

4 die in Amtrak train wreck

By Christopher Patton Staff Writer

Emergency worker says tracks at scene shredded like paper

Four people were killed and more than 100 injured Thursday when the Amtrak Auto Train leaving from Sanford derailed about one hour into its trip.

The worst accident in Auto Train history occurred about 5 p.m. as train No. 52 carrying 418 passengers and 34 crew members, derailed just north of Crescent City.

The Florida Highway Patrol, initially, "miscalculated" the death toll to be six, said Amtrak media relations officer Kajal

Jhaveri. Amtrak officials confirmed Friday, that four died and 154 were injured from the accident.

National Transportation Safety Board investigators told Rep. John Mica, R-Winter Park, Friday that the engineer performed an emergency stop because he thought the tracks ahead were misaligned.

"Some of that is taken out of context as that has not been con-

firmed," Mica said, adding that NTSB investigators will be on for the next several days to determine the cause of the derailment.

"If the track was misaligned the first thing that would have gone down was the very heavy engines."

Of the 40-car train, about half of them derailed, but not the two engines.

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Rescue workers lift a passenger from an Amtrak Auto Train after it derailed Thursday only one hour into its trip. Four were killed and hundreds were injured in the worst accident reported in Auto Train history.

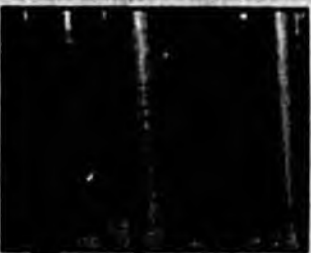
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Finishing strong

The Fighting Seminoles capped off an amazing season-closing run on Thursday with a 2-1 upset of No. 5 state ranked Edgewater, while the Rams also claimed quite a feather for their caps, outscoring Winter Springs, 9-6.

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Books & beyond

For a small group of individuals in the 1880s, getting a library started in Sanford wasn't easy.

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Congressional art show set for this Friday

A ground breaking ceremony will be held for the new Agriculture Exhibit Building 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 26, behind the Museum of Seminole County, located at 300 Bush Blvd., in Sanford.

The Board of County Commissioners and Congressman John Mica will be on hand for this ceremony.

Following the ceremony, "Artistic Discovery," the seventh Congressional Art Competition for high school students, will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Museum. The winning work will be displayed with the other works from across the country in the corridor of the U.S. Capitol for a year.

For information, call 407-665-2489.

Seminole Smile



Dalton McCartney-Student at Goldsboro Elementary School

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Commission opts not to install signal at post office

By Michelle Jeria Managing Editor

LAKE MARY — City commissioners agreed Thursday another traffic signal on Lake Mary Boulevard may not be the best solution for problems at the post office.

Commissioners agreed unanimously to postpone consideration for an additional traffic signal in front of the U.S. Post Office at the intersection of West Lake Mary Boulevard and Crystal Drive. The delay will allow for additional traffic studies to be performed once the Turnpike's "Missing Link" is completed and construction of State Road 46A is finished.

"I have a concern with the light until we see the results of the construction around us," Commissioner Gary Brender said. "I'd rather wait six months or a year before we make the decision. Let's see what happens and examine this slowly."

The jurisdiction for the intersection is shared by the city, Seminole County and the U.S. Post Office. Earlier this year, the county released a report indicating a traffic

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Mortgage incentive on Monday's city agenda

By Dan Ping Editor

SANFORD — Commissioners will decide Monday whether to pay police officers to live within the city limits.

Mayor Brady Lessard introduced the plan last month as an incentive to attract and retain quality police officers. In addition, Lessard said encouraging more officers to live in the city also would reduce crime and help with crime prevention programs.

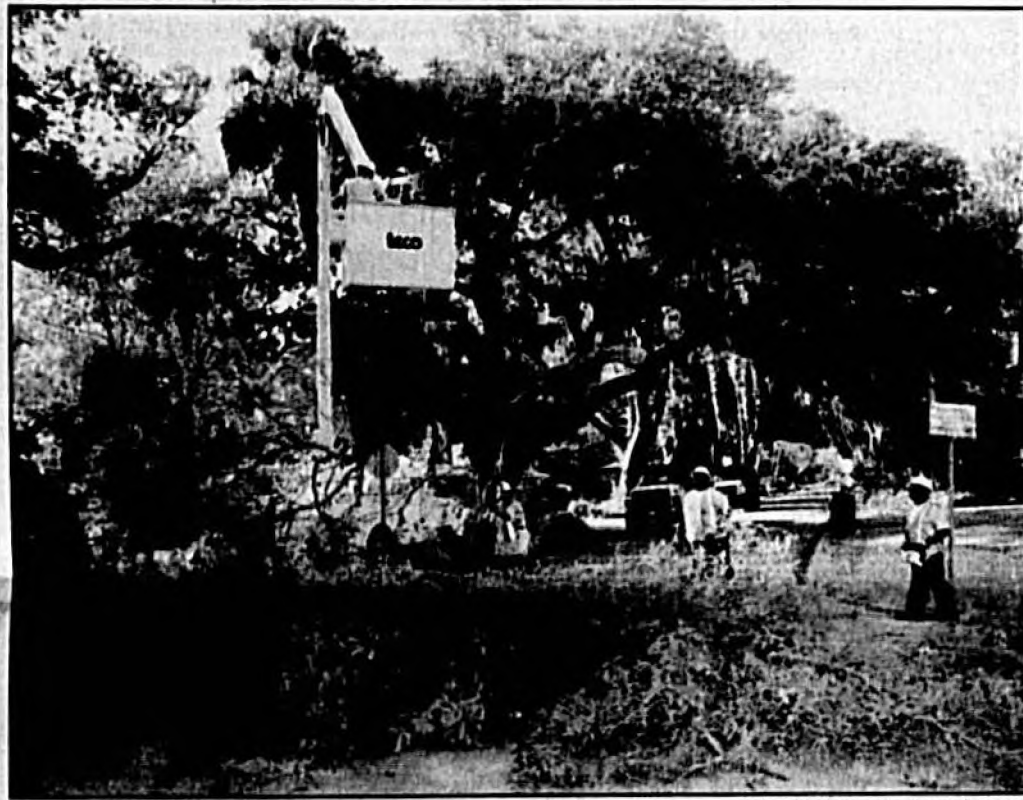
"When you live in the community you work in, you get to know where the problems are," Lessard said.

City Commissioners approved a broad outline of the plan in March and directed Lessard, Police Chief Brian Tooley and Finance Director Donna Walt to formalize the details. Those details include limiting the program to 35 officers and providing a monthly payment of \$200 or 20 percent of the mortgage, whichever is greater. The maximum payment to any one officer would be capped at \$250 per month.

Originally, Lessard had proposed paying a flat 20 percent

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Traffic hazard tree



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent

ABOVE — Workers with the city of Sanford recently removed an oak tree located on West 20th Street and Oak Avenue. The tree had become a traffic hazard, blocking the view of oncoming motorists. Pictured standing on the ground are, from left, Jack Crumpton, Ulysses Jackson and Clarence Graham.

RIGHT — Bill Jermyn is lifted up into the tree to cut limbs.

BELOW — Gilbert LaRue takes his turn in the bucket to help with the tree's removal.



Man arrested for flashing fake badge

By Christopher Patton Staff Writer

Picking up women can be difficult, but using a fake police badge is never a good tactic.

Barry Scott McCarthy, 45, of Winter Park learned the hard way. He is accused of trying to use fictitious ties to the Seminole County Sheriff's Office to gain the trust of women.

Deputies arrested McCarthy Thursday night after an undercover sting revealed he tried to procure dates with females using a plastic picture identification badge he received in April 2001 from the sheriff's office. McCarthy obtained the badge while attending a sheriff's office sponsored civilian law enforcement class. The badge does have an expiration date.

"On the ID it does state the Seminole County Sheriff's Office, but it does not say he is a law enforcement officer," said sheriff's office spokesman Steve Olson.

An operation was launched after a woman contacted the sheriff's office about a man she met through a personal ad. The woman complained that McCarthy flashed a badge and said he was affiliated with law enforcement. He tried to take advantage of her, according to authorities.

The personal ad, placed in the West Volusia Pennysaver, stated: "Law Enforcement, Single, White, Male, 40's with hopes and dreams, likes adventure; seeks easy-going white female to share special times." Seminole County Investigators used a female undercover deputy to arrange a meeting with McCarthy by calling him in response to his ad, Olson said.

The meeting was set up at an

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Rollins students tell Sanford officials to 'think big'

By Dan Ping Editor

SANFORD — A report issued by Rollins College suggests Sanford officials should "think big" when developing plans for downtown.

"Sanford needs to create the infrastructure that will attract and motivate businesses to locate within the city," the report states. "It is essential that downtown improvements are a by-product of true city re-engineering."

The study was compiled from surveys conducted by five students in Rollins' Crummer Graduate School of Business. The business school has formed a partnership with Sanford Main Street Inc. and intends to update the survey annually. Main Street Director Marlene Frith said the study will

be important to guide her organization's efforts to revitalize downtown.

"Every major undertaking must begin with research," Frith said. "You have to know where you're at and where you want to go."

In addition to the Rollins' report, Main Street has also compiled a comprehensive survey of vacant commercial space in downtown. Frith said Main Street will create a Recruitment Committee that will utilize both reports to attract new business into the area.

What businesses should be recruited for downtown? According to the Rollins' survey of about 200 people — drawn from three categories, downtown business owners, downtown shoppers and downtown workers — restaur-

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The Rollins College team includes, from left, Rajan Pahal, Stacy Burgin, Geoff Burkhart, Serena Schulz and Scott Wade. Standing with the students is Robert K. Prescott, executive director of the Bush Executive Center.

Obituaries

PEARLMAN BRINSON SR.
Pearlman Brinson Sr., 78, Cedar Avenue, Sanford, died Friday, April 12, 2002, in South Seminole Hospital.

Born April 14, 1923, in Monticello, he was a retired park director for Seminole County Recreational Department. He was a member of Greater New Mount Zion M.B. Church and a lifelong member of Usher Board, where he served as president for a number of years. He was a U.S. Army World War II veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita Brinson; six sons, Terry, Raymond, Tommy, George and Fred Brinson and Edward Graham; three daughters, Sylvia Graham, Melissa Brinson and Ernestine Cotton; one sister, Mary Ann Hicks; 15 grandchildren; and 33 great grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary Inc., of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

FRANCES HELEN BUTTERWEI
Frances Helen Butterwei, 84, of Steeplechase Lane, Kissimmee, died Wednesday, April 17, 2002, in HIS of Central Park Village, Orlando.

Born in Newark, N.J., she lived in Deltona from 1993 to 1997. She moved to Central Florida in 1980. She was a sales clerk with Bloomingdale's in Short Hills, N.J., for eight years. She was a member of First United Methodist Church. She enjoyed cooking, needle work and her family.

Survivors include one son, Douglas W. Butterwei of Kissimmee; three daughters, Janice F. Celsler of Somerville, N.J., Susan Long of Largo, and Marilyn L. Mauro of Milford, N.J.; two brothers, Alvin Rottman of La Fox, Ill., and Richard Rottman of Edison, N.J.; seven grandchildren; and six great grandchildren.

Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

GLORIA CLEMENTE
Gloria Clemente, 71, of East Anderson Street, Orlando, died Thursday, April 18, 2002, in Deltona Healthcare.

Born in Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, she moved to Central Florida from Queens, N.Y., in 1982. She was a homemaker. She was of the Pentecostal faith.

Survivors include one son, David Canales of Toms Rivers, N.J.; her mother, Petrona Clemente of

Loiza, Puerto Rico; three brothers, Lucas Clemente of Carolina, Puerto Rico, Hero Clemente of Manhattan, N.Y., and Juan Clemente of Deltona; and three sisters, Mary Henribal of Loiza, Puerto Rico, Geno Clemente of Brooklyn, N.Y., and Provi Clemente of Queens, N.Y.

Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

RITA M. FRANISCO
Rita M. Franisco, 52, of Prescott Boulevard, Deltona, died Thursday, April 18, 2002, in her residence.

Born Aug. 13, 1949, in Richmond, Va., she was in production at Invacare. She was a member of New Hope Baptist Church of Deltona.

Survivors include one daughter, Charonne DeBeauville of Deltona; one brother, Edward L. Carter of Richmond, Va.; and two grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

PHILIP JAMES GUNSTER
Philip James Gunster, 75, died Tuesday, April 16, 2002.

Born Oct. 7, 1926, in Hancock, N.Y., he moved to DeBary in 1982. He served in the U.S. Navy. He was employed by the *Hancock Herald* in Hancock, N.Y., and *The Binghamton Press* of Binghamton, N.Y. While residing in New York, he was involved in the Port Crane, New York Civic Association, Boy Scouts, Port Crane United Methodist Church, Grotto Lodge, and the Joseph P. Mangano American Legion. He was a member of the Hancock Lodge No. 552 Masons, the Hillcrest/Fort Dickinson Kiwanis, where he served as president from 1979 to 1980, and the Chenango Valley Central School Board, where he served as president from 1977 to 1981.

While in Central Florida, he was involved in the Sanford Kiwanis, where he was named Kiwanian of the Year in 1993, served as president from 1994 to 1995 and received the George F. Hixon Award in 2000. He was also a member of Grace United Methodist Church, and the Over 50 Club, where he was president for 12 years and chairman of the senior dances, and a bowling league, where he served as president and organized bell ringers for the Salvation Army. He was also a

member of the Executive Committee of the Golden Age Games and was in charge of the track and field events and organized the mid-week banquet. He was an honorary chairman of the Golden Age Games in 1995.

Survivors include his wife, Marjorie F. Gunster of DeBary; one sister, Catharine Sweetland of Endwell, N.Y.; two daughters, Carolyn Adam of Kenhorst, Pa., and Doreen Remp of Shoemakersville, Pa.; one son, David Gunster of Port Crane, N.Y.; four grandchildren; and one great grandson.

A memorial service will be held in Grace United Methodist Church of Lake Mary 3 p.m. Saturday, April 20. The family requests donations be made to the American Heart Association in lieu of flowers.

WILLIE MAE SESSION
Willie Mae Session, 98, of West 16th Street, Sanford, died Monday, April 15, 2002, in Healthcare and Rehabilitation Center of Sanford.

Born Nov. 16, 1903, in Carrabelle, she was self-employed for a restaurant. She was a member of Rescue Church of God.

Survivors include three sons, Robert Session of Fort Lauderdale, James Session of Palatka and Willie Session of New Orleans, La.; two daughters, Ira Mae Thomas of Sanford and Delores Session of New Orleans, La.; eight grandchildren; five great grandchildren; and six great great grandchildren.

Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary Inc., of Sanford is in charge of arrangements.

DWIGHT D. VAZQUEZ
Dwight D. Vazquez, 40, of Dupont Court, Deltona, died

Wednesday, April 17, 2002, in St. Joseph's Hospital in Reading, Pa.

Born in Brooklyn, N.Y., he lived in Central Florida from 1998 to 2001. He was a steel welder. He enjoyed sports and watching movies. He was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include one son, Dwight D. Vazquez of Deltona; one daughter, Jessica of Deltona; his parents, Heriberto and Josephine Vazquez of Deltona; one brother, Angel Vazquez of Boston, Mass.; one sister, Debbie L. Ardino of Deltona; and grandparents Maria Ayala of Peoria, Ill., and Palmira Sandoval and Angel Luis Vazquez of Cayey, Puerto Rico.

Baldauff Family Funeral Home of Orange City is in charge of arrangements.

DOROTHA A. WALLACE
Dorothy A. Wallace, 88, of West Lake Drive, Orange City, died Tuesday, April 16, 2002, in Mariner Health of Orange City.

Born in Rathbone, N.Y., she moved to Orange City from Kissimmee in 2001. She was a foreman at Fisher-Price Toys before her retirement. She was a member of Saint Jude's Episcopal Church in Orange City.

Survivors include four sons, Lew and Fred of Orange City, Edward of Sarasota and Norman of Bradenton; three sisters, Gladys Jorden of Bolivar, N.Y., Marie Werner of Erie, Pa., and Gertrude Huntington of Orlando; one brother, Ernest Cole of Portsmouth, N.H.; 27 grandchildren; 37 great grandchildren; and four great great grandchildren.

Phoenix Cremation Society of

South Daytona is in charge of arrangements.

MARSHALL WILLIAMS
Marshall Williams, 82, of South Street, Oviedo, died Wednesday, April 17, 2002.

He worked in the agriculture industry and was a member of Rockhill Missionary Baptist Church of Jamestown. He enjoyed gardening, story telling and fishing.

Survivors include five sons,

James Norton of Jamestown, Edward Norton of Bethlehem, Pa., Anthony Williams of Jamestown and Marshall and Gary Lewis, both of Jamestown; two daughters, Barbara Lomax of Geneva and Beverly Stewart of Jamestown; and three sisters, Idella Cleveland of Winter Park, Edith Robinson of Rochester, N.Y., and Margaret Lewis of Tallahassee.

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OPINION

Our View

Support the residents

The Sanford City Commission has an opportunity Monday night to show it can balance the interests of growth while minimizing impact on existing residents. Developers for a 336-unit apartment complex, The Groves at Sanford, are appealing a Planning and Zoning Commission decision to restrict the height of its proposed buildings where they abut the Sanora subdivision. Commissioners should uphold the P&Z's decision.

In making its decision, P&Z members carefully weighed the impact a three-story apartment complex would have those residents who live next to the proposed site. Residents accustomed to the relative privacy they now have in their backyards would lose any semblance of that privacy when residents on the third floor of a towering apartment complex can spy into their neighbors' outdoor activities.

No one denies that the property owners have the right, as well as the proper zoning, to pursue their project. In particular, an apartment complex at that location would be beneficial to the students at the Comair Aviation Academy.

But rights come with responsibilities, and the Groves' developers and the city of Sanford have a duty to minimize the effects a new project will have on homeowners in the Sanora subdivision. By insisting that they be allowed to develop the maximum number of apartments next to a quite single-family neighborhood, the developers don't appear interested in being good neighbors. The residents of Sanora deserve more than that.

Many have lived there for years. It's a stable neighborhood made up of middle-class workers who have invested their life savings to pursue the American Dream of home ownership. The developers no doubt want to see a return on their investment, too. That's understandable. However, their return should not come at the expense of existing home owners.

The city commission will inevitably hear the battle cry of the developer: "We need more units to make the numbers work." The city is under no obligation to grant variances solely for financial concerns. They have a duty to base their decisions on what is best for everyone — the developer and the existing residents. If the development won't work by following the rules and be a good neighbor, the development team should consider other options.

A solution that both Sanora residents and the developer could live with is achievable. Commissioners should work to make it happen. They should also remember their past failures in this area. Two years ago, the commission overturned a P&Z decision regarding Wyndam Place apartments, located on U.S. Highway 17/92 next to Sunland Estates. Like the Groves, P&Z members restricted the height of buildings where they abutted a single-family subdivision. By rejecting that decision, the commission negatively affected Sunland residents, and the city had little recourse in assisting those home owners once the complex was built. The city commission should not make the same mistake twice.

There is precedent for the city to restrict the height of buildings that abut single-family homes. Commissioners spent several weeks ensuring that a project near Dogwood Drive in Commissioner Whitey Eckstein's district would not adversely affect existing residents, who were concerned the developer would build two-story homes next to a one-story neighborhood. Working with the developer and the residents, commissioners were able to reach a compromise.

Commissioners have a duty to do the same with the residents of Sanora.

Good job, Marlene!

While Sanford Main Street still has many goals to accomplish, special recognition should go out to the organization's new executive director, Marlene Frith, for her recent work.

In a little more than two months, Frith has kick-started Main Street into serious action. Committees have been formed, duties assigned and accountability demanded during her short tenure. The completion of the market analysis by Rollins College is one example. So, too, is the creation of a commercial space report that identifies vacant properties to which new business can be recruited.

Frith is a big believer in researching and charting the course Main Street needs to head. More importantly, she knows that plans alone don't get things accomplished. The best laid plans are worthless unless they are actually implemented.

Not all of the credit can go to Frith, of course. Her board and the volunteers at Main Street are shouldering the heavy lifting to achieve success and deserve a pat on the back, as well.

Much work still remains, and Frith is cautioned not to rest on her laurels. If the last 60 days are any indication, she won't. Keep up the good work, Main Street!



Unrest continues in the world's 'promised land'

As tens of thousands of American Jews came to the capital on a stunning blue, green and gold day to demonstrate their support for Israel, I heard a woman angry or annoyed at an anti-Sharon remark saying, "You realize you're talking to a Jew?"



Richard Reeves

Yes, I'm a New Yorker. There are days I seem to talk only to Jews. And I never think anything about it. What else is new?

I also think Ariel Sharon is a bum and may be a fool as well. I don't hear persuasive arguments — and in my world everyone is arguing about the Middle East — that the prime minister is adding to the glory or the security of the Jewish state.

These things, too, I believe: Being anti-Sharon does not make one anti-Israel.

Being anti-Sharon does not make one anti-Semitic. Anti-Semitism is not a significant factor anymore in American foreign policy or American life. Look at the wedding announcements in a Sunday paper and see who is marrying whom these days. Listen to Jewish mothers

asking why one of their kids can't find a nice Jewish boy or a nice Jewish girl. We don't live in shitts here.

Many American actions regarding Jews before and during World War II are questionable. But since then, we have paid our dues: America is the promised land. Jews have enjoyed the same freedom, opportunity and security that most everyone else has in the great idea called America.

That is what I really think. I hear the occasional anti-Semitic remark or see a sneer, and I think the same as I do when I see those poor souls puffing cigarettes in the doorways of office buildings in winter. Get a life. I support U.S. military aid to Israel. It may be excessive, but better more than less. We, as a people, have made a commitment to the survival of Israel. I agree with that, too.

The Arab commitment to destroy Israel is, I think, immoral and, perhaps worse, totally phony. Raw political meat for the so-called Arab street. In truth, I would guess that Israel has done more for the Palestinians than all the Arab countries combined. But

now Israel is destroying much of what it has helped build; it is a bit difficult to say that leveling neighborhoods, cutting off water and electricity, and shooting at anything that moves, including journalists, is nothing more than fighting terrorism.

The whole world is watching now, and that is Israel's greatest problem. Israelis are understandably fearful and frustrated by the evil of suicide bombing, but it is doubtful Sharon's tactics are going to make the situation better. What is happening has to be seen as a failure of Israel's West Bank policies for more than 30 years. One way or another this civil war is getting worse, not better. Both sides are going to be forced to start over again with new leaders and recycled ideas.

One of the tragic ironies is that we know how this is going to end; the only question is how bad will it be at the beginning of that end. If Yasser Arafat or his successors cannot do it, others must back Sharon and his tanks is not. If he wants a war, that is his business, but much of the world will look away from this deluded man until Israel once again presents itself as a shining city on a hill.

has been in Saudi Arabia), and Palestine will end up being dependent on the kindness of other Arab states.

Unfortunately, other Arab states are not noted for their kindness, particularly toward Palestinians. The Palestinians are generally disliked by their Arab brethren — they are the Jews of the Arab world, is one repeated insult in places like Cairo or Jiddah — and they will be left to fester behind the wall between them and the modern world. Their one victory will be the abandonment of the Jewish settlements established — quite illegally — far from Jerusalem. It will be just too dangerous for Jews to be on the wrong side of the Palestine wall. And no one else will come.

That is where we are headed — and Sharon is making it worse. The passion of Israelis and of American Jews is certainly understandable, even inspiring. But their determination that others must back Sharon and his tanks is not. If he wants a war, that is his business, but much of the world will look away from this deluded man until Israel once again presents itself as a shining city on a hill.

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President Bush still catching up to a fast-moving world

Even for a politician, President Bush is reversing himself at a rapid clip. He has abandoned several hard-and-fast principles he held dear as recently as eight months ago. The new George Bush — chastened by experience — works to forge a cease-fire between the Israelis and the Palestinians, speaks highly of "nation-building" and, now, embraces a Marshall Plan for Afghanistan.



Cynthia Tucker

In a speech at Virginia Military Institute on Wednesday, the president announced his commitment to a vast rebuilding program for the war-ravaged nation. "We know that true peace will only be achieved when we give the Afghan people the means to achieve their own aspirations. Peace will be achieved by helping Afghanistan develop its own stable government. Peace will be achieved by helping Afghanistan train and develop its own national army. And peace will be achieved through an education system for boys and girls

that works. "By helping to build an Afghanistan that is free from this evil and is a better place to live, we are working in the best of traditions of George Marshall," he said.

The speech was a welcome development — as were his other recent course reversals. Bush needed to jettison a pre-Sept. 11 foreign policy that rested on one overriding principle: If Bill Clinton did it, I'm doing the opposite.

During the presidential campaign, Bush was dismissive of Clinton's efforts at "nation-building" in the Balkans and rejected Vice President Al Gore's call for a rebuilding effort, similar to the Marshall Plan, for the region. Bush had also stubbornly refused to get involved in the crisis in the Middle East, largely in reaction to Clinton's intense focus there.

Unfortunately, Bush's dawdling on the sidelines allowed the tension between Israelis and Palestinians to

boil over into white-hot fury. It may be too late now for anyone to pull the two sides back from all-out war.

That lesson should suggest to the president that he needs to spin even faster if he is to catch up with a fast-moving and complex world about which he was strangely incurious as a presidential candidate. His announcement that the United States would assume a major role in rebuilding Afghanistan is a huge step in the right direction. But it still isn't enough.

The Bush administration must also put thousands of U.S. troops down throughout Afghanistan to assure stability — or we'll have to go back in and rout terrorists a decade from now. So far, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld is still sticking to the position that the peacekeeping effort in Afghanistan will have to be led by troops from other nations.

That's a mistake. The deposed Afghan monarch, Mohammad Zahir Shah, returned a few days ago to convene a traditional assembly to plan a new government, but there have already been threats

against his life. Indeed, his return was delayed for two weeks because of security concerns.

In preparation for his return, warlords and political appointees started to jockey for position, and fighting broke out in various parts of the countryside. Even before the political skirmishes began, thugs and bandits had made travel throughout much of the country a risky endeavor.

Add to that the porous Pakistani border through which al-Qaida terrorists freely roam back and forth and Iran's involvement in supporting anti-American factions, and the potential for more chaos is clear. Afghanistan could easily revert to what it has been for the last 30 years — an ungovernable wasteland of either tribal blood feuds or outright warfare.

While other countries should certainly contribute peacekeepers, only the military forces of the United States have the muscle and political stature to guarantee stability. Why not do the job right?

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On the Street

The Herald asks people what they think ...

Sanford's probably going to get a new post office, but the city may lose one of its longtime downtown eating establishments. Plans for the new facility include a 1st Street location, currently the home of Billy Boy's Famous Chili Dogs. We asked some loyal customers what they think about the possible relocation or closure of Billy Boy's.



I work at Best Western, so it's easy for me to get lunch here. These people are superb. And, it's become a community gossip center. It would be sad to see them go.
Dorothy Kimber
Sanford



It's just a national disaster. I like this place. I'm here every day.
O.R. "Shorty" Smith
Sanford



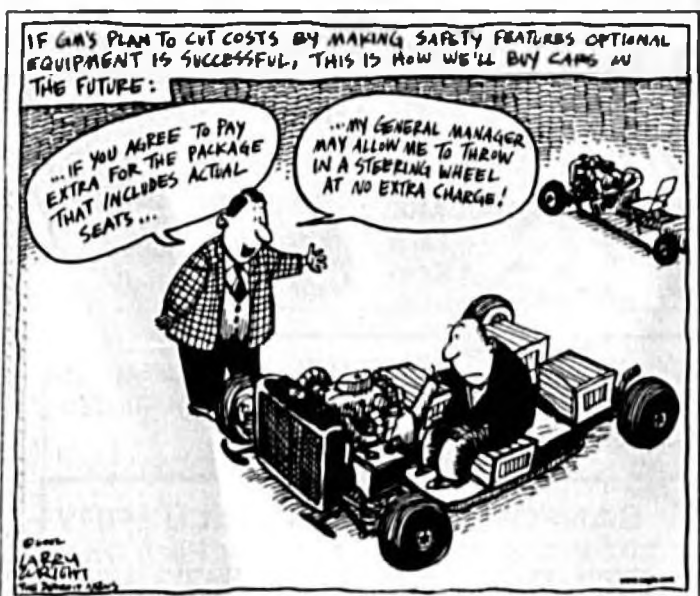
I will be really disappointed if they close. I've been coming here for a long time. I live by Sea World now, and I still come here to eat.
Emonica Dames
with daughter, Zilah
Orlando



The way these people found out about the news of a new post office, I don't think it's right.
Jim Michaleski
Manager of the Salvation Army Thrift Store



I think it's a great place and it's been here a long time. They should never move a future like this that's been here for awhile.
Steve Gray
Fern Park

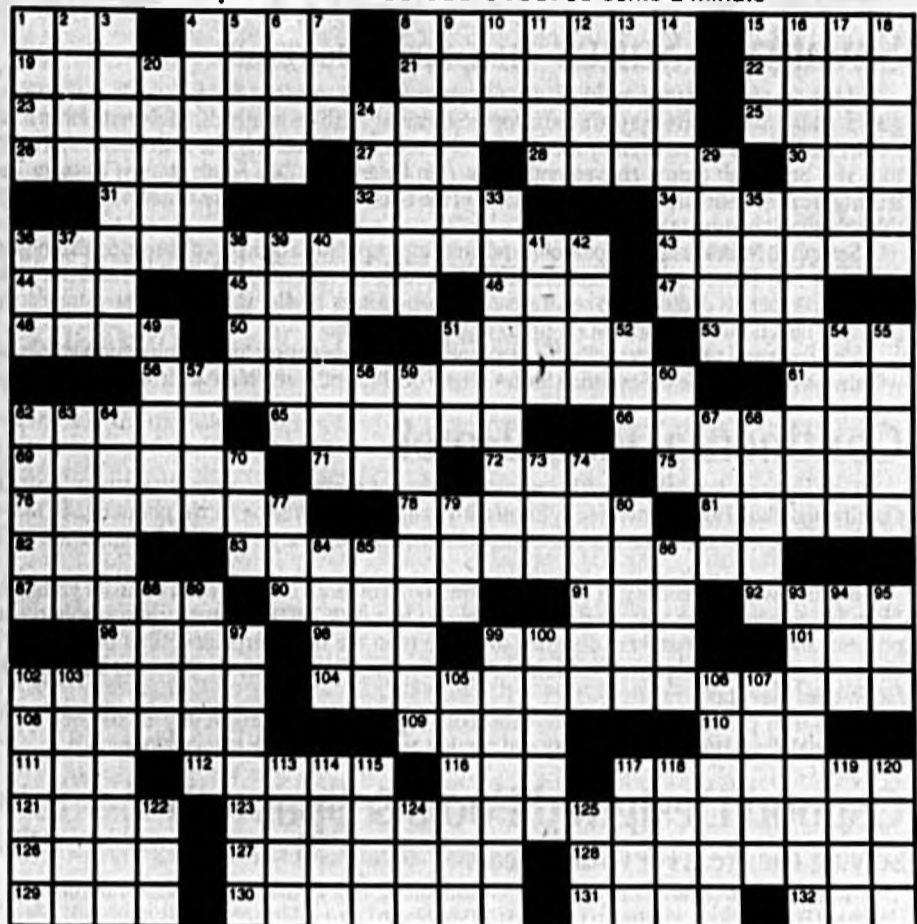


Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

- THROWING TANTRUMS** by RICHARD CHISHOLM
- ACROSS**
- 1 Time Warner partner
 - 4 Bed support
 - 8 Frederick the Great's realm
 - 15 Crack from dryness
 - 19 Vandals
 - 21 Like some trades
 - 22 Kind of bean
 - 23 Switch sets
 - 25 "Metamorphoses" author
 - 26 Vehicles on runners
 - 27 "... quit!"
 - 28 Raise a glass to
 - 30 Hoop site
 - 31 Head lines?
 - 32 Banking IDs
 - 34 Make bubbly
 - 36 Use the overhead bin
 - 43 Adoma
 - 44 Babe
 - 45 Airman, once
 - 46 First name in horror
 - 47 Aware of
 - 48 Small sound
 - 50 Actress Claire
 - 51 "No problemo"
 - 53 Managed
 - 56 Do Shakespeare in the park
 - 61 Tennis stratagem
 - 62 Twisted thread
 - 65 Thelma Ritter's "Rear Window" role
 - 66 Sailor's knot
 - 69 Tip of Massachusetts
 - 71 Criterion: Abbr.
 - 72 Computer key
 - 75 Pioneer 35mm camera
 - 78 Go back in
 - 79 Lyrical
 - 81 Twisted joint
 - 82 It's human to do it
 - 83 Emulate Dian Fossey
 - 87 Dance bits
 - 90 Start of a hack's question
 - 91 Bal. sheet verifier
 - 92 Dispatches
 - 96 Bucks
 - 98 Smith and Gore
 - 99 Strapping
- DOWN**
- 1 Places to use 32
 - 2 Tough exam
 - 3 View from Toledo
 - 4 Unkempt
 - 5 ... majesty
 - 6 Orbit segments
 - 7 "Cats" monogram
 - 8 Works on ahead of time, as sails
 - 9 Santa Anita action
 - 10 Durham coll.
 - 11 OR order
 - 12 Prefix with Tibetan
 - 13 Swenson of "The Miracle Worker"
 - 14 In the distant past
 - 15 Corp. money manager
 - 16 Suffer with unruly hair
 - 17 Take to the skies
 - 18 1998 World Series team
 - 20 Passover ritual
 - 24 Stock phrase
 - 29 Shore birds
 - 33 Tetley alternative
 - 35 Pro ...
 - 36 Limit
 - 37 Maugham's "Cakes and ..."
 - 38 Final notice?
 - 39 Things to avoid
 - 40 Lollapaloozas
 - 41 "... further!": "Stop!"
 - 42 Scope opening
 - 49 Cohort of Cleeve, Idle, et al.
 - 51 Grey Cup org.
 - 52 Globe
 - 54 Like Schubert's music, e.g.
 - 55 Hardy evite
 - 57 Druid or Gael
 - 58 Asian holiday
 - 59 Nonagenarian, for one
 - 60 Fa follower
 - 62 Traditions
 - 63 Not moving
 - 64 Enjoy a Moscow landmark
 - 67 Withdraw
 - 68 Jargon
 - 70 Part of a journey
 - 73 ABA member
 - 74 Antacid choice, briefly
 - 77 Spreadsheet line
 - 79 Be in debt
 - 80 ... Vista, San Diego suburb
 - 84 Pequot's skipper
 - 85 ... mell
 - 86 Pastoral verse
 - 88 ... de sole: satin-weave cloth
 - 89 Hingis rival
 - 93 More wintry
 - 94 Five-spot
 - 95 Distress signal
 - 97 Does a cobbler's task
 - 99 British guardsmen's hats
 - 100 Author Sinclair
 - 102 Accepting of
 - 103 Yeast vitamin
 - 105 Poet De la Mare
 - 106 Scotch landowners
 - 107 Expats
 - 113 1996 candidate
 - 114 Cruising
 - 115 Religious group
 - 117 Enthusiastic
 - 118 No more than
 - 119 Kind of alcohol
 - 120 Low marks
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 - 124 Adherent: Suff.
 - 125 Kimono tie

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'Stories of the Station' is the highlight of Sanford Historical Society meeting

"Stories of the Station" was the topic of Patty Mahaney's presentation at the recent Sanford Historical Society meeting held at the Sanford Museum. Mahaney, a member of the Sanford Airport Memorial Committee, began by giving a brief history of the Sanford Naval Air Station.



Photo submitted to the Herald

In 1942, the city of Sanford solicited the Navy with an offer of 800 acres for a Navy base. They accepted and also purchased 700 additional acres.

A large percentage of both bomber and fighter pilots trained at this base during World War II.

At the end of the war, the base was deeded back to the city and the area became the home of the New York Giants farm teams, as well as the home of Florida Fashions and other industries. The community also transformed the dispensary into a hospital.

The naval base was reopened in 1951 at the beginning of the Korean War. Mahaney gave two reasons for this: DeLand didn't want their base reopened and the Chase family lobbied for it in Sanford. Florida Fashions was employing the migrant workers that usually worked for Chase and Company, so they wanted that company to relocate.

The Sanford Naval Air Station remained in Sanford until 1968, training pilots for such planes as the A3D, A3J and the Vigilante.

The field was named Ramey Field in memory of Commander Ramey. While flying an A3D Skywarrior in 1958, his plane went down north of Seville. He pushed his two men to safety, but he was killed in the crash.

There were nine Vietnam War POWs who had been stationed in Sanford, including Jerry Coffee, Leo Hyatt and James Hutton.

Several of those in attendance at the meeting had been stationed SNAS or had worked there as civilians, so a lively discussion followed as they

recounted and compared their experiences. Jack Dow, chairman of the Sanford Airport Memorial Committee, then told the group about the Memorial. He explained that although the restored Vigilante will be its centerpiece, the memorial is being designed as an aviation park. Included will be a playground, pavilion, a display of artifacts, restrooms and a garden with benches for use to sit and reflect. The Garden Club is designing the garden.

In addition to a state grant, \$50,000 has been raised. The grand opening is scheduled for May 2003. In the meantime, visitors are welcomed to come to Building 125 at the Orlando Sanford Airport to view the progress of the Vigilante restoration. Workers are usually there during midday during the week and all day on Saturday.

It was explained that there will also be a display in the airport so that visitors to the airfield can learn of the history of the field. When the Society members and guests entered the Museum for the meeting, they walked under the new tent that the Society had recently purchased. A new folding table was being used for signing in, also purchased recently were two portable chairs and a new printer.

The tent, chairs and table will be used when the Society participates in Springfest on April 20. Volunteers were secured for the event. The printer had been used for the first time in printing the March newsletter. The meeting was presided over by president Jay Jacobs. Several reports and announcements were given. It was reported that the Society now had 151 members. Another Cemetery Day was planned for April 15 and several signed up to help record tombstone information in Lakeview Cemetery.

The 125th Anniversary Committee is now at work with R.T. Hillary, the city's special events coordinator. The celebration will begin in September and continue through July 4, 2003.

Following the meeting, delicious refreshments were served by Lou Ellen Tew.

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Sanford City Commission Agenda for April 22, 2002

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WORK SESSION

4 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, First Floor

1. Interview of prospective board appointees. (R-1)
- A. Historic Preservation Board: Linda Daniels, Thomas D. Goodman, James Ross Lee, Stephanie Powers, and Eric Zandell.
2. Second quarter lighting update:
 - A. Historic district streetlight pilot project.
 - B. City Street lighting.
3. Discussion regarding funding Lynx ADA services.
4. Discussion regarding Police Department mortgage incentive program. (R-6)
5. Discussion of Regular Agenda items, Add-on items, and other items.
6. Mayor's briefing.
- A. Commission Liaison/Representative appointments.
7. City Manager's briefing.
- A. Current special projects update by department.

B. Convention Center status update.

REGULAR MEETING

7 p.m. City Commission Chambers, First Floor

- Approval of Minutes
- Work Session and Regular Meeting of April 8, 2002. Recommended by the City Clerk and the City Manager.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve payments made during March 2002. Recommended by the City Manager.
2. Approve payment of City Attorney's Statement for the month of March 2002. Recommended by the City Manager.
3. Approve purchase of five sole source remote telemetry units from Curry Controls Company at a cost of \$38,654. Recommended by the City Manager.
4. Approve piggy-back purchase of Bobcat loader off of a federal contract in the amount of \$23,968. Recommended by the City Manager.
5. Award bid for Phase III construction of road, curbs, sidewalks,

drainage, and utility facilities of St. Johns Parkway from Upsala Road to Rinehart Road to The Briar Corporation in the amount of \$1,937,651. Recommended by the City Manager.

6. Approve CPH Engineers Amendment No. 60 in the amount of \$24,750 for design services for the Utility Department relocation. Recommended by the City Manager.
7. Approve Boys & Girls Club of Central Florida, Inc. lease extension for 919 South Persimmon Avenue in the amount of \$1.00 annually for a term beginning April 15, 2002 and ending October 15, 2002. Recommended by the City Manager.
8. Approve request for use of southeast corner of Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce parking lot from 10:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. on Saturday, April 27, 2002 for "Family and Friends Bar-B-Que" special event; approve request to sell and serve alcoholic beverages and food outside with proper supervision by the Sanford Police Department during event. Event is sponsored by Sanford/Seminole Chamber of Commerce. The City Manager recommends approval of the use of the property and the sale and service of alcoholic beverages and food.
9. Approve request for use of Paw Park from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, May 4, 2002 for "Paw Park 1st Anniversary Celebration" special event; approve street closure of 4th Street from Laurel Avenue to French Avenue, on Saturday, May 4, 2002, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.; approve request to waive "no parking" restriction on Laurel Avenue between 3rd Street and 6th Street during event; approve request to waive all fees. Event is sponsored by the City of Sanford Recreation & Parks Department and the Friends of Paw Park Committee. The City Manager recommends approval of the use of City property, the street closure, the waiver of "no parking" restriction, and the waiver of fees.
10. Approve request for use of Fort Mellon Park from 8:00 A.M. to 9:00 P.M. on Saturday, June 1, 2002, and Saturday, July 6, 2002 for "Basketball Tournament" spe-

cial event. Event is sponsored by Abundant Life Complex. The City Manager recommends approval of the use of City property.

11. Approve request for use of old softball field area next to tennis courts in Fort Mellon Park from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. on Saturday, July 27, 2002 for "2nd Annual Family Day in the Park" special event. Event is sponsored by Universal Needs Alliance, Inc. Recommended by the City Manager.
12. Approve request for City personnel to extend a sanitary sewer line to serve five lots on 7th Street between Avocado Avenue and Pecan Avenue with the owner paying for materials, permitting and survey. Recommended by the City Manager.

Public Hearings

1. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 3705 to amend City Code re: amending the Police Officer's Pension Plan. Ad published April 10, 2002. Recommended by the City Manager.
2. Re: 0.917± acres of property lying between 4th Street extended easterly and Celery Avenue and between Brisson Avenue extended northerly and Scott Avenue (2040 Celery Avenue); Janet Gould-Spence and Vaughn Gould, owners.
 - A. First reading of Ordinance No. 3706 to amend the future land use map of the Future Land Use Plan Element of the Comprehensive Plan, and change the designation of the property from SE, Suburban Estates, to LDR-SF, Low Density Residential Single Family. Ad published March 24, 2002. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.
 - B. First reading of Ordinance No. 3707 to rezone the property from AG, Agriculture, to SR-1, Single Family Residential, with conditions. Ad published March 24, 2002. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.
3. Re: 0.968± acres of property lying between 4th Street extended easterly and Celery Avenue and between Brisson Avenue extended northerly and Scott Avenue (2200 Celery Avenue); Laura L.

Vuillemot and Daniel J. Reeves, owners.

- A. Table consideration to amend the future land use map of the Future Land Use Plan Element of the Comprehensive Plan, and change the designation of the property from SE, Suburban Estates, to LDR-SF, Low Density Residential Single Family, based on the owner's request. Ad published March 24, 2002. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.
- B. Table consideration to rezone the property from AG, Agriculture, to SR-1, Single Family Residential, with conditions. Ad published March 24, 2002. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.

4. Re: Venetian Bay Subdivision, a 92-lot single family residential subdivision located at 2385 West Seminole Boulevard. Berry Walker and Michael Murray, Central Florida Development Partners, applicants.
 - A. First reading of Ordinance No. 3712 to adopt the revised Planned Development Master Plan as a result of mitigation, subject to conditions and stipulations and subject to execution of Development Order No. 02-0010. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.
 - B. Approve Preliminary Subdivision Plan subject to conditions and stipulations and subject to execution of Development Order No. 02-0010. Recommended by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.
5. Consider appeal of the Planning & Zoning Commission's decision to approve with conditions a variance to increase the maximum building height for The Groves at Sanford Apartments and its associated site plan (restrict all buildings adjoining the Sanora Subdivision to two stories based on land use compatibility); Meredith A. Harper, Esq., original applicant/appellant; Clayton Inv Ltd. and CWC Inv Ltd., owners. Ad published April 10, 2002; property owner notified April 5, 2002; property posted April 9, 2002. The Director of Engineering &

Planning and the City Manager recommend denial of the appeal and affirmation of the Planning & Zoning Commission's February 7, 2002 decision.

Regular Items

1. Boards: appointments (WS-1)
 - A. Historic Preservation Board: Melanie Winterheimer resigned on April 4, 2002. Applications are on file from Linda Daniels, Thomas D. Goodman, James Ross Lee, Stephanie Powers, and Eric Zandell. **NEED TO APPOINT A REPLACEMENT.**
2. First reading of Ordinance No. 3710 to annex 0.26 acres of property lying between East 28th Place and East 29th Street and between Palmetto Avenue extended southerly and Magnolia Avenue (2827 Magnolia Avenue); Jerry W. Lord, Jr., and Lilia B. Lord, owners. Recommended by the Development Review Team, the Director of Engineering & Planning and the City Manager.
3. First reading of Ordinance No. 3711 to annex 0.23 acres of property located between West 28th Street and Wicker Court extended westerly and between South Park Avenue and Oak Avenue extended southerly (2800 South Park Avenue); Iris F. Selfrid Life Estate, owner. Recommended by the Development Review Team, the Director of Engineering & Planning and the City Manager.
4. Consider refund of application fee to Linda Kuhn, applicant, in the matter of the appeal of the Planning & Zoning Commission's January 17, 2002 decision to approve a conditional use permit for JP Pets at 210-212 Sanford Avenue. The Director of Engineering & Planning and the City Manager recommend taking action as deemed appropriate.
5. Approve Preliminary Subdivision Plan for Celery Farms, located at 2250 Celery Avenue, subject to Development Order No. 00-0015 and with conditions and stipulations. Recommended with conditions and stipulations by the Planning & Zoning Commission, the Director of Engineering & Planning, and the City Manager.
6. First reading of Ordinance No. 3713 re: Police Department mortgage incentive program. Recommended by the Director of Finance and the City Manager (WS-4)

- Add-on Items.
- Information only.
- City Attorney's Report.
- City Clerk's Report.
- City Manager's Report.
- Citizen Participation.
- City Commissioners' Reports.

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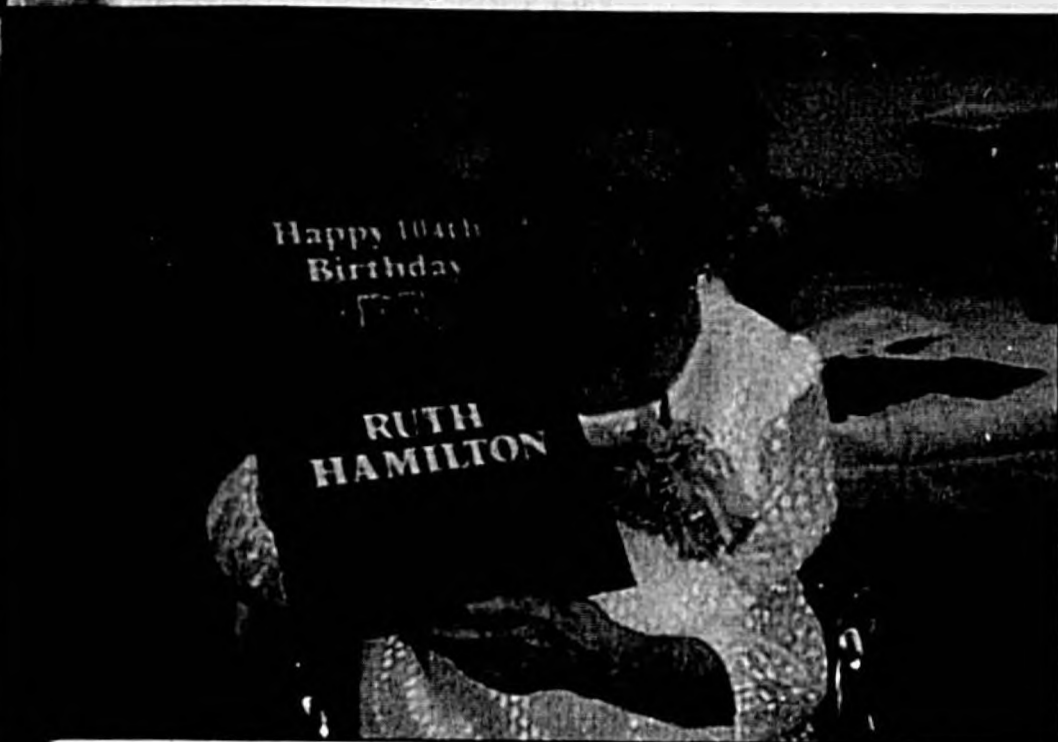


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being abused by this man. The children tell me she laughs when he hurts them. She calls it "playing" — or claims it's the kind of treatment the kids deserve. These little children are in first and second grade, Abby. What can we do? Please send us some information. Do not use my name or city.

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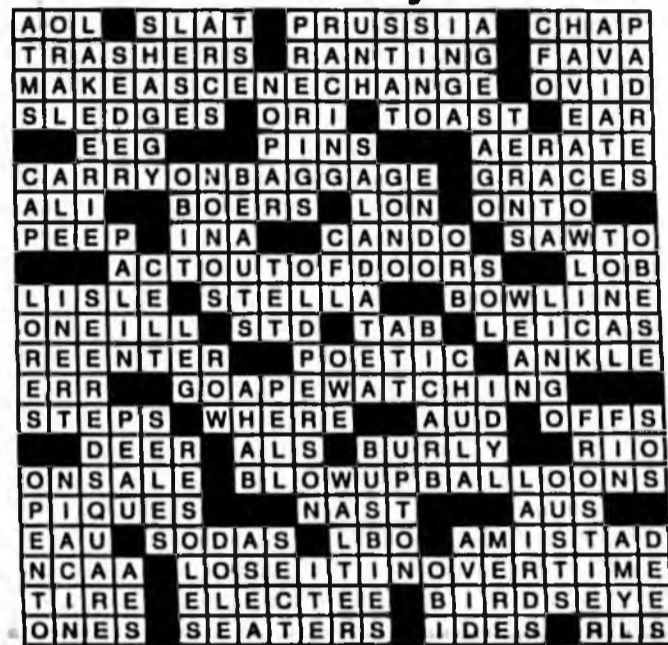
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Wreck

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Amtrak closed the Auto Train service Friday and it could be until after the weekend before trains run again, said officials. The rails are owned, operated and maintained by CSX.

Emergency workers from four different counties, including Seminole County, responded to the scene. Injuries overwhelmed local hospitals to the point that 14 of the injured were even transported by bus to Central Florida Regional Hospital in Sanford.

Four of the critically injured were transported to Halifax Medical Center in Daytona Beach by the Seminole County's Air Rescue 3 helicopter. Another Seminole County helicopter, Alert 2, also responded to the scene to assist. In all, Lt. Jerry Human estimates eight helicopters from surrounding counties helped manage the disaster.

"The railroad tracks just were shredded, like paper," Human recalled as he flew over the disaster. "It was an unbelievable sight."

Human videotaped the scene and his recordings will be reviewed by Volusia County to assess emergency workers' tactics in helping passengers to safety. According to Amtrak officials, all passengers were cleared from the wreckage by 10 p.m. Most of those with minor injuries were transferred to Crescent City High School. Human also helped in the operation by giving helicopter pilots the longitude and latitude coordinates of the high school.

Seminole County's rescue efforts stood out at the disaster because Air Rescue 3 is one of the only helicopters in the area that can transport two victims at a time. The size of the immense

huey helps, but the highly trained flight team of Commander Joe Mathias, Lt. Mike Johansmeyer and flight medics Pat Rice, Terry Daniels and Chris Skinner are also able to provide care for two critically injured people.

"One of the things that impressed me," said Johansmeyer, "is it wasn't like there was a bunch of injured people waiting for transportation. There was a huge amount of people out there helping."

The accident comes at a bad time for Amtrak, said Mica who sits on the House subcommittee that oversees Amtrak. Congress is debating if selling portions of Amtrak's services could be more beneficial to taxpayers.

"This certainly will have negative financial impacts for Amtrak," Mica said. "Unfortunately, Amtrak has been on the verge of bankruptcy. However, one of its most successful operations has been Auto Train."

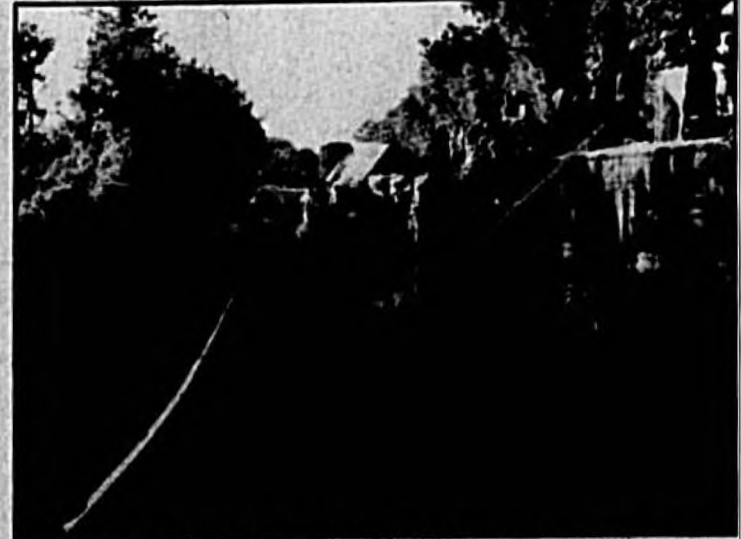
The Auto Train runs daily between Sanford and Lorton, Va. It departs at 4 p.m. and arrives at 8:30 a.m., and is popular way of travel for those who like to visit Florida attractions in their own cars, but do not like driving to Sunshine State.

The government subsidized passenger rail system reported a \$1.2 billion loss last year, Mica said. Amtrak is requesting \$1.2 billion in funding for this year, but so far, the Bush administration has set aside just \$521 million for Amtrak.

Five years ago, lawmakers passed the Amtrak Reform law. As part of the legislation, Amtrak was given five years to turn the company around and become free of government subsidy.



Special to the Herald/Staff Photo by the Putnam County Courier Journal
A passenger is helped out of the Amtrak Auto Train Thursday following its derailment just north of Crescent City. National Transportation Safety Board investigators told Rep. John Mica, R-Winter Park, Friday that the engineer performed an emergency stop because he thought the tracks ahead were misaligned. Investigators will be at the site for the next several days to determine the cause of the derailment.



Special to the Herald/Staff Photo by the Putnam County Courier Journal
Emergency workers help passengers out of the Auto Train Thursday following its derailment only an hour into its trip to Virginia.

Rollins

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rants, night clubs, grocery stores, and men's and women's apparel shops top the lists. Those suggestions mirror a similar market study of downtown done in 1994.

The surveys indicate that many believe downtown Sanford currently has some disadvantages, primarily parking. Respondents also cited the lack of diversity among stores and early closing times as drawbacks to shopping in downtown.

"Diversification is imperative," said Raj Pahal, one of the students who conducted the survey. "You have to look at it from a total lifestyle point of view and look at downtown as a place to live, work and play."

Attracting business and adding infrastructure downtown is only one part of where the city should focus its efforts, the report con-

cludes. It also suggests promoting the Orlando Sanford International Airport and its Federal Trade Zone.

"Sanford currently possesses two of the greatest tools for business any community could ever ask for," the report states, noting that the city's airport could be a serious competitor to Orlando International Airport.

Frith also noted that Main Street is working with the University of Central Florida's business incubator program to attract new business to Sanford, specifically those businesses that outgrow the incubator program.

"Those businesses will need a place to go, but they might not be ready to go into a fully developed business community," Frith said. "Sanford can offer better rental rates and more support for these growing companies."

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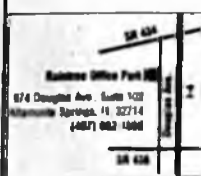
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Incentive

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of the mortgage; however, commissioners Velma Williams and Whitey Eckstein voiced concerns that officers would cluster in certain neighborhoods, limiting the effectiveness of crime prevention. Williams in particular asked Lessard to design the program to encourage officers to live in Goldsboro and Georgetown.

By guaranteeing a minimum \$200 monthly incentive, Lessard said the plan provides an incentive to live in at-risk neighborhoods.

"Depending on where you buy, an officer could have as much as 50 to 60 percent of their mortgage paid for by the city," Lessard said.

Tooley estimates there are 17 officers with mortgages who live in Sanford. If the program was fully implemented with 35 officers, the city's annual cost would be no less than \$84,000 and no more than \$105,000.

Officers who participate in the program would have to sign a contract with the city agreeing to certain conditions. The home

would have to be the officer's permanent residence, not an investment property to generate income. Termination of the monthly mortgage incentive would occur if the officer sold the home, conveyed the home to another party, failed to pay ad valorem taxes, terminated employment with the city, was convicted of a criminal offense relating to police duties, or lost certification as a law enforcement officer.

Officers would still receive the incentive if they refinanced the home, but only if the refinancing was done to reduce the interest rate and there was no additional cost to the city.

"We don't want people using the program to refinance their home so they can buy a boat or a motor home," Lessard said.

If the mortgage incentive plan is approved Monday night, Lessard said he will attempt to sweeten the deal by encouraging local banks to offer lower interest rates for officers who participate in the city's program.

As part of Monday's agenda,

commissioners also will:

- Consider whether to overturn a Planning & Zoning Commission decision to restrict the height of a proposed apartment complex to two-stories where it abuts an existing subdivision.

Clayton Inv. Ltd and CWC Inv. Ltd proposed construct 336 apartment units on 19.4 acres of land on Airport Boulevard. The development team submitted plans for the buildings to be three stories.

Residents from Sanora subdivision, which abuts the back of the proposed complex, argued that the three-story buildings would be too intrusive and asked P&Z to limit the height to two stories. Staff originally recommended that three of the 14 buildings be two stories. The P&Z board voted to limit the height on six of the buildings, reducing the number of units to 296 from 336.

Attorneys for the development team argue that because of wetlands mitigation, all buildings need to be three stories and are asking the city commission to overturn the P&Z decision.

Signal

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signal was warranted for the area as a result of traffic delays and accident statistics. The estimated cost of the signal is \$72,000.

Originally, the U.S. Post Office agreed to share in the expense of the light. With the events following Sept. 11, however, the agency determined it did not have the resources to contribute to the project. The county then agreed to contribute two-thirds of the cost, \$38,000, as long as Lake Mary agreed to provide the remaining \$24,000 and the cost of maintenance of about \$1,800 per year.

More than 50,000 vehicles per day use Lake Mary Boulevard. According to the recent traffic study, between Jan. 1, 2000 and March 27, 2002, 15 crashes were reported at the intersection.

Lake Mary Deputy Chief Sam Belfiore told Commission Thursday that a traffic signal would be the best option for the intersection, but other alternatives include limiting the direction of traffic. One solution would prohibit motorists from turning left onto Lake Mary Boulevard when existing the post office.

"We could try this first and see if it helps alleviate the problem," Belfiore said.

Commissioner George Duryea voiced concerns about an additional traffic signal, including the impact it would have on traffic flow.

"You go down Lake Mary Boulevard now, and there seems to be no consideration for the flow of traffic," Duryea said. "You put another light in, and it is not sequenced with the rest, you will never get traffic through."

"Sequencing is not the answer," Brender responded. "Not putting the light in right now is the answer."

Brender said traffic may decrease on Lake Mary Boulevard, especially during peak traffic hours, when the extension to the GreeneWay is completed within the next six months. Motorists using Lake Mary Boulevard from Interstate 4 to Toll Road 417 may use the new traffic artery once it opens.

Mark Bevis, who is with the county's Traffic Engineering Department, agreed to postpone the placement of the additional traffic signal on Lake Mary Boulevard.

"It seems logical to wait," Bevis said. "I'd hate to do something that is permanent and then find out later we jumped the gun."

Gator removed from Starke Park



Photo submitted to the Herald

On Sunday, April 14, the Sanford Police Department received a call in reference to a gator in the ditch at Dr. Starke Park. Sgt. Little responded and found a small gator in the ditch in the middle of the park. Due to the location of the gator and the closeness of the children, Sgt. Little requested that a gator trapper be contacted and respond. Adults in the area also advised that a large gator was usually in this same ditch and had been seen on Saturday. Mike Taylor and BJ of Gators to Go responded. Mr. Taylor advised that he was aware of the large gator and had been trying to trap him for the past 18 months. They saw a small gator, (4 Foot) and removed it from the ditch. They then went looking for the large one and found it on the south side of the railroad tracks in the same ditch. They were able to hook it and secure it to a tree, but needed help in getting it out of the ditch and back to the truck. Several men in the area volunteered to help. With the assistance of six men, Taylor and BJ were able to drag it out of the ditch, up a steep embankment, through the woods, across the tracks and back to the truck. Even with all the men working together, they had to take several breaks to catch their breath. The gator was approximately 10 feet long, and according to the helpers, he was very healthy and heavy. We feel that these men should get some recognition for helping to make Seminole Gardens and Dr. Starke Park a safer place for the children, residents, and pets to live and play. The individuals who assisted with the effort are Earl Thomas Williams Jr., Christopher Hooks, Harold Gainey, Gary Johnson, Jerome Hardy and Terrence Moore.

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Badge

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Altamonte Springs restaurant parking lot. At the undercover sting, McCarthy allegedly presented himself as having ties to law enforcement. Authorities arrested McCarthy and found the plastic badge on him.

Although an "unusual" case, Olson said "some changes" will be made to the civilian law enforcement class to prevent others from abusing materials

obtained through class. Those changes are "under review," he added.

The crime of which McCarthy stands accused, unlawful use of a public badge/identification of authority, is not a felony, but rather a first-degree misdemeanor, Olson said.

Additional counts may be filed, if Seminole County investigators can locate other women who may have been approached by McCarthy in this manner. In one case, he allegedly said he was a probation officer.

Those who have encountered McCarthy in this manner are asked to contact either Sgt. Ralph Wilson or Dan Risher of the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at 407-665-6600.

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FOOD



Chocolate Pecan Cake

Dessert offers 'nut' thin but taste

Believe it or not, the pecan is actually good for you — not just good-tasting. Rich in protein, fiber and other nutrients, recent research has shown that they can help reduce the risk of heart attacks and heart disease.

April is National Pecan Month, and this rich pecan chocolate cake is the perfect vehicle to explore the pecan in all its resplendence. The accompanying chocolate sauce recipe comes from the "Fog City Diner Cookbook." Cake recipe courtesy of "Mustards Grill Napa Valley Cookbook," by Cindy Pawlcyn with Bridg Callinan.

Chocolate Pecan Cake
Makes one 10-inch cake

You can use walnuts instead of pecans, or substitute rum or brandy for the Jack Daniel's, but the pecans have a special affinity for Jack Daniel's and give it that authentic Southern flavor.

- 2 cups pecan pieces
- 6 tablespoons unsalted butter
- 6 ounces semisweet chocolate
- 1/4 cup Jack Daniel's whiskey
- 8 large eggs, separated
- 1 cup sugar
- Tiny pinch of salt

Jack Daniel's Chocolate Sauce
• 8 ounces good-quality semisweet chocolate, chopped or broken into small pieces

- 1/2 cup unsalted butter
- 3 tablespoons Jack Daniel's whiskey
- 3/4 cup corn syrup
- 3/4 cup heavy whipping cream

Preheat the oven to 325 F. Butter and flour a 10-inch springform pan. Spread the pecans on a baking sheet and toast for about 12 minutes, until very fragrant. Let cool, then grind the nuts in a food processor or chop finely.

Combine the butter, chocolate and whiskey in a large heatproof bowl. Place over a saucepan of simmering water, and stir occasionally until melted and uniform. Remove from the heat.

Put the egg yolks and 3/4 cup of the sugar in an electric mixer fitted with the whip attachment. Beat on high speed until very thick and pale. Stir the ground pecans into the chocolate mixture, then fold in the whipped yolks.

In a clean bowl, with a clean whip attachment, beat the egg whites on high speed until foamy. Slowly add the remaining 1/4 cup sugar and the salt, and whip on high speed until soft peaks form. In three batches, quickly but gently fold the egg whites into the chocolate mixture, maintaining as much volume as possible. Pour the batter into the prepared pan and bake for 40 to 45 minutes, until the cake springs back when pressed gently into the center. Cool completely on a rack, then remove the sides of the pan.

To make the sauce, combine the chocolate, butter, whiskey and corn syrup in a heatproof bowl and set over barely simmering water. Cook, stirring occasionally, until the chocolate and butter are melted. Remove from the heat and stir in the cream. Now, see if you can keep from eating it all before it's time to serve it!

Rice & Shine

Brunch gets a bright new twist

When it comes to brunch, the combination of breakfast foods mixed with lunch fare often allows for greater variety and creativity — and often appeals to more guests in the process. Here's an idea to give brunch a fresh new twist by borrowing an idea straight from the dessert menu.

Risotto pudding is a variation of the popular rice pudding. The rich, creamy sauce that forms when these short-grained rices give off their starch during cooking, makes risotto a hearty natural for the morning. Enjoy this recipe for "Risotto Pudding With Mixed Dried Fruit," courtesy of "Buongiorno! Breakfast and Brunch Italian Style" (Contemporary Books), by Norman Kolpas.

Risotto Pudding with Mixed Dried Fruit
Serves 6

Be sure to use a good, heavy saucepan for cooking the risotto, an essential for holding heat and promoting the slow, even cooking that produces an ideal consistency.

- 1 quart low-fat (1 percent) milk
- 1 cup hot water
- 1 cup short-grained Italian rice
- 1 cup chopped mixed dried fruit
- 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/4 teaspoon salt

- 6 tablespoons half-and-half or whole milk
 - 1 tablespoon finely grated orange zest
 - 1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
 - 1/4 teaspoon freshly grated nutmeg
- Put the milk in a saucepan over medium heat. As soon as the milk starts to simmer, remove it from the heat and cover.

In another medium-sized, heavy saucepan, bring the water to a boil. Add the rice and, as soon as the water returns to a boil, stir continuously for 2 minutes; the water will become starchy and will

quickly be absorbed by the rice. Pour in the hot milk and add the mixed dried fruit, brown sugar and salt; stir well. Reduce the heat to medium-low and cook, stirring frequently, until the rice is tender but still slightly chewy and the liquid has formed a thick, creamy sauce, about 30 minutes.

When the rice is done, add the half-and-half or whole milk, orange zest, vanilla and nutmeg. Stir and cook for about 1 minute more. Transfer to a heat-proof bowl and let cool, then cover and chill in the refrigerator for 2 to 3 hours before serving.



Risotto Pudding is a light and tasty item for brunch or dessert.

The classic grilled cheese grows up

It would be quite an accomplishment to find someone without fond childhood memories of the grilled cheese sandwich.

However, you don't have to turn in your love of the sandwich with your favorite action figures and high-top sneakers.

A humble staple of many a school cafeteria or after-school kitchen on plain bread, the classic grilled cheese sandwich is a virtual Cinderella when made with a gourmet cheese, crusty bread or even fish, like this "Fisherman's Wharf Grilled Cheese," courtesy of Roxanne Chan of Albany, Calif. and reprinted from www.ilovecheese.com

Fisherman's Wharf Grilled Cheese

- Makes 4 servings
- 1/4 cup mayonnaise
 - 8 slices (1/2-inch thick) sourdough bread, cut from a round loaf
 - 1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
 - 1/2 teaspoon ground pepper
 - 2 tablespoons red onion, diced
 - 8 ounces fresh crab or imitation crabmeat, flaked
 - 1 small green bell pepper, cut into thin strips
 - 4 slices Havarti cheese
 - 4 tablespoons (1/2 stick) butter, softened

Spread mayonnaise evenly on one side of four slices of bread.

Layer each with two tablespoons crumbled blue cheese, ground pepper, onion, crab bell peppers and one slice of Havarti cheese. Top with the remaining slices of bread.

In a large skillet or griddle, melt butter over low heat.

Cook the sandwiches, in batches, if necessary, for two to three minutes per side, or until golden and the cheeses are melted.

'Steak'-out the all-American dinner with the popular T-bone

One of the most popular and easiest cuts of steak to prepare is the T-bone. Try your hand at this easy recipe from Michael Velardi, of Pappas Brothers Steakhouse, Houston, courtesy of "The Food of Texas: Authentic Recipes from the Lone Star State" (Periplus), by Caroline Stuart.

T-Bone Steak With Skillet Potatoes
Serves 4

- 3 pounds potatoes, unpeeled
 - 2 tablespoons olive oil
 - 1 onion, in 1/4-inch slices
 - Pinch of sugar
 - 3 strips thick smoky bacon
 - 1 tablespoon bacon drippings
 - 2 tablespoons butter
 - Pinch of salt, ground pepper, and sugar
 - 2 tablespoons chopped garlic
 - 2 tablespoons thinly sliced scallions
 - 4 (25-30 ounce) T-bone steaks
- Salt and black pepper

Cook the potatoes in boiling water. Drain then refrigerate the potatoes for about 2 hours or until cool. Peel and slice 1/4- to 1/2-inch thick.

Heat the oil in a small skillet over medium heat and add the onions. Stir constantly as the onions sizzle and begin to brown. Add a pinch of salt, pepper and sugar and cook until brown and caramelized. Remove from the heat and set aside.

In a cast-iron skillet, cook the bacon until crisp. Remove and drain on absorbent paper. When cool, crumble the bacon and set aside. Drain the bacon drippings from the pan except for 1 tablespoon. In the same pan, add the butter to the bacon drippings. Add the sliced potatoes, season with salt and pepper, and cook over medium heat until the bottom is crisp. Turn the potatoes over and season the other side with salt and pepper. Add the garlic, caramelized onions, scallions and crumbled bacon. Cook until they are tender then

keep warm while cooking the steak.

Prepare a hot grill. Season the steaks with salt and pepper and cook for approximately 8 to 10 minutes per side for medium-rare, or as desired. Remove from the grill and top with a spoonful of parsley butter. Serve with skillet potatoes.



T-Bone Steak With Skillet Potatoes

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Old & New

Seminole libraries offer everything from e-mail to story time

By Michelle Jera
Managing Editor

For a small group of individuals in the 1880s, getting a library started in Sanford wasn't easy. In an account of Sanford's early history, Mrs. A.M. DeForrest depicted a community with little interest for a library. Nevertheless, the group trudged forward with their desire to get people to read.

"On Thanksgiving ... Mrs. Thrasher invited us and a few others to a dinner, and we discussed the subject of a library," DeForrest wrote in 1924. "Mrs. Thrasher and I were much interested and felt the need of one in our city, but we had a decidedly cold bath administered to us and the idea, we were told 'Sanford people did not want to read, no one cared for a library,' and so forth, but Mrs. Thrasher and I did not give up."

Determination paid off for the pair, and a library was eventually established in Sanford. More than 100 years later, they both would probably be proud of the evolution of Seminole County's library system.

Before 1980, Seminole County was part of the Orange County Library System, said Seminole Library Services Manager Jane Peterson. The county first responded to the high growth rate as it affected the public library service by commissioning a planning study in 1981. As a result, five new Seminole County facilities were constructed from 1986 to 1988.

Today, the county's library system has a collection of more than 500,000 volumes, said Peterson. More than 1 million people visit the five-branch facility each year, and one transaction occurs for every minute the libraries are open.

"Growing up, we always thought of libraries as dusty, dark and very quiet," Peterson said. "Today, it's a lot different. Our libraries are dynamic, busy, hectic and sometimes noisy."

When Peterson refers to a noisy library, she

probably is thinking about the children's programs offered at all five branches in Seminole.

"The library is very committed to our children's programs," she said. "We've got story time at each branch and book talks at local elementary schools."

Along with programs for younger children, the library offers assistance with homework and an intense summer reading program for all ages.

Making children a priority has paid off for the library system. According to Peterson, the Seminole children's program has the highest attendance rate per capita for libraries its size.

For adults, Seminole County Public Libraries, with branches in Oviedo, Sanford, Lake Mary, Longwood and Casselberry, offers word processing, Internet access, meeting

rooms and voter registration.

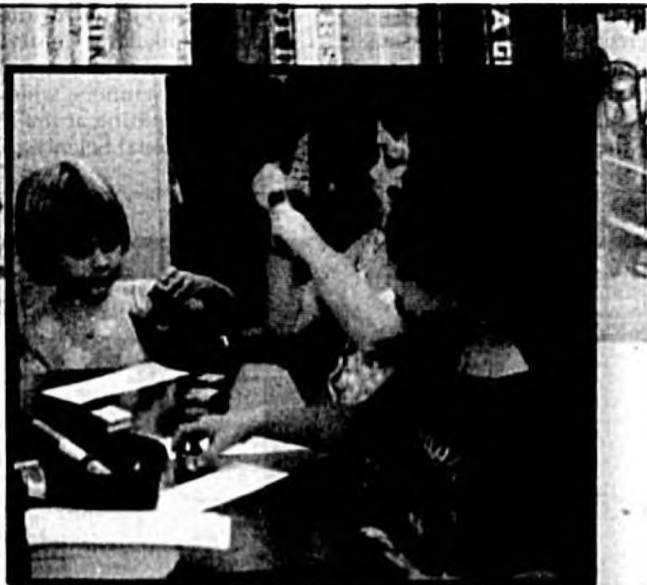
The library is also very user-friendly, with services such as item renewal by telephone or Internet, an electronic reference service, and the virtual library. Programs, such as Ask A Librarian, allow customers to use many of the library's resources over the internet. With the e-Answer program, people can type in a question on almost any topic, and a librarian will respond within 24 hours.

For its older clientele, the library offers the Seniors Plus Mail Service. Books are mailed to individuals who are unable to leave their home.

Last week during National Library Week, Seminole County Public Libraries celebrated its growth within the community by hosting Customer Appreciation Day. People, especially children, were invited to a day of face painting and bookmark creating during the special event.

"Without customers, there wouldn't be a library system," Peterson said. "We wanted to say 'thank you.'"

For more information about Seminole County Public Libraries, call the central branch at 407-339-4000. The library can be found on the Internet at www.scpl.lib.fl.us



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent
Four-year-old Jocelyn Dewhirst, from left, 5-year-old twins Kristin and Rudy Wahlfarth create bookmarks Tuesday at the Sanford library.



Agstine Wigfall, staff assistant at the Sanford library, checks in books. For each minute the library is open, a transaction is made.



Seminole Library Services Manager Jane Peterson stands at the check-out area of the Sanford library. Each of Seminole's five library branches offers an array of services, from Internet access to word processing. The system also is committed to children's programs, with story time for young age groups and homework assistance for older students.

Students receive top awards at science and engineering fair

Young scientists from schools around the state gathered at the State Science and Engineering Fair held at the Lakeland Center, in Lakeland, April 10 through April 12.

Students presented their science research projects and competed for awards and prizes. The top awards include a chance to compete at the Intel International

Science and Engineering Fair (Intel ISEF) in Louisville, Ky., in May, for more than \$2 million in awards and scholarships.

Winners were announced April 12 at the Grand Awards Ceremony (Lakeland Center). Seminole County Public School's state winners, who will be participating at the Intel International Science

and Engineering Fair, are Benjamin Allen, Carolyn Andrews, Jacqueline Geier, Angela Goodwin, Kyle Spector, Joseph Wilson, Rachel Zerkowitz, and Justin Zorn, all from Lake Brantley High School.

"These students are the world's future — future scientists, actors, musicians, professional athletes, doctors,

communicators, entrepreneurs, educators, and business and world leaders," said Joyce Brennan, host director. "Science fair competitions like this, as well as the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, are a great way to inspire today's youth to entertain new ideas, create new technologies and bring a fresh perspective to the

world." Student scientists in these competitions learn through hands-on, inquiry-based research and experimentation, not just through lectures and books. Hands-on research has been proven to improve student learning, problem-solving and an understanding of science.

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Summer Food Service Program begins May 28

Eagles Landing Enterprise Inc., 2045 Hurston Ave., Sanford, and the Florida Department of Education Summer Food Service Program will be sponsoring the Summer Food Service Program. The program will be in effect from May 28 to Aug. 2.

The program is similar to the National School Lunch Program. It provides nutritionally balanced meals to needy children regardless of race, color, creed, sex, handicap, age or national origin during summer vacation when school breakfasts and lunches are not available.

All children 18 years old and younger both enrolled and non-enrolled in open site, are eligible for meals at no charge. The programs are only

approved for geographical areas of need where 50 percent or more of the children qualify for free and reduced price meals during the school year.

Eagles Landing Enterprise Inc., is located at the Midway Community Center. Bid opening for this program. For information, call Bennie Shaw, president/CEO, at 407-322-1501.

These sites will participate in the Summer Food Service Program:

- Midway Community Center — 407-322-1501
- Unique Hair Salon — 407-330-0309
- Free Will Holiness Church — 407-323-8336
- Bookertown Recreation Center — 407-302-4183



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- Tropicana Apartments — 407-322-7304
- Harbor Literacy Center I — 407-330-0101
- Harbor Literacy Center II — 407-330-0101
- Georgia Arms Apartments — 407-323-4000
- Progress Baptist Church — 407-324-3834
- St. Paul Baptist Church — 407-323-1601
- Universal Needs Alliance — 407-321-8896
- Universal Needs Alliance II — 407-321-8896
- Ambassador For Christ Academy — 407-330-7771
- Mama Jean's Pre-School — 407-322-3903
- Trinity United Methodist Church — 407-323-3598
- Hickory Avenue Church of God — 407-322-0388

Goldsboro Front Porch

Clean-Up Neighborhood Day is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 27. Goldsboro community citizens are supporting their clean up.

Clean out your storage room, sheds, and garages. Properly put the trash, limbs, yard debris in garbage bags. Get rid of broken furniture and large appliances.

The clean up effort is in need of families and neighborhoods to join in. A captain on your street will call. Call and please volunteer. Participate by getting and putting all your trash, broken appliances, broken furniture and garbage on the curb.

The city of Sanford and the Goldsboro Clean-Up Committee will have pickup dumpsters and bags for clean up. Join your neighbors at the great clean-up. Call 407-302-1377 for more information.

Hickory Avenue Church of God Youth Ministry, "Youth on the Move, A Persuaded Generation," will have as special guest Minister Terry McKinney Jr., 11 a.m. Sunday, April 21.

At 5 p.m., Evangelist Cheryl "Ping" Leonard will be in concert. The Rev. James Turner is pastor. Robin Black is youth director.

The Goldsboro Front Porch Elderly Program offers numerous services for residents on the Goldsboro Community.

Services include personal grooming and hair care, yard maintenance, arts and crafts and minor home repairs.

Call Eloise Dilligard at 407-302-8073 or 407-302-1377 by Wednesday, April 24, to participate.

Goodwill-Self-Sufficiency Job Center offering summer workshops

Goodwill Self-Sufficiency Job Center is offering workshops for two programs, Job Club and the B.E.S.T. Program, during the next few months.

Dates include April 22 through April 26, May 6 through May 10, May 20 through May 24, June 3

through June 7, June 17 through June 21, and July 15 through July 19.

Job Club is a free program provided by Goodwill Industries of Central Florida that delivers intensive job-seeking and employability skills to anyone looking for

work. With no admission criteria except the desire to gain employment, Job Club participants receive intensive training in interviewing and job-search skills, resume writing and positive self-image. Graduates receive a profes-

sional resume and vouchers for interview apparel from Goodwill retail stores.

For information about the Job Club, call 407-872-0070.

The Business Employment Skills Training (B.E.S.T.) program is a free, open-entry/open-exit program provided by Goodwill Industries of Central Florida that trains people with disabilities and disadvantaged conditions in entry-level business support skills, such as computer training in Microsoft Office® software programs, as well as business math and English,

telephone etiquette, office machines and customer service.

Participants progress at their own pace over eight to 12 weeks.

The B.E.S.T. classroom is located in Goodwill's Orlando Self-Sufficiency Center.

For information about the B.E.S.T. program workshop, call 407-872-7684

The Goodwill Self-Sufficiency Job Center is located at 515 W. Central Blvd., in Orlando.

'Egg'cellet winners

The Sanford Recreation Department recently announced the winners to its Easter egg hunt held at the end of March. Winners included Danny Lee Brock Jr., in the 0-3 age group; Andre Miller in the 4-6 age group; Devin Jones in the 7-9 age group; and T.J. Cople in the 10-12 age group.



Photo submitted

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Meals on Wheels, Etc, Inc.

is accepting applications for The Emergency Repair Program. Assistance is available to Very low Income Homeowners in Seminole County. The Emergency Repair Program is not a remodeling program. The program is designed to help families with limited emergency housing repair and to low income home owners for utility connections. Funds are provided through the Seminole County Board of County Commissioners and State of Florida.

Call 407-333-8877 ext 103 for assistance.

Grant writing workshop April 27

A Grant Writing Workshop will be held 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, April 27, at Seminole Community College — multipurpose room in the Student Center (building C).

The workshop will be led by grant writing consultant, Elizabeth Wills. Discussion will center on the grant application for the arts license plate grants from Seminole Cultural Arts Council.

The arts license plate grants are available to four categories of organizations in Seminole County:

- Cultural/Historical organizations for youth art activities, up to \$2,000/grant;

- Seminole County Public Schools for arts activities, up to \$1,000/grant;

- Non-cultural/historical organizations for youth arts activities, up to \$2,000/grant;


- Emerging cultural/historical organizations who have been in existence between one and five years, up to \$2,000/grant.

Also included in the discussion will be applications for the Florida Division of Cultural Affairs grants.

Workshop attendance is not mandatory for grant applications, but it will be helpful to organizations in completing the application.

The workshop is free to public.

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'Celebration of Cultures' this Friday

This Friday, April 26, at 6 p.m., in the Lake Mary High School multipurpose room,



Mary Rowell

Lake Mary Elementary School and Greenwood Lakes Middle School will present "Celebration of Cultures...A Talent Production."

This joint venture is designed to bring students and members of the community together to promote diversity and tolerance. WESH Channel 2 news anchor Marc Middleton will be the event's emcee. The event is also a fund-raiser to the Make-A-Wish Foundation's Kids-For-Kids Wish program. The money raised will fund the wish of a local child who suffers from life threatening seizures. Tickets for the event are just \$5 in advance and \$10 at the door. For tickets or for more information, call Joan



Woman's Club members Janey Dougherty and Diane Turtle with some of the lovely plants that were for sale during the recent Lake Mary Woman's Club brunch.

Toro at 407-320-5667.

Woman's Club Hosts Brunch

The weather outside was a little messy, but inside, it was nice and dry with some beautiful plants. Saturday was the day for the Lake Mary Woman's Club's Annual Spring Brunch and Plant Sale.

The club had a beautiful array of plants in some very beautiful containers. The daughter of club member Diane Turtle painted many of the pots. There were birds, butterflies and some lovely daisies in a rainbow of colors.

The brunch was very nice with club members cooking and serving the guests quiche, hash browns, ham, strata and more. Why have a brunch? The brunch and plant sale is one of the clubs yearly fund-raisers. The club raises money throughout the year to benefit their local projects. Each year, the Woman's Club gives an SCC scholarship to a displaced homemaker. The club also gives to Safehouse of Seminole County, Special Olympics and more.

The Lake Mary Woman's Club is always open to new members and new ideas. If you'd like to join, call Wanda at 407-330-3331. The club meets at 10 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of the month September through May at the Timacuan Country Club.



Members Charlene Miller, Jeannie Cosmal and Lois Jackson serving up the delicious food during the recent Lake Mary Woman's Club brunch.

Victorian friendship tea scheduled for first week in May

A Victorian friendship tea in the heart of historic Longwood is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday, May 4, and Sunday, May 5, at the Bradlee-McIntyre House Museum, located at 130

W. Warren Ave. The event is a graceful way to ease the stress of busy lives by savoring the rituals of a timeless tradition. After the tea, browse the 1880s Victorian

Queen Ann-style mansion. Cost is \$20 per person. For reservations or information, call 407-834-9506. The event is presented by the Central Florida Society of Historic Preservation.

Take-all: Disease of grasses

Take-all is a root rot disease caused by a soil-inhabitant fungus affecting all warm-season turfgrasses, especially St. Augustinegrass. Symptoms of this disease are primarily observed during the summer and early fall months when Florida receives the majority of its rainfall. Prolonged periods of rainfall are most conducive to this disease.

point, especially of St. Augustinegrass. Balance nitrogen applications with equal amounts of potassium. For every pound of nitrogen applied, an equal amount of elemental potassium should be applied.



Al Ferrer

Symptoms
Because the roots are affected, plants will not be able to efficiently obtain water or nutrients from the soil, nor will they be able to store the products from photosynthesis. The fungus does not attack leaves and symptoms observed on the leaves are the result of the damage to the root system. If the turfgrass is not stressed or is under a low level of stress, leaf symptoms may never be observed.

However, under high stress conditions, symptoms will begin to appear on the leaves. By the time the leaf symptoms appear, the pathogen probably had been active on the roots for at least two to three weeks, maybe longer. Initially, yellowing areas develop randomly on the turf ranging in diameter from a few inches to a few feet. Roots develop black lesions and eventually, become very short, black and rotted. Stolons and rhizomes may have black lesions and, under severe disease conditions, begin to rot.

Entire plants may die resulting in irregular patches of thinning grass, and if not controlled, bare patches may develop.

Controls
Measures that prevent or alleviate stress are the best methods for controlling the disease or at least decreasing the potential damage. The turfgrass must be mowed at the correct height during the summer. It may even be necessary to raise the mowing height during periods of rainy weather.

The turfgrass must be mowed as frequently as necessary so that only one third of the leaf tissue is removed during any one mowing event. Scalping the grass damages the growing

Slow-release nitrogen and slow-release potassium sources should be used. Avoid nitrate-nitrogen products and quick-release urea products. If slow-release potassium is not available, then apply quick-release potassium to the turfgrass between nitrogen applications. Extra potassium may be useful in late summer and early fall. Apply micronutrients, especially manganese. Micronutrients should be applied in the sulfate form as foliar applications.

If the roots are not functioning properly, they will not be able to efficiently obtain nutrients from the soil. Apply herbicides only as needed and according to the label. St. Augustinegrass is especially sensitive to herbicides.

Even when herbicides are applied correctly, they will produce some stress on St. Augustinegrass. Do not apply herbicides or other chemicals when the soil moisture is low.

Chemical Control
The fungicides containing azoxystrobin, myclobutanil, triadimefon propiconazole, and thiophanate methyl are used to control this disease. These systemic fungicides are not as effective as the use of cultural controls once the disease symptoms have developed. These fungicides may be useful when used preventively. This means they must be applied before symptoms develop.

For best control, apply the fungicides at least one month before you normally observe aboveground symptoms. Continue applying the fungicide once a month until the weather is no longer conducive for disease development.

Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension service, 230 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32773 or phone 685-6558. All Seminole County Cooperative Extension services are open to all regardless of race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

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Citrus care program slated for April 26

Al Ferrer, Seminole County urban horticulturist, will present a citrus care and propagation program 10 a.m. to noon Friday, April 26.

The program will also feature a special grafting presentation by "Pokey" of Pokey's Lake Jem Citrus Nursery in Zellwood.

The event will be held in the Seminole County Extension Service, located at 250 W. County Home Road, across from Flea World in Sanford. Cost is free.

Those interested in attending are requested to make reservations by calling 407-665-5561 or 407-665-5551.



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100th birthday honoree lives up to 'Aged to Perfection'

A fairyland ambience at the Sanford home of Doty and Bill Maliczowski indicated that something very special was in the air other than St. Patrick's Day.

This day was also the day that Miriam Shull, Doty's mother, ended a century of life and began her second century. "I never thought I would live to see this day," the vivacious guest of honor at a birthday celebration said. "But it's wonderful."

Doty added, "The day was perfect for a beautiful 100th birthday party."

A green and white tent was pitched outside a porch area of the Maliczowski home where more than 125 guests called to wish Miriam a happy day at an open house from 2 to 6 p.m. Friends and relatives from across the nation sent flowers and plants by the dozens to decorate the party site that was also adorned with clusters of colorful balloons.



Dora Dietrich

Theme for the centennial gala was "Aged to Perfection." A large poster inscribed with these words was signed by each guest. Doty said the poster held such meaning that "we may never take it down."

The huge birthday cake was also decorated with "Aged to Perfection" and St. Patrick's Day motifs. The elegant refreshment table featured an appetizing assortment of

fruit punch, finger sandwiches, deviled eggs, meatballs, vegetable tray, mini quiches, nuts and mints. The hosts' daughter-in-law, Linda Maliczowski, provided an eye-appealing fruit tray.

Friends, Peggy and Bill Coffman of Vinton, Va., sent an arrangement of mixed flowers. Attending from Mooresville, N.C. were Deborah Bowen and her niece, Sara Webb.

Family members who attended and helped with the festivity were Miriam's other daughter, Ann Roebuck of Altadena, Calif. who arrived with her daughter, Jill Stephens of San Diego. Also attending were the hosts' son and Miriam's grandson, Douglas Maliczowski, Linda and their son, Joshua. Other great grandchildren are Kevin and Kelsey Cariffe of San Diego. Bill's niece and her daughter, Nancy Cateneo and Stephanie Cateneo, attended from Wayne, N.J. Miriam's family consists of two daughters, two grandchildren and three great grands.

Miriam was born on March 17, 1902, in Quincy and later moved to Melbourne where she retired as Manager of the Branch Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Melbourne. She was active in the community and is a 50-year member of the Eastern Star. Miriam served in 1955-56 as Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star No. 106 Melbourne. She is an avid bridge player and was a mem-

ber of several bridge clubs during the years.

In 1980 Miriam moved to Sanford to be near her daughter and family. She is a member of the First United Methodist Church, Sanford, and has a zest for life and people. At 100, Miriam is unusually alert and gets around very well. She reads, works crossword puzzles and thoroughly enjoys her family and going places with them. Miriam is excited over going to New Jersey this summer with Doty and Bill.

Needless to say, Miriam was just too thrilled for words with all the fuss made over her as she turned 100. And she personifies "Aged to Perfection" to a T.

Bridge Social

The Bridge Social of the Sanford Woman's Club met at the home of Rose Edith Jacobson for the April card games. Hostesses Rose and Fran Mitchell served a variety of refreshments to the players

High score was won by Zeldia Siskind and Fran Mitchell scored second high.

Other players included: Carolyn Cornelius, Wanda Ross, Helen Ernest, Terri Millikan, Wilma Heaton, Libby Prevatt, Shirley Millis, Marion Smith, Mary Dale Jones, Thelma Smith, Emy Sokol, Carol Dennison and Melvin Siskind.

Ruth Turns 104

Congratulations are in order to Ruth Hamilton, formerly of Sanford, on her 104th birthday this month. Ruth lived at Bram Towers for a number of years and contributed greatly to the Sanford community.

She started life as an elementary school teacher in rural Iowa where she earned \$43 monthly. Ruth went on to marry a medical doctor and was later a New Hampshire congresswoman, a lecturer, author and world traveler.

Now a resident of Winter Park, Ruth has enjoyed a rich, full, healthy life.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

The Bridge Social of the Sanford Woman's Club met at the home of Rose Edith Jacobson for the April card games. Pictured seated, from left, are Carolyn Cornelius, Terri Millikan, Libby Prevatt and Zeldia Siskind. Standing are hostesses Fran Mitchell and Jacobson.



Miriam Shull recently celebrated her 100th birthday with friends and family with an "Aged to Perfection" celebration. Born March 17, 1902, Shull has a real zest for life.



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Zoo offering summer programs

With summer just around the corner, it's time for parents to discover fun, safe activities for their children. The Central Florida Zoological Park offers summer day camps and classes for children.

The Nature Niche and Animal Trackers day camps offer exploration and recreation. During Nature Niche, campers explore the Zoo's wetlands to discover native animals and the role they play.

Animal Trackers takes kids on a make-believe journey to meet animals and experience the life and cultures of other lands. Each day, children discover a new continent through games, activities and tracking animals that live there. These week-long classes are offered during June and July for children six through 12 years of age. Class hours are 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and classes

include lunch, a snack and Zoo shirt. After-camp care is available from 2 to 5 p.m. for an additional charge.

Zoo classes offer fun for Jr. Zoologists and Tadpole Trekkers. Children 9-12 years can experience what it's like to be a zoo-keeper by working with Central Florida Zoo animal staff during the Jr. Zoologist class in June and July. This class meets for three consecutive days from 9 a.m. to noon and children receive a T-shirt and a snack each day.

Tadpole Trekkers offers children 2-5 and a parent lots of fun through games, stories and crafts. Classes are held in June and August from 10 to 11 a.m.

For more information, including program dates and fees, call the Zoo at 407-323-4450, extension 123. The Zoo is located at 3755 NW Highway 17-92 in Sanford.



FOOTPRINTS OF A PILGRIM

Selected youth are preparing for a big, dramatic presentation April 21st, 27th & 28th, entitled "Footprints of a Pilgrim." Footprints takes a journey through the life of Ruth Bell Graham, from her childhood days with her missionary parents in China; to meeting and falling in love with the now world-renowned Reverend Billy Graham; to days of travel and politics; even to becoming a mother and a grandmother. Written by Ruth and adapted into script by a professional theatre company, "The Lamb's Players," the play offers insight on family relationships, grace, and why faith is important in anyone's life. Glimpse into the Graham family life, and take away words and wisdom from the heart of Ruth Bell Graham. Tickets are free, but reservations are needed. Call the church office to reserve your night of choice.

April
26th, 27th
& 28th

Tickets are complimentary.
Call for Information: **407-322-2914**
Central Baptist Church
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Church Notes

In Concert
Hickory Avenue Church of God, located at 503 Hickory Ave., in Sanford, will feature Minister Terry McKinney Jr., 11 a.m. Sunday, April 21.

At 5 p.m. Sunday, Cheryl (Ping) Leonard will appear in concert.

Gospel of Mark
St. Mary Magdalen Youth Ministry will present Rank Runyeon in "Afraid! The Gospel of Mark," 7:30 p.m. Sunday, April 21, in the church, located at 861 Maitland Ave., in Altamonte Springs.

Tickets are \$6 in advance and \$7 the day of the show.
For more information, call 407-834-2211.

Women's Workshop
Victory Temple of God, located at 601 Pine Ave., in Sanford, is currently hosting its Women's District Workshop 2002 for African American Women of God through April 21.

All African American women in the community are invited to participate in the event, which will teaching, encouraging, helping, enhancing the skills of participants, collaborating and improving the community.

For more information, call 407-321-8864.

Food Source Program
The Sanford Church of Christ is working with a program call Food Source to help the congregation and community. The program offers various foods each month at a discounted rate from grocery stores.
For more information about the Food Source Program, call Jeannette Stiffey at 407-323-8234, 407-829-0272 or the church at 407-322-7781.

Volunteers Needed
The Christian Sharing Center in Longwood has an urgent need for volunteers to fill various positions.

Receptionists and interviewers are needed to interview families in crisis situations and to assist them in meeting their needs.

Pantry workers are needed to stock shelves and fill grocery orders for client families. Van drivers are needed to pick up food donations.

Hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

For information, call Diann at 407-260-9155, ext. 6, Monday, Wednesday or Friday.



Safeharbor Christian Church

730 Upsala Rd., Sanford

Tim Storms, Pastor

Evening Service 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.
Old Truths for a New Day

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2626 Palmetto Ave.
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Rev. Ron Williams Senior Pastor
Rev. Larry French Associate Pastor
Charles Simpson School Principal
Bill Simpson Couples Pastor
Brian Brown Pastor Student Ministries

Sunday Services:
• Early Worship 8:45 a.m.
• Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
• Morning Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
• Evening Family Service 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday Night Activities:
A.W.A.N.A. for Children 7:00 p.m.
Teen Discipleship 7:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
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819 S. Park Ave. Sanford, FL
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Rev. Rick Blythe Interim Sr. Pastor
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Adam Wilcox Youth Intern
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
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Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Thursday 9:30 a.m.
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Jim Pagan Minister of Youth
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF LONGWOOD
891 State Road 434, E.
Longwood, FL 32750-5394
(407) 339-3817
Reverend Chris Whaley - Senior Pastor
Saturday Praise & Worship 6:00 p.m.
Sunday
Worship 8:30 a.m.
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11:00 a.m.
Wed. AWANA/Youth 6:30 p.m.
Discipleship Training 7:00 p.m.
Pastor's Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Adult Choir 8:00 p.m.

Assembly Of God

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Tuesday Service 7:00 p.m.
Programs for boys & girls

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1678 Owen Rd.
Longwood, FL 32778
407-774-0777
Greg Freeman Pastor
Sunday Services
8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Middle School 10:45 a.m.
Nursery Provided

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MARKHAM WOODS
5400 Markham Woods Road
Lake Mary, FL 32748
(407) 333-1085
Dr. Bob Parker Pastor
Keith Vincent / Nick Parker Co-Youth Workers

Sunday
Coffee and Donuts 9:30 A.M.
Bible Study 9:45 A.M.
Worship 10:45 A.M.
(Children's Church Provided)
Children's Awana Club 5:30 P.M.
Worship 7:00 P.M.
Wednesday
Church Family Dinner 6:00 P.M.
Prayer and Bible Study 7:00 P.M.
Youth Meeting
Children's Choir and Team Kid Clubs
(Nursery provided all services)

Baptist

WESTVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH
4100 Paula Road (46A)
Sanford, Florida
407-323-0823
Rev. Bill Collier, Pastor
Sunday Morning
Worship 10:15 a.m.
Sunday School 9:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

COUNTRYSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH
880 S. Country Club Rd., Lake Mary, FL
Shane Wynn Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Sunday AM Worship 10:45 a.m.
Sunday PM Worship 8:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Nursery Provided

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6615 MARKHAM ROAD
Sanford, Florida 32771
(407) 829-4400
Randy Weller Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.
(Lk. Church for Children ages
3 thru grade 6)
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday
Adult Prayer/Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
Children & Teen Services 7:00 p.m.
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PRECREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
601 East Airport Boulevard
Sanford, Florida 32773
Church Office (407) 322-3737
J. Earl Welch Pastor
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday
Mid-Week Worship 7:00 p.m.
Children's Church 7:00 p.m.
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FIRST BILLOH MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH
700 Elm Avenue
Sanford, FL 32771
(407) 322-5489
Rev. Dr. Harry D. Tucker, Sr. Pastor
Early Morning Service 8:15 am
Sunday School 9:30 am
Morning Worship 11:00 am
Evening Worship (TBA) 4:00 pm
Monday, Bible Study 7:30 pm

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Englund plans performance for this Thursday at Potter's Wheel

The Potter's Wheel Church of God is hosting a performance by Jillian Englund, former model and spokeswoman for Giorgio Cosmetics, 7 p.m. Thursday, April 25.

Englund will be conducting a healing conference on Friday and Saturday evenings. Sessions begin at 7 p.m. nightly.

The Potter's Wheel is located in Live Oak Center

on Enterprise Road in Orange City between Saxon Boulevard and Deltona Boulevard. It is the last unit on the left after entering the center.

For more information, call 407-579-9281 or 386-860-7204.

Altar Servers Appreciation

In a special effort to honor the Alter Servers of four Catholic parishes, including All Souls, Saint Ann's, Saint

Augustine and Nativity, Council No. 5357 is inviting all altar servers, their families, religious and parish priests in the four parishes to a dinner and inspirational message presented by the Rev. Michael J. Hughes, OSA.

The Appreciation Night will be held 6 p.m. Saturday April 20, in the large Council Hall building, located at 2505 Myrtle Ave., in Sanford. The Knights of Columbus,

Grand Knight John Herbert stated, "Council 5357 is dedicated to strengthening family life in accordance with the social teaching of the Church and, guided by our principles of charity, unity, fraternity and patriotism, serving as a witness to the good news of Jesus Christ through activities such as the Altar Servers Appreciation Night."

For more information, call 407-327-4117.

