

# Sanford Herald

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## NEWS DIGEST

### Sports

#### Rams victorious over Deltona

LAKE MARY — In the first home appearance for the Lake Mary Rams this season, the boys' high school basketball team held off Deltona 66-54.

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### Florida

#### Doctors examine medical equity

ORLANDO — Members of the American Medical Association House of Delegates are calling upon doctors to re-examine cultural and social attitudes said to be limiting the quality of health care provided women in the United States.

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#### Drug lab operation probed

SANFORD — The Seminole County Sheriff's Department in-house lab has suspended operation, pending the outcome of an internal investigation into the reported actions of chemist Chris Alt, Maj. Donald Eslinger said.

The confidential probe centers on a drug test conducted by Alt Oct. 1, which led to the arrest of an Oviedo police officer assigned as a county drug agent. Alt's reported finding of a positive result in tests for cocaine in the urine of Officer Ralph "Gene" Taylor were reported to the City County Investigative Bureau and Taylor was arrested for possession of cocaine Oct. 4. Oviedo police conducted their own investigation and returned Taylor to duty. Charges against him were dismissed and his name was cleared after it was learned that further tests of his urine sample were negative and that sheriff's supervisors received conflicting reports.

#### I-4 crash fatal for Sanford man

ORLANDO — Gerald Frederick Taylor, 48, 325 Springview Drive, Sanford, was killed in an Interstate 4 traffic accident that occurred at about 5:45 p.m. Wednesday in Orange County, a Florida Highway Patrol spokesman in Orlando reported today.

Taylor was a passenger in a van driven east by James A. Gilmore, 49, 116 Woodfield Drive, Sanford, when the driver of an eastbound car lost control and crossed the median into oncoming traffic near State Road 535. A car was struck by the careening car, which then collided with the Sanford men's van, the FHP spokesman said.

From staff reports

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### Warming trend begins



Partly cloudy with the high in the low to mid 70s. Wind east 10 to 15 mph.

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**days until Christmas**

## Scientists try to turn down the volume of noisy everyday life

United Press International

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. — Scientists at Purdue University are hard at work in their laboratories making noise, but their aim is to reduce, rather than increase, the din of everyday life.

Researchers at Purdue's Ray W. Herrick Laboratories are among the nation's leaders in the development of noise-control systems that can

eliminate unwanted sounds from cars, airplanes, ventilation systems and other sources.

"Sound in air is created by small fluctuations in air pressure," said Jim Jones, assistant professor of mechanical engineering.

"Active noise control involves creating a sound that is equal in amplitude (volume) and identical in frequency (pitch) as the noise we want to eliminate," Jones said.

"However, the sound waves are inverted, or opposite in phase, so when the offending noise increases air pressure, the noise-control system causes a corresponding decrease to cancel the sound.

"It works like adding a positive and a negative number together to get zero."

Active noise-reduction systems were first patented in the 1930s. While it is relatively easy to cancel a

pure tone, early devices were not able to produce accurately the complex mix of frequencies needed to eliminate everyday sounds.

Jones said recent developments in digital signal processors now make active noise reduction practical.

Active noise-reduction systems use microphones to detect the offending sound and send it to a computer.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Seminole County Commission Chairman Fred Streetman presided over tribute to John Polk.

## County jail renamed for sheriff as officials pay tribute to Polk

By J. MARK BARFIELD  
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — About 50 local government and law enforcement officials gathered under a crisp blue sky Wednesday afternoon to honor Sheriff John Polk's 22 years of service to the county.

Seminole County commissioners Fred Streetman and Bob Sturm tugged on a velvet sheet and unveiled the county's greatest dedication to Polk, the entrance sign bearing the new name of the 10-year-old county jail, the "John E. Polk Correctional Facility." A plaque honoring Polk will be mounted inside the jail.

Although Streetman said Polk had "insisted" on being present at the ceremony, his physician would not allow the health-straining visit. Polk has been hospitalized for heart and lung problems and will retire from office Dec. 31. Maj.

Don Eslinger has been appointed to complete Polk's term at the sheriff's request.

"The John E. Polk Correctional Facility stands as a reminder of the strength and character of a man which all of law enforcement across the state admire and respect," Eslinger commented. "John Polk is a compassionate man who is always concerned about the well-being and treatment of all individuals. He has personally involved himself in helping all inmates in this facility to better themselves, to improve their lives. He is the dean of Florida sheriffs."

In addition to the five county commissioners, court clerk Maryanne Morse, tax collector Ray Valdez, circuit judge S. Joseph Davis Jr. and county judge Fredric M. Hitt attended the ceremony. Altamonte Springs Mayor Dudley

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## Boy charged in attempted murder, theft

By SUSAN LOEHN  
Herald staff writer

GENEVA — A 16-year-old Geneva boy is charged with attempted murder. He is accused of firing a shot at a man who was attempting to detain the boy until Seminole County sheriff's deputies could arrive at an Osceola Road site.

The suspect, Tindall Jason Williams, 190 N. Jungle Road, is also charged with grand theft auto, use of a motor vehicle in commission of a felony and use of a firearm in a felony. He was arrested at about midnight Wednesday on Osceola Road at Liberty Lane, Geneva.

Sheriff's deputies report the victim Theron Dudley, 21, 871 Old Lake Harney Road, Geneva, and Edwin James Chaudoin, of Ester Drive, Geneva, were traveling west on Osceola Road, when Williams allegedly passed them traveling westbound. The two men recognized the truck as property of Hillside Farms Sod Co., and suspected it was stolen, a sheriff's report said. Chaudoin turned his vehicle and pursued the truck, until Williams allegedly drove off the road in an attempt to elude the men.

The men confronted him and Dudley stayed with Williams at the scene when Chaudoin went to notify an employee of the sod company of the apparent auto theft, the report said. The employee called the sheriff's department and Chaudoin returned to the scene. Dudley unarmed the suspect after the shot was

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## Saddam moves to free hostages

By LEE STOKES  
United Press International

Iraqi President Saddam Hussein asked the National Assembly to release all foreign hostages held in Iraq and occupied Kuwait, the official Iraqi News Agency reported Thursday. Initial U.S. reaction was cautious.

The surprise move came after Saddam had earlier promised to free all foreign hostages in batches between Christmas Day and March 25, provided he was not attacked in the meantime.

"President Saddam Hussein called on the speaker and members of the National Assembly to lift the ban on the travel of all foreigners whose travel abroad has been restricted, and to take a decision to this effect," Saddam said in a message to the speaker of Iraq's National Assembly, Mahdi Saleh, according to INA, monitored in Cairo.

Western diplomats in the Middle East said about 2,000 Western and Japanese hostages are still in Iraqi custody. Iraq has already agreed to allow some 3,300 Soviet hostages to leave the country.

Baghdad Radio said in a broadcast. See Hostages, Page 2A

## Partial roster of local troops

SANFORD— According to lists obtained from the Yellow Ribbon Society and the American Legion Post 53, the following are service men and women stationed in the Persian Gulf, all of whose families live in the Sanford area:

- E4 Timothy Ashcraft
- E4 Traci Williams
- Cpl. M.C. Edwards
- Sgt. David Markworth
- Pfc. Rodger A. Johnson

- CW2 Charles G. Hibbler
- Lance Cpl. Cecil A. Osborn Jr.
- Cpl. Leroy Kingsworth
- Pvt. 3 Brim W. Hartley
- Lance Cpl. John Childers
- Pvt. 2 Jerod A. Jones
- Cpl. 3 John Dubois
- Pvt. Rodney Roberts
- Lt. Cmdr. David C. Noell
- SRA Jeffrey D. Hudson
- Pfc. Darryl Gann
- Sgt. Chan A. D. Gann
- S3 Sgt. Yasita Quinn Jr.
- Warrant Officer 1 Mike K. Apple
- Cpl. K.D. Banks
- Jerry Richards
- George L. Summers

## Cities support local troops

By NICK PFIFAUF  
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Support for area men and women involved in Operation Desert Shield is being demonstrated through a variety of projects, activities and small reminders.

In Sanford, the Yellow Ribbon Society has completed its project of hanging bows on trees and posts on most of the major streets and highways. Now, more bows are

being made and offered for sale at \$1 each for private individuals who may wish to expand the show of support into other areas of the city and county. They are available at the American Legion Post 53, 2874 Sanford Ave., Sanford.

The group says materials are getting hard to find, and the charge is designed to help offset the cost of obtaining additional yellow plastic material from which the bows are

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## Auction makes dreams come true

By VICKI DeSORMIER  
Herald staff writer

SANFORD — Gene and Mourcen Daniel and Vann and Laura Parker have been selected to chair the Seminole Community College Dream Auction, which will take place Feb. 25, 1991 at the Sheraton Orlando-North in Maitland.

Gene Daniel is the group president in charge of Sun Bank's Seminole and North Orange County branches. He also serves as chairman of Sun Bank's Florida insurance agency and as a board member of the Seminole County Chamber of Commerce.

He also has previous fundraising experience as past chairman of the United Way and March of Dimes efforts in Brevard County.

Parker, a pediatrician in Seminole County since 1956 and chief of the Department of Pediatrics at HCA

Central Florida Regional Hospital, is a past board member of the Seminole County Housing Authority and the Friends of the St. Johns. He has headed a task force on teenage pregnancy and has served as president of the Mutual Concert Association.

He was recently presented with the Randall Chase Senior Citizen Award by the Sanford Kiwanis Club.

Daniel has been involved with Seminole Community College through Sun Bank for several years. At the 1990 Dream Auction, he presented the college with a check for \$25,000 from the bank. The money was in honor of the school's 25th anniversary.

The Dream Auction is an annual event at the college which raises money for scholarships. An average of \$100,000 is raised annually and is placed in a scholarship trust fund.

Items on the auction block range from household

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### Attempted attack foiled

**SANFORD** — A woman told Sanford police she punched a man (2) to escape after he allegedly pulled her into his apartment seeking sex. The woman said she had gone to the suspect's apartment to ask for the return of a borrowed radio. The incident occurred at the apartment of Fernando R. Bernam, 45, 704 W. Ninth St., Sanford, police said. Police arrested Bernam there at 10:05 p.m. Tuesday on a charge of aggravated assault and battery. The woman said Bernam allegedly brandished a kitchen knife before she escaped.

### Man charged with death threats arrested

**SANFORD** — Seminole County sheriff's deputies report arresting a man they confronted at the front door of a house at 2431 Greenway Ave., rural Sanford, at about 9 p.m. Tuesday. Deputies said Robert Louis Lee, 25, 401 Magnolia St., Sanford, was allegedly yelling and trying to break a glass door when they arrived. He refused to calm down and when a resident at that address returned home, deputies said, Lee, allegedly threatened to kill her. He was subdued, handcuffed and hogtied.

### Burglary suspect caught cooking

**SANFORD** — When cook John Tenney arrived for work at the State Farmer's Market Restaurant, 1300 S. French Ave., at about 4:20 a.m. today he quickly left to go to the Sanford police station. Tenney told police he had seen a man break a window and crawl into the restaurant. Police arrived to find Dean Eugene Sweet, 35, of P.O. Box 547, Geneva, inside the restaurant. Sweet, who was not authorized to be there, had allegedly taken six steaks from a freezer and placed them on a grill. He was arrested on a burglary charge.

### Four arrested in drug search

**CASSELBERRY** — City County Investigative Bureau agents with a warrant who searched a house at 270 Golden Days Drive, Casselberry, report the arrest of three residents and a visitor on drug charges. The arrests were made late Wednesday after cocaine and drug paraphernalia were reportedly found in the search. Residents arrested were: Elizabeth Louise Bailey, 60, charged with possession of cocaine to distribute and possession of drug paraphernalia; Cynthia Ann Cook, 42, possession of cocaine and drug paraphernalia; and Preston Harvey Shepherd, 33, on the same charges. Susan Renee Conover, 28, of 300 Wade St., Winter Springs was arrested on the same charges when she arrived at the house and was searched.

### Four arrested after drug deal

**ALTAMONTE SPRINGS** — Three men allegedly involved in a Wednesday sale of five pieces of crack cocaine for \$250 to an informant for the City County Investigative Bureau have been arrested. A woman who was with one of the men was arrested on a marijuana charge. The deal was reportedly made in rural Altamonte Springs and the suspects were linked to a car and a house at 303 Teakwood Street, the arrest reports said. The arrests were made late Wednesday. Charged with sale of cocaine was Valdeza Williams, 31, of 312 Continental Drive, Altamonte Springs. Charged with possession of cocaine was Terry Lee Small, 27, of 402 Magnolia Ave., Altamonte Springs. Charged with delivery of cocaine was Willie Clifford Small, 29, of the same address. Mary Elizabeth Bilton, 31, of 601 Lake Mobile Drive, Altamonte Springs, was charged with possession of less than 20 grams of marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

### Seminole County DUI arrests

**SANFORD** — The following person faces a charge of driving under the influence of alcohol (DUI) in Seminole County: David Charles Hurst, 31, of Apopka, was arrested at 3 a.m. Sunday after his car failed to maintain a single lane on Old Lake Mary Road, Lake Mary.

## Controversial talk show host to return to WTRR

By J. MARK BARFIELD  
Herald staff writer

**SANFORD** — Controversial talkshow host Bill Klinger returns to WTRR-AM next week. Klinger, who uses the on-air name of "Darren Chase," left the station in September after making several personal accusations against then mayoral candidate Randy Morris and his family and Lake Mary Police Chief Charles Lauderdale. He returns to the air Dec. 11 in a two-hour show beginning at 4 p.m. The program will be broadcast each Tuesday and Thursday during the time slot.

Klinger said county commission candidate Dick Fess and mayoral candidate Tom Williams, who were on the Sept. 26 program, supplied him with the information. Fess admitted to supplying some information about Lauderdale to Klinger, but Williams denied providing information aired by Klinger during the show. The State Attorney's Office concluded there was no truth to one allegation Klinger made on the program regarding a "cover up" by Lauderdale of a intoxicated driving incident involving a city resident. Morris said he was unaware

Klinger would return to the station. Morris said he is conferring with his attorney over the statements made on the program. Klinger said the new program, "Talk of the Town," will focus on community topics and controversial issues such as gay marriages, but will steer away from politics. "That was a personal decision on my part," Klinger said.

WTRR general manager Frank Vaught said Klinger's return was conditioned.

"I told him if I'm out and happen to be listening to the program and I hear him slander anyone, I'm calling the producer and he goes off the air," Vaught said. "We want him to be a sounding board for the people to call in and let their thoughts be known. I told him to stay out of it."

Vaught said Bob Webster, now heard from 2 to 4 p.m. weekdays will switch to a 4 to 6 p.m. time slot Monday, Wednesday and Thursday with "We the People." Vaught said while Webster will continue his local, state, national and international political focus, more attention will be placed on consumer assistance on the program.

## Noriega's co-defendant pleads guilty

By JEFF HARDY  
United Press International

**MIAMI** — A former Panamanian military leader thought to be the right hand man in Gen. Manuel Noriega's drug dealings signed a plea agreement Wednesday that calls for him to testify against the deposed strongman in exchange for a 3-year prison term.

Lt. Col. Luis del Cid and defense attorney San Burstyn agreed to the terms of the plea Tuesday and it was signed around 4:30 p.m. Wednesday. It was to be presented to U.S. District Judge William Hoeveler at a hearing Thursday morning.

"The government is going to recommend a 3-year sentence after he cooperates, which would mean he would have to serve two years," Burstyn said. "We are very happy about that since he has already served one year. That means he may end up serving less time than he would have if he had waited for the trial to begin."

The case originally was scheduled for trial in March but then was delayed until Jan. 29 and lawyers say it probably will have to be delayed again.

In a 1988 indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Miami, del Cid, 47, is accused of acting as a liaison and courier between Noriega and drug traffickers. It says he helped move cocaine from Colombia to Panama with the knowledge it was headed for the United States.

If convicted under that indictment, he would have faced a maximum penalty of 70 years in prison and \$550,000 in fines on racketeering, trafficking and conspiracy charges.

Like Noriega, del Cid surrendered during the U.S. military invasion of Panama last December.

Burstyn and the government have been involved in plea negotiations for the past several months. A key impasse had been whether del Cid would be deported to Panama to face possible criminal charges there. Burstyn said that obstacle was eliminated when the government agreed to oppose any deportation attempts.

### Correction

Due to an editing error, the wife of re-elected Sanford Commissioner A.A. McClanahan was misidentified in two picture captions Tuesday. Her name is Candy McClanahan.

### Public school menu



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**EDITORIALS**

## Soaring college costs

Identify which of the following public expenditures increased by the highest percentage since 1960: a) defense b) farm subsidies c) student aid. If you answered "a" or "b," you flunk. Government outlays for student aid increased by more than 100 percent, outstripping increases in national defense, farm payments and most other public expenditures.

Taxpayers have shouldered this substantial increase in higher education financing because college costs have increased year by year at a clip double the rate of inflation. The College Board reported this week that for the current academic year, tuition and fees are up an average of 8 percent at private four-year colleges and 7 percent at public four-year colleges.

Against this backdrop, Education Secretary Lauro Cavazos is urging administrators of colleges and universities to get a handle on spiraling prices by controlling spending. He has offered a number of suggestions, most of which are almost certain to fall on fallow ears.

What accounts for the tremendous run-up in higher education costs? The American Association of State Colleges and Universities ascribes the staggering increase to such factors as rising insurance costs and increasing government regulations.

But those factors are generally figured into inflation and college costs have run double the rate of inflation. Moreover, most U.S. industries have also contended with the kind of cost factors that the AASCU speaks of, but without raising prices by double the rate of inflation. In the real world, this would be a recipe for economic failure.

But, of course, America's colleges do not operate in the real world. Rather, they exist in a nether world where cost and price structure have little to do with broad economic forces. One reason they are able to do so is that government continues to provide generous subsidies, enabling colleges to charge an artificially high price.

This would be somewhat more palatable if American taxpayers were seeing an increasing return on their substantial investment in higher education. But hardly anyone would suggest that quality of education on America's campuses is appreciably better in 1990 than a decade ago.

This is not to say that America's colleges are in decline or that society does not derive great dividends from subsidies to higher education. But the nation's colleges and universities should be put on notice that, in this era of tight government budgets, with a recession on the horizon, they must do a better job of bringing their costs in line with the real world.

## Reducing junk education

One of the best ideas William J. Bennett had as secretary of education was to make colleges and trade schools with excessively high default rates ineligible for the federally guaranteed student loan program. The idea was dropped by his timid successor, Lauro Cavazos, but now Congress, under pressure to cut the spiraling multibillion-dollar cost of such defaults, has written the idea into law. It's a good decision.

Under the new rule, which will affect more than 600 schools, students at any post-secondary institution where 35 percent or more of the loans are in default for the three most recent years (1987-1989) will be declared ineligible for federally guaranteed loans, beginning in 1991. By 1993, the cutoff would be set at 30 percent. Because they were created to serve disadvantaged populations, traditionally black institutions and those controlled by Indian tribes will be exempt from the rule until 1994.

The hope is that this measure will save between \$1 billion and \$2 billion over five years. The owners of private proprietary trade schools, which will be the hardest hit by the rule, say that the reason their default rates are so high is that they also serve large numbers of disadvantaged students — the very people most in need of federal help.

Yet the evidence of the past decade indicates that some for-profit schools recruited unqualified students who had little or no chance of benefiting from their programs, while others made wild promises — of jobs that didn't exist, or training they couldn't provide. It wasn't surprising, therefore, that many angry and frustrated students, having paid tuition with federally guaranteed loans for training that turned out to be very different from what they expected, walked away from their obligations. The new rule sends a message to all schools, private and public, that there had better be some reasonable relationship between what they promise students and what they actually provide.

**ISSUES THAT HIT HOME**

## Give sanctions enough time to work

By **MARK SCHWARTZ**  
UPI Washington Bureau Chief

WASHINGTON — Now we have the Bush administration knocking down its own best strategy — economic sanctions — for pushing Saddam Hussein out of Kuwait while still averting war.

Defense Secretary Dick Cheney told Congress Monday the administration doesn't know if the sanctions will cut it. "They might," he said, "but then again there's a lot of evidence that they won't."

If the evidence is plentiful, Cheney certainly didn't reveal much of it to the Senate Armed Services Committee. To the contrary, he testified the embargo is doing its job in the crucial area of cutting off military supplies and spare parts from Iraq's major suppliers, the Soviet Union and France.

In fact, the strongest evidence he cited that the sanctions won't work was to call the food and agriculture picture "somewhat murkier."

Well, the point has never been to starve the Iraqis. The administration granted almost immediately after organizing the blockade in August that humanitarian aid to Iraq, if it became necessary, would be permitted.

Cheney believes that a failed embargo will only

strengthen Saddam, and there's no question about that. But the secretary said it was better to deal with Saddam now, "while we have some 28 other nations assembled with military forces in the gulf than it will be for us to deal with him five or 10 years from now," when the coalition will have broken up and Saddam Hussein will be even more of a threat to peace.

Who, though, is talking about five or 10 years? The advocates of giving the embargo more time — and their numbers, by the way, include virtually all of Cheney's living predecessors at the Pentagon — are talking in terms of two years at the most.

Two years is not a period just picked out of thin air. The Institute for International Economics, a Washington "think tank," says based on historical experience it takes "one to two years to wear down the targeted economy."

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The institute's trade experts have no illusions about the difficulty of mounting a successful embargo: a historical analysis of the use of sanctions in 115 cases in the 20th century says sanctions succeeded only 34 percent of the time.

But the chances are better against Iraq, in part because Iraq's economy is largely based on one product. Oil constitutes 90 percent of its exports, and virtually all oil has stopped flowing out of Iraq. Iraq is hurting, and will feel it even more as time goes on.

Cheney is right, of course, that other countries are also hurting because of the oil embargo, and their pain is a threat to the alliance in the gulf. But rather than giving up on the sanctions, we ought to encourage more oil production from Saudi Arabia and elsewhere and reconsider releasing oil from American, German and Japanese reserves.

Can we afford to give sanctions a chance? Yes, when compared with the military alternative Gen. Colin Powell soberly described to the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff dispelled doubt, if there was any, about our military strategy. The allies are not contemplating surgical air strikes. The sanctions could work, but it is sounding more and more like we will never find out.



ROBERT WALTERS

## TV parodies TV newscasts

WASHINGTON — One television network has belatedly but publicly acknowledged the fundamentally flimsy and fatuous nature of the medium's news programming. Unfortunately, that admission comes in the form of an entertainment offering.

"Television news is like sausage. People who love it shouldn't see it being made," says Liz McVay, the executive producer for news at a fictional but strikingly realistic broadcast operation whose travails are portrayed on a biting new CBS program called "WIOU."

On another occasion, McVay's boss at the station tells her: "I like executive producers who don't think good journalism and a good television show are the same thing."

The program, one of the better new offerings of the current season, provides a surprisingly honest view of a television "news" operation whose consuming quest for higher ratings invariably produces not improved journalism but enhanced pandering to viewers' worst tastes.

While "WIOU" is merciless in its parody of a local station's foibles and failings, it carefully avoids lampooning the network-produced and syndicate-distributed national "news" programs that have debased television journalism. Among them are regularly scheduled "infotainment" shows that rely heavily upon re-creation, re-enactment and simulation. In this category are programs such as "A Current Affair," "America's Most Wanted," "Unsolved Mysteries," "The Reporters" and "Reacue 911."

In addition, the three major networks routinely offer special "docudramas" that recklessly mix fact with fiction, preventing even careful viewers from comprehending where adherence to reality gives way to reliance upon a script writer's imagination.

Among the favorite subjects of those programs are New York's most grisly crimes of recent years, including two that occurred in Central Park — the gang rape of a female jogger and a young couple's passionate embrace that degenerated into a slaying and became known as the "Preppie Murder."

Other topics include child molestation at a day care center, the homosexual proclivities of actor Rock Hudson, the catastrophic explosion aboard a spacecraft and the saga of a depraved New York man who abused both his child (who eventually died) and wife.

No subject is too lurid or tasteless for those offerings. Indeed, the journalistic scavengers who produce them appear to revel in excess and exploitation.

The three leading networks' evening news programs still adhere to relatively high standards — but only one step away are shows such as "Saturday Night with Connie Chung," a production of NBC's News Division that relied heavily upon the dramatization of news events until controversy forced discontinuation of the practice.

Similarly, ABC's News Division initially relied upon, then abandoned an innovation of dubious value — the presentation of news before a live studio audience — as a gimmick to enhance the ratings of its "PrimeTime Live."

In addition, the news divisions of all three networks have shamelessly offered programs that do little more than celebrate celebrity. Among the most dreadful recent entries is NBC's "Cutting Edge with Maria Shriver," in which the hostess gushes about various entertainers' purported show business successes.

Nobody's idea of a serious journalist, Shriver's principal claim to fame is her membership in the Kennedy political family. Nevertheless, she has served on numerous occasions as the anchor of "NBC Nightly News."

The equally "talented" Deborah Norville has been a cause of ceaseless consternation ever since she was elevated to an anchor position on NBC News' "Today" show, presumably demonstrating that the networks' heavy reliance upon glamor has some limitations.

But the Cable News Network transformed Catherine Crier from a state court judge with no background in journalism to a news program anchor. Similarly, Diane Sawyer went directly from the White House staff to CBS, then to ABC.

When will a truly brave television network offer a satirical program that deals with the excesses and inadequacies of the industry's national as well as local news operations?

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**No subject is too lurid or tasteless for those offerings.**

JACK ANDERSON

## Training accidents occur at home, too

WASHINGTON — Forty-nine American soldiers have already died in Operation Desert Shield in training accidents and routine operations. The Pentagon says that is to be expected. But our study of one training accident last summer on U.S. soil convinces us that maybe the Pentagon expects too little of itself.

An Army Black Hawk helicopter, like those sent to the Persian Gulf, crashed on a hillside in Arkansas last July 27. It took four hours for help to arrive. By that time, five Green Berets were dead and another had lapsed into a coma.

The four-hour delay might be excusable if the helicopter went down in some remote corner of the world. But this crash occurred right on the grounds of Ft. Chaffee, an Army post in western Arkansas.

Our associate Jim Lynch has learned

that there was no medevac helicopter to rush to the crash. Ft. Chaffee officials now claim that they could not have landed a medevac helicopter in the dense forest near the crash, even if they had one to land. But the post has one now, standing by for all Special Operations training. There was also no backup helicopter following the Black Hawk through its training exercise because of lack of available aircraft. Ft. Chaffee officials didn't even know the Black Hawk was training in their airspace until two hours after it crashed.

And the Green Berets were flying their mission without batteries for all of their radios and night-vision goggles.

The Army's super-secret Special Operations Command may have been too too secretive for its own good in this case. A spokesman for the elite command said that isn't true, but he had no explanation for why Ft. Chaffee wasn't told when to expect the training mission. The mandatory call — to inform the Ft. Chaffee range officer that the helicopter had entered the military airspace — was never made. The officer didn't know the helicopter was there, let alone missing.

A few hours may have made all the difference for Sgt. Charles B. Earnest. He survived the crash, but has been in a coma ever since. Head injury experts call the first hour after an accident, the "Golden Hour," because after it passes each succeeding hour without medical care more than doubles the extent of the brain damage. Earnest, 28, was a talented young soldier, fluent in two foreign languages, trained in computer programming, sky diving and scuba diving. Now he lies in a bed in Walter Reed Army Medical Center in Washington, D.C., hooked to an oxygen machine and fed through a tube in his stomach.

His mother, Minna Earnest, sleeps on a trundle bed next to her son. She fears the hospital is not staffed to give him the attention he needs, so she monitors his oxygen and food tubes. On Thanksgiving day, Mrs. Earnest went to the hospital cafeteria for a cup of coffee. Ten minutes later when she got back, her purse had been stolen right from under the nose of her comatose son.

A civilian neurologist recommended that Sgt. Earnest be treated with a high-tech coma-stimuli rehabilitation program. But the Army bureaucracy says it is too expensive and "unproven."

Dr. James Wasco, the medical director of the New Medico Head Injury System, a national network of rehabilitation clinics, told us that the therapy recommended for Earnest is so widely accepted that most insurance companies will cover it without hesitation.



**The Army's super-secret Special Operations may have been too secretive for its own good.**



## NATIONAL NEWS



### Liz Taylor's perfume at issue in trial

LOS ANGELES — Elizabeth Taylor and her former boyfriend Henry Wynberg are battling in court for millions — profits from the highly successful perfume "Passion."

Wynberg, 66, a former used car salesman and a native of Holland, contends he developed the floral fragrance and that the actress agreed to a 50-50 split of any cosmetics marketed under her name. The price is \$165 per ounce.

The violet-eyed movie star, 57, filed suit against Wynberg in 1986, seeking to invalidate the contract. Taylor charged Wynberg did nothing to fulfill his part of the contract.

### Kids die from sniffing fuel and solvents

BOSTON — A deadly epidemic apparently has emerged of teenagers sniffing butane, propane and other substances to get high, health care workers reported.

The practice has claimed the lives of at least 20 youngsters in the Cincinnati area alone, including two earlier this year involving boys ages 11 and 15, said Earl Siegel of Children's Hospital Medical Center in Cincinnati.

From United Press International Reports

# Secondary smoke, cancer affirmed

By GEORGE LOBBENZ  
United Press International

ARLINGTON, Va. — In an important victory for anti-smoking forces, a government advisory board Wednesday endorsed key sections of a draft EPA report linking "second-hand" cigarette smoke and cancer in non-smokers.

The Environmental Protection Agency's Scientific Advisory Board, which evaluates the scientific validity of EPA studies, gave its informal support to a preliminary EPA risk assessment that estimated 3,800 non-smoking Americans die each year from lung cancer caused by exposure to smoke from other people's cigarettes.

The decision to endorse the report was made by a 16-member subcommittee of the advisory board known as the Indoor Air Quality and Total Human Exposure Committee, which is composed of experts on the health effects of toxic air pollutants.

The committee's action increases the likelihood that the EPA ultimately will classify "environmental tobacco smoke" as a human carcinogen.

That finding would not necessarily trigger regulatory action by the government, but it would give anti-smoking groups a potent legal weapon in their crusade against cigarettes.

**The committee action is a big win for the health of the American people.**

—Fran Du Mello, American Lung Association

The committee's position emerged after a two-day public hearing during which tobacco industry and anti-smoking groups each presented batteries of scientists with opposing views on the scientific validity of EPA risk assessment.

While the committee is not expected to issue its formal statement on the EPA study until next spring at the earliest, the panel's chairman left little doubt as to which direction it was heading.

Panel Chairman Morton Lippmann said that while the draft EPA report had large data gaps and did not include all relevant studies on the issue, the panel was convinced that it presented a relatively strong case that environmental tobacco smoke does cause cancer in non-smokers.

"We are persuaded that the evidence exists — subject to further review of it — for considering that ETS does cause lung cancer in non-smokers. That has to be a

tentative judgment until we see how you develop the case for it further," Lippmann told EPA staff officials who prepared the draft risk assessment.

"The case was not — many people felt — fully developed in the document that we did review," said Lippmann, an inhalation toxicologist at New York University. But he added, "In consideration of the material presented — as well as the material discussed and reviewed that was not presented — we feel you should be able to make that case."

Lippmann also said the board largely endorsed findings of the report that mothers who smoke around their children increase the youngsters' vulnerability to respiratory disease later in life.

Lippmann urged EPA officials to revise the report to include other data and health studies that he said would further bolster their case for suggesting ETS causes lung cancer in non-smokers and damages the health of children.

The American Lung Association, American Cancer Society and American Heart Association issued a statement saying they were "extremely pleased" with the committee's support for the risk assessment.

## Doctors with own devices charge more

United Press International

BOSTON — Doctors who have their own X-ray and ultrasound devices conduct far more imaging tests on patients and charge more for them than physicians who refer the work to radiologists, researchers said Wednesday.

Analysis of 68,517 private health insurance claims filed for care provided by 6,419 doctors found those with their own equipment conducted four times more procedures for four common conditions than those who referred the work to others, said Dr. Bruce Hillman of the University Medical Center in Tucson, Ariz.

Hillman and colleagues also found the combination of using the equipment more and charging more for each test meant the bills from doctors with X-ray and ultrasound equipment in their own offices were substantially higher than was the case with other physicians.

Charges for patients of so-called "self-referring" doctors who took care of the imaging procedures themselves were an average of 4.4 to 7.5 times higher than for those whose tests were done by radiologists, Hillman and colleagues reported in The New England Journal of Medicine.

The researchers used data provided by MEDSTAT Systems, Inc., a firm in Ann Arbor, Mich., that compiles information for controlling medical costs. A statement issued by the company said for the four conditions included in the study, annual imaging costs for working Americans total \$290 million.

Hillman and co-researchers said it was not possible for them to determine whether the practices of doctors who did their own procedures

or those who had radiologists do them were "the more appropriate care." Nor could they tell why doctors with their own equipment conducted more tests.

"These physicians may perform imaging more frequently because they have financial incentives to do so, because imaging is more convenient when performed in a physician's office, or because physicians who perform imaging more often are more likely to acquire imaging equipment," the study said.

Nevertheless, the researchers said the differences between the two groups of doctors in their use of imaging equipment "are so large that some concern over the role of financial incentives must be invoked."

They noted that patients "cannot be said to have a meaningful choice when their physicians advise them to undergo imaging." Thus, the ability to "self-refer patients for imaging must surely complicate physicians' decisions and perhaps jeopardize their obligation to place their patients' interests above their own," they said.

The conditions and procedures involved in the study were chest X-rays for upper respiratory problems, ultrasound for pregnant women, spinal X-rays for lower back pain and ultrasound or X-rays for men with urinary problems.

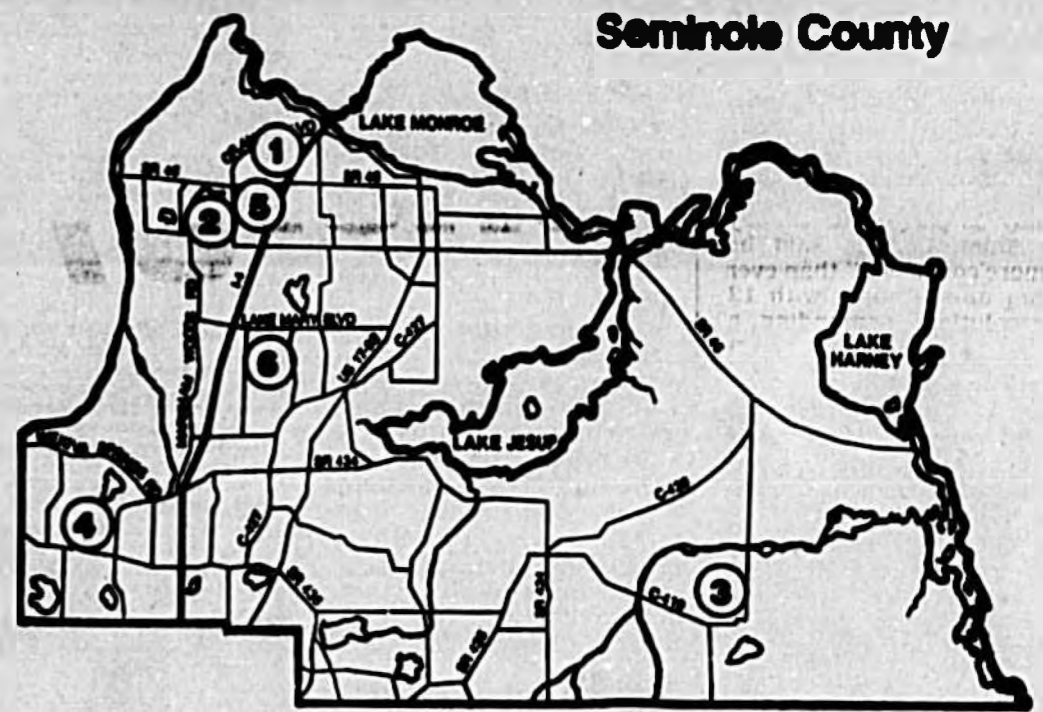
To conduct imaging work for all the conditions except urinary difficulties, the doctors who did their own procedures charged "significantly more" than radiologists, the study found.

For respiratory and urinary problems, 38 percent of doctors conducted their own imaging and 82 percent referred the work to radiologists.

## NOTICE OF CHANGE OF LAND USE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD DECEMBER 11, 1990

ON DECEMBER 11, 1990, THE SEMINOLE COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BCC) WILL CONDUCT THE SECOND OF TWO PUBLIC HEARINGS (ADOPTION HEARING) TO CONSIDER REQUESTED AMENDMENTS TO THE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN. THE BCC WILL CONSIDER COMMENTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS, HEAR ANY NEW OR ADDITIONAL CITIZEN VIEWS, AND ANY LOCAL GOVERNMENT OR OTHER AGENCY COMMENTS, AND TAKE FINAL BCC ACTION ON THE AMENDMENTS (AND ANY REZONINGS ASSOCIATED WITH THE AMENDMENTS DEPICTED IN THIS ADVERTISEMENT) TO THE COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

THE PUBLIC HEARING WILL BEGIN AT 8:00 P.M. OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS POSSIBLE, IN ROOM W122 OF THE SEMINOLE COUNTY SERVICES BUILDING, 1101 EAST FIRST STREET, SANFORD. SHOULD THE BCC DECIDE TO ADOPT THE AMENDMENTS TO THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, AN ORDINANCE WILL BE ADOPTED TO ACCOMPLISH THIS PURPOSE. THE HEARING MAY BE CONTINUED FROM TIME TO TIME AS FOUND NECESSARY. ALL INTERESTED PERSONS ARE URGED TO ATTEND AND BE HEARD REGARDING THE REQUESTED AMENDMENTS.



DECEMBER 11, 1990 8:00 P.M.

SITE NO.	APPLICANT	AMENDMENT FROM-TO	APPROX. SIZE	LOCATION/REZONING
1	Michael J. Good	GR-LDR	8 Acres	On the south side of Orange Blvd (CR 431), opposite the intersection of Orange Blvd and Indiana St (one of the two lots is located at 4811 Orange Blvd). REZONING: From A-1 (Agriculture) to R-1AA (Single Family Dwelling District). BCC DISTRICT 5
2	Excelsior Properties	SE-LDR	12 Acres	South of Orange Ave, approximately 800 ft west of the intersection of Wayside Dr and Orange Blvd (CR 431), abutting the Sylvan Lakes PUD. REZONING: From A-1 (Agriculture) to R-1AAA (Single Family Dwelling District). BCC DISTRICT 5
3	Magnolia Lake	SE-PD	221 Acres	On the west side of Snow Hill Rd, approximately 1,900 ft north of the intersection of Snow Hill Rd and Brumley Rd, between Snow Hill Rd and Lake Lenelle Woods subdivision, abutting Lake Crescent subdivision on the south. REZONING: From A-1 (Agriculture) to PUD (Planned Unit Development). BCC DISTRICT 1
4	Florida Conference Conference Assn. of Seventh Day Adventist	PG-PD	128 Acres	North of BR 436, approximately 1,250 ft west of West Lake Branley Rd, between Sand Lake Rd on the north, Bear Lake Rd on the west and SR 436 on the south. REZONING: From A-1 (Agriculture) and R-1A and R-1AA (Single Family Dwelling District) to PUD (Planned Unit Development). BCC DISTRICT 5
5	Harry Kwiatkowski	LDR/OFF-PD	22 Acres	On the south side of BR 46, approximately 2,100 ft west of the intersection of BR 46 and Wayside Dr, abutting BR 46 and Wayside Dr. REZONING: From A-1 (Agriculture) to PUD (Planned Unit Development). BCC DISTRICT 5
6	ETOR Properties	LDR-PD	25 Acres	Approximately 1,320 feet south of Lake Mary Blvd abutting Greenwood Blvd on the east and Greenwood Lakes PUD on the south, extending approximately 2,200 feet west of Greenwood Blvd. REZONING: From A-1 (Agriculture) to PUD (Planned Unit Development). BCC DISTRICT 2

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\*Land use amendments on property containing floodprone and wetland areas remain subject to the applicable Conservation land use designation and zoning classification and the provisions relating thereto.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE MAY BE HEARD AND/OR THEY MAY FILE WRITTEN COMMENTS WITH THE BCC.

Persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decision made at this hearing, they will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose they may need to ensure a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be made (Florida Statutes, Section 288.010).

IF YOU WISH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL (407) 321-1130, EXTENSION 7371. A COPY OF THE PLAN AMENDMENT REPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW AT THE SEMINOLE COUNTY PLANNING OFFICE, ROOM N357, 1101 EAST FIRST STREET, SANFORD, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:00 A.M. AND 5:00 P.M. MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY, EXCLUDING HOLIDAYS.

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**Coca Cola executive killed in Bolivia**

LA PAZ, Bolivia — Guerrillas fatally shot kidnapped businessman Jorge Lonadale, president of a Coca Cola bottling company in Bolivia, when police forces broke into the rebel hideout, authorities said.

Police killed three of the kidnapers in a 40-minute shootout Wednesday with what police said were members of the extreme left-wing Nestor Paz Zamora Commission.

Interior Minister Guillermo Capobianco told a news conference the executive was fatally shot in the head.

**One killed in Panama police uprising**

PANAMA CITY — Panamanian President Guillermo Endara said a failed uprising by police officers was a triumph of democracy over militarism, but the incident left one dead and showed the vulnerability of his government.

Endara said one Panamanian was killed and one injured when hundreds of U.S. troops chased down and arrested policemen who had taken control of police headquarters early Wednesday morning.

**Italian air force plane crashes**

BOLOGNA, Italy — A small Italian air force training plane abandoned by its pilot crashed in flames into a school on the outskirts of Bologna Thursday, killing 12 people and injuring 40 others, police said.

The single-seat plane, on a training flight from an air base near Verona, struck the rear of a two-story building of the Gaetano Salvemini technical institute while 200 students between the ages of 14 and 16 were in classes.

From United Press International Reports

**Experts find computer security lax**

By **NEBOCCA KOLBERG**  
UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON — Modern thieves can steal more with a computer than with a gun, and America's "luck" in avoiding a major computer disaster way soon run out unless security is tightened, an expert panel warned Wednesday.

A National Research Council committee concluded the United States has grown to rely on computers for everything from banking to health care without ensuring that such information is secure from accident or deliberate attack.

Furthermore, failures of computer system security, safety and reliability appear to be increasing in number and severity, the panel said.

Among the examples cited were: the much-publicized 1988 incident in which a reproducing computer program, called a worm, snarled as many as 6,000 computer systems; a nearly successful attempt to use thousands of phony automatic teller machine cards with identification numbers pirated from a computer; and a bid to defraud the Pennsylvania Lottery of \$15.2 million by using a data base of unclaimed ticket numbers to produce a fake winning ticket.

Poor quality control also can make computer systems untrustworthy, the panel said. It cited an error in computer software controlling a radiation therapy machine that resulted in at least three patient deaths, and the scrambling of patient records at one hospital by a rogue program, or virus, that was accidentally introduced into its computer system.

"To date, we have been remarkably lucky ... As far as we can tell, there has been no successful systematic attempt to subvert any of our critical computing systems. Unfortunately, there is reason to believe that our luck will soon run out," the 16-member panel said.

"The modern thief can steal more with a computer than with a gun. Tomorrow's terrorist may be able to do more damage with a keyboard than with a bomb."

Finding that no existing public or private organization is "positioned adequately to address the nation's needs" in computer security, the experts called for creation of an Information Security Foundation funded by member subscriptions and fees for security evaluation and other services.

Neither of the two agencies traditionally assigned with overseeing technology — the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the National Security Agency — appears prepared to tackle such a task, the panel said in its 303-page report entitled "Computers at Risk."

In addition, "the market does not work well enough to raise the security of computer systems at a rate fast enough to match the apparent growth in

threats to systems," said the panel, headed by David Clark of Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

The experts noted that European nations have made unified strides towards computer security, and cautioned that if the United States failed to take similar action it will be increasingly difficult to sell American hardware and software on the global market.

The study was requested by the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency. The National Research Council is the research arm of the National Academy of Sciences, which was chartered by Congress to examine questions of science and technology.

**Bush backs Argentina's use of force**

By **DANIEL BROSDOFF**  
UPI Senior Editor

BUENOS AIRES — President Bush gained a solid endorsement from Argentinian President Carlos Menem for his tough stance against Iraq and in return he supported the South American leader's use of force to quash a military rebellion against his government earlier this week.

Menem told reporters Wednesday that he "was in full agreement" with Bush's remarks at a newsconference on U.S. policy toward Iraq's occupation of Kuwait.

Bush, who travels to Chile on Thursday as part of his six-day South American trip, said he was "more concerned" than ever that Iraq must comply with 12 U.N. resolutions demanding a complete withdrawal from Kuwait, the return of the exiled Kuwaiti government and the release of all foreign hostages.

"When there is naked aggression, it is not a question of saving face for the aggressor," Bush said, adding he would not cut a deal with Iraq in upcoming talks that cheats U.N. resolutions, particularly one passed last week that authorizes the use of military force if Iraq has not withdrawn by Jan. 15.

Not only has Menem supported the U.N. sanctions against Iraq with a military presence in the gulf region, but he has also resumed relations with Britain. Argentina and Britain severed ties during the 1982 Falklands War.

While Menem stood with Bush on the gulf crisis, Bush reciprocated with support for Menem's actions to put down an 18-hour rebellion by dissident military officers just two days before Bush's arrival.

In a speech to a joint session of Argentina's Congress, Bush said there was some speculation that Menem would "cancel my trip to Argentina."

**Gorbachev signs decree against spread of smut**

United Press International

MOSCOW — President Mikhail Gorbachev has ordered a vigorous campaign against pornography, erotic videos and smut to "safeguard public morals."

Gorbachev's latest presidential decree attacked the rise in erotica now increasingly available on late-night television and in publications no longer subject to censorship.

"Taking into consideration the anxiety of the Soviet people about the spread of different kinds of pornography, pseudo-medical literature, erotic videos and the like ... urgent measures should be worked out to safeguard public morals," the decree, issued Wednesday, said.

On Tuesday, Gorbachev expressed his horror at the Supreme Soviet on what was now on television.

"A couple of days ago, I saw on television a certain professor citing Chinese art to illustrate interesting sexual positions," Gorbachev said. "This came as a great shock to our public."

"People are asking does the government have any power at all," he said.

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# Incentives

But if it sounds too good to be true, it may be

## United Press International

CHICAGO — With the Christmas shopping season in high gear and the economy in low and slipping, retailers and finance companies are offering incentives to loosen consumers' purse strings.

But an expert on consumer debt has a word of caution to shoppers: be wary of the giveaways and buy-now-pay-later plans. Eventually the bills will come due, and people who aren't particularly careful in these uncertain economic times could find themselves in deep financial trouble.

Les Kirschbaum is president of Mid-Continent Agencies Inc., a leading national collection agency based in suburban Glenview, and he's had a lot of experience with consumers who overdosed on credit.

"Certainly for a lot of people who go into bankruptcy because of excess spending vs. those who go into bankruptcy for other things like hospital bills or emergency situations a large percentage do a lot of that excess spending this time of year. This is where they really get off track," Kirschbaum said.

And this year, with the shaky economy, Christmas shopping poses even greater potential financial hazards than usual, Kirschbaum cautioned.

"Particularly in this uncertain economy, consumers must closely monitor holiday gift expenditures to prevent a shortage of funds in the first quarter of 1991," Kirschbaum said.

"People, even when they budget for Christmas shopping, are looking at this whole economic

... this year. Some people may be losing jobs. Christmas bonuses are being cut by a lot of companies, and people just are not going to get some of that money they once counted on," he said.

"So how do you cut back? Do you not give gifts to people you gave gifts to before? You have to look at the kind of gifts you are giving and be even more careful than usual this year and stay away from credit cards," Kirschbaum said.

"You don't want to build up a debt. A lot of times you can count on a raise next year to cover the Christmas bills, but you can't count on that this year. A lot of companies won't be giving raises or bonuses. The byword is be ultraconservative. It's going to be an extremely bad Christmas," he said.

And the temptations to spend will be even greater — driven by incentives offered by retailers and finance companies scrambling to combat the long-range impact of a recession.

"Stores and finance companies and credit card companies are going to see it's going to be a poor Christmas and come up with a lot of buy-now-pay-later programs and gifts and bonuses," he said.

He offered four suggestions for financially responsible Christmas shopping.

- Set a budget and try to stick to it.
- List gift recipients and estimate the gift price range for each.
- Pre-select gifts, determining a gift category, like a book, or sweater or doll, for each person on the gift list.
- Use cash or checks and reduce use of credit cards.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

### Publix donation

Dave Milliron, an assistant manager of the Publix Supermarket at Seminole Center, presented a tree that his store has donated to the Seminole Community Mental Health Center. With him was Claudette Behrens, a member of

the Mimosa Circle of the Sanford Garden Club and Lynn Theriault, program coordinator for the day treatment program at the center. The 9-foot Fraser fir will be decorated by the clients at the center and members of the garden circle.

## Fed survey: weak trend in economy

By BOB WEBSTER  
UPI Business Writer

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve, in its periodic snapshot of the U.S. economy, said Wednesday business conditions display an overall "weaker pattern" with declines in consumer confidence, retail sales and business loan demands.

The survey, conducted by each of the 12 Federal Reserve districts, found economic activity declining in many of the regions after being sluggish in recent months.

"Several districts report a decline in consumer confidence and business confidence and many refer to expectations of continued diminution in economic activity," the Fed said in its "Beige Book."

Retail sales, after being adjusted for inflation, fell below year-ago levels in almost all of the 12 Federal Reserve districts and manufacturing conditions and construction have weakened in most of the regions.

The Fed noted that soft domestic demand has been offset in part by strong export orders. Another bright spot was found in agriculture, which has been boosted by strong crop yields and high livestock prices.

Several districts also reported declines in business loan demands and some tightening of credit standards.

Retail sales have weakened throughout the United States. The Fed survey found the dollar volume of retail sales to be lower in most of the districts in October than a year ago in most of the 12 districts.

"At best, only slight increases are reported in the rest of the districts," the Fed said.

Poor consumer confidence levels were attributed to retail sales declines in Chicago, Atlanta and St. Louis. Most of the districts reported that retailers were pessimistic about sales prospects for the vital Christmas season.

The Cleveland, Chicago and St. Louis districts noted "particular weakness" in the automobile industry. But again, weak domestic demand for manufactured goods was partially offset by strong export orders.

Richmond and Atlanta reported strong export shipments. Most districts also said their manufacturing inventories appear to be under control.

"Manufacturers have expressed concern about business prospects for the coming months," the Fed said.

In Boston, for example, a majority of manufacturers forecast a national recession lasting two to four quarters. The region's economy has been wallowing in recession this year.

In other regions, manufacturers were mixed in their outlook for the economy. In San Francisco, the word was "continued deterioration" but in Philadelphia, manufacturers expect "modest increases" in orders and shipments.

Most of the districts continued to report sluggishness in construction activity, with weakness in residential building. Several districts cited "a glut" of houses for resale, the Fed said. Housing sales were down in Atlanta, St. Louis and Minneapolis.

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## IN BRIEF

### COLLEGE FOOTBALL

#### Perkins, Mississippi State talk

STARKVILLE, Miss. — Former Tampa Bay coach Ray Perkins has talked with Mississippi State officials about the Bulldogs' vacant coaching job.

Athletic director Larry Templeton confirmed that he talked with Perkins, a native of Mound Olive and the former head coach at Alabama.

Perkins, fired by the pro football team on Monday, has hinted he would be interested in the State job.

"I want to be somewhere where I can possibly make a difference with young people," the 49-year-old Perkins told the Birmingham News after parting with the Buccaneers. "That's the No. 1 thing on my mind - to go somewhere, even if it is to a small college town, and help people."

#### FAMU's Riley up for SMU job

TALLAHASSEE — Florida A&M University coach Ken Riley, who formerly played for and coached with Southern Methodist athletic director Forrest Gregg, has acknowledged he is a candidate to fill the football vacancy at SMU.

Riley, a former All Pro defensive back with the Cincinnati Bengals, has a 30-23-2 record in five seasons as head coach at Florida A&M. The Rattlers won the Midwestern Athletic Conference championship this year.

Riley played under Gregg with the Bengals' 1981 Super Bowl team and later coached with him at Green Bay.

"I'm not making a commitment to anyone at this time," said Riley. "I just want to look at the opportunity. It's an honor just to be considered for the job."

### COLLEGE HOOPS

#### South Florida drops Miami

TAMPA — Marvin Taylor scored 21 points and Gary Alexander added 20 and grabbed 14 rebounds as the University of South Florida beat Miami 79-71 Wednesday night.

The Bulls improved to 3-0 and the Hurricanes remained winless after four games.

Alexander scored 13 points in the first 10 minutes and the South Florida Bulls raced to a 39-24 lead with 4:40 remaining in the first half.

The Hurricanes' Joe Wylie opened the second half with five straight baskets, but Miami could close the margin to no fewer than six points with 10 minutes remaining. Wylie scored 30 points and nine rebounds in the game.

#### Rattlers win home opener

TALLAHASSEE — Kelvin Daniels scored 33 points and grabbed 16 rebounds to lead Florida A&M to a 76-71 victory over Georgia State Wednesday in the Rattlers' home opener.

The victory lifted Florida A&M to 2-2, while the Panthers fell to 2-2.

Kenny Davis added 13 points, 10 assists and 6 steals for Florida A&M. Rodney Staten scored nine points with three steals in 11 minutes and put the Rattlers ahead 56-55 with a pair of free throws with 9:03 to play.

#### Deveaux leads UT rout

TAMPA — Drexel Deveaux scored 27 points and pulled down five rebounds to give The University of Tampa Spartans a 94-78 victory over Webber Wednesday night.

Tampa ended the first half with a 38-31 lead. The Spartans' lead grew in the second half as DeCarlo Deveaux added 18 points and Bryan Williams' 15.

Tampa improved its record to 2-2. Webber fell to 6-2.

### BASEBALL

#### Padres, Jays swing big deal

CHICAGO — Baseball went on a \$90 million holiday binge Wednesday, while Toronto and San Diego completed a blockbuster deal with Tony Fernandez and Fred McGriff heading to the Padres for Roberto Alomar and Joe Carter.

The New York Mets also joined the festivities on the final day of the 89th winter meetings, signing free-agent outfielder Vince Coleman to a 4-year, \$11.95 million contract.

Not to be left out were the Atlanta Braves and Minnesota Twins. The Braves signed free-agent first baseman Sid Bream to a 3-year, \$5.5 million contract and the Twins acquired reliever Steve Bedrosian from San Francisco.

In other transactions:  
 • Cincinnati retained free-agent infielder Bill Doran by signing him to a \$7.4 million, 3-year contract.  
 • Milwaukee added free-agent utility man Franklin Stubbs with a \$6 million, 3-year contract.

• Detroit signed infielder Tony Bernazard, who spent the last two seasons in Japan.

Compiled from wire and staff reports.

### BEST BETS ON TV

#### BASKETBALL

- 17 p.m. — ESPN, Villanova vs. Wake Forest, (L)
- 19 p.m. — ESPN, Connecticut vs. North Carolina, (L)

Complete listing on Page 2B

# 'Go to' guy comes through

## Hamelin helps Lake Mary off to a 2-0 start

By TOM LANHAM  
 Herald Correspondent

LAKE MARY — Playing sloppier than they had wanted to, but not nearly as sloppy as their opponents, Lake Mary held off Deltona 68-54 Wednesday night in boys' high school basketball.

The win comes in the first home appearance for the Lake Mary Rams this season.

The game was marred throughout by ball-handling mistakes, fouls and missed shots. Neither team was able to operate its offense with much consistency.

Although the Lake Mary effort was uneven, there were bright spots. Take, for instance, Jason Hamelin, who scored 31 points on the night, including a pair of three-point baskets on his first two shots of the game to get the Rams out of the starting gate.

Later in the game, he scored the Rams' only fourth quarter field goal to all but ice the victory.

"We run the ball to Jason a lot," said Lake Mary Coach Willie Richardson. "He's our 'go to' guy."

Then there was Mike Merthie. He

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**DELTONA (54)**  
 Overstreet 10 & 27, Martinez 2 & 9, Ohland 3 & 6, Ohway 1 & 4, Owen 1 & 2, Hewitt 1 & 2, Torres 1 & 2, Greene 0, Rivera 0, Tickle 0, Falk 0. Totals: 19 15 34.

**LAKE MARY (68)**  
 Hamelin 9 & 31, Merthie 4 & 14, Brundidge 4 & 8, Aaron 1 & 3, Brown 1 & 4, MacDonald 1 & 4, Roche 0. Totals: 20 20 44.

**Deltona** 12 16 18 8 — 54  
**Lake Mary** 15 14 22 15 — 68

Three-point field goals — Deltona 1 (Overstreet); Lake Mary 5 (Hamelin 4, Merthie 1). Total fouls — Deltona 21, Lake Mary 21. Fouled out — Deltona (Martinez); Lake Mary (Roche, Aaron). Technicals — Deltona, 2. Records — Deltona 1-1, Lake Mary 2-0.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Jason Hamelin (No. 10) opened with two of his five three-point field goals Wednesday night on his way to scoring a game-high 31 points for Lake Mary.



Herald Photo by Tommy Vincent

Moved from forward to point guard after halftime, Mike Merthie (No. 40) scored seven of his 14 points during a 16-6 run by Lake Mary in the third quarter.

# For the second time in 48 hours, Greyhounds, Hawks play to a 2-2 tie

From staff reports

WINTER PARK — In the preseason Florida Athletic Coaches Association boys' Class 4A state soccer poll released Monday, Lake Howell and Lyman were ranked fourth and fifth, respectively.

Next week, they'll probably be ranked 4A and 4B.

On Wednesday afternoon in a Seminole Athletic Conference contest, the Lake Howell Silver Hawks and Lyman Greyhounds battled to a 2-2 tie, their second such deadlock in 48 hours. On Monday, in the finals of the Goldenrod Rotary Cup tournament, the two teams had to settle for a 2-2 tie.

"Neither team played all that well today," said Lyman Coach Ray Sandidge. "On Monday, we both played well."

Unlike Monday, when Lake Howell took leads of 1-0 and 2-1 before Lyman came back to tie the score, the Greyhounds went up 1-0 and 2-1 Wednesday, forcing the Silver Hawks to play catch-up.

After a scoreless first half, Brian Fooks gave Lyman its first lead with a goal less than two minutes into the second half. Mike Bierly had the assist.

It took nearly 17 minutes for Lake Howell to equalize. Chris Brown converting a penalty kick in the 59th

minute. But Lyman came right back. Fooks scoring again less than a minute later on an assist from Mike Sells.

Just when it looked like Lyman might escape Lake Howell's Richard L. Evans Field with the victory, Kyle Noyes tied the score on a goal following a Silver Hawk throw-in. Ted Lane was credited with the assist.

"We need to quit giving up easy goals," said Sandidge. "We're very unorganized on defense. We're not concentrating. We're suffering from a lack of leadership."

Lyman also had some trouble finishing on Wednesday afternoon, scoring on just two of its 20 shots on goal. Lake Howell managed 12 shots on the Greyhound goal. Lake Howell did have a 4-3 advantage in corner kicks.

Marcus Dewberry, the Lyman goalkeeper, made two saves while Silver Hawk goalie Matt Toro made five saves.

Both teams will put their identical 2-0-2 records on the line this Friday in SAC matches. Lake Howell will play at Oviedo in a 3:30 game while Lyman heads to DeLand for a 7 p.m. contest.

Lyman will also be in action on Saturday, traveling to Merritt Island for a 2 p.m. game with the Mustangs.

# New Lyman wrestling coach gets first win

From staff reports

LONGWOOD — Collecting pins in 11 of 14 weight classes, the Lyman Greyhounds presented their new coach, Rick Tribit, with his first win since taking over the school's wrestling program, a 68-6 thrashing of Boone Wednesday night.

The victory gives the Greyhounds a dual meet record of 1-0-1. Lyman drew Kissimmee-Gateway 33-33 in its season opener on Saturday.

"We didn't wrestle to our potential on Saturday," said Tribit. "We have a real test next Saturday (when the Greyhounds host Class 3A power Bishop Moore in a 1 p.m. meet)."

Returners Richard Aikey, Willie Campos and Aaron Jordan, along with the Samaro brothers, Nicky and Vinny Samaro, helped Lyman get off to a quick start as they all

**LYMAN 68 BOONE 6**  
 103 — N. Samaro (L) pinned Kenyon 50; 112 — Dothierow (B) dec. Altizer 8-4; 119 — Aikey (L) pinned Robinson 57; 125 — Campos (L) pinned M. Collins 1-42; 130 — V. Samaro pinned Mauro 33; 135 — Jordan (L) pinned Watkins 3-14; 140 — B. Ketch (B) dec. Smith 12-11; 145 — Nacs (L) maj. dec. S. Kelch 15-7; 152 — Giammo (L) pinned Cruz 1-26; 160 — Noid (L) pinned J. Collis 1-33; 171 — Adeli (L) pinned Hall 1-41; 189 — Chance (L) pinned Austin 3-54; 220 — Thoney (L) pinned Henderson 1-05; UNL — Stevenson (L) pinned Becker 1-12.  
 Junior varsity — Lyman 48, Boone 15

scored pins in the meet's first six matches.

Nicky Samaro started the rout with a pin in 50 seconds at 103 pounds. After Boone picked up three team points with a decision at 112, Aikey, Campos, Vinny Samaro and Jordan ran together four consecutive pins for Lyman. Only Jordan went past the first round, pinning his opponent at 3:14 of the second period.  
 Vinnie Samaro had the quickest

pin on the meet, needing just 35 seconds.

Boone's final team points of the meet came in a close decision at 140. Greg Naes got the points back for Lyman with a major decision victory in his match at 145. Lyman then closed out the match with six consecutive first-period pins.

Two meets into the season, nine Greyhounds have perfect individual records. Aikey, Campos, Vinny Samaro, Nacs, Danny Giammo and Scott Chance are all 2-0 while Nicky Samaro, Matt Pippin and Jordan are 1-0.

After the match with Bishop Moore on Saturday, Lyman will begin preparations to host its annual Christmas Tournament, one of the highlights of the Central Florida prep wrestling schedule. This year's tournament is scheduled for Dec. 14 and 15.

# Kowboys, McCrimmon stop Tribe

From staff reports

WINTER PARK — Despite a combined 34 points from the Wiggins brothers, Seminole High School suffered a 91-78 loss to the Kissimmee-Osceola Kowboys in the first round of the Rotary Tipoff Classic Wednesday night at Winter Park High School.

J.J. Wiggins and Kerry Wiggins each scored 17 points for the Tribe, 0-1, who will play the Maitland Buccaneers in a losers' bracket game this evening at 5 p.m. Shawn Washington added 16 points for Seminole.

"We got rattled in the second half," said Seminole Coach Greg Robinson. "We couldn't control (Paul) McCrimmon. If we put a guard in him, he'd take him down low.

If we put a big man on him, he'd take him outside."

McCrimmon, a 6-4 guard-forward, burned Seminole for 34 points.

Wednesday night's game was the Seminoles' second consecutive loss to Osceola.

The Kowboys ended the Tribe's 1989-90 season with a 75-58 win in the first round of the 3A-District 6 tournament last February.

**SEMINOLE (78)**  
 Montgomery 2, Redding 4, Lomas 9, Hall 2, J. Wiggins 17, O'Neil 2, K. Wiggins 17, White 9, Washington 16. Totals: 31 15 26 78  
**KISSIMMEE OSCEOLA (91)**  
 Frenssely 12, McCrimmon 14, Dickerson 6, Albeo 2, Edwards 10, Paul 17, Denkel 2, Leon 8. Totals: 37 25 33 91.

# Drexler leads Trail Blazers in road victory over Magic

United Press International

ORLANDO — Clyde Drexler pumped in 27 points Wednesday night, leading the Portland Trail Blazers to a 119-110 victory over the Orlando Magic.

Drexler, 5-of-14 from the floor in the first half, hit 5-of-7 field goals in the third period and took over down the stretch, enabling the Blazers to remain unbeaten in six road games this season.

Kevin Duckworth added 18 points and Jerome Kersey had 17, including a fast-break slam that left Orlando trailing 117-110 with 10 seconds remaining.

Danny Ainge wound up with 15 points. Tossing in 14 apiece were Terry Porter and Cliff Robinson.

Matching Drexler for game-high scoring honors was Orlando's Scott Skiles, who connected on consecutive 3-point shots in a 16-second span in

the waning moments to slice Portland's lead to 114-110 with 34 seconds left.

Denals Scott and Terry Catledge contributed 18 points apiece.

The Blazers methodically stretched a 59-56 halftime advantage into a 83-71 cushion on Drexler's 3-point play with 2:56 left in third period. After that, Orlando was never able to seriously threaten the Blazers, who have the best record in the league.

# STATS & STANDINGS

## TODAY'S PREPS

**GIRLS' BASKETBALL**  
**Lake Brantley** at **Lake Mary**, 7:30 p.m.  
**Junior varsity** at 5 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.  
**Lake Howell** at **Oviedo**, Junior varsity at 6 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.  
**Lyman** at **DeLand**, Junior varsity at 5:45 p.m., varsity at 7:30 p.m.

**BOYS' BASKETBALL**  
**Seminole** vs. **Mainland**, 5 p.m.  
**Rotary Tipoff Classic**, Winter Park High School.  
**Freshmen**  
**Seminole** at **Bishop Moore**, 7 p.m.  
**Lake Brantley** at **Lake Mary**, 7 p.m.  
**DeLand** at **Lyman**, 7 p.m.  
**Oviedo** at **Lake Howell**, 7 p.m.

**GIRLS' SOCCER**  
**Lake Brantley** at **Lake Mary**, 3:30 p.m.  
**Oviedo** at **Lake Howell**, 3:30 p.m.  
**Lyman** at **DeLand**, 7 p.m.

**BOYS' SOCCER**  
**Junior varsity**  
**Lake Mary** at **Lake Brantley**, 3:30 p.m.  
**Lake Howell** at **Oviedo**, 3:30 p.m.

## FREE AGENTS

**Asst. M.L.B. Winter Meetings**  
**Saturday, Dec. 1**  
**Kansas City Royals** sign **OF Clint Gillen** to \$3.6 million, 3-year contract.  
**Monday, Dec. 3**  
**Atlanta** signs **3B Terry Pendleton** to \$10.2 million, 4-year contract.  
**San Francisco** signs **OF Willie McGee** to \$12 million, 4-year contract.  
**Los Angeles** signs **RHP Kevin Green** to \$2.4 million, 3-year contract.  
**Detroit** signs **RHP Bill Gutsen** to \$2.7 million, 3-year contract.  
**Oakland** signs **OF Willie Wilson** to \$2 million, 3-year contract.  
**Tuesday, Dec. 4**  
**Boston** signs **LHP Mark Young** to \$6.25 million, 3-year contract.  
**Minnesota** signs **RHP Edwin Nunez** to \$1.7 million, 3-year contract.  
**Tampa** signs **1B/OF Renee Nolasco** to a \$3 million, 3-year contract.  
**Kansas City** signs **LHP Dan Schatzeder** to \$700,000, 1-year contract.  
**San Francisco** signs **LHP Dave Righetti** to \$10 million, 4-year contract.  
**Wednesday, Dec. 5**  
**Cincinnati** signs **3B Bill Doran** to \$7.4 million, 3-year contract.  
**Tampa** signs **IF Pat Tabler** to a \$1.4 million, 2-year contract.  
**Atlanta** signs **IF Sid Bream** to a \$3.3 million, 3-year contract.  
**New York Mets** sign **OF Vince Coleman** to a \$11.9 million, 4-year contract.  
**Minnesota** signs **IF/OF Frankie Schube** to a \$4 million, 3-year contract.  
**Minnesota** signs **LHP Ted Liguera** to a \$13 million, 4-year contract.

## NBA STANDINGS

**Eastern Conference**

Atlantic Division	
Boston	7 10 3 23
Philadelphia	17 8 437 215
New York	7 9 438 615

**Western Conference**

Pacific Division	
Portland	14 1 341 -
LA Lakers	9 5 440 315
Golden State	11 7 411 315
San Jose	13 7 423 15
LA Clippers	9 8 327 7
Seattle	4 10 385 915
Sacramento	2 12 133 13

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Milwaukee	17 7 388 17
Chicago	12 9 352 195
Cleveland	10 9 326 215
Charlotte	8 8 389 4
Indiana	7 11 389 6
Atlanta	6 10 375 6

South Atlantic Division	
South Alabama	103
Hawaii Lee	66
S. Florida 74	103
SE Louisiana	47
McHouse	51
W. Carolina	95
Miss 120	64
William	63

New England Division	
Boston	15 8 424 95
Montreal	14 13 311 91
Hartford	11 13 326 91
Buffalo	8 18 275 55
Quebec	5 19 146 82

Campbell Conference	
Chicago	10 7 Pts. 60 64
St. Louis	16 9 323 91 76
San Francisco	13 16 420 104
San Jose	8 15 22 89 19
Toronto	6 22 115 81 126

Western Conference	
San Antonio	9 9 342 -
Utah	13 7 389 15
Houston	9 8 320 155
Dallas	9 9 420 315
Minnesota	6 11 383 415
Oviedo	4 14 222 7
Denver	3 14 176 175

Florida State	
FLORIDA STATE (71)	
Boone 4-2-2-11, Thompson 4-12-4-4-15	
Goose 1-2-0-0, C'Brien 4-0-0-0, Wilder 0-0-0-0	
Collins 4-10-4-4, Matis 1-3-2-3	
Johann 0-0-0-0, Pearson 0-0-0-0, Colby 1-2-1-2	
Lucy 0-0-0-0, Perkins 0-0-0-0	
Smith 0-0-0-0, Cole 0-1-0-0. Totals 29-50-15-23 71.	

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**EAST**  
 Bucknell 97, Lyncmg 99  
 Columbia 88, St. Francis 101  
 Fairfield 112, Cent. Connecticut 51, 101  
 Furham 79, Hofstra 66  
 Holy Cross 105, Harvard 89  
 Marquette, N.J. 70, Rider 57  
 Navy 102, Towson 51, 88  
 Penn St. 71, Illinois 68  
 Providence 88, Northwestern 73  
 St. Francis, Pa. 72, Delaware 70  
 St. John's 73, Georgia Tech 72, 67  
 Temple 76, St. Bonaventure 52

**SOUTH**  
 Alcorn 51, 85, Ark. Pine Bluff 51  
 Appalachian St., N.C. Charlotte 79  
 Davidson 73, N.C. Asheville 71  
 E. Tennessee 51, 92, Wake Forest 44  
 Florida A&M 74, Georgia 54, 71  
 Jackson St., Ark.-Little Rock 64  
 Richmond 67, Va. Commonwealth 63

Midwest Division	
St. Louis	12 9 323 91
San Francisco	13 16 420 104
San Jose	8 15 22 89 19
Toronto	6 22 115 81 126

## INDL STANDINGS

(All Times EST)  
 NY Rangers 17 10 39 121 95  
 Philadelphia 17 12 36 110 92  
 New Jersey 12 18 34 114 92  
 Washington 16 14 32 101 92

## Bucs come together with hopes of finishing strong

United Press International  
 returned to the field last night and play to win. I think they'll get it back in the end, what happened in the first reverse."  
 The dismissal of Perkins with a season left on his lucrative five-year contract surprised some Buccaneers. Others indicated they anticipated the decision as a response to a two-month strike that generated fan dissatisfaction.  
 "Monday's news didn't really hit me for a while," said linebacker Ervin Randle, one of the few veterans who survived Perkins' team overhaul. "Then, you sit back and think of all the things you've been through together. I didn't feel anything inside until the day after. Coach Perkins always told us pro football is a business and if you can't get the job done, they'll get somebody else to do it. As a player, you always think you'd leave before the coach leaves."  
 Safety Mark Robinson, praised by Perkins last month as the most professional player on the team, experienced an emotional roller-coaster this week.  
 "Coach Williamson will do an outstanding job," said veteran defensive end John Cannon, often saluted by Perkins for his intense work ethic. "We all have a lot of respect for him and we feel confident with him as an interim coach. There's nothing we can do about yesterday and there's plenty of football to be played. In order for us to do what needs to be done for this franchise and for this coaching staff, we need to win."

Perkins spoke briefly with his players Monday before departing. Williamson said the players would be given three days off beginning Friday before a full game plan is implemented for the Minnesota game. Tampa Bay could potentially earn an NFC wild card playoff berth by winning its final three games and avoiding an eighth consecutive losing season.  
 "It was an indescribable feeling at home for me Monday night," Robinson said. "We had worked hard for the past few weeks to get off the slide. Finally, we did. Hopefully, everyone is professional enough to finish this thing strong. What happened here is the dark side of professional football. I feel for him and his family and I know it's rough on him. I know that man worked his butt off to get us ready. I only wish I had that much drive throughout my life. I wish Ray Perkins the best."  
 Perkins, born in Petal, Miss., is likely headed back to the college ranks. The former Alabama coach is attracted to the vacancy at Mississippi State and Cannon has no doubts Perkins will succeed in his next venture.  
 "The sign of a true champion, a true competitor, is someone who can overcome adversity," Cannon said. "Coach Perkins is a winner. He's going to overcome this adversity."

## TRADING

**Baseball**  
**Atlanta** — Signed free-agent first baseman **Bill Brown** to 3-year contract.  
**Chicago (NL)** — Obtained minor league third baseman **Mike Grube** from Montreal to complete an earlier trade.  
**Cincinnati** — Signed free-agent second baseman **Bill Doran** to 3-year contract, plus 1-year option for 1994.  
**Detroit** — Signed free-agent infielder **Gene Smith** to 1-year contract, signed pitcher **Alto Scheibe** for the purpose of giving him his unconditional release.  
**Los Angeles** — Signed free-agent pitcher **Ted Liguera** to 4-year, \$12 million contract and free-agent outfielder **Franklin Stubbs** to 3-year contract.  
**New York (NL)** — Signed free-agent outfielder **Vince Coleman** to 4-year contract.  
**San Francisco** — Traded pitcher **Steve Bezduran** to Minnesota for pitcher **Johnny Ard** and a player to be named.  
**Tampa Bay** — Traded shortstop **Tony Fernandez** and first baseman **Fred McGriff** to San Diego for second baseman **Roberto Alomar** and outfielder **Joe Carter**; signed free-agent utilityman **Pat Tabler** to 3-year contract and minor league pitcher **Rayvelo Mantalito** to Triple A contract.

**Football**  
**Boston** — Released guard **Jim Paxson** and **Charles Smith**.  
**LA Clippers** — Waived forward **Carlic Ball**; activated forward **Kan Norman** from injured list.  
**Miami** — Activated guard **Keith Ashline**; waived guard **Matt Wade**.  
**Phoenix** — Placed center **Andrew Lang** on injured list; activated forward **Tim Perry** from injured list.  
**College**  
**Abilene Christian** — Named **Rennie Pearce** football coach.  
**Baylor** — Named **Gary Blackney** football coach.  
**Oregon State** — Named **Jerry Pettibone** football coach.  
**Football**  
**Barcelona (West Indies)** — Announced **Jose Figueroa** acquires ownership rights; team nickname will be **Dragons**.  
**Buffalo** — Waived defensive back **Rich Carter**; signed defensive back **Clyford Hicks**.  
**Nebraska (L)** — Placed **linebacker Elderto Osborne** on injured list; activated wide receiver **Armed Field** from practice roster.  
**Seattle** — Placed **linebacker Rufus Porter** on injured reserve; signed **linebackers Dave Ahrens, Rod Stephens** and **Donald Miller**.  
**Hockey**  
**Martford** — Recalled forward **Mark Greig** from Springfield (AHL); reassigned defenseman **Marc Bergvin** and forward **Michael Picard** to Springfield.



Herald Photo by Tammy Vincent

Lake Mary's Jason Hamelin did most of his damage from behind the three-point stripe Wednesday, nailing four of the long-range shots for 12 of his game-high 31 points in the Rams' win over Deltona.

## Rams

Continued from 1B  
 scored seven of his 14 points as he led a third-quarter rally that saw the Rams outscore Deltona 18-6 over the first five minutes of the period.  
 Merthie's scoring touch returned to him about the same time he returned to the point guard position. Having started the game at forward, Merthie was ice cold through the first two quarters. The change in halves coincided with a change in his game. Suddenly, Merthie was the catalyst to the Rams' offense.  
 During the third quarter, he added three assists and three rebounds.  
 "Mike really is our point guard," exclaimed Hamelin. "He is the one who makes things happen for us."  
 Finally, the Rams were able to hit their free throws down the stretch in the fourth quarter. Even though they scored just one field goal in the last quarter, they were able to increase their lead.  
 The plan was simple but effective. Lake Mary operated out of a spread offense, forcing Deltona to foul in order to have a chance at getting the ball back. The plan worked, as the Rams converted on 13 free throws to put the game away.  
 Lake Mary, now 2-0, returns to action Friday night in a game at Palm Bay.  
 In junior varsity action Wednesday night, Lake Mary topped Deltona 43-34.

## TV/RADIO

- BASKETBALL**  
 7 p.m. — ESPN, College, Villanova at Wake Forest. (L)  
 9 p.m. — ESPN, College, Connecticut at North Carolina. (L)  
**TELEVISION**  
 11 p.m. — SUN, College, Creighton at Nebraska. (L)  
**FOOTBALL**  
 7 p.m. — SUN, College, Gene Stallings Shows  
**GOLF**  
 7 p.m. — SUN, Golf Show  
**HOCKEY**  
 7:30 p.m. — SC, NHL, Buffalo Sabres at Philadelphia Flyers. (L)  
**TENNIS**  
 6:30 p.m. — SC, The Tennis Magazine Show  
**RADIO**  
 6:30 p.m. — WBZS-AM (1270), College, Mercer at UCF  
 8:05 p.m. — WXVQ-AM (1490), College, Bethune-Cookman at Stetson  
**MISCELLANEOUS**  
 6:10 p.m. — WWRZ-AM (1750), SportsTalk  
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# People

## IN BRIEF

### Christmas bazaar planned

Lakeview Nursing Center is hosting a Christmas Bazaar and baked goods sale Friday, December 7, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the facility, 919 East 2nd Street, Sanford. Craft items handmade by staff and residents and homemade goodies will be available.

Call 322-8707 for more information.

### Garden club members host luncheon

Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club will hold its annual holiday luncheon on December 10, 11:15 a.m. at the Maison et Jardin. Entertainment will be provided by the Lake Brantley chorus.

Call 788-1830 for reservations.

### Help prevent child abuse

The Seminole County Young Republicans, J.J. Whitehead and Chuck Anthony will host the second annual Orlando Allstars Benefit Concert for the Ursula Sunshine Child Abuse Prevention, Inc., Sunday, December 9, 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Featured artists include: Baxter and Mark, Crystal, Heart Attack Diner, Shouts, Karma, Thriller, The Front, Real Time and Passion.

Donation is \$5. All proceeds go to the Ursula Sunshine Child Abuse Prevention, Inc.

### Holiday party to be held

Seminole County Democrats will hold their annual covered dish holiday party on Thursday, December 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the Casabelberry Senior Citizens Center, 200 N. Lake Triplet Dr., Casabelberry. Democrats and guests are welcome to come and bring their favorite covered dish.

For more information call 368-6100 or 688-4711.

## CALENDAR

### Overeaters to weigh in

A meeting on spirituality in relationships in Overeaters Anonymous is conducted on Thursdays at 7:45 p.m. in the cafeteria at West Lake Hospital, Longwood. For information, call Charlie at 323-8070.

### East-West Kiwanis to gather

East-West Sanford Kiwanis Club meets Thursday at 6 p.m. at Friendship Lodge, Seventh and Locust.

### Sweet Adelines to rehearse

Sound of Sunshine Sweet Adelines women's barbershop singing group rehearses every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Prairie Lake Baptist Church, 415 Ridge Road, Fern Park.

## Low phone helps those who fall

**DEAR ABBY:** This letter is about an experience that I and several people I know have endured. We are old, and sometimes we fall. I have "mini-strokes" and never know when they will happen. So far, I have been fortunate in that there have been no serious injuries. However, once down, I can't get up without help. I am very independent and prefer to live alone in my own house.

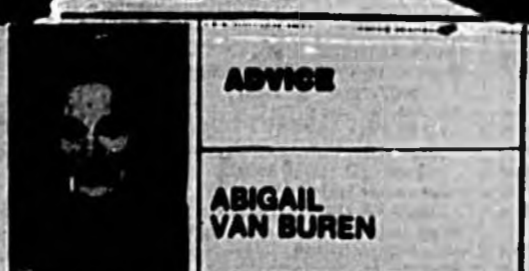
When I come to, I can wiggle and crawl — which is how I got help the last time. My phone is on a low table by my favorite chair. I reached it and dialed 911. They came right out and helped me.

One of my neighbors fell and broke her leg. She did the same thing (her phone is also low.) They came and took her to the hospital.

Another woman fell and broke her hip. Even if she could have reached the phone, she couldn't have used it because it was mounted high on a wall. She laid on the floor for 16 hours before anyone came!

My point is this: Anyone who lives alone should have a phone that is low enough to be reached from the floor. We are all in our late 70s, but I'm the only one who had a stroke. The other two just "fell." People can fall at any age!

Most of the people I mention this to say they aren't going to fall. I hope that you can get through to them. God bless you for your concern for others.



### ADVICE

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**DEAR PEGGY:** To deny that something can go wrong is a common human frailty (if I don't think about it, it won't happen.) But you make an excellent point, Peggy. People of all ages fall, but older people are more vulnerable. Thanks for a possibly lifesaving letter.

**DEAR ABBY:** Another letter pointing up how socially ignorant some people are:

In June of 1989, my husband and I attended a wedding for which formal invitations were sent along with R.S.V.P. cards stating, "reception following."

This wedding was held at a well-known estate, but we were not informed that it would be outdoors and that the estate would be locked. Parking was over a quarter of a mile from this place, and there were no bathroom facilities. (Only woods!)

The bride arrived by limousine an hour and a half late. The only shade we had while waiting was one tree — for 60 people! The bride, groom and their attendants were

very late... be a  
The catering (reception) consisted of two kinds of cheese and a little fruit. Needless to say, the amount of food was inadequate. We gave a lovely wedding gift which has not been acknowledged — and it's been over a year. We have not heard from this couple since, but my husband believes that we should include them in a large party we are planning. This has caused a mild dispute between my husband and me.

I say, "Forget these ignorant clods." He says, "Forgive them. They just don't know any better."  
Your opinion, please.

### MASSACHUSETTS

**DEAR MASS:** Although they don't deserve it — be generous and invite them anyway. They may learn something.

**DEAR ABBY:** "Appalled in Chicago," whose secretary couldn't find the word "Europe" under "U" in the dictionary, reminded me of the following:

My lawyer-husband dictated a letter concerning a bankruptcy case to his secretary. Later, he found her looking in the dictionary for a very long time, obviously quite exasperated, so he asked her what word she was looking for. She replied, "I know how to spell 'bank' — but I can't find 'rupicy' in this dictionary."

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## NEW ARRIVALS

### Central Florida Regional Hospital

November 15 — Lizzette E. Acree & Meiser M. Zalana. Sanford, baby girl.  
November 16 — Susan M. Worske, Altamonte Springs, baby boy; Belinda N. Brown & Terence A. Lawson, Sanford, baby boy; Selma M. Jackson, Lake Monroe, baby girl; Stephanie B. & Jerry W. Goodman, Sanford, baby boy.  
November 17 — Tracy M. Golden, Sanford, baby boy; Natalie J. & Charles H. Lindsey, Sanford, baby boy; Denise & Scott Leach, Sanford, baby boy; Esperanza L. Lopes & Marcelino Luna, Sanford, baby girl; Sharon A. & Michael R. Davis, Sanford, baby girl; Lisa & Jack Pfeifer, Sanford, baby boy.  
November 18 — Melinda D. McDaniel, Sanford, baby boy; Lealie Brown & Robert M. Mathurin, Sanford, baby boy.  
November 19 — Keeaha Williams & James Barnes, Winter Springs, baby boy.  
November 20 — Tara S. Willis & Freddie L. Davis, Sanford, baby girl; Penny L. & Keith L. Freeman, Sanford, baby girl; Joanne E. H. Flaherty, Lake Mary, baby boy.  
November 21 — Michele & Dwayne E. Thurston, Sanford, baby boy; Jennifer L. & Gregory N. Ingram, Sanford, baby boy; Stephanie M. & John Ravenel Jr., Sanford, baby girl.  
November 23 — Elaine & Tim Duffy, Lake Mary, baby girl.

### Barrels of fun

Marine Sgt. Rich Eastham, (l), and Capt. Jim Daley discuss placement of Toys For Tots barrels in area El Pollo Loco restaurants with Rick Godwin, region leader for El Pollo Loco. Frank Gabrielle, representing Retired Senior Volunteer Program in Seminole County will collect the unwrapped gifts from the five stores. Gifts will be distributed at the RSVP Christmas Store, to benefit needy children in Seminole County schools. The store will operate next week at the Winter Springs headquarters of Seminole County Crime Prevention, but toys will continue to be collected through December 21. Gabrielle estimates 800 children will be assisted with up to 4,000 toys as gifts for brothers and sisters.



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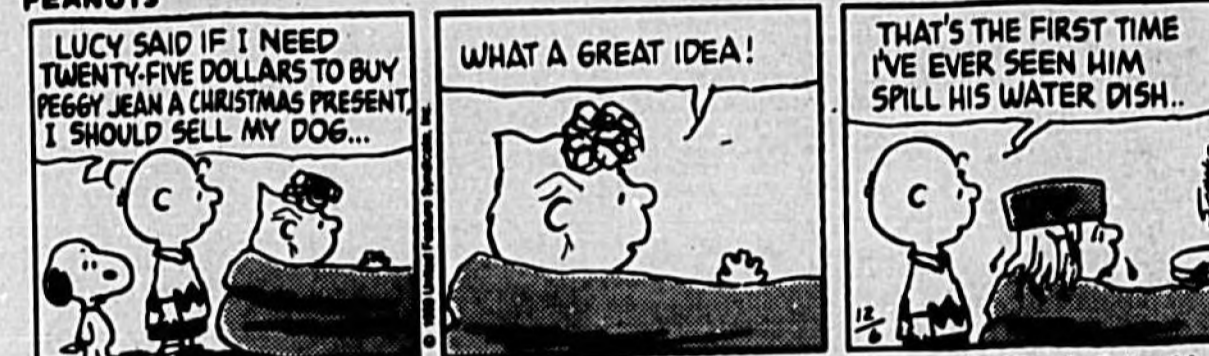
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Doctors prescribe medicine for stroke

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 70 years old and had a mild stroke about a year ago. Can you give me any suggestions as to how I can avoid another one?

DEAR READER: Strokes come in two forms: hemorrhagic and thrombotic. In general, these are diagnosed by a CT scan (special X-rays) of the brain.

In the former, a blood vessel bursts in the brain, causing hemorrhage into delicate nerve tissue. This is a common consequence of uncontrolled hypertension, in which excessive pressure exerted in arteries literally pops them. Some patients with hemorrhagic strokes appear to have congenitally weak blood vessels that leak or burst for no apparent reason. Treatment for hemorrhagic strokes consists primarily of medicine to reduce blood pressure.

Thrombotic strokes, a far more common affliction, are due to blood clots that become wedged in the brain's arteries, shutting off nutrition and oxygen, and leading to nerve damage. The clots are probably carried in the bloodstream, after having broken off from the rough and inflamed lining of arteries in the neck or chest. This is a consequence of arteriosclerosis. In such cases, doctors often prescribe medicine, such as aspirin or Coumadin, to retard clotting and reduce the risk of further strokes. Anticoagulant drugs should not be used for hemorrhagic stroke.

Most experts agree that therapy for stroke is largely unsatisfactory. Doctors await more definitive treatment that is not currently available. Except for treating diseases, such as hypertension, that cause stroke, (and giving aspirin in appropriate cases), there is no preventative for stroke.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 73 and have been impotent for two years. Is there medication I can

purchase over-the-counter for my problem, or should I see a doctor?

DEAR READER: There are many causes for impotence, ranging from psychological factors and poor circulation to side effects from prescription drugs. You should see a doctor,



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preferably a urologist, for diagnosis and treatment. (C)1980 NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

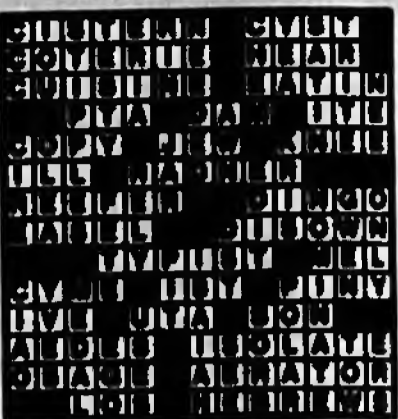
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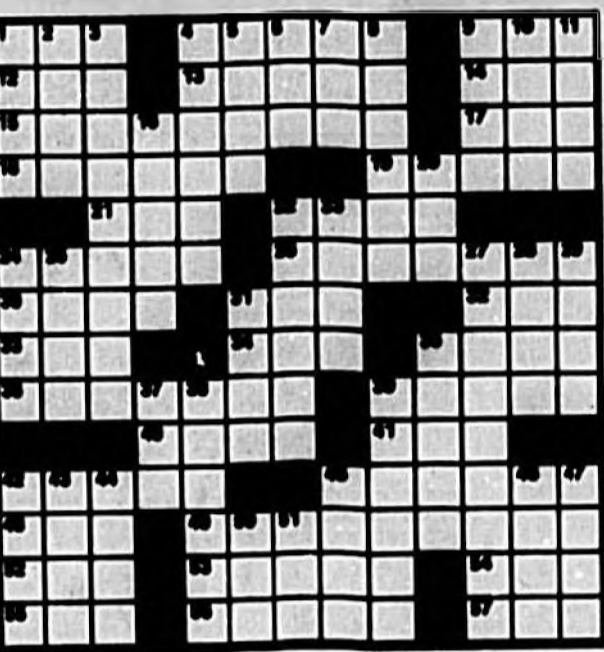
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Answer to Previous Puzzle



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46 Actor Rob —
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WIN AT BRIDGE

By James Jacoby

The weak two-bid was invented by the late Howard Schenken. He intended the bid to show a decent six-card suit but less than an opening bid in high cards. Modernists have eased this standard, trading the risk of bidding with a weaker suit for the advantage of forcing the opponents to start at a higher level. Experts are almost unanimous that the bid should not be made with values approaching opening-bid strength. So today's South passed originally. When South later overcalled, partner North could do no more than raise to three hearts. Of course North hoped he could double three spades, but that was a vain hope. So North-South missed a reasonable game contract, which

depended on West holding the club queen with hearts divided two-two, or on West holding three spades with the jack plus one higher honor. (Declarer leads up to the queen of spades twice. When the jack later falls under the queen, there are two discards available.) Sure, the game might be missed even if South opened the bidding with one heart, but my view is that a hand too good to open with a weak two-bid should always be opened with a one-bid when it contains two defensive tricks. In accordance with that principle, South would open the bidding.

West would double, and North would redouble and later raise hearts. Game might be reached, and this time the cards are right for it to make.

BRIDGE hand layout showing NORTH-SOUTH and WEST-EAST cards, vulnerability, and opening lead.

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Bede Osoi YOUR BIRTHDAY Dec. 7, 1980

You will be both bolder and more enterprising in the year ahead in developments that could increase your income or holdings. Your drive will be channeled in positive directions and the results should be to your liking.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Someone whose cooperation is essential to you at this time is starting to waver a bit. If this person isn't treated diplomatically today, he/she could become an adversary instead of an ally. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't take something you want repaired or serviced back to an establishment where you've had problems in the past. You'd be wise to look for someone more reliable.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)

You could be a trifle too possessive today with people with whom you're emotionally involved. Unfortunately, the more control you try to exert, the more likely they are to rebel.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Outsiders should not be brought into the picture today to help resolve a disagreement between you and your mate. If you think things are heated now, wait until they start pouring gasoline on the fire.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't let outside influences cause you to be unduly rushed with lacks or assignments today that are detailed and intricate. Hate could cause serious errors or complications.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You could create more havoc in your financial affairs today than presently exist if you juggle accounts around to rob Peter to pay Paul. Try to live within your means.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The example you establish when dealing with loved ones today will be the one they'll follow. If you're short-tempered, cranky or impatient, you won't like the clones your behavior creates.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

You might have to deal with a difficult person today and it may be hard to keep your anger in check. It will be best, however, to smolder in silence rather than respond in kind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Financial arrangements with friends could cause problems today. If a disagreement with a pal arises over something material, suffer the loss rather than jeopardize the relationship.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) There is a very fine line today between being effectively assertive or just plain aggressive. If you are not careful, you might have trouble distinguishing the boundary.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's best not to butt into testy situations today that do not directly concern you. You won't derive any benefits from getting in the middle of someone else's mess.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Trivial disagreements could be blown out of proportion today if you encounter someone who is as strong-willed and inflexible about his/her opinions as you are. Be on guard.

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by Leonard Starr

