



Heroes & Villains

In Bill Black's world, there's a constant battle between good and evil. In this continuous battle, Black isn't worried about his wins and losses because he has the ultimate power against them all — the pen. See how this Longwood resident brings characters to life in the pages of AC Comic books. **Page 1C**



Shootout Survivors

It took 80 minutes of regulation, 20 minutes of overtime and a series of penalty kicks for the Lake Mary Flame (17-3-4) to edge out the Patriots of Lake Brantley (17-4-4). **Page 1B**



Term's End

Sanford Mayor Larry Dale is nearing the end of his 4-year term, but the outspoken city leader has no plans to slow down during his last days in office. **Page 1C**

Seminole Smile



Tammy Pringle-Griffin — Media Center Assistant at Goldsboro Elementary School

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City candidates face off in forum

By Joe DeSantis
Staff Writer

Public has first look at campaign issues during Historic Trust event

SANFORD — Candidates in Sanford's Mayoral and District 1 City Commission races brought their respective platforms before some 200 prospective voters Thursday during a candidate forum sponsored by the Sanford Historic Trust.

A common theme throughout the 90-minute forum was a call for stronger growth management, a continued emphasis on improvements in public safety, and a collective willingness to

revisit the issue of a hotel and conference center at Ft. Mellon Park.

During a round-robin format followed by a question and answer period from audience members, each of the candidates outlined their positions on a number of issues.

Mayoral candidate Brady Lessard

who is vacating his District 1 seat labeled the past four years a "period of transition for Sanford."

Lessard told the audience public safety has come a long way in the past four years.

"We have 30 new police officers under a new Chief in Brian Tooley. The

police department is making great progress," said Lessard.

He highlighted increases in salaries for the City's police and firefighters as a significant element in Sanford's return to community policing.

"Four years ago, people thought the idea of foot patrols and bicycle patrols was funny. Now people view that in a different light," he said.

Lessard also pointed to lowered millage rates in the past three years as progress for the city. He told voters if

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Library provides books online

Service has a few drawbacks, but patrons can now access library books from home

By Dan Ping
Editor

CASSELBERRY — Ever wanted to research the latest in herbal medicines, but didn't feel like fighting traffic to get to the library? Now you can research much of the county library's collection at home on the Internet.

The online system was created by netLibrary Inc., a Boulder, Colo., company whose online network serves more than 5,000 libraries across the country. Seminole County purchased netLibrary with a grant from the state library system, and the network can be accessed through the Seminole County Library System's Web site at www.sclib.fl.us

"If you are a member of the Seminole County Library, you can set up an account free of charge," said Denise Tate, collection service coordinator at the main branch in Casselberry. "It's easy to do and just takes a few minutes."

Once an account has been set up, online patrons can search by title, author, subject or publisher. Once they find what they are looking for, patrons can browse the book



Seminole County Library Collection Service Coordinator Denise Tate, left, and Margie Johnson, youth services coordinator, demonstrate how to access books over the Internet. The library system recently purchased netLibrary, an online network that allows patrons to do research from their home.

for 15 minutes online, read it online, or download it for a 2-hour time period. Instructions are easy to follow, as is reading offline once patrons download a simple reader program.

"One of the great things about this system is you can search the text of the book," Tate said. "Just type a keyword into the search engine, and it searches the entire book in a matter of seconds. There's also

a dictionary associated with the reader you download. If you don't know a word, just click on it and the electronic dictionary looks it up for you."

There are some limitations to the system. If you're looking for electronic versions of the latest thrillers by Tom Clancy or Patricia Cornwell, don't bother. Book publishers know these are big sellers and are reluctant to put them in an

online collection that can be accessed by thousands of users.

"The online collection contains mainly public domain works — the classics — as well as lots of reference and research material," Tate said. "There are a lot of books we couldn't purchase with the online system because they

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Schools ink temporary use deal for sports fields

Winter Springs gets space for youth sports programs until construction begins on new school

By Michelle Jeria
Managing Editor

SANFORD — Winter Springs children participating in football and soccer may soon have a new place to practice.

The Seminole County School Board agreed to enter into a letter of understanding with the city of Winter Springs for use of property located on Country Road 419. The Board recently purchased the land for a future elementary school site.

Board members agreed to enter into the agreement following a presentation by Winter Springs officials and residents, who are worried the city's youth groups will not have an adequate area to practice.

"We are unlucky and lucky at the same time," Winter Springs Mayor Paul P. Partyka said. "We are running out of space, but we have a lot of people participating in recreational activities."

Winter Springs officials asked the Board to enter into a short-

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Museum's mystery donation identified

By Michelle Jeria
Managing Editor

SANFORD — Museum Of Seminole County History officials now have the answer to a mystery box recently donated to the museum.

Two weeks ago, the Seminole Herald published a story about the wooden box after museum officials could not determine what it was or what its function was. Turns out the box is a nail stripper once used in the production of celery crates, Museum Specialist Karen Jacobs said.

"We got a lot of phone calls about the item," Jacobs said. "Many of them were from older people who actually worked in the celery fields."

Several weeks ago, the item was donated by a local resident who found it while browsing an antique store. Museum officials suspected the item was an old piece of agricultural equipment. However, the exact purpose of the item could not be determined.

When local residents read about the mystery box, many visited the museum to help solve the question. Jacobs said many had stories to tell about working in the fields and using the nail stripper.

According to Jacobs, the nail stripper actually lined up three-penny 1-inch black nails in a row and enabled a person

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Students test knowledge at Brain Bowl

By Joe DeSantis
Staff Writer

SANFORD — OK, smarty pants. Think you are ready for final Jeopardy? Try these questions on for size.

- What is the Roman name for the Greek goddess Hera?
- What poet, who lived from 1265-1321, wrote a poem detailing his imaginary journey through Hell, Purgatory, and Heaven?
- What man-made lake does the ancient monument in upper Egypt called Abu Simbel overlook?

- When required to recall a list of numbers in order, subjects are more likely to remember the numbers at the beginning and end of the list rather than the middle. What psychological term is used to describe this human tendency?

Give up? Begging for cognitive mercy? Wondering where your cerebral prowess went?



Area high school students participate in Seminole Community College's annual "Battle of the Brains."

Those questions and even tougher ones were tackled Friday morning by five-member high school teams from across Seminole County at Seminole Community College's annual "Battle of the Brains" tournament.

Each participating high school brought two teams to the

competition to carve out brain power bragging rights. Like seeded basketball teams in a regional tournament, each of the brain squads battled through a series of 30 minute preliminary rounds, either ousting themselves or advancing to

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Woodruff has deep ties to Sanford community

Editor's note: This is the second in a series of candidate profiles for Sanford's Mayoral and District 1 City Commission races.

By Joe DeSantis
Staff Writer

SANFORD — As a Seminole High senior in 1980 and editor of the school's yearbook, Art Woodruff wrote: "Some residents think Sanford is growing

too fast. Others think it isn't growing fast enough."

Now, some 21 years later, Woodruff, seeking Sanford's District 1 City Commission seat, sees some interesting parallels about his city two decades after his yearbook was published.

The 38-year-old high school physics teacher, a sixth-generation Sanfordite, is making his first foray into political waters. Woodruff is married and the

father of two young children. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Journalism and Chemistry from the University of North Carolina and a Master's degree in Physics Education from the University of Central Florida.

He previously taught at Seminole High School

for 14 years before moving to Oviedo High where he continues to teach physics. Woodruff is also an Adjunct Instructor at Seminole Community College.

He sees development and growth, the perception of crime, and the quality of life now and in the future as key issues that face the city.

"I know Sanford. I know Sanford's people. This is where I found my wife. I want Sanford

to be a good place to raise children," he said. "And I want this to be the kind of place they will want to stay when they grow up."

Woodruff said he applauds progress within the police department over the past two years and would like to take a systems analyst approach to dealing with reducing crime in

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SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

Fun and dancing at the USO

Sunday, Feb. 4, marks the 60th anniversary of the U.S.O., the United Service Organization. With all the re-runs on TV, especially the



Nick Pfeiffau

History channel, most youngsters today associate the USO with Bob Hope. For many years, Hope took a contingent of movie and television entertainers around the world, wherever military bases or groups were assembled. Many times gunfire was heard during the performances. They put their lives on the line — and what military man or woman could ever forget the joy they brought, if even for just a few hours.

What many people may have forgotten is that we had a USO right here in Sanford beginning in the early 1950s. Most of the service men and women were from the recently (1952) recommissioned Naval (Auxiliary) Air Station, but other servicemen would visit the USO here when they were visiting friends or family in Sanford and the surrounding area. Some even came from Orlando, New Smyrna Beach and Daytona Beach, where Coast Guard and reserve units were stationed.

The Sanford USO building is still standing. We know it as the headquarters of the Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce, at the corner of East First Street and Sanford Avenue.

It was a swinging place. The ladies of Sanford, individuals as well as clubs, would prepare cookies, sandwiches, and other treats. There would be plenty of hot coffee and soft drinks. At the time, Coke and RC Cola both had bottling plants in Sanford, and they would generously donate beverages.

There was never any alcohol, never any drugs, never any fights. It was simply a good place for entertainment.

There were free dances practically every Saturday night, and they were well attended, especially by the single sailors. Various clubs, such as the Sanford Women's Club and church groups would chaperone the events. Dancing partners and hostesses came from Seminole High School.

There were some complaints from the male high school students that the sailors were taking their girls. At times, we referred to the USO as the Unattached Sailor's Organization. I know for a fact that many of the young men and women who first met at a USO event in Sanford eventually married, with many of them still in Sanford, raising families and running our businesses. (You know who you are).

In some larger cities near military bases, the USO is still operating. It was started in 1941, right after the beginning of World War II, when civilian support of service personnel was extremely high. Citizens were doing whatever they could, wherever they could, to make "being away from home" less of a problem for those who were often in their late teens and early 20s.

While we salute the United Service Organization for what they have done during the past 60 years, and what some are still doing, we hope there is never a need like there was in 1941 for a USO in practically every city and town.

Miss Lake Mary



Contestants in the Miss Lake Mary Pageant are, front row from left, Gina Janice, Yarah Otero, Shivon Patel, Jennifer Sequin, Alejandra Rosales, Niipa Patel, Taryn Dibenedetto, Lindsey Latimer and Katie Quinn. In the second row are Parvathy Pillai, Leslie Elkins, Rosanne Jimenez, Jenny Dennis, Kasey Sirianni, Nicole Grace, Laura Foley, Angela Baragona and Julie Halsey. In the back row are Michelle Gum, Patricia James, Vanessa Lane, Michelle Allegro, Megan Williams, Constance Katsafanas, Erin Sweet and Betty Yen. Not pictured are Dede Daimwood, Lisa Van Alstine, Kriessy McCormick, Laura Monserate and Meredith Whigham.

Kudos to the Sanford Historic Trust for sponsoring Thursday night's candidate forum. The event was well attended and all candidates acquitted themselves well with issues oriented dialogue. The cookies were pretty good too. Residents city-wide will have an opportunity to take in a lengthier candidate forum later this month. The Seminole Herald and Sanford/Seminole Chamber of Commerce will sponsor a candidate forum on Sunday, Feb. 25 at the Helen Stairs Theatre beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Sandbag question, concrete answer
An anonymous audience member tried to get in a personal attack against mayoral candidate Dean Ray during Thursday night's candidate forum sponsored by the Sanford Historic Trust. A written question submitted for Ray's response asked why he had one of the most unattractive storefronts on U.S. Highway 17-92 and what he planned to do about it. Without skipping a beat Ray responded: "When I came to this city 15 years ago, City Hall was glad to take my money and give me a business license."

"I've run an honest business in the city since I've been here and helped a lot of people along the way," he said in responding to the nameless and faceless attack.

Post forum folly # 2.
Ray likewise drew a good chuckle from audience members when asked if the city should provide tax incentives or offer grants to downtown merchants to improve their historical facade storefronts. "There may be some federal program or state program for that but I don't think we should do it with city taxpayers' money. I know there's some millionaires that own some buildings



down there. Let them pay for their own improvements."

Post forum folly # 3
Now we know why it's sometimes referred to as the Sanford Hysterical Trust. Following Thursday's forum, Trust president Marveen Kelly made a bush-league attempt to publicly take Herald reporter Joe D. Santos to task for a midweek story about a pavement lighting initiative in the Historic District. Turns out Kelly herself hadn't actually read the story she was demanding a retraction for and did not attend the meeting from which the story was based.

She's in good company, though. Longwood Mayor Paul Lovestrand routinely criticizes DeSantis only to admit later he hasn't seen a copy of whatever article supposedly offended him. Let's just hope Lovestrand's flunky Jimmy Ross doesn't have to start reading the paper to Kelly, too.

Pigakin postmortem.
Crystal Ball prognosticator Brady Lessard couldn't have picked a better time to "retire" from the football picking business. His patent pending Super

Bowl lock went bust when he chose the Giants to win. That followed on the heels of incorrectly picking winners in both the AFC and NFC Championship games. So Brady, who do you like in the stock market this week?

International man of mystery
Downtown businessman and entrepreneur Rami Yosefian, hosted a dinner Monday evening for a group of journalists and newspaper executives from Kazakhstan, once a union republic in the former Soviet empire. The Israeli-born Yosefian, who has established business contacts across the globe, wants to explore trade relations with the fledgling republic, including some type of business venture that utilizes the Sanford International Airport. What those business ties might be are unclear, but Yosefian is considering to supply downtown office space for a Kazakhstan consulate office in Sanford.

That may take some time, as the views on the viability of business relations in Kazakhstan and the Socialist Party of Kazakhstan (the former Communist Party) is the largest political party in a country the reports at least 120 registered parties. And while, Kazakhstan is rich in natural resources (the country is a major world source for copper, zinc, titanium, magnesium, chromium and has sizable oil fields), it's landlocked, making international transportation and distribution a challenge.

Still, the U.S. State Department sees potential and offered to establish diplomatic relations with Kazakhstan on Dec. 25, 2000. As Anar Bakirova, the country's only female editor-in-chief, told Yosefian Monday night, "If we could only get the men out of the way, the women of Kazakhstan could have these problems solved in no time."

DUI ARRESTS

- Martin Cortes Morales, 28, 246 Quebec Avenue, DeLeon Springs was stopped by Sheriff's deputies at SR 46 and Poplar Street, Sanford. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.
- James Edward Warwick, 39, 2575 Semoran Boulevard #2016, Orlando was stopped by Sheriff's deputies at SR 436 and Pearl Lake Causeway, Altamonte Springs. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol, battery on a law enforcement officer, and resisting arrest with violence.
- Brenda Foster, 39, 1095 Covington, Oviedo, was stopped by Sheriff's deputies near Round Lake. She was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and possession of a controlled substance.
- Richard Allan Edwards, 1405 Shell Mound Road,

Enterprise, was stopped by Sheriff's deputies at Brison Avenue and East SR 46. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

DRUG ARRESTS

- Daniel Thomas Pateracki, 22, 457 Sun Lake Circle, #111 Lake Mary, was arrested by Sheriff's deputies at 465 Sun Lake Circle #115. He was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.
- Justin Eugene Daley, 20, 1950 Aster Drive, Winter Park, was stopped by Sheriff's deputies on Red Bug Road. He was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and possession of narcotics equipment.

BURGLARY/LARCENY

- Michael Scott Mills, 19, 1151

BATTERY/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

- Alan Blake Claflin, 36, 1865 North Street, Longwood, was arrested by Sheriff's deputies at Adams and Raymond Streets, Longwood. He was charged with assault/domestic violence.
- Cheryl Lynn Evans, 33, 753 Creekwater Terrace #115, Lake Mary, and Victor L. Johnson, 37, same address, were arrested at their residence by Sheriff's deputies following a dispute. Both were charged with battery/domestic violence.
- Kenneth Bryant Pitti, 32, 9709 Bear Lake Road, Apopka, was arrested following an incident at 6013 Bear Lake Terrace. He was charged with battery, resisting an officer, and obstruction of justice without violence.
- Harvey Fernandez, 44, 104 Sunset Drive, Longwood, was arrested by Sheriff's deputies following an incident at his resi-

dence. He was charged with battery/domestic violence.

- Roderick Jerome McDougald, 36, 1619 West 26th Street, Orlando, was arrested by Sheriff's deputies at 101 East Altamonte Drive. He was charged with aggravated battery/domestic violence, and false imprisonment.
- William Lewis Childs, 32, 555 Northlake Boulevard, Altamonte Springs, was arrested by Sheriff's deputies following an incident at his residence. He was charged with domestic violence.
- Pamela Elaine Mooney, 38, 1901 Lake Shore Circle, was arrested at her residence by Sheriff's deputies following an incident. She was charged with battery/domestic violence.
- Sonia Reyes, 38, was arrested by Sanford police at 351 Bay Avenue following an incident. She was charged with battery.



Woodland Trail, Altamonte Springs, was arrested by Sheriff's deputies at 3855 Wekiva Springs Road, Longwood. He was charged with burglary of an unoccupied building and larceny theft of less than \$5,000.

• Zaven Peter Khachatourian, 33, 103 Longhorn Road, Winter Park was arrested by Sheriff's deputies at Spicewood Lane. He was charged with burglary to a conveyance-unarmed and battery.

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OUT & ABOUT

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The Miss Lake Mary pageant will be held Saturday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of Lake Mary High School. The event is sponsored by the Athletic Booster Club of Lake Mary High School. Tickets are \$8 for reserve seating, and \$5 for general admission. For additional information call Mary Beth Mergo at 407-330-2713.

There will be a Black Culture Festival for children on Saturday, Feb. 3, at Lake Mary City Hall, located at 100 N. Country Club Road. Children will get a chance to learn to play African games, try out African rhythm instruments, make an African mask and much more.

Entertainment will include the Lake Howell Step Team and the Lubamba African Spectacular. The free event is being sponsored by Girl Scout Troop No. 148 and the city of Lake Mary, and it is funded in part by grants from the Seminole Cultural Arts Council Inc., and the Meredith Corporation.

Hamburger and hot dog meals will be available to purchase from the Lion's Club. For more information, call Debbie Swearingen at 407-323-3949 or Mary Rowell at 407-741-5046 (days) or 407-321-1498 (evenings) or e-mail Rowell at Mjthrowell@netscape.net

The Seminole Community College Foundation is planning its 17th annual Dream Auction, "Hollywood Nights" Feb. 3, at the Orlando Expo Center. Tickets are \$150 per person. Tables of eight are available for \$1,200. The Dream Auction, which began in 1985, is the SCC Foundation's largest scholarship fund-raising event. More than 500 scholarships have been awarded totaling over \$400,000 from the Dream Auction endowment fund of over \$1.2 million.

For additional information, to donate auction items or tickets, call 407-328-2030.

TUES

French guitar virtuoso Jean Bruno Dautaner will perform in a recital 8 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 6, in the Rehearsal Hall on the UCF main campus. Tickets are \$10 per person but are free to UCF students with a current UCF ID card. All tickets are sold at the door.

Dautaner's performance will include works by Bach, Pujol, Ruiz-Pipo, Piazzola and Giuliani. For more information, call the UCF Music Department at 407-823-2869.

Lake Mary Elementary will present a special magic show, "Readers are Leaders", our annual Spaghetti Dinner, and Scholastic's "ExploraStory" Book Fair on Tuesday, Feb. 6, in the school. Performances will be in the auditorium and are at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m. They are free of charge.

Reservations are required for the Spaghetti Dinner by Monday, Feb. 5. For more information, call the school at 407-320-5650.

Obituaries

Paul Berta
Paul Berta, 56, of Altamonte Springs died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2001.
Born in Oroshaza, Hungary, he moved to Central Florida in 1968 from Texas. He was a truck driver for Huan Transports Inc. of Altamonte Springs. He was of the Catholic faith and a member of the NRA.
Survivors include his wife, Diane of Altamonte Springs and a son, Robert Paul of Orlando.
Tri-County Cremation Service of Longwood is in charge of arrangements.

Thomas H. Bodison Sr.
Thomas H. Bodison Sr., 70, of Sanford died Sunday, Jan. 28, 2001.
Born in Bayonne, N.J., he moved to Central Florida in 1980. He was a bus driver for Seminole County Schools. He was of the Catholic faith and a Korean war veteran of the U.S. Air Force.
Survivors include three sons, Mark of Williston Park, N.Y., Thomas Jr., of Bayonne, N.J., and Jeff of Glen Head, N.Y.; two sisters, June Butler and Winifred Lutz, both of Sanford; and four grandchildren.
Tri-County Cremation Service of Longwood is in charge of arrangements.

Thomas Burch Cornelius
Thomas Burch Cornelius, 91, of Lake Mary died Feb. 1, 2001, in Avon Park.
Born Dec. 2, 1901, in Nashville, Tenn., he moved to Florida when he was 10. After receiving his bachelor's and master's degrees from the University of Florida, he served as principal of the public high school in Alachua, Hardee, Madison and Pasco counties and culminated his 45-year career as headmaster of the Sanford Naval Academy. He was a member of First United Methodist Church of Sanford and a member of the Kiwanis Club for more than 40 years.
Survivors include his wife of 65 years, Carolyn Petrey Cornelius of Lake Mary; a daughter, Catherine P. Cornelius of Avon Park; a son, William B. Cornelius; three grandsons; a nephew, Thomas D. Cornelius; and a sister-in-law, Flora D. Cornelius of Atlanta, Ga.
Memorial services will be held 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, in Gramkow Funeral Home Chapel in Sanford.
Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.
Stephenson-Nelson Funeral Home of Avon Park is in charge of arrangements.

Terrence Edward Coulter
Terrence Edward Coulter, 55, of Deltona died Sunday, Jan. 28, 2001, in his home.
Born in Norwalk, Ohio, he moved to Central Florida in 1994. He was a Vietnam era U.S. Navy veteran and worked as a respiratory therapist for Arbor Temporary Services. He was a member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Enterprise and a member of Masons 32nd Degree.
Survivors include his spouse of 14 years, Linda M. Coulter; a son, Jason

Edward Coulter of Idaho; a daughter, Jennifer Noelle Coulter of Idaho; his father and step-mother, Henry and Ruth Coulter of Fort Myers; and a brother, William Coulter of Teukama, Texas.
Memorial donations may be made to All Saints Episcopal Church, 158 Clark St., Enterprise, FL 32725.
Balduff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

Margaret Jane Glover
Margaret Jane Glover, 74, of Orange City died Monday, Jan. 29, 2001 in her residence.
Born in Canton, Ohio, she moved to Central Florida from Louisville, Ohio, in 1993. She was a retired bookkeeper and was of the Christian faith.
Survivors include a son, Peter N. Glover of Warner Robins, Ga.; two daughters, Judith L. Brury of Bedford, N.H., and Mary J. Glover of Canton, Ohio; two sisters, Lily Ann Pasckett of Boise, Idaho, and Alberta Menter of Portland, Ore.; and five grandchildren.
Balduff Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Edith S. Goldstein
Edith "Eddie" S. Goldstein, 88, of Deland died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2001, in Florida Hospital of Deland.
Born April 12, 1912, in Brooklyn, N.Y., she moved to Central Florida from Merrick, N.Y., in 1986. She was a retired office manager for Kalmar's in Massapequa, N.Y., where he worked for 20 years. He enjoyed writing poetry, sculpting and painting, and he was of the Jewish faith.
Survivors include two sons, Harvey

Goldstein of Albuquerque, N.M., and Robert Spero of College Point, N.Y.; one daughter, Beverly Pascale of Deer Park, N.Y.; seven grandchildren; and one great grandchild.
Memorials may be made to the Division of Blind Services, 1185 Durn Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32114.
Balduff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

David Michael Higgins
David Michael Higgins, 55, of Dahlonega, Ga., died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2001, in Northwest Georgia Medical Center in Gainesville, Ga.
A Bar Harbor, Maine native and former resident of Sanford, he lived four months in Lumpkin County. He was a U.S. Army Veteran, having served in Vietnam, and an electrical technician with BellSouth Telephone in Sanford, where he retired after 31 years of service. He was a member of the Campbell VFW Post No. 54 of Sanford, a member of the Weekend Goldminer's Club and was of the Baptist faith.
Survivors include his wife, Donna Higgins of Dahlonega, Ga.; two daughters and sons-in-law, Shari and Bobby Johns of Burns, Tenn., and Lori and David Holladay of Sanford; his father, Carroll Higgins of Nederland, Texas; three grandchildren; a sister, Stacy Welch of Lubbock, Texas; and one brother, Steve Higgins of Sebago Lake, Maine. Other relatives also survive.
A memorial service is scheduled for 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 4, in the chapel of McKinney Funeral Home of Dahlonega, Ga., with the Rev. Rick Darby officiating. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the

American Heart Association, Memorial Gifts Program, P.O. Box 1546, Gainesville, Ga. 30603.

Velma Lloyd
Velma Lloyd, 73, of Deltona died Saturday, Jan. 27, 2001.
Born in Taber City, N.C., she moved to Central Florida in 1992. She was a homemaker and a member of Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness Lakeview Congregation of Deltona.
Survivors include two sons, John R. Lloyd of Deltona and Stephen D. Lloyd of New York City, N.Y.; two daughters, Joanne S. Lloyd of Queens, N.Y., and Andrea Grosvenor of Fort Worth, Texas; a brother, Tom Vereen of Longs, S.C.; three sisters, Earlese Humes and Annie Vereen, both of Longs, S.C., and Ida of Bronx, N.Y.; six grandchildren; and three great grandchildren.
Balduff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

Paul L. Markos Sr.
Paul L. Markos Sr., 80, of Sanford died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2001, from complications from diabetes.
Born in Vidon, Ill., he moved to Sanford in 1957. He was a retired letter carrier for the U.S. Postal Service and a charter member of Grace United Methodist Church. He was a member of York Rite Mason, Eastern Star and Masonic Lodge. He served in the U.S. Navy for 21 years and was an avid sportsman, who enjoyed fishing and football.
Survivors include his wife, Audrey

of Sanford; four sons, Paul Jr., of Winter Park, George of DeBary and Jimmy and Bob, both of Sanford; a daughter, Donna Birmingham of Sarasota; a brother, Gene of Hillsboro of Illinois; a sister, Ethel Dykes of New Smyrna Beach; a niece, Wanda Hittell; a nephew, Hugh Kelly; 16 grandchildren.
Memorial service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 7, and Woodlawn Care Hand Funeral Home of Longwood is in charge of arrangements.
Burial will follow in Evergreen Cemetery in Sanford.

Escar C. Nelder
Escar C. Nelder, 94, of Sanford died Thursday, Feb. 2, 2001.
Born Oct. 22, 1906, in Baldo, Ala., she was a member of First United Methodist Church of Sanford. She was a graduate of Stetson University and retired from Seminole County Schools.
Survivors include one daughter and several nieces and nephews.
Funeral services are 1 p.m., Wednesday, Feb. 7, in Oaklawn Memorial Park with the Rev. James A. Bradshaw officiating. There will be no public calling hours.
Brisson Funeral Home of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

Robert D. Powell
Robert D. Powell, 45, of DeBary died Jan. 28, 2001, in his home.
Born in Houston, Texas, he moved to Central Florida from Miami in 1975. He was the owner of a local pool maintenance company.
Survivors include his wife of 18 years, Glory Ann; two sons, Robert Daniel II, of DeBary and Thomas Michael of DeBary; his father, Richard Powell of Florida; his step-father, John

Czerenda of Chuluota; and a brother, Richard Powell of Jacksonville.
Fourtowns Cremation Inc., of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

Laura Ellen Rankin
Laura Ellen Rankin, 48, of Sanford died Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2001.
Born in Dayton, Ohio, she moved to Central Florida from Fort Lauderdale in 1980. She was a homemaker and of the Christian faith.
Survivors include a son, Michael Bayless of Fort Lauderdale; a daughter, Angie Haggarty of Fort Lauderdale; her parents, Lloyd and Jean Wilkey of Eustis; a brother, Tom Eckert of Miami; three sisters, Evelyn Helman of Sanford, Julie Rowland of Palm Beach and Lisa Larson of Chuluota; and one grandchild.
Tri-County Cremation Service of Longwood is in charge of arrangements.

Carol A. Williams
Carol A. Williams, 47, of Deltona died Tuesday, Jan. 30, 2001, in her home.
Born in Philadelphia, Pa., she moved to Central Florida from Crossville, Tenn., in 1978. She was a teacher for Kiddie Kollege of Orange City.
Survivors include her husband of 19 years, Michael C. Williams; two sons, Shaun Edmonds of Lehigh, Utah, and Justin Williams of Deltona; three daughters, Michelle L. Gant and Stacey An Hsuwatt, both of Melbourne, and Jacque Edmonds of Orlando; one sister, Diane Ashworth of Burlington, N.J.; and seven grandchildren.
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OPINION

Use of Office Bush's example shows government at its best

The Bushes ended their second presidential week by inviting the Kennedys to dinner. The evening's big event was a screening of "Thirteen Days," the Kevin Costner movie about the 1962 Cuban Missile Crisis.

Call me traditional, but this is how a first family should use this country's most cherished house.



Chris Matthews

George W. Bush needs allies in the Senate. At 68, Ted Kennedy is the most potent force on the Democratic side of that body. Indeed, he may be the greatest senator of recent American history.

But, like any of us, the senior senator from Massachusetts also appreciates respect, not just for his current position in Congress but for his family's historic gift to the country. I cannot think of a better way for this younger Bush to begin his service than to honor that of the two older Kennedy brothers — John and Robert — who steered the country from nuclear war.

This is American government at its best. A Republican president pays tribute to a Democratic family and, in so doing, builds goodwill for his legislative agenda. A conservative with one set of values and loyalties exploits the grandeur of the White House to forge a workaday bond with the country's most prominent liberal.

If the country ends up with a better education system, a resilient economy, a tauter "safety net" of social programs, this evening of Bushes and Kennedys — Ted, Vicky, Kathleen, Patrick and all the rest — will be viewed as an emblematic starting point.

If not, it will show that George W. Bush, like his father, appreciates, at the very least, the honor and use of the office. He knows that the aura of the presidency is at its brightest when its occupant can be seen tending its flame.

This is an American reality that the departing President Clinton neither grasped nor wanted to. Clinton's tendency to "de-mystify" the office was his one reliable success through an otherwise uneven eight years. He wanted to rule his party, run the country's domestic and foreign policy, command the troops.

The lone presidential hat Bill Clinton refused to wear was Head of State. A man who loved to lead the government ducked and dodged from personifying the country.

His refusal to accept these responsibilities of state remained stubborn to the end. He treated the White House as a fund-raising casino, filling it with status-seekers eager to spend money for his company, more money to stay through the night. Its historic rooms were converted into a caterer's hall for the feeding of influence-seekers, foreign and domestic. The Lincoln Bedroom became a Motel Six for six-figure contributors.

Clinton's use of the presidential pardon was another dereliction of his duties of state. A president, like monarchs of old, falls heir to the crown prerogative of clemency. This president, Bill Clinton, will be remembered as the guy who pardoned a billionaire fugitive who, in the words of his lawyer, the great Edward Bennett Williams, "spat" on his flag and country to escape justice. The thought that money was involved in this exchange of favors between the Riches and the Clintons is impossible to resist.

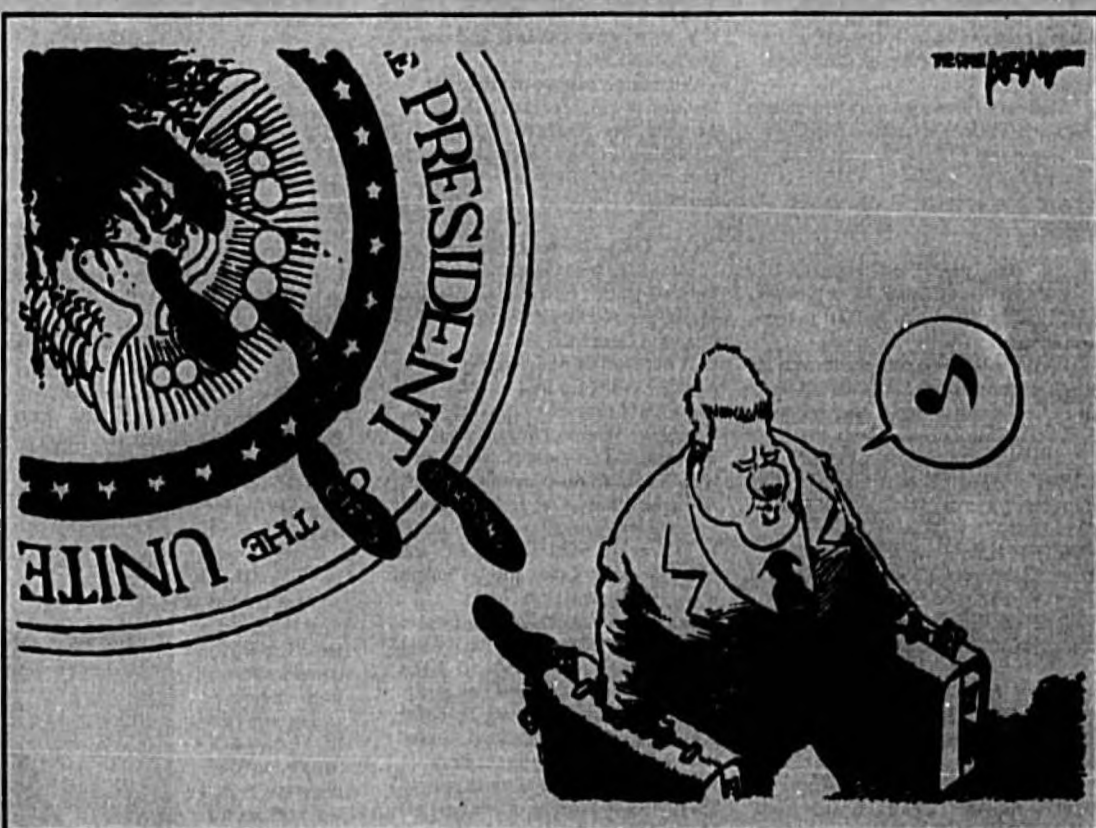
I would like to hope that the new president, despite differences of policy and culture, at least understands his office.

I remember sitting at dinner back in the inaugural weeks of 1993 alongside a young Clinton aide who laughed aloud at something said by the man her guy had defeated, the senior George Bush.

"He was asked what was the greatest thing about being president," she hooted with loud mockery, "and he said 'The honor of it.'"

She thought the old man's sentiment was beyond contempt. I believe that one of the first good things the younger Bush can do is bring it back.

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Your View

Theaters work for the artists — not vice versa

To the editor:

OK, lets all come clean. First, my credentials. I am a writer. My work has been seen in New York, Dallas and Houston as well as Orlando. I am a member of the board for another local

children's theater group and an active member of a local writers group. I belong to the Dramatists Guild and the CFTA.

Second, I never mentioned my son. The comment was based on the expression on all the faces of the actors when they found out second hand of the cancellation. As far as filling the auditorium, where was the advertising? I did not help out because I was not asked. I have

arranged for other productions to be seen on television and I have handled publicity for many other theater based functions. I would have gladly put forth those efforts for this theater company. Where is the organization?

If the theater director, who canceled the performances, is not able to do this then find volunteers to help in these areas. For the record, I think what

Heisen has done is fantastic. I saw the building when it was a gutted shell. I wish her and the theater tremendous success. I have purchased four tickets for the Saturday performance.

One parting comment: Artists don't work for the theater. The theater works for the artists — and everyone works for the community.

Steve A. Rowell
Lake Mary

Plunging off the dot-com cliff

We have been playing phone tag for two months. I'm always reaching him on his cell phone in New York or San Francisco or in his car on 280. I have nothing personal against the guy, but I want to hear every delightful detail about his plunge off the dot-com cliff. I want to recreate in my mind the wonderful echo of his thud as he hit bottom. (I am not as big a person as I would like to be sometimes.)



Joan Ryan

But he's busy-busy-busy. The dot-com is still in business (barely), but a share of its once-popular stock is now as worthless as a Pokemon card. He doesn't want me to mention the dot-com's name or give any identifying information about him, even though he's leaving the company like just about everyone else. There is no profit in blabbing to the press.

I finally pin him down: He'll meet me at the DMV. He can get his driver's license renewed, get our interview finished and answer cell-phone calls all at once — a Silicon Valley hat trick.

"One can never beat up oneself for not being clairvoyant," he says as we stand in the DMV line, his head reflexively swiveling every few minutes to check the display screen on his cell phone, tucked in a holster like a gun.

A year ago, for about a

month, his stock was worth nearly \$20 million. He had hit the big time, like all those people we kept reading about.

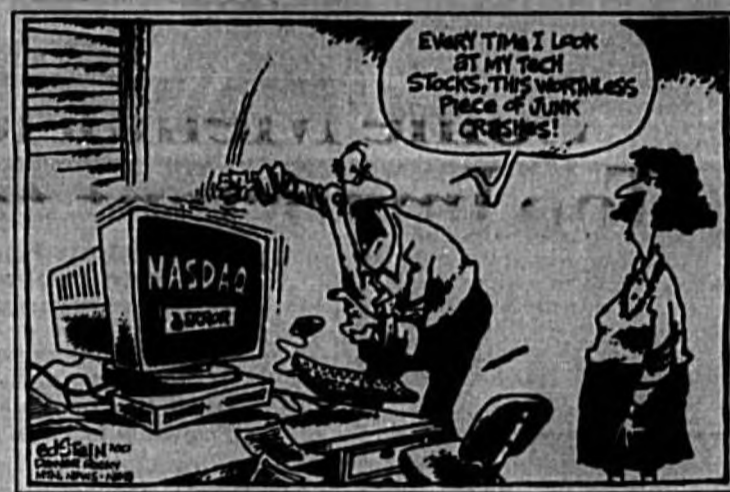
They were prospectors in the modern gold rush, cashing in on being in the right place at the right time with the right skills. The rest of us, paid by the hour, grumbled at every Porsche whizzing by with the name of the dealership still on the plates and ridiculed the dot-com "retreats" at La Costa and the Golden Door.

Then the e-empire began to collapse. Since December 1999, 54,343 jobs among 610 dot-coms have been lost. A report released this week showed 108 companies have closed. My busy dot-commer's stock portfolio fell from millions to thousands. Lucky for him, he is quick to point out, the only splurge he had allowed himself was a \$150 Coach briefcase.

"I always said it was paper," he says. "I never counted on it. That's the difference between being an adult and being a kid. The money's not real until you sell the stock and pay taxes on it."

He could have sold before the stock became worthless, but he would have had to quit the company to do so, and he was having too much fun to quit.

"I'm an adrenaline junkie," he says, shrugging. "I wouldn't have missed it for the world."



What I wanted to hear, frankly, was pain and regret. I wanted to hear he had taken out a \$2 million mortgage based on his stocks' worth and now had to default. I wanted to hear that he sold all his assets to buy stocks and now was watching the repo man take his car.

Instead, it seems, most ex-dot-commers are like this guy: They drew a regular salary like most of us; went to work every day as we did. The difference was they — and we — thought they were riding a magic carpet to financial heaven. It turned out to be a roller coaster instead, and they ended where they started, not much worse or better off.

We finally reach the counter, where my dot-commer hands his paperwork to the clerk.

"It was a matter of second-rate leaders hiring second-rate people," he says, explaining the company's failure. "It was all about egos and a gold-rush mentality. But I must say I never really believed it would collapse as completely as it did."

"That'll be \$15," the clerk says. "Fifteen dollars?" he asks. The clerk stares at him blankly. He fishes in his pockets. He pats his jacket. Then he turns to me. "Can I borrow five bucks?" I feel oddly satisfied as I peel off a five.

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From A to Z

Art Zielinski asks people what they think ...

An estimated 1,000 people move to Florida each week. And if you have to (unfortunately) drive to Orlando each day, you may think that number is substantially higher. So our question today is, "Are too many people moving to Florida? Do you think the state is becoming crowded?"



I'm tickled to death to see people moving to Florida. The company I work for develops residential subdivisions for all those people moving to Florida.
Bill Wainwright,
Longwood



I think it will be a problem. Possibly in the next 10 to 20 years. They seem to be managing the growth of the state.
Daniel Roll,
Sanford



I think the state is becoming over developed. If that's a reflection of the population, then yes, there are too many people in Florida. I wouldn't build a new home. I would buy one that is already built.
Dawn Lubestide,
Sanford



It doesn't bother me. I'm in the construction business, so the more people there are, the more homes there are. Construction people aren't all bad.
Bernard Rybicki,
Winter Springs



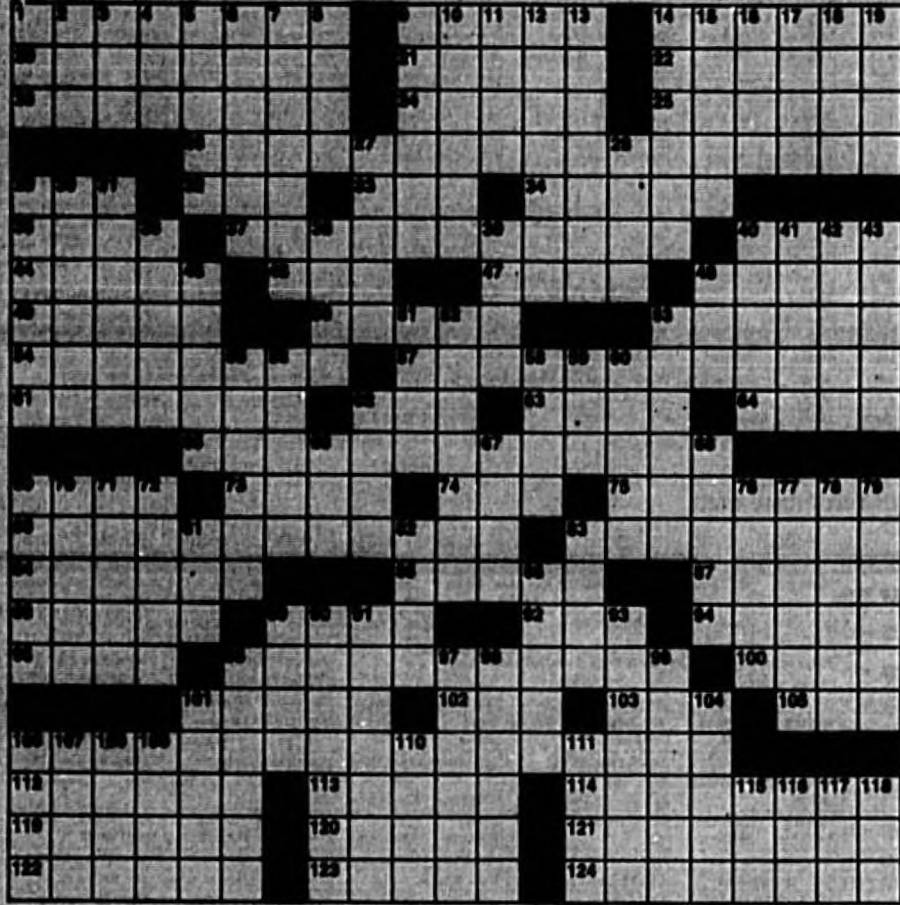
It's true more people are moving here, but the state's not becoming overpopulated. The land is not over populated — the roads are overpopulated, like I-4.
Kim Zanotti,
Deltona

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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Antique Fair
Antique World Orlando, located at the Sanford Flea World complex, will hold its first antique and appraisal fair Saturday, Feb. 24, from noon until 4 p.m., to render opinions on the value of antiques and collectibles. The event is free of charge and open to the public. No appointment is necessary. The

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The Sanford Lions Club and Sanford Lakeside Lions Club will present its annual Blind Fishing Tournament starting 8 a.m. Feb. 24.

The event will be held at Mullet Lake Park in Seminole County. Any sight handicapped person big enough to hold a fishing pole is encouraged to participate. There is no cost, and the Lions Clubs will take care of

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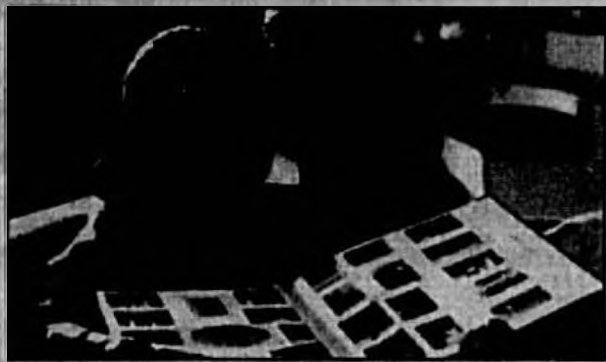
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The Way We Were: Memories of the Pastime Theater

Lorraine Yarborough Whiting recently donated a box full of items to the Sanford Museum, several of which contained new found information. Included were newspaper clippings and memoirs of early Sanford residents.

There were several newspaper articles published during

Seminole County's 50th Anniversary in April 1963; I will give you information from three of them today. The first two were from the April 26, 1963 edition of the Sanford Herald, and the one on the telephone company came from the Orlando Sentinel published April 25, 1963.

Grace Marie Stinecpher

1866 Begins New Era

According to the writer of this article, 1866 had begun a new era in what is now Seminole County. People in other states had begun to hear about the climate and the good agriculture so began to come down the river to settle in the area.

M.J. Doyle and Mr. Brantley, sons-in-law of Dr. Speer, set up a store (the location was not

given) which was the only one between here and Tampa except for a small one in Orlando.

Aaron Cloud came with his family from Georgia in 1866 and settled in what is now Wynwood.

William Humphrey came from Madison in 1867 and the same year Dr. Andrew C. Caldwell purchased what had been the Duval Place at Fort Reid. This was where the McCall residence now stands at 2317 Mellonville Avenue; a stockade had been there in earlier days.

In November 1968, Major J.N. Whitner came from South Carolina and purchased a small grove at Fort Reid.

Colonel B.F. Whitner and his son, Capt. B.F. Whitner, planted groves on Silver Lake and Lake Jesup. A tract of land 4 miles south of Lake Monroe was homesteaded by Mr. Mundy.

Other early settlers included A.H. Crippen, Captain R.H. Marks, Dr. A.D. Bruce, Mr. Holland, Mr. Nichols and the Dickenson family. Also settling here were the Burrells, Scotts, Spencers, Firegans, Randolphs, Deanes, Robinsons, Ingrahams, Camerons Frank Foster, and Judge E.K. Foster among others.

Judge J.W. Tucker came in 1969 and purchased 50 acres of the Levy Grant and erected the first buildings which were a wharf and a packing house near the foot of what is now Palmetto Avenue.

Pastime Theater First in Sanford

This article told of a theater I had not heard of before — the Pastime. It was located in the Bishop Block on First Street between Palmetto and Sanford Avenues; it was owned by George DeCotties.

The year was about 1903 when there were two different pictures on the same reel. Advertising slides would be run during times the reels were changing plus a slide reading "Ladies Please Remove Your Hats."

Mr. DeCotties later owned a theater on the northeast corner of Magnolia at Second Street which was called the Imperial Theater. It sometimes played musical comedies and minstrels.

The old Opera House was located on the southeast corner of Magnolia at Second Street and was operated by W.T. Johns. It was later turned into the Star Theater, owned and operated by O.P. Herndon.

A.G. Allen, owner of Allen Minstrels, built the Allen Theater on West First Street between Park and Oak Avenues. In 1915 this theater was operated by Edward F. Lane and the name was changed to the Lyric Theater whose motto was "The House that Pleases."

Playing there were minstrel shows, musical comedies, vaudeville, stock companies and some of the larger picture

shows. O.P. Herndon later took over the Lyric and changed its name to the Princess Theater.

I have already written about the Milane Theater, later named the Ritz, and now known as the Helen Stairs Theatre.

The Sanford Telephone Company

Telephone service began in Sanford around 1911 with one switch board and five operators. The operators worked in shifts around the clock to provide service for the local residents.

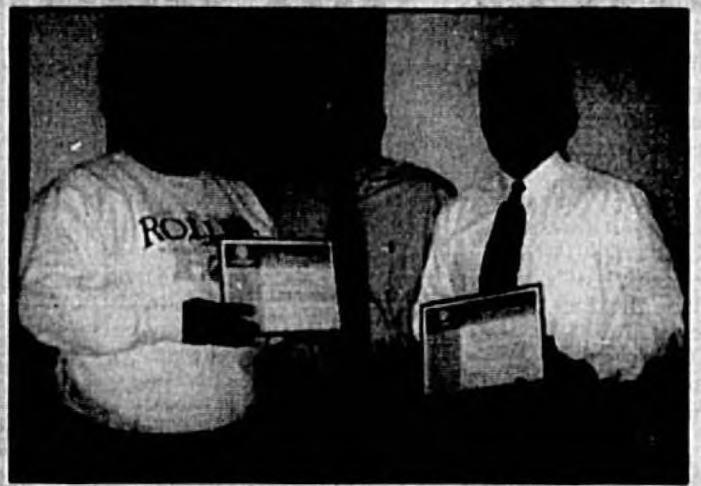
This switchboard was located over the former Hollywood Shop; I believe that Betty Arne's Hairstyling now occupies that space.

In 1915, the switchboard changed hands and became the Southern Bell Telephone Company. During its first year, it served around 500 phones scattered throughout the county. Telephone operators grew in number from 15 to 35.

For 42 years the company remained in the upstairs location. The number of operators had increased to over 100 when the company moved to its new location in 1957.

Back in the early days, the Sanford Telephone Company also had the prestige of owning the only car in the city. This was a celebrated vehicle throughout the city and many a time found a place of honor in parades and celebrations held throughout the area.

Eckstein boys speak to Optimists



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent
Gloria Babcock, left, president of the Optimist Club of Sanford, presents a certificate to David and Rick Eckstein. At a recent meeting, David and Rick, sons of Sanford City Commissioner Whitey Eckstein, discussed their baseball careers and hopes for the future. David will report later this month to the Anaheim Angels spring training camp. If he makes the team, he will stay with the Angels. If not, David will play in Salt Lake City, Utah for Anaheim's AAA baseball team. Rick was recently named the Minnesota Twins strength and conditioning coach, and he will travel this spring throughout the Twins minor league system. David and Rick were joined by their sister, Christine Eckstein, who is an attorney.

Democrats set to meet Feb. 8

The monthly meeting of the Seminole County Democratic Executive Committee (DEC) will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 8, in the Seminole County Public Library, located at 215 N. Oxford Road in Casselberry. This will be a regular business meeting focusing on plans for the 2002 elections. Volunteers who wish to get

involved are particularly needed.

All present and prospective Seminole County Democrats are encouraged to attend. For more information, contact Bob Poe, chair of the Seminole County DEC, at 622-1783; Rosalie Cook, DEC vice chair at 324-2776; or visit the DEC's web site at www.seminoleDemocrats.com.

Community Notes

Road closure

The Oviedo Police Department cautions drivers on Mitchell Hammock Road that the east-bound lane, between SR-434 and Alafaya Woods Blvd. is being closed for one to two hours each day while work crews continue resurfacing the road. On a daily basis, weekdays, the project is closing one or two affected driving lanes, redirecting traffic and reducing speeds.

Police suggest drivers utilize alternate roadways including

Chapman Road and McCulloch Road south of Oviedo, as well as CR-419 east of Oviedo, and SR-426 and 434 through downtown Oviedo.

Power wheelchairs available

The Senior Wheels USA Program is making available power (electric) wheelchairs to senior citizens, 65 and older, and the permanently disabled at no cost to the recipient if they qualify. The wheelchairs are provided to those who cannot walk and

cannot self-propel a manual wheelchair and who meet the additional guidelines of the program. No deposit is required.

Persons needing a power wheelchair for use in the home should call Leon Johnson at 1-800-246-6010.

Tax help

AARP will have tax aide volunteers available Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays through April 13, from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m., at Seminole County

Library West Branch, 245 Hunt Club Blvd. in Longwood.

Individuals seeking tax preparation assistance should bring pertinent tax documents such as a copy of last year's return and other items including the tax package mailed to them by IRS.

Counseling by telecall will also be available from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

For additional information, call 407-628-4381.

Sanford Middle Open House

Sanford Middle Math, Science, Technology Magnet School will be hosting an open house on Thursday, Feb. 8 at 7 p.m.

The meeting will begin in the gym with a brief overview of the programs offered at the school presented by the principal, Bill Moore. Following the meeting, guests will be invited to visit classrooms, the flight simulator lab, the space lab, and the media center. Teachers,

administrators, and guidance counselors will be available to answer questions about the programs at the school.

Applications for the 2001-2002 school year are available at all elementary and middle schools, as well as at the Educational Support Center starting Feb. 1. The deadline for returning the applications is Feb. 28.

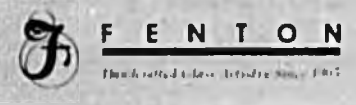
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Dear Abby

His house has been robbed three times, and it's a

robbed him for only three weeks. He invited her into the house. She led him to believe she was going to stay the night with him, got undressed, and then told him she needed to tell the person who gave her a ride that she was staying. She pretended she couldn't find her shirt, and when my father got out of bed to help her look for it, she grabbed his wallet and ran out of the house — topless.

He knew the latest girl who

Abby, how can I stop Dad from making such stupid mistakes? I've tried explaining what these women really were interested in, but it happens over and over. Please help.

WORRIED ABOUT DAD IN NEW MEXICO

DEAR WORRIED: You didn't mention how old your father is or what his mental capacity was before your mother's death, but

it's possible that his ability to care for himself has diminished to the point where intervention is necessary.

Schedule an appointment with a doctor who specializes in geriatric medicine and discuss mental and neurological evaluations for your father. Since it appears that he has lost the ability to protect himself from being taken advantage of, also consider consulting an attorney with expertise in elder law about options.

and embarrassed by my sister's behavior in front of her guests who were trying to enjoy themselves without any food.

Dad drove to my sister's apartment and demanded the food and an apology.

My sister says it was "her" wedding and, therefore, "her" food. She won't forgive my father for disturbing her on her honeymoon. My father is sore at my sister for being so thoughtless, greedy and selfish. Who is right? **HUNGRY IN PHOENIX**

DEAR HUNGRY: Your father.

To pack up the food from the reception before the wedding guests had finished eating was a major breach of good manners. If the newlyweds felt they needed fortification for their honeymoon marathon, they could have phoned a restaurant and had something delivered. Your sister owes her father and her guests an apology.

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DEAR ABBY: My older sister (age 18 1/2) was treated to a lavish wedding and reception courtesy of our parents. As a favor to my mother, her cousin — a caterer — catered the wedding for free.

While my father was on his way home to change my infant brother's diapers (during the wedding madness, no one brought any), my sister and her new husband packed up all the finger sandwiches and most of the remaining food at the reception and left to spend their honeymoon in their new apartment.

When my father returned to the reception, he was outraged to discover that the food was gone,

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Library

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were so expensive."

Potential loss of book sales is also at the heart of another drawback. Unlike traditional Web sites that can be accessed by thousands of users at once, books on the netLibrary system can only be accessed by one user at a time. If someone has "checked out" a book on the system, either by reading it online or downloading it, other users must wait until the book is "checked in." Also, once a book has been downloaded, patrons have use of the book for two hours. After that time patrons, must re-download the book if they want to continue reading.

"It's not a function of the technology. It's more a function of protecting the publishers' copyrights," said Marge Gammon, senior director for marketing at netLibrary. "Publishers are concerned about how they get compensated, so until we can work something out, we decided to go with the one-book-one-user model that everyone is familiar with."

Publishers sell a lot of books to libraries and Gammon said they worry technology that allows hundreds of people to check out a single book at one time would dramatically reduce book sales. For instance, Seminole County Library System would normally purchase at least five copies of the latest bestseller so each branch would have a copy. If multiple

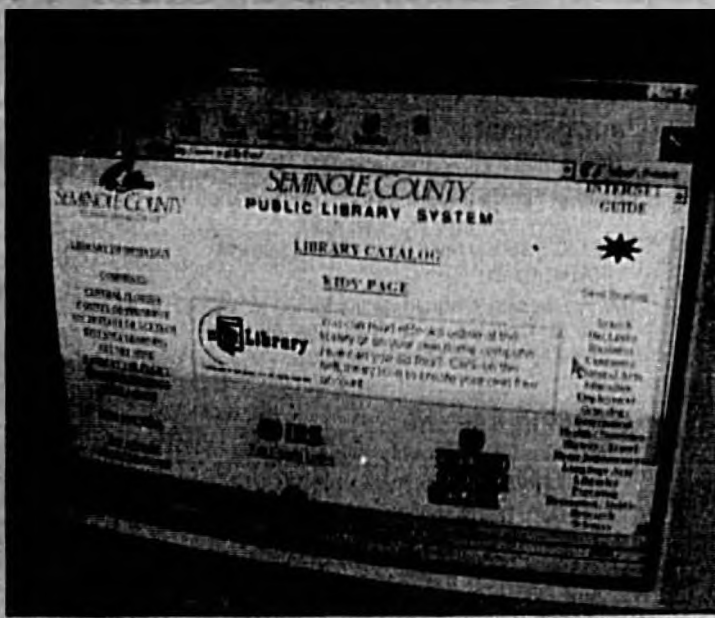
readers could check out an electronic book at the same time, the county would only have to purchase one copy. When a book is part of the statewide online network, like the Seminole County system, sales can be affected even greater. Gammon said she expects the system will change to allow multiple users to access the same book.

"From a technology standpoint, it's doable," Gammon said. "We are in testing now to make that happen, and we're talking with the publishers to make sure they are fairly compensated. I think it's going to happen, and it's going to be sooner rather than later."

Despite these drawbacks, Gammon said interest in netLibrary is growing. In the past year, the company has doubled the number of libraries using the system to nearly 5,400. With more books added to the system and technology upgrades, including a multiple-user system, Gammon expects more libraries to add netLibrary to their collections.

"netLibrary is particularly good for research," Gammon said. "Our collections have a broad range of science and business references. With the search function, users can search a few hundred books in a specific subject area in just a few seconds. It would take several hours to do that same search in the library using traditional books."

Tate said library officials are excited about how netLibrary



Herald photo by Art Zellwold
Seminole County Library patrons can access the netLibrary network from the library's Web site www.scp1.lib.fl.us.

can help their Seminole County patrons.

"It's convenient for our patrons because they don't have to leave their homes to do research," Tate said.

Tate also mentioned the library will implement other technologies to assist patrons. One of those projects is the Electronic Reference Desk. If patrons have a reference question, they can e-mail it to the library and receive the answer within 24 hours. The library hopes to have the Electronic Reference Desk setup by spring.

Tate said the library will continue to take reference questions by phone.

The library is also in the process of installing two word processing stations at every branch, as well as a self-check-out machine so patrons can checkout books at their convenience. These additions should be in each branch by spring.

For more information about the new technologies at the library, contact Tate at 407-339-0140 or check the phone book for the library branch closest to you.

Museum

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making the celery crates to gather them up quickly. The slates and sides of the crates were bound in bundles.

The crates were made in the fields and wash houses, Jacobs said. A square head hatchet was used to hammer the nails. A person was paid 1 cent per crate, and some people made up to \$5 a day.

"Before the nail stripper was used, people put the black nails in their mouths and manipulated them with their tongues," Jacobs said. "By the end of the day, their mouths would be black."

While trying to discover more about the nail stripper, Jacobs found a photograph of the agricultural tool in a 1941 edition of the Sanford Herald.

"It was a picture of the Chase Co. warehouse," Jacobs said. "In the corner of the picture was a nail stripper."

"We blew up the picture to

look at the nail stripper," she said. "After we viewed it, we realized we couldn't get ours to look like it."

Jacobs believes the nail stripper donated to the museum is actually missing a piece. She encourages anyone with an old nail stripper to bring it to the museum, located at 300 Bush Boulevard, so officials can see what item is actually missing.

"We hope someone will share it with us," she said. "We want to compare it to ours because we want to set it up in our celery room with the crates."

Museum officials are also hoping to acquire a square head hatchet to complete their display.

To contact Jacobs, call the Museum Of Seminole County History at 407-321-2489.

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Woodruff

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the future.

"I would like to see us develop a mapping strategy within the police department," he said. "By doing that we can analyze where our police are, when they are there, what they are doing, and where they need to focus their efforts."

Like most candidates in the March municipal elections, Woodruff agrees that growth and development are foremost on most residents' minds.

"We need a balanced approach to growth," said the District 1 hopeful. "We have to find a balance between too fast or too slow. I would be an active listener on all sides of the issue. I would do research and get the facts. Then I would make decisions that more of the community can get behind."

Two particular areas of growth Woodruff sees as critical are the development of Sanford's waterfront, and increased density on CR 46.

"With the mall and new developments along 46 I think we need to explore the use of increasing our setbacks for buildings and putting in access roads that take some of the pressure off our main thoroughfares."

He said the City needs to set

policies to guide growth and development, not let development guide the city.

"I'm in favor of a convention Center but I don't want it on Ft. Mellon Park," Woodruff said.

"The traffic congestion along Mellonville Avenue would be too intense. I'm not opposed to having it downtown but we need a more complete discussion on it and I don't believe it should be a financial burden on the city."

Woodruff said he supports other waterfront projects like the development of fishing piers, turning Ft. Mellon Park into a more active use park with upgrades to shrubbery, landscaping, improving the picnic pavilion and playground areas. He said the public referendum held three years ago about a hotel and conference center was

divisive for the city.

Woodruff said he also sees problems in the area of the City's codes enforcement.

"Some of our codes are not clear. Compound that by the fact that some residents take care of their property and some don't."

"Perception is reality," said Woodruff. "People have the right not to put up with code violations, but at the same time residents have the right to have clearly stated codes and have them enforced. I think the City should do what it can to help residents come into compliance. But we can't govern by the lowest common denominator."

Woodruff said he is open to the idea of setting aside a portion of the city budget on an annual basis to develop grants for property owners and busi-

ness owners in each district on an equitable basis.

"But with those tax credits or incentive grants the city has a right to have expectations about a return on the investment," he said.

If elected Woodruff said he would also like to encourage city employees to become involved in school mentoring programs and said he felt in order to attract more business and jobs to the Sanford area the city needs to meet the needs of those prospective businesses.

"Education, jobs, and the quality of life are what can make Sanford a desirable place to live," Woodruff said.

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NOTICE TO REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE CITY OF LAKE MARY, FLORIDA SPECIAL ELECTION FEBRUARY 20, 2001

Pursuant to Chapter 101.71, Florida Statutes, notice is hereby given that the City of Lake Mary will be conducting a Special Election on Tuesday, February 20, 2001, between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M. The Election for all registered City voters will be held in the City Commission Chambers at Lake Mary City Hall, 100 N. Country Club Road, Lake Mary, Florida. The purpose of the election is to elect a City Commissioner to serve the remainder of the term for Seat 4.

For further information regarding the election, contact the City Clerk's office at 407-324-3023.

ATTENTION KSMART SHOPPERS

In the Kmart February 4, 2001 weekly ad circular, on page 7, the WWF "The Music Volume #5" CD is featured. This item will not be available at this time due to the Recording Label's change of release date.

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BUSINESS

Business Notes

Olive Garden celebrates
The Orange City Olive Garden held a special event recently. As part of its Revitalia commitment to authentic Italian design, Olive Garden celebrated the renovation of its Orange City restaurant with a ribbon cutting and unveiling of a special stone engraved with the name of Orange City General Manager Judith Cantor.

The Orange City renovation, now completed, is part of a national initiative to renovate the company's 480 restaurants. The Orange City restaurant, 2530 Enterprise Road, is the first in the Revitalia renovations.

Lease negotiated
Midas International Corporation has leased 5,600 square feet of warehouse space at 516 Douglas Avenue in Altamonte Springs. The lease is for five years. Steve Porter of Duke Properties and Craig Graham negotiated the transaction.

Realvest negotiates more lease, land sales

From staff reports

Realvest Partners, Inc., of Maitland, has reported a number of industrial leases and land sales.

Michael Heidrich, director of industrial and land at Realvest, has negotiated the sale of a 4.32 acre industrial site in Sanford for \$465,000. Heidrich represented Paul and Myrick Lukas and Lyle Burks. Harry Huynh is the buyer.

Heidrich also negotiated an office warehouse lease at 782 Monroe Street in Sanford that includes 1,100 square feet of office space and 900 square feet of warehouse space. Connecting Technology, Inc. is the new tenant. Realvest represented the owner, Robert Von Herbulus.

Heidrich negotiated a second lease at 2592 W. Airport Boulevard. This one is for a total of 3,500 square feet - 1,500 square feet of office space and 2,000 square feet of warehouse space. Olympian Pool Services is the new tenant. Realvest represented DBS Properties, Inc., of Kent, Ohio.

In the Longwood area, Heidrich negotiated the sale of a 26,000 square foot office/warehouse building on a two care industrial site at Spring Hammock Industrial Park, 1685 Timacuan Way. Craik & Sons, Inc. paid \$920,000 for the building.



Sisters-in-law Diane and Pat Moyes are surrounded by a portion of the many antiques which shoppers may purchase at their new shop, The Mulberry Bush, in downtown Sanford. The shop will have its grand opening on Saturday, Feb. 24.

Sisters in business for themselves

Historic downtown Sanford is known for its many antique shops. A recent addition which caters to shopper's interested in antiques and collectibles is The Mulberry Bush. The shop is owned by sisters-in-law Pat and Diane Moyes.

The store is located at the former site of The Rusty Duck. When The Rusty Duck closed up shop, the Moyes decided to move in and establish their own antique business.

"We saw the opportunity and decided that instead of working for somebody else we would like to try it on our own," Diane said.

Being self-professed novices in the business world, the Moyes describe their decision as a "true leap of faith." However, both Pat and Diane said they were always interested in antiques, which was their primary reason for specializing in that area opposed to choosing another type of business.

According to the Moyes, they didn't have to face starting their new business alone. Other antique shop owners supplied them with valuable information on acquiring the necessary business licenses and setting up shop.

"Everyone downtown has been so supportive. They bent over backwards to help us," Pat remarked. Additional encouragement came from Pat's husband, Bob. "He wrote a good luck message with lipstick on the bathroom mirror," Pat said.

The antiques that the Moyes have for sale



span a wide variety of items and years. Among the old milk cans, cream separator and butter churn, shoppers will find an assortment of fine china, linens, crystal and furniture. A special item is a 100-year-old quilt which was made in Jacksonville.

"In the antique business you have to have a little bit of everything," Pat explained.

The Moyes said they also plan to offer antique jewelry in the near future.

The Mulberry Bush, which is now open for business, will have its grand opening on Saturday, Feb. 24. The shop is located at 307 East 1st Street, Sanford. Store hours are: Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

Regional Chamber sponsoring February events

The Seminole County / Lake Mary Regional Chamber of Commerce will hold its February Breakfast Meeting Wednesday, Feb. 7, at 7:30 a.m., at Heathrow Country Club, 1200 Bridgewater Road. Sponsor is Workers Temporary Staffing. Cost is \$5 for members, \$10 for non members.

The Chamber will hold a State of the County luncheon, Thursday, Feb. 15, at 11:30 a.m., at Orlando Hilton North, Altamonte Springs. A presentation will be given by the Seminole County Commission chairman and the county manager. Corporate tables are \$400

for members, \$475 for non members.

For additional information, call the chamber at 407-333-4748.

The Chamber's February Business After Hours will be held on Thursday, Feb. 22, from

5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Kaufman Realty's Primera Court II, located at 735 Primera Boulevard in Lake Mary. Admission is free for members and guests. For more information, call 407-834-4404.

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Online drugs can be very dangerous

By the Editors of Consumer Reports

Ordering prescription drugs online is convenient for people who are pressed for time or homebound, but it can also provide an easy avenue for the unethical or even illicit trafficking of these substances.

When one of our reporters logged on anonymously to several sites — some accompanied by troubling boasts such as "No prescription? No doctor? No problem." — he was able to buy several different drugs for which he had no demonstrable medical need, let alone a prescription.

Sites like the ones our reporter visited are estimated to number in the hundreds, and they're likely to multiply as the annual sale of prescription drugs online is expected to approach \$1 billion over the next few years. Many of these sites are legitimate, of course, but others are established by companies looking to make a fast buck off consumers intent on treating themselves.

The latter, termed "rogue" pharmacies by government regulators and lawmakers, can look as sophisticated as legitimate ones. Yet they don't require that a patient be examined by a licensed physician or issued a prescription for a drug approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Neither do they necessarily employ registered pharmacists working in a licensed pharmacy that meets state standards.

Pitfalls abound, including incomplete drug-usage instructions, the questionable quality of some drugs, and the loss of patient privacy that can accompany online transactions.

Still, it is possible to reap the convenience of ordering online while ensuring you get the care you need. Here's how:

— Look for Web sites bearing

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The Department gives notice of its intent to find the Amendment to the Comprehensive Plan for the City of Sanford, adopted by Ordinance No. 3572 on December 18, 2000, IN COMPLIANCE pursuant to Sections 163.3184, 163.3187 and 163.3189, F.S.

The adopted City of Sanford Comprehensive Plan Amendment and the Department's Objections, Recommendations and Comments Report, (if any), are available for public inspection Monday through Friday, except for legal holidays, during normal business hours, at the City of Sanford City Hall, Department of Engineering and Planning, 300 North Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida 32771.

Any affected person, as defined in Section 163.3184, F.S., has a right to petition for an administrative hearing to challenge the proposed agency determination that the Amendment to the City of Sanford Comprehensive Plan is in Compliance, as defined in Subsection 163.3184(1), F.S. The petition must be filed within twenty-one (21) days after publication of this notice, and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.201, F.A.C. The petition must be filed with the Agency Clerk, Department of Community Affairs, 2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2100, and a copy mailed or delivered to the local government. Failure to timely file a petition shall constitute a waiver of any right to request an administrative proceeding as a petitioner under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S. If a petition is filed, the purpose of the administrative hearing will be to present evidence and testimony and forward a recommended order to the Department. If no petition is filed, this Notice of Intent shall become final agency action.

If a petition is filed, other affected persons may petition for leave to intervene in the proceeding. A petition for intervention must be filed at least twenty (20) days before the final hearing and must include all of the information and contents described in Uniform Rule 28-106.205, F.A.C. A petition for leave to intervene shall be filed at the Division of Administrative Hearings, Department of Management Services, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1550. Failure to petition to intervene within the allowed time frame constitutes a waiver of any right such a person has to request a hearing under Sections 120.569 and 120.57, F.S., or to participate in the administrative hearing.

After an administrative hearing petition is timely filed, mediation is available pursuant to Sub section 163.3189(3)(a), F.S., to any affected person who is made a party to the proceeding by filing that request with the administrative law judge assigned by the Division of Administrative Hearings. The choice of mediation shall not affect a party's right to an administrative hearing.

-s-Charles Gauthier, AICP
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Bowl

Continued from Page 1A the afternoon's final championship bout.

When the dust settled Lake Mary brain bowl members Will Abbot, Jenny Davis, James Ginn, Emily Goldman, Chris Hanson, and Ed Song coached by physics instructor Steve DeSanto edged out Seminole High for top honors.

Individual "All Star" honors were bestowed upon students who answered the most ques-

tions correctly. The 2001 All Stars included: First place-Kevin Chan, Seminole High School; Second place-Alyssa Zerkowitz, Lake Brantley High School; Third place-Greg Peele, Oviedo High School; Fourth place-Will Abbott, Lake Mary High School; Fifth place-Mike Snead, Lake Howell High School.

For Lake Brantley senior Alyssa Zerkowitz, Friday's competition marked the fourth straight year she's matched wits

against fellow competitors.

"It's fun. It's good practice for the county tournament," said Zerkowitz during a short break between preliminary rounds. "We hold practices after school with questions and buzzers to get prepared. This type of extra-curricular activity really helps develop team building and communication skills. The area kids come together for a good reason." Zerkowitz has represented

Lake Brantley at the "Battle of the Brains" since her freshman year. Now she has her sights set on attending either Dartmouth College or Emory University where she plans on majoring in Biology and developing a career in medical research.

"It was a little tough handling 12th-grade SAT questions as a freshman," she recalled. "But you really learn — sometimes enough to point out to the judges they have the wrong

answer to their own questions."

The future biologist pointed to a question a year ago in which she corrected judges on a medical question.

"There's no such thing as a benign cancer. I know because I study cancer," she boasted.

First place finishers received trophies and plaques while runners up finishers also received plaques at the conclusion of Friday's competition, the seventh year that Seminole

Community College has conducted the Battle of the Brains. Faculty members from across the school's academic disciplines served as judges and moderators for the competition organized by psychology instructor Lisa Valentino.

Oh, the answers to the questions above. In order they are: 1. Juno. 2. Dante. 3. Lake Nasser. 4. The serial position effect.

How did you do?

Forum

Continued from Page 1A elected mayor his emphasis would be on more improvements in public safety, continuing Sanford's capital projects,



Lessard

and increased emphasis on upgrading the city's parks and recreation programs and to make sure no section of the city is left behind.

"We can't afford to let any section of this city sink," said Lessard. "When one section of the city sinks the whole city is dragged down."

Fellow mayoral candidate Kerry Lyons sounded similar themes.

"We need to look out for what is best for the whole city," Lyons told the audience. "City boards are the backbone of city government. We need more input from the citizens of Sanford and we need to listen to them."

"Sanford needs to chart a course for its future that



Lyons

includes all of its citizens — and we need to see things through."

Lyons said he has done a lot of door knocking and listening since last spring when he lost a bid

to fill the unexpired term of A.A. "Mac" McClanahan.

He said he would focus his efforts toward reasonable growth management with an emphasis on local entrepreneurial development rather than big business development.

"I care about this community and feel an obligation to run," Lyons said. "This is my home. I join residents when they say they want Sanford to be a place they call home, where they can raise their children and enjoy a quality of life."

Mayoral candidate Dean Ray told the audience he felt Sanford was becoming too overcrowded with new development.

"We are seeing more and

more big apartment complexes creeping in," Ray said. "I think our focus should be on redeveloping the downtown area and our empty shopping centers."

Ray advocated district commissioners having a stronger say in assessing the needs of the respective districts. He called for taking Ft. Mellon Park out of a waterfront development mix and for upgrades of the city's parks.

Ray also focused his comments on improved public safety.

"We now have the lowest crime rate since I've been in Sanford," Ray said. "But we can do more. I would like to see the city build a new police department. The current building is almost dilapidated and its too small. Secretary's are out in the hallways."

Ray also advocated having the Sanford Police department

take back its own dispatching that was turned over last year to the Seminole County Sheriff's office.

"Sanford's 37,000 citizens deserve better than that," Ray said. Mayoral candidate Bates Reed said he felt the city should handle future growth with the mentality of a corporation.

"We need to create a city where people are excited about living here, a city where they can both work and live," he said. "Developers do not have to take over our land. We should return to a traditional city design with ample transportation to all areas instead of bottlenecks."

Reed said it was imperative the city develop its waterfront and let tourism foot the bill for costs associated with growth.

"I absolutely feel we need a hotel and conference center but

High School yearbook to the podium and read a portion of what he wrote 20 years ago to the audience.

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Woodruff also said he felt the city needed to look at constructing access roads along major arteries like CR 46 to alleviate traffic congestion in the future.

I'm open to relocating it to another area besides Ft. Mellon Park."

District 1 candidates Linda Kuhn and Art Woodruff



Kuhn

expressed fairly similar visions of their platforms for the future.

Kuhn told the audience it was vital for Sanford to have a solid Master Plan in place to address

future growth and development issues.

"I would like to see Sanford become the best community in Central Florida," Kuhn said. "We've made great progress in some sections of the city and we need to extend that to all sections of the city."

Kuhn said three years ago when a public referendum supported a hotel and conference center on the shores of Lake Monroe she was all for it. She said she would take a critical look at the results of an impending Request for Proposals about private partnership development to see if the project is still viable.

Fellow District 1 candidate Art Woodruff brought his 1980

Seminole

High School yearbook to the podium and read a portion of what he wrote 20 years ago to the audience.

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Deal

Continued from Page 1A term lease for a portion of the property — at least three acres and a possible 10 acres so groups such as the Winter Springs Grizzlies, Winter Springs Soccer Club and the Central Florida United Soccer Club have access to practice fields and unpaved parking.

Before agreeing to allow the use of the land, Board members had several concerns about allowing the city to use the property, including the potential "ownership" of the site. When plans for the new school are finalized, the land will no longer be available to the city for recreational purposes — even if it is during midseason for a sport.

"Right now, you may understand it is temporary, but the people after you may not," Board member Jeanne Morris told the Winter Springs contingent.

In response, Mayor Partyka said the city is currently in negotiations with other property owners to purchase a permanent space for the recreational groups.

"Everybody does realize this is a temporary situation," Partyka said. "We are willing to write a letter to every group in the city letting them know it is temporary, and we will send a letter every six months."

"I can assure you we will do everything we can from a community standpoint."

According to Executive Director of Facilities Dianne L. Krammer, the construction for a new elementary school may begin as early as three years

from now, depending on whether the money becomes available through the approval of a one-cent tax. Land will need to be cleared one year prior to the school's construction.

"Hopefully, the city will have a permanent site by 2003," Winter Springs Commissioner Edward Martinez said. "I give my word we will be out of there when the time is up."

Following the presentation, the Board agreed to enter into a letter of understanding with the city for use of the property.

Also during the meeting:

• Morris presented the Board with the Blue Ribbon award for academic excellence from Expansion Management Magazine, Earl Hurrey was recognized for his contributions to Arts Alive!, the Business Advisory Board was acknowledged for their commitment to the School Board and the students of Seminole County, several students and teachers received You Make Us Proud certifications, and Spring Lake Elementary showcased their program Scienterrific with project boards and a video on the Orlando Science Center/Spring Lake grant.

• The Board approved the

resolution from the state and declared the week of Feb. 5 to Feb. 9 1 as Student Services Week.

• The Board approved the Charter for United Cerebral Palsy Seminole Child Development Center Charter School.

• Several teachers, assistants (those requiring a substitute when absent), bus drivers, and bus monitors received awards

for having perfect attendance.

• The Board reviewed the trends in the discipline data and directed procedural changes be made in the manner in which drug and alcohol violations are processed.

• The Board agreed to have the Board Retreat on Feb. 20 at 9 p.m.

The Board agreed to meet in Work Session to discuss Charter School Application and Audit Processes on April 10, at 1:30 p.m., Work Session with Pinellas County Public Schools regarding collaborative bargaining on April 24, at 4 p.m., and the Technology Exposition Work Session on May at 4:00 p.m.

The next School Board Meeting will be held on Feb. 13 at 3:30 p.m. If an Executive Session is required the meeting will call to order at 3:00 p.m.

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Paul Partyka
Winter Springs Mayor

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Hamilton holds first RIF book distribution

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Veda Blake, left, helps 3rd-grader Willie Mitchell select a book during Hamilton Elementary School's first ever Reading is Fundamental (RIF) book distribution. Blake, a school Dividend Volunteer and the coordinator for RIF, organized the distribution that will allow 700 Pre-K through 5th-grade students to take home a free book. Two other distributions are planned for March and May.

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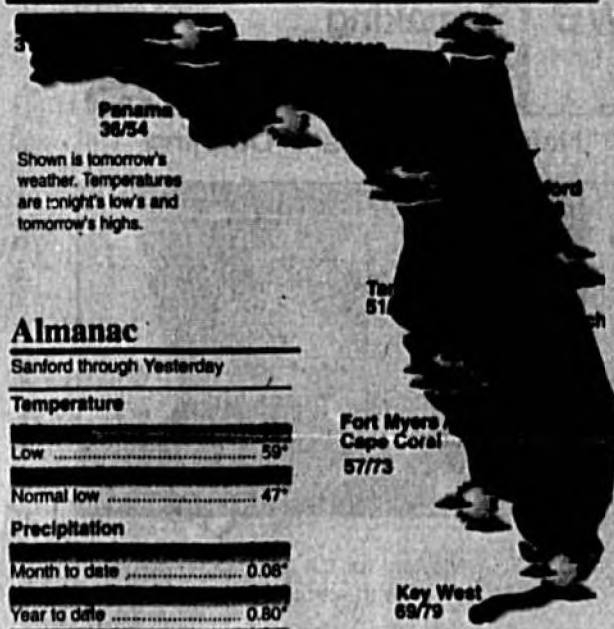
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Five-Day Forecast for Sanford



Regional Weather

Florida: Clouds with a few showers tonight. Partly cloudy in the central part of the state tomorrow, more sun to the north and south.
Georgia: Partly to mostly cloudy tonight and rather cool. A good deal of sunshine tomorrow.
Mississippi: Turning out clear and cold tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow with a cool afternoon.
Alabama: Partly to mostly cloudy and chilly tonight. Cold despite plenty of sunshine tomorrow.
South Carolina: Turning out mainly clear and cold tonight. Mostly sunny and quite chilly tomorrow.
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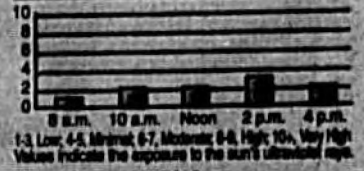
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Tomorrow		
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First High	2:49 a.m.	4.2 ft.
Second Low	3:34 a.m.	0.1 ft.
Second High	10:11 a.m.	3.8 ft.
Sunday		
First Low	10:27 a.m.	0.4 ft.
First High	3:59 a.m.	4.4 ft.
Second Low	10:36 a.m.	-0.2 ft.
Second High	2:29 p.m.	3.6 ft.

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City	Temp.	Sun.
	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
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Bainbridge, GA	59 26 pc	62 43 pc
Coral Springs	78 68 c	78 68 f
Crestview	55 22 s	61 61 s
Gainesville	58 48 pc	68 47 c
Key West	79 67 pc	79 70 pc
Melbourne	68 60 c	73 66 sh
Norfolk	77 69 c	78 69 c
Sarasota	65 53 c	71 61 s
St. Augustine	59 49 pc	65 61 sh
Tampa	68 55 c	72 68 c
Thomsonville	59 38 pc	69 48 pc
W. Palm Bch.	75 64 c	77 62 f

National Cities

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	Hi Lo W	Hi Lo W
Baltimore	38 22 pc	48 34 pc
Billings	44 24 c	36 21 pc
Boston	34 19 pc	39 26 c
Charleston, SC	51 31 s	58 46 pc
Cleveland	29 26 s	36 28 sh
Daytona Beach	62 50 c	70 54 sh
Detroit	30 25 c	36 27 sh
El Paso	62 35 s	66 37 s
Honolulu	80 68 sh	78 65 s
Houston	62 35 s	66 42 c
Kansas City	50 29 c	43 25 c
Las Vegas	64 45 s	66 36 s
Memphis	52 35 s	52 35 pc
Miami	78 66 c	78 66 sh
Nashville	42 30 s	51 53 c
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Santa Fe	48 23 pc	48 34 pc
Topeka	52 28 pc	43 32 pc
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Tomorrow's National Weather



Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are shown for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities. Yesterday's highest/lowest (for the 48 contiguous states) High 94° in Opa Locka, FL; Low -20° in Ophelm, MT.

World Cities

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Sydney	60 58 pc	68 72 s
Tokyo	42 30 pc	48 38 pc

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ADULT VOLLEYBALL
The City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Polar Bear Recreational Volleyball League played week 2 this past Monday evening in the Dan Pelham Gymnasium at Sanford Middle School. As in Week 1, Fall A League champion Shoestrings went 3-0, and, in fact, the whole league finished with same records as last week, but the same could not be said for the defending B League champion Guppies, which not only suffered their first loss of the season, but went 1-3 for the week to also fall out of first place.

In the A League, the Shoestrings defeated Nation's Fence, 15-4, Beer :30, 15-13, and Matt's Team, 15-11; Matt's Team went 2-1 for the second straight week, beating Beer :30, 15-11, and Nation's Fence, 15-4; and Beer :30 (1-2) bested Nation's Fence, 15-10.

In the B League, the Unknowns had a perfect 4-0 week to vault into first place, knocking off the Saints, 11-9, Idyllwild, 11-5, Sanford Church of God, 11-5, and the Guppies, 11-4.

Sanford Church of God bounced back to top the Saints, 11-5, Idyllwild, 11-8, and the Guppies, 11-8, to go 3-1 for the week and move into a tie for second with the Guppies, who recorded their only win over Idyllwild, 11-5.

The Saints went 2-2 for the second consecutive week, trouncing the Guppies, 11-1, and edging Idyllwild, 11-9.

The standings after two week are:
A League - Shoestrings (6-0), Matt's Team (4-2), Beer :30 (2-4), and Nation's Fence (0-6).

B League - Unknowns (6-2), Guppies and Sanford Church of God (both 5-3), Saints (4-4), and Idyllwild (0-8).

The league will play every Monday night at Sanford Middle School starting at 7 p.m. and the public is invited.

QUARTER MIDGET TRACK TO OPEN

On Wednesday, February 7th, the Quarter Midget Racing Association (QMRA) and New Smyrna Speedway will host the grand opening of the quarter midget track at New Smyrna Speedway.

NASCAR stars Mark Martin, Rusty Wallace, Bill Elliott, Dale Jarrett, Dale Earnhardt, Jr., Matt Kenseth, Jeff Burton, Kenny Schrader, Jack Roush, Mike Skinner, Wally Dallenbach, Jr. and Benny Parsons will be on hand and will hold an autograph session from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Midget racing begins at 7:30 p.m. and tickets will be on sale the day of the event at the gate.

Gates open at 3 p.m. and admission is \$20.00, children under 12 are free!

For more information on any local short track action, call the FASCAR offices at 407-568-1367 (Orlando) or 904-427-4129 (New Smyrna), or check the Internet site at WWW.NEWSMYRNA-SPEDWAY.COM.

YMCA OFFERINGS

The Seminole YMCA Family Center, 665 Longwood-Lake Mary Road is offering an Adult 4-on-4 Basketball League - For men and women ages 18-and-up. The league will have three divisions: competitive, semi-competitive, and recreational. Games are played under modified National High School Federation rules with eight players per team. The eight-See Briefs, Page 3B

Silver Hawks soccer flying high

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

BUNNELL — It's been quite a week for the Lake Howell soccer program. Timmy Nix scored on a breakaway with 2:49 to play in overtime as the Silver Hawks boys team edged Lyman, 2-1, in the semifinals of the Class 3A-District 5 Tournament at Flagler-Palm Coast High School Thursday night.

Robert Youngblood gave No. 3 seeded Lake Howell an early 1-0 lead, but the No. 2 seeded Greyhounds, which had crushed Pine Ridge 6-0 on Tuesday to get to the semifinals, tied the game on a goal by Donald Jackson to force overtime, set-

Lake Howell squads advance to Class 3A-District 5 finales

ting the stage for Nix's heroics. The victory put the Silver Hawks in Friday's district championship game and assured them of a game in the regionals next week and would be at home with a win.

But to play at home, Lake Howell, which earned its spot in the semifinals with a 6-0 whipping of Mainland on Tuesday, had to defeat the defending state champions, Flagler-Palm Coast, on

its home field. The Bulldogs (22-2) advanced with a 10-0 victory over New Smyrna Beach in a game that was stopped early in the second half by the mercy rule.

The Silver Hawks girls, the defending state champions and No. 1 seed, had a much easier time advancing to the finals, easily past Pine Ridge, 6-0, on Wednesday.

As usual, Lake Howell's defense was

outstanding, holding the Panthers without a shot on goal for the game.

Randi Holcomb and Mindy Mulvihill gave the Silver Hawks (22-1-2) a 2-0 lead at halftime and Piper Seaman put the game out of reach by scoring a pair of goals within a 28-second span at the beginning of the second half.

Jenny Mulvihill and Katie Register added insurance scores for Lake Howell.

The Silver Hawks were to have faced No. 3 seed Spruce Creek, which upset No. 2 Flagler-Palm Coast 1-0 on penalty kicks on Wednesday, in Friday's finals at Flagler-Palm Coast High School, but will play in the regionals next week even if

See Soccer, Page 3B

Rams survive shootout

Lake Mary edges Lake Brantley in boys soccer marathon

By Henry Uhlenbrauck, Jr.
Herald Correspondent

LAKE MARY — It was the soccer battle to end all soccer battles. Lake Mary (17-3-4) and Lake Brantley (17-4-4), two evenly matched teams, faced off Wednesday evening at Lake Mary High School's Don T. Reynolds Stadium for the Class 4A-District 3 Boys Semifinal. After 80 minutes of regulation and 20 minutes of overtime (four five-minute periods) the game was still tied at 2-2. It came down to penalty kicks with the Lake Mary Rams coming out ahead 4-3 in the penalty shoot-out to record the 3-2 victory and a shot at Deltona in the finals.

For Lake Brantley, and its seniors, it was a chance for the Patriots to finally beat Lake Mary in a four year drought.

This year the two teams had tied the three times they met. "My motivation for the players was telling the seniors this was their chance," said Danny Kirby Lake Brantley head coach. "This is my first year and this team has exceeded all my expectations."

It looked like that motivation was set when the Patriots' Mike Zusi took a shot at the goal within the first 15 seconds of the game.



Herald photo by Art Ziellinski

Lake Mary senior midfielder Devin Esterbrook (shown driving between a pair of Lyman defenders earlier this season) has been a key figure during the Rams' run at the Class 4A-District 3 championship this week.

But it was the Rams that got the first goal with forward Samer Jawad getting the only goal of the first half with 29:52 left. He got off a curved shot that got past the Lake Brantley goalkeeper, Dana Singer.

Zusi had two other opportunities in the first half but the first one was cleared by the Rams' Ryan Pascioni and the other was cleared by goalkeeper Bart Creasman sliding into the ball.

Lake Mary took command with the second goal with 34:42 left in the second half by for-

ward Zolie Kesckes, on a pass from Jawad, that was angled into the goal.

Later, with 22:41 left in regulation Zusi slipped one past Creasman after Matt Watkins and Creasman had collided trying to get the ball away from the goal when it was passed to Zusi.

After the goal the crowd for Lake Brantley started getting into the game after staying quiet for the first half.

"I knew if they hadn't scored so early in the second half we would have won," said Larry

McCorkle, Rams head coach. "I knew this was going to be close. We tied three times prior to this game."

The Patriots then tied the game with a goal by midfielder Tommy Stavitzski with 10:45 left.

It would not be until the final two minutes of regulation that Lake Mary would finally opened up its offense but it would not be enough to keep the game from going to overtime.

With 1:30 left, the Rams' See Shootout, Page 3B

Districts open for girl 5's

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

LONGWOOD — With district tournaments ready to begin this Monday, the Lyman High School girls basketball team is on quite a roll.

The Greyhounds (19-8) upset state-ranked Lake Mary on Tuesday, then followed that up with a 60-54 overtime victory over Seminole on Thursday.

Lyman will join Lake Howell for the Class 5A-District 5 Tournament at Deltona High School.

Seminole (20-7) will be the No. 1 seed in the Class 5A-District 6 Tournament at Satellite High School, but will not play until Thursday at 6 p.m. when they will take on the winner of Tuesday's Satellite-Palm Bay game.

Lake Mary (22-3) will be the No. 1 seed in the Class 6A-District 3 Tournament at DeLand High School. Winter Springs will be the No. 2 seed with the host Bulldogs, Oviedo and Lake Brantley rounding out the field.

Jessica Fiorenza and Katie Radcliffe scored 11 points each as the Greyhounds upset the Rams in a slow-down type game, 30-25.

Thursday's win came via the charity stripe as Lyman hit 28-of-30 free throws, including 10-for-10 by both Fiorenza and Celeste Hudson.

Hudson led the way with 22 points, while Brittany Campbell added 14 and Fiorenza 12.

For Seminole, Chequilla Jessie and Felicia Willingham both scored 11 points.

The Fighting Seminoles had See Preps, Page 2B

SCC baseball team evens record at 2-2

By Henry Uhlenbrauck, Jr.
Herald Correspondent

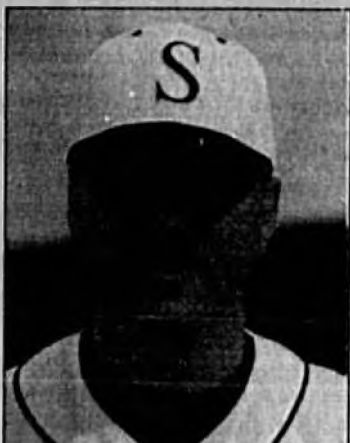
LAKE MARY — The rain cleared-up just in time for the game to take place Thursday, at Seminole Community College as the Raiders (2-2) beat back an eighth inning rally by Polk Community College (1-2) to win 7-5.

Both teams had early inning rallies that tested the resolve of one another. In the end it was the Raiders sustaining their lead.

Seminole's Marco Maniaci earned the win and Polk's Trent Tyler earned the loss.

The win got Seminole back to the .500 mark for the season. Leading the charge for the Raiders was second baseman Juan Chacon with three home runs.

Raiders assistant coach, Rick Plante, said he knew the team would bounce back from their loss Tuesday against St.



Mike Nicholson

Petersburg Junior College. However, it was the Polk Vikings that struck the beginning blow in the first with two outs, first baseman Rich Carroll singled in lead-off batter Jason Guy.

Then bringing back Seminole was Chacon leading-off smash. See Baseball, Page 3B

Raiders return home

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

OCALA — Local fans are in for a treat tonight (Saturday) as one of the most bitter rivalries in Junior College basketball will be renewed at the Seminole Community College Health and Physical Education Center.

Daytona Beach Community College will come calling on the Raiders for a Mid-Florida Conference women-men doubleheader and the results figure to weigh heavily on the conference races.

The women's game tips off at 6 p.m. and this game is crucial for both teams. See SCC, Page 2B



Herald photo by Art Ziellinski

Freshman Yolanda "Yo" Johnson (No. 13, above) had 28 points, four rebounds, three assists, and two steals as SCC whipped Florida Community College at Jacksonville on the road, 95-72, last Wednesday.

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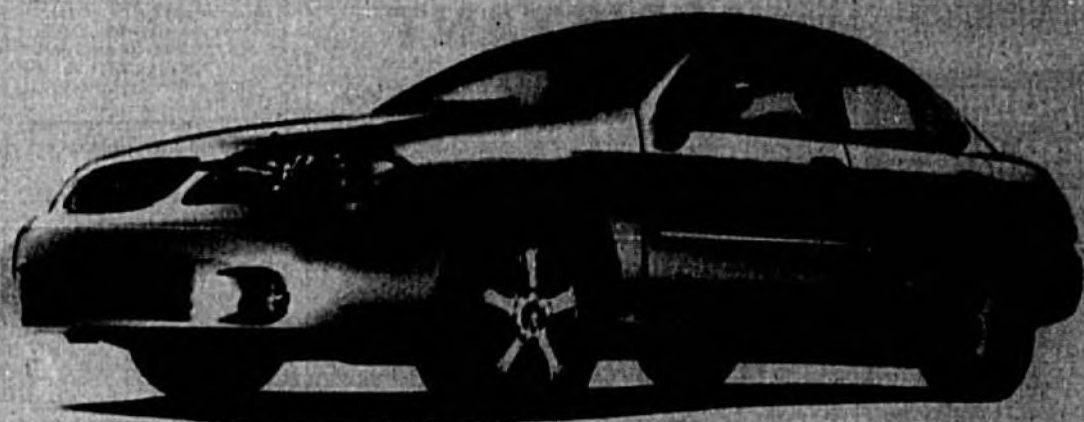
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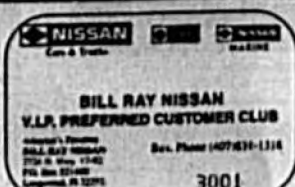
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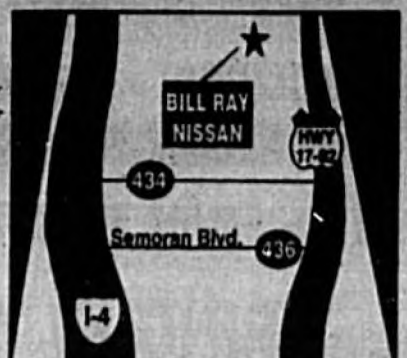
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10. **FOUNDING BROTHERS**, by Joseph J. Ellis. (Knopf, \$26.) A historian's study of the intertwined lives of the nation's founders.



Fiction

1. **FROM THE CORNER OF HIS EYE**, by Dean Koontz. (Bantam, \$26.95.) A ruthless man, convinced he has a mortal enemy named Batholomew, stalks a prodigy named Barty who has lost and then regained his sight.
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5. **SHADOW OF THE HEGEMON**, by Orson Scott Card. (Tor/ Tom Doherty, \$25.95.) After their defeat of alien invaders, child-warriors return to a troubled Earth; a sequel to "Ender's Shadow."
6. **CODE TO ZERO**, by Ken Follett. (Dutton, \$26.95.) In 1958, four old friends from Harvard are caught up in cold war machinations involving Explorer 1, the United States' answer to Sputnik.
7. **THE CONSTANT GARDENER**, by John le Carré. (Scribner, \$28.) As he searches Kenya for his wife's killers, a British diplomat becomes a target himself.
8. **PRODIGAL SUMMER**, by Barbara Kingsolver. (HarperCollins, \$26.) The lives of men and women, flora and fauna, in the mountains of southern Appalachia.
9. **DR. DEATH**, by Jonathan Kellerman. (Random House, \$26.95.) The psychologist Alex Delaware investigates the murder of a champion of euthanasia.
10. **PROTECT AND DEFEND**, by Richard North Patterson. (Knopf, \$26.95.) A President is caught in the middle of a political crisis involving the abortion issue and his choice for chief justice of the United States.



Heroes & Villains

Black brings characters to life in pages of AC Comic books

By Michelle Jeris
Managing Editor

In Bill Black's world, there's a constant battle between good and evil. On one side, there are the "good guys," including the Femforce, Manhunter and the Green Mask. On the other side resides the villains, such as Proxima, Vandal Savage and The Harlequin.

Black isn't worried about who wins the continuous war for power. In fact, he has the ultimate weapon against them all — the pen.

In a Longwood office complex, Black sits at the helm of AC Comics, an independent comic book company that has been in business since 1984. From his desk, characters such as

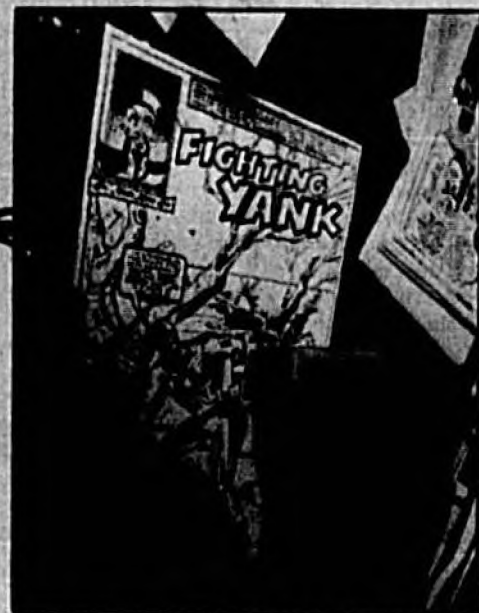
Captain Paragon, Commando D, The Scarlet Scorpion and the Femforce have come alive with a few strokes of a pen.

"This is something I love doing," Black said. "And, I guess I am too old and stupid to do anything else."

Black entered the comic book realm at an early age. When he was 5, he began drawing characters, and by 12 he started working for amateur comics.

After graduating from Florida State University with a degree in advertising design, he worked for several advertising agencies, two educational companies and spent several years as a media supervisor at Florida State. During the same time, he freelanced in the comic book industry as an inker — inkers add colors to sketches — and produced several comics of his own.

In 1969, Black created Paragon Publications and continued creating and selling comic



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent
Bill Black works on "Fighting Yank," one of many comic books published by AC Comics.

books. He also worked for Marvel Comics in the late '70s, where he came up with the idea for Femforce.

"I was working on stories for Marvel when I asked an editor about doing a story with all female characters," Black said. "He told me it would never sell."

Black said he left Marvel a few years later to focus on AC Comics, where he once again began thinking about a superhero group composed of women. Femforce, a government created team of all female normals working under the direction of General Roberta Strock, was the result.

And, Black's editor at Marvel was wrong. "Femforce has survived 113 issues," Black.

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At left, AC Comics Publisher and Editor Bill Black, standing, Associate Editor Mark Heike and Writer/Penciler/Inker Stephanie Sanderson-Heike discuss an upcoming comic book. Mark and Stephanie actually met while working on AC Comics publications. Pictured above, Bill Black works at his desk. AC Comics can be found on the web at www.accomics.com

Term's end

Sanford Mayor Larry Dale isn't slowing down during last days in office

Larry Dale is a lame duck, but don't tell him that. Sanford's mayor chose not to run for re-election in March and only has a couple of months left in office. That doesn't mean he's slowing down, though. In typical Dale fashion, he's continuing to be an advocate for the city, whether it's cleaning up garbage or pushing the Environmental Protection Agency to allow the city to clean up the old coal gasification plant. "If I'm going to do something, I'm going to get knee deep in it," Dale said. The mayor did, however, take a few moments to talk with Herald Editor Dan Ping about his time in office and his plans for the future.



Q: You only have a few weeks left in office. Has anything changed about the way you work?

A: Not really. I'll be working right up until the last day of my term. What else would I do? The voters elected me for a full term, so I should be expected to work a full term.

Q: What are the positive things you'll take away from the job? That is, what are you most proud of about your tenure as mayor?

A: There are a lot of things I'm proud of, including being able to work with a City Commission that's open and responsive to moving Sanford forward. One of the big things is the reorganization of the police department. We've brought in a new chief, made a lot of changes, increased salaries, increased the police budget by \$1.5 million. We now have a department that is showing great improvement. They're working on their state accreditation, and we expect them to get national accreditation after that. Solving the midge problem on the lakefront is a big accomplishment. The airport is another one. We have the third busiest airport in the state, with lots of opportunities for

growth and new jobs. We've made a lot of progress on the conference center. And I think Sanford is once again being recognized as a regional leader.

Q: What about the flip side of that coin — what has been your biggest frustration?

A: In terms of city business, that daggum coal-gasification plant is a big one. The city — and the other corporations involved — have got the money and the desire to clean that thing up, but the EPA won't give us the go ahead to do it. There are hundreds of these sites across the state that have been cleaned up and the technology is proven, but because of bureaucratic red tape, we've paid the EPA millions of

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Council members discuss what Florida was like during WWII

The Lake Mary Historical Commission played host to speakers from the Florida Humanities Council in January. Lynn Homan and Thomas Reilly came to the Lake Mary Historical Museum to talk about life in Florida during World War II.

Florida was just beginning to become a serious destination for tourists when the unthinkable happened. The Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor and life in Florida was forever changed. Florida's miles of coastline meant more beaches to watch and protect from German submarines. Hotels became lookout towers. And because of Florida's temperate weather, it was the perfect place for training troops.

Military personnel from all branches of the service began to fill up hotels all over the state. The military began building camps and roads all over the state. Camp Blanding in Starke became the fourth largest city in Florida. The skies of the state



Mary Rowell

filled with pilots training to fly. At the beginning of World War II, there were six military airfields in Florida. By 1945 there were 40. All told, there were 172 military installations in Florida by the end of the war.

Floridians were first hand witnesses to the horrors of the war. Training pilots en masse is not always easy. "One day in Tampa Bay" was a grim reminder of the

pilots who never made it through training. Florida also saw the wreckage of downed planes and sunken ships that were washed up on the beaches courtesy of German subs always lurking off the coast. The beach patrols were on constant look out for German subs, but sometimes, things slipped past the watch. On January 18, 1942, a German submarine put German soldiers ashore at Ponte Vedra Beach. The Germans made it all the way to New York before being captured. World War II brought about a

cultural change all over the country. Women left their homes to work, not just as nurses as they had in previous wars, but to work in shipyards and factories. Women flew planes and trained pilots. Women did things that no one had believed they were capable of.

Many things that are taken for granted today were rationed during the war. Victory gardens sprang up all over the country, but in Florida they produced bumper crops, thanks to the weather. New recipes were published to help people cook with the rationing. Even in Florida, where sugar cane was a major crop, there was a rationing on sugar. Instead of being used to make sugar, sugar cane was used to make dynamite.

World War II saw the birth of a new industry in Florida. A chemist, working to make it easier to ship goods to soldiers, developed concentrated orange juice.

The long-term effects of the war on Florida were profound. There was a 46 percent increase in population. The citrus and aviation industries grew. As soldiers who had been stationed in Florida came back with their families, tourism increased.

Lynn and Thomas then asked members of the audience to tell them what they remembered during the war. Several told stories about rationing and trying to travel during the war. Doug Stenstrom had wanted to be a pilot, but was turned down due to his eyesight. He did work for the military and remembers many of the fighter pilots that trained and sometimes died in Florida. Plans are in the works, Doug said, to create a monument to these pilots at what was the Sanford Air Station. The monument will be a restored "Vigilante" aircraft.

After the talk, there was plenty of time for the audience members to share their war stories with

each other. There were also refreshments thanks to Historical Commission Member Clint Rhodes. Clint's daughter, Lauren, helped start the evening off right by welcoming guests dressed in a 1940's outfit that was her grandmother's. World War II pictures and memorabilia from the Rhodes family decorated the food table.

The next big thing the Historical Commission has lined up is Olde Lake Mary Days. This year, there will be a greater emphasis on living history. In addition to the Civil War Reenactors, there will be a Florida Cow Camp, the Talako Indian Dance, a flintknapping demonstration, a Cherokee History display and more. This year there will also be a Community Flag Retirement Ceremony. If you have a flag you would like to retire as part of this ceremony, call Peggy Wolfe at 327-8207. Olde Lake Mary Days is scheduled for Saturday, March 3rd from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information call 324-3065.

Woman's Club Learns About Dolls

You're never too old to learn something new, even about toys. The very special guests at the January meeting of the Lake Mary Woman's Club was Debbie Lundberg. Debbie owns Debbie's Dolls in Lake Mary. Debbie came to the club to talk about collecting dolls and taking care of your collection.

Many women have dolls that they got when they were children. Some don't start collecting dolls until they are grown. The key to collecting is to collect what you like. Don't buy something as an investment. The collectibles trade is not a stable one. For instance, at the height of the Pokemon rage, foil cards were selling for as much as \$40. Now, they are going for much less.



Harold photo by Mary Rowell
Skip Orlitzki is pictured holding her 1926 Effanbee doll.

With dolls, as with any toy, a large part of the value of the doll is the box. If you have the original box, it can be worth twice as much as the doll. But don't store your dolls in the original boxes. Madame Alexander, for instance, packs dolls in a very pretty pink tissue paper. The paper is not acid free and can damage the dolls in the long run. If you have to store your doll rather than display it, wrap it in acid free paper. Barbies are a different story. A

large part of a Barbie doll's value comes from being unopened.

The best thing to do before starting a collection is to read everything you can about it. There are books and magazines devoted to doll collecting. After talking to the club members Debbie then took a look at the dolls that members had brought in. Skip Orlitzki brought in a 1926 Effanbee doll. Lois Jackson brought in a German doll that is more than 100 years old.



Harold photo by Mary Rowell
Pictured are Historical Commission Members Mary Jane Duryea and Clint Rhodes with FHC speakers Lynn Homan and Thomas Reilly.

Dale

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dollars in oversight fees while we wait for them to let us clean it up. That's money that should have been spent on the clean-up. We're just throwing money down a rat hole.

Q: What did you enjoy most about serving as mayor?

A: I made four new friends — good friends — on the City Commission. I've truly enjoyed working with the commissioners and getting to know them. I've enjoyed being the ambassador for the city, and representing the city on a regional and statewide capacity. I've enjoyed working with the airport because that's been one of my passions. I've enjoyed working with our volunteers. We've got some good boards and committees that are made

up of volunteers, and I appreciate the opportunity to work with them. There's a lot of things I enjoy about being mayor.

Q: Sounds like it. What will you miss?

A: The camaraderie of working with the commission and the city staff. Really, no kidding. I'm going to miss that. I'm going to miss being able to help constituents. Quite frankly, I'm going to miss being able to pick up the phone and saying, "This is the mayor of Sanford, we've got a problem and we need to get something done." I like seeing people get help and as mayor, you can facilitate a lot of people getting help. I tell you what I'm not going to miss —

Q: What's that?

A: I'm not going to miss having to deal with the mean-spiritedness of some people. In public office, there are people who are out to get you just because they disagree with you. They see conspiracies behind every move that you make. They can't just disagree with you. They want to tear down everything about you. I'm not going to miss that bullshit at all.

Q: If you could, would you change anything?

A: Oh, I don't know, I probably would if I went back and looked at it. I can't think of anything right off the top of my head. Maybe I was a little impatient, too aggressive on some things. I expect a lot, and I demand accountability, not just with the city but in my

business and in my personal life. Maybe I was too demanding on some things, but I tell you what, we've accomplished a lot in my four years. I told some one the other day I wouldn't take \$1 million for the experience I've had as mayor and the lessons I've learned. By the same token, I wouldn't take \$5 million to do it again.

Q: Would you serve the city in some other capacity, say on the airport authority board?

A: I couldn't serve for a year according to our ordinances. That aside, I really don't have a desire at this point. I want to get back to my business and my family.

Q: Would you lobby on behalf of the city, for example

if there was an issue the city needed help with in Tallahassee?

A: Well, I guess I would consider it. But look, nobody wants an ex-mayor hanging around. They just don't. They want to do things their way, and they don't need me sticking my nose into everything.

Q: What will not be going to allow you to do?

A: It will allow me to spend a lot more time with my family. I can work on building my development business back up. Since I've been mayor, I've had to turn down a lot of development opportunities because of my position. I've also had to cut back on my recreational life. In my line of work, you spend a lot of recreational time with customers golfing, hunt-

ing or fishing. I can't do that as mayor, so I've had to sacrifice that part of my personal life.

Q: What will you be doing after you leave office?

A: I'm exploring the opportunity to do some work with Sadique Jaffer. Sadique owns about \$18 million worth of property in Volusia, Seminole and Orange counties. He needs someone to help him develop some of that property. I haven't entered into any deals with Sadique — and I won't until the end of March when I leave office — but I have disclosed to the commission and to the public that I'm considering this opportunity.

Q: Any closing thoughts?

A: I've enjoyed being mayor, but I wouldn't do it again.



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said. "It is probably the longest running title from an independent publisher."

When he isn't creating new stories for his female heroines, Black works on preserving characters from comic book's Golden Age. Through license

agreements and buying the rights from other publishers, AC Comics reproduces and recreates artwork from the 1940s and '50s.

"Many of us have a real love for old comics, more so than new ones," he said. "We are providing a service to people who love the early years of comic books."

"A lot of people my age are looking for the older books," he said. "But, instead of paying \$100 to \$1,000 for an original, they can pay a lot less for one of our reproductions."

As a particular emphasis on western comics, AC Comics has produced more western-themed comic titles than any other publisher in the last 30 years.

"When I was a lad, I loved cowboys," Black said.

Through a recent license agreement, the company also produces comics and materials based on Roy Rogers and his cast of characters, introducing younger generations to the timeless hero.

With all his success, Black realizes the comic book industry isn't what it used to be. "It's in bad shape," he said. "Even though there are more comics published now than ever before, they are selling at the lowest number in history."

So publishers are trying new things.

Black is expanding his company through technology. He plans on putting every Femforce cover on CD, and he wants to make a few videos based on the comic.

"We also have a theme park in the works," he said. "Because of the incredibly high licensing fees, theme parks are looking for less expensive ideas, especially in Europe."

AC Comics is also located on the Internet at www.accomics.com, where comic book collectors can choose from more than 500 different titles to purchase.

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Births

Jan. 9, 2001
Emanuel Isia Gonzalez, son of Elizabeth and Santos Gonzalez of Orlando, was born.

Jan. 10, 2001
Octavia Malayah Mitchell, daughter of Vickie Mitchell of Sanford, was born.

Jan. 11, 2001
Jason Anthony Todd McManus, son of Lindsay Paez and Jason McManus of Longwood, was born.
Mi'kya Dejuana Emma McCall, daughter of Alisha Atkins of Orlando, was born.
MaKenzie Kirnan Lentz, daughter of Amanda and Eric Lentz of Orlando, was born.
Isabel Alexandria Del Toro, daughter of Robin Hammond and Carlos Del Toro of Orlando, was born.
Alysa Leah Biga, daughter of Michelle Edwards Biga and Christopher Biga of Longwood, was born.
Derrill James Taylor, son of Melody Pender of Deltona, was born.
Ne'Quell Lakenya Williams, daughter of Hilda Williams of Sanford, was born.

Jan. 12, 2001
Matthew Nathaniel McGovern, son of Roberta and Todd McGovern of Apopka, was born.
Janal Marcus Dorelie, son of Angela Dorelie of Altamonte Springs, was born.
Alexander Carlos Rodriguez, son of Susan and Carlos Rodriguez of Oviedo, was born.
Chapter Deshawn Price, son of Charity and Ladonte Price of Orlando, was born.
Justin Austin Moya, son of Rosamry and Jose Moya Jr., of Orlando, was born.
Kyle Jacob Reardon, son of Stefanie and Kenneth Reardon of Winter Springs, was born.
Anthony David Riggs, son of Julie Smith and Ronald Riggs Jr., of Osteen, was born.

Jan. 13, 2001
Christopher David Neira, son of Michelle and Maurice Neira of Altamonte Springs, was born.
Taleia Sierra Smith, daughter of Milton and Sammie Smith of Apopka, was born.
Jonathon Andrew Ellery, son of Cheri and Daniel Ellery of Sanford, was born.
Hunter Kade Robertson, son of Salina and James Robertson of Orange City, was born.
Dylan Henry Solina, son of Denise and David Solina of Oviedo, was born.

Jan. 14, 2001
Javier Roman Garcia, son of Jessica Owen and Jose Garcia of Apopka, was born.
Douglas Ryan Mingle Jr., son of Tara and Douglas Mingle of Deltona, was born.
Kiara Emily Sanchez, daughter of Luz and Gregorio Sanchez of Deltona, was born.

Jan. 15, 2001
Jarred Joseph Wheatley, son of Billie Lewis and Walter Wheatley III of Orange City, was born.

Jan. 16, 2001
Kyle Hunter Crespo, son of Pamela and Edgar Crespo of DeBary, was born.
Andrew Dario Righi, son of Nancy and Alan Righi of Deltona, was born.

Jan. 18, 2001
Brittanie Renee James, daughter of Nicole and Allan James of Leesburg, was born.
Hunter Royce Love, son of Jamee and Jeffrey Love of Osteen, was born.

Jan. 20, 2001
Austin Reed Broomfield, son of Paulette and Scott Broomfield of Orlando, was born.
Jonathan Lazarus Waugh, son of Deborah and Walter Waugh of Deltona, was born.

Jan. 21, 2001
Tiffany Ashley Estes, daughter of Yamiled and Timothy Estes of DeBary, was born.

Doing A Good Deed



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Students in Deb Partridge's class at Pine Crest Elementary School recently had the opportunity to "Do A Good Deed" for the community. Partridge saved bonus points from her book orders from Scholastic books and ordered a book for each child in her room. She told the students about children residing at The Safehouse that might not have books. The teacher advised the students in her class they had an opportunity to do a good deed while also helping themselves become smarter. If they met the first-grade reading-at-home goal of 10 books a month, they could earn the book she ordered and choose to give it to the Safehouse — or they could keep it. All the students chose to share and were able to earn the book to personally give it away. Each student created a bookmark and signed his or her name to go with the book. Other classes also participated. In return, the students received a Pizza Hut Book-It free pizza coupon for meeting the reading goal. Pictured is Partridge with her class. The students are holding the books they earned.

Annual art show includes work of students

Everything will be coming up with splashes of vibrant colors at the Sanford Garden Club on Sunday, Feb. 18. This is that special afternoon when the Sanford-Seminole Art Association will present its annual Membership Show.

According to Faye Siler, the art association will share the spotlight with talented Seminole County middle school students who will display their artistic endeavors. These works of art will also be judged and awards will be given to place artists, Faye said.

She added, "The public is invited and no admission will be charged. This will be a good cultural event for families to attend. All attendees will be asked to vote for their favorite work of art." The winner will receive a "Most Popular in Show" ribbon.

The program will feature an auction and a drawing for several works of art. Sunland Corporation is once again sponsoring the Peacha Wiggins award honoring a family member in the Moore family. Refreshments will also be served.

The Sanford Garden Club was selected for the show due to the spacious auditorium. It is located on U.S. Highway 17-92 and Fairmont Avenue, near the entrance of Sunland Estates. Hours are from 1 to 4 p.m.

Italian Night Offers Food, Fun, Festivity

Helen Hamner, first vice president of the Sanford Woman's Club in charge of fund raising, and her committee are getting in high gear for the club's forthcoming 15th Annual Italian Night scheduled Friday, Feb. 23 at the clubhouse, 309 S. Oak Ave. Assisting Helen as co-chair is Phyllis Hodge, chairman of the club's Education Department.

Club members always get a big kick out of decorating for this family and fun event and transforming the charming clubhouse into a festive Italian café.

Betty Colbert will supervise the decorating and among the accents will be Italian posters, candles, red checkered tablecloths and waitresses wearing red-checkered aprons.

Viola Frank and DeLores Lash are in charge of making arrangements for the hanging baskets of lush ferns used in the décor which will also be sold.

The menu includes: crispy tossed salad, savory spaghetti in meat sauce, toasted garlic bread, beverage, cookies and sherbet. Carry-out service is also available for those who desire this feature.

Marty Colegrove is in charge of tickets. For information and reservations, call her at 407-322-6706, or Helen Hamner, 407-



Doris Dietrich

668-2846. Tickets are \$6, adults, and \$4, children.

Queen Candidates Honored By Sorority

With the season of hearts and sweethearts upon us, the Sanford chapters of Beta Sigma Phi, a cultural and social sorority, are in the throes of selecting their annual Valentine Queen. Candidates include a Valentine Girl sponsored by each chapter.

On Saturday, Jan. 27, Preceptor Theta Nu Chapter entertained candidates and guests at a Valentine Tea at the Idyllwild home of Marliese McGibbon. Guests were served a variety of appetizing tea sandwiches and fresh fruit while the hostess and Carol Ann Smith took turns pouring.

Valentine Queen candidates were interviewed by a panel of judges from the DeLand City Council of Beta Sigma Phi including Margie Helton, Diane Thom and Robin Penney. Candidates are: Charlotte Blades, Susan Byrd, Tracey Donkin, Judy Osborn and Nikki Vela. The queen will be crowned and the first runner-up will be announced at an all-chapter luncheon Feb. 1 at Luigino's Pasta and Steak House in Heathrow.

After the interviews, a brief social concluded the event with Rita Doris serving coffee, tea and cake. Others attending were Mary Payton, Lisa Finnerty, Doris Lenz, Helen Hamner, Joyce Harvey, Erika Crump, Sandra Erickson, Carol Jonda, Pat

Johnson and Marty Colegrove.

Beating The Bush

Former President George Bush was not the only celebrity who had hush-hush hip replacement surgery in December at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester. Hospitalized at the same facility for the same surgery during the same time was Sanford's own Liz Paulucci Helfrich, author and world traveler.

We observed the former Prez in the news flip-flopping all over the place as if he had discovered the Fountain of Youth. And although she didn't make the national news, our own Liz was holding her own and was walking the next day like the true trooper she is.

Under The Weather

Two of the Sanford community activists are under the weather. Libby Prevait, who has her fingers in lots of pies, has been out of circulation for several weeks, but is doing better. She is taking her doc's advice to "slow down."

Lourine Messenger had a recent setback, but is now recuperating at Lakeview Nursing Center where she is a resident.

Rick Colegrove tackled a bout with that nasty pneumonia bug and nearly lost the battle but made a triumphant victory. After an extensive hospital stay followed by therapy at Lakeview, he is ready for home, sweet home in a few days.

Alexander Wynn honored during Men's Day 2001 service

The month of February is dedicated to those persons who have contributed to the history of the African American Heritage. However, black history can be celebrated throughout the year, because there are those individuals who have made history and continue to make history throughout every month of the year.

We pause to honor Alexander Wynn Jr. The Men's Day 2001 at Allen Chapel AME Church chose this pioneer, Christian man, father, active citizen to be honored.

Wynn was born Nov. 21, 1916, in Quincy, Fla. and is a descen-

dant of Alexander and Mary Wynn Sr. After moving to Cameron City in Seminole County, he lived on Spencers Farm, in Wagner, Fla., Midway and then moved to Goldsboro, where he still resides.

On July 7, 1943, he married his present wife of 58 years, Ella Rembert. The couple's children include Alexander III (Coster) Levonia, Diann Wendell, Michael, Julia, Shirley, Sylvester Mary and William.

The theme of the service was: Christian Men Fellowship Together, "Stand up and be counted." The worship leader for the honor service was

Sylvester Wynn. Invocation was by Freddie Hudson. The Men Of Allen Choir rendered soul steering selections. Scripture was by Ulysses Brown. Sylvester Wynn blended his beautiful voice in praise with the solo titled "I Won't Complain." The welcome was given by Clarence Ford and Master Cortaz Hamilton sang, "I Would Rather Have Jesus."

The occasion was given by Willie J. White, as indeed the spirit was high as he spoke. And, Charles Elbery rendered the musical rendition of He is an "Awesome God" with a trumpet solo, which was accompanied by the organ.

William Wynn introduced the speaker of the hour, his brother, Alexander C. Wynn III, who spoke about the honoree, his father Alexander Wynn Jr., a Christian man, a praying man and a man who fears God and keeps his commandments. Men need to be themselves and must be on one accord, as God only works in men of harmony and unity. The world says the speaker is a stage and men and women are the players.

To complete the morning of honor for Alexander Wynn Jr., Chairman James Baskerville called for all the men of Allen to come forward, led by Pastor Orestes Cobb. Each man presented the honoree with a flower to make for a lovely and beautiful bouquet of red roses. The women of the Wynn family, led by First Lady Sister Cobb, presented Mother Ella Wynn with a pink



Herald photo by Marva Hawkins

Basketball players honored during Crooms Academy Senior Night were Lazarus Mitchell and Terrence Green. Shown with Lazarus is his sister Saroya Green, and shown with Terrence is his mother, Donna Green.



Herald photo by Marva Hawkins

Alexander Wynn Jr., pictured sitting next to his wife, Ella, was recently honored during Allen Chapel AME Church's Men's Day 2001. Surrounding Wynn are members of his family.

bouquet.

Honoree Wynn's religious journey speaks for itself. He has served as a faithful, active member of Allen Chapel since 1949. He has served as Sunday School superintendent from 1957 to 1995, vice chairman of the Steward Board, treasurer of the finance committee and class leader.

Who is this man? He is a Christian believer, a tiller of the land, a farmer and a man who has and is still standing up to be counted as a faithful servant of the Lord.

It is with honor that we announce the Oct. 11, 2000, marriage of Michael and Rosa Wynn. They were joined in holy matrimony in Delray, Fla. Congratulations to the newlyweds. They were in the city for the weekend to attend the

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Church Notes

River City Christian
River City Christian Church will host an evening of praise featuring the Pfeifers.

The southern gospel group mixes contemporary Christian music with the big band sound of the '40s. The group's versatility and their ability to blend brass instruments with traditional southern gospel voices is considered "awesome."

The performance is scheduled for 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 3. A free-will offering will be accepted. For tickets, call 407-323-6720 or 407-322-0982.

River City Christian
Church is located off of I-4 exit 53 at 138 Dirksen Road in DeBary.

All Souls Catholic MISSION- featuring Father Gene Contadino from the University of Dayton in Ohio, will be held Sunday, Feb. 4, through Thursday, Feb. 8. Each evening's service will begin at 7 p.m., lasting for approximately 90 minutes. Sunday, Feb. 4, will include a pot-luck supper at 2:30 p.m. before the mission talk at 4:30 p.m. Light refreshments will be served after the Mission every week night. The Mission programs are open to the public. For additional information phone 407-322-3795.

Valentine Dance
A singles Valentine dance is scheduled 8 to 11 p.m. Feb. 10, in First United Methodist Church in downtown Orlando.

The dance will be held in the Wesley Building Fellowship Hall, located at South and Rosalind streets. A disc jockey will provide music. Admission is \$7 at the door.

The event will benefit local missions, and people are encouraged to bring a non-perishable food item for the People-Helping-People Ministry Food Pantry. For additional information, call the church office at 407-849-6080.

Community United Methodist
The Community United Methodist Youth Mission Teams need your help. Each year this group raises approximately \$40,000 for building supplies and living expenses for the 65-member team. This year the high school team will repair homes in London, Ky.

One of the fund-raisers will be the annual Rummage Sale, March 9 and 10. It generally attracts more than 5,000 shoppers.

Items and donations are now needed for such items as clothing, furniture, toys, appliances, household items, etc., as long as they are in good working condition.

Drop off donations at the church, 4921 S. Highway 17-92 in Casselberry, or phone 407-831-3777, ext. 204 to schedule a pickup.

Methodist/Baptist "How Can I Help" — a 13 week course that teaches effective listening skills will be presented by Central Florida Helpline, on Tuesdays beginning Feb. 20. The course will teach basic counseling techniques, and how to help others facing crisis situations such as addiction, depression, grief, suicide, crisis pregnancy and more.

Classes will be given mornings from 9 a.m. until noon at Asbury United Methodist Church, 220 W. Horatio Avenue, Maitland, and evenings from 7 until 10 p.m. at First Baptist Church of Winter Park, 1021 N. New York Avenue.

Costs are \$65 for individual registration, \$95 for married couple registrations, or \$50 for pastor or church staff. For additional information phone 407-740-7408.

First Baptist of Sanford hosting gospel festival

By Grace Marie Stinescoper
Herald Correspondent

First Baptist Church of Sanford will celebrate its 117th anniversary and Homecoming in a very different manner this year. Instead of focusing mostly on its history, the church is sponsoring a Southern Gospel Music Festival Feb. 9-11, which is open to the community.

Many of the South's finest Gospel singers will be featured during the three nights, and there will be several meals and a festival in the park.

Activities will begin 5:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 9, with a spaghetti supper (\$6 adults, \$3 children) in the fellowship hall of the Memorial Education Building, which faces Park Avenue. It will be followed by Gospel Music Festival Part I, held in the sanctuary at 7 p.m.

Groups featured during the evening will be the Boggy Creek Trio, Hope Street, The Gibbs Family, The Floridians, Three Times Blessed and Royal City.

Homecoming Festival in the Park will be held 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10. The event will take place in Centennial Park, between Fourth and Fifth streets, where there will be free hamburgers and hot dogs, games, activities and live music.

At 5 p.m. there will be a fried fish dinner (\$6 adults, \$3 children) in the fellowship hall, followed by Gospel Music Festival Part II at 6 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Groups taking part during the evening will be The Brady Family, Canaanland Quartet, New Ground, Fellowship Quartet, The Brazells, Southern Song Boys, Rays of the Sun and Gospel Freedom.

Worship Services will begin at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 11, and special guests will be recognized and memories will be shared. A covered dish dinner will follow in Fellowship Hall.

Gospel Music Festival Part III will begin at 5 p.m. that evening and will feature The Glory Singers, His Four, The Tomlin Family, Soul Harvest, Straight From the Heart and Celebration Singers.

First Baptist Church's Heritage Room, located in the sanctuary building, will be open during all the events. On display are such items as the first Minute Book, incorporation papers, the first Communion Service, old programs and bulletins and photographs beginning with the first wooden church building through the present.

Also on display will be the original pulpit furniture, donated by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gwynn in 1886.

A regular Baptist church was formed on Feb. 3, 1884, with 18 charter members. The first meeting place was in the Sanford Town Hall located north of Commercial Street on Palmetto Avenue. J.W. Butts, pastor of the Orlando Baptist Church, was called to be the first pastor on a part-time basis.

Services were later moved to a school building on Palmetto Avenue at Sixth Street. A wooden church building was built on the lot at Sixth and Park that had been donated by the Florida Land and Colonization Co. of London. It was occupied by 1885.

The church became affiliated with the Wekiva Baptist Association and the Florida Baptist Convention on Sept. 28, 1884. In 1914, it became a charter member of the Seminole Baptist Association. On June 20, 1917, the church was incorporated as First Baptist Church of Sanford.

The brick sanctuary was built in two parts; the front part in 1914 and the auditorium section in 1920. The Memorial Education Building was completed in 1950.

Surrounding houses were gradually acquired and used for a growing Sunday School. They were torn down for the new educational building, which was completed in 1966. In 1972, it was named the Fred B. Chance Memorial Education Building following the untimely death of the pastor. The Youth Activities Building was built in 1983.

Ground was broken for the new sanctuary on Feb. 6, 1994 during the 110th Anniversary Celebration. The first service was held there on Aug. 27, 1995.

First Baptist has had 27 pastors; current Interim Pastor is the Rev. Rick Blythe and Interim Minister of Music is Richard Wagoner. The Rev. Tom Smith leads the Senior Adult Ministry while the Youth Ministry is being led by Jameson Reeder. Present church membership is 966.

This weekend of Gospel music and other activities have been created as a service and ministry to the community. Everyone is welcome to attend all events during this Homecoming Festival, plus any worship services or other activity during the year.

All musical events this weekend are free; there will be a love offering taken.

New officers



Howard photo by Tommy Vincent

Sanford Christian Sharing Center new officers are President Richard Martin, Secretary Maxine Ekern and Treasurer Irene K. Brown. Not pictured is Vice President Ethel Carlson. The Sanford Christian Sharing Center is the oldest agency of its kind in Seminole County and operates entirely by volunteers from local churches. Operating hours are from 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday.

Christopher movement brings the light

Before he was demoted a few decades ago, St. Christopher was the official patron saint of travelers. But the Catholic Church stripped him of his feast day when doubts arose about the authenticity of some of the claims made for him, feeling they bordered on the superstitious.



George Plagenz

Today, St. Christopher is known more for having given his name to the Christopher movement, a non-profit organization that wants to change the world by bringing Christ into it. (Christopher means "Christ-bearer.")

The Christopher movement had its beginnings one night just after V-J Day in 1945. The Los Angeles Coliseum was filled with more than 100,000 spectators who had come to witness a mighty pageant in honor of the city's war heroes. The arena below had been transformed into a terrifyingly realistic battle scene. Exploding land mines shook the earth, batteries of army tanks

roared across the stadium and a mass formation of B-29s swooped down over the great throng.

The noise was deafening, and the effect was overpowering.

Then, suddenly, the outburst stopped, and the master of ceremonies stepped to the microphone. "Perhaps you sometimes say to yourself, 'My job isn't important because it's such a little job,'" he told the crowd. "But you're wrong. The most obscure person can be very important. Let me show you what I mean."

Then, the searchlights that bathed every corner of the Coliseum were turned off. The great arena was plunged into total darkness. The speaker struck a match, and in the blackness, everyone could see the tiny flame.

"Now you can see the importance of one little light," he said. "But suppose we all strike a light."

From across the vast coliseum

came the sound of matches being struck, until nearly 100,000 pinpoints of light lit up the summer night. People gasped in surprise.

In the crowd that evening was a Catholic priest named Father James Keller. As he made his way through the milling thousands at the end of the evening's program, he found himself thinking about how comparatively easy it would be to bring peace to a heartsick world if only enough of the wonderful people in it would make a constant effort to spread the light of truth.

He organized the Christopher movement, which marks its 56th anniversary this year. In the last half century, the Christophers' main contribution has been to reveal the importance of the smallest individual to a world that glorifies size and might. In the process they have taught us that our greatest unhappiness comes not from feeling that we don't have what we need, but from feeling that we are not needed.

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6:00 pm: Southern Gospel Music Festival - Part 2
Sun., Feb. 11th - 5:00 pm: Southern Gospel Music Festival - Part 3

You're also invited to come and join us for a day of family fun as we celebrate our 117th anniversary Homecoming Festival in the Park across street from the Church at 519 S. Park Avenue in Sanford. (Weather Permitting)
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honor/Men's Day Service at his home church, Allen Chapel AME.

Gospel singers, the Edward Brothers of Marven, Ga., will be in concert 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 10, in the Seminole African Academy of Arts (formerly the Star Theater) located at West 13th Street. Come and enjoy these young men, all under the age of 19. They have given their lives to God. Come hear Brothers praise the Lord.

Also appearing will be "The Singing Kings of Joy" of Central Florida. The Sanford Gospel Christian are hosts with The Singing Angels of DeLand. Come for praise and songs.

New Mount Zion Missionary Baptist Church observes Family and Community Day, Saturday, Feb. 10, at 7 p.m. The speaker for the occasion will be Mother Ruby Doe Williams, a member of Holy Trinity Church of God in Christ. Guest Choir is the Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration Choir under the direction of Gloria Williams. Come and worship. The Rev. James Lynn is pastor.

The Crooms Academy boys basketball team began the season with a promising outcome. More than 30 boys signed up for the team. Because of the number of students, Coach Shaw decided to have three teams (varsity, junior varsity and middle school). The school has students from seventh to 12th grade.

Various circumstances caused the coach to only have one team. With the need for good grades, physicals, insurance, lack of discipline, student jobs, finances and transportation, the team has nine players now. They have played their first eight games. Crooms started out with two losses and two wins. Then the team had one loss and three wins. Now, Coach Shaw says they are on a six-game winning streak, and they have a player that is 6 feet, 2 inches tall who is learning to play organized basketball.

The team players are Lazarus Mitchell, a senior; Terrence Green, a senior; Joey Williams and Terry Burch, juniors; Travis Williams and George Barriner, 10th-graders; and DeMario Sims, David Robinson and Mario Gallegos, eighth-graders. It is a team that is now first — a team with little experience but a heart and desire to be first in the district.

Crooms Academy will host the girls district tournament Feb. 5 through Feb. 10, and the boys district tournament Feb. 12 through Feb. 16 at Allmonte Christian.

We salute the educators who work for the improvement of our students at Crooms Academy: Boys and Girls Head Coach Bernie Shaw, Assistant Coaches Brendan Bess and Scott French, Athletic Trainer G. Alan Haines, Cheerleading Advisors Terry Richardson and Connie Collins, Athletic Director Lois Chavis.

The panthers are winning again. The season record so far is nine wins and three losses. Offense is averaging 59.8 points and defense is averaging 48.7 points per game.

The team's last home game was Monday night. It was also Senior Night. Seniors honored with their relatives were Lazarus Mitchell and Terrence Green, shown with Lazarus is his sister Saroya Green, and shown with Terrence is his mother, Donna Green.

FOOD

Casserole cooking

One-pot meals alive and well in American culture

I was thumbing nostalgically through my treasured copy of the "I Hate to Cook Book," the 1960s classic by Peg Bracken, when I was struck by the number of casserole recipes — nearly 30 in all. I then looked in my most recently acquired cookbook, which was written by a well-known New York chef, and found exactly zero casserole recipes. Which leads me to believe that in trendy culinary circles, casseroles have gone the way of beef stroganoff, cherries jubilee and that rule about not wearing white after Labor Day.



Marialisa Calta

Then it occurred to me that I, and almost everyone I know, make casseroles. Some of us are still back in Peg Bracken's day, whipping up batches of tuna-noodle casserole and turkey tetrazzini. Others are making North African tajines and tandoori pots. But the idea is the same: a one-pot meal that is cooked in the oven. Outside trendy culinary circles, the casserole is alive and well.

At least one other person agrees with me: Maryana Vollstedt, the author of "The Big Book of Casseroles." Vollstedt offers 250 recipes for casseroles, one for nearly every day of the year. My only quibble is that not all of her casseroles constitute one-dish meals. Many come with advice like "serve with pasta" or "good with mashed potatoes." Personally, I think it defeats the whole purpose of a one-dish supper if, in fact, you are required to make two dishes.

The casseroles below — from Vollstedt's book, and from "One Bowl," by Kelly McCune — are delicious meals all by themselves. No one will prevent you from serving them with a salad or bread, but you don't have to. Plus, because these dishes are different and "exotic," no one need know that they are casseroles at all.

If you really hate to cook, you had better dig up a copy of Bracken's book. If you like to cook, but you also like the idea of an efficient little one-pot supper, you're in luck. Long live the casserole!

BAKED TANDOORI CHICKEN ON LENTILS
2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
juice of 1/2 lemon
1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
1 teaspoon paprika
3/4 teaspoon ground coriander
1/4 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 to 1 teaspoon curry powder (to

taste)
3/4 teaspoon salt
3 garlic cloves, peeled and minced
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
1 teaspoon cornstarch
1 cup plain, nonfat yogurt
1 chicken (3 to 4 pounds), cut into 8 pieces
1 cup drained brown lentils, rinsed and picked over
1 bay leaf
3 cups homemade or canned chicken broth
1 tomato, seeded and chopped
pita bread, for serving (optional)

In a large bowl, stir together the vinegar, lemon juice, cumin, paprika, coriander, ginger, curry, 1/2 teaspoon of the salt, 2 of the minced garlic cloves, parsley, cornstarch and yogurt. Add the chicken pieces and turn to coat evenly. Cover and refrigerate for several hours or overnight. Bring to room temperature before baking. While the chicken is marinating, make the lentils: In a medium saucepan, combine the lentils, bay leaf, stock, the remaining clove of garlic and the remaining 1/4 teaspoon of salt. Bring to a boil, reduce heat to medium-low, cover and simmer until tender, 55 to 60 minutes. Most of the liquid should be absorbed; if it is not, drain the lentils. Remove the bay leaf and discard. Stir in the tomato.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Spread the cooked lentils in the bottom of a greased 9-by-13-inch baking pan or a 10-inch skillet. Place chicken on top. Pour remaining marinade over chicken. Cover (use aluminum foil if the pan has no lid) and bake until chicken is no longer pink in the center, about 1 hour. Remove the cover and cook until browned. Serve immediately. Yield: 4 to 6 servings.

— Recipe from "The Big Book of Casseroles," by Maryana Vollstedt (Chronicle Books, 2000)

ARGENTINE BEEF AND POTATO PIE
large pinch salt
5 Idaho potatoes, peeled
20 garlic cloves, peeled
3 tablespoons butter
1/3 cup milk
1/2 cup sour cream or plain yogurt
salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
2 tablespoons olive oil
2 large red onions, halved and thinly sliced
1 red bell pepper, seeded and thinly sliced



Baked Tandoori Chicken on Lentils, from Maryana Vollstedt's "The Big Book of Casseroles."

1-3/4 pounds lean ground beef
2 large tomatoes, seeded and chopped
2/3 cup raisins
12 green olives, pitted and chopped
3 hard-boiled eggs, peeled and sliced

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Bring a large pot of water to a rolling boil. Add the salt, potatoes and garlic. Reduce heat and cook until potatoes are very tender. Drain and put the potatoes and garlic into bowl of a mixer. Add the butter, milk and sour cream (or yogurt), and whip at medium speed until light and smooth. The mixture will be a little wet. Season to taste with salt and pepper.

Heat the oil in a large skillet and cook the onions and pepper until wilted and browning, about 10 minutes. Scrape onto a plate and set aside. Brown the ground beef in the same pan until well-cooked. Pour off fat. Add the cooked onion and pepper to the ground beef, along with the tomatoes, raisins and olives. Cook 10 minutes.

Spread one quarter of the potato mixture in the bottom of a deep, buttered baking dish. Cover with the meat mixture and arrange the egg slices on top. Put the remaining potatoes on top. Bake for 35 to 40 minutes. Serve. Yield: 6 to 8 servings.

— Recipe from "One Bowl," by Kelly McCune (Chronicle Books, 1996)

LAMB TAJINE WITH DATES AND ALMONDS
2 to 4 tablespoons olive oil
2 pounds lamb stew meat, in 1/2-inch cubes
3 medium onions, peeled and

chopped
4 garlic cloves, peeled and minced to a paste
2 large carrots, peeled and coarsely grated
2 teaspoons ground cumin
2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
2 teaspoons ground coriander
1 teaspoon ground ginger
1/2 teaspoon caraway seeds
1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro, plus more, for garnish
2-1/2 cups water
1 cup pitted and quartered dates (about 16 dates)
2 tablespoons lemon juice
salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste
1/2 cup slivered almonds, lightly toasted

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Heat 2 tablespoons of the oil in a large, heavy skillet or in a flameproof casserole. Sauté the lamb in batches, adding more oil as needed, until well-browned on all sides. Remove to a plate. Sauté the onion until golden, about 7 minutes. Add the garlic and cook another minute.

Put the lamb, onions and garlic into the casserole dish and add the carrots, cumin, cinnamon, coriander, ginger, caraway, cilantro and water. Stir to combine. Cover and bake for 1 hour. Add the dates and bake another 20 minutes. Before serving, stir in the lemon juice. Season to taste with salt and pepper, and sprinkle with almonds and cilantro. Yield: 6 servings.

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