County questions annexation deal

Herald Staff

LAKE MARY - It's an annexation contract city officials have worked on for two years, and the paperwork is almost ready to be signed.

There's only one item missing — Seminole County's stamp of approval. And, it's one thing county officials aren't sure they want to give.

Lake Mary City Commission agreed Monday to move forward with the proposed annexation of Colonial TownPark, a Lake Mary moving forward with proposed Colonial TownPark tax break agreement

a 10-year property tax break, while the city sees a huge increase in tax revenue once the break ends

"It's an investment for the future," City Manager John Litton said. "I think, in the end, this benefits everybody."

County officials don't agree. Although Lake Mary will see more than \$177,000 a 175-acre office park off Interstate 4. As part year in additional property tax revenue, the from the program.

of the agreement, the developer will receive county will lose an estimated \$130,000 in fire and road taxes. In the past few years, the county has also doled out \$4.3 million as part of its own economic incentive program to lure 20 different companies to relocate in Seminole County. Most of those relocations have occurred along the high-tech corridor where the Colonial property is located, and some of Colonial's tenants have benefited

"Colonial didn't receive the incentives directly," County Commission Chairman Daryl McLain said, "but they certainly used it as leverage to bring those companies to their properties."

County officials are also concerned that a decision by Lake Mary to annex would set a bad precedent.

First of all, the size of their incentive could drive up the cost of future incentive programs," County Manager Kevin Grace said. "Our incentives total \$4.3 million for 20 companies. Lake Mary is offering \$4.7 mil-

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Lions still growling

After bolting out to a 14-0 lead, the Oviedo Lions had to come from behind twice to post a 29-26 win over the visiting Jacksonville-Mandarin Mustangs in a 6A-District 1 clash Friday night. Page 1B

Honor Guard to participate in memorial service

Seminole County EMS/Fire/Rescue's Honor Guard is leaving Thursday for the National Fallen Firefighters Memorial Service in Washington,

Five members from the department will participate, including Battalion Chief Rick Chabot, Lt. Steve Jones, Lt. Kim Drury, Firefighter/Paramedic Becky Carter, and Firefighter/EMT Dave

Lewis. The memorial service is traditionally held at the National Fire Academy in Emmitsburg, Md., however, due to the large turnout expected, it is being moved to Washington,

This year, a total of 446 firefighters will be nonored who lost their lives in the line of duty during 2001. Included in this number are the 347 who perished at the World Trade Center on Sept. 11, five from the state of Florida, 90 from 33 other states, and an additional four firefighters who died in previous years.

This is the first time Seminole County EMS/Fire/Rescue's Honor Guard is attending this service and we are looking forward to participating in this honoring memorial, said Battalion Chief Rick Chabot.

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Sanford businessman Trepanier remembered by colleagues, friends

By Dan Ping Editor

SANFORD — Leo Curtis businessman and visionary who helped create the Heathrow community, died Monday,

Oct. 7, 2002, following an extended stay in Central Florida Regional Hospital. He was 87.

Trepanier was a confidante of billionaire businessman Jeno F. Paulucci and involved with the Paulucci family enterprises for more than

51 years. His sister, Lois, married Paulucci, and the two men formed a dynamic business partnership that transformed the frozen food industry and the Central Florida real estate community.

For all his influence in the busicommunity, however, Trepanier was a reserved man who preferred to stay in the background, said those who knew

"Leo was just a down-to-earth guy," said Jim Dunn, a local businessman who partnered with frepanier on a number of ventures. "It didn't matter whether you were selling hot dogs or skyscrappers, Leo treated you the same."

Long-time resident Sara Jacobson agreed.

There was no pretentiousness - no airs - about Leo," Jacobson Trepanier, a long-time Sanford said. "He was a low-key guy that few people knew well because that's the way he wanted it."

Born on Aug. 21, 1915, in Deluth, Minn., to Joe and Emma Trepanier, he was a resident of Central Florida for nearly 50 years. Trepanier was one of the pioneer land owners along the south side of Lake Mary Boulevard and the developer, with his

sister Lois Paulucci, of L&L Acres, along with other business interests in Ohio, Tennessee and Central

Trepanier was associated with the Paulucci organization for more than a half century as manager of many operations. He began with the Chun King Corp. in Oct. 1951 as manager of the warehouse and the over-the-road equipment for Chun King's Orient Express truck fleet, and he attended the company's first board of directors meeting. Trepanier ran Wilderness farms with for Scinocca Sr. in the late 1950s and bought tons of wild

See Trepanier, Page 7A

Construction management chosen for conference center

By Nick Pfeifauf Staff Writer

The Seminole County Commission Tuesday approved the ranking of firms for professional construction management services, for the Seminole County Convention Center pro-

Of the four firms in the final evaluation, the commissioners voted unanimously for Turner Construction Company & Wharton-Smith, Inc.

Turner is located on Lucien Way in Maitland, while Wharton-Smith is on CR-15 in Lake Monroe. Centex Rooney Construction Company was given second choice, and Walbridge Aldinger was voted third choice.

Before the voting, Commissioner Randy Morris had indicated, because of an association with one of the four firms (he didn't mention which of them),

he would refrain from voting. The number one choice will

be given first opportunity to enter into a contract agreement with the county. If that does not occur, the second choice will be considered, and possibly the third.

The firm selected will be responsible for preparing an overall construction management plan for the project, estimating and scheduling data during the design phase, providing constant reviews of the planning, providing engineering services and recommendations during the design phase, managing the bidding and negotiation for the actual construction work, contracting for the cost of construction, and

other requirements. The new convention center will be located in downtown Sanford at the northeast corner

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Arts and entertainment highlight annual festival

The weather was perfect for last weekend's Lake Mary-Healthrow Festival of the Arts, held annually to raise money for student scholarships. Thousands attended to view artwork, crafts, and cars.

At Top - Local artist Rae Mane shows off a self-portrait Above - Darlene Applebee receives a kiss from Sultan the camel, one of the festival's many exhibits. Right -- "Doc Pop," also known as John Thompson of

the festival. Below -- School Board Member Dede Schaffner, left. gives festival judge Fran Masse a hand in keeping track of the artwork she viewed during the event.

Pine Hills, makes balloon figures for people attending





Slow economy could mean smaller conference facility for Seminole

By Dan Ping Editor

SANFORD - A countyowned conference center may be smaller, at least initially, than what some proponents had hoped.

During a joint work session between the city of Sanford and Seminole County commissioners, tourism director Jack Wert said a slow economy is generating less revenue that originally projected. Funding for the estimated \$18 million project will come from a

one-cent increase in the bed tax, combined with other tourism dol-

Wert had projected that the penny increase would generate \$700,000 annually. The new projections he released Tuesday indicated that tax would raise only \$550,000 per year. Faced with the new numbers, county commissioners are considering decreasing the size of the conference center to 45,000 square feet from 63,000 square feet.

"I'd hate to see us back off the

size unless it's absolutely necessary," said Commissioner Dick Van der Weide.

"We're not always going to have a slow economy," added

Chairman Daryl McLain, One consideration to hedge against the economy, noted Commissioner Randy Morris, would be to build a smaller facility that can be expanded at a future.

"Maybe we look at doing this: as Phase Land Phase II," Morris

No final decision was reached during Tuesday's meeting, but there appears to be a consensus on an interlocal agreement between the county and the city. Under the agreement, the county would fund, build and own the conference center, while the city would donate land for the project and be-

responsible for the operations. Commissioners for both entities offered comments on the agreement, but made no major

changes to the document. County Commissioner Grant

Malloy asked if the language was persuasive enough in requiring city officials to recruit a hotel developer to the project.

"It seems to me that it should be stronger," Malloy said.

"They have a built-in incentive," said County Manager Kevin Grace, who noted that the city could have an operational deficit of \$400,000 annually if a

hotel partner is not secured. The agreement calls for the city

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SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

Fiancee left waiting has time for second thoughts

DEAR ABBY: I am engaged to a man who has been married twice. He has a child by each of his ex-wives. He has been divorced from his first



Dear Abby

wife for seven years. They have a friendly relationship. Whenever they drop off or pick up their 9-year-old son, they spend at least 25 to 30 minutes talking. I sometimes go with him, and he will leave me in the car for that amount of time. He can't understand why I get upset. He thinks I am jealous, which

I am not. I'm glad he has a good relationship with her since he doesn't with his second wife. They're always arguing over their 2-year-old. Abby, do you think I am biting off more than I

can chew? LEFT IN THE CAR IN DES MOINES

DEAR LEFT IN THE CAR: Only you can answer that question. You are engaged to a man with a past — and the "souvenirs" to prove it.

From my perspective, it is rude to keep some-one waiting more than 15 minutes. However, because you know what to expect, I suggest you take a book or a couple of magazines with you. It will lessen the boredom.

His ex-wives will always be the mothers of his children, and this problem won't go away by itself. Since the situation is upsetting, premarital counseling might help you and your fiance resolve this issue before you get to the

DEAR ABBY: I am a 14-year-old girl who really needs your help. I'm in love with a boy, "Lowell," who is two years older. We've kissed and stuff. Lowell says he loves me, but the thing is he failed to tell me he already has a girlfriend. He goes to a different school, so I just found out.

Lowell now knows I know this, but maintains that this girl is "obsessed" with him and he only "pretends" to be her boyfriend to make her

Abby, on top of this, I'm Mormon and can't date until I'm 16. (I think my parents are catching

IN HOT WATER WITH LOVE

DEAR IN HOT WATER: Let's see: (1) He goes to a different school. (2) He may not be leveling with you regard-

ing his relationship with the other girl.
(3) You're not allowed to date for two more Bottom line: Face the fact that this relation-

ship is going nowhere. P.S. Please don't be discouraged. I have a hunch when you are 16 you'll meet a more eli-

gible young man you'll like as much as Lowell.

DEAR ABBY: I'm a 40-something flight attendant. My husband and I spent a lot of money to have his vasectomy reversed so we could have

another baby. It failed. I began artificial insemination. After I mentioned the situation to one of my co-workers, she said she knew that a handsome young pilot we fly with had donated his sperm at the same clinic

Lused. Happily, Lam now pregnant. I suspect my girlfriend told the pilot because he now goes out of his way to avoid me. I can't be sure, but the pilot matches the description in the clinic's donor catalog of the specimen I used.

This whole thing is supposed to be anonymous, but I'm dying to talk to the pilot to confirm my suspicions. If the pilot is the father, should I tell my husband?

FLYING HIGH IN CLEVELAND

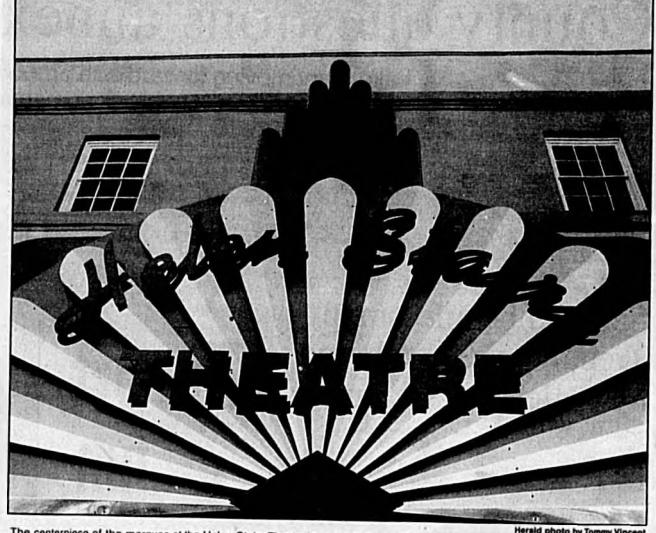
DEAR FLYING HIGH: The paternity of your baby cannot be determined without a DNA test, and sperm banks usually have many anonymous donors. I see no reason to discuss this conjecture with either the pilot or your husband.

P.S. I'm taken aback at the thought that the pilot in question would have discussed his "donations" with your co-worker.

Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Write Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

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Stairs to the stars



The centerpiece of the marquee at the Helen Stairs Theatre appears to be reaching for the stars above the entrance to the renovated building, which once was the Ritz at the corner of East 2nd Street and Magnolia Avenue in Sanford.

Domestic Cases

Maryann Muro, 30, of Logan Heights, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police early Tuesday. Officers said she had attacked a male with a butcher knife at her residence. She was located at a business in the 3100 block of Sanford Avenue and arrested on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and battery, domestic

Frank Russel Whetstine, 46, of Deltona, was arrested by Sanford police Friday following an altercation with a female in the 100 block of Aero Lane in Sanford. He was charged with battery, domestic violence.

Gary Franklin Heninger, 42, listed as homeless in Sanford, was arrested by santora police Friday. Officers said be had been seen removing copper wire from electric meters behind businesses in the 100 block of West First Street. When officers arrived, he reportedly left his bike and ran on foot. He was apprehended in the 500 block of West First Street. He was charged with damage to property under \$200 and petty

Robert Beaty, 34, of Three Oaks Lane, Sanford, was arrested by Casselberry police Friday. On Aug. 21, Beaty reportedly burglarized a residence in Casselberry, removing two guitars, a bike and cell phone. A check of a Longwood pawn shop revealed the bike, and later one of the guitars had been pawned. Benty was located at his residence and arrested on charges of burglary, grand theft, dealing in stolen property, and giving a false verification of ownership.

Emily Deanne Balog, 25, of Baybreeze Lane, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Saturday at a retail store in the 3600 block of South Orlando Drive. She was accused of taking weight control pills and other items from a store without paying. She was charged with petty larceny.

Traffic Stops

Hal Burton Fountain II, 18, of Deltona, was stopped by Sanford police on Rinehart Road Friday. He was charged with driving under the

influence of alcohol/drugs, possession of an unauthorized identification, and possession of liquor by a person under the age of 21,

Police

Blotter

Zhen Ling, 31, of Oviedo, was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Friday on Chapman Road. As the officer talked with him, he reportedly drove off in his vehicle. He was stopped a second time, also on Chapman Road, at which time it is said he attacked the officer. He was arrested on charges of reckless driving and assault on a law enforcement

Michael John Shepard, 25, of Deltona, was stopped by Sanford police early Thursday on Rinehart Road near the Seminole Towne Center mall. He was charged with driving under the influence of alcohol/drugs and having defective equipment.

Trespassing

Brent Patrick Oliver, 19, of Melbourne, was arrested by Sanford police Monday at 3700 S. Sanford Avenue. Officers were called regarding a disturbance and located Oliver, asking him to leave the premises, which he did. A half hour later, police were called the second time to the same location and found Oliver had returned. He was arrested on charges of trespassing and disorderly intoxication.

Rock Thrown

Willie Julius Golden, 32, of Granby Street, Sanford, was arrested by sheriff's deputies Friday. Officers said he had been involved in an altercation with a female who was in her vehicle, in the Midway area. They said during the incident, he threw a rock through the windshield of her vehicle. He was located at his residence and arrested on charges of throwing a missile into a vehicle, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, and property damage over \$200.



Staci Stout, Jordan Bishop and Zeno Stout spend a lew minutes singing and dancing with Seminote County Sheriff's Office Junior Deputy Maggie during last weekend's Lake Mary-Heathrow Festival of the Arts

OUT & ABOUT

THUR 10

U.S. Army Sgt. Stephen Cardona of Casselberry, will make an appearance Thursday, Oct. 10, on the David Letterman Show on television. Cardona will reportedly repel from a tall building in New York City to hand Letterman his list of "Top Ten" Cardona is a 1991 graduate of Forest Lake Academy and Seminole Community College.

A Living Will Workshop will be held Thursday, Oct. 10 at Central Florida Regional Hospital in Sanford. The workshop will deal with new law changes regarding living wills, "Do Not Resuscitate Orders", what happens when 911 is called, and many other items. The event is free but reservations are required by phon-ing 1-800-624-5498

The Altamonte Springs -Maitland Christian Women's Club is holding a Fantastic Fall Festival and luncheon Thursday, Oct. 10 at Maison & Jardin Restaurant in Altamonte Springs, beginning at 10:15 a.m. Featured will be crafts, baked goods and a white elephant sale, with auctioneer Carol Ancona auctioning off gifts. Reservations and cancellations are essential. Phone Betty at 407-996-3625 or Delcie at 407-645-2359 by Sunday, Oct. 6.

SAT

The Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce presents the fifth annual Business Expo, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 12 and 13 at Seminole Towne Center. Hours are 10 a.m. until 9 p.m. Saturday and noon until 6 p.m. Sunday. For information or participation, contact the chamber at 407-322-2212.

TUES 15

The next meeting of the Lake Mary Chapter of AARP No. 4878, will be held at the Lake Mary Community Building, 260 N. Country Club Road in Lake Mary, on Tuesday, Oct.15, at 12:30 p.m. Representatives from The Heritage At Lake Forest will do a presentation as to their facilities and will be providing lunch. The event is free, however RSVP will be required.

For further information, call Irene Lober at 407-333-0054 or Marge Carmona at 407-323-9249

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Sanford Main Street's annual Oktoberfest and Classic Car Cruise will be Saturday, Oct. 19, from 6 until 10 a.m.

Featured will be German food and beer garden, liveentertainment by the Alpine Express band and JD the DJ. Trophies will be awarded for classic and custom car cruisers plus door prizes.

The event, in downtown Sanford is free and open to the public.



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Ann Denham Callahan, 66, Avon Glade Place, Sanford, died Sunday, Oct. 6, 2002 at Lake Mary Health Care. Born Sept. 6, 1936 in Atlanta, Ga., she moved to Central Florida from Chicago in 1999. She was a homemaker and a member of Markham Woods Presbyterian Church. She belonged to Seminole enacks.

rold E., Sanford; son, tchell Allen Callahan, uquerque, N.M.; daugh-Mi:helle C. Sulick, Valo; sisters, Peggy D. Ingblood, Savannah, Ga., e D. Carroll, Forsythe, Ga., e D. Shaffield, Marietta, four grandchildren. laldwin-Fairchild Funeral me, Oaklawn Chapel, ford/Lake Mary, in charge rrangements.

DEANE
FULLER
Deane Fuller, 77, Bedford
Court, Sanford, died
Saturday, Oct. 5, 2002.
He was born July 5, 1925 in
Websterville, Vt. He was a
retired auto salesperson.
Survivors include wife,
Marcia L., Sanford; son, Trey
Kromjaeger, Colorado;

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daughlers, Jeanne Brooks, Jacksonville, Kimberly Prescott, Sanford; brother Caroll Fuller, Vermont; nine grandchildren.

Banfield Funeral Home, Winter Springs, in charge of arrangements.

Funeral services were held esday, Oct. 8 in Linden. Corey & Corey Funeral me, Rahway, N.J., in charge arrangements..

ELSIE JONES Elsie Jones, 73, South Acadian Drive, Deltona, died

turday, Oct. 5, 2002 at her sidence. She was born Nav. 17

She was born Nov. 17, 1928 in Pittsburgh, Penn. She was a homemaker and a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church.
Funeral services were held Monday, Oct. 7 with Fr. Edward McCarthy officiating. Burial was in Deltona Memorial Gardens.
Survivors include husband, Frank, Deltona; daughters, Emily Johnson, Oakdale, Penn, Carol Gaines, Winter Springs; son, Emil Gazda, Deltona; nine grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.
Baldauff Family Funeral Home & Crematory, Orange City, in charge of arrange-ments.

INEZ LEE
MAYO
Inez Lee Mayo, 90, West
13th Street, Sanford, died
Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2002 at
Longwood Health Care
Center.

She was born March 9, 1912 in Georgia. She was a homemaker and a member of First Shiloh M.B. Church.
Survivors include daughter, Alfreda Walker, Sanford; sisters, Lillie B. Fields, Sanford, Loretha Bell and Marie
Holmes, both of Newark, N.J.

four grandchildren; s grandchildren. Funeral services wi

Funeral services will be Saturday, Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. at First Shiloh M.B. Church. Viewing is Friday, Oct. 11, from 4 until 8 p.m. at Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary. Wilson-Eichelberger Mortuary inc., Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

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Gramkow Funeral Home,
banford, in charge of arrangements.

JIMMIE LOU KENT
PHILLIPS
Jimmie Lou Kent Phillips, 94, of Orange City, died Sunday, Sept. 29, 2002 in Orange City. Born Feb. 22, 1908 in Johnson Quarters, Ala., she moved to Central Florida in 1997 from Warrington, Fla. She was a homemaker and a member of Church of the Open Bible.

Survivors include son, Bill Phillips, Longwood; daughter, Barbara Campora, Sanford; brothers, Sherman Kent, Munson, Fla., Maxi Kent, Munson, Fla., Maxi Kent, Pensacola; Berman Kent, West Virginia; seven grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; seven great grandchildren.

Memorial services were held at Gramkow Funeral Home, Saturday, Oct. 5. Burial was in Memorial Garden Cemetery in Crestview.

Gramkow Funeral Home, anford, in charge of arrange-ents. dren.
Golden's Funeral Home,
Inc., Winter Park, in charge of
arrangements. Survivors include wife,
Marie Sims Styles, Orlando;
sons, Michael D. Styles,
Plaines, Charlie Louis Styles,
Plaines, Charlie Louis Styles,
Miami; daughters, Patricia
Styles, Orlando; Rosa Ellis,
Cutler Ridge, Fl., Sharon
Sheppard, Narania, Fl., Gloria
Dean Howard, Plorida City;
sisters, Emma Hicks,
Americus, Ga., Lillie Johnson,
Atlanta; brother, Arthur
Styles, Americus, Ga.; 23
syrandchildren; 10 great-grandchilhildren; two great-grandchiliren.

Survivors include son,
James Martin Reynolds, Fort
Myers, daughters, Pamela E.
Reynolds Tenn, St. Petersburg,
Michelle Kelly Renolds,
Sanford; seven grandchildren;
three great-grandchildren,
Funeral services were held
Tuesday, Oct. 8 at Gramkow
Funeral Home with Chaplain
Michael Lawhorn officiating,
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Margot Kathleen Reynolds, 78, of Sanford, died Friday, Sept. 27, 2002.

She moved to Central Florida from Birmingham, Ala. in 1951. She was owner/operator of the Reynolds Lock and Safe Company.

Charlie Frank Styles, Sr. 70, Arlington Street, Orlando, died Wednesday, Oct. 2, 2002. Born in Plaines, Ga., he moved to Central Florida in 1963. He was an operations manager and a member of Bethlehem Missionary Baptist Church in Plaines, Ga. He was a past officer of Royal Palm Lodge 439, and Rock Lake Home Owners Association chef.

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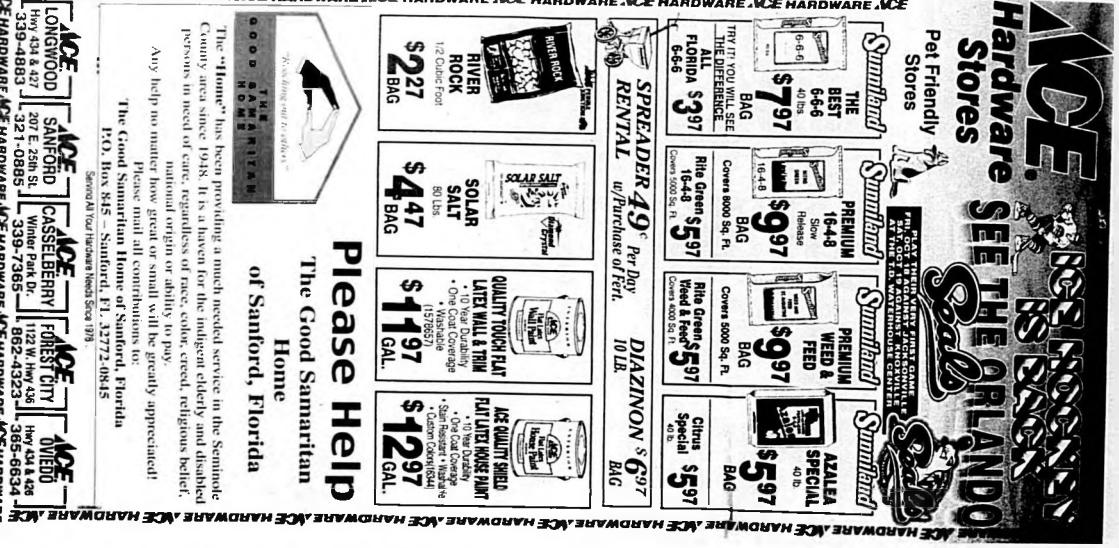
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n its eighth year, the Lake Mary Police

Department's DARE program continues

to grow through the help of local spon-

The department's DARE (Drug Awareness

and Resistance Education) program now serves two schools, Lake Mary Elementary

and Lake Mary Preparatory. Each year, more

than 100 Lake Mary students receive certifi-

cates announcing their participation and

Along with certificates, the children

receive various items, provided by local

Lake Mary's T.G.I. Friday's has donated

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for the "Daren the Lion" decals on DARE

Officer Christopher Taylor's new vehicle,

which received top honors during a contest

sponsored by the Seminole County Sheriff's

businesses, to honor the DARE participants.

appreciation certificates, kids' meal cards and

"Helping Lake Mary's DARE program is

thing to do," T.G.I. Friday's General Manager

Tim Breen said. "It's a great program, and we

Recently, Breen's business donated money











Business

Engineered Homes tops \$50 million in nine months

munity, Engineered Homes eclipsed the \$50 million sales barrier for the fourth consecutive

The 7-year-old Winter Parkbased company closed out year's first nine months with 259 home sales for approximately \$54 million - an average of \$221,818 per sale, reports Sales and Marketing Director Marilyn Anderson.

The fact that Engineered Homes was able to reach the magic \$50 million milestone this soon in the year is remarkable in itself because the company has been operating with limited inventory compared to previous years thanks to two recent closeouts and the sale of two other existing communities to an outside homebuilder.

Before those developments Engineered Homes was on track to overtake last year's recordsetting numbers - \$78.4 million

Bolstered by a solid third on 415 home sales. Even without quarter and the unveiling of its the inventory, Engineered new Buckingham Estates com- Homes was able to ring up impressive sales numbers.

"We're on pace to have our best year yet in terms of average sales price," notes Anderson. "Our average sale price has jumped 14 percent since the first of the year and nearly 20 percent since the start of 2001. In fact, our average sales price the third quarter was the second-highest for a quarter in our seven-plus years as a homebuilder."

The company was helped out by a strong September in which it registered 17 sales for \$4.3 million, or \$252,941 per transaction. Buckingham Estates, the company's new 313-home gated development just north of Heathrow in north Seminole County, accounted for more than half of that September sales volume. The community chalked up eight sales for the month (\$2.7 million) and 17 for the quarter for \$5.9 million.

In terms of actual unit sales,

Egret's Landing lead the way with 21 third-quarter sales for \$3.4 million, followed by Lake Griffin Estates in Casselberry (14 sales for \$2.7 million).

Anderson is counting on a strong closing fourth quarter to finish the year on a high note. Helping in that regard will be the formal opening later this month (October) of Mission Park, a new 201-home community on U.S. Highway 27 in south Lake County in a market that has been extremely good to the company over the years. The company's nearby Weston Hills development that sold out earlier this summer rang up 392 sales for about \$60 million in a little over 3 ? years.

"We are counting on both Buckingham Estates and Mission Park to carry the sales load for us for the balance of the year and the first part of next year," says Anderson. "Both communities are located in markets where there is extremely high demand."

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information technology and computer consulting company, just celebrated its 11th anniversary.

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more high-tech workers over the next 18 months. "By 2004, we expect to employ as many as 350 professionals," said Moore, who also serves as president of the National Association of Computer

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TEAM Information Services, the Lake Mary leading industry trade association representing the interests of independent IT consulting companies.

TEAM is a family of consulting companies that includes Vereon Technology in Jacksonville and Dragon Development in the Washington, D.C. area. Moore said the IT industry will be among the first major U.S. industry segments to revive after

"We anticipate that Florida will emerge from the recession as one of the hottest information technology markets in the U.S.," said Moore. "Today, we are focusing our efforts on developing new busi-Consulting Companies (NACCC), the nation's ness in both private and public sectors," he said



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent Lake Mary DARE Officer Christopher Taylor, left, T.G.I. Friday's General Manager Tim Breen and Lake Mary

T.G.I. Friday's proudly sponsors DARE

Lake Mary DARE Officer Christopher Taylor holds up

the trophy he received during the recent Cops and Cars

for Kids contest sponsored by the Seminole County

"Anytime Chris comes up with an idea, we

Lake Mary Police Chief Richard Beary said

"We have been very blessed with the spon-

he is proud of his department's program and

sors who continue to support us," Beary said.

the support it receives from the city.

"It says a lot about our community."

want to be involved," Breen said. "And, I

challenge other businesses to get involved

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with the DARE program."

Police Chief Richard Beary stand in Iront of Lake Mary's award-winning DARE vehicle

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Business Briefcases

Brentwood acquires new sites **Brentwood Custom Homes** has acquired new home sites at Lake Forest in north Seminole County, Victoria Park in Lake Helen in Volusia County and Magnolia Plantation in Seminole County.

Mark Herring, president of the Altamonte Springs-based custom homebuilder, said they plan to begin new spec homes at Lake Forest within the next 60 days. Two spec homes are planned, priced in the \$395,000 and \$795,000 range. Altogether Brentwood acquired four homesites in the North Seminole com-

At Victoria Park, Brentwood acquired three new homesites with one new spec home to get underway within 30 days, priced in the \$280s.

Brentwood also plans another spec home within 30 days at Magnolia Plantation on Markham Woods Rd. in Seminole County. That ready-

to-move- in home will be priced at \$800,000, Herring said.

Encompass tops list Altamonte Springs-based Encompass Electrical Technologies Florida, LLC has been ranked as Florida's Largest Specialty Contractor for the second consecutive year according to McGraw-Hill's

Construction-Florida Edition

magazine. Headed by Jack A. Olmstead, President, Encompass Electrical Technologies-Florida, LLC, is prominently ranked as the largest specialty contractor in Florida according to Southeast Construction - Florida Edition magazine based on reported revenues of \$200 million. The company is part of U.S. market leader Encompass Services Corporation which is nationally ranked #1 atop Engineering News-Record's annual Top 600 Specialty Contractors survey.



His & Hers Lounge receives beautification award from city

The Sanford Scenic Improvement Board (SIB) recently awarded His & Hers Lounge with the beautification award. On hand for the presentation were Jay Giles and Shelley Bigelow of His & Hers; Mike Loader, Alexandra Coulantes and Stephanie Powers of the SIB ' board; Charles Hollis, lawn service for His & Hers; and Paul Strain, owner of His & Hers. Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

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The Salvation Army will con- for the week. Snacks and lunch- on a first come, first serve basis. es are not provided and are the Only 30 completed registrations tion fee must be paid when the application is completed and returned to the office

For more information please contact Ms. Eva Monroe, Community Center Director, The Salvation Army at 407-322-2642

SCC Planetarium presents 'Lighting Stalker'

David O. Stillings, the world Community College at night in October at 8:30 p.m. famous "Lightning Stalker," will Sanford/Lake Mary Campus

appear live at the Seminole Planetarium every Saturday

The "Lightning Stalker" is world famous for his lightning photography, all of which has been taken in Central Florida. Stillings performs live using multiple slide projectors and SCC's 2000-watt sound sys-

His often humorous and sometimes hair-raising stories about his clusive stalkings are enjoyed by all ages. His show concludes with a grand finale of approximately 100 photos computer-synchronized with multiple projectors, to the "1812" and William Tell" overtures.

Stillings will be available to answer questions following the show. Tickets tend to sell out quickly. Guests are encouraged to arrive early. There are no advanced tickets available for these shows and no discounts. Adult tickets are \$4, and K-12 Students and Seniors are \$3. For more information, please call 407-328-2360.

Riggins earns Employee of the Month



Sanford Deputy City Manager Roger Dixon, right, presents Joyce Riggins with the August 2002 Employee of the Month award, Nominated by her boss, Joe Denaro, Riggins received the award for "her leadership regarding the coordination of the annual employee service awards program" held in April. Her tasks included: assisting employees on their selection of awards; selecting a theme for the event; ordering service awards; preparing the program brochure; and ordering food and arranging the Civic Center.

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Trepanier

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Northland Foods Inc. He first came to Sanford in 1956 with Florida Fresh, buying celery

when Chun King was using three truckloads of celery a day. When Paulucci sold Chun King to R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company in 1967, Trepanier was hired at the newly formed R.J. Reynolds Foods as the principal buyer for the east-em half of the U.S. He later retired from R.J. Reynolds Foods, and joined Central Produce and Equipment Inc. in Sanford as the company's manager.

In partnership with his sister, Trepanier bought land that became L&L Acres on the south side of looked for ways to improve the

Lake Mary Boulevard, part of community. which is now the Oakmonte Development. He also purchased 3,000 acres from the Dyson family and Chase & Co. to create the community of Heathrow.

Trepanier was a long-time supof the Mary/Heathrow Arts Festival.

"The festival was held on his property across from Heathrow for many years," said M.L. "Sonny" Raborn, a former Sanford mayor and city commissioner. "He was a true friend of Sanford, and I'm very sorry to hear of his passing."

Jacobson remembers Trepanier as a progressive visionary who

"He never failed to support any development program that he was for the l'aulucci family more than asked to participate in," Jacobson said. "He was probably one of the most committed, most dedicated and most visionary citizens the community has ever had."

Dunn recalled the encouragement Trepanier provided in his business ventures.

"He never criticized. He was always supportive," Dunn said.

The last thing he said to me was 'You're a good boy,' " Dunn added emotionally. "Nobody's said that to me since I was a kid, and I'll soon be 59. It was like he

was giving me a hug, like a father." Trepanier was preceded in

death by his wife, Florence, who died five years ago after of 51 years of marriage; his brother, Everett Trepanier of LeSeuer, Minn.; and his son, Joe Trepanier, a Navy pilot.

He is survived by two sisters, Lois M. Paulucci of Sanford, and Jane Cardiff of Duluth; three children, Fred Trepanier of Jackson, Ohio, Jeanne Trepanier Castello of Rockaway N.J., and Joey Bellamy of Lake Mary; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and devoted companion Ellen Schirmer, who helped care for him

during his extended illness. Visitation will be Thursday, Oct. 10, 2002, from 6 to 8 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 301 Oak Avenue, Sanford.

Funeral service is 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 11, 2002, at First Presbyterian. Burial will be in Oaklawn Cemetery in Sanford.

Instead of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the Florida Sheriffs' Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 2000, Boys Ranch, Fla., 32064

Marks to speak at chamber meeting

The Seminole County/Lake Mary Chamber of Commerce will feature David Marks from Market Place Advisors, at a Business **Economic Development** Committee meeting,

Thursday, Oct. 10, from 8 until 9 a.m. at Perot Systems Corporation, located at 610 Crescent Executive Court, 4th Floor in Lake Mary.

The meeting is open to all chamber members.

Annexation -

Continued from Page 1A lion for just one."

As part of the annexation deal, Lake Mary agreed to return 80 percent of the tax revenue to Colonial TownPark for the next 10 years not to exceed \$4.75 million - a cap that could actually be reached within seven years.

In the future, the county may require companies that accept incentives to agree not to annex into a city for a specific amount of

"I think that's one of the things we have to look at," Grace said, "at least until we recover our investment."

Fire service and building inspections are other big issues, McLain said. Colonial officials want the county to continue providing both services.

"There are a lot of things to discuss, and I don't think it's as done a deal as some in Lake Mary may think," McLain said.

Without the county's support, Lake Mary may have a hard time moving forward with the deal. Colonial TownPark will only agree to annexation if the county finishes permitting any current development.

The city, however, isn't ready to table the deal if the county refuses to accept an interlocal agreement. Since Colonial TownPark voluntarily approached the city about annexation, Lake Mary officials believe a solution can be found so the

annexation can move forward. "If the county won't do an interlocal agreement, then we will have to move on to Plan B," Mayor Thom Greene said. "If the county doesn't agree, we will come up with something else."

Lake Mary officials also believe the annexation would benefit both the city and the county. They said the annexation and tax break would encourage faster development at the site.

"It's still going to be in the county," City Commissioner George Duryea said. "I don't know why the county would hold us up on this."

Currently, the office park contains three office buildings and an apartment complex. Future proposed development on the 175acres includes 1 million square feet of office space, as well as restaurants, retail businesses, apartments, a hotel, and possibly a movie complex.

McLain said he is scheduled to meet with officials from Colonial TownPark Wednesday afternoon. Lake Mary Officials also plan to meet with county officials and the

developer in the near future. The Lake Mary City Commission is scheduled to vote on the annexation agreement with Colonial Realty LP, the property owner, during its Nov. 7 and Nov. 21 meetings. Public hearings will be held prior to the

"I think this is not a typical annexation," City Manager Litton said. "This is thinking outside of the box. I truly believe if we are going to do it, then we need to do

Herald Editor Dan Ping contributed





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The Starlight Promenaders Square and Round Dance Club in DeBary will begin new square dance classes in October, open to all men, women, singles and couples of all ages. A free night will be

> Community Center, 34 South Shell Road. Workshops begin at 7 p.m. For additional information phone 386-574-3692. Welcome Wagon

The Seminole Spokes of Welcome Wagon Club will

meet Wednesday, Oct. 9 at 11:30 a.m. at Sweetwater Highlands Golf and Country Club in Longwood. Cost of the luncheon is \$15.50. Diana Tennis, Attorney at Law will speak on "Domestic Violence Issues."

For reservations or further information on the club's many interest groups, call Carol at 407-880-6330 or Joyce at 386-774-9194.

Lake Mary AARP

The next meeting of the Lake Mary Chapter of AARP No. 4878, will be held at the Lake Mary Community Building, 260 N. Country Club Road in Lake Mary, on Tuesday, Oct.15, at 12:30 p.m.

Representatives from The Heritage At Lake Forest will do a presentation as to their facilities and will be providing lunch. The event is free, however RSVP will be required.

For further information, call Irene Lober at 407-333-0054 or Marge Carmona at 407-323-9249

Cribbage Club

The Greater Orlando Cribbage Club, Grass Roots Club 22, has announced its 2002-03 season. The season runs from September through May. Games are played promptly at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening at Elks BPOE No.1830, at 4755 Howell Branch Road in Winter Park.

Seminole County residents seeking more information about the Cribbage Club are asked to phone John Blowers at 407-699-1241.

Classic Car Cruise

Sanford main Street's annual Oktoberfest and Classic Car Cruise will be Saturday, Oct. 19, from 6 until 10 a.m. Featured will be German food and beer garden, live entertainment by the Alpine Express band and JD the DJ. Trophies will be awarded for classic and custom car cruisers plus door prizes. The event, in downtown Sanford is free and open to the public.

German American Society Saturday, Oct. 12, the German American Society will be holding its annual "OKTO-BERFEST" at the beer garden and club house, 381 Orange Lane, Casselberry. There will be lots of entertainment and delicious food.

Florida All Airborne Day The South Florida Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Division Association will hold the 16th annual "Florida All Airborne Days" in Fort Lauderdale, Oct. 17-19. Veterans from all Airborne units will attend. Veterans from the 11th, 13th, 17th, 82nd, and 101st as well

as special forces will be there. For details and materials write to All Ohio Days, 5459. Northcutt Place, Dayton, Ohio, 45414 or phone 1-937-898-5977

Authorities recover body of drowning victim

From Staff Reports

Authorities recovered the body of a 34-year old Altamonte Springs area man Saturday, Oct. 5. He was the victim of an apparent drowning in Lake Mobile, east of Altamonte Springs. The accident occurred at approximately 10:15

County Sheriff's Office, Seminole Orlando, was visiting his aunt, County Department of Public Safety and the Volusia County Sheriff's dive team assisted in the operation.

According to eyewitnesses, Vincent Curtis Florence, 34, of Lake Mobile Drive, went under water while swimming out to assist a 13-year old boy stranded Units from the Seminole on a Jet Ski. The boy, who is from

who lives next door to the victim. The boy was identified as Joshua Reliford.

Eyewitnesses say Florence got about 40 yards from shore and apparently began to struggle. They say he tried to float on his back but went under.

He came up once then went under again.

near the point where he was last was actually located two resiseen. Recovery was made at approximately 2 p.m.

Since that time, investigators have determined the let Ski on which the youth was riding, had been stolen from the Casselberry area in September. The Jet Ski's trailer was also recovered. An still waiting for preliminary investigator who returned to the results.

Florence's body was recovered site Tuesday, reported the trailer dences away from where the victim lived.

Charles San

Florence's body was taken to Volusia County where the medical examiner will conduct an autopsy to determine the cause of death. As of Tuesday noon, authorities were

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to pay half of the bonds issued to build the facility if Sanford officials pull out of the deal after financing has been secured. That concerned City Commissioner Art Woodruff. He noted the agreement requires the city to receive county approval for the facilities business plan and book-

ing policies.
"We need to agree on the

design, footprint of the building and the booking policy before the county goes to bond," Woodruff said. "We don't want to pay for something that we don't agree

McLain said those issues would be resolved before the bonds are issued.

"Before we borrow the money, we have a lot of work to do," McLain said.

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of Sanford Avenue and First Street. It is a 3.95 acre site, part of an overall 7.9 acre site where a hotel may be constructed.

this solicitation. The anticipated design of the

facility will incorporate a main ballroom, conference rooms, space and surface parking.

flexible meeting room, lecture The hotel is not included in hall, boardroom, full service kitchen and prep area, prefunction/circulation/registration

Seminole's Tourist Development Council meets Thursday

The Seminole County Tourist Development Council will meet Thursday, Oct. 10 at Hampton Inn, 151 N. Douglas

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