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Grace Marie writes about schools, please see Page 2A.

BRIEFLY

The Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club is taking a field trip to Fender's Flora in Apopka, an orchid farm, on Monday. A brief business meeting is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. at the Sweetwater Oaks Community Center prior to leaving for the field trip.

An optional lunch and antique shopping trip to Mount Dora will follow the orchid farm tour.

The garden club meets on the second Monday of each month at the community center at 9:30 a.m. For further details about the tour, call Leslie at 682-0967.

The Sanford Historic Trust is holding a yard sale fund-raiser Saturday from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Third Street and Park Avenue, with refreshments at Fellowship Hall. Volunteers are needed Friday 5-9 p.m. to help prepare for the event.

The next Historic Trust meeting will be held tonight at First Presbyterian Church on Park Ave. at 7 p.m.

Opening day ceremonies for the Sanford Recreation League Baseball program will be held Saturday at 9 a.m. at Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium, 1201 Mellonville Ave. Youth ages 5-15 will participate in a short ceremony, followed by a day of baseball games, food and fun.

The Physique Plus 18 Hour Spinning Tourney will be held Saturday 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at Cranes Roost Park in Altamonte Springs. For more information, call (407) 894-3200.

The Central Florida Walk for the Hungry will be held Sunday from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Cranes Roost Park in Altamonte Springs. For more information, call (407) 426-7123.

The Greater Orlando Alzheimer's Association is sponsoring a free support group for adults caring for a family member with Alzheimer's disease or a related disorder on Monday at 2 p.m. at Better Living For Seniors in the Florida Hospital Annex Building, 1097 Sand Pond Rd., Lake Mary. For details, call (407) 628-0088.

The first 2,000 customers through the main entrances at Seminole Towne Center in Sanford on Saturday, March 6, will have a chance to pick up a free Pepsi ONE and win a grand prize trip to Jamaica. In addition, customers will receive a free bag of United Artists Theatres' popcorn with the chance to win movie tickets from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The Ultimate Clowning experience will be held Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at various locations through the Seminole Towne Center, featuring everything from face painting to balloon art.

Bart Simpson and Lisa Simpson will make a special appearance Saturday from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Seminole Towne Center.

The will be strolling violinists from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the Seminole Towne Center.

QUOTE

"Privacy is not a right but a preference."

-Declan McCullagh

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Does county really need a federal lobbyist?

By Russ White

STAFF WRITER

SEMINOLE COUNTY - The county may shell out \$100,000 or more a year to hire itself a federal lobbyist firm - and possibly employ a full-time staff lobbyist. Deputy County Attorney Lonnie Groot will brief the county commissioners on the

values of doing so and seek direction on Tuesday.

"Federal lobbyists can be extremely valuable to a county," Groot said Wednesday. "There is plenty of grant money available in Washington. The key is to know where it's at and how to get it."

Many local governments in Florida hire federal legislative consultants. Orange County has

uses two firms - paying \$128,400 to one, and \$39,500 to another. Dade County uses four consultants at a cost of more than \$220,000. Duval County has one firm at \$156,000.

Like size counties like Sarasota and Seminole currently have contrasting lobbyist contracts. Sarasota with a population of \$311,043 has a

\$611,585,928 budget for 1998/99 and hires a lobbyist in Washington. Sarasota also has a full-time staff lobbyist position.

Seminole County has never had a federal lobbyist but employs former Florida Lt. Gov. Bobby Brantley and Ed DePuy as state lobbyists. The cost for Brantley and DePuy's services is \$80,000 a year. The two are

well respected in Tallahassee, and county officials say they are pleased with their work.

Groot said that the present lobbyist contract focuses almost entirely on state issues and provides a very nominal opportunity to use the provider for federal purposes.

The county attorney's office is recommending that the board

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Lois and Jenno Paulucci donate the keys to a classic replica of a Ford Model A to Sanford Police Officer Claudia Webber on Wednesday to be used to benefit the DARE program in area schools.

Classic car will benefit school DARE program

SPECIAL TO THE HERALD

SANFORD - When Sanford Police Officer Claudia Webber searched for community help to find and restore an antique car to promote the D.A.R.E. programs for Sanford schools, she was surprised to quickly receive help.

Sanford police will soon focus

attention on their D.A.R.E. program for elementary school students by showing up for class in a sporty antique car. A classic replica of a 1932 Ford Model A was donated to the City of Sanford by Sanford residents Lois and Jenno Paulucci on Wednesday.

Webber, a 12-year veteran

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City steps up efforts to control midge population

By Bill Kerns

STAFF WRITER

SANFORD - Sanford officials are lobbying this month for \$300,000 from the state to control the city's midge problem on Lake Monroe.

The money would be used to install attraction lights, begin a larvicide and adulticide program, and introduce species of fish that feed on midges into Lake Monroe.

The large population of midges in Lake Monroe are a nuisance to residents of the city's Historic District and to downtown businesses. As the weather warms up, the number of midges at times reaches emergency levels.

Linda Kuhn, program manager of Sanford Main Street, said controlling the midge population is important to bringing new business and

economic revitalization to the city. "It's extremely important that we get the midges under control," Kuhn said. "They're a nuisance to people who live in the area and to visitors. In the summer you can't walk from your car to a building without breathing them in. Locals learn to hold their breath."

Adult midges restrict outdoor activities by people and can cause health problems, such as allergies. In extreme cases, the midges can cause asphyxia.

In 1998, the Florida legislature appropriated \$100,000 to study midge populations in Lake Monroe, purchase materials and labor for a lighted barge project, and develop plans to control the midge population.

The City's plan to control the midge population is based on the recommendations of Ar-

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Winter fantasy

Students in the Head Start program at Hamilton Elementary School in Sanford on Wednesday held a special winter event featuring "winter sports." Tania Ochoa, 4, ice skated her way to victory using skates made of paper plates. The preschoolers also built igloos using creative construction materials.

Herold Photo by Tammy Vincent

State unveils school construction incentives

FROM WIRE REPORTS

WASHINGTON - U.S. Senator Bob Graham (D-FL) unveiled legislation - the "Public School Construction Partnership Act" - to help states and local communities build and renovate the public schools where millions of students will prepare for the 21st Century.

"The United States needs a public education system that prepares its students for the economy of the future," said Graham. "But that can't happen if young people are forced to learn in overcrowded classrooms, or compete with leaky roofs and crumbling walls for attention."

School dilapidation and overcrowding is a nationwide problem. The General Accounting Office (GAO) has estimated that \$112 billion is necessary to bring the nation's schools into overall good repair. In addition, the American Association of School Administrators estimates that 25 percent of schools are overcrowded. The U.S. Department of Education has concluded that 6,000 new schools must be built by

2006 to meet projected enrollment.

Florida, which gains close to 80,000 new students each year, is no stranger to these challenges. In the past, Orange County has estimated that it needs 27 new schools by 2007, at an expected cost of over \$1 billion. Duval County has several dozen schools that are more than fifty years old and in need of replacement. Miami-Dade County will have gained 105,000 new students between 1997 and 2003. In the 1990-91 school year, the Broward County school enrollment was just over 160,000 students. By the year 2001, ten years later, it is projected to grow to nearly 280,000. In 1997, Broward had approximately 37,000 more students than it does permanent classrooms -- earning it the dubious title of "Portables Capital of the United States."

"Education is rightfully a state and local matter," said Graham, a former Governor. "But the federal government can play a helpful role in assisting communities overwhelmed by explo-

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Law makers push for emergency patient care

By Bill Kerns

STAFF WRITER

SEMINOLE COUNTY - A bill in the U.S. Senate would prevent health insurance plans from requiring patients to receive prior authorization in emergency situations.

Some health insurance plans do not pay for emergency room visits that turn out to be non-emergency in nature, even if the visits were prompted by symptoms such as extreme pain or shortness of breath, officials said.

Medical facilities are required

by Federal law to give all emergency patients a diagnostic examination and stabilizing treatment. If a health plan refuses payment, the medical facility can be left to pay the bill.

The Senate bill would ensure that all private health plans afford their consumers the same protections available to Medicaid and Medicare beneficiaries. Plans would be prohibited from requiring that patients obtain prior authorization before seeking emergency care.

The "Access to Emergency Medical Services Act of 1999"

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Do you know these men?

The Seminole Herald recently discovered this picture in its archives. If anyone can identify when and where this was taken, please call (407) 322-2611 or email sheditor@aol.com.

DATE BOOK

March 4, 1999

Today is the 63rd day of 1999 and the 74th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1849, David Rice Atchison, the president pro tem of the U.S. Senate, served as president of the United States for one day when President-elect Zachary Taylor postponed his inauguration.

On this day in 1877, Emile Berliner invented the microphone.

On this day in 1930, "Cinderella," by Walt Disney, began showing in theaters.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Antonio Vivaldi (1678-1741), composer; Casimir Pulaski (1747-1779), American Revolutionary hero; Knute Rockne (1888-1931), football coach; Charles H. Goren (1901-1991), bridge expert; Miriam Makeba (1932-), singer, is 67; Jane Goodall (1934-), ethnologist, is 65; Kevin Johnson (1966-), basketball player, is 33; Evan Dando (1967-), musician, is 32.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1968, heavyweight boxer Joe Frazier defeated Buster Mathis in the 11th round in a bout in New York City.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Man is not the sum of what he has already, but rather the sum of what he does not yet have, of what he could have." — Jean-Paul Sartre

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (March 3) and last quarter (March 10).

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- Health and Fitness News
- People
- Leisure events listings
- Seminole Lifestyles articles

Names and places in Seminole County schools

The following items were found in the September 21, 1940, edition of the Sanford Herald.

Lake Mary Faculty

G.W. Isbill was principal and teacher of 6-8 grades; Miss Lorraine Yarborough, grades 3-5; Mrs. Ola Cochran, grades 1-2.

Chuluota School Faculty

W.A. Teague, principal and grades 6-8; Mrs. Katherine Teague, grades 1-5.

Geneva School Faculty

W.L. Seig, principal and grades 7-8; Mrs. Margaret Gott, grades 4-5; Mrs. Mayme Seig, grades 1-3.

Lake Monroe School Faculty

Ben B. Steele, principal and grades 7-8; Mrs. Letha Howard, grades 6-7; Miss Ruby Booth, grades 4-5; Mrs. Pearl Bates, grades 3-5; Mrs. Elizabeth Buchanan, grades 1-2.

Wilson School

R.E. True, principal and 7-8 grades; Mrs. Ruth Pearson, grades 4-5; Mrs. Mary Foltz, grades 1-3; Mrs. Dorothy Lamb, school nurse.

(All of these schools, except perhaps Chuluota, fed into Seminole High School. You will recognize many of these teachers and principals who were later at other county schools. I had Ben Steele as principal at Sanford Grammar and Mr. True at Sanford Junior High. Margaret Gott taught me in English at Sanford Junior High and moved to Seminole High with our class.)

Special Teachers

Mrs. Mildred Babcock, Art at Sanford, Oviedo, Monroe and Wilson; T.M. Dollison, Band and Orchestra at Sanford, Lyman and Oviedo; Mrs. Eacar Price, Music at Lake Mary, Chuluota, Geneva, Lake Monroe; Mrs. Bertha Hought, Music at Wilson.

(I remember Mrs. Babcock coming to grammar School classes often and she taught Art at SHS while I was there. Mrs. Price was our music teacher at Grammar School.)

Private Teachers

Mrs. Julius Turnbull, kindergarten at Southside Primary; Mrs. Eleanor Watt Lawson, kindergarten at Westside Primary; Mrs. Margaret Maffett, Expression. (Mrs. Turnbull taught several of my classmates in

GRACE STINEBAUER



The Way We Were

Correspondent

kindergarten; I attended Mrs. Wright's kindergarten. Mrs. Fleming also taught Expression and I took from her while at Grammar. And she was our music teacher at Junior High. Someone told me recently that the present students at Seminole High do not know who Fleming Oymnasium was named for. Well, it was named for Mrs. Fleming's son, Bill Fleming. He was an outstanding student and athlete at Seminole High; he won the Peter Schaal trophy in both 1942 and 1943. He returned to SHS in 1950 as a faculty member and was head football coach as well as a basketball coach for several years. His nickname was "Blond God"; he broke many hearts, but never married. He died during the 1959-60 school year and the gymnasium at the present high school, which opened in 1961, was named in his memory.)

Future Farmers Begin New Year

The Future Farmers at Seminole High had started the new school year with a bang, already having had a party for their freshmen members. They had also discussed plans for a project to raise money for a trip the next summer.

The previous year, Sanford had placed second in the District Chapter contest. Bunnell had won first place and was also first in the state. The Sanford chapter planned to enter the contest again that year.

SHS Key Club Inducts Members

Ten members of the SHS Junior Class were inducted into membership of the Key Club and new officers had been elected.

The new members were Edgar Biggers, Taylor Brown, Mack Cleveland, David Gatchel, Earl Jeter, Harry Lee, Edward Marshall, Richard Meriwether, Lambert Palmer and Delphine Hasty.

Karl Nordgren, president of the local Kiwanis Club, spoke to the members at the invitation of principal G.E. McKay, sponsor of the club.

The following new officers were elected: President, John Dunn; vice president, Milton Huddleston; secretary, Raymond Kader; treasurer, Edwin Branan, Senior directors, Donald Jones and Harold Madden;

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POLICE LOG

The following reports were compiled from the Seminole County Sheriff's Office for incidents recorded through March 4:

Domestic violence:

SANFORD, Washington Street, 3800 block, March 3, 3:32 a.m. A 26-year-old woman was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies for domestic violence. Deputies said she entered her boyfriend's house without his permission and began to argue with him. During the argument she pulled him out of the front door and spit on him.

WINTER SPRINGS, Alderwood Street, 100 block, March 2, 11:49 p.m. A 19-year-old woman was arrested by Winter Springs Police for domestic violence. Police said she and her husband were involved in an argument in their van. When they arrived home, she pulled him out of the vehicle, punched him and scratched his face.

DUI:

SANFORD, 26th at Laurel, March 2, 1:26 a.m. A 45-year-old woman was arrested for driving under the influence after Seminole County sheriff's deputies stopped the woman for driving erratically when they recognized her as someone they had told not to drive when she was found to be drunk during a disturbance at a local bar. She failed a field sobriety test.

Drugs:

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS, Pine at Harris, March 2, 10:59 p.m. A 42-year-old woman was charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia. During a traffic stop, Seminole County sheriff's deputies said they knew her to be a drug user and they asked her to step from the car. When deputies searched the car, they found a plastic bottle and a copper pipe that had been turned into smoking devices for cocaine.

FERN PARK, Fernwood Boulevard at Oxford Road, March 2, 2:39 a.m. A 24-year-old woman was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia by Seminole County sheriff's deputies. Deputies said she was stopped for a traffic infraction and that she got out of the car and a pipe used for smoking cocaine dropped to the ground.

SANFORD, 15th Street, 1400 block, March 2, 7:52 p.m. A 36-year-old man was arrested by Sanford Police for the sale and delivery of crack cocaine, with destruction of evidence and with resisting arrest without violence. Police said the QUAD Squad was observing a grocery store they believed to be a drug sale point and saw the defendant make several sales. When they approached him, he began to run and they saw him throw something out of his pockets. Though they didn't find any drugs near him, they found cocaine residue in his pockets.

OBITUARIES

FANNY FERGUSON

Fanny Ferguson, 84, Forrest Drive, Sanford, died Tuesday, March 2, 1999. Born in England, she moved to Central Florida in 1979 from Merritt Island. Mrs. Ferguson was a homemaker.

Mrs. Ferguson raised prize winning orchids.

Survivors include son, Bertrum Bostock, Akron, Ohio; step-son, Donald E. Ferguson, Florida; step-daughter, Evelyn Sharrock, Florida; sister-in-law, Doris Williamson, Deltona; two grandchildren, four step-grandchildren.

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

ERNESTO MORALES-ZAYAS

Ernesto Morales-Zayas, 78, Bavarian Way, Apopka, died Wednesday, March 3, 1999. Born in Puerto Rico, he moved to Central Florida in 1985. Mr. Morales-Zayas was a superintendent and handyman in building maintenance. He was a Catholic.

Survivors include wife, Juanita Morales-Zayas, New York, N.Y.; son, Ernesto Morales, Jr., New York, N.Y.; son, Hector Morales, New York, N.Y.; daughter, Blanca Pastrana, Apopka; daughter, Anna M. DiBernardo, Apopka; daughter, Maritza Flores, New York, N.Y.; daughter, Neralda Stomayer, New York, N.Y.; daughter, Luzdivina Morales, New York, N.Y.; brother, Manuel Morales, Puerto Rico; brother, Hector Morales, Ocala; sister, Matilde Morales, Mass.; sister, Juanita Morales, Puerto Rico; sister, Laura Morales, Norwich, Pa.; 10

grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren. Woodlawn Care-Hand Funeral Homes, Longwood Chapel, in charge of arrangements.



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Interstate Accident

The Florida Highway Patrol responded to a multi-vehicle accident Wednesday on Interstate-4 near the St. Johns Bridge. Seminole County emergency crews were also at the scene.

Health

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is sponsored by U.S. Senator Bob Graham (D-FL), along with Congressman Ben Cardin (D-MD), Senator John Chafee (R-RI), and Congresswoman Marge Roukema (R-NJ). Health plans would be required to educate their members on emergency care coverage and the appropriate use of emergency medical services, including the use of the 911 system. Emergency physicians and health plans would be required work together to ensure the patient receives appropriate fol-

low-up care. Health plans would be required to cover emergency services if the patient symptoms that a "prudent layperson" could reasonably expect to pose a health hazard. Coverage standards would be set for patients who seek care in an out-of-plan emergency department. The bill has been endorsed by a number of health care and consumer groups, including the American College of Emergency Physicians, Citizen Action, Families USA, and Kaiser Permanente, one of the nation's

largest health care organizations. "We should not be in the business of discouraging individuals from seeking medical care in times of need," Graham said. "We have doctors and other medical personnel who are expert diagnosticians. If someone is experiencing severe symptoms, they should go to an emergency room." Charles Thomas, 70, of Sanford, said he is glad that he is already covered by medicare and medicaid. Larry Willis, 53, of Jupiter, said he is in favor of the bill. "They (health insurance plans) have more power than they need now," Willis said. "This is something that is definitely needed."

WEATHER

LOCAL FORECAST

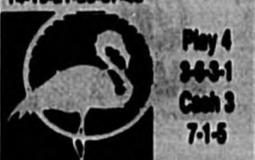
Today: ScTShwrs. Highs in the low to mid-70s. Lows in the low-50s. Friday: Sunny. Highs in the upper-70s. Lows in the upper-50s. Saturday: Sunny. Highs in the mid-70s. Lows in the mid-50s. Sunday: P/Cldy. Highs near 80. Lows in the upper-50s.

EXTENDED OUTLOOK

FRIDAY Sunny 74-83
SATURDAY Sunny 79-87
SUNDAY Partly 81-87
MONDAY Partly 77-87

LOTTERY

Here are the winning numbers selected on Monday in the Florida Lottery:
Fantasy 5
5-9-13-23-34
Lotto (Feb. 27)
14-19-31-39-37-46



TIDES

WEDNESDAY:
SOLAR TABLE: min. 1:40 a.m., maj. 8:00 a.m., min. 2:10 p.m., maj. 8:20 p.m.
TIDES: Daytona Beach: high: 4:44 a.m., 5:08 p.m., low: 10:57 a.m., 11:00 p.m. New Smyrna Beach: high: 4:49 a.m., 5:11 p.m., low: 11:02 a.m., 11:14 p.m. Cocoa Beach: high: 5:04 a.m., 5:26 p.m., low: 11:17 a.m., 11:29 p.m.

BEACH CONDITIONS

Daytona Beach & New Smyrna Beach: Seas are 2-3 feet with a light chop. Water temperature at Daytona is 61 degrees and at New Smyrna, 62 degrees. Winds are from the north at 10-15 m.p.h.

STATISTICS

The high temperature in Sanford Wednesday was 76 degrees and the overnight low was 58 degrees. Record rainfall for the period ending at 10 a.m. Wednesday was a 0.56 inches. -Sunrise.....6:58 a.m. -Sunset.....6:23 p.m.

DARE

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police officer who teaches Drug Abuse Resistance Education classes in Sanford's four elementary schools, began a campaign to obtain and restore an antique car for the program late last year. When the Paulucci family heard of Webber's search for a classic car, they donated the mint-condition Model A Ford. Officer Webber said she will drive the antique car to schools, parades, and in the community to help focus attention on the lessons of the D.A.R.E. program. The program teaches the dangers of drugs, alcohol and tobacco products, the importance of staying in school, consequences of actions, how to handle peer pressure, self-esteem, stress management, positive alternatives to violence, and gang awareness. Funds contributed in the antique car restoration campaign will be held in the City of Sanford account earmarked for maintenance of the car. The Paulucci family also contributes Micheline's and Michelina's Yu Sing frozen entrees to needy families from their Luigino's, Inc. company, headquartered in Sanford.

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New Leo Club members

The Sanford Lakeside Lions and the Sanford Lions Club participated in indications of new officers of the Seminole High School LEO Club last Wednesday at the Health Academy Auditorium at Seminole High School. The LEO Club members are President Sharon Segarra, Vice President Robert Woodward, Secretary Nicholas Crivellari, Treasurer Sarah Phillips, Board Member Amanda Crivellari, Board Member Sarah Bogardus, Board Member Charles Hammock, Board Member Kenny Rios, Tail Twister Mandi Ball, and

Member Justin Holland. Also on the LEO Club roster are Advisor Nancy Crivellari, Co-Advisor Lion David Hall, Assistant Lion Denise Hall, Assistant Lion Lenore Hammock, and Assistant Lion Jane Morgan. Bernard Fitzgerald, past district governor of Sanford Lions Club participated in the ceremony. Also participating but not shown was President of the Sanford Lakeside Lions Club Matt Altomose. LEO stands for Leadership, Experience and Opportunity.



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Schools

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sive increases in student enrollment. This legislation is part of what should be a smorgasbord of innovative school construction incentives.

Graham's proposals would:
 • Add public educational facilities to the list of infrastructure projects that can be financed through "private activity" bonds. Currently, private activity bonds can be used to finance airports, seaports, water and sewer facilities, and other infrastructure needs.

This provision would foster public/private cooperation in the effort to build new schools by permitting the issuance of these tax-exempt bonds for the construction of new public elementary or secondary high schools. Each year, states could authorize bonds issuance's in the amount of \$10 multiplied by the size of their population or \$5 million, whichever is greater.
 • provide tax relief to small and rural school

districts through a series of provisions to lower the cost of school bond initiatives. Currently, local communities that issue tax-exempt bonds for school construction are forced to comply with onerous and expensive Internal Revenue Service "rebate" regulations -- unless the cost of the bond issue is less than \$10 million annually. The Public School Construction Partnership Act would raise that exemption amount to \$15 million annually.

The bill would also give local school districts more flexibility in spending proceeds of school bond issuance's. Because school construction bonds have to be approved by voters in most localities, some school districts prefer to bundle their construction projects. Currently, the Internal Revenue Service requires districts to build the proposed schools and use all of their bond proceeds within two years--or face the cumbersome rebate regulations. The Graham proposal would extend the exemption period to four years.

Midges

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shad Ali, an entomologist from the University of Florida who conducted the study. A survey conducted in 1977 by the Sanford Chamber of Commerce said that the city suffered an annual economic loss of \$3-4 million because of midge swarms from Lake Monroe.

Representatives from the Seminole County Expressway Authority and Palatka are writing letters to state legislators in support of Sanford receiving \$300,000 to control the midges.

James Marino, executive director of the ex-

pressway authority, said midge outbreaks during the spring, summer and fall months present an "extreme nuisance" to travelers, especially over the Lake Jesup Bridge.

"As visitors to our area cross this bridge, their windshields become completely obscured by midges requiring windshield washers to run the entire length of time," Martino said.

Allen Bush, city manager of Palatka, said the city would use any solutions found in Sanford's midge-control study. He said Palatka experiences the same problems and expense of cleaning up after mosquito swarms.

Lobby

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retain a firm to concentrate on federal grants, assuring the county a fair share of available and needed grant funds. It is also recommended that a county employee also serve as a grant application writer to coordinate activities with the Federal government liaison firm.

Groot said that the board will be asked if it wants to begin an RFP process and initiate a grant development function. Included in his memorandum to the board members were materials used in a recent workshop held by the Leon County Commissioners.

Staff at Leon County told the commission it would cost ap-

proximately \$70,000 annually for federal representation on specific issues. Leon has had the same state lobbying firm since 1995. Leon County's population is 227,714 - more than 100,000 less than Seminole County's.

Commissioner Grant Maloy said he would vote against the hiring of a federal lobbyist as he voted against hiring the two state lobbyists. "If you ask me there is something wrong with the system when a government has to hire a lobbyist to lobby government," Maloy said.

"I also believe that hiring a Federal lobbyist is a waste of money," Maloy said. "The vote was 4-1 when we extended the

contract with the two state lobbyists and it may be 4-1 again on this. I'm voting against it."

Maloy said he was surprised that the lobbyist item is on the agenda so soon. He expected it might come up later at a budget session.

Former county commissioner Win Adams said that would advise the county not to hire a Federal lobbyist. "When you have representatives like John Mica and Bill McCollum in Washington, you know you're being served well."

Groot's legislative update to the commission should prompt a spirited debate. It is one of the first items on the Tuesday agenda.

Grace

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junior directors, Mack Cleveland and Lambert Palmer.

Clay Courts Ready

Sanford's three clay tennis courts had been resurfaced and were ready for play announced Miss Eleanor Morrison, city recreation director. She urged players to observe rules of the Tennis Club in using these courts.

Miss Morrison reminded the players and spectators to keep off the courts unless they were wearing tennis shoes. It had taken all summer to resurface them and there was a need to make them last.

Cost of playing on the courts was 25 cents per hour in the daytime and 50 cents at night. The added cost at night was due to the expense of the flood

lights. (Where were these clay courts located?)

City Officials to Inspect Air Field

Mayor Walter S. Coleman, city commissioners James Gut and Edward Higgins, Engineer Ralph Labinsky, and architect Elton Moughton were to go to Lakeland the next day to inspect their airport facilities and also municipally owned swimming pool.

The Lakeland Airport had been approved by the War Department as a primary training field; Sanford officials were hoping to develop an airport here along the same lines.

SHS History Being Written

Billy Higgins, chair of COM-SAC, has asked me to write a history of Seminole High School

for the upcoming alumni directory that this group is sponsoring. This has to be done ASAP so I am busy combing through Salmagundis and other reference material. I had already written a short history of the Sanford Grammar School if you recall, which was the first Sanford High School, opening in 1902. There were three other buildings-Ninth and Palmetto, French Avenue and the present SHS. That's a lot of history! Almost 100 years. There's no way I can fit it all into the space allowed, but I'm doing the best I can in this short time. If any of you know of a significant event in the school's history that should be included, please contact me right away! I appreciate any help.

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DARE graduates learn important lesson

By Mary Rowell
CORRESPONDENT

LAKE MARY - It may not be the traditional month for graduations, but there was one at Lake Mary Elementary on Feb. 24. It was the fifth grade class D.A.R.E. graduation. It is one of the most important graduations these children will ever have.

Every year, the fifth grade class at Lake Mary Elementary goes through a 17-week course called D.A.R.E. or Drug Abuse Resistance Education. Sgt. Linda Bellare of the Lake Mary Police Department teaches this class. The D.A.R.E. program teaches children how to say no. Adults who don't have to deal with peer pressure may not always understand how important that is, but the fifth graders learned. As part of the education program, all the students wrote essays on why it was important to say no, not just for now, but for their hopes and dreams of the future. There was a first, second and third place winner in each class and one overall winner picked from the five first place winners.

The winners, by class were: First place - Kelly Schulz, second place - Laurie Gagnon and third place - Talia Hancock from Shirley Carr's class; first

place - Carl Friedman, second place - Angela Uzel, third place - Steel Doxtater from Anna Culp's class; first place - Jessica Malave, second place - Ezra Outler, third place - Brandon Polley from Stuart Gutter's class; first place - Rodney Bobb, second place - Matthew Allen, third - LaToya Stephens from Terri Lawrence's class and first place - Destiny Sanders, second place - Courtney Gill, third place - Laura Pasterchik from Bill People's class.

The overall winner was Kelly Schulz from Shirley Carr's class. Her essay (below) was the not just the best in her class, but the best in 5th grade. Both Kelly and her teacher got a D.A.R.E. mascot. This year's mascot was Daren the Lion. Both lions came to classes throughout the 17 week course and have now found permanent homes.

After the graduation, the students and their guests walked across to city hall for lunch and cake. Entertainment was provided by Phillip Steinmetz and his band.

Lake Mary Elementary is grateful for continued support of the City of Lake Mary, the Mayor, the Commissioners, the City Manager, the Lake Mary Police Department and especially Sgt. Linda Bellare.



Sgt. Linda Bellare with overall essay winner Kelly Schulz; Kelly's teacher, Shirley Carr. Below, Lake Mary Police Chief Richard Beary and first place essay winner from Anna Culp's class Carl Friedman.



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I Have Reasons to Say NO!
By: Kelly Schulz

As I push my way through the venture of life, I will come across all different sorts of obstacles, some of which will be more complicated and more difficult than others. Drugs, though, will be by far the most severe. I've learned this and much more from D.A.R.E. The word D.A.R.E. stands for Drug Abuse Resistance Education, which in short means that the instructions and participation with Sergeant Linda are to help educate us about how to resist drugs and their abuse. This leads into a dream of adulthood for me, because my dream is to be a lawyer. I have to go through many years of college, and I have to do well through all of them. Right now is when drugs, or most importantly the resistance of drugs, becomes an issue. If I were to take a turn in life and decide to get tangled in the net that drugs throw over you, then my hope to pursue my dream of being a lawyer would be shattered into a million pieces that might not be able to be replaced. On top of all that, it takes a lot of work to be a lawyer. You have to know how to compromise, listen to the other sides point of view, and most of all you have to know how to fight for your rights, as well as the rights of others. Already, my debating skills have been put to great use since I happen to have three sisters at home who always seem to have a different opinion than I have. I do hope I can set a drug free example for them and win any debates with them concerning drug use.

To be a lawyer I must have expanding horizons and the ability to be flexible and to listen to other people's opinions. Drugs, such as "crack" might make you feel high and "on top of the world" but actually you would look awful and would not be able to concentrate and after the drug wore off you might feel very depressed. Many drugs might have the same effect on you and sometimes worse, they can be deadly. If I am going to be a lawyer, I can't (and won't) even think about doing that joint of pot or sniffing that cocaine. If I did any of those or other drugs while being a lawyer, I might have my license taken away from me, in other words I might be fired from the job of my dreams.

I have Sergeant Linda to thank for being the start of my career, because I think the beginning to every person's career should be to understand how much damage drugs can do to you. I am so glad I had her as my D.A.R.E. leader because she made classes fun and interesting, especially when she let the class go up to the front of the room and help her demonstrate the many ways to say "NO" to drugs and alcohol. Without Sergeant Linda, all I would have known about drugs would have been that I shouldn't do them because they weren't good for you, but with the help of D.A.R.E., I now understand the abuse drugs carry with them.

Because of D.A.R.E., Sergeant Linda and most of all, my future, I know I must say NO!

Sanford son receives special training

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NORFOLK, Va. - Many Sailors like Reynold J. Booker, the son of Loreita Booker of Sanford receive their training at the Fleet Training Center in Norfolk, Va. Booker recently graduated from school and was looking forward to his first shore-based duty station at Oceana Naval Air Station in Virginia Beach, Va.

Booker, a six-year veteran, joined the Navy in 1993 in pursuit of adventure.

"I joined the military for the training, travel and the opportunity to meet new people. I chose the Navy because I knew I would do a lot of traveling."

Booker, a 25-year-old petty officer third class, is an aviation electrician's mate and works on some of the most sophisticated electronics systems in the Navy.

"Sometimes I repair equipment worth millions of dollars and the schools I've attended help me accomplish my mission," said the 1992 graduate of Marten Van Buren High School in Queens Village, N.Y.

And he adds that while at sea, his duty is comprised of more than electronics.

"My greatest achievement since joining the Navy was always being an outstanding ambassador to my host countries."

Although thankful for the many opportunities, Booker believes his future lies outside of the Navy.

"I plan to use my skills and



Reynold J. Booker

stay in the avionics field. I also plan to marry and have kids." Regardless of his future, Booker will have the training

and experience to be successful. He'll also have the memories and pride that come with serving our country.

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Seminole County Scenes



A flag for a new school

Middle School Principal Jim Shupe accepts a flag for Millennium Middle School from VFW Post 10108 Sanford and its Auxiliary; also Trustee Curt Koschwitz.

President Sandy Cass, Shupe, Commander Norm Cass, Treasurer Beverly Koschwitz, and Past District 18 President Nina Crouse.



Toys for Fears

Lt. Greg Barnett, Seminole County Sheriff's Deputy, accepts two large sacks of plush toys from Commander Norm Cass, VFW Post 10108 Sanford and

Auxiliary President Sandy Cass. The Sheriff's Office will give the toys to children who are found in traumatic and stressful situations.



An ostrich award

Seminole County Commissioner Daryl McClain accepts an Ostrich Award from Sierra Club Vice Chair-

man Brian Hirman for the commission's lack of attention to the county's environment.



Gone fishing

The Sanford Lakeside Lions and the Sanford Lions Club held their annual Blind Persons Fishing Tournament Saturday on the St. Johns River at Mullet Lake

Park. From left, First mate D.J. DiGirolamo, Jim Hall, Captain Guy Fasciana, Erick Strickland, Frank Gerzina, and Henry Witte, Sanford Lion Club Judge.

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Assistant Sports Editor

This was a memorable season for basketball

SANFORD - You can't say that this was one of the best years in the history of Seminole County basketball, but it certainly was an interesting one.

Despite the fact that only one boys team advanced to the regionals and the play wasn't up to par with recent years, enough went on this year to make things pretty exciting and memorable.

For one thing, the county said goodbye to a host of seniors who will be playing Division I basketball next year including Lake Howell's Reggie Kohn, who gave us four of the finest years of basketball anyone could have ever hoped for. He's heading for South Florida.

Lake Mary's girls didn't repeat as state champs, but Lauren Bradley is sure to make headlines at Florida State while Ashlee Ballance should keep things exciting at the University of Central Florida while Mary Leah Sutton takes her game to Harvard.

We also saw a state champion for the second straight year even though it didn't come from where we expected it.

Everyone assumed Lake Mary would head back to Lakeland to defend the 1998 state title, but injuries and the small problem of having the words "State Champs" written next to your name at every gym you enter doesn't make for an easy road back.

Winter Springs was the surprise. The second-year school went from 4-23 to a state title, beating Lake Mary along the way and making it to Lakeland despite having several road trips of over seven hours after losing the district final.

Next year, the Bears have everyone back, including Mary Lou Johnston who will be the county's best returning guard as well as the area's most highly recruited player.

We have to appreciate the scrappy Lyman Greyhounds' girls team. The talent isn't always as strong as the rest of the county, but somehow, the 'Hounds stayed in every game and, like it or not, their 9-3 loss in the first round of regionals, after slowing the ball down, was one of the more bizarre stories of the season.

We also saw the beginning of a potential dynasty at Seminole which made it to within one step from Lakeland with a lineup that included five underclassmen starters. The 'Noles don't win pretty but they win and next year will be tough to beat.

In fact, remember, Lyman and Lake Howell will drop to Class 5A status next year while Winter Springs moves up to that level making Class 5A suddenly the hottest in the county for girls basketball.

As for the boys, let's remember the roller coaster thrill ride given by the Lake Howell team this year.

With only one returning starter, the Silver Hawks figured to struggle early. Instead, they were better than last season and made it as high as 4th in the state poll before losing by one point in the regional final last weekend.

During the Silver Hawks' run, they lost eight times and six went down to the buzzer, including a couple of memorable losses to DeLand, but the Silver Hawks beat the Bulldogs when they needed it the most in winning the district final.

We also got to see Mike Gaudreau somehow engineer a .500 record at Lake Mary with only one returning player.

Lake Brantley start off as the

Tribe teams triumphant

Baseball team edges Lyman; softball team destroys Mainland



Chaz Lytle (No. 6, left) was 3-for-3 and tripled in two runs, while Paulo Silva (No. 9, right) was 2-for-3 with a



double as the seniors combined to help Seminole defeat Lyman, 4-2, at Alumni Field, Wednesday night.

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

SANFORD - Chaz Lytle's two-run triple in the sixth inning broke a 1-1 tie and Brian Nielsen and Jeramie Myers combined on a four-hitter as Seminole edged Lyman, 4-2, in a Seminole Athletic Conference baseball game on Alumni Field in the Seminole High School Baseball Complex.

The game was scoreless until the top of the fourth inning when the Greyhounds broke the tie.

But the Fighting Seminoles came back to tie the game in the bottom of the fourth inning and then took the lead on the strength of a three-run sixth inning.

Lyman tried to rally in the top of the seventh inning, scoring one run, but Myers came on to shut the door and record his second save of the year, helping Nielsen improve his own mark to 2-1.

Lytle finished the night three-for-three with his triple

and two RBI, while Paulo Silva was two-for-three with a double and Ricardo Montalvo was two-for-three for the winner's.

Rozell drove in a run for the Greyhounds (3-6).

Seminole (7-3) will be in Daytona Beach on Saturday to take on Class 5A-District 5 opponent Mainland at 2 p.m.

Seminole High School's softball team, meanwhile, was having very little trouble as it whipped Mainland, 16-2, on Wednesday for its fourth district victory in as many games.

"We're playing good ball," said Seminole coach David Rogers. "We have to play them one at a time."

A tremendous all-around effort propelled the Fighting Seminoles to victory.

Freshman pitcher Ginnie Carnes allowed only three hits to raise her record to 3-1.

The Seminole defense was also outstanding, finishing the night without an error.

Freshman Joeline Moore (home run, two RBI), Laketa

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Change at top in Women's Softball

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

SANFORD - Don Pablos of Sanford got a leg up in the championship hunt Tuesday night at Pinehurst Park, but it looks like the race will go down to the wire in the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Women's Polar Bear Slow Pitch Softball League.

Diane Colangelo's triple opened a three-run third inning that gave Don Pablos of Sanford an insurmountable lead as it knocked off the previous league-leading Sharks, 13-6.

The Sharks, who had not lost since the second week of the season, had answered Don Pablos of Sanford's four-run first inning with two runs in the bottom of the first inning and a single run in the second inning to cut the deficit to 4-3.

But after Don Pablos of Sanford's big third inning, the Sharks would get no closer than 7-5.

In the other game, Paul's Truck and Auto Repair scored five runs in the top of the first inning and never looked back, keeping its slim title hopes alive with a 16-6 victory over Curt's Alleycats.

Don Pablos of Sanford is now 5-1 and holds a half-game lead over the Sharks (5-2). Paul's Truck and Auto Repair got back over the .500 mark (4-3) and is just a game-and-a-half off the lead. Curt's Alleycats (2-4) and Vaughan Incorporated (0-6) complete the standings.



SANFORD - The Sanford and Altamonte Springs Babe Ruth Baseball and Softball League's will hold Opening Day Ceremonies this Saturday.

The Sanford Recreation Department will kick-off its 1999 Babe Ruth Baseball Season at 9 a.m. Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium on Melonville Avenue.

Over 500 youths will take part in the 1999 season. Immediately following the opening ceremonies, there will be two Babe Ruth League (13-14) games played at the Stadium.

This event is open to the public at no cost. For more information, please contact the Sanford Recreation Department at 330-5697.

ALTAMONTE SPRINGS - The Altamonte Springs Babe Ruth Baseball and Softball League will hold their

Opening Day Ceremonies at Eastmonte Park on South Longwood Avenue (just south of 436) beginning at 10 a.m. League play will begin games at 11 a.m.

Opening ceremonies include introductions of more than 600 youth players, three hundred girls fast pitch softball players, league sponsors and volunteers. Altamonte Springs Mayor, Dudley Bates, will close the ceremonies by throwing out the first pitch, which officially opens the 1999 season of youth baseball/softball in Altamonte Springs.

Eastmonte Park will hold a full-day of activities including a fund-raising Bar-B-Q and bake sale, a caricature artist, clowns, a moon walk and baseball games.

For more information, please contact Eastmonte Park at 869-2519.

Next Tuesday night at Pinehurst Park, Don Pablos of Sanford takes on Curt's Alleycats at 7 p.m. and Vaughan Incorporated challenges the Sharks at 8 p.m. Paul's Truck and Auto Repair has the bye.

Providing the offense were: Paul's Truck and Auto Repair: three hits - Teresa Finck (triple, two runs, three RBI); two hits - Barb Martin (triple, two runs, RBI); Ann Lanus (two runs, RBI); Belinda Anderson

(run, four RBI); Sue Bagley (run, RBI); Micki Lewis (three runs); Kim Myers (two RBI); one hit - Shelli Walters (three runs, RBI); Dino Wilson (two runs).

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SCC diamond teams beat visitors

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

SANFORD - The Seminole Community College softball team bounced back from a bad first game to earn a split of a double-header with Grand Rapids Community College from Michigan Wednesday afternoon at Raider Field.

The Raiders were held to three hits and were blanked 3-0 by the Grand Rapids in the first game, but came back with 10 hits in the second game, scoring seven runs in the third inning and going on to an 11-1, five-inning victory.

"We just weren't ready to play," said SCC head coach Courtney Harris. "We should have hit this pitcher hard, but we were very passive at the plate in the first game. We had runners at second and third with one out in the sixth, but a hard liner back to the pitcher and a strike out ended our threat. We got two runners on again in the seventh, but couldn't come up with the big hit. Kat (Ciccarone) didn't have her best stuff today, but we provided her with no offense whatsoever."

"We finally got on track in game two and once we started hitting the ball GRCC's

defense fell apart. We started to make things happen instead of waiting. Beanie (Sabrina Harris) pitched a great game and kept their hitters off balance all day."

Kerri Rogers had a double for the Raiders in the first game, while Candice Hays and Adrienne Redditt added one single each. Despite Coach Miller's protestations, Ciccarone (3-2) only gave up two earned runs on five hits and struck out three.

Providing the offense for SCC in the nightcap were Lake Mary's Jeannie Mans (3-for-3, double, two runs, RBI), Oviedo's Danielle Sequino (2-for-3, two runs, RBI), Lake Howell's Jen Gillespie (triple, run, three RBI), Micky Barber (double, run, two RBI), Redditt (single, two runs), Hays (single, run, RBI), Rogers (three walks, run, RBI), Amy Passo (run) and Deanna Osborn (RBI). Harris (1-0) allowed one run on four hits and struck out two.

The Raiders (12-7-1) will head to the Polk Community College Tournament in Winter Haven this Saturday and Sunday.

GRAND RAPIDS 2-1, RAIDERS 0-11
Game 1
Grand Rapids (MI) C.C. 100 000 0 2 5 0
Seminole C.C. 000 000 0 0 0 1

Elliot and Cooper, Ciccarone and Gillespie. WP - Elliott. LP - Ciccarone (3-2). Save - none. SB - SCC, Rhodes. SB - GRCC, Adams. HR - none. Records - SCC 15-7-1.

BASEBALL TEAM ROLLS
SANFORD - The SCC baseball team racked up a season-high 30 hits in an 11-6 victory over Catonsville College from Baltimore, Maryland on Saturday at Raider Field.

Doing the hitting for the Raiders (5-15) were Johnny Guisepppe (3-for-4, RBI), Ben Johannig (3-for-5, home run, four RBI), Cliff Dancy (3-for-5, RBI), Kareem Morton (2-for-5, triple, RBI), Josh Rhodes (2-for-5, double, RBI), Jose Martinez (2-for-5, double) and Adam Shorts (2-for-4, two RBI). SCC will be at home today, hosting Mid-Florida Conference foe Santa Fe Community College from Gainesville at 3 p.m.

RAIDERS 11, CATONSVILLE (MD) 6
Catonsville College 000 010 021 - 0 0 0
Seminole C.C. 210 214 000 - 11 20 2
Hundertmark, Helms (6) and Hous, Field, Bates (6), Robinson (6) and Outgump, Rodriguez (6). WP - Baby (1-0). LP - Hundertmark. Save - none. SB - SCC, Rhodes, Martinez. SB - SCC, Morton. HR - CC, Nathan; SCC, Johannig. Records - CC 0-3; SCC 6-15.

Nobles takes control

By Dean Smith
SPORTS EDITOR

SANFORD - Bill Cogburn's three-run double capped an eight-run seventh inning as Nobles Communications came from behind to defeat Wells Contracting, 24-17, in a battle for first place in the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Men's Wednesday Night Polar Bear Slow Pitch Softball League.

Nobles Communications fell behind 8-1 early, but scored nine runs in the third inning to get back into the game.

The teams then traded the lead several times before Wells Contracting scored a run in the bottom of the sixth inning to take a 17-16 lead and set the stage for the winning rally.

In the other games, Dave Coes was 7-for-7 with a home run and three doubles, six runs scored and six RBI as Pebble Junction swept a double-header, 20-16 over ADAPCO and 19-9 over Scientific Glass.

Nobles Communications is 7-2 and leads Wells Contracting (5-3), ADAPCO (6-4), Pebble Junction (5-5) and Scientific Glass (0-9).

Next Wednesday night at Pinehurst Park, Wells Contracting plays a crucial doubleheader against Scientific Glass at 6:30 p.m. and ADAPCO at 7:30 p.m., and Nobles Communications battles Pebble Junction at 8:30 p.m.

Providing the offense were:

Pebble Junction: four hits - Dave Coes (home run, double, three runs, four RBI); Kent Brubaker (run, two RBI); three hits - Vic DiBartolo (double, two runs, RBI); Bob Markos (three runs, RBI); two hits - Brett Melle (triple, double, two runs, three RBI); Kyle Brubaker (two runs, three RBI); Jerry Camus (three runs), Mike Miller (two runs); one hit - Jonathan Jones (run, two RBI); Dave Bennett (run, RBI); Dave Kaerberlein (two RBI); Blake Murray (RBI).

ADAPCO: two hits - Red Garner (triple, run, two RBI); Bruce Sellers (two doubles, two runs, two RBI); Terry Atkinson (double, two runs, two RBI); Danny Hewitt (double, two runs, RBI); Manny Silvia (two runs, two RBI); Chris Bryson (two runs); one hit - Bobby Brown (home run, two runs, two RBI); Matt Kucinaki (home run, two runs, RBI); Dave Blakey (double, run, two RBI); Chip Smith (double), Mike Clark (RBI).

Pebble Junction: three hits - Dave Coes (two doubles, three runs, two RBI); Dave Kaerberlein (double, three runs, four RBI); Kyle Brubaker (three runs, RBI); two hits - Brett

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People

Relocation requests are generally approved



People's Law

Correspondent

Most parents who separate or whose marriage is dissolved are awarded shared parental responsibility of the minor children. Shared parental responsibility allows parents the opportunity to share in the making of the decisions that affect their children's welfare such as decisions over their children's education, religious upbringing, and health.

In addition to awarding shared parental responsibility of the minor children to both parents, the Court usually determines, oftentimes by agreement of the parents, what visitation the secondary residential parent will be entitled to as a minimum. This minimum often consists of visitation every other weekend and one day a week.

the children depends, among other things, on the proximity of both parents' homes. This creates a dilemma for families who may be further separated by the relocation of one parent for a better job or other reasons.

As noted by the Supreme Court, in today's increasingly mobile society, parents are going to have legitimate needs to relocate. While the public policy favoring a close relationship between parents and children without question represents the ideal arrangement, it must contend with the realities of life in a mobile society

that values personal and parental autonomy.

In balancing public policy with the realities of life, the Supreme Court has indicated that as long as the primary residential parent desires to move for a well intentioned reason and founded belief that the relocation is best for that parent's, and therefore the children's, well being, rather than from a vindictive desire to interfere with the visitation rights of the other parent, the change in residence should generally be approved.

However, the Supreme Court also noted that circumstances may exist that would justify a departure from that general rule. Therefore, in making the ultimate decision, the Court directed trial courts to consider and weigh the following factors: (1) Whether the move would be likely to improve the general quality of life for both the primary residential spouse and the children; (2) Whether the motive for seeking the move is for the express purpose of defeating visitation; (3) Whether the custodial parent, once out of the jurisdiction, will be likely to comply with

any substitute visitation arrangements; (4) Whether the substitute visitation will be adequate to foster a continuing meaningful relationship between the child or children and the noncustodial parent; (5) Whether the cost of transportation is financially affordable by one or both of the parents; and (6) Whether the move is in the best interests of the child.

Most parents enjoy shared parental responsibility of their children and enjoy frequent and continuing contact with them. However, circumstances sometimes lead to the relocation of the primary residential parent which in turn leads to less contact between the secondary residential parent and the children. Unfortunately for second residential parents, requests for relocation are generally granted as long as the request is made in good faith. In the coming weeks, we will discuss other aspects of family law.

Many Arraola is a practicing attorney in Seminole County and a member of the Florida Bar. He can be reached by calling 322-4600. This column is for general information only and should not be relied upon in lieu of consulting an attorney about your problem.

Weight Watchers

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

Toastmasters

The Omni Toastmasters Club #6831 will meet at 5:30 p.m. every Thursday at the AAA Building, 1000 AAA Drive, Heathrow. Guests and prospective members are welcome. Call Jim Ocuq, 942-5227 for information.

ToughLove support

ToughLove Orlando, a parent support group, meets every Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. at St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 3140 Hwy. 434, Longwood.

ToughLove is a self-help, active, parent support group for parents troubled by their children's behavior. The group is open to parents of preteens, teenagers and adult children, and grandparents.

For more information call (407) 324-0724 or visit their web site at toughlove.org.

Alanon, Alateen

ALANON and ALATEEN meetings are held every Thursday, at 8 p.m., at Sanford Christian Church, 730 Upala Road, Sanford. For information, call 322-8534.

Blue Grass Pickers

Sanford Blue Grass Pickers meet every Thursday, from 6-10 p.m., at the Greater Sanford Chamber of Commerce. Pickers and grinders are welcome. For information, call John Shaffer, 829-4931.

Order of Eastern Star

Seminole Chapter #20 meets on the first and third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Sanford Lodge #62 F&AM.

The lodge is located at 213 Park Ave. North, Sanford. For more information call (407) 322-2616.

Submarine veterans

The United States Submarine Veterans, Central Florida Base, meet at 7 p.m. at the First Reserve Club, 3040 West SR 46, the first Thursday of the month. All submariners, both active or otherwise, are welcome. For information, call Bud Simpson, 330-4445.

Sanford Historic Trust

The Sanford Historic Trust meets the first Thursday of the month, at 7 p.m., at the First Presbyterian Church, corner of Fourth Street and Park Avenue, Sanford. For more information, please call 321-6734. The public is invited to attend.

Recovery program

Fresh Start Recovery Programs offers 12-step support groups for those experiencing life controlling problems.

The groups meet every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at 1400 N. Semoran Blvd., Suite F, Orlando. There is no charge. For more information, call (407) 382-3232 or (407) 384-8135.

Amateur Radio

The Lake Monroe Amateur Radio Society meets every first Thursday, at 7:30 p.m., at the Senior Center, Lake Triplett Drive, Casselberry. For information, call Karl Lambert, 695-8764, or Al Kirk, 322-4487.

University women

American Association of University Women meets the first Thursday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Rolling Hills Moravian Church, State Road 434, Longwood.

For information, call Linda Polonua, 644-4094.

American Legion

American Legion Post 53 and Unit meet the second Thursday, at 8 p.m., at the Post Home, 2874 S. Sanford Ave. For information, call 322-1652.

Sunrise Kiwanis

The Seminole Sunrise Kiwanis Club meets every Friday, at 7 a.m., at Shoney's, US 17-92, south of Airport Boulevard. Guest are welcome. For information, call Tony McDaniel at 324-0469.

Free clinic Friday

A free clinic to include blood pressure check, blood sugar screening and immunizations will be held every Friday, from 9 to 11 a.m., at the Geneva Elementary School in the old school building, corner of First and Main Street in Geneva. The clinic is sponsored by the Seminole County Health Department in conjunction with the Seminole County Sheriff's Office and Geneva Elementary School. For information, call 349-9294.

Substance abuse

SAFE, Substance Abuse Family Education, is conducting a "Families in Crisis" outreach program. Interested organizations wanting to contact the Life Savers Club of SAFE may call Libby Baberick at 391-4357.

Seniors meet

LAKE MARY - A senior's group meets for lunch the second Friday of each month at Lake Mary Church of the Nazarene, 171 E. Crystal Lake Ave. The noon meeting is held in the Fellowship Hall. For more information, contact Bill at 322-1008.

Alzheimer's

A support group for adults caring for patients with Alzheimer's Disease meets the first Friday of the month, from 2 to 3:30 p.m., at All Souls Catholic Church, 301 W. Eighth Street, Sanford. This service is sponsored by the Greater Orlando Alzheimer's Association.

Fight over son's safety may be prelude to war

DEAR ABBY: Please help! My husband and I are having a relationship-threatening argument over child-rearing practices. As a child development specialist, I choose to err on the side of caution with my young son. I insist on seat belts, don't allow him to watch violent or scary movies, and never leave him unsupervised. I keep my doors locked, and teach him about stranger-danger and other safety issues.

My husband and his family feel that I'm raising him to be a wimp because I don't allow him to swim off a boat in areas known to have a lot of sharks. They don't worry about things like that. I am well aware of the usefulness of a shark attack on a human, but feel that it is an unnecessary risk. The beach is just too far.

What bothers me most, Abby, is that my husband sides with his family, putting down my beliefs and criticizing my son. Please comment.

CAUTIOUS
IN DAYTONA BEACH, FLA.

DEAR CAUTIOUS: If your husband is siding with his family against you in the current you feel it's threatening to your marriage, your differences extend further than the area of child-rearing. I urge you to consider marriage counseling before these differences erode your marriage beyond repair.

You don't say how old your son is, but a mother's first priority should always be the safety of her child. Compromise with your husband on other issues, but don't back down when it concerns the safety of your son.

DEAR ABBY: I had dinner with a prospective girlfriend at her invitation at her house. We had just finished dinner when her phone rang.



It was a male friend, wanting to tell her about some meeting he went to. When she answered the phone, she said she had company and asked if they could talk later. However, the conversation went on and on. I was in the other room and put on my coat to leave. At that point, she told her friend she had company who was leaving, and had to hang up. She said her friend suggested and said he hadn't heard her say that she had company.

I asked her why, when he kept on talking and talking, she couldn't have said again that she had company and would talk later. She replied, "I didn't want to be rude to him." I told her that she was rude to me, and the extended conversation was a big turn-off. It soured our budding relationship.

Who was out of line, Abby?
BOB IN LONG BEACH

DEAR BOB: The caller, it was rude to keep your friend on the line when he knew she had company. The fact that the woman allowed the conversation to drag on could indicate a lack of concern for your feelings - or simply a lack of awareness on her part.

They were both rude, and it's regrettable that a budding relationship died from the freestyle that followed.

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The "there-you-are" type is the winner. If you want to receive a warm welcome, re-

member. The happier you are to see others, the happier they'll be to see you.

DEAR ABBY: At the risk of sounding prejudiced, can you tell me why so many Jewish celebrities constantly remind everyone that they are Jewish? For example, there is Larry King, Dr. Laura and Judge Judy. I have watched or listened to other celebrities for years, and they don't give you a clue as to their ethnic background or religious persuasion, which is fine with me. This seems to be a Jewish trait. Can you explain it?

CURIOUS, TAMPA, FLA.

DEAR CURIOUS: I was not aware that "so many Jewish celebrities" constantly remind everyone that they are Jewish. The names probably vary from individual to individual. You will have to ask Larry King, Dr. Laura or Judge Judy.

DEAR ABBY: I'm currently stationed in Korea. Being far from home is really depressing, and "Operation Dear Abby" is a boost in morale for troops separated from friends and family. I have seen first-

hand the effect it has. I know a few soldiers who rarely get mail from the states except for bills, and those letters were a really big deal to them.

Thank you, Abby, and thanks to everyone who took the time to give someone else a lift on a normally depressing day.

If you could please ask your readers to take a moment to remember five fellow soldiers who died on Oct. 31, 1998, here in Korea, I'm sure it would mean a lot to their families and those who served with them.

SFC. CHRISTOPHER D. TRULL,
CAMP HARBVEY, KOREA

DEAR CHRISTOPHER: Thank you for your touching letter. And to the five families who lost a loved one on Oct. 31, please accept my deepest sympathy.

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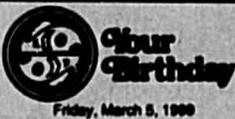


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by Leonard Starr



HOROSCOPES



TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Strive to be as diplomatic as possible today, and don't be demanding under any circumstances. All relationships with close friends or associates could be problematic for you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your powers of concentration, as well as your industriousness may not be at a high point today, causing you to be less alert than usual. Leave important mental work for another day if possible.

CANCER (June 21-July 20) Don't waste your time today on persons who are more impressed by what you have than who you are. These types are superficial, fair-weather friends. You don't need them!

LEO (July 21-Aug. 20) It's not the you, but you could spend more time looking for reasons to postpone duties than you do on the energy it takes to get them out of the way today. It's a waste of effort.

VIRGO (Aug. 21-Sept. 20) One who lets the vision and imagination you possess control temper your common sense today, so it's best not to discuss your plans with someone like this in the first place.

LIBRA (Sept. 21-Oct. 20) Be your own person today. Manage all your affairs and obligations yourself instead of requesting others to help and pick up the pieces for you. They won't take kindly to that!

SCORPIO (Oct. 21-Nov. 20) You and your mate might be at odds today regarding ideas and suggestions about how an important matter should be handled. Be careful how you reject your spouse's ideas.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 21-Dec. 21) If you get in trouble today concerning your work, it will most likely be due to your choice of the tools or methods you employ. Take time to study what is required in order to do the job.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There is a strong possibility that you could behave rather poorly today if you take yourself or your social involvements too seriously. Treat recreational competition impassively.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Picaresque methods cannot achieve important objectives you've set for yourself today. In order to be productive, you must be prepared to organize everything at your disposal beforehand.

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WIN AT BRIDGE

Another key-count context

By Phillip Alder

There is another defensive position in which one defender should give his partner a count signal — and it is one that almost all players below the expert level get wrong. Look at the full deal. How should the play proceed in three no-trump?

Stayman is a double-edged sword. It's perfect when you have a 4-4 major suit fit and being there. But if you end in no-trump, Stayman has helped only the declarer because they now know more about the declarer's hand. So, if you don't have a 4-4 fit, you do better not to use Stayman. However, until you employ Stayman, you don't know if the 4-4 fit exists. It's a perfect Catch-22.

West leads the heart five, which runs to declarer's jack. South plays a spade to the dummy, then finishes the club queen, losing to West's king.

As you have seen, if West makes the heart ace, he drops South's king and runs the rest of the suit to defeat the contract. But how does West know the king is about to tumble? (If you think it is the only chance, time is again tomorrow.) The answer is that East doesn't play third hand high at trick one; he doesn't cover dummy's six with his eight. Instead, he plays the two: his bottom card from three to give count.

East does this because he cannot contribute a critical card. What is a critical card? He must have the nine or higher in the suit.

As long as East plays the heart two, West should find the winning defense. Remember, from the Stayman action, South is known not to have four hearts.

North 02-04-99			
♠	K 10 8		
♥	10 7 6		
♦	5 4		
♣	Q J 8		
West			
♠	7 5	East	♠ 8 6 4 3
♥	Q 8 5 2		♥ 8 4 3
♦	J 6 5		♦ K 10 7 2
♣	K 4		♣ 7 2
South			
♠	Q J 5		
♥	K J		
♦	A Q 5		
♣	A 10 6 5 3		
Vulnerable: Both			
Dealer: South			
South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 NT	All pass
Opening lead: ♥ 5			

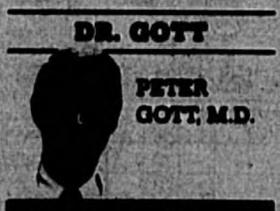
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ASK DR. GOTT

Let go of guilt about pregnancy

DEAR DR. GOTT: In the late 1960s, I became pregnant out of wedlock. At that time, abortion wasn't an option. Most women either tried home remedies to miscarry or went ahead with the pregnancy. We called this "rust hog or die." Well, I rusted hog and raised a wonderful child. However, the guilt has never abated, because I took a handful of cyanide tablets early in the pregnancy, hoping to terminate it. This is a secret that I never want my child to know. Could the cyanide have harmed her?

DEAR READER: It's difficult for the average modern woman to appreciate the shame, stress and tragedy experienced by unwed mothers 30 years ago. Abortions were sometimes performed, usually under horrendous conditions by unscrupulous, un-licensed personnel. Moreover, society universally condemned both the children and their mothers. Under such desperate circumstances, many such women resorted to ineffective and dangerous home remedies. Many others put their babies up for adoption. A few, like you, had the courage to continue the pregnancy and accept the consequences.



DR. GOTT
PETER GOTT, M.D.

You have been blessed with a healthy daughter who presumably grew up in a nurturing and loving environment. The cyanide tablets you took would not — and did not — harm her. I think that it's time for you to discard your guilt. You don't have to put your daughter through the trauma of a confidential father, in your own mind, resolve the issue by remembering that you did the best you could. Instead of feeling guilty, rejoice in the fact that you were able to add another special person to your life and to your community.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband, 65, died last year from pancreatic cancer. He was sick only five months. How

can a robust father and husband die so quickly without warning?

DEAR READER: Nobody knows what causes pancreatic malignancies — or most other cancers, for that matter. Until scientists can come up with answers to the cancer puzzle, thousands of families — like yours — will continue to grapple with the tragic consequences of this 20th century scourge. Unfortunately, pancreatic cancer is one of the worst. It can grow rapidly and be difficult to diagnose until the late stages. It is virtually untreatable by current methods.

For many years, I have believed that cancer is caused by a malfunction of the immune system. In healthy people, dividing cells sometimes mutate into cancer. In such instances, the normal immune system identifies these cells and kills them before they can cause harm. However, when the immune reaction is lacking or deficient, malignant cells are left to grow and spread. No one understands why this happens. Once scientists learn more about this aberrant reaction, they will be able to develop a vaccine against cancer.

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