is \$5 and all youth, 18 years and younger, are admitted free.

Magic fall to Pacers

ORLANDO — Reggie Miller scored 29 points and Rik Smits had 24 Friday night as the Indiana Pacers beat the Orlando Magic 111-101 for their fourth straight victory.

The loss was the Magic's fourth in six home games after starting the season with 33 consecutive victories at Orlando Arena.

The Magic played without Horace Grant, who served a one-game suspension for punching Cleveland's Danny Ferry, and paid for his absence on the boards. The Pacers outrebounded the Atlantic Division champions 51-32, including a 24-15 edge at the offensive end where second- and third-chance opportunities led to three of Miller's six 3-pointers.

Dale Davis led the Indiana's domination on the boards with 20 rebounds.

Miller made four treys and scored 15 points in the third quarter when Indiana weathered two challenges to rebuild its lead to 87-73 going in the final period.

Shaquille O'Neal led Orlando with 33 points and 11 rebounds despite sitting out 11 minutes of the second quarter with three fouls. Dennis Scott added 19, but Anfernee Hardaway finished with just 13 after scoring nine in the first quarter.

UCF signs first hoopster

ORLANDO — University of Central Florida head basketball coach Kirk Speraw announced the signing of Tampa Leto High School product Mario Lovett to a national letter of intent on Friday afternoon.

Lovett, a 6-foot-6, 210-pound forward, was named first team All-State in Class 6A, first team All-Hillsborough County, and Western Conference Player-of-the-Year this past season after averaging 24.0 points and 9.5 rebounds per game for head coach Mike Baker. Lovett led his squad to a 20-4 overall record as a senior while the team was ranked as high as third in the state. He was also named to the Tampa Bay Basketball Coaches Association 6A All-Star game.

"We are very pleased that Mario is joining our basketball program," said Speraw. "He is a very versatile player with his best basketball ahead of him. He's also a very good ball handler, a great passer, and should really help us defensively."

UCF moves football opener

ORLANDO — University of Central Florida Athletics Director Steve Sloan announced Friday that the 1996 football season-opener against William and Mary, UCF's first game at the Division I-A level, has been moved to Thursday, August 29th and will be televised by the Sunshine Network. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. at the Florida Citrus Bowl.

The remainder of the 1996 schedule is as follows: Sept. 7 at South Carolina; Sept. 14 at New Mexico; Sept. 21 at Ball State; Sept. 28 at East Carolina; Oct. 12, Samford; Oct. 19, Northeastern Louisiana; Oct. 26 at Georgia Tech; Nov. 2, Illinois State; Nov. 9 at Alabama-Birmingham; Nov. 16, Bowling Green.

Sanford softball signups

SANFORD — Signups for the Sanford Recreation Department Adult Spring Slowpitch Softball Leagues will end on Friday, April 19th.

Teams are still needed for all leagues, men's, women's Co-Ed and Church. Co-Ed teams are especially asked for.

For more information call 330-5887.

Spring softball at Lake Mary

LAKE MARY — The City of Lake Mary Parks & Recreation Department will be conducting a Spring 1996 softball season at the Lake Mary Sports Complex.

Men's Class C leagues will be offered on Wednesday and Friday nights. Umpires, scorekeeper, game balls and awards are provided.

The 10 week leagues will begin play the week of April 22nd. Team fee is \$280.

Registration is being taken at Lake Mary City Hall. For more information contact Terry Diederich at (407) 324-3097.

The 'King' cometh

Legendary pitcher, team headed to Sanford

By DEAN SMITH
Herald Sports Editor

SANFORD — Eddie "The King" Feigner, softball's legendary pitcher and showman, comes to Sanford to lead his four-man team, The King and His Court, against a full-sized (nine man) team on Sunday, April 28th at 2:30 p.m. at Sanford Memorial Stadium.

This will be "The King's" second appearance in Sanford, having brought the team to the Stadium 20 years ago. Sanford Recreation Department Supervisor's Rocky Ellingworth and Jim Schaefer will umpire the game. Rocky's father umpired a game the Feigner pitched over 30 years ago.

Proceeds from the event will go to the Seminole High School softball team, which is sponsoring the game. See coach David Rogers at Seminole High for ticket information.

Feigner and his team are on the road for the 51st consecutive year, the original team was formed in 1946. "The King" is still striking them out with control and trickery, even though he can no longer hum it at over 100-miles per hour as he did several years ago.

Feigner, who can still throw the ball in the 90's, has pitched over 11,000 games and shows, and has struck out over 138,000 batters, 10,000 of them while he was blindfolded.

"I may have lost a few inches off my fastball, but I think Rich Hoppe makes up for that when he pitches," said Feigner, who remains in superb condition by playing winter golf. "Then again, I think I am a better pitcher now than I was when this all started."

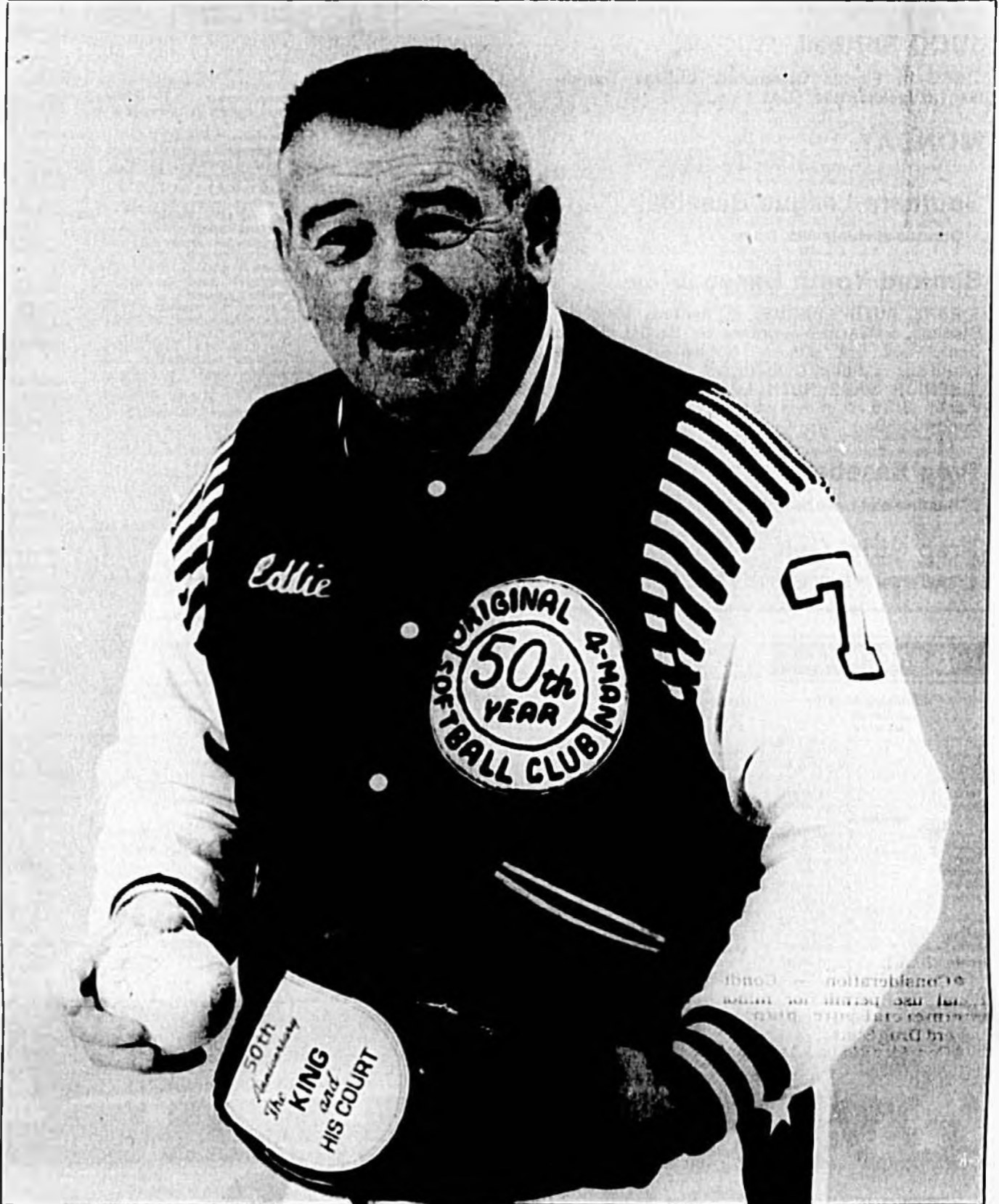
The Guinness Book of World Records won't list "The King and His Court's" records, nor those of Feigner, in any books they sell because there were no official records kept to verify them.

"I wasn't aware of the fact that there have not been that many strikeouts in the major leagues by all the pitchers put together, until an advertising agency looked it up," said Feigner.

How often does "The King and His Court" win during the grueling 200-game schedule against full-sized teams?

"Ninety-five percent of the time," said Feigner. "We would not lose any games if we did not dedicate most of the game to entertainment."

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Eddie "The King" Feigner, the top strike out pitcher of all time, will bring his four-man softball team "The King and His Court" to Sanford Memorial Stadium on April 28th. This is the 51st consecutive year that "The King and His Court" have toured the country putting on the amazing show of trick pitches and softball ability.

Kiwanis-Indians tie for Babe Ruth lead

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — J.W. Huebner and Daniel Bohannon combined on a five-hitter and Joe Perry drove in four runs as the Kiwanis Club-Indians beat the Marlins 10-3 in Sanford Recreation Department Babe Ruth Baseball League action at Sanford Memorial Stadium Friday evening.

The victory allowed the Indians to join the Nobles Construction-White Sox and Moose Lodge-Pirates atop the standings with 3-0 records. The Marlins fell to 0-3.

After a full schedule of games on Saturday, the league will play a doubleheader on Monday, with the Braves taking on the Expos at Sanford Memorial Stadium and the White Sox battling the Rotary Club-Royals at Zinn Beck Field. Both games are scheduled to begin at 5:45 p.m.

The Marlins got on the scoreboard first as Phil Hunt led off the game with a single and scored on a double by Jimmy Franklin. The visitors in-

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creased their lead to 3-0 in the top of the second inning as walks to George Shannin and Lazarus Mitchell preceded a two-run double by Darrell White.

The lead was short lived, however, as the Indians exploded for eight runs in the bottom of the second inning. Bohannon and Monte Stokes singled and Huebner reached on a fielder's choice to load the bases. Bohannon scored on a passed ball and Willie Collier and Antoine Tillman walked to force home Stokes.

Ed Blake then bunted home Huebner to tie the game and Collier scored the go-ahead run while Tillman was being retired in a run down. Will Ross walked and Keith Paret singled to load the

bases again and Terry Green singled in Blake. Perry then closed out the scoring with a bases-clearing triple.

Huebner singled and scored the Indians' ninth run in the third inning and Paret reached on dropped third strike and later scored on a double by Perry to close out the scoring in the fourth inning.

Huebner gave up three runs on four hits and struck out three in working the first three innings to get the pitching victory. Bohannon pitched the final two innings, giving up no runs on one hit, while striking out four.

Perry went two-for-three, including a triple and a double, and drove in the four runs to pace the Indians' offense.

Also contributing to the Indians' seven-hit attack were Paret and Huebner (both one-for-two with two runs scored), Stokes (one-for-two, run), Green (one-for-three, run, RBI), Bohannon (one-for-three, run), Ross and Collier (one run scored each), Blake (run, RBI) and Tillman (RBI).

Child pitches Patriots past Vessey, Rams

By ROBERT SANDERS
Herald Correspondent

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS — The Lake Brantley Patriots, behind the pitching of starter Shawn Child, edged Lake Mary 1-0 in a Seminole Athletic Conference and Class 6A-District 4 contest at home Friday night.

Child, a southpaw, outdueled his counterpart Robert Vessey, another southpaw, to earn his third victory of the season.

In seven scoreless innings of work, Child struck out seven and walked three, while yielding only five hits.

"Both pitchers did a good job tonight," Lake Brantley head coach

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Mike Smith said. "It was a good pitchers duel." The Patriots, who lost 2-1 to Lake Mary on March 15, in another pitchers duel, were seeking a win after two straight losses, including a 7-6 loss to Deltona on Thursday.

"This team is starting to show its character," Smith added. "We're playing together as a team with a lot of rhythm and sync."

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Lake Brantley catcher Brian Grassing called a great game in helping the Patriots edge the Lake Mary Rams 1-0 in SAC action Friday night.

BEST BETS ON TV

- 11 p.m. — WESH 2, Bulls at Cavaliers, (L)
- 3:30 p.m. — WESH 2, Suns at Lakers, (L)
- 7 p.m. — WKCF 18, Magic at Bucks, (L)

People



Jean and George Pittard on his birthday.

Pittard surprised on 80th birthday

Special to the Herald

When George Pittard left for Central Baptist Church early on Sunday, March 24, he had no idea he would come home to lunch for 200. About six weeks ago, some his former co-workers from Florida Power & Light Co., spearheaded by Bob Brown, called George's wife, Jean, and made arrangements to contact the Pittard daughters Helen Barco of Winter Springs and Betty LaRosa of Altamonte Springs.

Ruby Alderman, Peggy Brown and Glynn Hood met them on the pretense of having a Tupperware Party as far as George knew. In reality, they were planning a surprise 80th birthday party for him. From the look on his face as he drove in his driveway on the 24th, everyone was satisfied that the surprise had not leaked out to him. Approximately 200 people called between 12 and 3 P.M. at George and Jean's spacious Riverview Avenue home and were served rolls, rolled ham and turkey, egg salad, fried chicken, potato salad, baked beans and chips from different locations throughout the house and on the patio.

Then they all retreated to the dining room table which held the two-tiered birthday cake that was adorned with 12 colorful clowns at all different angles over the cake. The cake was created and served by Glynn Hood.

Guests were greeted at the door by granddaughter, Donna Scott Orlando, who registered the guests, handed out name tags and collected birthday cards in a huge basket.

Granddaughter, Deborah Scott Tralea, Matland, could be seen flitting around trying to get snapshots of everyone present so that they can compile an album to give to George. Ted Barker captured many of the moments on video. The guests got glimpses of George in his earlier years as attractive posters were displayed with pictures and newspaper articles pertaining to him.

A special treat for the crowd was the five-member band of the Rev. Dave Thompson, Longwood, who played gospel and blue grass music and also led in singing "Happy Birthday" to George.

Also, enjoying the festivities were grandson David Scott, Matland, and great grandchildren Bailey Scott, Matthew Tralea, and Nicholas Tralea. Unable to attend were grandsons Douglas Scott of Atlanta, GA and Tim Deppen and Troy Deppen, both of San Francisco, CA.

George was born 80 years ago in Athens, GA, and excelled in sports as a youngster. He played on the football team at Athens High School and received a full-time scholarship to the University of Miami, Miami, FL. During his four years there he often

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Ranses mark 60th anniversary; group walk in Jesus' footsteps

It's not too late to wish Agnes and Richard Rans a happy wedding anniversary Saturday, April 13, the couple were married 60 years. The celebration called for members of the Paola Wesleyan Church and their family to gather at the Rans home.

The couple were married in 1936, by the Rev. B.F. Graham, at the church they still attend today and where her mother was pianist.

When Richard first arrived in Sanford from Indiana, he was employed in the celery industry where he worked six months a year and then returned to Indiana. Here is where he met Agnes, who worked in agriculture and later packing celery. They were married and moved back to Indiana where Richard was in construction and then trained in aircraft. Agnes became ill and they moved back to Sanford with Richard becoming employed with the railroad. He retired as an engineer in 1975 after serving 31 years with the railroad.

Agnes had always been a homemaker. "He (Richard) didn't want me to work," she said.

Since the couple moved back to Sanford, they have spent 51 years in the home in which



Cliff Melvin and son Matthew (left photo) stand at the top of Meggido overlooking the valley of Armageddon. In right photo, Mary Lou Rusko (left)



and Catherine Welchel pose at the Sphinx in Egypt.

Agnes grew up and Richard has remodeled. They raised their following four children here: Betty Thorpe and Pauline Kriz, Lake Monroe; Norma Gromer, Kissimmee; and Richard Rans Jr., Lakeland. There are 18 grandchildren, 39 great grandchildren and four great, great grandchildren. At the celebration Saturday, more than 50 immediate family members were included.

Both Agnes and Richard say they have had a good life. Would they do it all over again? Richard said, "Oh yeah, yeah, yeah. I couldn't have gotten a better one."

Agnes speculated that nearly everybody has disagreements now and then which is really no big deal as long as there is no abuse. "You just put up with each other and keep on going," she laughed. And of course, she would tie the knot with Richard all over again. "Yeah, yes I would," she said. "He has been really good to me."



Agnes and Richard Rans



Shirley Edyvean (left photo) is ready for a camel ride in Israel. In right photo, Mary Lou Rusko, Mike Smith, Connie Smith and Shirley



SENIOR EDITOR

DORIS DIETRICH

Local entourage

tours Holy Land

"It was the trip of a lifetime...makes the Bible come alive," Shirley Edyvean rejoiced over her recent trip to Israel.

Others joining Shirley on the unforgettable Holy Land tour in February were the Rev. Cliff Melvin, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, his son, Matthew, 10 (who was on school intercession), Mary Lou Rusko and Connie and Mike Smith, all of Sanford; and Catherine Welchel, formerly of Sanford, who now calls North Carolina

home. Others from all Florida, including Carolyn and Archie Bute, former church pastor, made up the roster of Florida tourists. They spent six nights in Jerusalem, their headquarters during their memorable stay.

"It was great! It was wonderful! You're overwhelmed!" Shirley exclaimed. "You cross the Sea of Galilee and know you're looking at the same mountains Jesus did."

Shirley went on to describe the locales they visited and walked where Jesus walked, from his birthplace on to his death and his resurrection. She laughed when telling about Cliff and Matthew "floating" in the Dead Sea on top of each other.

The group visited The Galilee, Capernaum where Jesus centered his ministry, Mount of Beatitudes, Tabgha (the Church of the Fish and Loaves), the River Jordan where all were baptized, Chorazin, Nazareth, Beit Shean, Qumran, Jericho.

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Edyvean pause on a mountainside in Israel. The group from Sanford toured the Holy Land.

Dr. Velma Williams retires after 30 years as educator



The Rev. Willie Eason

With a career in education spanning 30 years, Dr. Velma Hayes Williams has touched the lives of many students who have passed through the doors of the educational institutions in which she has been a teacher, director and investor in the lives of many.

Saturday evening, April 6, at the Sanford Civic Center, over 400 family members, co-workers, friends, former students and well wishers attended a Retirement Celebration in Dr. Williams' honor.

A musical tribute, "How Great Thou Art", was rendered by Gloria Williams. Meditative moments were delivered by Rev. Timothy Hudson. Master of Ceremonies, Horace Orr, introduced Dr. Williams' family. Afterwards, the beautiful voice of Cynthia C. Brown filled the air as she rendered a dedication, "I Won't Complain".

Gwendolyn George gave the occasion and reminded the guests that the honoree was due all the honor and respect we could give. Expressions, tributes, and presentations were rendered from all avenues of life. Dr. Williams has traveled. On behalf of the Seminole Community College Board of Directors, Rev. Amos Jones honored Dr. Williams for her strength and success while at SCC. Continuing tributes given by Commissioner Bob Thomas, Wayne Epps, Principal of Oviedo High, a letter of commendation



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from Congresswoman Corrine Brown acknowledging the honoree's service to mankind was presented by Reginald McGill, Rev. Leonard Wilson, of Gifford, Florida. Principal of her first teaching job, reminded the audience that Dr. Williams was indeed a class act and a leader.

A special composition was recited in honor of Dr. Williams by Doshia McDonald, "Dr. Velma Williams - A True Black Mother".

The tributes continued with former coworker at her first job, David Myers, Tampa, Rev. Ronald Merthite, Sylvester, Chang, Keena Noone. Love and appreciation came from the AKA Sorority by Soror Bobria Alexander, NAACP by Turner Clayton and Henry Sweet, Evergreen Temple #321, Order of Eells by Daughter Joyce Byrd.

A poetic tribute was dramatized by Sheryl Joseph, "Still Rise" by Maya Angelou. The tributes of thanks and gratefulness were continued by June Henry, former coworker,

Barbara Kirby, Phyllis and Kevin Richardson, Lamar Richardson; and a letter of appreciation was read by Cynthia K. Oliver from Patricia Grant and son of Okkeehobee, Florida.

Other tributes came from Jackie Cockerham, Cassandra Grayson, Sylvia Bodison, Jackie Redden, Cynthia Hicks, Chris Lemon, Bessie Martinez, Cubit Malone, Tara Hall, Eddie Styles of Columbus, GA; Marvin Henderson of Ft. Lauderdale; Frankie Nickelson of New Jersey; Alice Brooks, Alberta Sheppard, and Stephanie DeBose. Special awards came from Sandra Gaines on behalf of Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary, the Community Service Award from the City of Sanford Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee; and Carmelita Bell, Brooklyn, New York, sister of Dr. Williams, sent a poem and a plaque of thanks, which was presented by Vickie Smith.

The honoree's special guests were Erika Flakes and Yolanda Larkhart, Tallahassee; and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Pollard, Texas.

Words of thanks and appreciation came from her husband, Edgar Williams, the greatest and most loyal supporter in the life of Dr. Williams. Also sharing and expressing love for their mother were her two lovely sons, Eric and Visham, students at Florida A&M University, Tallahassee. Also, expressions came from her sister Audrey Latson, an RN in Sanford, and Tunisia Latson

who is currently enrolled at FAMU.

Special thanks go out to Oscar and Eldora Hayes who gave us this special and unique person. Praise and love to Grandmother Mamie Dinah who reared this special honoree, who, through Christian nurturing became the class act leader that she is. We give Ms. Dinah, at the young of 93, the greatest honor for having given us a daughter of this calibre.

As Dr. Williams stood amidst the lovely roses, gifts and beautiful words of gratitude, the audience responded with a standing ovation of thanks to her for being on a mission for over 30 years, for being a mover and a shaker, for being humble, modest, and a warrior who was always proud to serve her students, community and church. Her mission has been to destroy ignorance, be a mentor to thousands. She has that caring, committed life to building a better future for our youth through education and our community through impacting and improving others' lives.

A lady of a lot of words was indeed, speechless. Dr. Williams' cup of joy and thanks for the honor was expressed to all with the words, "I love! I love you! I love all of you!"

Music so befitting was rendered by Donald Brown, "I Am in Love With You"; "One in a Million"; and Cynthia Brown

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Couple married 40 years; stitchers as busy as ever

David G. and Dorothy G. McBroom, 875 N. Country Club Road, Lake Mary, will celebrate their 40th anniversary at a reception on April 27. They were married on that day in Florida in 1956.

The couple have two sons, David G. McBroom II, Osteen, and Eddie McBroom, Bristol, Tenn. There are three grand children.

David and Dorothy have lived in the area for about 15 years, according to a daughter-in-law, Dana McBroom. They are very active in the Wekiwa Assembly Church where Dorothy is a deaconess.

David is vice president of the family-owned landscape business and Dorothy is employed as executive assistant at Strang Communications. The couple enjoy boating and fishing and Dorothy likes sewing.

Dana says the McBrooms' secret for a long marriage



LAKE MARY

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centers around love, patience and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sewers stitch for sheriff's office

Woopie Sewers have been just as busy as ever. Just before Easter, they made 200 bunnies for the Sheriff's Department to give out. Right now, they are working on blankets and bathrobes for the Seminole County Sheriff's Office. The officers keep them in their car for

emergency situations.

You can help the Sewers every Tuesday from 9:30 a.m. to noon at the Frank Evans Center. If you'd rather work at home, just stop by the center and they'll give you patterns and all the supplies you need. If you can't sew, you can help with supplies. The Sewers' upcoming project will be firecrackers for the Fourth of July. They need toilet paper rolls and paper towel rolls to make the firecrackers. So start saving them.

Art on display

There's a new art show at Lake Mary City Hall! Local artists from the Forest and from the Thursday art classes at the Frank Evans Center put the display in just before Olde Lake Mary Days. The display will continue through the end of the month.

AARP to meet

The April meeting of the AARP will be Tuesday, April 16 at 1 p.m. at the Frank Evans Center. This is the one meeting of the year you shouldn't miss. The guest speaker will be a masseuse. The masseuse will be showing members the value of massage.

In other AARP news, president Norma Smith is looking for donations for the AARP's rummage sale, tentatively scheduled for June. Norma is also looking for help organizing the sale.

Golf tourney set

Practice your putting and



Adele Barca and Nellie McCarthy lay out material to make a blanket for the sheriff's office.

work on your chipping! It's time to register for the Lake Mary Rotary Annual Golf Tournament. The tournament will be held Friday, May 17 at the DeBary Golf and Country Club.

Special events include a putting contest, longest drive, hole-in-one, closest to the pin, and a raffle. The format for the tournament is a 4-person scramble using each player's drive twice. Awards will include 1st, 2nd and 3rd place low team score and duffers high team score. Even if you don't win anything, there will be free goody bags with tee gifts and drink coupons.

A gold corporate sponsorship, which includes entry for eight

players, company recognition and lunch for the players, is \$500. Full corporate sponsorship, which includes entry for four players, company recognition and lunch for the players, is \$325. Partial corporate sponsorship, which includes entry for two players, company recognition and lunch for the players, is \$225. Hole sponsorship, which is company recognition, is \$100. Individual registration for one player, which includes lunch, is \$75. Proceeds will be donated to local charities.

Registration and practice begins at 7 a.m. on May 17. The tournament runs from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. followed by the luncheon. If you want to guarantee your spot in the tournament, you need to register no

later than May 3rd. You can pick up a registration form at the Frank Evans Center or fax Bob DeVito at 444-4592 for more information.

Parade of Fairy Tales

You still have one more chance to catch the Lake Mary Players "Parade of Fairy Tales".

The play features puppets, clowns, and a royal court. The play, written and directed by Joan Wahl, includes a wide variety of characters such as Cinderella, the Pied Piper, Rumpelstiltskin, a King, a Queen and a Prince. The last performance is scheduled for Saturday, April 20th at 1PM at the Frank Evans Center.



David and Dorothy McBroom

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sang "Wind Beneath My Wings". Truly Dr. Velma Hayes Williams has and is still the "wind" for many students who wish to continue their education.

Guitarist to perform

The renowned Rev. Willie Eason, gospel musician, "sings like an angel," plays his Hawaiian steel guitar, yes he makes it talk. Considered the father of the gospel Hawaiian steel guitar, he will perform this afternoon, 3:00 p.m., at St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church, 813 Pine Ave., Rev. Amos Jones is pastor. Eason recently received the 1995 Folklife Heritage Award from the State of Florida.

Grand Lodge meeting

International Masons and Order of Eastern Star will hold their 42 Grand Lodge of the State of Florida.

Sons of David Lodge No. 303 and Sweet Harmony Chapter No. 388 will host the three-day meeting April 18-20 at the Sheraton Maitland Hotel. All members of the International Masons and Eastern Stars are invited to attend this State meeting. Brother Roosevelt Cummings is Worshipful Master and Sister Eartha Melton, Worshipful Matron.

Crooms celebration

Crooms Academy Alumni are being invited to attend Crooms Academy Celebration and Open House, April 27, 1-1 p.m. Calling all classes that graduated or attended Crooms at anytime between 1926-1970; any student who was enrolled in the Crooms Ninth Grade Center and Crooms School of Choice. If you know a former student, teacher or a friend, contact Lowman Oliver, Assistant Principal, 322-6022.

Gospelfest

Annual Gospelfest '96, presented by Golden Rule Housing and Community Development Corporation, Inc., will be held at Oviedo High School Auditorium, April 20, 7-10 p.m. Master of Ceremonies for the fest will be the Rev. R.E. Davis, pastor of Second Shiloh Baptist Church, Sanford. The concert will be Rev. Oscar Redden, of Ken Rummel Chevrolet. These two community servants can be heard every Sunday morning 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. on Radio Station WTRR, 1400 AM Sanford. For information about this program, contact Robert Guy at 323-2649.

Community Summit

The Bahamas American Junkanoo and Goombay Festival Association of Central Florida, Inc., presents a Community Summit to introduce the community of Sanford and Seminole County to the Bahamian cultural tradition, customs and share the cultural aspects that reflect the multiculturalism of the Central Florida area. Community groups, churches, choirs, schools, are invited to come to this promotion to be held Friday, April 19, 7:00 p.m. at the Sanford Marina Hotel. Join in the community sense of freedom. For information, call Bill Sands (407) 260-1751.

Crooms reunion

The Crooms Academy Classes of the 50's will hold their planning meeting for the 1996 reunion, Saturday, April 20, 5:00 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, East 7th Street. All persons attending Crooms Academy during the 50's are invited to attend. For information, contact Richard Evans 323-1803, Bennie Alexander 323-6366 or Marva Hawkins 322-5418.

Unity Day

Mount Olive African Methodist Episcopal Church, 2750 Midway Avenue, Sanford, will celebrate its first "Unity Day". This event will feature the Rev. Marvin C. Zanders, II, the newly appointed pastor of Mt. Olive A.M.E. Church, Orlando, as speaker. The community is invited to share in this occasion on Sunday, April 21, 4:00 p.m. Rev. Cynthia Miller is pastor and Lenora Mobley is program chairman. For information, call (407) 322-1474.

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the traditional site of Temptation of Jesus, Bethlehem, Bethany, Mount of Olives and many other sites.

Several on the tour embarked on a five-day extension to Egypt which included taking a bus across the Sinal Peninsula and Suez Canal to Cairo. They visited the Egyptian Museum, Citadel, Mohammed Ali Mosque, ancient capital of Memphis, the Step Pyramids, the Great Pyramids of Giza, the Sphinx, the Tomb of Sadat and other historic landmarks.

Mary Lou Rusho said, "We had a great time. It was wonderful."

A veteran traveler, Mary Lou

said she has now visited 22 countries. She went on the extended tour to Egypt which was a long, bus trip, but well worth it. "I go to see how people live, what they're like and learn about their culture," she said. "I'm glad I went to Egypt," she continued. The pyramids were much larger than she expected and were closer to the city than she imagined. As opposed to the lush fruits and vegetables at The Galilee, the water was contaminated in Cairo and fruits and vegetables were off limits to the tourists. King Tut's Tomb was a spectacular sight for Mary Lou. She marveled over the abundance of magnificent gold artifacts in the huge, elaborate tomb of the 18-year-old king. She mentioned that the two



LONGWOOD

SHAY KOEGEL

This year over \$121,000 has been awarded to 310 clubs nationwide for proposed programs dealing with either conservation, environmental issues, or community improvement. An additional \$16,500 has been given to State Federations and Regions for programs and projects in the environmental field. The two-year special project being planned for the District VII Florida Federation of Garden Clubs (FFGC), under Director Arlene Hanks, which includes the Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club, is to beautify the entrance to the Wekiwa Youth Camp at the Wekiwa Springs State Park in Longwood.



Surveying their work at the Wekiwa State Park Youth Camp are (from left): Mike Mingea of Mike Mingea Creations and a biologist at University of Central Florida; Brian Emanuel and Ann Wilson, Florida Federation of Garden Clubs board

member and District VII assistant director and special projects' chairman, and Parks Small, Both Emanuel and Small are biologists with the Florida Park Service and Department of Environmental Protection.

suitcase bombings in Israel took place while the Santordites were in Egypt, and that on the way back to Tel Aviv for their departure home, the group passed by the bombing site. For the most part, the Americans left safe and commended the tour company for excellent accommodations.

Mary Lou was impressed with the worship services aboard a boat on the Sea of Galilee and walking on the stones where Jesus walked was quite an experience. She said the bullets in Jerusalem were "gorgeous" and it was a "great trip, a fulfilling trip."

Mike Smith said, "It was beautiful country — we learned a lot. It was quite an experience being in those places."

This trip was Cliff's second to

the Holy Land. He said he was amazed at the size of Cairo. "It is huge," he said. "Sort of a dust bowl — not a very clean place. The pyramids and Sphinx were amazing and the Cairo Museum fascinating." Cliff and Matthew were impressed with all the mummies and other ancient relics. "Matthew was fascinated

with the pyramids," Cliff said. "Young Matthew had the time of his life on the trip and was a pleasure for the other tourists," Mary Lou Rusho said. "Matthew spent two weeks with us older folks. He was such a joy."

The weary travelers returned home bearing mementoes and

relics. Cliff brought back an olive wood cross for each member of his congregation and also water from the River Jordan which he uses in all baptisms.

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SUNDAY'S TELEVISION

Grid of TV programs for Sunday morning, 6:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

Grid of TV programs for Sunday afternoon, 12:00 PM to 5:30 PM.

Grid of TV programs for Sunday evening, 6:00 PM to 11:30 PM.

MONDAY'S TV TIME

Grid of TV programs for Monday, 6:00 AM to 11:30 PM.

Hobbyist of the Week



Deborah Davitt collects a variety of items from delicate crystal to ferocious tigers.

Collecting is spare time joy

By SUSAN WENNER, Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD - Adding a taste of the past and an accent of now with her crystal, plates, tiger shot glasses and stuffed animal collections was what Deborah Davitt noted as her spare time joy.

Mother Nature added one crystallized specimen to her collection. "We found a conk shell that was crystallized," she said.

Adding to the collection Davitt's husband found an 1880 glass Clorox bottle with a cork. "He saw it at a job site," she said.

The further added that her old plate treasures range in the 1900 to 1920. "Some of the plates are square and some are round," she said.

One must not forget the tiger picture collection that Davitt and her husband share. "We used to have close to pictures when we lived in Jacksonville," she said.

In addition to the tiger frames the duo enjoy retrieving shot glasses from various states in the country.

Davitt professes a green thumb through all the collections with the exception of a bonsai plant she has undertaken. Yet, orchids and many more thrive in her yard and indoors.

She spoke of her husband finding a valuable piece recently. "We went to the Daytona Beach Flea Market," she said.

Jury system is so outdated

DEAR ABBY: This is an important issue that needs to be addressed, and I can't think of a better place than in your column. It concerns jury duty.



DEAR ABBY: I wish people would quit calling mail carriers "mailmen." There are many communities that employ women to deliver mail.

I have a fairly good job, but if I don't work, I don't get paid. Most of my friends are in the same situation. The companies they work for do not pay employees when they are absent for jury duty.

DEAR CIVIL SERVANT: It's nice to know that today's woman is not limited to "delivering" babies.

Pittard

After college, George worked at Pan American Airways. He and the former Jean Forester met in Miami and married 54 years ago.

church is a very important part of his life and he is actively a deacon and in charge of the ushers. Years ago he was a Sunday School teacher for a class of boys and also served as Sunday School Superintendent.

Advertisement for SGT. BILKO and other items, including contact information for The American President.



Photo left: Left to right, back: School of Dance Arts entertainers Natalie Weld, Angela Baragola, Mathew Twillinger, Vanessa Heaton, Jennifer Lanier, April Michels. Front: Josh Gavaletz wishes



for a pool, Kelleann Wallen wishes for a bedroom and Stormy Burn wishes for a computer. Photo right: Carol Johnson and Specs the Clown pose with Kenneth Sapp, who wishes for a wheelchair.

Just one more wish to grant...

Kids benefit when others open their hearts for foundation

By JOANNE LUCAS BOURG
Herald Correspondent

Friday, March 22, the Country Club of Heathrow & Field's BMW, with Meg Kuchar as chairman, presented the 7th annual "Dancing with the Stars" to benefit the Children's Wish Foundation.

The invitation to the event read "Please open your heart! Help us lessen the pain and provide more comfort in these children's lives!"

The Children's Wish Foundation is a not-for-profit organization founded in 1985. The work of the foundation consists of granting wishes to children who have not yet attained their 18th birthday and are suffering from life-threatening illnesses which will in all likelihood shorten their life expectancy. Since its beginning, the foundation has granted over 1,000 wishes. The foundation has a goal of granting every wish which meets the criteria.

The wish requests vary widely — one may simply be a color television, a toy, a shopping spree or a trip to Disney World. This year's wishes included a piano, a computer, and a specially equipped wheelchair.

Festivities included live entertainment for dancing until 12:30 — roguish, frolicsome clowns and an abundant supply of hors d'oeuvres and refreshing drinks.

Live auction items included a 1996 BMW 328ic convertible, a ski boat, Sea Doo Jetaki, 3-carat S-link diamond tennis bracelet and four nights for two including meals and entertainment on the Big Red Boat.

Meg Kuchar, chairman of the event, stated "Thank God for so richly blessing the Children's Wish Foundation, and the wonderful things that have happened in my life as chairman of the foundation!"

Congressman John Mica, with his wife Pat commented, "We make a special effort to attend this event every year." "There is nothing more gratifying than being able to help a child in need."

Wishes granted last year: Arthur is 12 years old with acute leukemia. His wish: To take his family on a vacation to Hawaii. The Children's Wish helped to make his special wish a reality. Marie: Marie is 14 years old with leukemia. Her wish: To visit her brother stationed in Germany ... and to see Paris, France. Through the Children's Wish Foundation, her wish was granted.

The evening prior to the Children's Wish Foundation benefit, anonymous donors hosted an exciting dinner for the "Wish Children" and their families at the Heathrow Country Club. The reason: "We wanted to show appreciation for the kids themselves and recognize them for what a



Photo left: Attending the benefit for the Children's Wish Foundation are Pat and Congressman John Mica and Tammi and Tony



Worship. Right: Nancy Bridges, Selma Driefus, Betsy Dunbar, Dennis Bridges, Glen Driefus and Don Dunbar.

Photos by Joanne Lucas Bourg

wonderful contribution they make to the lives of all of us — so the dinner was to thank the kids and their families."

Each child was presented with a momento from the Children's Wish Foundation named "Beyond the Dream." Kuchar stated "Hopefully when they look at their little momento, they know that some of their wishes will come true!"

In the "Kids Helping Kids" aspect, The School of Dance Arts, OCS Choral Group, and the Pratt twins entertained. The ultimate goal — to reinforce in our youth, the importance of giving time and self to the community and how fully enriching that is in our lives.

As the evening closed, one could not leave without feeling blessed for the opportunity to share and see firsthand, the courage and love that exuded from these children.

The invitation also read — "If you could see their eyes — you'd see how they beam with just one more wish they hide deep in their hearts."



Left: Jeri Spriggs and Leon Cheek. Right: Jeanne Anthony and Richard Siegel.

IN THE SERVICE

AMY B. CREECH

Amy B. Creech has joined the U.S. Army under the Delayed Enlistment Program at the U.S. Army Recruiting Station, DeLand.

The Delayed Enlistment Program gives young men or women the opportunity to delay enlistment into the Army for up to one year before reporting to basic military training.

Creech, a junior at Deltona High School, will report to Fort McClellan, Ala., for military basic training June 12, 1996. By enlisting, Creech will receive a \$3,000 bonus.

She is the daughter of Wynette Sauer of 20 Valencia Road, DeBary, and Charles Creech of 534 Pemberton Ave., Deltona.

DAVID T. HENDERSON

Army Reserve Spec. David T. Henderson is one of over 20,000 U.S. servicemembers currently involved with Operation "Joint Endeavor," a NATO-sponsored effort to secure peace in the former Yugoslavian republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Henderson is a maintenance material handling specialist with the 146th Transportation Detachment, normally stationed at Ramstein Air Base, Germany.

He is the son of Roswell D. Henderson of Casselberry.

CORRIE E. LAWSON

Army Spec. Corrie E. Lawson is one of over 20,000 U.S. servicemembers currently involved with Operation "Joint Endeavor," a NATO-sponsored

effort to secure peace in the former Yugoslavian republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Lawson is a transportation management coordinator with the 146th Transportation Detachment, normally stationed in Orlando.

She is the daughter of Willie Mae Lawson of 584 First St., Oviedo.

The specialist is a 1990 graduate of Oviedo High School.

MILES B. MESSENGER

Navy Airman Miles S. Messenger, a 1993 graduate of Seminole High School of Sanford, is serving in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

Messenger is one of more than 5,000 sailors and Marines aboard the aircraft carrier participating in a six-month overseas deployment, and helping enforce the peace process in Bosnia. Messenger's ship is leading an 11-ship battle group that includes more than 80 tactical aircraft, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles.

He joined the Navy in May 1994.

CHRISTOPHER C. MORRIS

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Christopher C. Morris, son of Mary A. Morris of Sanford, is serving in the Adriatic Sea near Bosnia aboard the aircraft carrier USS George Washington.

Morris is one of more than 5,000 sailors and Marines

aboard the aircraft carrier participating in a six-month overseas deployment, and helping enforce the peace process in Bosnia. Morris' ship is leading an 11-ship battle group that includes more than 80 tactical aircraft, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles.

The 1993 graduate of Seminole High School joined the Navy in December 1993.

KEVIN A. NATHAN

Marine Cpl. Kevin A. Nathan, son of Gloria J. Mason of 719 E. Eighth St., Sanford, recently reported for duty with Marine Aircraft Group 49, 4th Marine Aircraft Wing, Naval Air Facility, Andrews Air Force Base, Washington, D.C.

The 1989 graduate of Seminole High School joined the Marine Corps in December 1990.

DOUGLAS A. WORSTELL

Army Spec. Douglas A. Worstell is one of over 20,000 U.S. servicemembers currently involved with Operation "Joint Endeavor," a NATO-sponsored effort to secure peace in the former Yugoslavian republic of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Worstell is a military traffic accident investigator normally assigned to the Military Police Company at Fort Sill, Okla.

He is the son of Art and Jane Worstell of Rural Route 2, Sorrento, Ill.

His wife, Mary, is the daughter of John P. and Jackie Ritchie of Geneva.

Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 15TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA
GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION
CASE NO: 95-2151-CA-14-B
CITIBANK, FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK

PLAINTIFF VS. ANNIE MAE WHITE, ET AL DEFENDANT(S)

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated April 8th, 1996, entered in Civil Case No. 95-2151-CA-14-B of the Circuit Court of the 15th Judicial Circuit in and for SEMINOLE County, FLORIDA, I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the front door of the SEMINOLE County Courthouse in Sanford, Florida, at 11:00 o'clock a.m. on the 11th day of June, 1996, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit: LOT 10, BLOCK "A", LESS THE NORTH 117.8 FEET, A.B. STEVENS ADDITION TO MIDWAY, ACCORDING TO THE PLAN THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 39, PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Dated this 8th day of April, 1996.

(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL) MARYANNE MORSE Clerk of the Circuit Court By: Jane E. Jasevic Deputy Clerk

MICHELLE M. ROSS ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF 4600 SHERIDAN STREET STE 400 HOLLYWOOD, FL 33021 95-2670

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, persons with disabilities needing a special accommodation should contact COURT ADMINISTRATION, at the SEMINOLE County Courthouse at 407 323-4330, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service. Publish: April 14, 21, 1996 DEO-105

Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA
PROBATE DIVISION
FILE NUMBER: PR 95-573-CP
IN RE: GUARDIANSHIP OF: LARRY LYNN LAMBERT

The Ward TO: CHRISTINE R. LACEY STRANA, 3550 Hwy. D, Apartment 58, Lake of The Ozarks, Missouri 65049.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to appoint guardian for LARRY LYNN LAMBERT has been filed in the above referenced court, and you are required to serve a copy of your written defenses, if any, to me on FRANK J. PYLE, JR., Petitioner's Attorney, who's address is 1525 East Robinson Street, Orlando, Florida 32811-2111, on or before May 8th, 1996, and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on petitioner's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition.

DATED this 26th day of March, 1996.

Maryanne Morse As Clerk of the Court By: Lynda R. Huggins Deputy Clerk

Publish: March 31, and April 7, 14, 21, 1996 DEN-248

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YOUR CLASSIFIED AD works best when it contains what the reader wants to know.

GIVE FACTS

Put yourself in the buyer's place. What would you want to know? List the item's age, condition, size, brand name, model and approximate value. If you're selling a car, state the type of transmission, mileage (if it's low) and special equipment.

INCLUDE PRICE

Always indicate that buyers are more likely to respond when they know the price. This applies to everything from household furnishings to automobiles. Good merchandise, priced fairly, is the best guarantee of success.

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It's risky business to exaggerate and it won't increase your chances of success. Misleading information may get a buyer to your home. It may also get you a punch in the nose.

BE AVAILABLE

A telephone number is fine if you're at home when your ad runs. If you're not going to be home, give the time you will be. Most people won't call back twice.

USE YOUR NAME

Put your name in your ad. It gives credibility to the item you are advertising. You may even get results when someone who has read your ad sees you in a restaurant or walking down the street. That's the advantage of being in a small community such as ours.

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People looking for a way to earn extra cash.
Just call 322-2611 today and place an ad to sell your unwanted items in the next issue of the Sanford Herald.

Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO. 96-1871-CA-14-R MONTGOMERY ROAD ACQUISITIONS, INC., Plaintiff, vs. LVT DEVELOPMENT, INC., et al., Defendants

NOTICE OF SALE. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to the Summary Final Judgment of Foreclosure of Real Property, entered on March 28th, 1996, in the Circuit Court of the 18th Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida...

TOGETHER WITH Proposed Phase III of La Vita described as: From the southwest corner of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 10, Township 21 South, Range 29 East, Seminole County, Florida...

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-294-CA-18R THE SECRETARY OF VETERANS AFFAIRS, et al., Plaintiff, vs. LAURA ALLEN, et al., Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION TO: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, OR OTHERS CLAIMING BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST BARRA E. MARLER, an unmarried widow, deceased, AND ALL UNKNOWN OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY, THE SUBJECT OF THIS ACTION

RESIDENCE: UNKNOWN YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property in SEMINOLE County, Florida:

Lot 24, Block "M", TANGLEWOOD SECTION THREE REPLAT, according to the Plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 10, Page 39, Public Records of Seminole County, Florida

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CIVIL ACTION NO. 96-1991-CA-14-A GENERAL JURISDICTION ARGO MORTGAGE CORP., Plaintiff, vs. ROBERT C. ANDERSON, et al., Defendants

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE BY CLERK OF CIRCUIT COURT Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Maryanna Morse, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Seminole County, Florida, will on the 14th day of May, 1996, at 11:00 a.m. at the West Front Courthouse in the City of Sanford, Florida, offer for sale and sell at public outcry to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in SEMINOLE County, Florida, to-wit:

LOT 84, CARDINAL OAKS COVE, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 35, PAGES 17 AND 18, PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

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Legal Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 96-1248 CA (14) A JESUS RUIZ DE AZUA Plaintiff, vs. WILFREDO RODRIGUEZ, ROBERT VARRICCHIO, SEMINOLE COUNTY, CENTRAL FLORIDA REGIONAL HOSPITAL, INC., JOHN DOE (s), JANE DOE (s), Defendants

NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE TO: ROBERT VARRICCHIO YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose mortgages on the following property in Seminole County, Florida:

Lot 7 and 8 Pine Heights Subdivision as per plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 3, Page 81 of the Public Records of Seminole County, Florida

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County of Seminole. Attention: Mary Ann Pettit or her heirs, assigns, transferees, or successors in interest and the unknown spouse of all the above.

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BLONDIE

by Chic Young



BEEBLE BAILEY

by Mort Walker



THE BORN LOSER

by Art Sansom



PEANUTS

by Charles M. Schulz



EEK & MEEK

by Howie Schneider



TUMBLEWEEDS

by T.K. Ryan



ARLO AND JANIS

by Jimmy Johnson



FRANK AND ERNEST

by Bob Thaves



GARFIELD

by Jim Davis



ANNIE

by Leonard Starr



HOROSCOPE



Sunday, April 14, 1996

You might reap impressive benefits in the year ahead through your involvement in creative projects. Utilize your resources, talents and contacts to the fullest extent possible.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An impressive objective can be achieved today, but you must first let the people who can help know what you expect from them and what they can expect from you. Aries, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by making \$2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A new development that has commanded your attention will have even more potential than you suspect. Before you drift off course, re-evaluate the situation.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You will have the greatest amount of good luck today in a situation that is out of your hands. Chance will play a role in this new experience.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Take the time to make sensible decisions today, but once you've made a judgment, don't vacillate. Your evaluation will be sound, so have a little faith.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Today joint-venture agreements could provide the best opportunities for success. An effective ally and a little luck will prove a winning combination.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today an associate may help to advance your career. This person has a great deal of clout and he or she has done several favors for you already.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you possess the determination to see an important matter through to conclusion today, you'll get the results you desire. Press onward and upward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You will receive greater rewards if you assist others instead of just serving your own interests and ambitions today. Try to help those in need.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Conditions pertaining to your financial affairs

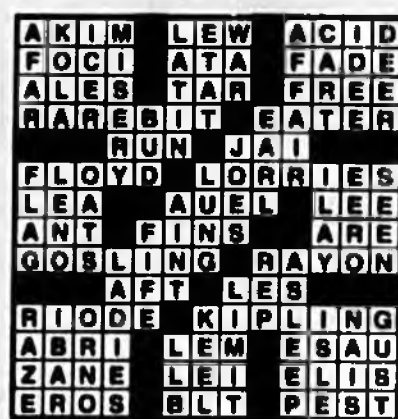
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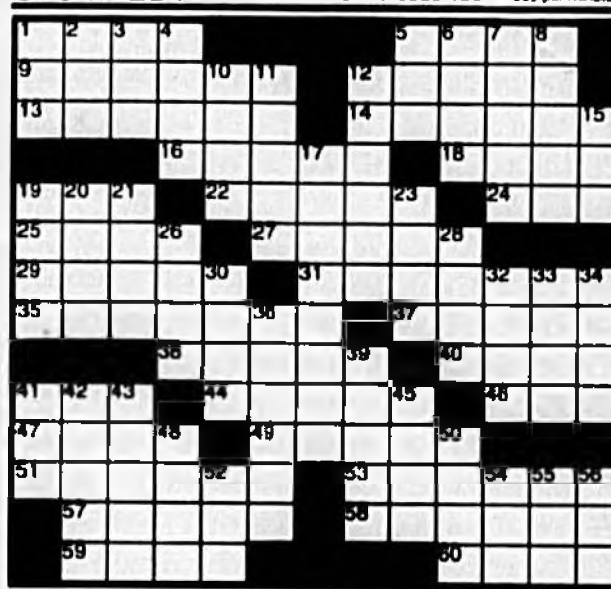
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will continue to be favorable. You may find a new way to expand on a current project.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You might hear some good news today. This information will pertain to a matter that affects you in a variety of ways.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) You will have more control over today's develop-

ments than you might think. However, you must assert yourself in situations in which boldness is required.

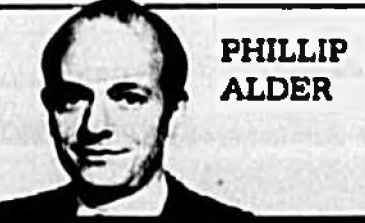
PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Today you may be in line to receive something substantial. Even though your wish will probably be granted, it might not occur as you anticipated.

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WIN AT BRIDGE

The baker's duckin'

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Today's deal was played back in 1977 during the Sunday Times Pairs in London. (The annual tournament is still running, but is now sponsored by the Macallan whiskey company.) The winners were Henri Szwarc and Jean-Michel Boulenger from Paris. They timed it perfectly, leading only once — after the last deal was completed. Boulenger defended well on this deal.

Against three no-trump, Szwarc (West) led his fourth-highest club. Obviously, if the lead were from a five-card suit headed by the K-10, Boulenger could win with the ace and return the jack to kill the contract immediately. But if South had the club king, this defense was unlikely to be successful. Instead, Boulenger played a smooth club jack at trick one.

To make the contract, declarer had to duck his king, but that was impossible to do. After winning with the club

king, South took a diamond finesse. East rolled in with the king and continued with the ace and three of clubs: one down.

Note that if Boulenger had won the first trick with the club ace, the contract would have made. South holding up his king until the third round. Also, even if South had the club queen and won a cheap trick with it, the contract was still likely to go down. After winning with the diamond king, the defenders could cash the club suit. Playing the club jack at trick one would cost only if West had led from specifically K-10-8-6 or K-10-7-6 of clubs.

The title may have caused you to groan, especially if you speak French.

North	04-13-96		
♠ A 7			
♥ Q 10 5			
♦ A Q J 7 5 3			
♣ 9 5			
West	East		
♠ K J 9 5	♠ 10 3		
♥ 9 8 6	♥ J 7 4 3 2		
♦ 6	♦ K 10 2		
♣ Q 10 7 6 2	♣ A J 3		
South	North		
♠ Q 8 6 4 2	♠ A K		
♥ 9 8 4	♥ 8 4		
♦ K 8 4			
Vulnerable: North-South			
Dealer: South			
South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass
Opening lead: ♠ 6			

A boulanger is a baker — nearly Jean-Michel, but no cigare.

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