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Sports

Greyhounds settle debts

LONGWOOD — If there were any doubts as to who's the state's best high school girls' soccer team, they were dispelled by the performance of the Lyman Greyhounds Saturday night.

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BRIEFS

10 arrested in fraud case

SANFORD — A Longwood man was arrested Friday along with nine associates in what state insurance investigators are describing as the largest case of workers' compensation fraud ever in Central Florida.

Florida Department of Insurance officers arrested Cedric Bodoh, 57, 311 Fox Valley Drive, Longwood on several counts of racketeering, workers' compensation insurance fraud, mail fraud and grand theft.

Bodoh is listed as the owner of Allied Temporaries Inc. with 17 offices in several Florida cities. Insurance officials allege Bodoh and his office managers lied about the type of work the employees performed in order to get lower insurance rates. Roofers and day laborers whose jobs have high insurance rates were allegedly described as low-risk clerical workers. Several insurance carriers notified the state insurance department of discrepancies in Allied audits. Charges were filed after a year-long investigation.

Bodoh was released on \$100,000 bond Friday night.

Marijuana seedlings found

SANFORD — Members of the City/County Investigative Bureau, CCIB, confiscated 95 marijuana plants Sunday.

Seminole County Sheriff's spokesman Ed McDonough said they were found growing in a field west of Sanford. A deputy reportedly found the pot plants while on patrol on Hickman Road. "Most of the plants were no more than six inches in height," McDonough explained. "Some were only seedlings."

CCIB agents reportedly bundled the plants and took them to the CCIB office. An investigation is underway to determine who may have planted the marijuana.

Derby talk time

SANFORD — Persons who are interested in participating in this year's Central Florida Soap Box Derby will gather at 7 p.m. this Wednesday. Parks and Recreation Director Mike Kirby is asking all entries from last year, as well as persons who may be planning to enter this year's race, to meet at the Sanford Recreation Department, 300 N. Park Avenue.

"There have been a few minor changes since last year that people will want to know about," Kirby said. "and there will be information available for persons planning to enter for the first time this year."

A registration fee of \$15 is required. The actual Central Florida race day is June 11, 1994, with the event to be held at the city's new derby park, off Oregon Avenue.

For information on the meeting, phone 330-5697.

Sharing Center Awards

LONGWOOD — The South Seminole Christian Sharing Center held an Awards Dinner Dance Saturday at the Hilton-Orlando North, Altamonte Springs. Among the honors was the presentation of the Good Neighbor Award to the Father Lyon's Council, Knights of Columbus, in Sanford.

Among certificates of appreciation was one to Bruce and Debbie Eckstein of Magic Triangle Insulation, in Lake Mary.

Other award and certificate winners from throughout the area were also given individual honors during the event, planned to be a continuing annual affair.

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There's a chill in the air



Lake wind advisory. Partly sunny, windy and cool. High in the mid to upper 60s. Wind north 25 mph and gusty.

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Holiday Inn's future

Lease proposals to be aired by city today

By NICK PFEIFAUPE
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The Holiday Inn will continue to operate on the Sanford lakefront. Getting paperwork approved for building ownership, however, is a lengthy and complicated situation.

The matter is scheduled to be discussed during today's meeting of the Sanford City Commission work session beginning at 4:30 p.m.

Resolution Trust Corp. (RTC), which took over ownership of the building last year, has now reportedly reached an agreement with Bernard Sandler, of Harborview Properties Development Company, which would allow Sandler to purchase the Holiday Inn.

The deal involves only the physical building. The land on which it is located is the property of the City of Sanford.

In a recent letter to City Manager Bill Simmons, Sandler wrote, "It is to our mutual advantage to

work together to achieve success for the Holiday Inn property. The city would, after all, enjoy more tourism and employment of its residents should this transaction come to pass."

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The matter has been under discussion during the past several months between Sandler and city officials.

One controversy which must be settled is the difference between what Sandler wants and what the city would offer in a lease agreement regarding any other motel and/or restaurant which may be in the waterfront area.

Sandler has suggested that no fast food or cafeteria style restaurants are to be built or opened on the waterfront area, and no other hotel or motel may be built on the waterfront area.

Sanford City Manager Bill Simmons is urging the city commission to consider that portion of the agreement closely. He has suggested the lease would need to contain a "not to compete" clause, perhaps including "no other motel" on the island, but clearly consistent with the overall objective of greater development along the waterfront and on the marina.

According to advance documents, Sandler is proposing a mutual cooperation venture with the city which includes several issues.

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She's a sweetheart who has celebrated a century of Valentine days



Carra Ryan Whitmire on 100th birthday.

Former teacher honored on her 100th birthday

By NICK PFEIFAUPE
Herald Staff Writer

LONGWOOD — Her family held a party for Carra Ryan Whitmire Saturday in honor of her 100th birthday.

Carra was born on Feb. 9, 1894 in Grove Oak, Ala. Although she missed St. Valentine's Day by a few days, Carra is still a real sweetheart.

"We would have liked to have the party on her birthday," said Maxine Campbell, her daughter, "but there were so many school teachers and others who couldn't be there during the week, we decided to hold it on Saturday."

Approximately 50 of her relatives were on hand Saturday afternoon at Meridian Nursing Center in Longwood, where she presently resides. "She is hard of hearing and her eyesight isn't too good anymore," her daughter said, "but everyone at the party

said how alert and with-it she was."

Carra spent much of the day recalling some of the fond recollections she had about her past, but mostly enjoying the fact that so many of her family were on hand at one time.

She was the 10th child of 11 children born to Hiram and Virginia Ryan. Her only sibling still remaining is a sister, Eva McMahan, of Atalla, Ala. She is 98. There are 15 months difference in their ages.

"It wasn't a surprise party," Maxine commented. "We couldn't have done that because she is the type person who wants to know everything that is going on, and know it well ahead of time."

Carra received her early education at Grove Oak and Albertville, Alabama schools, then taught school for several years before marrying Delmer Whitmire, who was also a teacher.

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Rain in January on rise

By J. MARK BARFIELD
Senior Staff Writer

SANFORD — A rainy January improved parched conditions throughout most of the 19.

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Health academy orientation

Event set for parents of students in program

By VICKI DeBORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — The parents of students who will be enrolled in Seminole High School's Academy of Health Careers in the fall probably have a lot of questions.

Academy officials want to be sure all their questions are answered and that they are comfortable with the commitment their youngsters and they are being asked to make to the unique program.

To ease the anxiety and answer their questions, the

school has organized an orientation to help the parents on Wednesday, Feb. 16 at 7 p.m.

The Health Academy opened this past August with a full complement of students.

The academy offers training in a variety of careers for students interested in the medical profession. From medical receptionist to veterinarian, from medical transcriptionist to physician, the students in the academy are prepared for either employment immedi-

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Cook middle school teacher of the year

By VICKI DeBORMIER
Herald Staff Writer

SANFORD — Terry Cook has a blast at work everyday.

The Lakeview Middle School teacher was recently selected as the Middle School Teacher of the Year for Seminole County.

"She's a heck of a teacher," said principal Jim Shupe. "I don't know anything about that Oviedo teacher, but he must be something else to have beat out Terry."

Oviedo High School's Greg Register was named the Seminole County Teacher of the Year.

Cook teaches the Skills for Adolescence class as part of the middle school exploratory wheel for sixth graders.

The class is based on the Lions' Quest program curriculum that is designed to build the self esteem of adolescents by focusing on the skills they need to help them survive a very confusing and sometimes unpleasant portion of growing up.

Cook tackles the formidable task with humor and enthusiasm. She says she loves teaching.

The students and the commitment of the other teachers are her daily inspiration, she said.

Her classroom is alive with noise and color and

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Terry Cook surrounded by students at Lakeview Middle School in Sanford.

STATS & STANDINGS

COLLEGE BASEBALL

Table with columns for College Name, Record, and Location. Includes sections for Sunday's College Baseball Scores, South, Southwest, Connecticut, and Eastern Conference.

Table with columns for Team Name, Record, and Location. Includes sections for Eastern Conference, Western Conference, and Pacific Division.

NBA STANDINGS

Table showing NBA Eastern Conference Standings with columns for Team, W, L, Pct., and GB.

NHL STANDINGS

Table showing NHL Eastern Conference Standings with columns for Team, W, L, T, Pts, GF, and GA.

NBA BOXES

Table listing NBA All-Star Box scores with columns for Player, Points, Rebounds, and Assists.

NHL SUMMARIES

Table listing NHL game summaries with columns for Game Number, Date, and Result.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Table listing USA Today/CNN Top 25 college basketball coaches with columns for Coach Name, Record, and Location.

TRANSACTIONS

Table listing baseball transactions including player acquisitions and releases for various teams.

Suniland upset in hoop playoffs

From Staff Reports SANFORD - Three of the top seeds got through, but No. 3 seed Suniland Corporation had the tables turned on it in Saturday's first round of the playoffs in the Senior Division of the Sanford Recreation Youth Basketball League at the Sanford Middle School Gymnasium.

16-8 after one quarter and never recovered, falling to No. 6 seed, American Legion, 58-31. The only relatively close game was the late between No. 4 seed A-OK Tires and the No. 5 Recreation "Rees", but even that game was virtually over by the end of the third period, as A-OK built a 45-36 lead on the way to a 61-49 victory.

81-6; Christo's kept its championship hopes alive with a 42-23 ripping of Suniland Corporation; the Fleet Reserve Ladies Auxiliary handed Sanford Electric its second straight loss, 27-23; and Sanford Paint & Body edged Sanford Antiques, 18-16.

Senior Division Quarterfinals FLEET RESERVE LADIES AUXILIARY VIDEO VAULT 48 Titus Waido scored 18 of his game high 20 points in the second half as Branch 147 outscored Video Vault 48 21.

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Buckley gets most from six tosses

Special to the Herald SANFORD - Bobbie Buckley achieved a rare level of perfection in Playtime Darts League play last week, needing just six throws to complete a game of 301 for Bamboo Cafe's Done With Style in the Mixed A League.

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GOLF

L.A. Open Scores LOS ANGELES - Final scores and prize money Sunday in the \$1 million Nissan Los Angeles Open, played on the 4,965-yard, par-71 Riviera Country Club course.

LADIES LEAGUE

Heading into the final week of play, the only team with a playoff position secured are the league-leading Bamboo Bombers from the Bamboo Cafe (129 wins).

MEN'S B LEAGUE

Heading into the final week of play, Team No. 3 from the Lake Mary Pub has a two-game edge, 118-116, over second-place T.C.B. out of Q-Biz.

MIXED A LEAGUE

The Untouchables from Time Out all but have the regular season championship and No. 1 seed in the playoffs locked up thanks to a 118-107 lead over Bamboo Cafe's Done With Style.

MIXED B LEAGUE

The Q-Biz Bulls (122 wins) also haven't wrapped up the No. 1 seed, leading The Knights from Sir Walters (113 wins) by nine games.

MEN'S B LEAGUE

Bamboos from Sir Walters (113 wins) are in third place just ahead of Ton 80's out of Q-Biz (101 wins). Within striking distance are Bamboo Cafe's Shoots (91 wins).

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BLONDIE



by Chic Young

BEEBLE BAILEY



by Mort Walker

THE BORN LOSER



by Art Sansom

PEANUTS



by Charles M. Schulz

ECK & MEK



by Howie Schneider

TUMBLEWEEDS



by T.K. Ryan

ARLO AND JANIS



by Jimmy Johnson

FRANK AND ERNEST



by Bob Thaves

GARFIELD



by Jim Davis

ROBOTMAN



by Jim Meddick

Kiss this tooth decay theory a final goodbye

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've read there are various ways of fighting tooth decay other than simply brushing...

DEAR READER: Wow. If kissing retards tooth decay, this is the best news since Napoleon's defeat at Waterloo...

You should ask your dentist about this, but it's my understanding that tooth decay can best be conquered by fluoridation...

If your dentist endorses kissing as a decay-preventive, let me know. But I must say that it hasn't particularly helped me...

DEAR DR. GOTT: What causes eyelid twitching? DEAR READER: Nervousness, usually. Called a "tic," eyelid twitching is often associated with high anxiety states...

DEAR DR. GOTT: What are the chances of a vasectomy being reversed? I've had the procedure and regret it already.

DEAR READER: Vasectomy, a form of contraception in which the tubes from the testicles are tied off and cut, is reversible with microsurgical techniques...

If you are seriously consid-

ering having the procedure performed, find the urologist in your community who is most familiar with the operation...

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Contraception..."

Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25



MEDICINE

PETER GOTT, M.D.

plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

ACROSS

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DOWN

- 34 Computer term 35 Hotel 36 The same 37 Confiscates 39 Ancient Jewish ascetic 41 Outlet 42 Soak, as fax 43 Animal 45 Nothing 48 Rodent 50 Things typical of U.S. 54 -- Got a Secret 55 Motivate strongly 56 Tear 57 Club -- 58 Depart 59 Chart

Answer to Previous Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues and answers.

WIN AT BRIDGE

By Phillip Alder

Although I have no personal experience of her examples, I'm sure Judith Viorst is right, not only on Valentine's Day, when she contends, "Love is much nicer to be in than a tight girdle..."

On today's deal from last year's Italian trials, all declarers except one kissed their contract goodbye. The successful South earned heartfelt thanks from his partner.

North's transfer bid followed by a jump to three no-trump showed game values with five spades and probably a balanced hand.

Every West led the heart jack. Most declarers won the first trick in hand, cashed the spade king, played a spade to dummy's ace and led a third spade. When West discarded a heart, it was easy for East to switch to the club seven, the high card denying an honor...

By Phillip Alder

They were all unlucky, it's true, but Lorenzo Lauria, a European Champion in 1979, made the perfect play: He won trick one with dummy's heart king and immediately led a low spade to his eight. Whatever happened, he was sure to win at least these nine tricks: three spades, three hearts and three diamonds. (If East had split his honors, Lauria would have won with the king and led the spade eight to dummy's nine, scoring an overtrick.)

Bridge hand diagram showing cards, suits, and dealer information.

HOROSCOPE

By Bernice Berde Osol YOUR BIRTHDAY Feb. 18, 1994

Your potential for success looks very strong for the year ahead, provided you do not become involved in endeavors that work against one another. Harmonious activities are essential.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Innate optimism, which is part of your natural make-up, is a good quality, but today be careful it isn't based upon unsound premises. Keep the pie-in-the-sky out of your eye. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Guard against inclinations today to jump to conclusions before you have all the facts at your disposal. Error is likely if impulsiveness gains the upper hand.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Your worst enemies today could be well-intentioned friends who are kidding themselves about the value of an endeavor in which they want to involve you. Investigate for yourself.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Expecting too much from others today might fool you into believing they are being uncooperative, when, in actuality, it is you who may be excessively demanding.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Although the innovations you've conceived appear to have possibilities, you'd better run a few tests before instituting them as new procedures. You may have to iron out some rust spots.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) The wrong companions could create avoidable problems for you today. Be selective regarding with whom you run around and also your choice of activities.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your temper might be a bit hard to control today, especially with persons you often take for granted. Don't thoughtlessly hurt anybody's feelings.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Shortcuts or labor saving devices might boomerang on you today. In your haste to get things done, you could create twice as much work.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In order to gratify your extravagant whims today, there are indications you might waste funds you have earmarked for a future date and for another purpose. Be prudent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you use your muscles instead of your smarts today, you might end up trying to hammer square pegs into round holes. Think things through in advance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Grandiose ideas provide fodder for pleasant daydreams, but they may not materialize in the real world. Be pragmatic today and don't waste time on wishful thinking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You're presently in a cycle where you might feel impelled to spend excess cash you've accumulated. Doing this may give you momentary gratification, but spender's remorse later.

ANNIE



by Leonard Starr