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**WEEKEND**

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## Sports in high gear

With the football bowl season over, it didn't take long for other sports to pick up the action.

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## Winter Springs woman abducted, thrown in trunk

A Winter Springs woman was abducted Wednesday and locked in her own vehicle trunk.

The 22-year-old victim tells authorities she was attacked by a man who was hiding inside her car, who forced her into the trunk and then reportedly drove around with her locked inside before leaving the car in a wooded area near Temple Way and Shore Road in Winter Springs.

The woman says it all began around 11 a.m., Jan. 7. She says she went to the Great Clips hair salon at Tuskawilla and Red Bug Lake roads to get a haircut. She says the wait was too long so she went back to her car in the parking lot. She says once she was inside her car, a man hiding in the back seat attacked her and forced her into the trunk. She says she was in the trunk until the early afternoon when a family member called her cell-phone. The family member was concerned because she hadn't shown up for work. The victim says when the cell-phone rang it awakened her and she told the family member what had happened.

The family member called Winter Springs police and an officer made contact with the victim and instructed her how to get out the trunk. The victim got out, walked to the intersection of Temple Way and Shore Road, and informed police of her location.

According to investigators, she suffered cuts and bruises, including visible injuries to her face.

She describes her attacker as a white male, in his late 20's to early 30's, who was wearing a blue, stocking-type cap that fit snugly around his head.

She also said he was wearing a heavy, dark-colored, jacket. Anybody with information about this case is asked to call the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at 407-665-6600, or Crime Line at 1-800-423-TIPS.

## Seminole Smile



Caroline Schneider — Member of the Fort Mellon Society, Children of American Revolution

# Thieves 'smash and grab' for jewels at mall

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — An armed robbery Thursday at Mayor's Jewelry Store at the Seminole Towne Center resulted in the loss of several thousand dollars in jewelry.

The robbery was reported at approximately 11 a.m.

Sanford police said five Hispanic or Caucasian males, wearing dark clothing and ski masks entered the store and broke some of the jewelry cases with a hammer and sledge hammer. The hammers were located on the floor of the store after the five escaped. A witness said the men were speaking to each other in

Spanish, and that one of them apparently had a handgun.

Although the metal roll up gates were down at the entrance to the store, police believe entry was made from the back corridor door, and it is believed that is the same door through which the men made their escape.

A number of police officers and security personnel attempted to track the five men down, but were unsuccessful.

During the investigation, police were informed that a Voyager van was found on the east parking area with the ignition punched and the motor still running. Also, the vehicle's sliding side

door was open. At the time the vehicle was located, no one had reported it as stolen. Several items, possibly used in the robbery were found inside the vehicle. Crime scene investigators processed the vehicle.

There was no immediate indication of what was taken in the robbery, but it was revealed that possibly 60 or more Rolex watches were taken.

Charges which will be placed against the perpetrators are expected to be robbery with a firearm, and grand larceny of more than \$100,000.

The robbery continues under investigation by Sanford police.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent  
Sanford Police Department (left to right) Officer Bill Wixson, Sgt. Pat Smith and Lt. Darrell Brewer investigate a vehicle parked near the Parisian department store that is suspected to be a part of the jewelry heist.

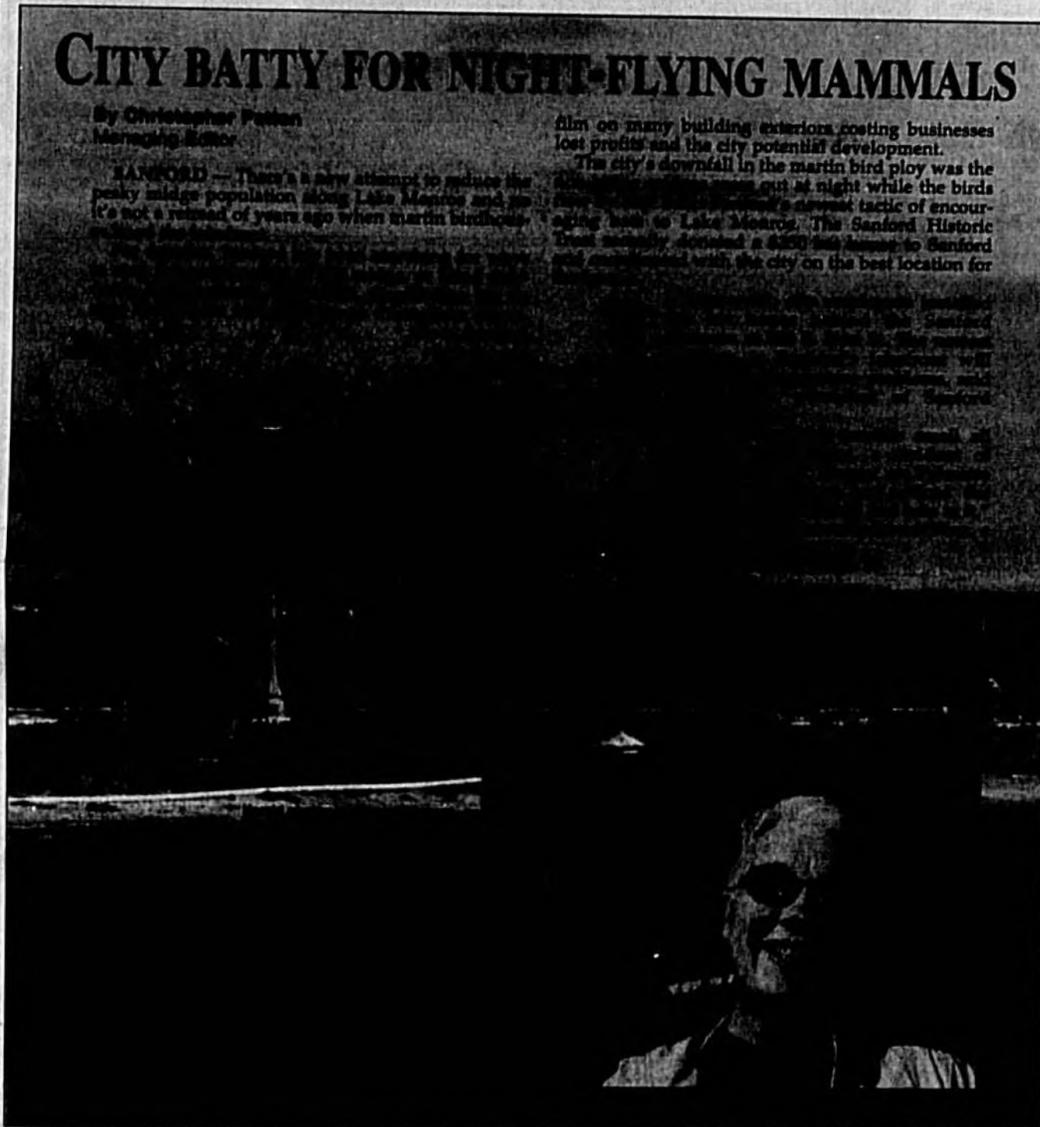
## CITY BATTY FOR NIGHT-FLYING MAMMALS

By Christopher Patton  
Managing Editor

SANFORD — There's a new attempt to reduce the peaky minge population along Lake Meador and it's not a release of years ago when martin birds

film on many building exteriors costing businesses lost profits and the city potential development.

The city's downfall in the martin bird ploy was the 2000-2001 season when out at night while the birds were nesting. The city's newest tactic of encouraging them to Lake Meador. The Sanford Historic Trust recently donated a \$200,000 home to Sanford and announced with the city on the best location for



## Airport numbers flat for 2003

But officials optimistic about domestic gains

By Dan Ping  
Editor

SANFORD — After four consecutive years of growth, passenger counts at Orlando Sanford International Airport remained flat for 2003.

Airport officials remain upbeat about the facilities growth despite a 1 percent decrease in the number of passengers who traveled through Sanford last year. Combined domestic and international statistics indicate 1.253 million people used the airport in 2003 as compared to 1.263 million passengers in 2002.

"2003 was a challenge for us," said Victor White, vice president of the Sanford Airport Authority. "The first six months of the year

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## Authorities arrest man for fraud

By Christopher Patton  
Managing Editor

LAKE MARY — Lake Mary police helped bring down a man Thursday suspected of defrauding more than 50 Floridians.

The operation began when Lake Mary officers fielded a call Tuesday from an area bank that suspected a man had deposited a couple fraudulent checks, said Lake Mary police Chief Richard Beary. Southern Community Bank, 175 Timucuan Blvd., Lake Mary, questioned several Ford Motor Credit checks totaling more than \$20,000 that were deposited by a Keith Alan Wright — an alias for 39-year-old Rodney Todd Wright. The next morning, the man tried to cash another fraudulent check at the Southern Community Bank branch in Longwood, 2491 W. State Road 434.

"The man was trying to cash a check — testing the waters to see if those others had cleared," Beary said. "We had that

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## Iraqi Diary: Rumors regarding Saddam's capture

Editor's note: Staff Sgt. Charlie C. Carlson III, son of Sanford historian Charlie C. Carlson II, is deployed in Baghdad as part of the 549th Military Police Company. He is providing the Herald with a journal of his experiences.

4 Jan. 2004 Remember that plastic mannequin leg we found several weeks back, the one that we had on the back of the humvee until they made us take it off, well, it is now the center piece in the room where my soldiers live. That thing will probably end up back at Fort Stewart as some kind of monument.

Our platoon made some kind of cabbage, pepperoni, and macaroni soup on our fire pit last night and it tasted pretty good. It was cold outside last night and the smell of the wood burning and that big pot of soup reminded me of the Civil War (Although I

wasn't ever in the Civil War). My canteen cup is now my pen and pencil holder on my makeshift desk, which is made out of four MRE boxes with an electrical fuse box door laid across for the top.

Our Internet guy, Dana, who ran our computer service, was fired for embezzlement. His father fired him, as his father owns the computer business that furnishes us Internet service.

I forgot to mention in my last e-mail that I in the boxes from the Herald, there was a brand new wallet for me from Mr. Jones of Sanford, and inside was a \$20 bill. So I thank Mr. Jones for that. I put the money to good use. I bought Internet time for my soldiers as they could send



Carlson

some e-mails home. It costs \$4 an hour to use the Internet, but it actually works better than the mail system and is certainly faster.

Remember how I complained about the 130 degree heat? Well now it is shivering cold at night in the warehouse where we live, I have to sleep under my blanket. Make no mistake, I will take the cold over that desert heat.

We have made our living area better. We now have doors to our area. I have made two rooms for my place. You come in and close the flap, a poncho liner, behind you and then you have to go through another flap to get into my office and living room. If I stay here long

enough and can put enough flaps of canvas I can turn my area into a four room place. With all the talk about us coming back to Iraq I may as well rent myself an apartment in Baghdad since we aren't allowed to live in the USA anymore as the result of back-to-back deployments.

We now have tower duty on tower 5 and 6. The 3rd Platoon is escorting the Regimental Commander around. Tower duty is boring. We do 0700 until 1900 hours and then 2nd Platoon has the duty from 1900 until 0700 hours.

5 Jan. 2004 I heard some stuff about Saddam Hussein's capture. Remember how I wrote a couple of months back about how they thought they had him cornered in the hotel area of Baghdad? We were involved with that hunt.

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Sanford's **ACE** Hardware

Celebrates 25th Anniversary  
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# SEMINOLE SUMMARY

## A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

**Coaching change:** With the end of the college bowl games, it's time for the BCS debate to begin in earnest.

No, not the Bowl Championship Series. We all know a room full of computers is a flawed way to pick a national champion. The BCS — **Begin the Coaching Shifts** — starts late in the regular season and continues until late January on the college level. Case in point is the University of Central Florida's firing of head football coach Mike Kruezek. The Golden Knights replaced their long-time coach with George O'Leary, the NCAA 2000 National Coach of the Year.

### Around the Clock



by Dan Ping

Yeah, all of this is old, old news I know, so here's something I betcha didn't know: O'Leary has tapped Seminole High School's head football coach for a spot on his staff. Word Around The Clock is that Jim Bernhardt submitted his resignation to Seminole High Athletic Director Mike Powers Friday morning in anticipation of being named UCF's director of football operations or some such title. Sweet! It's not everyday that high school coaches are asked to join the staff of an emerging Division I football program.

Best of luck to Coach Bernhardt as he steps up to the next level.

**Just plain dumb:** It's official. I'm placing a 1-year ban on myself from using the term "Wrongwood" to describe the city of Longwood. After the dumb mistake I made, I'm not licensed to use the term.

In my Year in Review column last week I wrongly wrote that Longwood Commissioner Mike Holt led the charge for a "no confidence" vote on Mayor Dan Anderson. Not so. It was actually Commissioner Brian Sackett who led that campaign, though Holt did second the motion.

How did I make such a glaring error? Quite frankly, I'm not sure. I wrote most of the column while vacationing in East Tennessee, so I'm blaming it on the intoxicating combination of thin mountain air and moonshine, er, Tennessee spring water.

Whatever the case, I understand Holt has vowed to lead a "no confidence" campaign against hillbilly editors who write smart-aleck columns. Hmmm. Maybe that explains why Orlando Sentinel editor Tim Franklin high-tailed it to Baltimore earlier this week.

**Checks coincidence?** Several Seminole County voters and shakers gathered at the Historic Colonial Town Center for a discussion about economic development.

Sponsored by the Lake Mary Chamber of Commerce, the meeting was requested by state Rep. Jennifer Carroll and members of the Clay County Chamber of Commerce. Carroll and her business buddies would like to see their region south of Jacksonville prosper like Seminole County has, and to that end wanted to pick the brains of some of those who helped create the I-4 High-Tech Corridor.

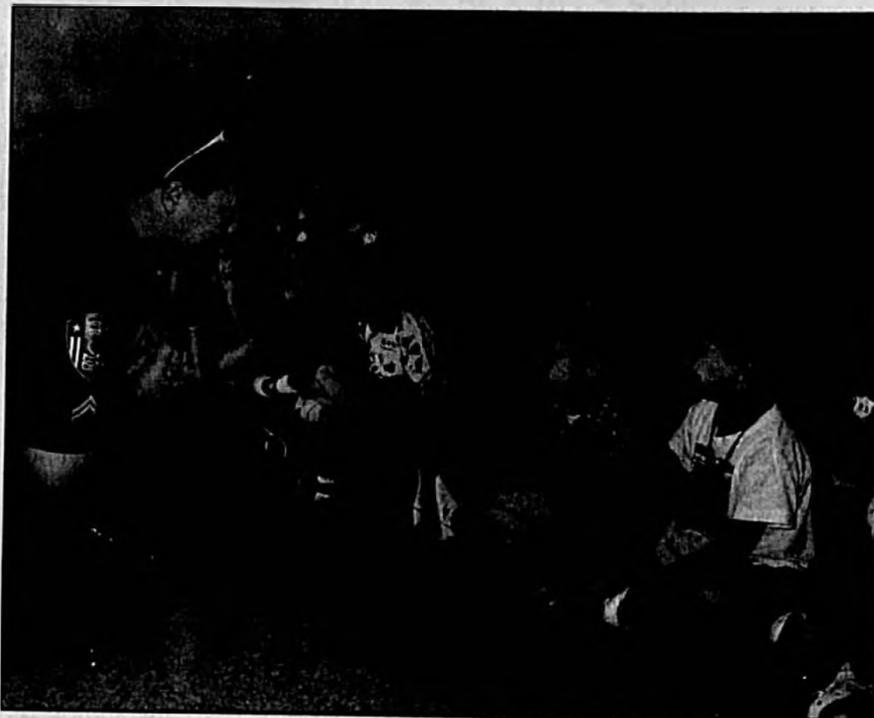
Many of the local folks talked about the importance of partnerships, good schools and visionary leaders as keys to Seminole County's success. All agreed these were important, but one participant noted that maybe a little divine — or not so divine — intervention played a role.

In the 1980s, Sanford's billionaire businessman Jenio Paulucci was building his Heathrow office park and residential community on the west side of Interstate 4. There were those in the community (probably a moonshine sniffing editor) who figured Jenio had eaten a bad pizza roll and was promoting a pipe dream. Some even started calling the project "Deathrow." In the end, Jenio proved them wrong and landed a whopper — the North American headquarters of AAA — that helped attract other major companies to the area.

During negotiations, so the story goes, the suits at AAA were concerned about the drive time to Orlando International Airport. There was no GreeneWay to provide easy access to the airport, and AAA was considering a site west of Orlando, so drive time to OIA was crucial. Paulucci suggested AAA simultaneously send drivers to the airport from the two prospective sites. At the designated time, both cars left the starting position. As luck — or something — would have it, a semi truck broke down in West Orlando, delaying traffic for 20 minutes. The driver from Seminole County arrived at the airport first, of course, and Deathrow became Heathrow.

No one at Thursday's meeting would confirm it, but from the knowing laughter many suspect Jenio had something to do with that truck breaking down. Whether he did or not, doesn't matter. The I-4 High-Tech Corridor was born and Jenio created another business success story to add his legend. Sweet!

## Captive Audience



Students at Longwood's Genesis Christian Pre-School appear to be captivated by the message they are listening to from Longwood Police Department Officer Herb Stewart. Stewart was speaking to the pre-schoolers about "stranger danger," and what to do if they are approached by a stranger or suspicious person.

Herold photo by Tommy Vincent

### Theft

• Elijah Edwin Grooms, 31, of Holly Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police on Dec. 9. Candace Evelouise Clark, 30, of Sanford Avenue, was arrested the following day. Both were said to have been involved in a theft from a store in the Seminole Towne Center. Clark reportedly took \$20,000 in cash and \$4,000 in checks from the store at which she was employed, and gave it to Grooms. She reportedly admitted she kept only \$5,000 of the money. Grooms was arrested on charges of grand theft of over \$20,000 and obstructing/hindering a law enforcement officer. Clark was charged with grand theft of over \$20,000.

• David Linn, 42, of Meadow Drive, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at a store in the 3600 block of Orlando Drive. Officers said he took two jackets and a pair of pants, and a can of Old Spice, with a total value of \$154.39 from the store without paying. He was charged with petty larceny of property over \$100 and giving a false ID to a law enforcement officer.

• Ann-Marie Francis King, 33, of Ocklawaha, and Dana Sue Johnson, 38, of Umatilla, were arrested by Sanford police on Dec. 24 at a store in Seminole Towne Center. King reportedly took a total of \$201.16 in items from the store and attempted to leave with Johnson. The two were apprehended and questioned. King was charged with petty shoplifting, possession of cocaine and possession of under 20 grams of marijuana. Johnson was found to be wanted on a warrant in Lake County for violation of probation on convictions of possession of cocaine. She was charged with probation violation.

• Shannetta Shajuna Fidge, 18, of Holly Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at a store in the 3600 block of Orlando Drive where she was employed. She reportedly had taken money from the cash register and made gift cards to herself, in the period since Dec. 17. She was charged with



larceny, over \$300.

• Emily Nicole Thompson, 20 of Rockledge, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at a store in Seminole Towne Center. She reportedly attempted to take clothing from a store without paying. She was charged with petty shoplifting from a merchant.

• Terese Ann Powell, 28, of Deltona was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at a store in the Seminole Towne Center. She is said to have taken an \$18 bracelet from the store without paying. She was charged with petty shoplifting from a merchant.

• William Lee Edwards, 45, of Sanford was arrested by police Thursday as the result of the theft of \$295.11 in property from a store in the 300 block of West Lake Mary Boulevard. He was located in the parking lot of another store in the 3700 block of Orlando Drive. He was charged with petty larceny.

### Traffic stops

• Travis Trevette Chandler, 20, of East Eighth Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday in front of his residence. When officers stopped his vehicle, they said he made a cell phone call, and refused to hang up when the officer attempted to talk with him. They said he became belligerent, and when his mother came out of the house, she also argued with officers. Chandler was charged with resisting an officer without violence, and given citations for failure to exhibit a drivers license on demand, and failure to stop at a stop sign.

• Herschel Virgil Harden IV, 35, of Winter Springs, was

arrested by police Wednesday following a traffic stop on Collins Drive at Orlando Drive. He was charged with driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol or drugs, and having an expired tag.

• Yany Monestime, 27, of Cypress Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by police on East 10th Street at Sanford Avenue early Friday. He was charged with driving with a suspended license and giving a false ID to a law enforcement officer.

### Domestic cases

• Jason Michael Sondheim, 19, of Grandview Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday at his residence following an altercation with a female. He was charged with assault — (domestic violence).

• Carolyn Wyche Pasley, 33, of William Clark Court, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday following a dispute with a male. She was charged with battery — touch or strike (domestic violence).

• Alfredo Elliot Caban, 19, of Reading Court, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday at a residence in the 500 block of West Airport Boulevard. Officers said he was involved in a dispute with a man, and reportedly caused damage to his dining room table. He was charged with battery — touch or strike (domestic) and property damage-criminal mischief.

• Mohammad Shahzad Gohar, 38, of Island Bay Circle, Sanford, was arrested by police Wednesday at his residence following an altercation with his wife. He was charged with battery — touch or strike (domestic).

• Rickey Edward Braxton, 44, of West First Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at his residence following an argument with a female. He was charged with battery (domestic violence), assault with intent to do violence, and resisting an officer without violence.

## OUT & ABOUT

### SAT 10

**Vessels/Visage:** Harold Garde will be on exhibit at Maitland Art Center from Jan. 10 through Feb. 29. In this exhibition of new work, New Smyrna artist Harold Garde has created a world of vessels and visages infused with meaning — moments in time in the lives of bottles, jars, people, and vases. For more information, call the art center at 407-539-2181 or log on to [www.maitlandartctr.org](http://www.maitlandartctr.org).

The Helen Stairs Theater for the Performing Arts will host Boots Randolph on Jan. 10 at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 and \$25.

### SUN 11

At 10 a.m. at the Interlachen Historical Trail from U.S. Highway 301 in Hawthorne, the Florida Trail Association will walk a loop of 3.7 miles and stop at 25 sites, many of which are homes and commercial structures from the 19th century. Then after stopping for lunch, there will be another hike of 3.7 miles with eight sites of historical interest. Public is invited.

The Coronary Health Improvement Project is an intensive lifestyle-changing program will help reduce the risk of heart attack, reduce hypertension, reduce risk of diabetes, stroke and other lifestyle diseases. For others who are already hypertensive, have diabetes or other atherosclerotic conditions, the program will be able to reduce and sometimes eliminate the need for expensive medication. CHIP is a 30-day program which will be held at the Winter Springs Seventh-day Adventist Church, beginning Jan. 26. Dates of free information sessions are Jan. 11 from 1 to 2 p.m.; Jan. 15 from 7:30 to 8 p.m.; Jan. 18 from 1 to 2 p.m.; and Jan. 19 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. For more information and to sign up for an information session, call 407-327-1190.

### MON 12

Sweetwater Oaks Garden Club will feature a program on Water Gardens by Diana Howell at 9:30 a.m. at Sweetwater Community Center, 810 Fox Valley Drive, Longwood. New and prospective members call Marilyn at 407-814-9482.

### TUES 13

The Casselberry Senior Center hosts a "Seniors can Remember Seminar" from 10 to 11 a.m. at the senior center, 200 N. Triplet Lake Drive, Casselberry. Seniors will learn techniques to retain information. This lecture is presented by Morris Eisenberg. For more information, call 407-696-5122.

The Over 50 Club of Sanford will meet at 10:30 a.m. at the Sanford Senior Center. Bring items to be delivered to Safe House of Seminole. Bingo will be played following the meeting. Cookies and coffee will be served. For more information, call 407-302-1010.

The Sanford Woman's Club is offering bridge lessons on six successive Tuesdays beginning on Jan. 13. For reservations call Bridge Chairman Rose Jacobson at 407-322-3849. Lessons will be provided at a minimal fee and will be held for two hours each Tuesday at the Clubhouse, 309 S. Oak Ave.

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# Sanford City Commission Agenda for Jan. 12

**REGULAR MEETING**  
7 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, First Floor

- CALL TO ORDER
  - INVOCATION by Reverend Leonard Wilson, St. Matthews Missionary Baptist Church.
  - PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
  - PRESENTATIONS
1. Presentation to the Employee of the Year for 2003.
  2. Presentation to the Employee of the Month for January, 2004.
  3. Proclamations of Appreciation to Larry Strickler and Tom Ball, Jr., for service on the Community Redevelopment Agency.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**  
Minutes of December 22, 2003, Work Session and Regular Meetings. Recommended by the City Clerk and the City Manager.

- CONSENT AGENDA**
1. Award elevated water tank maintenance bid to Utility Service Company for a five year period covering two tanks at total cost of \$145,252.00. Recommended by the City Manager.
  2. Approve contract with CPH Engineers to prepare Water Supply Facilities Work Plan Comprehensive Plan Amendment not to exceed \$28,500.00 (\$14,250.00 from account 001-1010-519-31-03, Engineering & Architectural Services and \$14,250.00 from Utilities account 451-4510-536-31-03). Recommended by the City Manager.
  3. Award Utility Materials bid to the low bidder for each section (22 sections) at a total annual cost of \$97,183.31. Recommended by the City Manager.
  4. Approve piggybacking Sarasota County bid for pump replacement/upgrade at our Main Water Plant for cost of \$45,880.31 plus freight; Rexel Motor & Control, contractor. Recommended by the City Manager.
  5. Rock N Racing II Special Event: approve Special Event Agreement with WHTQ, Cox Radio, Inc. and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement; approve Rock N Racing II Concert Event on public property (800 East 1st Street) from 5:00 PM to 9:00 PM Thursday, February 12, 2004; approve closure of 1st Street from Cypress Avenue to San Juan Avenue from 6:00 AM February 12 to 2:00 AM February 13, 2004.

Recommended by the City Manager.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 3830 to annex 73.02 acres between Lake Monroe and Celery Avenue and between Scott Avenue and Thoroughbred Trail extended northerly; 2500 Celery Avenue; Laffer Company, Kenneth M. Laffer and Thomas V. Laffer, owners; Robert L. Horlan, Petitioner. Ad published December 31, 2003, and January 7, 2004. Recommended by the City Clerk and the City Manager.
2. Second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 3831 to annex 3.96 acres between S. Beardall Avenue and S. Cameron Avenue and between Moore Station Road and Kentucky Street; 2950 and 2990 Cameron Avenue; Sanford Airport Authority, owner. Ad published December 31, 2003, and January 7, 2004. Recommended by the City Clerk and the City Manager.
3. First reading of Ordinance No. 3832 to rezone 4.8 acres between W. 1st Street (SR48) and W. 5th Street and between Aero Lane and Melich Road from AG, Agriculture, to PD, Planned Development, subject to conditions in Development Order No. 04-0002; 205 Aero Lane; Night Owl Properties, LLC, owner; Robert Von Herbuls, applicant. Ad published December 7, 2003. Recommended by the Planning and Zoning Commission, Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager.

**REGULAR ITEMS**

1. Condemnation Status Report: demolitions/time extensions/removal from condemnation.
- 01-14, 1805 Peach Avenue, Contha Hampton, et al. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend demolition.
- 03-02, 518 E. 5th Street, Vivian Youngblood & Cobbin McGee, et al. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend demolition.
- 03-16, 1316 W. 13th Place, Lola & Valdez Williams. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend demolition.
- 02-03, 518 Cypress Avenue, Herbert or Morgan Frison. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend 30 day extension.

- 03-21, 1112 Orange Avenue, Vera Johnson. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend 30 day extension.
- 03-19, 1007 Palmetto Avenue, Pam Hendricks. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend removal from condemnation.
- 2. Affirm Code Enforcement Board recommendation of December 9, 2003, to deny the request to waive the \$19,850.00 lien for Pebble Junction. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend to deny the waiver.
- 3. Appeal of Historic Preservation Board's denial of a Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish a house at 911 Park Avenue and construct a new house. Director of Planning and Community Development and the City Manager recommend to allow owner 10 days to secure and weatherize the house; suspend Code Enforcement penalties for 6 months in order to sell the property; and continue the appeal hearing for a period of 6 months on the appeal of the denial to demolish.
- 4. Approve I.A.F.F. Contracts ratified by the I.A.F.F. on December 31, 2003 and retroactivity of wages effective October 11, 2003. Recommended by the Director of Human Resources and the City Manager.
- 5. Adoption of resolutions.
  - A. Resolution No. 1954 to reclassify an existing Community Service Officer position to Volunteer Program Coordinator in the Police Department. Recommended by the Police Chief and the City Manager.
  - B. Resolution No. 1955 urging members of the Florida Legislature to support municipal issues during the 2004 Legislative Session. Recommended by the City Manager.
  6. Approve financing mechanism and authorization to use city credit if necessary for 1st Street renovation. Recommendation from Community Redevelopment Agency to be available prior to meeting.

- ADD-ON ITEMS
- INFORMATION
- CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT
- CITY CLERK'S REPORT
- CITY MANAGER'S REPORT
- CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
- CITY COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS

## Credit Card

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account flagged so they called us and as the sheriff's office and our people were pulling up he fled."

A brief vehicle chase ensued south on Interstate 4 until Seminole County authorities broke it off and let a sheriff's office helicopter follow the man close to the Orlando International Airport.

As officers broke off the chase in the Seminole County, they noticed him throwing out documents, checks and receipts from his vehicle window.

"We picked up all those documents and what we found was that he had worked for Courtesy Acura," Beary said. "And what he had was copies of everybody's sales receipt, which had their credit rating and social security numbers so what he was doing was applying for credit cards in other people's names."

Since Wright's capture, Beary said investigators have been "inundated with victims" who suspect Wright has stolen their identity and had identified 11 victims as of Thursday. He said 68 names appear on the paperwork Wright threw out the window while being chased.

Police may have been one step to slow to capture Wright at the Longwood bank Wednesday, but they surely wouldn't let him slip away from Central Florida.

"Mr. Wright made the wrong

decision staying here in Central Florida," Beary said. "We knew we were a step behind him the day before, and we closed the gap on him real quick yesterday. We had everybody in Central Florida looking for him."

When Wright ordered room service Thursday at the Hyatt at Orlando

International Airport, airport police made their move to arrest him.

"He called for room service, but the room service wasn't exactly what he expected," Beary said. "It was us."

Wright is currently being held in the Orange County jail without bond. He is

also wanted in Brevard County on four charges that include credit card fraud. Lake Mary police are charging Wright with grand theft, credit card fraud, uttering counterfeit checks, identity theft and possible exploitation of the elderly.

"(A lot) of these people were citizens and he knew that because their date of birth was on the credit forms," Beary said.

Lake Mary police are advising customers of Courtesy Acura during the past few years to check their credit card statements. If there are improper charges on the statements, they are to call the police department at 407-585-1375.

"All the documents of names that we recovered, we will be sending them letters," Beary said.



Wright

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# OPINION

## The Birds are Here

### Parents need to be involved in their children's education

It's that time of year again. The snow birds are arriving in large numbers. For many of them, they spent the holidays up North with their families, then head for Florida immediately after New Year's for warmer weather. There is nothing wrong with that — many of us, if we lived where there is cold weather and snow to shovel, would probably do the same thing if we could afford it.



Nick Pfeifauf

Just look around at the license plates on vehicles parked downtown, at our shopping centers, or moving down the highways. As should be expected, most of the vehicles coming down here on I-95 are from the eastern states, especially New England, and the rest, from the Central States, are coming here on I-75. Many others are flying to Central Florida and obtaining rental cars.

En route, they are filling up the motels, and once they arrive, they are staying at our area hotels, motels, campgrounds and condos. Some are staying with relatives.

Persons staying in hotels and motels in our county, pay an extra tourist tax (bed tax). The money goes to the Seminole County Convention and Visitors Bureau. The money is used to promote Seminole County as a tourist destination. February and March, when most of the snowbirds are here, have traditionally seen the highest amount of tax money coming in. Most recently, the money has been used to promote sporting events and attract major conventions.

This is an excellent area in which to spend the winter, as the Sanford area is almost in the center to most of the attractions, Disney World, Universal, Seaworld, Daytona Beach with its beaches and speedway, Cape Kennedy, and over to the west, Bush Gardens and another coast of beaches.

While our highways are getting more crowded, and there are fewer parking places than at other times of the year, this is a boon for our economy. Taxes received from hotel/motel occupancy help in many ways. The money spent for food, clothing and other necessities also adds to our prosperity.

Some Central Florida residents dislike this time of year, and would like to see the northerners stay home, out of our communities. One suggestion I heard a number of years ago was to make all of the highways going over Florida's state line, one-way-only, to the north. But aren't many of us doing exactly what our northern folks do?

First of all, there are the families who take the children up north in the winter time. Many youngsters have never seen snow, and a few days in that white stuff is often most enjoyable, especially for the small fry who make snowballs and build snowmen.

Then too, what happens in the summer when our days are scorching hot? We head up north for a vacation. I don't know about you, but in the church I belong to, there are dozens of folks who head up to North Carolina during the summer, many of them in the area around Asheville, Boone, and Henderson. I know a number of families who maintain summer homes up there, often next door to others from Central Florida. Then, when they return, I hear them talking: "Haven't seen you since we were in North Carolina". No one up there complains. We are adding to their economy.

Another complaint about snow birds down here is that many of them drive too slowly. Some people say they hit I-4 at a rousing speed of 40 miles per hour. Well, don't we do the same up north? Driving through mountains is often difficult for those of us in the flat lands, and we too are apt to be driving more slowly than those behind us may wish. And for folks pulling a camper or driving a motor home, it's often worse.

Now, don't take me wrong. My use of the term "snow birds" is not meant in any derogatory manner. We have called our northern visitors in the wintertime that for decades, and they often refer to themselves as such, so if you are offended by the title - please accept my apology.

Has anyone heard how the folks up north refer to us when we head that way in the summertime?

Sanford has been labeled "The Friendly City". As such, it behooves each of us to be courteous to all of our visitors. We know from experience at the Golden Age Games that people from other parts of the nation judge us by the way we conduct ourselves. If we act friendly and treat them as guests, they want to return. People often stop and ask such questions as how to get to the Autotrain, where motels are located, or where to eat. It doesn't take much effort to answer them courteously. Believe me, they will appreciate it, just as we do when we ask similar questions during our northern vacations.

Then too, many of our present residents have moved here because we were friendly to them when they first visited us. So again, it's to our benefit.



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## Dean's tough talk about business is right on the mark

If his conservative critics (and Joe Lieberman) are to be believed, Howard Dean is an out-of-touch lefty, a peacenik, a tax-and-spend liberal who believes in the nanny state. And if Dean becomes the Democratic nominee, President Bush will happily join the chorus to caricature him as an icon of the left-wing fringe.

Dean may deserve some of the criticism. His careless rhetoric — he has hammered Bill Clinton and other Democratic centrists, for example, as "the Republican wing of the Democratic Party" — has given his rivals handy ammunition.

But Dean's tough talk about American business shouldn't be so easily turned against him. When he castigates business executives who have "enriched themselves by deceiving everyone else, he ought to be gaining votes in working-class America. After all, two years' worth of headlines and newscasts have revealed breathtaking corporate scandals in which high-ranking executives lined their own pockets by scamming their workers as well as their investors.

Remember Enron, in which longtime employees were left jobless and drained of their retirement

savings? Or how about the WorldCom fiasco, which also hung workers out to dry? Then there are the continuing revelations of fraud in mutual funds, wherein big investors pocketed extra profits by bilking small investors. That hits average Americans where it hurts, since most of us who own stock tend to buy it through mutual funds.

Oddly, however, working-class America seems less than outraged by the antics of the rich and felonious. Despite the widespread evidence of a corporate class of thieves and con artists (an international class, it seems, from reports about misdeeds at the Italian company Parmalat), average Americans seem much more upset by illegal immigrants and impoverished single mothers than they do by shameless corporate fraud.

What has happened to populism in this country? Why do struggling working-class Americans, believing they have been victimized, blame the hapless poor rather than the scheming rich?

Perhaps the disconnect can be explained, partly, by the relative affluence of the news media. While journalists of two generations ago were ink-stained wretches who barely made a living, today's journalists are usually college-educated and comfortably middle-class.

That's especially true of the Washington-based journalists who cover the White House and presidential campaigns. Most earn salaries well above the average household income of about \$42,000 a year. They send their children to the same prep schools and colleges attended by the children of corporate executives; they don't relate to laid-off textile workers. So when the Washington press corps writes about Dean's criticism of business excesses, their reports are tinged with skepticism.

Or there may be another explanation: the singular success of conservative efforts to kill off populist instincts. For 20 years, a network of right-wing pundits, including talk-show hosts such as Rush Limbaugh, have decried the poor as lazy and irre-

sponsible while lauding the rich as deserving and hardworking. The result? Even laid-off factory workers are prepared to support lavish tax cuts for the wealthy while denouncing critics of corporate excess as pandering to class warfare.

There is a nefarious class warfare under way in the country, but it is directed against the poor and working classes. Just a few days ago, The Associated Press reported that the U.S. Labor Department is telling businesses how to dodge paying low-income workers the overtime for which they are expected to become eligible later this year. Among the suggestions was raising workers' salaries to a new \$22,100 yearly threshold, which would make them ineligible for overtime, or cutting their hourly wages, so that added overtime would keep their annual wages at the same rate.

You can't blame Howard Dean for thinking working-class Americans would be upset about that.

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## From Ho Chi Minh to Baghdad: It's still the same old story

The War Remnants Museum on Vo Van Tan Street in the middle of this clogged city has not really changed in the dozen years since I first saw it. The courtyard is jammed with American weapons, even tanks and jet fighter planes, and with horrific photographs of broken and burned people, dead and alive, Vietnamese and American.

The walls are still hung with drawings of war by schoolchildren. They look the same as always at first glance: U.S. planes dropping bombs on burning villages and villagers. But then you notice something different in the newer ones. The women and girls screaming, bleeding and dying on the ground are wearing head scarves instead of the conical hats of local farmers. The captions repeat a single phrase: "War in Iraq, 2003."

"It's still the same old story ..." was the entry before mine in the new 2004 visitors book. The line from "As Time Goes By" — the song tinkled in "Casablanca" — was written by an Italian whose name I couldn't quite decipher. Others, in Western languages, said the same thing in other words. One, on Aug. 20 in the 2003 book, noted the more than 40 deaths that day in the bombing of the United Nations headquarters in Baghdad and bombings around the corner in

Jerusalem. An Australian added: "When will we learn? ... Never underestimate the stupidity of human beings."

There is also a new entry display. The first thing you see is a blown-up quote from "In Retrospect: The Tragedy and Lessons of Vietnam," the 1995 book by former U.S. Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara: "We were wrong, terribly wrong. We owe it to future generations to explain why."

Under that, in Vietnamese, it says: "The following figures represent part of those wrongdoings. In the Vietnam war, the U.S. government mobilized 6.5 million young people ... 7,850,000 tons of bombs were dropped on Vietnam, along with 75 million liters of defoliants sprayed over croplands ... nearly 3 million Vietnamese were killed, and over 4 million injured. Over 58,000 American Army men died in the war."

Those numbers alone show that whatever we end up doing in Iraq, our new war is not Vietnam — at least militarily. That was an 11-year struggle against a determined and patient national army resupplied

by communist neighbors and allies.

The war fought by the Vietnamese was both an ongoing civil war and a war of independence in a country that had been fighting for as long as anyone could remember against outsiders, the Chinese, the French, the Americans, the Chinese again. The North Vietnamese had a well-trained and flexible army, well supplied. They also fought with U.S. weaponry and ammunition, the stuff captured or left behind on a thousand battlefields in the jungles and deltas.

In retrospect, it seems obvious we could never have prevailed in our crusade here. The Vietnamese had been there forever and would be there forever. One way or another, we were going to go home, leaving Vietnam to the Vietnamese. No matter what our intentions, the same thing will happen in Iraq — because politically the American campaigns in Vietnam and Iraq are pretty much the same old story.

When will we learn? Never, probably. The center of this city the French colonialists called Saigon has changed so much that you can barely see the Saigon River from the ninth-floor bar of the Caravelle Hotel. The view is blocked now by bank and office skyscrapers built here in the last 10 years by outsiders eager to sell capitalism to

the communists who still run the politics of Vietnam from Hanoi, hundreds of miles to the north. In the end, it seems, dollars, euros, yen and yuan will conquer as surely as millions of our soldiers could not.

The Caravelle, which has its own 30-story annex now, is where foreign journalists gathered before the Americans went home in 1975. The bar is also the place where a young American congressman named John F. Kennedy watched rifle and mortar fire in the trees across the river. That was in 1951. He asked his companion then, a young Foreign Service officer named Edmund Gullion, what was going to happen in Vietnam.

"They will drive the French out," said Gullion. "Then we will come in, and they'll beat us, too."

Within 10 years — after the French had indeed been driven out in 1954 — President John F. Kennedy was sending American troops in, confident we could save Vietnam from itself.

We couldn't do it then. Even if you want to believe our motives in Iraq are generous and noble, it will be interesting to see, in retrospect, how President Bush and his secretary of defense, Donald Rumsfeld, will explain their decisions to future generations.

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# Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

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**"HERE'S WHY" BY LYNN LEMPEL**

**ACROSS**

1 Lackinguster  
4 Unyielding  
8 Fritz  
13 Treal for Fido  
18 Outlet store notation  
21 Track competitor  
22 Pablo Neruda's homeland  
23 Show starring Thinkerball?  
24 Poorly maintained farm equipment?  
26 CIA spy Aldrich Corp. bigging  
29 Muggins pieces  
30 Sprays  
34 Sacrifices  
35 Figures of speech  
36 Involved with  
37 Company  
38 Brief survey taker?  
39 "That's ridiculous!"  
42 Moo... pork  
43 Lawyer's annoyance?  
45 Pastoral  
46 African tribe  
48 Places to lie low  
50 Big candy mo.  
51 "Fear is the parent of..."  
52 Froude  
53 Bottomless pits  
54 Place of interest  
55 9,500-subcubic-mile volcano, the world's largest  
56 Fine cotton  
57 Once, once  
58 Angelic  
59 Erven of '50s TV  
60 Selection of live bait?  
64 Nurse  
67 Arrives at the airport  
69 Catch red-handed  
70 Art...  
71 Cause of incumbent confidence  
73 Critical phase  
74 Compliments  
77 Three-part  
78 "Furry newswear"  
79 Doesn't bother

**DOWN**

80 History  
81 Dieter's target?  
84 Debtor's letters  
85 Toddler's responses  
86 Go straight to the top?  
87 Fashion issue  
88 Take to the sky  
89 White cap  
90 Mass seating  
91 Some like them hot  
94 Menelaus and Helen, e.g.  
96 Buffoon  
97 Flock calls  
99 Old theater souvenirs?  
101 Mini-golf challenge?  
108 Light wood  
107 Quadricaps locale  
108 Squanders, as line  
109 Detective  
110 Talks, so to speak  
111 Mice, maybe  
112 Cautelic cleaner

**DOWN**

1 "What's the...?"  
2 SAT offering  
3 X-ray cousin  
4 Snooker  
5 Expansion projects  
6 Org. that'll find a way?  
7 Dinner employee  
8 Jargon  
9 Kind of games  
10 Declarative proof  
11 Gullit  
12 Cleaning tool  
13 Commotion  
14 Pandemonium  
15 Ready to pick  
16 Barley brews  
17 According to  
18 Sister of Cleo  
20 School rooms  
25 Material flaw  
28 Notice  
30 Reverses  
31 Check  
32 Specialize at baking school?  
33 Snookers  
36 Loyal  
37 "Dangl"  
38 Pool accessory  
39 Anger management class?  
40 Regarding  
41 Relaxed greeting  
43 Try function  
44 Incessant  
45 Forced (out), in a way  
46 Holiday visitors  
47 Greenish blue  
48 Panama pronoun  
51 First felon  
53 Mawr  
54 Silvery Egyptian  
55 Flexible armor  
57 Send forth  
58 Lam  
60 Agave fiber  
61 Lewd looks  
62 Canterbury cry  
63 City  
65 Writer safer  
66 Affected types  
68 2,734-mile Russian river  
70 Fizzle  
71 Kids' book author  
72 View from the Uffizi  
73 Sacred  
74 Where the Marañón flows  
75 Speak excitedly  
76 Park in N.Y., e.g.  
78 Rug material  
79 Haits  
81 Trachea divisions  
82 Actor Montand  
83 Yellow primrose  
86 Heidi do  
88 Figure skater  
89 Jazzy dance music  
90 Ancient Indo-European  
91 White Plains-based elec. company  
92 Orbits, e.g.  
93 Shells out  
94 Official stamp  
95 Gloom  
97 Roll, as of cloth  
98 Some swingers  
99 CEO's wall hanging, perhaps  
100 Broche ingredient  
102 "...to Joy"  
103 Hooter  
104 Place  
105 Peeper

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See crossword puzzle answers on Page 12

## Central Florida Zoo seeks volunteers

The Central Florida Zoo is seeking dedicated people to participate in its docent training program. Volunteer teachers, referred to as docents, are an integral part of the zoo staff. Providing education for children and adults about conservation of animals and the environment, docents participate in an array of activities. In 2003, zoo volunteers served more than 22,000 hours, reaching thousands of people through tours, animal encounters and community outreach programs.

A docent training course is being offered with two classes running concurrently on Wednesday, March 3, and

Saturday, March 6, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Anyone 18 or older is eligible to participate in the seven-week program. The cost is \$40, which includes class materials and a Central Florida Zoo T-shirt. Volunteers able to work during the day to assist school children are especially in demand. No teaching experience is necessary. Applications are due by Feb. 20 and are available on-line at [www.centralfloridazoo.org](http://www.centralfloridazoo.org) or by calling. A volunteer orientation will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 25.

Course graduation will qualify each volunteer to conduct zoo tours, participate in school outreach programs, provide

exhibit interpretation, and more. Also, each docent will be offered a three-week Animal Handling Class, to learn how to handle species of reptiles, birds, mammals, and invertebrates for outreach programs and animals' encounters.

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## Obituaries

### CLAUDIA KINARD CERESOLI

Claudia Kinard Ceresoli, 89, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2004, at Guardian Manor in Sanford. She was a lifelong Sanford resident. She was a homemaker and a member of the Church of God of Prophecy.

Survivors include three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Jan. 9 at Brisson Funeral Home. Graveside services will be held Saturday, Jan. 10, at Oaklawn Park Cemetery with Rev. Robert Welch officiating. Brisson Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery. Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Oaklawn Chapel, Sanford/Lake Mary, in charge of arrangements.

### LINDY N. HAWKINS

Lindy N. Hawkins, 74, of Winter Park, died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, in Winter Park. He was born Dec. 1, 1929, in Jamaica, N.Y. He was a retired New York City firefighter and a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include wife, Yvonne M. Hawkins; sons, Barry G. and Clifford J.; brother, Harry; three grandchildren.

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

in Sanford, with Rev. H.D. Rucker, Sr. officiating. Viewing will be Saturday from 10 to 11 a.m. Interment will be at the First Shiloh Cemetery in Sanford.

Morning Glory Funeral Chapel, Tampa, in charge of arrangements.

### ROBERT V. SEYMOUR

Robert V. Seymour, 91, of Willingboro, N.Y., died Tuesday, Jan. 6, 2004, at Memorial Hospital, Mount Holly, N.J.

Survivors include wife, Alzena; son, Curtis; daughter, Donna Bullock; four grandchildren; two great-grandchildren.

A liturgy of Christian burial will be celebrated Saturday, Jan. 10, at the Corpus Christi R.C. Church, Willingboro, N.J. Interment will be private.

Goes-Scolieri Funeral Home, Willingboro, N.J. in charge of arrangements.

### JANICE MARIE WILSON

Janice Marie Wilson, 84, of Deltona, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2004, at Florida Hospital, Fish Memorial. She was born Aug. 31, 1919, in Pamplico County, North Carolina. She was a homemaker and a Christian.

Survivors include daughters, Gloria Coulter, Brenda Estes, Ruth Anderson and Karen Stricklin; sons, Joseph and Oscar, Jr.; sister, Ella Mae Keel; 16 grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday, Jan. 12, at 2 p.m. at Baldwin-Fairchild Oaklawn Chapel. Burial will follow at Oaklawn Park Cemetery.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Home, Oaklawn Chapel, Sanford/Lake Mary, in charge of arrangements.

### MARIE C. COLON

Marie C. Colon, 40, Longwood, died Wednesday, Jan. 7, 2004, in Orlando. She was born Feb. 21, 1963, in Coamo, Puerto Rico. She was a bookkeeper.

Survivors include son, Weldel; daughters, Wenmarie and Crystal; father, Diego J. Sanchez, Sr.; mother, Carmen Sanchez; brother, Diego J. Sanchez, Jr.; sisters, Arlene Sanchez and Gloria Sanchez; one granddaughter.

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

### EVERETTE McCLENNON, SR.

Everette McClennon, Sr. died Sunday, Jan. 4, 2004, at Central Florida



McClennon

Regional Hospital in Sanford. He was born July 17, 1954, in Sanford, and educated in Seminole County Schools.

Survivors include daughters, Veronica McClennon and Elizabeth McClennon; son, Everette, Jr.; step sons, Calvin Mathis and Joseph Lott; sister, Betty Campbell; brothers, Willie Jr., Carl Lindsey, Marvin Alvin, and Daniel Lee; and a host of nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be held Saturday, Jan. 10, at 11 a.m., at Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church, 700 Elm Ave.,

### RODOLFO CREITOFF

Rodolfo Creitoff, 94, of Sanford, died Monday, Jan. 5, 2004, at Longwood Health Care. He was born Jan. 4, 1910, in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico. He was a supervisor in retail clothing and a member of All Souls Catholic Church.

There were no survivors. Funeral services were at Baldwin-Fairchild Oaklawn Chapel on Jan. 8. Burial followed at Oaklawn Park

## Woman's club to host annual Italian night

The Sanford Woman's Club is taking reservations for its annual Italian Night dinner on Friday evening, Feb. 20.

The Buck-catered Italian dinner will be served at the 309 S. Oak Ave. clubhouse between 5 and 8 p.m. Adult tickets will cost

\$7; children's tickets will cost \$4 and proceeds go to the historic clubhouse's building improvements.

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# LIFESTYLE

## The Way We Were: Additional news from 1948 paper

Here are some additional items from the Wednesday, Jan. 7, 1948, *The Sanford Herald*.

### Lourine Beal reveals candidacy for office

Mrs. Lourine A. Beal, Supervisor of Registration for Seminole County was announcing her candidacy for reelection to the office in the Democratic Primary elections on



Grace Marie Stinecpher

May 8.

Beal had been a resident of Sanford for 35 years and had been associated with *The Sanford Herald* for the past 10 years. There, she had served in the bookkeeping department, as society editor and most recently in the advertising department.

A member of the Florida State Association of Supervisors of Elections, she had been secretary of the organization for two and a half years.

She was an active member of the Pilot Club in Sanford where she served as publicity chairman for both its state and national publications. She was a delegate to the national convention in Columbus, Ohio, the previous June. She was a member of the First Baptist Church where she was active in the Fidelis Class and the Elsie Knight Circle.

A widow, Beal was the mother of one son, Walter Beal, and made her home at 306 W. Third St. with her mother, Mrs. Lillian Vickery. (Lourine Beal later married Verne Messenger and continued her many years as Supervisor of Registration and as an active member of the community).

### County to buy FM set for sheriff

At its meeting the previous day, County Commissioners agreed to purchase another frequency modulation sending and receiving set for Sheriff Percy A. Mero's extra automobile. This would give the sheriff's department two radio equipped cars, stated O.P. Herndon, county clerk.

The board also agreed to take over and maintain the clay roads in the Loch Arbor subdivision near Crystal Lake.

G.W. Spencer, representing a number of beer and wine dealers in the county, presented a petition requesting their closing hours be extended from midnight to 2 a.m. all through the week. It was pointed out that these dealers were losing business from Sanford-Orlando Kennel Club patrons who left the races at midnight.

### Dr. E.D. Brownlee enters 36th year as pastor

Edwin Darnell Brownlee, D.D., began his 36th year as pastor of First Presbyterian Church the previous Sunday morning. This was the longest pastorate in the Presbyterian Synod of Florida.

During his long service, Dr. Brownlee had preached 5,180 sermons, conducted 140 funerals and 535 weddings.

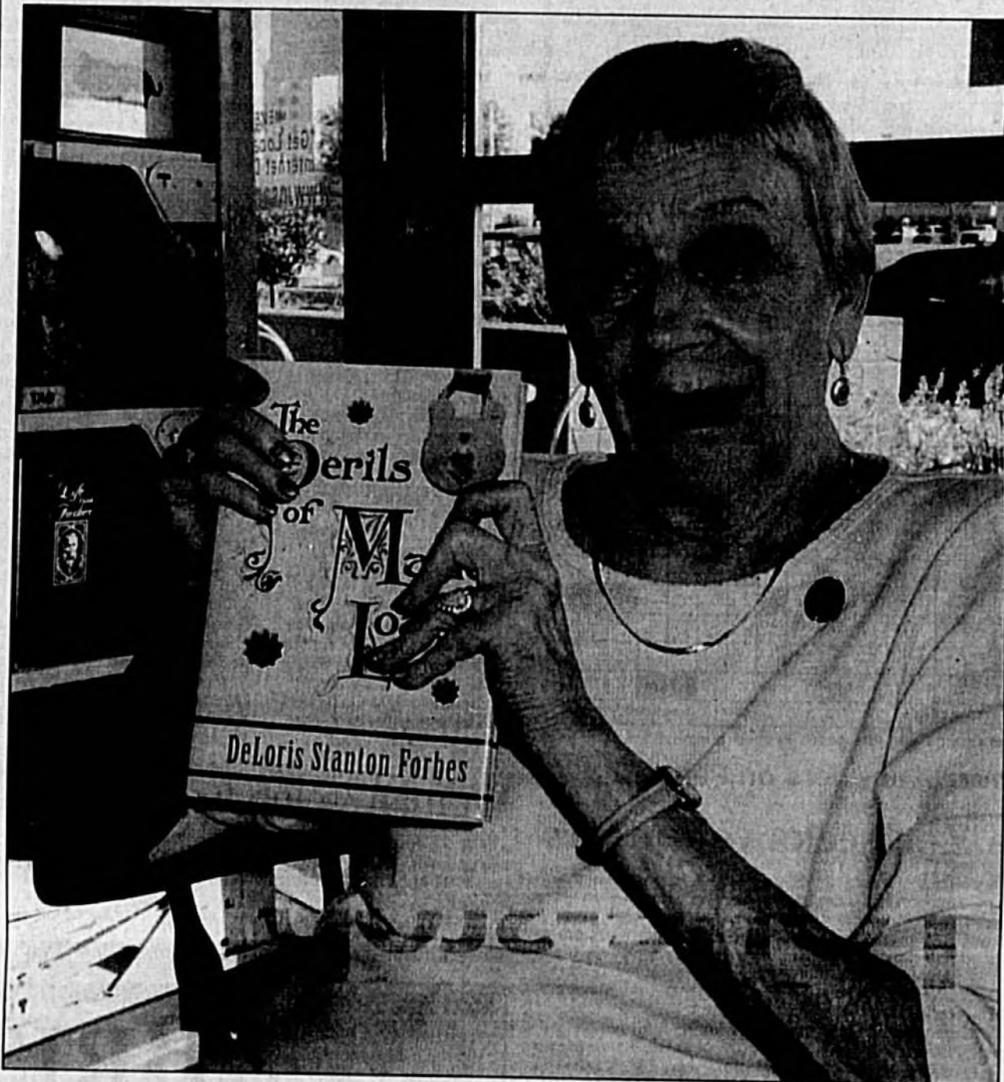
When Brownlee began his pastorate, there were 135 on the roll of the church. Present membership was 932.

During the previous 35 years, 854 members were received by confirmation of faith and 975 by letter of transfer.

Brownlee's assistant, Rev. Douglas E. Charles, had arrived in June and according to Brownlee he had endeared himself to the congregation and the entire community. During Brownlee's illness in

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# Sanford woman keeps turning out the books



DeLoris, (they call her De) Stanton Forbes held a book signing session recently at Our House of Books in Sanford, where the popularity of her as a writer and her latest book was most evident.

## DeLoris Stanton Forbes pens her 43rd book, 'The Perils of Marie Louise'

By Nick Pfeiffaut  
Staff Writer

SANFORD — DeLoris Stanton Forbes lives and works in Sanford. Her work involves sitting at her computer turning out books that have received accolades throughout the nation. Her latest book, "The Perils of Marie Louise" is the 43rd she has had published.

Her first 40 books were published by Doubleday, but the writing stopped for a period of time when she and her husband moved to the French/Dutch island of St. Martin/St. Maarten, where they owned and operated a guest house and three gift shops, catering to tourists.

In 1986, she moved back to the U.S. and settled in Sanford. Eventually, she began to write again, and in her spare time she volunteered in the Sanford Habitat for Humanity boutique.

She has since penned over a dozen short stories for Alfred Hitchcock's *Mystery Magazine*, as well as two recent books, "One Man Died on Base," published by Five Star, and "When the Hearse Goes By" published by IUniverse.

When asked where she gets her ideas for her books, she responded, "from living. I see things, and I imagine things, and they just stick with me."

The latest book, "The Perils of Marie Louise" she said came to her possibly when she was a child and her mother took her to see a movie about the Perils of Pauline.

"I'll never forget it," she said, "and over the years, the character became more and more realistic, and it resulted in this book."

Another heroine in her past was in a newspaper cartoon "Jane Ardin" who was a newspaper reporter and

writer. Brenda Starr was also an early comic strip newspaper reporter. Early in her life, she put her writing skills to work professionally, and became a newspaper reporter, with jobs in Oklahoma, Louisiana and Massachusetts. During that time, she often wrote articles at her kitchen table while tending to her three children.

She has been anthologized at least half a dozen times and honored by a best mystery novel of the year scroll for 1963 for her novel "Grieve for the Past" by Stanton Forbes, one of her former pen names. She also has written under the name Tobias Wells.

Several times during an interview, she reiterated her success in her chosen field.

"I just love writing" she said, and with 43 books plus dozens of articles to her name, she has proven this is a very strong love.

## Crooms classes celebrate reunions

Crooms Academy classes reunion attendees began on Friday to celebrate the fifth year of "Achievements and Service" to



Marva Hawkins

the various communities in which the alumni live. Fifty years of legacy was celebrated by the class of 1953 as they began their three day event with a Teachers Appreciation Luncheon held at the Best Western Marina Hotel. Speaker for the occasion was Dr. Connie Collins, principal of Crooms Academy of Information Technology.

Collins gave a brief update on the current Crooms Academy. She informed the reunioners that Crooms is at the top of academic performance. It has a strong learning environment where the students are reaching the level they need to be at advance placement in many classes. There are goals set to keep a strong education program.

Collins said that Crooms is working to meet the high expectation of the alumni, community and board of education.

Support is needed for the success of athletes at Crooms Academy of Information Technology.

To continue the afternoon luncheon, Lemuel

Stallworth introduced classmate, the Honorable Alcee Hastings, U.S. House of Representatives and 1953 Crooms Academy alumni, who gave and spoke words of appreciation to the teachers and administrators, retiree Madelyn Young, Dr. Barbara Kirby Bentley and Collins. Musical renditions were by Sylvia H. Stallworth and Betty R. Washington.

The class of 1953 gathered to sing their Alma Mater as they prepared to enjoy the weekend's reunion activities.

### Classes of 1963 and 1966 hold reunions

"Celebrating the Legacy of Crooms Academy" with excellence in education since 1926 was the theme.

Friday evening, once again, the class entered the realm of the extraordinary to "celebrate the Past, making a Difference in the Present, and Planning for

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## Geneva community groups helping history stay alive

Having spent the past week with my trusty calendar/planner (planning out the year is a minimum week-long process), I feel the need to let readers know a few events for which they might want to plan ahead.

Geneva's history is a rich, interesting, and unique one, but one that has been almost totally bulldozed from sight with the removal of all buildings that might remind one of the past. Out East Osceola Road, however, there stands one monument to a time — and an industry — gone by.

Just beyond the old fish camp and before the road dead ends at the river, a small brick structure hides off to the left of the road, slowly succumbing to the effects of time and climbing vines that will eventually crumble what is left. The lonely relic is a bank vault that was once hidden inside a stately office building belonging to the Osceola Cypress Mill.

Says Mary (Riley) Henderson of the days when Osceola was booming, "Our town was small and kinda' isolated but we didn't lack anything,



Darla Kinney  
Scales

you know; we were kinda' modern for those days. A paved road brought you in, and you went out the same way you came in.

"At the end of the road you came face to face with the Big Mill (The Industrial Park), a sawmill, planing mill, lumber yard and some small shops that kept things in running order. There were two big engines, No. 10 and No. 50. No. 50 had its own name, "Summersill," because he was the driver. It went on the East Coast Railroad Lines to far away places like Okeechobee to pick up logs from the cypress swamps.

"No. 10 stayed on local tracks and moved the logs around. They were dumped into a log pond on the St. Johns Rivers and then were run through the saw mill and planing mill, then to lumber yard to drier. A funny little machine called a Ross Carrier moved the lumber around to

different places.

"Turning around and coming back out from the mill, first on the right was the business area (the office complex). It was one building with about four offices in it, plus the bank. The bank was a big brick vault where they kept coupons that were used for money, plus some real money too. It got robbed once! What great excitement! The old vault is still standing there as a silent reminder of bygone days."

In order to ensure that the vault continues to stand instead of crumble, an enterprising gentleman named Todd Mondok is putting together a work day (and work crew) to clean up the vault area.

Scheduled for Jan. 17 and 18, the plan is to cut back the overgrowth and clear the area so that it might be treated with a little more respect. Needed are willing workers, loppers, machetes, a chain saw, lawn mower, ladders, shovels, gloves and garbage bags. Anyone with bricklaying skills would be of great value as well.

To offer information and/or assistance, please use the contact information for Stetson's Corner below.

Because so much of Geneva's history is no longer actually standing, and so that history will not be forgotten, the Geneva Historical and Genealogical Society offers an annual pancake breakfast and historical tour known as "Facts, Tracks, and Flapjacks."

Happening the morning of Feb. 7, the event features a family-style breakfast of pancakes, sausage, orange juice and coffee for a \$3 donation. Breakfast is served from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Geneva Community Center on First Street.

Leaving from the community center at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. are two narrated bus tours offered for \$6 per person. The tours have been an overwhelming success in years past and do require pre-registration.

Said one of last year's riders: "I now feel like I am walking on hallowed ground when I walk around the lake."

To register, call 407-349-9982 and leave your name, phone number, number of people in your party and

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Herald photo by Marva Hawkins

The Croom Academy High School Class of 1963 gather for a 40th year reunion photograph.



Herald photos by Marva Hawkins

Crooms Academy classes of 1931-1949 (top) recently gathered for an evening for remembering and catching up on the old and latest news with friends and classmates. The chatting and chewing was most enjoyable. Attendees (above) of the class of 1953 reunion for Crooms Academy met with current school administrator Dr. Connie Williams and retired teacher Dr. Barbara Kirby Bentley.

the Future". Dressed in the African tribal attire they gathered for an evening for remembering and catching up on the old and latest news with friends and classmates. The chatting and chewing was most enjoyable.

Saturday morning they gathered with the class of 1931-49 to tour the beautiful Crooms Academy of Information Technology which offers the students electives in the school curriculum in the field of information technology. The first graduating class will be held in May of, 2004. Students will graduate with a regular high school diploma, plus certification where they will be able to receive a job in their chosen field of technology.

The Extraordinary Prom was held aboard the chartered Rivership Romance, and for four hours, Crooms alumni and guests danced and dined as they cruised down the St. Johns River in the moonlight with special entertainment by Sanford's own (Arthea Franklin) Cynthia Cassanove Brown. Yes, memories returned to the year of 1963, just 40 years ago.

Classes assembled Sunday morning for the 11 a.m. Worship Service at the New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church where the Rev. William F. Lewis is pastor, and is a member of Crooms Academy Class of 1953.

The processional of clergy, New Bethel Male Chorus, Crooms Academy, Crooms High School classes, marched to the ever familiar tune of "God of our Fathers."

Crooms Reunion Praise Team Rebecca Brown ('62), Betty R. Washington ('53), Jerilene Anderson (guest) led the devotion. With the spirit at a high level, Ruby Doe Williams ('53) led the responsive reading. Ronald Nathan and Ingrid Nathan ('66) blessed the audience with a saxophone and piano duet medley.

Elder Eva Scott Phillips ('64) gave the altar call with the prayer for the mission offering given by Evangelist Ella Flagler Woodward ('66). Deacon Lemuel Stallworth ('53) acknowledged the classes, teachers and school administrators.

Pastor William Lewis presided over the worship service and Agape Time. Music by the New Bethel

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**Countdown to Kindergarten!**

Students living in the Northwest and Northeast Cluster Zones of Seminole County are required to complete a Cluster Request Form and receive a school assignment from the Choices Department before registering for kindergarten at the designated school.

**Parent Information Night**

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## Church Notes

**Spiritual meetings held at Sanford church**  
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**Wekiva church sponsors tutoring program**  
The Wekiva Presbyterian Church, located at 211 Wekiva Springs Lane, in Longwood, will hold a tutoring program, "The Tutor House." This program is designed for students in the community who need assistance with their home-

work and basic learning skills. The initial program will focus on students from first through sixth grades. The sessions are Thursdays, from 6 to 7 p.m. For more information, call Nancy Ocque or Paul Anderson at 407-869-1608.

**Family night every week at Orange Blvd. church**  
The Seminole Community Church, 5070 Orange Blvd., in Sanford, presents its Wednesday night children's program from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m. Wednesdays. For more information, call 407-324-0199.

**Community church presents discipleship classes**  
The Seminole Community Church, 5070 Orange Blvd., in

Sanford, presents its Wednesday night adult discipleship classes from 6:45 to 8:15 p.m., including Firm Foundation, Part 2, Women's Study "A Heart Like This," Men's Study "Wild at Heart, Experiencing God and Crown Ministries Financial Course." For more information, call 407-324-0199.

**Christian Sharing Center needs volunteers**  
The Christian Sharing Center in Longwood has an urgent need for volunteers to fill various positions. Receptionists and interviewers are needed to interview families in crisis situations and to assist them in meeting their needs. Pantry workers

are needed to stock shelves for client families. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call Diann at 407-260-9155, ext. 6, Monday, Wednesday or Friday.

**Church hosts bible study class with Dr. Belcher**  
Registration is now underway for Bible Book Study to be taught by Dr. Richard Belcher, professor from Columbia International University, and the author of a study book to be used in the discussion. The study will be Jan. 11-14 at First Baptist Church Markham Woods, in Lake Mary. For registration or more information, call 407-333-2085.

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### Male Chorus.

Various classes continued to be part of the worship service through giving, with Wilbur E. Hawkins ('66), Freddie L. Barrington ('63), Dorothy K. Baker ('53) and Claude Glover ('63).

Memorial for the deceased teachers and classmates were memorialized by Betty R. Washington ('53), Gloria Y.H. Smith ('63) and Ruth Ann H. Walker ('66).

Rev. Terry McKinney ('63) presented the morning's messenger, the Rev. Rufus Boykin, Jr. ('63) pastor of the St. Paul M.B. Church, Holly Hill. Pastor Boykin spoke from 1 Corinthians 13:11, "It's hard to say goodbye to yesterday." He reminded us that it is hard for some to reach maturity when you always refer to yesterday, and when we don't want to leave yesterday and face the progressing world.

After the worship service, classes joined in their various fellowship dinners.

**Crooms Academy Classes of 1931-49 gather for five-day reunion**

Crooms Academy classes were sharing memories of the past with glee in 2003.

Friday's Vesper Service was held at Zion Hope M.B. Church where the Rev. Michael Griffin is pastor.

Dr. Elmer Jenkins ('47) presided. At the piano and console was Evelyn R. Clark ('42) Earl E. Minott ('48), with trumpeter Rivers D. McCreary ('42).

As the classes marched in to the tune of "God of our Fathers", our memories went back to that graduation day. Voices were blended in as the congregation sang "Lift Every Voice and Sing". The prayer was given by Rev. Griffin and scripture was read by the Rev. James C. Dickey ('49). Musical renditions were by special guests Richard Grey, Yolanda Collins and Ms. Clark. Classmates Willie Metz ('43) and Marie Blake Manley ('49) lifted the offering. After the selection of "Fraise is what I Do" the Rev. Dr. W. Frank Williams ('57) rose to bring the message of the hour with his words of praise, grace and

thanks for our many blessings. The spirit was indeed high.

Katheryn J. Alexander ('47) led the hour of memorial to the deceased with music by Yolanda Collins, torch holders Johnny Joseph ('46) Annie S. O'Neille ('45), Violet J. Crawford ('35) Eartherlean P. Williams ('46) and Inez K. Bailey ('48).

After brief remarks and announcements from Chairman Alder M. Craig ('47) the audience stood and sang the alma mater. The Rev. Dr. W. Frank Williams pastors the Mt. Zion Baptist Church of Sanford.

To continue the sharing of memories of the past with glee, the classes of 1931-49 toured the alma mater, dear ole Crooms, now the Crooms Academy of Information Technology campus.

The evening's banquet was held at the Woman's Club and brought many fond memories of the years at Crooms Academy. Moments to remember were given by Alfreda Wallace from the 1981 Steering

Committee from Midway Elementary to Crooms Academy by Inez K. Bailey ('48). Special recognition was given to Juanita G. Harold and Edward Blacksheare, the first reunion committee, Johnny Joseph, Evelyn Clark, Alfreda Wallace, Eartherlean P. Williams, Earl E. Minott and Minnie Roux for their vision.

Sunday, Dec. 28, a chartered bus carried the reunionees to Kennedy Space Center for an educational tour, then for the afternoon lunch. They dined at the famous seafood diner Dixie Crossroads in Titusville.

Monday morning they cruised aboard the Rivership Romance for a sightseeing pleasurable trip down the beautiful and historical St. Johns River, where guests were served lunch, danced, and enjoyed a fun cruise.

The fun continued throughout the evening with a big class party at the Elks Lodge with music, food, and a whole lot of the latest

dances.

Tuesday at noon was the Ole Fashioned Hot Fish with all of the fixings at the Elks Lodge, the last 2003 gathering of the 1931-49 classes reunion. A lot of friendly goodbyes and prizes were awarded the winners of the Crooms Academy quiz contest.

Class reunionees came from across the United States to enjoy family, friends and Crooms classmates. They were from Washington, D.C., New York City, California, Washington state, Georgia, Maryland, Michigan, Rochester, Newark, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, Philadelphia and Texas.

We salute all of Crooms Academy Class presidents, reunion chairmen and committee members for the success of their reunion of 2003.

As they united to reminisce, fellowship and enjoy the past and look forward to the future. We as alumni will sing and praise our alma mater. We will honor and support the dear old orange and maroon.

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time desired. You will receive a call back confirming your tour start time.

The Seminole County Natural Lands Program will also have a display this day featuring skulls, artifacts, brochures, and "maybe a live animal" from the Geneva Wilderness Area — a newer landmark in this area.

The Historical Society will have calendars and books on sale as well, and all proceeds from the day's activities benefit the Geneva Historical Society, the Geneva Museum of History and historic Fort Lane Park. To learn more about the GH&CS visit their Web site at [www.usgennet.org/usa/fl/county/seminole/Geneva](http://www.usgennet.org/usa/fl/county/seminole/Geneva).

We need you to tell us what you know that is good about Geneva! Please share your information, ideas and comments by calling 407-349-2140, writing to Stetson's Corner c/o The Seminole Herald, via e-mail at [darlas@mpinet.net](mailto:darlas@mpinet.net), (please put "Stetson's Corner" in the subject line), or with a fax to 407-323-9408. Thanks!

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the fall, Rev. Charles had assumed the full duties of the church for three months.

The original plot of land at Oak Avenue and Third Street had been purchased in 1912 and had been expanded to four lots. The church plant and furniture were paid for as was the pastor's home at 900 Palmetto Ave. A chapel had been built and furnished on a lot purchased on Beardall Avenue. It also had no debt.

Dr. Lacy Moffett, missionary to China for 40 years would speak at the Beardall Chapel Thursday evening at 8 p.m. and to the congregation at the Sunday morning service.

### Talbott becomes mayor of Oviedo

Frank W. Talbott had been chosen as mayor of Oviedo at a meeting of the newly elected council the previous Monday evening. Upon his recommendation, George Kelsey was appointed as town Marshall.

Prior to the meeting of the new council, the old council completed business matters for December. Members were B.F. Ward, R.W. Estes, M.L. Gary, W.T. Walker and James Wilson.

At the meeting of the new council, R.W. Estes was elected as council president, Milton Gore as Vice President. Other members were Charles T. Niblack, Merritt Staley and M.L. Gary.

Mr. Estes appointed various committees with a request for special attention to traffic and street problems due to the heavy traffic passing through Oviedo because

of the Cheney Highway being closed. T.L. Lingo, town clerk, served as secretary to the council.

### Sanford group has picnic

A group of young Sanfordites enjoyed a trip on lake Monroe on the previous Saturday evening. During the evening dancing and singing were enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Those enjoying the event were the Misses Mary Helen Fite, Nixie Kirchoff, Mary Ann Galloway, Olive Ann Adams, Bettye Ball, Betty Jane Copeland, Fifi Bach, Bette Duncan, Barbara Ann Edenfield, Lila Leffler, Barbara Rucker, Shirley Moreland, Barbara Saunders and Endsley Meisch.

Also, Bobby Jones, Floyd Cooper, Dan Batten, Billy Shoemaker, Billy Gray, Paul Pezold, Johnny Alexander, Jimmy Ludwig, Glenn McCall, Bobby Pullin, Buster Faircloth, Neil Powell and Al Kilpatrick.

### Service pins presented to ACL employees

Eight employees of the Atlantic Coast Line were presented with 25 year service pins the previous day by E.M. Carroll, general foreman. The presentation was made in his office in the presence of a large number of well-wishers.

Emblems were presented to M.C. Stone, car inspector; E.C. Wetherington, boiler maker; M. Black, boiler maker's helper; Everett Jones, stationary fireman; C.W. Stapler, boiler maker's helper; Dave Warren, machinist's helper; and O.M. Fields, pipe fitter's helper.



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## Diary

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Well, the word from a good source is that he was actually being held by the Kurds at that time and the U.S. allegedly knew it. But somehow a little information started leaking out that the Kurds had him so we had to send our psyops guys out to stop the leak while we pretended to look for him in Baghdad.

Allegedly, according to the story that is circulating here, he was held in that so-called "spider hole" and was drugged by the Kurds and the U.S. knew it. The rumor is that we were just waiting to deal with the Kurds and use him as a trump card. So I guess we played our "Ace in the hole," maybe to distract from that Halliburton over-charging scandal that was starting to hit the news.

One of the soldiers who was involved with looking for Saddam said he felt like a 2-year-old looking for Easter

Eggs — look under this rock, look under that Styrofoam lid, and so on, when all the time the Kurds had him. I thought it seemed kind of phony when we were looking for him in Baghdad, it just didn't seem like we were all that serious with the hunt. Now this is the story being passed among the soldiers. As to its merit, I do not know, but one thing for sure, it has as much merit as the "weapons of mass destruction" allegation that got us into this mess.

I was talking with a soldier from an engineer outfit upon the Syrian border. He said his friend had his leg blown off during an attack. Then they had his friend's picture in a magazine or a newspaper and quoted him saying that he supported the war and President Bush. His friend is angry and claims that he never made those statements. The guy I was talking to was

mad as hell because he liked his buddy and knew his buddy would not say stuff like that, especially after getting his leg blown off. It is not the first time the news has misquoted soldiers over here or put words in their mouths. But there's nothing you can do about it.

We went back to patrolling the streets and stopping to check on the Iraqi police stations. They are pretty much running on their own now but we still have to supervise them to make sure they are doing things right. Most of the stations are still lacking some basic necessities and decent vehicles. I hear that new vehicles are coming, I think from Japan, but they have not arrived yet. I looked in a first aid box in one of the stations and the only thing in the box was a bottle of aspirin. The Iraqi commanders of the stations that I check

seem to take their job seriously and are courteous to me when I drop in to inspect them.

The streets in East Baghdad are still as filthy as ever, the traffic is still bad and we get into traffic jams at almost any major intersection. We are always on alert for things along our route and always fear crowds of people when they are gathered up in large groups beside the road.

We still have to fear that tunnel that we go through several times a week. We have feared that tunnel ever since a patrol was attacked while inside it. What makes the tunnel bad is that we usually get trapped in slow moving traffic while going through it and often end up sitting still for several minutes. There are two lanes going each way through it, so we try to put a humvee in both lanes to keep traffic behind us so nobody

can come up beside us with a car bomb. Upon entering the tunnel our gunners in the turret scan the area above the entrance. There is a busy road going over the top of the tunnel and it is a good spot for somebody to drop a grenade on top of us.

I put my soldiers in for a medal for their participation in the bombing of the Al Jamilla police station back on 9 Oct., but my request was downgraded to a paper certificate of appreciation. It made me mad because my soldiers were first to respond to that bombing. They waded through blood and body parts, then had to face off a thousand angry Iraqis that were throwing rocks and glass at us. It was a high risk situation of uncertainty and my troops held their ground and performed their duty in an excellent manner. I think at least an Army Commendation

Medal should have been awarded, but instead they just got a piece of paper. They should have received a Bronze Star, after all there were 12 of us facing a 1,000 Iraqis.

Something is up here at Camp Mariboro! I have been instructed to begin an inventory and accountability of our equipment, weapons and everything. Today they brought in some empty conex boxes, those big metal shipping containers and sat them down in our area. Also we have been told to begin maintenance and thorough inspections of each of our vehicles and report anything that needs to be fixed. This isn't routine stuff. This is out of the ordinary, like we are preparing to relocate or move some place.

Next Issue: Leaving on Valentine's Day?

## Bat House

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bat specialist from Osteen-based Fly By Night Inc., the home was one of the largest residential bat infestations in Central Florida estimated to be about 5,000 of the furry, nocturnal mammals.

"There's a couple houses (in Sanford) that have a lot of bats in them," she said.

Part of Sanford Historic Trust's mission is to promote and protect historic structures, Kuhn said, and the new bat house will hopefully be the first step in moving the bats from historic district of Sanford to Lake Monroe.

The bat house is slightly larger than a mailbox and sits about 20 feet high atop a pole. It will house between 600 to 700 bats, which eat their body weight in insects each night.

"All bats eat insects and if it flies at night it's fair game so midges are definitely part of their diet," Finn said. "Since bats have been living in buildings in that area we thought this would be a good answer to bats in building and add something to the midge control."

There's no guarantee the

bats will stake claim to the new house, but Finn expects within the year bats will find the home to their liking.

"The houses are normally occupied in the winter so it's very possible we might start seeing bats in the next month or two," she said.

If Sanford is serious about attracting bats to Lake Monroe for midge control, Kuhn and Finn both say more than a single bat house will be needed.

"They need a lot more than the one they've got up," Finn said. "Sometimes it's good to start small with just a couple houses and wait for the bats to start moving. I would suggest — remember how the city of Sanford used to have the martin boxes — doing something like that of putting a large number of them around the (lake)."

Kuhn added, "We would like to see the city put up more. We decided we would be the first, but with Riverwalk coming, we thought it would be good environmental way to control the midges."



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# Airport

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where way down, but we made it all back up in the final six months."

Two factors led to the slow down in early 2003, White said. First, Orlando Sanford International Airport (OSIA) finally experienced some of the volatility in the airline industry. Pan Am, at one time the airport's largest domestic carrier, halted all flights for about 45 days. When the airline did resume flights, it cut back on the number of destinations. Second, Vacation Express made a business decision in January to shift its hub from Sanford to Atlanta. At the time of the move, White said Vacation Express accounted for 26.4 percent of all domestic and international passenger traffic.

"When you combine the loss of Vacation Express with Pan Am's decision to ground its flights for a period of time, it's easy to see why our numbers were so much lower," White said.

The turnaround began in June as international flights

increased. Part of the increase was cyclical because the summer months are traditionally the airport's busy time. In addition, improved monetary exchange rates for the European, particularly the British, inticed more international travelers.

"We expect the (United Kingdom) numbers to continue to go up," said Larry Gouldthorpe, president of OSI/OSD the company charged with daily operation of the airport. "The news keeps getting juicer and juicer, particularly with the soft dollar and strong pound."

Bookings for next summer are very strong, Gouldthorpe said, and

should help boost passenger counts to record numbers.

While encouraged by the international numbers, airport officials are most enthusiastic about the gains in domestic service during 2003. For instance, during December nearly 60,000 domestic passengers traveled through the Sanford airport, and 81 percent increase over December 2002.

For their year domestic travel is up 15 percent over 2002. Those increases are spread evenly among three carriers — Pan Am, Trans Meridian Airlines and Southeast Airlines. In the past, Pan Am was far and away the biggest domestic carrier in Sanford, meaning

the airport's domestic service fortunes were directly tied to the airline's success. The emergence of Trans Meridian, with flights to Las Vegas, Chicago and Oklahoma City, and Southeast has helped stabilize OSIA's domestic offerings.

"We don't have all of our eggs in one basket, so to speak," Gouldthorpe said. In December, Trans Meridian provided service to 25,000 passengers; Southeast serviced 20,000 passengers; and 15,000 traveled through Sanford with Pan Am.

"We've experienced tremendous growth in the last six months of the year," White said. As for continued success in 2004, "There are always unknowns that could affect us, but we anticipate that growth continuing throughout next year."

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# Sports

## Raiders get back on track

By Craig Johnson  
Special to the Herald

SANFORD — Ah, it's good to be home.

With controversy and whispered rumors swirling about their heads, the Seminole Community College men's basketball team rallied together and made a return to the home court a good one, winning an exciting overtime battle with Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, 87-83, in overtime Tuesday night at the SCC Health and Physical Education Center.

The Raiders were playing their first home game since defeating Manatee Community College on December 2nd, a stretch of four week and seven games, and the team and its coaches seemed more than thankful to finally be back on the home hardwood.

But the return was not without its problems. Thinking that a couple of players might have finally gained eligibility, a ruling from the administration put a hold on the additions, at least for the time being, forcing the team to dress only nine players for the battle with the very good Tifton, Georgia-based Stallions, who came into the game with a 10-5 record.

Also, their evidently has been some whispers about head coach Stan Cromartie's tenure with the team after the recent seven-game losing streak. This despite many of the losses coming against teams either nationally ranked or very near the top 25 in the country, including No. 14 nationally-ranked Chipola College (16-2) and No. 16 Okaloosa-Walton Community College (13-2) in Ocala last weekend, and the Raiders playing with 12 freshmen on its 13-man roster after graduating the top seven players off a 20-win team that included Florida Junior College Player of the Year, J.D. Bracy.

But all of the distractions just seemed to bring the team closer together as they played one of their best games of the season and look like they might be ready to be heard from in the Mid-Florida Conference race which begins on Wednesday.

Freshman Travis "TJ" Jones got the Raiders off and running with an easy lay up, but ABAC began to show why they are a 10-5 team beating the press and getting an easy shot as the Stallions built a 27-22 lead.

But SCC, getting a spark from freshman Thomas Williams off the bench, went on a 14-5 run over the final five minutes of the half to take a 36-32 lead into the lockerroom at halftime.

A beautiful inbounds pass from Williams to fellow freshman Kermanie Samuels cut the lead to one, 27-26, and really got the rally started and six of the final eight points would come from the free throw line as the hosts were 8-for-10 from the charity stripe in the first half. ABAC helped the Raiders out by shooting a mere 5-for-15 from the foul line in the opening 20 minutes. See SCC, Page 15

## Patriots open hoops season with sweep

By Shelle Knowles  
Special to The Herald

SANFORD — Liberty Christian School of Sanford opened the 2004 basketball season this week with a pair of impressive victories on their home court.

The Lady Patriots opened the dou-

## Liberty Christian boys and girls roll over Citrus Heights

bleheader against Citrus Heights with a 62-30 win Tuesday, while the boys team opened defense of their 2003

State Championship by winning the nightcap 62-32. In the girls game, Brittany

Unsworth almost beat Citrus Heights single-handedly as she scored 30 points to match the opponents' entire scoring for the night.

The Liberty Christian girls shut out Citrus Heights in the first quarter as they raced to an 18-0 lead. The Lady Patriots led 31-9 at the half and 48-22 See Liberty, Page 16

## Volusia vexes SAC

### Top local teams fall

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

The week did not exactly get off to a good start for what has been the top two boys basketball teams in Seminole County as both Oviedo and Winter Springs fell to Volusia County squads.

In fact, returning to the home court has not been a blessing for the Bears as they had lost two times in a row on the home wood heading into a monster matchup on Friday with the Lions.

After returning from South Florida with its second tournament championship and an 11-1 record, the Bears got the week off to a bad start by dropping a 45-43 decision to Winter Park in the County Pride Shootout at Winter Springs.

Jeremiah Rivers, the sophomore son of former Magic coach Doc Rivers, led the balanced Wildcats (10-3) with 13 points to offset a game-high 14 points from the Bears' Brett Hodges.

Jared Benton and Mike Kuhl chipped in with 13 and 10 points, respectively. Oviedo, on the other hand, looked to be okay as the Lions survived a scare from Timber Creek (8-3), 78-69, in overtime to improve to 10-1 behind 27 points from Pat Kiscaden.

Another team that has gotten off to a fast start, including a win over Winter Springs, Lake Howell, defeated West Orange, 59-48, but The Master's Academy fell to University, 60-48.

The Winter Springs girls, however, did just fine on the home floor, as Alyssa Eily scored 16 points and Annie Hite 13 in a 63-32 blasting of Deltona.

On Tuesday, Winter Springs tasted defeat again as powerful DeLand (9-1) edged the Bears, 64-60, with the 'twin towers', 6-foot-9 Keith Brumbaugh getting 26 points, 6 rebounds, 6 steals and 6 assists and 6-foot-8 Stetson signee David Kilgore getting 12 points and 12 rebounds.

Kuhl led Winter Springs with 20 points, while Benton added 15.

Things did not go as well for Oviedo in overtime on Monday as the Lions were edged by Spruce Creek (8-3), 61-60, despite 16 points each from Davila and

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Herald photos by Jim Wertz

It's been a mixed bag for Winter Springs basketball this week as Mike Kuhl (above) drives between DeLand's 'twin-towers', 6-foot-9 Keith Brumbaugh (No. 50) and 6-foot-8 Stetson signee David Kilgore (No. 32) for two of his 20 points, but the Bears boys fell to the Bulldogs, 64-61. The girls, however, crushed Deltona, 63-32, with Alyssa Eily scoring 16 points and shooting guard Annie Hite (right) netting 13. Rollins signee Natalie Wilmers and Tennessee State signee Sara Nuxol chipped in with nine and eight points, respectively.



## Local boxer on his way to top

Special to the Herald

Candido Philip Lopez is an amateur boxer on his way to the top.

The 17 year-old from Deltona won the 119-pound Bantamweight Open Class at the Florida State Championships sanctioned by the United States Amateur Boxing (U.S.A. Boxing) held in Palm Bay on November 7-8, 2003.

By winning the Florida State championship, Candido Philip Lopez, who uses his whole name in honor of his father, former boxer Phillip Lopez, has qualified for the Eastern Trials Tournament to be held in Bushkill, Pennsylvania, January 27-31.

The Gold Medalist in each weight class of that tournament will earn qualifying spots for the Olympic Team Trials in February.

Lopez, who trains at the Facility Boxing Gym in the Sanford Plaza (2921 Orlando Drive, 17-92 South) under the authority of trainer Philip Ford and head coach Todd Drespling, is no stranger to big tournaments, having reached the finals of the Southeast Regional Tournament which was held the first week of December 9 in Davie.

But where that tournament included five other states besides Florida, the Eastern Trials will include champions from 30 states as well as the U.S. Marine Corps.

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Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

17-year-old Candido Philip Lopez has qualified for the Eastern Trials Tournament to be held in Bushkill, Pennsylvania, Jan. 27-31.

## Big-time transfer signs on at SCC

Special to the Herald

Seminole Community College Head Men's Basketball Coach Stan Cromartie has announced the signing of Jimmy Tobias of Ft. Lauderdale Dillard High School.

Tobias is transferring to SCC after playing the first semester at the University of Oklahoma.

"Jimmy (Tobias) made a decision to go somewhere where he can play immediately and contribute right away," said University of Oklahoma head coach Kelvin Sampson. "We respect his decision and wish him nothing but the best in his future endeavors."

Tobias averaged 7.7 minutes, 2.0 points and 1.2 rebounds in his six games with the Sooners this season, helping them to a 10-0 start and a No. 7 nationally ranking heading into a Sunday matchup with No. Connecticut.

He scored a season-high five points against Arkansas-Pine Bluff on Dec. 2 and averaged 13.0 points and 5.0 rebounds over four games during OU's exhibition trip to Costa Rica in August.

While at Dillard, Tobias helped win the 2003 Class 6A State Championship with a 32-1 record, a USA Today #18 ranking in the nation and a #5 ranking in the South Region.

Tobias also helped the Panthers capture Class 6A state titles in 2002 and 2001.

During his senior year, the 6-foot-4 guard averaged 19 points, eight rebounds per game, three assists per game, and four steals per game and was named the Most Valuable Player at the State Tournament after Dillard defeated nationally-ranked Edgewater and All-American guard Darius Washington Jr. in the Championship Game.

Tobias was a First Team All-State selection in Class 6A, First Team All-South Region selection, and a finalist for Mr. Florida Basketball, First Team All State-All Counties by breakdown.com, named First Team All Broward County, was named to the All Miami Herald First Team, and was a Top-100 McDonald's All-American Finalist.

Tobias also earned the 2003 Sun-Sentinel Player of the Year honors and was also named Las Vegas Prep Holiday Classic #1 player, was ranked by breakdown.com as the #3 player in Florida, and was also

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# First annual Little New Smyrna 500 a huge success

From Staff Reports

The New Smyrna Quarter Midget Racing Association hosted its biggest racing event since its inaugural race three years ago with the running of the first annual Little New Smyrna 500 January 1st and 2nd.

With a car count of over 170 quarter midgets, many of the attendees were from the east coast clubs. The two-day event went off without a hitch. The weather couldn't have been any better with the highs in the low 80's, sunny with a light breeze.

The final day concluded with a trophy presentation where 4-foot trophies and savings bond certificates were given out to the top finishers. Many of the competitors raced both the Tangerine (at the Mid-Florida QMRA track outside Apopka) and the Little 500, therefore had packed in a full week of racing.

Among those doing extremely well was Sanford's Cory Drier, who won the Jr. Honda B Main and was the runner-up in the Jr. Honda A Main.

NSQMRA Board of Directors would like to thank KOHLER/STERLING for sponsoring the wonderful trophies and savings bonds, the members for their help and support, and the quarter midget families for attending. We hope to see you all again next year!

The NSQMRA also announced that there will be a General Membership meeting for all Region 13 members at 3:30 p.m. Sunday, January 18th at Otters Restaurant, 4380 Carraway Place, Sanford (407-323-3991).

To get to the restaurant take exit 104 (Featherlite Trailers) off I-4 and go west on Orange Blvd. Make a right on Kastner and follow the signs toward the marina and Otters.

The board wants involvement from the public as a voice at the National Meeting. Rule changes proposals include: Realigning the classes, Changing the minimum weights of several classes, tall come rule, Racing rule changes, Honda claiming rule changes and adding a 160 MOD or Heavy 200 class.

The board will also be taking nominations for the open position of Region 13 Treasurer at this meeting. If you need more information or would like a complete list of the Rule Change Proposals please email Curt Sullivant, Regional Director, at CSullivant@cfi.r.com

## RACE FOR KIDS SAKE AT NEW SMYRNA

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Volusia County and the Victory Junction Gang Camp will have their fifth annual racing event this Tuesday (January 13) at New Smyrna Speedway in the Race for

Kids Sake Charity race. NASCAR drivers scheduled for this event are Kyle Petty, Bobby Labonte, Ken Schrader, John Andretti, Scott Riggs, Steve Park and Mr. Benny Parsons in the pressbox. There is also a possibility that Terry Labonte and Mike Skinner may also show.

Four local divisions will also be on the program - Sportsman, Super Stock, Strictly Stock and the new Thunder Roadsters division. The driver and three crew members will be admitted free to help support this event.

Racing will begin at 7 p.m. with the NASCAR autograph session from 7:15 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. At 9 p.m. the feature race for the NASCAR drivers will be run in local Late Models.

Pre-sale tickets are available at Daytona Auto Mall in Daytona Beach and Gator Action Tire Stores in Orlando for \$15. Tickets will be \$20 at the gate. Grandstands open at 6 p.m.

## WALTRIP STAYS QUICK IN NEXTEL TESTING

Michael Waltrip finished the first NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series test session the same way he finished last year's Daytona 500 - at the top of the score sheet.

Waltrip, the two-time and defending Daytona 500 champion, capped off the final day of odd-numbered NEXTEL Cup Series testing for the Feb. 15 "Great American Race" as the fastest driver with a speed of 187.731 mph.

"We have had a terrific test even though it got off to a rocky start when we crashed one of our cars on Tuesday, but it just shows you how prepared this team was and is," Waltrip said. "They had two cars here that were going to be strong, but we'll go home and fix the other one and go to Talladega with it."

"We still have a lot of stuff we are scratching our heads about, trying to diagnose what the data on the computer says combined with what the stop watch says and how it feels to me. We take so much it takes a while to dissect exactly what changes were good and what package to come back to Daytona with in a few weeks."

In the late afternoon, teams were permitted to draft. Among the drivers drafting were Mark Martin, Brendan Gaughan, Matt Kenseth, Ricky Craven and Ward Burton.

Drivers, Fans Chat During FanFest: Wednesday night's inaugural NASCAR Preseason Thunder FanFest, held outside of the historic Daytona International Speedway in the Daytona Club, was highlighted by fan forums that featured question and answer sessions between fans and drivers who were participating in the first

NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series test session. Also included in the FanFest were DAYTONA USA's Pit Stop Challenge, show cars and silent auction of autographed items.

"It surprised me how many people were there," Mayfield said during his Thursday morning interview session with the media. "I couldn't believe it. It was pretty cool to go in and sit on the stage and answer questions so the fans could get to know you. I think that was pretty neat."

The next NASCAR Preseason Thunder FanFest is scheduled for today (Saturday, Jan. 10) with NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series drivers in the Daytona Club. Admission is \$5 and can be purchased at the gate.

Proceeds from the NASCAR Preseason Thunder Fan Fest will benefit Victory Junction Gang Camp, NASCAR Wives Auxiliary, Speediatrics and Brenner's Children's Hospital.

To purchase tickets to Preseason Thunder Fan Fest, call the Speedway ticket office at (386) 253-RACE.

The remainder of NASCAR Preseason Thunder annual testing sessions at Daytona International Speedway are as follows:

\* Jan. 10-12: NASCAR Craftsman Truck  
\* Jan. 13-15: NASCAR NEXTEL Cup (even owner's points)  
\* Jan. 17-18: NASCAR Busch Series (odd owner's points)

## SCC

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SCC maintained a slim lead for most of the second half, but turnovers and a reversal of fortunes from the free throw line kept the visitors in the game.

The Raiders were only 6-of-12 from the line in the second half, while the Stallions came alive, converting 8-of-10. SCC also found its two big men, 6-foot-9 Nic Rollins, who had his father, former NBA star and coach Wayne "Tree" Rollins in the stands watching, and the 6-foot-11 Samuels in deep foul trouble.

This allowed ABAC's center, Nicklaus Brabham, to go on a tear as the 6-foot-8 sophomore scored five straight points to give the Stallions their biggest lead of the night, 55-51.

The young Raiders were not quite ready to fold though, and went a 12-3 run keyed by a shot clock beater by Jones, a dish from Johnson to Jones for a fast break lay up and a "three" from SCC's only sophomore, Rushawn "Long Range" Johnson, to put the hosts up 63-59 with a little over two minutes to play.

But the Raiders did not do a good job of protecting the ball as they tried to kill the clock and ABAC hit a pair of three-pointers to close the gap and finished off a 10-6 run with a layup from Warren Beaulah with 24 seconds left in the game knotting it at 69 apiece and forcing overtime.

In overtime, outside shooting from Jones and clutch free throw shooting by Williams, who finished 3-of-5 from the field and an impressive 9-for-12 from the foul line, allowed SCC to build a lead and then Vince Mosley, who had spent a good portion of the game on the bench in foul trouble, stepped up with an offensive rebound for a basket and two other layups for six points in the extra



Photos courtesy of Daytona International Speedway.

Michael Waltrip in the No. 15 NAPA Chevy (above) was the fastest car in ever session all three days of the first preseason test at Daytona International Speedway. At right, a group of cars heads off into Turn 1 past the new SUNOCO sign signifying the new gas supplier for NASCAR.



## RESULTS

The cumulative results of NASCAR Nextel Cup testing at Daytona International Speedway through Thursday:

1. No. 15, Michael Waltrip, Chevrolet, 47.941 seconds, 187.731 mph, 1/8.
2. No. 88a, Dale Jarrett, Ford, 48.019, 187.428, 1/8.
3. No. 77a, Brendan Gaughan, Dodge, 48.026, 187.298, 1/8.
4. No. 8b, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 48.126, 187.009, 1/8.
5. No. 19b, Jeremy Mayfield, Dodge, 48.173, 186.827, 1/8; and No. 42b, Jamie McMurray, Dodge, 48.173, 186.827, 1/8.
7. No. 01a, Joe Nemechek, Chevrolet, 48.192, 186.733, 1/8.
8. No. 43b, Jeff Green, Dodge, 48.206, 186.699, 1/8.
9. No. 29, Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 48.279, 186.416, 1/8.
10. No. 32a, Ricky Craven, Chevrolet, 48.344, 186.166, 1/8.
11. No. 0b, Ward Burton, Chevrolet, 48.518, 185.498, 1/8.
12. No. 22a, Dave Blaney (driving for

- Scott Winner), Dodge, 48.531, 185.448, 1/8.  
 13. No. 6b, Mark Martin, Ford, 48.562, 185.330, 1/8.  
 14. No. 9b, Casey Kahne, Dodge, 48.602, 185.178, 1/8.  
 15. No. 97a, Kurt Busch, Ford, 48.611, 185.143, 1/8.  
 16. No. 20b, Mike McLaughlin (driving for Tony Stewart), Chevrolet, 48.620, 185.109, 1/8.  
 17. No. 17b, Matt Keneth, Ford, 48.659, 184.961, 1/8.  
 18. No. 20c, Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, 48.652, 184.230, 1/7.  
 19. No. 22a, Scott Wimmer, Dodge, 48.934, 183.921, 1/6.

## LITTLE NEW SMYRNA 500 Thursday, January 1 and Friday, January 2nd 2004

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a starting time change from past seasons, the women will tip off at 5:30 p.m. and the men at 8 p.m.

As always, however, admission to all home games is free to the public.

## RAIDERS vs. STALLIONS 83 (overtime)

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College (19-4)  
 Chris Brown 0-4-8, Ahmad Farley 1-1-2-4, Ben Davis 2-0-1-5, Warren Beaulah 9-0-0-21, Brandon Ingram 1-0-0-2, John Beugnot 0-0-0-0, Rafael Burford 2-2-4-6, Erik Fisher 4-2-2-12, Kevin Armstrong 5-0-0-10, Nicklaus Brabham 5-9-19-19. Totals: 290 18-32 83.  
 Seminole Community College (19-12)  
 Travis "TJ" Jones 10-8-10-30, Aaron Ball 0-0-0-0, Joivan Forester 1-1-2-3, Thomas Williams 3-9-12-15, Rushawn Johnson 4-0-0-10, Vince Mosley 6-0-0-12, Kemaime Samuels 4-1-2-9, William Graham 3-2-4-8, Nicolas Rollins 0-0-0-0. Totals: 31 21-32 87.

Halftime - SCC 36, ABAC 32. Regulation - 69-69. Three-point field goals - ABAC 7 (Beaulah 3, Fisher 2, Farley, Davis, SCC 4 (Jones 2, Johnson 2). Total fouls - ABAC 30; SCC 26. Fouled out - ABAC: Beaulah, Beugnot, Fisher, SCC: Samuels, Rollins, Technicals - ABAC, Beugnot, SCC, Mosley.

## JUCO SHOOTOUT AT CENTRAL FLORIDA COMMUNITY COLLEGE, OCALA

O-W RAIDERS 76, SCC RAIDERS 60  
 Oklahoma-Walton Community College (13-2)  
 Will Shering 2, Mark Bealim 7, DeShawn Danzey 4, TJ McCullough 2, Clarence Sanders 16, Sammy Sharp, 13, Marcus Elliott 21, Sylviana Watkins 11. Totals: 29 11-17 76.

Seminole Community College (4-11)  
 Travis "TJ" Jones 17, Aaron Ball 7, Thomas Williams 8, Rushawn Johnson 5, Vince Mosley 4, Kemaime Samuels 5, William Graham 4, Nicolas Rollins 4. Totals: 21 15-20 60.  
 Three-point field goals - O-WCC 7 (Sanders 4, Elliott 3); SCC 3 (Jones 2, Ball).

## INDIANS 76, RAIDERS 43

Chippewa College (16-3)  
 Kendrick Pelton 2, Mario Jontier 17, Traion Davis 2, Leon Woodstock 13, Deke Thompson 9, Kyron Morette 6, Shawn Malloy 2, Je'el Foster 9, Michael Reddick 3, Van'ahun Newborne 13. Totals: 31 6-14 76.

Seminole Community College (4-12)  
 Travis "TJ" Jones 1, Aaron Ball 4, Thomas Williams 5, Rushawn Johnson 16, Vince Mosley 4, Kemaime Samuels 4, William Graham 3, Nicolas Rollins 4. Totals: 11 17-22 43.

Three-point field goals - CC 8 (Jontier 4, Foster 3, Thompson 1); SCC 4 (Johnson 4).

## UCF women dealt first loss in A-Sun

Special to the Herald

Sophomore Monica Thomas scored a team-high 15 points, including two three-pointers in the extra session, to give Georgia State a 62-58 overtime victory against host UCF in Atlantic Sun women's basketball action at UCF Arena on Thursday night.

With the win GSU remained undefeated at 4-0 for sole possession of first place in the conference, while UCF dropped to 3-1.

Georgia State's April Clyburn opened up scoring in the first half, but UCF (4-7) jumped out on a 7-0 run that included five points by junior center Takira Allen. The Lady Panthers closed the Golden Knights advantage to 13-12 at the 10:40 mark before Yvette Tisdale tied the game at 18 on a short jumper just under two minutes later.

GSU (7-4) took advantage of extra point plays as the clock ticked down to intermission and earned a 26-24 favor before junior center Ali Roberts hit a layup with 1:39 to knot the game at 26 all. The scoreboard read the same at the buzzer.

UCF's Celeste Hudson, the former Lyman High School star, scored the first bucket of the second period before it was negated by Thomas' jumper. The two squads exchanged baskets remaining within two points of one another. A shot by Allen at 11:38 sparked a run by the Golden Knight offense that saw them pull away six points just a minute later.

Reigning A-Sun Player of the Week Patechia Hartman tied the game again at 50 with under four minutes to play. UCF was on top 53-52 when Tisdale hit two foul shots with 44 seconds left, then with 17 seconds on the clock sophomore guard LaShay King made the first of two free throws to send the contest into the extra session.

Thomas opened the overtime period with the two treys as the Lady Panthers outscored UCF by an 8-4 margin.

Allen led all players with a career-high 22 points and Hudson contributed 13 before she fouled out with 6:28 remaining in the second period. In addition to Thomas, Tisdale (13 points) and Holly Coates (11 points) were also in double figures for the visitors. Tisdale also had a game-high nine rebounds.

The Golden Knights return to action today (Saturday) when they host Mercer for a 2 p.m. tipoff at UCF Arena.

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# Basketball

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Hartzler. Trinity Prep also found a return to the county a tough one as the Saints fell to 9-2, 58-41, to Lake Highland Prep (7-4). Dietrich led Trinity with 23 points.

Crooms Academy (3-9) picked up a nice win as Carey scored 22 points and Cherry 15 as the Panthers clobbered Brevard HEAT, 73-39.

Lake Mary Prep got over .500 as C.J. Marimon scored 24 points and added seven assists as Lake Mary Prep (5-4) beat University School, 68-47. Luke Fuller added 10 rebounds for the Griffins.

Things got a little better on Wednesday Lyman edged Mainland, 74-71, with Hughley scoring 21 points, Robinson netting 17 points and pulling down 18 rebounds and Wheeler handing out eight assists.

The Silver Hawks (9-3) also got a big win as Pat Calathes scored 17 points, grabbed nine rebounds and blocked eight shots and freshman brother Nick Calathes added 13 points in a 71-46 drubbing of New Smyrna Beach.

Master's Academy (6-3) also got a win, 51-36, over 51 Lighthouse Christian (4-7) as Matheny scored 25 points and Orangewood Christian (7-4) got 21 points and nine rebounds from VandeStreek and 13 points and eight assists from Caulfield as the Rams blasted Calvary, 64-30.

Trinity Prep (10-2) also got back in the victory column in blowout fashion, whipping winless Space Coast Christian (0-10), 63-16, behind 14 points from Kramer and 12 points and eight steals from Dietrich.

Things did not go as well for two other SAC schools as West Orange (6-4) topped Lake Brantley (5-6), 73-62, despite 20 points and eight rebounds from Marquis Johnson and 12 points and five assists from Kyle Fowler and Lake Mary (7-5) got 28 points from Darryl Merthie but still dropped a 73-58 decision to Evans (9-3).

On Thursday, Seminole ran its record to 7-4 with a 63-36 thrashing of Deltona. Andrew Chapman led the way for Arrow Force XII with 18 points, while David Robinson chipped in with 10 points and 10 rebounds.

Trinity Prep (11-2) rolled over Olympia (9-5), 66-46, with Kramer scoring 21 points and Hampden 16 points.

But Forest Lake (6-3) got past Lake Mary Prep, 65-57, despite an 18-point effort from Marimon.

Thursday night was a good one for the locals as Lake Mary (8-5) got 30 points and five assists from Darryl Merthie and 11 points

and five rebounds from Lyndon Merthie in a 66-59 victory over Winter Park (10-5).

Lake Howell waltzed past Flagler Palm Coast, 66-44, for its 10th win of the season. Freshman John Roberson led with 15 points, but Pat Calathes had another monster game with 14 points and 14 rebounds.

Lake Mary Prep got 23 points from Marimon and 13 points from Ortega in a 59-36 drubbing of Deltona Trinity Christian.

The Master's Academy (7-3) got 20 points from Foster and 10 points from Erdman in a 64-28 crushing of the Teacher's Hand.

### SILVER HAWKS 71, BARRACUDAS 66

Lake Howell (9-3) Lawhon 2, J. Calathes 4, Rodriguez 4, Robinson 18, N. Calathes 13, Thacker 10, F. Calathes 16, Parsons 2, Castillo 2. Totals: 30 4-9 71.

New Smyrna Beach (6-7) E. Williams 8, L. Williams 4, Peterson 5, Hannah 4, Baker 20, Meisheid 7. Totals: 16 12-20 66.

Lake Howell 19 14 14 24 71  
New Smyrna Beach 9 14 13 18 66

Three-point field goals \_ Lake Howell 7 (N. Calathes 3, Robinson 2, F. Calathes 2); New Smyrna Beach 2 (Hannah, Baker). Total fouls \_ Lake Howell 15; New Smyrna Beach 7. Fouled out \_ none. Technicals \_ none.

### HAWKS 61, LIONS 60

Spruce Creek (8-3) Brown 12, Manning 5, Speed 15, Bowdry 4, Hink 3, Thomas 4, Lockley 1, Miller 18. Totals: 23 10-15 61.

Oviedo (10-2) R. Davis 16, Turbert 4, M. Davis 8, Verno 2, Williams 2, Conquest 7, Hartzler 16. Totals: 21 10-15 60.

Spruce Creek 16 17 19 9 63  
Oviedo 13 10 21 16 60

Three-point field goals \_ Spruce Creek 5 (Brown, Manning, Speed, Hink, Miller); Oviedo 4 (Conquest 2, R. Davis 2). Total fouls \_ Spruce Creek 17; Oviedo 16. Fouled out \_ Spruce Creek, Thomas. Technicals \_ none.

### SILVER HAWKS 64, BULLDOGS 44

Lake Howell (10-3) McLeod 3, Lawhorn 3, J. Calathes 1, Rodriguez 4, Robinson 15, N. Calathes 4, Powell 8, Thacker 5, F. Calathes 14, Parsons 4, Castillo 5. Totals: 25 13-18 66.

Flagler-Palm Coast (6-7) Calvin 4, Steward 4, Latta 4, Gibson 4, Gilleyrd 3, Harris 17, Scott 7, Hubbert 1. Totals: 19 5-13 44.

Lake Howell 13 17 21 13 66  
Flagler-Palm Coast 6 13 13 12 44

Three-point field goals \_ Lake Howell 3 (Roberson 2, Lawhorn); Flagler-Palm Coast 1 (Gilleyrd). Total fouls \_ Lake Howell 15; Flagler-Palm Coast 17. Fouled out \_ none. Technicals \_ none.

### BULLDOGS 64, BEARS 61

DeLand (9-1, 3-0) Sheldon Patrick 3, Sheryl Patrick 2, Fisher 7, Brumbaugh 26, Kilgore 12, McCaskill 9, Lewis 2, Vanzant 3. Totals: 21 16-29 64.

Winter Springs (8-3, 2-1) Johnson 2, Allinson 4, Kuhl 20, Hodges 4, Benton 15, Gidus 2, Magulita 8, Owens 6. Totals: 13 26-31 61.

DeLand 12 22 14 14 64  
Winter Springs 28 28 6 17 61

Three-point field goals \_ DeLand 2 (McCaskill 2); Winter Springs 3 (Benton 2, Kuhl). Total fouls \_ DeLand 26; Winter Springs 21. Fouled out \_ DeLand: Fisher; Winter Springs: Magulita, Hodges. Technicals \_ DeLand, Lewis; Winter Springs: bench 2.

# Transfer

Continued from Page 14 ranked as the #132 player in the country by hoopscooponline.com.

Tobias had 12 points and two steals in the Florida vs. Georgia All Star Game and had 32 points in the Broward County vs. Dade County All Star Game. He also attended the Nike All-American Camp and Played AAU Ball for Coast to Coast and Team Break-Down.

As a junior, Tobias averaged 17 points, five rebounds, three assists

and two steals per game and was named to the 2nd Team All State 6A and All Broward County First Team.

At SCC Tobias will be reunited with Dillard teammates Kevin Thomas and Vince Mosley and while he must sit out until next fall, his involvement in practice each day should help the Raiders get stronger as they head into conference play and give the team a tremendous nucleus for the 2004-2005 season.

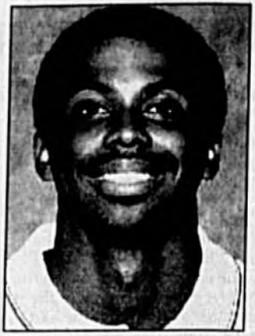


Photo courtesy of SoonerSports.com  
Former Ft. Lauderdale-Dillard High School All-American Jimmy Tobias has decided to transfer to Seminole Community College after playing the first semester for the nationally-ranked and undefeated University of Oklahoma Sooners.

# Briefs

## SANFORD BABE RUTH BASEBALL

Registration is now going on for the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Babe Ruth/Cal Ripken League Spring Baseball season at the Sanford Recreation Department at 300 N. Park Avenue.

Leagues will be offered for players ages 5 thru 18. Registration fees are \$40 for residents and \$50 for non-residents.

For more information please call the Downtown Youth Center at 407-330-5697 or for players under 12, call Duane at 407-328-3732 or email to: lafolled@ci.sanford.fl.us, or for players 13 and up, call Alan at 407-330-3773 or email: greenea@ci.sanford.fl.us.

## SANFORD BABE RUTH SOFTBALL

Registration has begun for the City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department Girl's fast pitch Spring Softball Leagues for

girls ages 9 thru 14 at the Sanford Recreation Department at 300 N. Park Avenue.

Registration fees are \$40 for residents and \$50 for non-residents. For details call the Downtown Youth Center at 407-330-5697 or Duane at 407-328-3732 or email to: lafolled@ci.sanford.fl.us.

## SANFORD LITTLE LEAGUE

Sanford Little League will be holding spring registration for baseball and softball teams (boys and girls ages 5-15) on the following weekends: January 10th & 11th; 17th & 18th and 24th & 25th at the Walmart Supercenter on 17-92 in Sanford from 10 a.m.-to-4 p.m. each day. Fee to register is \$40.

The Sanford Little League is also currently having a membership drive for the Spring 2004 Season.

# Liberty

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Taja Scott scored eight points for Liberty Christian, while Shellee Knowles, Kim Slate, Shawna Kealoha and Katie Syner added six points each.

"Our girls have vastly improved from last year as their ball handling skills are far above the competition's," said Coach Ron Williams. "They are running the floor very well and we scored a lot of points in transition as a result of their hustle. I think we will go undefeated in our conference once again and make a good showing at the state playoffs."

The boys, who have four starters and eight players back from the State Championship squad, led just 13-5 at the end of the first period, but after Citrus Heights scored the first basket of the second period, Liberty Christian reeled off 10 unanswered points.

Mark Tavanyar, the MVP of last year's State Tournament, scored 11 of the team's 13 points in the first period, while Joseph Stephen scored eight of the Patriots' 14 second-period points. Stephen finished the night with 18 points and Tavanyar was in double-figures with 17.

Jason Jenkins added eight points for the Patriots, while Jason Williams, Dave Barnes and John Tavanyar added four each. Lincoln Gager rounded out the scoring with two points.

"It's always good to have the first game be a win," said coach Bill Simpson.

The two teams travel to Citrus Heights Tuesday before hosting Soul's Harbor Wednesday.

The girls play at 2 p.m., while the boys play at 3:30 p.m. in a game between the Divisional Tournaments finalists from 2003. The gym is located at the school campus behind the Palmetto Avenue Baptist Church.

The Liberty Christian boys are coming off an amazing season in which they went 12-0 in the regular season, then went 6-1 in the postseason to finish 18-1 overall and the Conference, South Florida Christian Division and Florida Christian League State championships.

The playoffs began with Divisional Tournament at Liberty Christian on February 20-21, 2003, and the hosts handily dispatched Deltona

Christian School before winning a tough battle with Soul's Harbor Christian School from Belleview in the final.

The Florida Christian League State Tournament (double elimination) was held at Mill Creek Christian School in St. Augustine, February 27 thru March 1st.

In the first round, Liberty destroyed West Meadows Christian School from Jacksonville, 52-8, and then the Patriots got their first ever win over Nassau Christian from Yulee, the No. 1 seed from the Northern Division, by four points.

"Nassau had eliminated us from the tournament the year before with a four-point win," said Simpson. "Over the years Nassau has eliminated Liberty so many times that this was a huge win. It was almost as big as the championship game."

The big win may have taken something out of Liberty as the Patriots lost to Success Christian Academy from Jacksonville, which had to win a play-in game to qualify, in a close game.

Liberty found themselves trailing the five-time defending state champions by 21 at the half, but battled back to lose by a single point, 53-52.

"Success was a very athletic team and used high pressure and shot the ball extremely well to take the big first half lead," said Simpson. "At half-time I told the team to take it one possession at a time and try to gain some respect back for yourselves. And they did, but fell just one shot short of an amazing comeback."

"We left that game believing that we could win because we had come back from that 21 point deficit."

Forced to battle back out of the Loser's Bracket, the Patriots edged host Mill Creek Christian School, which had upset Nassau earlier in the day, by four points in a low-scoring, defensive struggle.

"Mill Creek tried to hold the ball to keep the score low," said Simpson. "They ran as much time off the clock as they could on each possession as the could, but in the end our rebounding and defensive pressure spelled the difference."

That victory put Liberty into the winner-take-all Championship Game against Success.

Liberty had played Mill Creek at 3:15 p.m. and then had to turn around and play

a fresh Success team at 6 p.m.

"In the locker room before the game we were real relaxed and calm," said Simpson. "I just tried to get all of the guys to laugh and have a good time. I really didn't think we had enough energy to win. But in the locker room you could hear Success next door chanting 'they're scared' and our boys started chanting 'We're ready! We're ready!'"

And that they were. From the opening tip Liberty never trailed Success.

The Patriots ended the first quarter of play up 10-5 and continued playing inspired ball, at one point leading 20-5.

It was then that Success called time out and mounted a run. As the half closed Success managed to get back in the game down just four, 28 to 24.

"At half-time we made a few minor adjustments, and I asked them if they were ready to finish the game," said Simpson.

Liberty came back out with the same intensity that had gotten the Patriots the lead and they outscored Success 17 to 11 in the third quarter giving them a 10 point lead, 45-35.

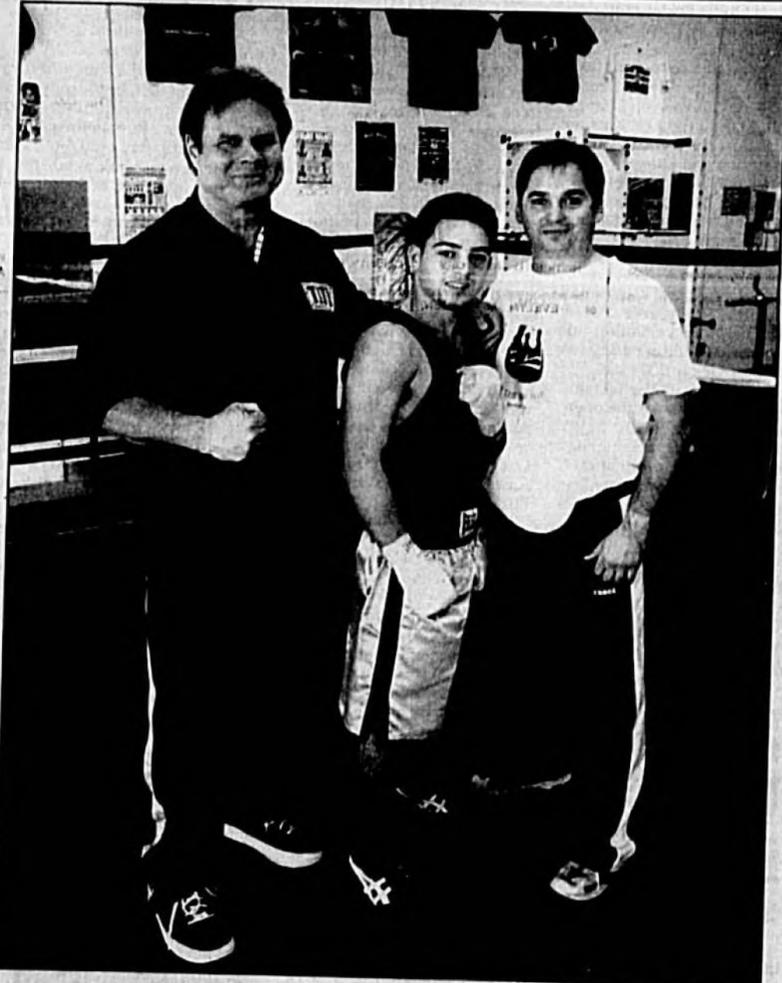
In the fourth Liberty just blew the lid off, outscoring Success 29 to 15 finishing the game with a 24-point victory, 74-50.

This was Liberty's first state championship in basketball. It was also Liberty's first win against Success.

Sophomore Mark Tavanyar, who averaged 18.2 points per game in the state tournament, was the MVP for the State Tournament.

The team was made up of junior Jason William (resident of Lake Mary), sophomore Mark Tavanyar (resident of Lake Mary), senior Trevor Tart (resident of Osteen), junior Ryan LaRose (resident of Sanford), junior Joe Stephen (resident of Lake Mary), senior Nate Zacharias (resident of Deltona), freshman Austin Gager (resident of Sanford), 7th grader Lincoln Gager (resident of Sanford), freshman John Tavanyar (resident of Lake Mary), 8th grader Chad Williams (resident of Winter Springs), and sophomore Dave Barnes Jr. (resident of Sanford).

Bill Simpson (resident of Sanford) was the head coach with Scott Todd (resident of Sanford) serving as assistant coach.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent  
Trainer Philip Ford (left) and head coach Todd Dressing (right) pose proudly with their protégé, 119-pound Bantamweight Open Class Florida State Champion Candido Philip Lopez.

# Boxing

Continued from Page 14 "He has got to go through them all, but he'll do fine," Coach Ford said. "Candido Lopez is one of the most courageous and disciplined fighters I've ever been blessed to train."

Candido Philip Lopez has made a name for himself quickly in boxing as in 2002 he won the Novice Division Golden Gloves and Sunshine State Games Novice Division 119-pound titles for boxers with less than 10 bouts and is now the first boxer from Deltona to

win a State Open U.S.A. Boxing Championship and advance to regional competition.

But being an amateur and still attending Deltona High School, Lopez is in need of financial help to keep advancing toward the top of the amateur boxing ranks and to realize his dream of making the 2004 or 2008 Olympic Games.

Any help would be greatly appreciated and interested parties are asked to contact Facility Boxing at 407-322-1141.

# Racing

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Justin Touchdown; 3. Austin Jackson; 6. Cole Fletcher; 7. Jenna Moslow; 8. Mary Clara Goodrich.

JUNIOR STOCK A MAIN - 1. Monte Nadwanski; 2. Kyle Platt; 3. Mason Adams; 4. Taylor Huges; 5. Billy Barrett; 6. Douglas Stearny; 7. Hunter Kent.

SR. STOCK A MAIN - 1. Shane D'Agostino; 2. Austin Northcutt; 3. Stephanie Berardi.

JR. HONDA A MAIN - 1. Thomas Warwick; 2. Cory Drexel; Sanford; 3. Dylan Ames; 4. Chris Archenbach; 5. Lance Deubach; 6. Daniel Miller; 7. Kyle Platt; 8. Dylan Proemel; 9. Hunter Kent.

JR. HONDA B MAIN - 1. Cory Drexel; Sanford; 2. Dylan Ames; 3. Chris

Acherbach; 4. Daniel Miller; 5. Monte Nadwanski; 6. Matthew Wyatt; 7. Mick D'Agostino; 8. Davey Matthews; 9. Mason Hinery (DNF).

SR. HONDA A MAIN - 1. Tyler Millwood; 2. Robbie Gentry; 3. Dean Moslow Jr.; 4. Zack Doratti; 5. Chad Akina; 6. Mandy Sullivan; 7. Kyle Eastham; 8. Tyler Ridley; 9. Austin Northcutt; 10. Tyler Courtney; 11. Brandon Sheppard.

HEAVY HONDA A MAIN - 1. Tim Buckwalter; 2. Chris Sullivan; 3. Tim Gertsch; 4. Brittany Frush; 5. P.J. Sturgis; 6. Cory Stoekel; 7. Kyle Howell; 8. Katie Millwood; 9. Zack Abbott; 10. Montana Wyatt; 11. Zach Colangelo.

LIGHT GX 160 - 1. Matt McGilvray; 2. Nick Diano; 3. Wesley McIntyre; 4.

Trevor Berry; 5. Gerald White; 6. Tyler Millwood; 7. Marcus Dirksen; 8. Amanda Ferguson; 9. Tommy Barrett; 10. Austin Hill; 11. Austin Northcutt.

HEAVY GX 160 A MAIN - 1. P.J. Sturgis; 2. Dean Moslow Jr.; 3. Matt Kurtz; 4. Robbie Gentry; 5. Tim Gertsch; 6. Chris Sullivan; 7. Austin Howell; 8. Cory Stoekel; 9. Steven Berardi; 10. Paddy Rodenbeck; 11. Cory Abbott (DNF).

LIGHT MOD A MAIN - 1. Wesley McIntyre; 2. Tim Buckwalter.

LIGHT B A MAIN - 1. Tommy Barrett; 2. Nick Diano.

HEAVY B A MAIN - 1. Dean Moslow Jr.; 2. Cory Stoekel.

HEAVY AA A MAIN - 1. Tim Gertsch; JR. HALF A MAIN - 1. Abby Martino; 2. Kyle Stoekel; 3. Turkey Henson.

LEGALS

CITY OF LAKE MARY, FLORIDA NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the City Commission of the City of Lake Mary, Florida, that said Commission will hold a Public Hearing on January 22, 2004, at 7:00 P.M., or as soon thereafter as possible, to consider Second Reading and adoption of an Ordinance entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAKE MARY, FLORIDA, AMENDING SECTIONS 30.01(F), 30.15(E), 30.20 (B), (D), (E), (F), (G), (H) AND (I), 30.30 (F), 30.30 (D) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING ATTENDANCE AT ADVISORY BOARD MEETINGS; CREATING SECTION 30.81 ESTABLISHING ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVING ON ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING FOR COOPERATION, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Public Hearing will be held at the Lake Mary Community Center, 250 N. Country Club Road, Lake Mary, Florida. The Public is invited to attend and be heard. Said hearing may be continued from time to time until a final decision is made by the City Commission. Copies of the Ordinance in full are available in the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 185 E. Central Lake Avenue, Lake Mary, Florida.

A TAPED RECORD OF THIS MEETING IS MADE BY THE CITY FOR ITS CONVENIENCE. THIS RECORD MAY NOT CONSTITUTE AN ADEQUATE RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF APPEAL FROM A DECISION MADE BY THE CITY WITH RESPECT TO THE FOREGOING MATTER. ANY PERSON WHO WISHES TO ENSURE THAT AN ADEQUATE RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS IS MAINTAINED FOR APPELLATE PURPOSES IS ADVISED TO MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS AT HIS OR HER OWN EXPENSE.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF THESE PROCEEDINGS SHOULD CONTACT THE CITY ADA COORDINATOR AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AT (407) 585.1424.

CITY OF LAKE MARY, FLORIDA  
Carol A. Foster, City Clerk  
DATED: January 5, 2004  
Published: January 11, 2004  
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given by the Seminole County Port Authority of its schedule of regular Board Meetings for the calendar year 2004. Meetings shall be held at 4:00 p.m. on the following dates:

- Wednesday, January 21, 2004
Wednesday, February 18, 2004
Wednesday, March 17, 2004
Wednesday, April 14, 2004
Wednesday, May 19, 2004
Wednesday, June 16, 2004
Wednesday, July 14, 2004
Wednesday, August 18, 2004
Wednesday, September 15, 2004
Wednesday, October 20, 2004
Wednesday, November 17, 2004
Wednesday, December 15, 2004

All meetings will be held in the Board Room of the Administration Building, Port at Sanford, 1510 Kasner Place, Sanford, Seminole County, Florida.

Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in these proceedings should contact the Seminole County Port Authority 48 hours in advance of the meeting, at (407)322-4798. Persons are advised that if they decide to appeal any decision made at this meeting, they will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purposes, they may need to insure a verbatim record of the proceedings made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which an appeal is based, Section 286.0106 Florida Statutes.

Dated at Sanford, Seminole County, Florida this 2nd day of January, 2004 A.D.

SEMINOLE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY  
By: David P. Lanier, Jr., Chairman  
Attest: Robert C. Goff, Secretary  
Published: January 11, 2004  
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UNCLAIMED VEHICLE AUCTION

Removal of the described vehicles was conducted in Florida with F.B. 713.78. Notice that Harry Towing will sell said vehicles at Public Auction for Cash on January 18, 2004, at 10:00 A.M. at 102 N. Maple Ave., Sanford, FL 32771. All vehicles sold AS IS. No title guaranteed. Harry Towing reserves the right to bid on any vehicle.

Vehicles may be viewed one hour prior to sale:

- 1986 FORD 1T7DE14NDQHC28813
1984 GMC 1GD59C46EY532827
1980 DILON-TRAILER 0W43118
1984 CHEVROLET 2G1ANRH7E127981
1981 HONDA 1HGED3845M050983

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LEGALS

SEMINOLE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY PRE-QUALIFICATION OF BIDDERS

The Seminole County Port Authority will pre-qualify General Contractors interested in providing material, construction labor, equipment, and supplies in connection with the construction of projects at the Port of Sanford, Seminole County, Florida.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The work shall primarily be lumbar construction of single story, pre-engineered metal, multi-bay buildings, including clearing, excavation, grading, sodding and paving as provided for in plans and specifications to be issued by the Seminole County Port Authority. Work may also include, at the sole discretion of the Seminole County Port Authority, other construction, demolition or repair projects.

General Contractors interested in this competitive bidding opportunity must complete pre-qualification forms available at the office of the Administrator:

Seminole County Port Authority  
1510 Kasner Place, Suite 1  
Port of Sanford  
Sanford, Florida 32771  
Telephone: (407) 322-4798  
FAX: (407) 330-1712  
Attention: Dennis K. Dolner, Administrator

Pre-qualification forms must be completely filled out and returned to the office of the Administrator on or before 5:00 p.m., Thursday, February 26, 2004. Pre-qualified general contractors will receive notice of such listing and an invitation to tender their sealed bid for any work included in these projects.

Local Minority/Women Business Enterprise participation is encouraged.

Dated this 5th day of January, 2004, at Sanford, Seminole County, Florida.

By order of SEMINOLE COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY  
David P. Lanier, Jr., Chairman  
Attest: Robert C. Goff, Secretary  
Published: January 11, 2004  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 03-1984-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF EVELYN M. KAMEN, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of EVELYN M. KAMEN, deceased, File Number 03-1354-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Seminole County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Drawer C, Sanford, FL 32772-0658. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below:

All creditors of the decedent and other persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate on whom a copy of this notice has been served must file their claims with this Court WITHIN THE LATER OF 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR 30 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF SERVICE OF A COPY OF THIS NOTICE ON THEM.

All other creditors of the decedent and persons having claims or demands against the decedent's estate must file their claims with this Court WITHIN 3 MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF THE FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE.

ALL CLAIMS NOT SO FILED WILL BE FOREVER BARRED. The date of first publication of this notice is January 11, 2004.

Pauline Kamen Miller, Personal Representative, 45 Meadows Drive, Melissa, New York 12121

Ron A. Rhoades, P.A., Dawn Paulter-Elli, for the firm Florida Bar No. 081979, 2480 North China Hills Blvd., Hernando, FL 34442, Telephone: (352) 746-1008, Attorney for Petitioner. Published: January 11, 18, 2004  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 03-1985-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF EDWARD R. KAMEN, Deceased

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

The administration of the estate of EDWARD R. KAMEN, deceased, File Number 03-1365-CP, is pending in the Circuit Court for Seminole County, Florida, Probate Division, the address of which is P.O. Drawer C, Sanford, FL 32772-0658. The names and addresses of the Personal Representative and the Personal Representative's attorney are set forth below:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 03-CA-2580-14

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR IRWIN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF

VS. LORI JEAN KILLMAIER, ET AL. DEFENDANT(S)

NOTICE OF ACTION CONSTRUCTIVE SERVICE

TO: UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES, AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE ESTATE OF LORI JEAN KILLMAIER

whose residence is unknown if he/she/they be living; and if he/she/they be dead, the unknown defendants who may be spouses, heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, tenors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming an interest in, through, under or against the Defendants, who are not known to be dead or alive, and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title or interest in the property being foreclosed herein.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose a mortgage on the following property:

LOT 132, BARCLAY WOODS, FIRST ADDITION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 17, PAGE 38, PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on DAVID J. STERN, ESQ., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is 801 S. University Drive #500, Plantation, FL 33324 (no later than 30 days from the date of the first publication of this notice of action) and file the original with the clerk of this court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint or petition filed herein.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court at SEMINOLE County, Florida, this day of DEC 31, 2003.

MARYANNE MORSE, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT  
By: AAM/cock  
DEPUTY CLERK  
ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF  
801 S. UNIVERSITY DRIVE, SUITE 500  
PLANTATION, FL 33324  
03-17988

THIS NOTICE SHALL BE PUBLISHED ONCE A WEEK FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE WEEKS. PUBLISH IN THE SEMINOLE HERALD  
Published: January 11, 18, 2004  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO.: 03-CA-614-14K

U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, FKA FIRST BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION TRUST, ACTING SOLELY IN ITS CAPACITY AS TRUSTEE FOR ECCC HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 1988-1, Plaintiff,

vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF HERMAN F. HACKBARTH, DECEASED; et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: UNKNOWN HEIRS, BENEFICIARIES, DEVISEES, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHERS WHO MAY CLAIM AN INTEREST IN THE ESTATE OF HERMAN F. HACKBARTH AKA AKA NERMAN FRANK HACKBARTH

if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration, at the SEMINOLE County Courthouse at (407)865-4227, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770, via Florida Relay Service.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on SPEAR AND HOFFMAN, P.A., Attorneys, whose address is 708 South Date Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33148, (305)886-2288, within 30 days after the first publication of the notice and to file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on SPEAR AND HOFFMAN, P.A., attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on this DEC 31 2003.

MARYANNE MORSE, As Clerk of the Court  
By: AAM/cock  
As Deputy Clerk

SPEAR & HOFFMAN  
708 South Date Highway  
Coral Gables, Florida 33148  
Telephone: (305)886-2288

To Whom It May Concern: Carlos Quintero of Seminole County, Florida does not represent me in any manner regarding my property at 2318 Meltonville Ave., Sanford, Florida.

LEGAL NOTICE  
Published: January 11, 18, 2004  
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LEGALS

AKA HERMAN HACKBARTH, DECEASED (Residence Unknown)

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for Foreclosure of Mortgage on the following described property:

LOT 854, OAK FOREST, UNIT EIGHT, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 41, PAGE 91 THROUGH 94, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it, on Marshall C. Watson, P.A., Attorney for Plaintiff, whose address is 1800 NW 48TH STREET, SUITE 120, FT. LAUDERDALE, FL 33308 within thirty (30) days after the first publication of this notice in the (PLEASE PUBLISH IN THE SEMINOLE HERALD) and file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on Plaintiff's attorney or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the Court Administrator at 301 N. Park Avenue, Sanford, FL 32771, Telephone Number (407)323-4330 no later than seven (7) days prior to the proceeding (TDD) 1-800-955-8771 or Voice (V) 1-800-955-8770 via Florida Relay Service.

WITNESS my hand and the seal of this Court this day of DEC 31, 2003.

Maryanne Morse, As Clerk of the Court  
By: AAM/cock  
As Deputy Clerk

Published: (Please publish in The Seminole Herald)  
Published: January 11, 18, 2004  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHASE MANHATTAN BANK USA, N.A., successor to CHEMICAL BANK, N.A., Plaintiff,

vs. JAX INVESTMENTS, LLC, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF ACTION PLEASE PUBLISH IN "SANFORD HERALD"

TO: DENNIS R. STEPHENS and UNKNOWN SPOUSE, if married; if alive, and/or dead his (their) heirs, devisees, grantees, assignees, tenors, creditors, trustees, and all parties claiming by, through, under or against him (them).

Address unknown.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action for foreclosure of a mortgage on the following property in SEMINOLE County, Florida:

SEE ATTACHED LEGAL DESCRIPTION.

The West 225 feet of the North 1/2 of the Southeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 21 South, Range 31 East, SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, subject to an easement for ingress and egress and Public Utilities over the West 25 feet thereof. Along with right of an easement for ingress and egress and Public Utilities over the North 50 feet of the North 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 35, less the South 281.42 feet and also over the West 25 feet of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of said Section 35, less the South 281.42 feet and over the West 50 feet of the Northeast 1/4 of the Southeast 1/4 of Section 35, Township 21 South, Range 31 East, being the West 225 feet of Lot 5, NORWOOD ESTATES, an unrecorded plat.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve a copy of your written defense, if any, to it on SPEAR AND HOFFMAN, P.A., Attorneys, whose address is 708 South Date Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33148, (305)886-2288, within 30 days after the first publication of the notice and to file the original with the Clerk of this Court either before service on SPEAR AND HOFFMAN, P.A., attorneys or immediately thereafter; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint or Petition.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Court on this DEC 31 2003.

MARYANNE MORSE, As Clerk of the Court  
By: AAM/cock  
As Deputy Clerk

SPEAR & HOFFMAN  
708 South Date Highway  
Coral Gables, Florida 33148  
Telephone: (305)886-2288

if you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration, at the SEMINOLE County Courthouse at (407)865-4227, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD), or 1-800-955-8770(V), via Florida Relay Service.

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LEGALS

Signed: Christina Devine  
AKA Christina Devine  
Published: January 11, 18, 25, 2004 and February 1, 2004  
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Seminole Community College  
100 Weldon Boulevard  
Sanford, FL 32773

Notice of Board Workshop

The District Board of Trustees of Seminole Community College announces a Board Workshop in which all persons are invited.

Date and Time: Tuesday, January 27, 2004  
Board Meeting at 8:30 AM

Place: Seminole Community College  
Sanford/Lake Mary Campus  
Weldon Administration Building  
Room # 200  
100 Weldon Boulevard  
Sanford, Florida 32773

Purpose: Facilities Planning Workshop  
To discuss College building projects.

A copy of the agenda may be obtained by writing to Dr. E. Ann McCree at 100 Weldon Boulevard, Sanford, Florida 32773 or by calling Linda Covatta at 407-328-2010 and arranging for an agenda to be mailed or available for pick-up.

Pursuant to the provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this meeting is asked to advise Seminole Community College at least 48 hours before the meeting by contacting Linda Covatta at 407-328-2010. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact Seminole Community College by calling Ms. Dorothy Palston at 407-328-3108.

Persons are advised that, if they decide to appeal any decision made at this meeting, they will need a record of the proceedings and for such purposes they may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based, per Section 286.0106, Florida Statutes.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE

Sanford Towing and Recovery gives Notice of Foreclosure of Lien and Intent to sell vehicles pursuant to subsection 713.78 of the Florida Statutes that on 01/09/2004 09:00 a.m. at 2522 Country Club Rd., Sanford, FL 32771-4068. Sanford Towing and Recovery reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids.

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1986 Dodge D100 Pickup  
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1988 Mercury Topaz  
258E421Z0XK18034  
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JN1AS44D4W010648  
1985 Nissan 240EX  
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Notice of Vehicle Auction

(1) 1988 Ford Van Mar Vnt 1FMCA11U2Z23780  
(2) 1980 Ford 2Door Dry Vnt 1FAPP241LH129889  
(Auction date 3-3-04)

Auction will be held on See Above Dates  
At 3pm. At Tri-County Towing  
1184 Bala Ave Winter Spgs FL 32789  
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NOTICE

The St. Johns River Water Management District has received the application for Environmental Resource Permit(s) from the following applicant(s):

Seminole County Public Works Dept., 520 W Lake Mary Blvd., Suite 200, Sanford, FL 32773, application #40-117-91885-1. The project is located in Seminole County, Section 04, Township 21 South, Range 29 East. The ERP application is for construction of a surface water management system associated with the East Lake Branley Drive improvements.

Seminole County Public Works Dept., 520 W Lake Mary Blvd., Suite 200, Sanford, FL 32773, application #40-117-29351-5. The project is located in Seminole County, Section 18, Township 20 South, Range 30 East. The ERP application is for construction of a surface water management system associated with widening Lake Emma Road.

The file(s) containing each of the above-listed application(s) are available for inspection Monday through Friday except for legal holidays, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the St. Johns River Water Management District Headquarters or the appropriate Service Center. Written objections to the application may be made, but should be filed with (received by) the District Clerk, 4049 Reid St., Palatka, Florida 32177-0429, no later than 14 days from the date of publication. Written objections should identify the objection by name and address, and fully describe the objection to the application. Filing a written objection does not entitle you to a Chapter 120, Florida Statutes, Administrative Hearing. Only those persons whose substantial interests are affected by the application and who file a petition meeting the requirements of Sections 120.568 and 120.57, Florida Statutes, and Chapter 28-108, Florida Administrative Code, may obtain an Administrative hearing. All timely filed written objections will be presented to the Board for consideration in its deliberations on application prior to the Board taking action on the application.

Glenn Lewis, District Director, Division of Permit Data Services  
St. Johns River Water Management District  
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LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE EIGHTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA CASE NO.: 03-CA-2948-14W

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, Plaintiff,

vs. WILLIAM KING AKA W. EARL KING and LYRNE R. KING, his wife; KIMBERLEY L. KING, JOHN DOE, unknown spouse of KIMBERLEY L. KING; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; HUNTERS CHASE CONDOMINIUM LEAGUE ASSOCIATION, INC.; and UNKNOWN TENANTOWNERS, Defendants.

PLAINTIFF'S NOTICE OF ACTION

TO: KIMBERLEY L. KING  
And all parties claiming interest by, through, under or against KIMBERLEY L. KING

and all parties having or claiming to have any right, title, or interest in the property herein described: Current Residence Unknown/Last Known Address: 236 TWENTY LEAGUE CIRCLE, CASSELBERRY, FL 32707.

YOU ARE NOTIFIED that an action to foreclose mortgage on the following described property in Seminole County, Florida:

UNIT 2 BUILDING 1 HUNTER'S CHASE CONDOMINIUM, ACCORDING TO THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM RECORDED ON OCTOBER 21, 1989 IN O.R. BOOK 1781 PAGE 1878 THROUGH 1881 INCLUSIVE OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA AND ALL AMENDMENTS THERETO TOGETHER WITH THE DECLARATION OF CONDOMINIUM AND ALL UNRECORDED INTEREST IN THE COMMON ELEMENTS OF SAID CONDOMINIUM AS SET FORTH IN SAID DECLARATION.

and having a commonly known address as:

805 Northern Dancer Way, #100, Casselberry, FL 32707.

has been filed against you and you are required to serve an original of your written defense, if any, with the Seminole County Clerk of the Court within 30 days from the first date of publication, and to serve a copy on Plaintiff's Attorney, Shawn M. Venter, of the Law Firm of MASON LAW, P.A., whose address is 17757 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 800, Mangrove Bay, Clearwater, Florida 33784, within 30 days from the first date of publication; otherwise a default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Published: December 22, 2003  
MARYANNE MORSE, AS CLERK OF THE COURT  
By: AAM/cock  
As Deputy Clerk

Mason Law, P.A.  
17757 U.S. 19 North  
Mangrove Bay, Suite 800  
Clearwater, FL 33784  
(727)538-3800  
Published: January 4, 11, 2004  
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA PROBATE DIVISION FILE NO. 03-648-CP

IN RE: ESTATE OF INEZ M. DAGNER, Deceased

Notice is given that a permit modification was issued by letter on 12/19/03.

Engles Crossing Homeowners Association, Number of Permit Modified #42-117-88183-3. The project is located in Seminole County, Section 21, Township 20 S., Range 31 E. The permit modification authorizes the modification of a surface water management system Engles Crossing. The modification consists of construction of new berm. The receiving waterbody is Lake Jessup.

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## LEGALS

### ADVERTISEMENT OF SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned intends to sell the personal property described below to enforce a lien imposed on said property under the Florida Self Storage Facility Act Statute (Section 83.801-83.808).

The undersigned will sell at public sale by competitive bidding on the 28th day of January, 2004 at 3:05 pm, on the premises where said property has been stored and which are located at Arple Storage Center, 100 Arple Court, 2000 West Airport Boulevard, County of Seminole, State of Florida, the following:

Customers Name Unit/Description of Goods  
Veronica Kell, B-021 Furniture & Boxes.

Barbara Chambers, C-003 Misc. boxes & Furniture.

Joseph Elias, C-018 Stoves, Boxes, Furniture, Dryer & Bookcase.

Purchases must be paid for at the time of purchase in cash only. All purchased items sold as is, where is, and must be removed at the time of sale. Sale subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party.

This is the 31st day of December, 2003.

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## 23—LOST & FOUND

Lost: Brown & white Welsh-Corgi mix, 3 1/2 yrs old. His name is "Buddy". Lost near Tanglewood Dr. in Kithlyside Area. Buddy needs medication. Please call 407-322-8618 or 407-733-5805.

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## LEGALS

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### Notice

Always Towing 4368 Hwy 427 Sanford, FL 32773 407-321-3225 407-321-4587 FAX

Vehicle Type Vin# Auction Date

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## LEGALS

### Notice

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JAN. 24

(1) Year 1984/Male GMC VIN# 1D0G07181EVS02281

JAN. 27

(2) Year 1974/Male Chevy Motor Home VIN# R50CA33024211

JAN. 28

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## 71—HELP WANTED

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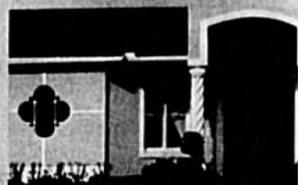
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83	Mayfair	3316	4/3/3	\$409,250	\$384,250	NOW
94	Carlisle	3666	4/3/3	\$482,028	\$457,028	NOW
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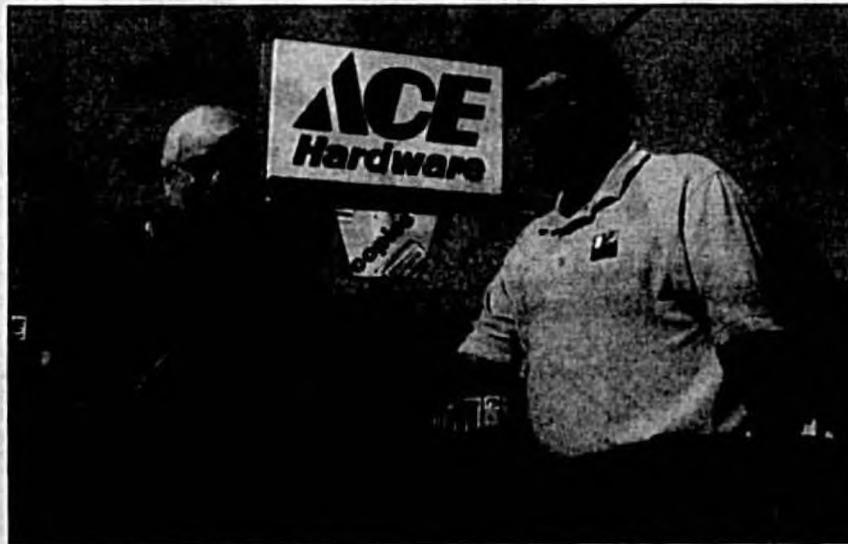
Sanford Ace Hardware Inc. celebrates 25th year

**SANFORD** — What began as a dream for Bob and Inez Parsell in 1978, has become one of the region's most successful independent hardware businesses.

The Parsells own the Ace Hardware franchise in Sanford, Longwood, Casselberry and Oviedo and just recently celebrated their 25th year in business.

"We are the largest independent neighborhood hardware company in Central Florida," Bob Parsell said. "In addition, the Sanford store has the highest sales volume of any independent neighborhood hardware facility in Central Florida."

The company's acquisition of Nelson Ace Hardware in Oviedo is the Parsells most recent expansion of their company that began in 1978 with a 2,300-square-foot facility on Park Drive in Sanford.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincenzi  
Tom Wallace of Sunniland Corporation congratulates Sanford Ace Hardware owner Bob Parsell on 25 years of business. Ace and Sunniland have had a long-term business association.

"Nelson and Company wanted to get out of the retail business and concentrate more on real estate," Parsell

said. "We're always looking for good business opportunities. We felt that with the growth of the Oviedo area,

this would be a great location. This rounds out our presence in Seminole County."

While the ownership of the store is changing, Oviedo customers won't notice any dramatic changes.

"The store has a good management team in place," Parsell said. "About the only thing we have done is add some inventory and change the pricing structure a bit. Cathy and Gary Gay manage that store and they are well established in the community."

Involvement in the community is important to Parsell. He is the past president of the Sanford/Seminole County Chamber of Commerce and served two years as the president of Sanford Main Street Inc.

"We try to get involved in all of the communities where our stores are located, especially in Sanford," Parsell said. "Sanford is very special to Inez and me. The residents of

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By Dan Ping  
Editor

SANFORD — Twenty-five years in business. That's how long Ace has been the place in Sanford and Seminole County. Owners Bob and Inez Parsell have been such an active part of the community that it's hard to imagine Sanford without them.

But in 1978, there were no assurances the Parsells would reach the 25-

year milestone.

"Our banker told us that every hardware store that had come to Sanford had gone bankrupt," Bob said. "I guess we were just to hard-headed to listen."

What does Parsell see as the reason for his success? People and products.

"We try to have the products that the people want and the employees to help them find it," Parsell said.

About 15 years ago, Parsell had to

make a decision about how to compete with the growing Wal-Mart presence.

"For years and years, most hardware stores were general stores," Parsell said. "They had a little bit of everything."

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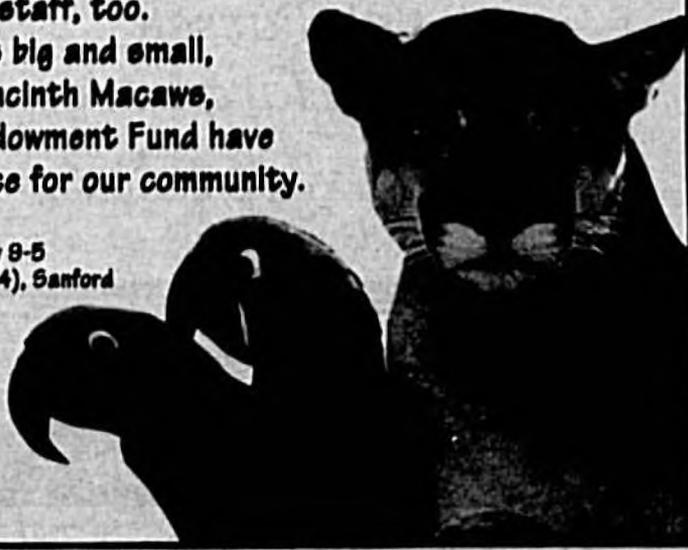
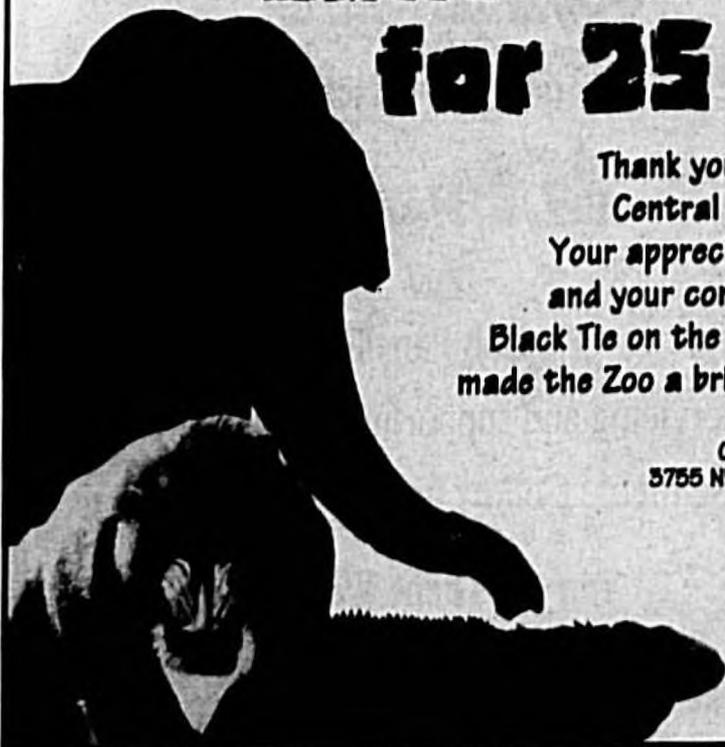
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Parsell's devotion to community is part of his company's business philosophy.

"We are committed to having the inventory people want and the people to show them how to use that

inventory," Parsell said.

That philosophy has allowed Parsell's Ace Hardware stores not only to compete but thrive against the "big box" national hardware chains.

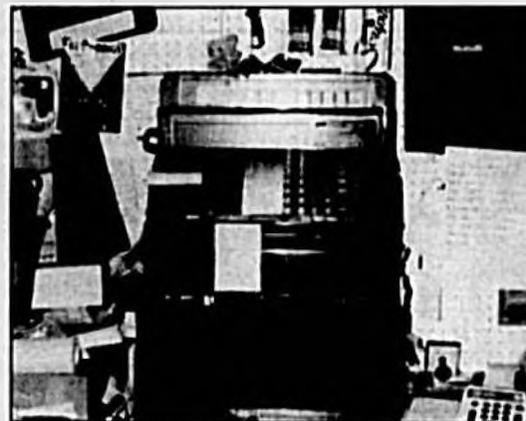
"We've never looked at them as a threat," Parsell said. "In fact, our business has grown right along with them.

"Our basic business — our bread and butter, so to speak — is repair and maintenance for local home

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Above: The first Sanford Ace Hardware store was located on Park Drive, just around the corner from the store's present location. Left: The first sales were rung up on this "old school" cash register.



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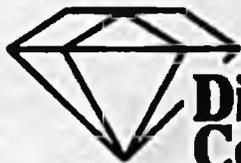
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owners," Parsell added. "You've got a lot invested in your home, so you want to take care of it. We can help you do that. We have the inventory you need, and we have a high level of customer service. If you've got questions about how to do a home repair job, our employees have the experience and knowledge to help you get the job done right."

Parsell notes that his employees are a big reason for Ace's success, and he recently reorganized the duties of the company's officers and stockholders.

Parsell is the CEO of the company and he has named John Pezold as the company's president. Pezold is a hometown Sanford boy who has worked for Parsell for 20 years.

"John started working for us when he was 22 years old," Parsell said. "He was born and reared in Sanford. In fact, his first real job was with Dot

Powell at Powell's Office Supply."

Inez Parsell is the secretary/treasurer and Greg Parsell is the vice president of operations.

Ben Kelly, who has 16 years of service at Ace, is the vice president of Longwood operations.

"Ben has been a valuable employee for many years," Parsell said. "He started as a minimum wage clerk. Come to think of it, we all started at minimum wage as we began to grow the business."

Sanford Ace Hardware Inc. began in 1978 in the 2500 block of Park Avenue in Sanford (where the laundry is now located).

In 1981, the company opened a 2,800-square-foot facility in Longwood on State Road 427, and eventually built a 5,000-square-foot facility on State Road 434 in 1985.

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involving a woman's purse. Casselberry police said the other robbery occurred shortly after noon Sunday at the Bank of America, at Live Oak and U.S. Highway 17-92. This involved a customer at the bank's ATM machine. Casselberry Police Lt. Scott Pleasants said the victim had just withdrawn money from the machine and returned to his vehicle, when a man approached him with a handgun, and demanded all of his cash. The amount was not made known.

Pleasant said the robber was described as a black male, age 20 to 25, clean shaven, and wearing a white hat and white shirt. His face was not covered. Police said the vehicle and perpetrator description in both instances matched, giving them reason to believe the cases may be related.

In addition to Altamonte Springs and Casselberry police, Seminole County Sheriff's deputies from District six assisted in the investigation. No arrests have been made in connection with the cases, but the investigation is continuing.

### Seminole Smile



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Authors of "Bookertown, a Journey to the Past," Charlie Carlson II and Charlie Morgan, are now coordinating their efforts for a festival that will celebrate the community's history.

### Book inspires author to begin heritage festival

By Christopher Patton  
Managing Editor

A book is a powerful medium that can move the masses. In the case of Bookertown, a small community west of Sanford, a historical account authored by Charlie Carlson II and Charlie Morgan is providing a reason to celebrate the early black farming settlement.

In less than a year, the "Charlies" have sold hundreds of copies of "Bookertown, A Journey to the Past." The 38-page book relives the history of the "quaint Afro-American community that sits like an

island surrounded by a fast changing landscape of modern development."

With the success of the book and the encouragement of the community, Morgan is taking the success of the book one step further by coordinating a Bookertown Heritage Festival for Saturday, Feb. 28.

"We are just going to get out there to have a good time and celebrate the history. That's the focus of it," Morgan said.

From the beginning, Bookertown started as a railroad settlement in the 1880s and then developed into the black neighborhood of the old town of Lake Monroe.

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### Iraqi Diary: Leaving on Valentine's

Editor's note: Staff Sgt. Charlie C. Carlson III, son of Sanford historian Charlie C. Carlson II, is deployed in Baghdad as part of the 549th Military Police Company. He is providing the Herald with a journal of his experiences.



Carlson

don't know who our replacement company will be, but I feel sorry for them and wish them luck. They will have it a little easier than us because there was nothing here when we arrived. We had to build everything from the ground up while engaging in

7 Jan. 2004 Good news, those conex shipping containers that were delivered here are for us to load our things in for redeployment. We have been working around the clock doing inventories and throwing out excess stuff, doing maintenance on equipment and all. Plus we are still doing patrols in East Baghdad.

We are not leaving anytime soon but preparing to depart when the time comes so our replacement unit can come in and take over. I

urban warfare. Rumor has it that we will leave Baghdad on, or about, 14 February and will move down to Kuwait to get ready for our redeployment. That means we'll be in Kuwait for at least two weeks, which according to my estimate, will put us back in the states in early March. It looks like we will take everything with us except for our vehicles. Those will be turned over to the incoming unit. We still have a lot of equipment to get ready, like communica-

tions equipment and all our weapons. In the meantime, we still patrol the neighborhoods, check on police stations, and pull duty in the towers around Camp Marlboro.

There was a big mortar attack here early this morning that wounded more than 30 soldiers at the 3rd Support Command. It's a logistical and supply base on the west side of Baghdad. It appears this was one of the biggest mortar attacks in the Baghdad area. They said that between six and 10 mortar rounds hit the base. All of these soldiers were support troops. We were not involved because it was on the other side of Baghdad from our area of operation. Baghdad is so large that a battle can occur in one part and troops in another part of the city will never know it happened. So everything you hear about Baghdad

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Express) is coming to Sanford," said Larry Dale, president of the Sanford Airport Authority. "They have a good operation and will be a great addition to the airport."

Beginning April 23, Vacation Express will use the Orlando Sanford International Airport (SFB) as its hub, linking seven of its major gateway cities to Aruba, Cancun (gateway to Cozumel and the Riviera Maya), Costa Rica, and Puerto Plata and Punta Cana in the Dominican



Dale

Republic. Vacation Express will continue to feature Jamaica in its product line with value-priced packages aboard Air Jamaica from most U.S. cities. The company will also expand its charter service to Costa Rica with three flights per week from Feb. 13 to Aug. 16.

The move to Sanford is actually a return for the Atlanta-based Vacation Express. The

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### Revitalization of the city of Lake Mary's downtown is starting

By Christopher Patton  
Managing Editor

LAKE MARY — It took less than three months for the revitalization of Lake Mary's downtown to begin.

City commissioners approved Thursday the rezoning of a half-acre parcel at the corner of Country Club Road and Lakeview Avenue from general commercial to downtown center. City leaders created the new downtown zoning district in October to encourage growth in the town's center. Shoemaker Construction is the first to request for the downtown center rezoning as it proposes to build a two-story, 11,000 square-foot building in the core of Lake Mary's downtown that encompasses about 60 acres. The property was previously developed with a small residential structure that was converted for commercial purposes. The structure

will be demolished to make way for the new building.

"This is an exciting project," Mayor Thom Greene said. "This is kind of going to be the show place for everybody else that is going to build in the downtown. We expect with (Shoemaker Construction) starting this building for others to start, and it's going to jump start the whole project."

Along with retail and residential areas that include upscale townhouses and condominiums, city planners have proposed various amenities for the downtown district such as a band shell near the city's community building, numerous parks and green areas, and a large interactive fountain for children. Greene said Lake Mary's downtown is headed for a "big change" that he expects will happen rather quickly.

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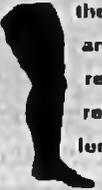
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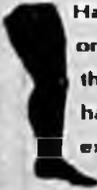
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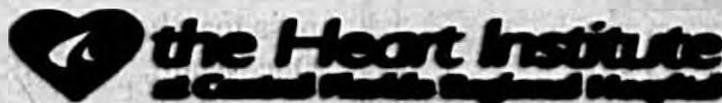
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The Sanford operations moved to 25th Street in 1983. That building now serves as the company's warehouse facility. In 1991, the Sanford operations were expanded with the construction of the store's current facility.

In 1993, Parsell purchased the Ace Hardware store in Casselberry when the owner retired.

The purchase of Nelson Ace Hardware in Oviedo was completed

in August 2001.

The company employs more than 50 people at its four locations and operates more than 40,000 square feet of retail space.

"We're just a living example of the American Dream," Parsell said. "We borrowed some money to get started and went into business with a dream. It's been everything we've hoped for."

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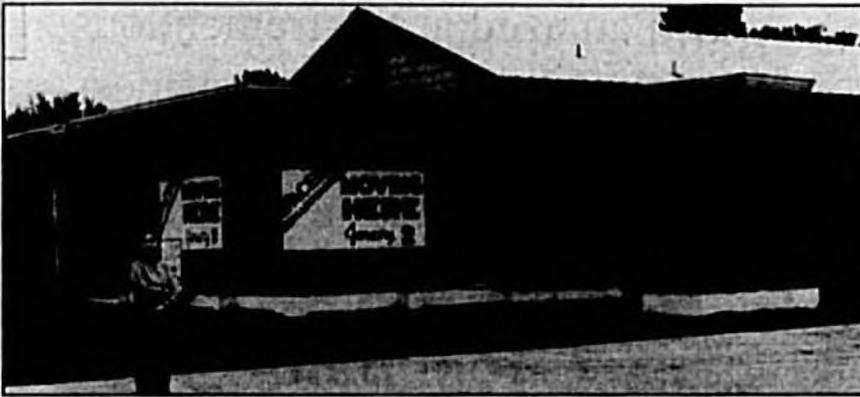
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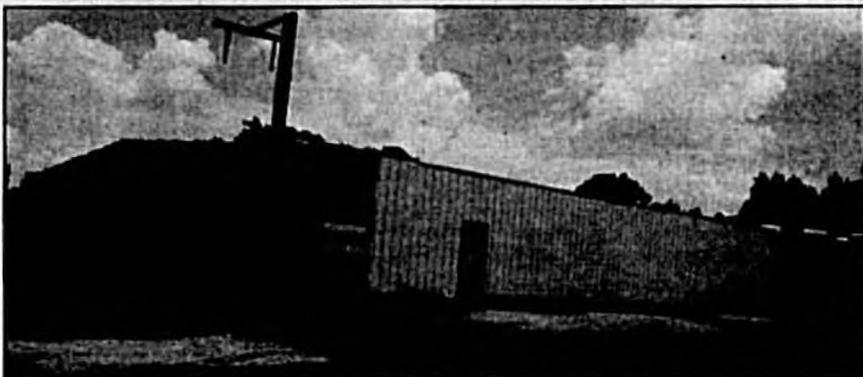
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**Above:** Inez Parsell stands in front of the original building (still being used for storing materials) on the site of the current site of Sanford Ace Hardware.  
**Below:** The walls go up on the current Ace Hardware building on 25th Street.



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"People would tell us, 'I've been all over town trying to find this part and you guys have it,'" Parsell said. "Now

they come here first."

Parsell said his stores have also added niche products like pet supplies and marine items that have helped him attract new customers.

In the end, Parsell said the people in the community are the biggest reason for his success.

"The people have been wonderful and have treated us very, very well over the years," Parsell said. "There is a real sense of community here in Sanford, and that's one of the main reasons we love it here so much."

"I'm amazed at the tremendous level of service Bob's business offers its customers. The only thing more amazing is the level of service Bob gives back to the community."

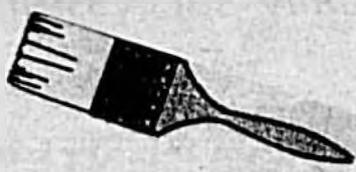
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