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**Who is that masked person?**

Lake Mary pitcher Andrea Wain hurled a two-hit shutout Thursday evening as the Rams defeated host Seminole, 4-0. Wain was hit in the cheek with a ground ball early in her career and wears the mask to avoid further injury. See Sports, Page 9.

**WHERE IN THE WORLD?**  
*Is he in Seminole or is he aboard the USS Kitty Hawk stationed in the Persian Gulf?*

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**Backdoor bash**

In the earliest days of humankind, families gathered outside their caves to cook the day's catch over an open flame. See Page 8B

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# Signs sinking profits for businesses

By Jamie J. Anderson-Potter  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — Local businesspeople along State Road 46 in Sanford say incorrect and missing directional road signs on Interstate-4 are devastating profits and frustrating tourists.

According to Paul Temple, general manager of Comfort Inn & Suites, would-be patrons traveling east and west bound on I-4 are unaware of the businesses on State Road 46 because of the lack of signage.

"We're being put at a competitive disadvantage," said Temple, a member of the Sanford Chamber of Commerce Board of

## Missing and incorrect road signage causing frustration in Sanford

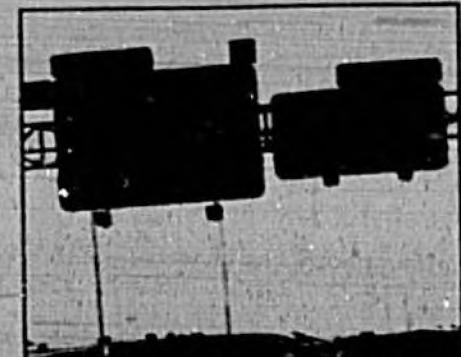
DeLoops. "It's not something that we're hypothesizing about; this is really hurting our business."

While traveling westbound on I-4, the only directional signs at the State Road 46 exit are for gas stations. However, while traveling eastbound on I-4 there are no signs to direct people to exit for restaurants, hotels or gas stations.

The problem is compounded when people traveling eastbound take Exit 101 toward

Sanford, which is a total of two miles. The only directional signs located on the exit read as if State Road 46 only takes drivers to Mount Dora, the home of the Sanford Historic District.

"It's a sad day in Sanford when traffic to the Sanford Historic District is directed toward Mount Dora," said Todd W. Meyers, managing partner of Hops Restaurant,



Directional road signs on I-4 are devastating profits and frustrating tourists.

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## Commission to decide county's Tag Day future

By Jamie J. Anderson-Potter  
Staff Writer

**SANFORD** — During Tuesday's Seminole County Board of County Commission meeting, officials will vote on whether to allow Seminole County Animal Services to proceed with Tag Day.

Tag Day is a national public awareness campaign developed by the American Humane Association to educate pet owners about the benefits of tagging their companion animals. If approved, this will be the first year Seminole County Animal Services has participated.

"We are trying to get people to put tags on their animals so that if we pick them up we can find their owner," said Mike Wittner, manager of Seminole County Animal Services. "We don't keep records on how many come in with tags, but I can tell you it's a very small percentage. And, cats are worse than dogs."

"Because of this, we are able to return relatively few of the animals to their owners," he added. "Our staff was looking to come up with a promotion to help build awareness and this is what we decided on."

If approved, Seminole County Animal Services will provide free pet licenses from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. May 3, with rabies vaccinations available from noon until 4 p.m. The free services will be open to all Seminole County residents and could save pet owners \$6-\$11 for licenses and \$10-\$12 for rabies vaccinations.

During Tag Day, Animal Services, located at 222 Bush Blvd. in Sanford, will enlist volunteers to help with the activities. The veterinarian under contract with the county will administer the rabies vaccinations.

This is a cause that our staff got together and thought about and feels very strongly about," Wittner said.

Pet owners must bring proof of Seminole County residency, including driver's license or a recent bill, to receive the free services.

Local vendors will also be on hand to discuss microchip implants, a permanent identification system implanted under the animal's skin that can be read by a scanner.

"If we get it approved this year, we may do it yearly," said Wittner. "It helps the community."

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## Hide & seek



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent



**S**t. Peters Episcopal Church of Lake Mary hosted an Easter egg hunt for children Thursday. The weather was perfect for the Easter Bunny's visit to the church. Pictured at top, Andrew Dellarco, right, and Connor Heffernan find Easter eggs in the shrubbery at their church. Above, about a dozen children search for colorful eggs, with help from their parents. At right, Alison Brigan and Gabriele Donahue put eggs in the Easter Bunny's basket.

## Business produces mirrors for missiles

By Chris Bernhardt  
Herald Intern

**SANFORD** — In so many ways, Al Stimac represents the true essence of the America way of life — the very thing so many American men and women are currently fighting for in the Middle East.

Born in Croatia, as an 11-year-old, he had to stay behind in the former communist state of Yugoslavia while his mother escaped to the United States looking for opportunities. Not until reaching the age of 16 did he arrive here himself — but he quickly became a citizen and has enjoyed the fruits of that decision ever since.

"I came from the alternative way it was living in a communist country," Stimac said. "You tend to appreciate what you have a whole lot more."

Now 50, Stimac serves as president of Metal Essence, Inc. The Sanford-based manufacturing company that he started in 1986 specializes in high-quality close tolerance machining for the electronic, automotive, telecommunications, medical and aerospace industries.

Add the defense industry to that list, as well. In addition to its other operations, Metal Essence Inc. produces primary and secondary mirrors used in the guidance systems of Javelin missiles. These man-portable anti-tank weapons are currently getting deployed in the war with Iraq.

According to Stimac, Metal Essence is the sole provider of these all-important pieces of equipment. Such a major opportunity for this local company came somewhat by luck, as a director at a manufacturer networking event informed someone from the defense department of the company's capabilities to produce the mirrors. From there, Stimac said they basically just showed up at his door.

"We went through almost a year of qualifications," Stimac said. "It's a pretty extensive process. They want to make sure you have the capabilities."

The company proved worthy of the task, and Stimac said it now produces about 400 to 500 per month. He also said his company uses tight process controls and

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## Society buries piece of Seminole history

By Michelle Jerla  
Managing Editor

**SANFORD** — One hundred years from now, a time capsule buried in Seminole County will be unearthed. When it is opened and the contents are taken out, people will discover 21st Century junk mail.

"It may be junk mail to us now but in one hundred years, even junk mail will be valuable," local historian Charlie Carlson said.

"Everything inside the capsule will be valuable to some extent. It

will be a part of history."

The junk mail's journey into history began a few years ago when members of the Seminole County Historical Society decided to create and bury a time capsule to mark the new millennium. The group chose various items representing the year 2000, including advertisements, post cards and newspapers, and placed them in air- and water-tight bags so they won't be damaged during their 100-year duration in the container.

The capsule is jammed packed with stuff," said Carlson, who is a

member of the society. "We also asked community members to write future-grams, which we put inside the time capsule. In a way, it's our way of reaching out to the future and shaking hands with people who have not been born yet."

Knowing the statistics of found — or rather not found — time capsules, the society decided to wait until expansion and renovation was complete at the Museum of Seminole County History before

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Seminole County Historical Society members, from left, Maggie Ingraham, Mary Bestine, Linda Batman, Ceci Tucker (holding the capsule), Karen Jacobs, John Bestine and Lorraine Whiting bury a time capsule.

Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

# SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

**A crying shame:** When I was going to school in Tuscaloosa, my barber used to regale me with stories about Paul "Bear" Bryant. Don had cut Coach Bryant's hair and was the unofficial historian for Alabama football.

One year the Crimson Tide opened the season against some weak sister team from Texas. As Don bid it, the points were piling up fast. Joe Namath was the quarterback of that team and after yet another touchdown, Joe Willie did a little shuffle in the end zone. Nothing fancy, mind you, and time by today's standards, but the coach was furious. As Namath jogged toward the bench, Bryant grabbed him by the arm.

"What kind of horse manure was that?" Bryant boomed in his bass bottom voice. "If I ever let you score another touchdown, act like you've done it before and just hand the damn football to the referee. Show some class."

The lecture did the trick, at least until Namath signed on with the Jets and became Broadway Joe.

Why am I recalling this story in the heart of Gable/Noel Nation? Seems some of our Sanford residents could learn a lesson from the man in the houndstooth hat. They're showing their tannies rather than their class.

Case in point is the Battle of the Mud Mullet Wrappers in

downtown. First came Street Talk, a tart little newsletter that bent the truth about the city's plans to renovate First Street. Then came Cry 'N Times, a report to Street Talk that flippantly castigated those who hold opposing views. Neither is what I would call Sanford Proud, though both are carrying on the long Sanford tradition of slinging manure at those they oppose until the whole place smells like crap.

As a man who makes his living in the newspaper business, I value freedom of speech. I know it sounds hypocritical for me to rebuke these street sheets, especially since I also write a sassy column that at times crosses the line. Lord knows I've shown my fanny a time or two and when I have, folks know where to find me because I put my name and my picture on this column. The publishers of these newsletters might have their views taken a little more seriously if they did the same.

They'd also do well to admit each has some valid points. I'm in favor of quickly moving forward with renovating 1st Street because I believe it will benefit downtown. That's not to say I don't share some of the merchants' views about disruption during reconstruction. The city's track record when it comes to pre-planning major projects is spotty at best (see below).

I'm not, however, going to boycott Willow Tree restaurant, as some have suggested, just because I disagree with some of the owner's views (though my doctor suggests boycotting the double ham and cheese sandwich, but that's another matter). Boycotts aren't going to make downtown successful. Neither are smart-alecky newsletters that try to malign those who disagree.

Jay's way. The referendum to adopt a strong mayor form of government may have failed, but Brady Leonard needs to step up and provide leadership when it comes to renovations on 1st Street. Specifically, Leonard and the city commission need to ride herd over the engineering and planning department led by Jay Mander.

I like Jay a lot, but in recent months he's been missing in action. Three recent examples include:

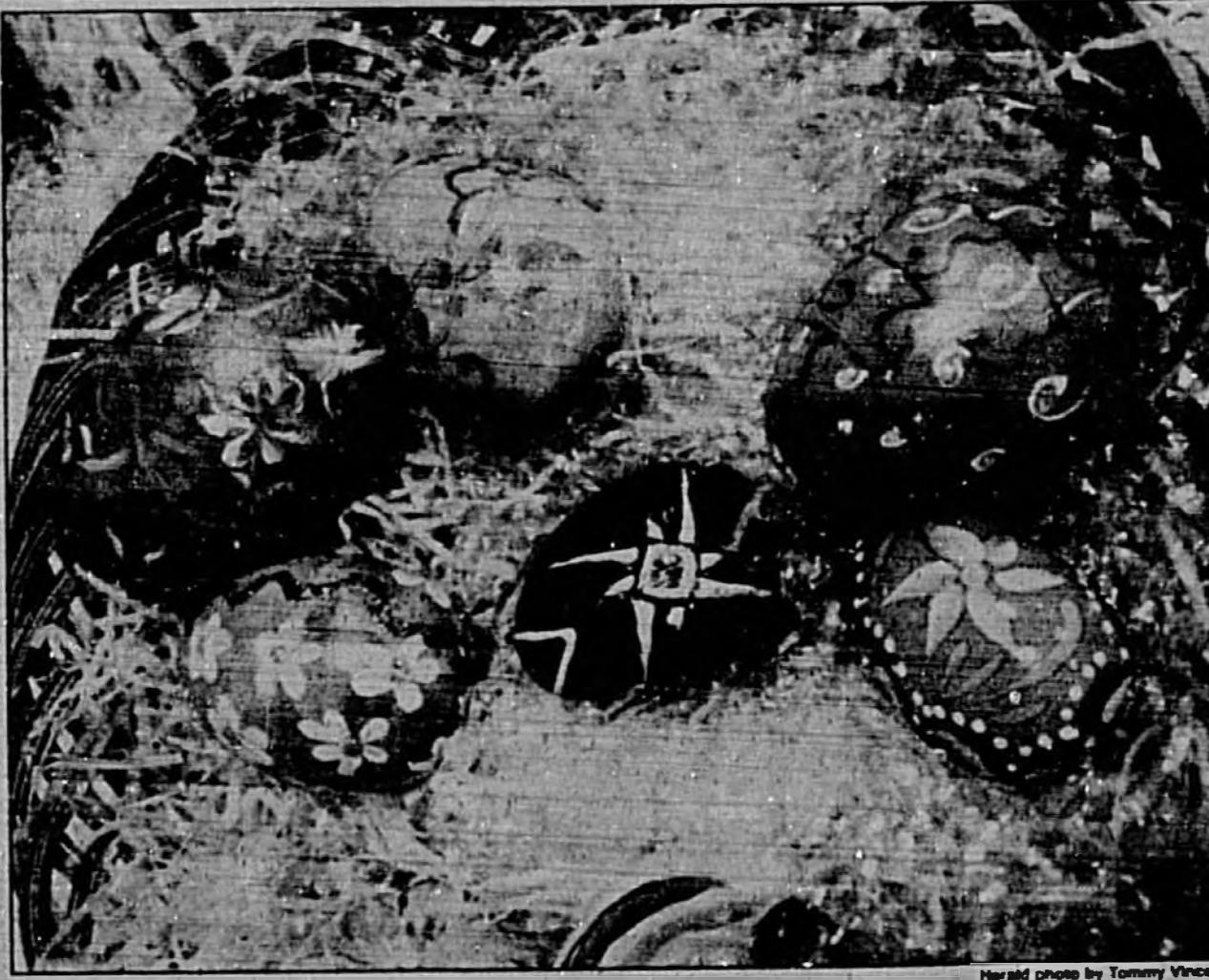
\* The commission postponed a decision for 90 days on a housing development off of South Sanford Avenue so that Mander's department could study stormwater drainage in that sector of the city. When the matter was brought back before the commission, Mander had nothing substantive to report and seemed bewildered that commissioners expected a more detailed analysis.

\* Commissioners placed a nine month moratorium on apartment developments because they wanted stiffer requirements like larger buffers and better landscaping for new complexes. The commission extended the moratorium last week. Mander recommended lifting it despite the fact that his department has not presented the new requirements to the commission.

\* The western portion of Seminole Boulevard was closed for the Riverview construction, including a small section that allowed post office customers to exit the parking lot. Instead of keeping that section open for two weeks until the post office moved to its new location, Mander's department closed it. Customers trying to exit the post office had to make a u-turn in the postage-stamp sized parking lot and drive the wrong way in a one-way lot. The exit was eventually reopened, but most customers didn't use it because the asphalt had been removed and required driving through some rather large cracks. When asked if the exit closure was an oversight, Mander said, "It wasn't an oversight. We just didn't think about it."

And you wonder why the merchants are worried the city will drop the ball during reconstruction of 1st Street.

## 'Eggs'ellent Fx



These hand painted Easter eggs sparkle and shine as they nestle in an Easter basket during the recent Spring Fling fashion show at the Seminole County Agricultural Center. This photo proves that putting all your eggs in one basket is a beautiful thing.

### Battery

\* Faramarz R. Khoshnau, 53, Markham Woods Road, Lake Mary, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Monday at his home. He was charged with battery (domestic violence) and obstructing justice (intimidating victim).

\* James Earl Williams, 28, Cool-Brock Court, Oviedo, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Monday at James Drive in Oviedo. He was charged with battery (domestic violence).

\* Valerie Grid Santiago, 44, East Altamonte Drive, Altamonte Springs, was arrested by Altamonte Springs police Tuesday at her home. She was charged with battery (domestic violence).

\* Tony J. Gains, 36, Chase Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Wednesday at the intersection of 14th Street and Main Street in Sanford. He was charged with driving with a suspended license. According to the police report, this was his first such offense.

\* Timothy Frank Norris, 47, Breakwater Drive, Altamonte Springs, was stopped by Altamonte Springs police Wednesday at the intersection of Magnolia Avenue and Brentwood Avenue in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with driving with a suspended license (knowingly).

\* John Robert Janak, 42, GreenTree Court, Lake Mary, was stopped by Sanford police Thursday at the intersection of West Lake Mary Boulevard and Live Oak Boulevard in Sanford. He was charged with DUI. According to the police report, this was his first such offense.

\* James Antonio Rojas, 22, Lombardy Road, Winter Springs, was stopped by Sanford police Wednesday at the intersection of Florida Avenue and Georgia Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle without a valid license.

\* David Michael Bradley, 28, Alpug Avenue, Oviedo, was stopped by Oviedo police Thursday on Alafaya Woods Boulevard. He was charged with DUI.

\* Michael Raymond Walsh, 35, Deersong Drive, Winter Springs, was stopped by Winter Springs police Thursday at the intersection of State Road 434 and North Moss Road. He was charged with DUI.

\* Christopher Ralph Harrington,

### Police Blotter

24, Rolling Green Drive, Apopka, was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Wednesday at the intersection of Ronald Reagan Boulevard and East State Road 436 in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with driving with a suspended license. According to the police report, this was his first such offense.

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\* Christopher Ralph Harrington,

was arrested by Altamonte Springs police Wednesday at a grocery store on South State Road 434 in Altamonte Springs. She was charged with retail theft.

\* Lori Jo Brown, 31, 4th Street, Bithlo, was arrested by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Wednesday at Eagle Pass Road in Oviedo. She was charged with burglary of a dwelling (unarmed, no assault or battery) and criminal mischief (damaging property valued at \$200 or less).

### Drugs

\* Jason Leon Marshall, 30, Plymouth Avenue, Altamonte Springs, was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Thursday near the intersection of Magnolia Street and Ronald Reagan Boulevard in Altamonte Springs. He was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to sell and selling cocaine.

### Multiple

\* Carmen D. Shekell, 36, North Saint Lucie Drive, Winter Springs, was stopped by Oviedo police Thursday at the intersection of Red Bug Lake Road and 417. She was charged with DUI, possession of over 20 grams of cannabis and possession of drug paraphernalia.

\* Charles Bradford Heinz, 31, Patonia Terrace, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Thursday at the intersection of West 3rd Street and Pecan Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with possession of a controlled substance without prescription (cocaine) and having an open container of alcohol while driving.

\* Cork Murice Scott, 18, Beardall Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by Seminole County sheriff's deputies Thursday at the intersection of Celery Avenue and Lotust Avenue in Sanford. He was charged with resisting an officer without violence, battery (touching or striking a law enforcement officer), obstructing police (depriving means of protection), criminal mischief (damaging property valued \$200 or under), possession of less than 20 grams of cannabis and counterfeiting cocaine.

## OUT & ABOUT

SAT 19

**The Florida Trail Association (FTA)** will feature a 4-mile hike at 8 a.m. today in Brickyard Slough, from the Water Management Area to the St. Johns River on a loop trail. Bring water, snacks and sunscreen. Meet at 8 a.m. at Oviedo Mall in front of Target.

**The Sanford Recreation Department** will hold its annual **Easter Eggstravaganza** at 9:30 a.m. today at Lee D. Moore Park, located on Sweet Bay Drive in the Hidden Lake subdivision. Children age 12 and under can hunt for more than 3,000 eggs. Prizes will be given to participants who find the "golden" eggs. Come and enjoy face painting and a moonwalk. Bring your Easter baskets. For more information, please call 407-350-5697.

**Mount Dora's Earth Day Fair** will be held 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. today at Main Street Festival Park, located at the corner of Fifth and McDonald streets, in downtown Mount Dora. For more information, please call 352-735-0334.

The city of Longwood is holding its monthly **bluegrass pick-in** 6 to 10 p.m. today at the Longwood Community Building, located at 200 W. Warren Ave. Bring a lawn chair and enjoy the music, bring strings and join in. Refreshments will be available, but no alcoholic beverages are allowed. For more information, call 407-260-3447.

The city of Altamonte Springs T.O.P.S. team will present the 2003 **Battle of the Bands** noon to 8 p.m. today at Cranes Roost Park in Altamonte Springs. The winner will receive a one-day recording session at Greg Rike Productions. All genres welcome. Fifty percent of each band must be high school students and present a valid school ID card. For more information or to receive a participant package, contact Jason Marsick at 407-571-8781.

MON 21

The 2003 **Torch Run for Special Olympics** will be held Monday in Seminole County. The course will be U.S. Highway 17-92 from the Orange/Seminole county line north to the rear of Sanford City Hall. The run will begin shortly after 9 a.m. The purpose of the Torch Run is to raise money and awareness for Special Olympians. Torch Run T-shirts and hats will also be on sale during the event. For more information, call 407-665-6670.

MON 21

The Over 50 Club of Sanford will meet at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday at the Sanford Senior Center, located directly behind the Sanford Chamber of Commerce in downtown Sanford. Chuck Miceli, program manager with Gentiva Health Services, a certified home health agency, will speak. Coffee and cookies will be served.

For more information, call 407-322-2464.

Dan Ping  
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# OPINION

## How soon we forget

On this, Easter weekend, I want to touch on a religious atmosphere. A very excellent sermon I heard in church last Sunday got me thinking about how soon people forget things.

On Palm Sunday, Christians observe the triumphant entry of Jesus to Jerusalem. People cheered, put palm fronds and robes on the path to give his honor. Yet, it is undoubtedly many of these same people who were at the cross a week later, yelling, "Crucify Him." How soon they forgot.

Not defending them, but pointing out that forgetting something soon after it is over is probably a norm in this human world.

(Change of subject). Those who have been in the Sanford area for a number of years may (if one sets one's mind to it) recall what transportation around here was like, before Interstate 4 was finally opened. Before French Avenue became Highway 17-92, and many other changes including the time before Seminole Towne Center Mall was opened. We accept these now, forgetting the trials and tribulations we went through during construction.

Soon, we will have a new lakefront area. Within a week, we will probably forget the inconvenience of having to drive around the lakefront. The minister I heard last Sunday was right on target.

(Back to the subject) This Sunday, Christians will be observing and celebrating new life, a new hope - the Resurrection. By the time all of those hard-boiled eggs are gone, the stuffed bunny rabbits are put away, the other Easter decorations have disappeared, will we just go one with our lives and not even think of what this Sunday's observance was about?

For years, ministers have often referred to some people in the congregation as "PEC" Christians - that is, those who only attend church only on Palm Sunday, Easter and Christmas. Perhaps with this Sunday's revelation of a new awakening, we should consider attending the church of our choice more often - if not a member - perhaps joining. Certainly our ministers will not fail to keep reminding you of what event took place in Jerusalem approximately 1,970 years ago.

If you read this before Sunday morning - be prepared. Read Matthew, Chapter 28, Mark, Chapter 16, Luke 24, or John 20.

Then when someone says, "How soon we forget," for this observance at least we can say, "Not Me!"



## Here we go again: Manifest Destiny Part II

Here is one European analysis of what the world is seeing now and will for long time:

"Europeans may wish to believe that a small coterie of 'neconservative' maniacs has hijacked United States policy. They may assume that the natural order of things as they perceive it will sooner or later triumph. But such expectations are delusional. Those who find militant Islam terrifying have clearly never seen a militant democracy."

The author of those thoughts, published in *The Financial Times* last Tuesday, is a professor of international history at the London School of Economics, MacGregor Knox. He is not anti-American or a pacifist. In fact, he served in the first American combat unit to land in Vietnam, the 173rd Airborne Brigade, the same unit that jumped into northern Iraq on March 26.

The article he wrote is essentially a short history of the American way of war: "Destruction of the enemy state and 'reconstruction' of its society."

First discussing the American wars against the British Empire and Mexico to gain control of North America, Knox then states that the formative American conflict was the Civil War. Now, he sees the United States engaged in a global civil war.

"The warriors of militant Islam ... in killing more Americans — almost all of them civilians — than died at Pearl Harbor, have unleashed American total war," Knox writes. "Indeed, it is hard to imagine a provocation more likely than Sept. 11, 2001, to achieve the precise opposite of its authors' goal — universal jihad leading to Islamist world domination."

And, Knox adds, they picked on the wrong guy: "The U.S. president, despite a sometimes sketchy command of English grammar, has proved remarkably undeterred by objective obstacles, conventional wisdom and diplomatic taboo. George W. Bush has not shrunk from

demanding the unconditional surrender of the Taliban and Ba'ath Party dictators. And he appears intent on improving the international deportment of a number of other regimes, or overthrowing them altogether."

This is not new, of course. Americans, like Muslims, see war not as diplomacy by other means, but as a kind of religious crusade. Dwight Eisenhower's memoir of his World War II years was aptly titled "Crusade in Europe." And in the wars of and threats of wars in the 1840s, the United States found its way west by waving the banner of "manifest destiny," a phrase coined by a Brooklyn newspaper editor named John O'Sullivan, who, in 1839, wrote:

"Away, away with all these cobweb tissues of rights of discovery, exploration, settlement, contiguity, etc. ... The American claim is by the right of our manifest destiny to spread and possess the whole of the continent to which Providence has given us for the development of the great experiment of liberty and federative self-government entrusted to us. It is a right such as

that of the tree to the space of air and earth suitable for the full expansion of its principle and destiny of growth."

The line was picked by another unlikely president, James K. Polk, who was not about to be deprived of Texas, part of Mexico, and Oregon, a British settlement, by cobweb tissues. The rest is history.

And that history may be repeating itself, not on a continental scale this time, but on a global scale. Or, as O'Sullivan put it:

"Our national birth was the beginning of a new history, the formation and progress of an untried political system, which separates us from the past and connects us with the future only. ... America is destined for better deeds. We are the nation of human progress, and who will, what can, set limits on our onward march? Providence is with us, and no earthly power can. ... All this will be our future history, to establish on Earth the moral dignity and salvation of man — the immutable truth and beneficence of God."

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## Acknowledge college athletes as the professionals they are

The Nebraska Legislature has half a good idea. Backed by Gov. Mike Johanns, the Legislature is considering a bill to offer stipends to athletes at the University of Nebraska, the state's largest public college. "The stipend is honest. It's aboveboard," Johanns said.

Indeed, it is far better than the shenanigans that keep cropping up — secret payments to players, made-up classes with fake attendance rolls, various grade scams. No matter how many times the NCAA launches a reform effort, universities keep getting caught in athletic scandals.

Doesn't that suggest that reform in collegiate athletics has failed? Isn't it time to consider a more radical approach to cleaning up the corruption on campus?

The University of Georgia is the latest case of a university that finds itself under NCAA scrutiny following allegations of academic fraud and illegal payments in its men's basketball program. In a brutal sea-

son for college athletics, UGA was the fourth college to announce a premature end to its basketball season. UGA President Michael Adams went so far as to take the Bulldogs out of the Southeastern Conference tournament.

Ironically, Adams has a reputation as a collegiate athletics reformer — just another indication that the rules governing college sports cannot be refined enough to work. The rules need to be upended.

Giving players stipends is a start, but it only gets at one of the flimsy fictions upon which collegiate athletics is built: Players are amateurs participating for the love of the sport.

There is another transparent lie that needs to be confronted: Players come to college to earn academic degrees. While that may be true of a few football and basketball powerhouses, it is patently untrue of most.

So the reform proposed by the Nebraska Legislature is a bold first step but would need to be joined

with a major overhaul: divorcing collegiate athletics from academic programs. Ultimately, the only system that makes sense would acknowledge college athletes as the professionals they are. Pay them handsomely, and stop calling them students.

Oh, it may take a while — 10 to 20 years — to end the hypocrisy. Fans of collegiate athletics are wedded to its traditions, corrupt though they may be. Even when the duplicity of college sports is laid out for all to see, many alumni cling to their illusions.

As just one example, the most vituperative critics of affirmative action in college admissions would brook no consideration for a talented black student who scores one or two points below the school's official cut-off on the SAT. But those same critics have no problem with their alma mater's admitting a talented black football player who can barely write his own name.

Still, the push for cleaning up collegiate athletics may be helped by an unrelated trend: the desire of pushy baby boomer parents to have their children attend presti-

gious colleges and universities. At colleges such as UGA, where academic prestige is rising and admissions policies are growing more selective, more and more parents will be annoyed by policies that allow prized class seats to be taken by athletes who can't be bothered to show up for class day.

Sooner or later, those parents will start to push universities to separate their athletics departments from their academic programs.

When they do, colleges will merely acknowledge what is already clear: College athletes are prized university employees who attract money and alumni support. They ought to be paid accordingly.

If a few should happen to want to get a college degree along the way, they should be encouraged to do so. But nobody ought to be surprised if most are interested only in using college sports as a gateway to professional athletic careers.

After all, that's the way college football and basketball players use bigtime college sports programs now.

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## On the Street

The Herald asks people what they think ...

**Easter Sunday, for many people, is a time for family gatherings and sunrise services. Traditions, carried down through the years, are often observed. We asked people what their plans are for the holiday.**



I plan on going to church and a family dinner.

Karen Jacobs  
Oviedo



We are attending a sunrise service at Christmas Cemetery Chapel in Christmas and then going to dinner with the rest of the crew.

Cecil Tucker  
Christmas



We'll be attending church and then attending the baptism of my granddaughter. And then we'll be having dinner with the rest of the crew.

John Bristline  
Longwood



At 7 a.m., I'm going to a joint community sunrise service overlooking Lake Geneva. Then, I'll have breakfast at the Methodist Church, go home read the paper and then dinner with family.

Lorraine Whiting  
Geneva



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# SPOTLIGHT ON BUSINESS

## Barbara Farrell & Assoc. Real Estate

By Adinah Greene  
Herald Intern

Tall, green military jasmine grows outside the real estate office of Barbara Farrell. Her office and home fill the space that once was the old fire station; the sign is still at the top of the building.

Her office consists of a long desk with two flat screen monitors on top and papers dispersed everywhere. Upon first inspection it may not seem like enough room is available to work, but Farrell gets along just fine. "It became very rewarding and that's what makes the business so delightful," Farrell said. "I put a 22-year-old woman, who is in her first year of teaching, into a bungalow and she's paying less owning a home than she was paying in rent. It's incredible."

Since she moved to Sanford 11 years ago, Farrell has mostly dealt with homes in Sanford. She has worked on many boards on the preservation and restoration of downtown. Her specialty in Sanford is dealing with historic homes.

"Historic homes are a treasure and need to be taken care of," Farrell said. "It's finding the right home for the right person and the right person for the right home." Farrell did not start out in the real estate business. She is an artist and had exhibits in New York and showed her work internationally. She obtained her real estate license to do her own purchasing and remodeling and it just grew from there.

"It just sort of mushroomed," Farrell said. "People asked me to pick colors and I became involved with the preservation and restoration of the buildings because I had a major investment here, so wherever I could help I did."

Farrell, herself and not an associate or agent, sells all the listing she receives. According to her, she has received phone calls from people she doesn't even know to recommend a good plumber or contractor because of her knowledge and love of the community.

"I love Sanford," Farrell said. "It's a real community."

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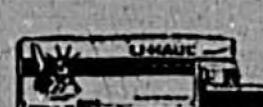
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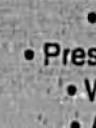
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## Set Up A Cleaning Schedule With Neat-N-Tidy

By Adinah Greene  
Herald Intern

In a residential home off of Palmetto Avenue resides a business that serves more than 2,000 customers. In her home office, Carol Blair runs Neat-N-Tidy, a cleaning business which has served Sanford for 18 years.

Prior to starting the business, Blair was a receptionist for various professionals. Many friends told her to start a cleaning business because of her fanaticism for cleanliness.

"People said I was a fanatic about cleaning and I was," Blair said. "So I just decided to open my own business. My husband and I invested our savings into it and it's exploded, thanks to Sanford and Lake Mary."

Neat-N-Tidy serves a large customer base in Sanford, Lake Mary, Heathrow, Alachua, Magnolia, Delray, Deltona, Orange City and other surrounding areas. Their customers range from college students to seniors, residential homes to large businesses.

Neat-N-Tidy works with customers to set up cleaning schedules that meet their needs. Some customers have daily service, others weekly, bi-weekly, and some even have monthly service. Neat-N-



Tidy also cleans all the apartments for Delta Air Academy, which also gave the business a letter of recommendation.

"Our rates are much more what the average person can deal with," Blair said. "Other companies charge \$150 for two hours and we do detail cleaning, like cleaning the refrigerator and microwave." The Neat-N-Tidy staff starts their day at Blair's house, gathers their supplies, leaves at 8 a.m. and finishes around 5 p.m., five days a week. They clean and sanitize bathrooms, strip beds and put on clean sheets, and wash the sheets while they clean at no charge.

Neat-N-Tidy offers its deep cleaning package of \$75 for two hours. If a customer buys a cleaning package and a window package, they will receive a \$15 gift certificate for any window package at their choosing. If they buy just a window package, then they will receive a 25 percent discount off of their package.

Blair beams with pride as she talks about her business and her staff. "We have really honest, dependable ladies who treat each house like it is their own," Blair said.

Call to schedule and Easter Cleaning at 407-324-1177.

## Historian discusses Fort Mellon during society's monthly meeting

Christine Kinlaw Best, author of the Sanford Historical Society's recently published book "The History of Fort Mellon," presented the program at the recent society meeting held at the Sanford Museum.

She explained that Camp Monroe was established December 1836 during the Second Seminole War (1835-42). The name was changed to Fort Mellon following the death of Captain Charles Mellon during the February 8, 1837, battle with the Seminole Indians.

Fort Mellon was in existence for seven years with 700 to 800 men there during that time. Their uniforms consisted of heavy wool, which were very unsuitable to the climate. Inside the fort were, among other things, horses, a commissary, stables and a bakery. Camped in the vicinity outside the fort were 200 to 500 Indians.

The approximate boundaries of the fort were Lake Monroe, Virginia Avenue, Second Street and San Carlos Avenue. Some of the individuals associated with the fort that Christine gave information on were General Zachary Taylor, Col. William Worth, Col. A.C.W. Fanning, Col. David Twiggs and Aaron Jernigan.

The book, which contains newly discovered material, is available for purchase at the Sanford Museum.

During the business meeting presided over by Jay Jacobs, several announcements and reports were made. The Society now has a web site and also access to the internet at the Sanford Museum.

A new computer system has been purchased and a generous donor has made possible the purchase of a digital camera.

Volunteers were secured for the Spring Festival which was held in



Grace Marie Stinecipher

Touhy Park at the Student Museum on April 12. The Society gave out information on the Society and the Sanford Museum in addition to selling their books and other items.

Mona Walker, Sunshine Chairman, announced that longtime member Buddy Lake was deceased, and the group was made aware of several members who were ill. Society membership was presently 130 with 12 new 2003 members.

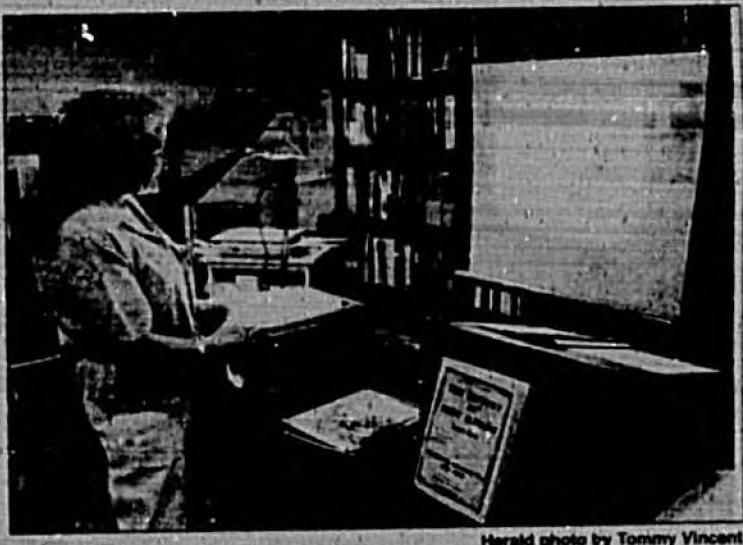
Members were encouraged to attend the dedication of the Vigilante Memorial at the former Sanford Naval Air Station on May 30 at 10 a.m.

A report was given on the recent special program on P.T. Barnum given by Marian O'Keefe of Derby, Conn. Barnum had been from that area and Ms. O'Keefe had enlightened the large group of his life. She was also able to give information on the early life of Henry Sanford who was born and raised in Derby. Ms. O'Keefe is the curator of the Derby Historical Society.

Alicia Clarke, Sanford Museum curator, explained the work that she and the publications committee were doing in preparing for the publication of an Arcadia Publishing Co. book on Sanford.

This will be a pictorial history beginning with Camp Monroe and Fort Mellon. The Museum has a large collection of photographs to draw from including the Vincent Collection and a recent donation of several photos by Sophie Shoemaker. Arcadia issues books on communities all over the country and they are sold in large bookstores such as Books-A-Million.

Following the meeting, the attendees enjoyed delicious refreshments provided by Rose Edith Jacobson.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

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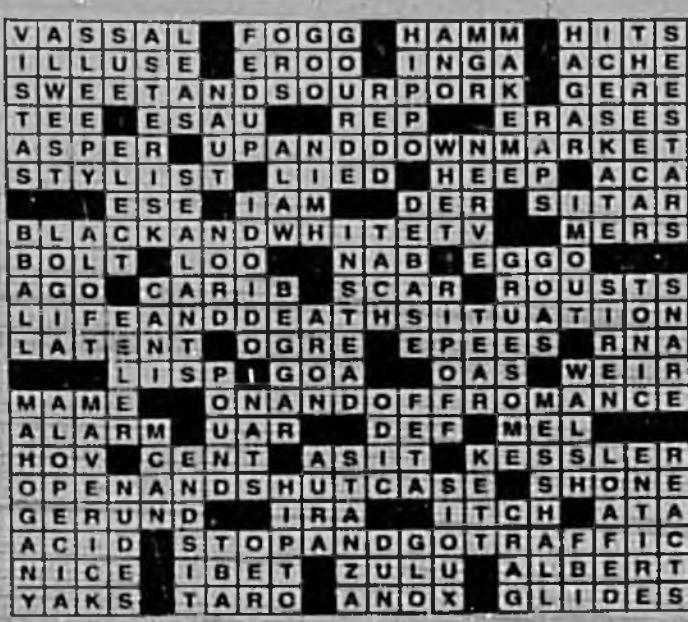
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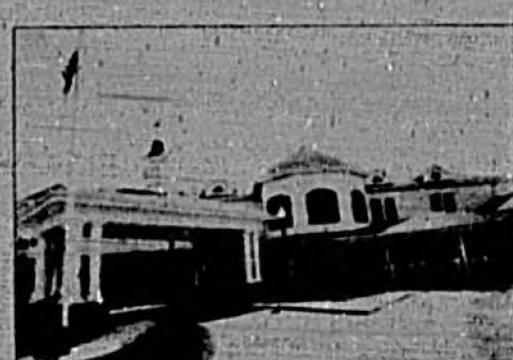
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Also on the agenda, Commission will vote on whether to allocate \$16,700 in Law Enforcement Trust funds to several local projects.

The sheriff's office is requesting that \$14,000 of the funds be designated to Project Graduation, a program offered to high school

seniors to help prevent tragic events related to drunk driving and drug usage. If approved the following high schools will receive \$2,000 toward Project Graduation: Lake Brantley, Lake Howell, Lake Mary, Lyman Oviedo, Seminole and Winter Springs.

The ordinance would also allocate \$2,500 to the Florida State University School of Criminology. The school currently

offers strong backgrounds in law enforcement, criminal justice and criminology. Graduates are able to begin their careers as an entry-level officer or analyst at law enforcement agency across the state.

As a direct result of the 9-11 tragedy, the school has developed an additional curriculum to provide students with real life circumstances. The \$2,500 from the Sheriff's Office would support these classes.

The remaining \$200 would go toward Rock Lake Middle School's annual eighth grade graduation party. The theme for this year's graduation is "alcohol and drug free."

The Seminole County Board of Commissioners meeting will begin at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday in the County Services Building, Room 1028, on East First Street, in Sanford.

## Mirrors

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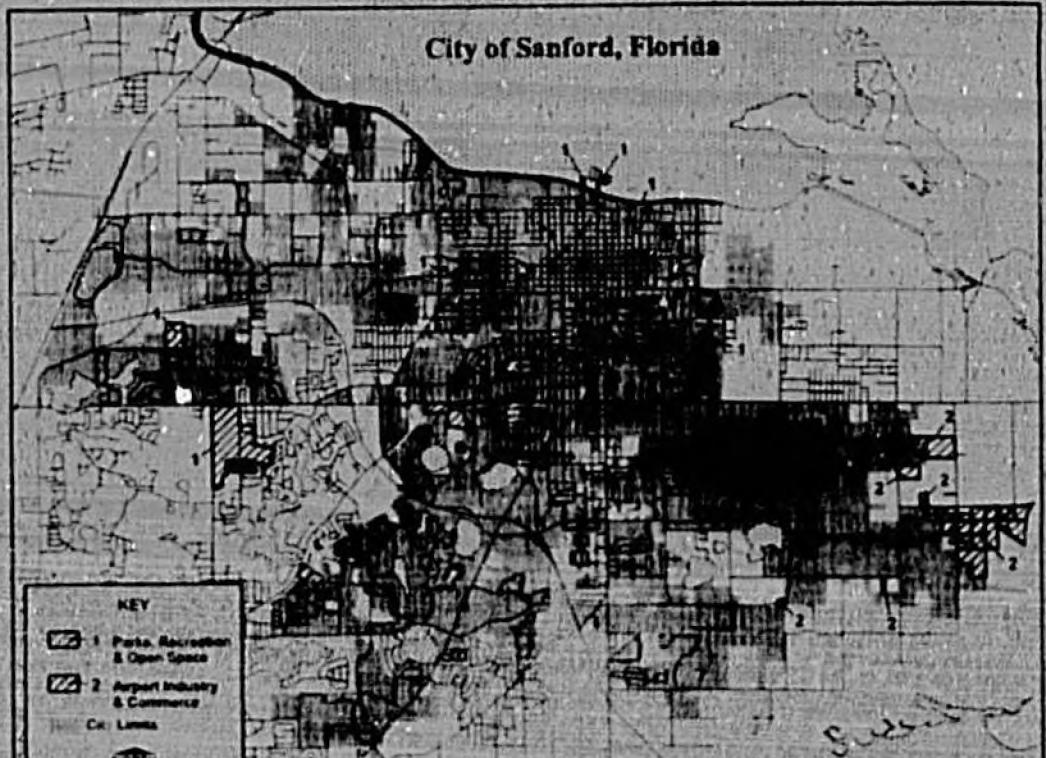
## NOTICE OF CHANGE OF LAND USE

The City of Sanford proposes to adopt the following ordinance:

### ORDINANCE NO. 3781

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SANFORD, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3528 (CITY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN) AS PREVIOUSLY AMENDED; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENT OF THE FUTURE LAND USE PLAN ELEMENT, TRANSPORTATION ELEMENT, HOUSING ELEMENT, INFRASTRUCTURE ELEMENT, CONSERVATION ELEMENT, RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ELEMENT, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION ELEMENT, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT AND CURRENCY MANAGEMENT ELEMENT; ADDING PROPERTY ANNEXED INTO THE CITY TO THE FUTURE LAND USE MAP OF THE FUTURE LAND USE ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS AND EFFECTIVE DATE

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A public hearing on the ordinance will be held on Monday, April 28, 2003, at 7:00 o'clock P.M. or as soon thereafter as possible, by the City Commission of Sanford, Florida, in the City Commission Room, City Hall, 300 North Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida.

Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard regarding the adoption of the proposed plan amendment.

Copies of the proposed amendment to the Future Land Use Plan Map of the Comprehensive Plan are available at the Department of Engineering and Planning and at the City Clerk's Office, City Hall, Sanford, Florida, and may be inspected by the public.

ADVICE TO THE PUBLIC IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL A DECISION MADE WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT THE ABOVE MEETING OR HEARING HE MAY NEED A VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS INCLUDING THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE WHICH RECORD IS NOT PROVIDED BY THE CITY OF SANFORD (PS 206 D105).

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Janet R. Dougherty, CMC  
City Clerk

# Sports

## Briefs

### CITY OF SANFORD RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT GOLF TOURNAMENT

The City of Sanford Recreation Golf 2003 Tournament will be held on Friday, April 25th at Magnolia Plantation Club. The proceeds raised from this tournament will be dedicated to the Youth Sports Program.

Kick off your weekend with golf at Seminole County's newest course. Come out, show your support and have fun too!!!

The tournament will begin at 9 a.m. with a four-person team scramble "shotgun" start.

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Prizes will be awarded for longest drive and closest to the pin!!! All golfers will receive a gift, a "goody bag", awards banquet and beverages on the course.

All entries must be phoned in by Friday, April 18th, and registration forms can be picked up at the Downtown Youth Center, first floor of Sanford City Hall (300 North Park Avenue).

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Teams and pairings will be announced on March 14, 2004. Tickets will not be mailed out until the end of January, but purchasers will receive a postcard confirmation in the mail. There is no limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased.

The first round will be played on Friday, March 19, 2004, with a two-game afternoon session and a two-game evening session. The second round will be played on Sunday, March 21, 2004, also as a two-game session.

### SANFORD ADULT FLAG FOOTBALL

The City of Sanford Recreation and Parks Department is planning an Adult Flag Football League to begin in the near future.

Interested parties are encouraged to call Jim Schaefer at 407-330-5697.

### OVIEDO SUMMER ADULT SOFTBALL

The City of Oviedo Recreation and Parks Department is currently taking registrations for the Summer 2003 adult softball league for men's and coed divisions.

Games are played at the Oviedo Sports Complex, 1251 East Broadway Street (Southeast of Oviedo off S.R. 426 toward Chuluota).

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## Campbell paces record-setting day for Rams

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**ORLANDO** — Reggie Campbell broke the school-record in the 100 meter dash to pace a record-setting day for the Lake Mary track team at the Lake Highland Invitational last Friday.

The senior sprinter ran an 10.39 in the preliminaries to break the record, then ran an 11.16 to win the final.

Campbell also won the 200, ran a leg on the second place 4x100 relay team that set a personal best of 43.71, and was fifth in the triple jump as he led the

### Senior breaks school-record in 100, others set personal bests

Rams to a fourth place finish in the 17 team field.

Trinity Prep was right behind Lake Mary in fifth place.

The 4x800 relay team finished fourth, but ran a personal best time of 8:38.15, behind an 8:38.8 for winner Trinity Prep, and Brandon Williams threw personal bests in the shot put (41-4) and discuss

throw (122-6).

The Saints got individual wins from Tim McLeod in the 1,600 and Ryan Truchelut in the 800, just ahead of the Rams' Daniel Selsky.

In the girls' event, Lake Mary was sixth and Trinity Prep eighth.

Angie Pressey led the Rams, winning the triple jump and 200, plus running a

leg on the winning 4x100 relay team. Kathryn Bowser was the other Lake Mary winner, crossing the tape first in the 100.

Seminole was the standout local team at the other big meet of last Friday, the Lyman Invitational, as the boys finished fourth among 17 teams and the girls third among 16 squads.

Most of the local teams were expected to run in the Lyman "Last Chance" event on Thursday in one final tune-up before the Seminole Athletic Conference Meet is held this coming Wednesday and

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## FWC and AAA set for Great Battery Roundup

Special to the Herald

**OCALA** — The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) and AAA Auto Club South (AAA) want Floridians to commemorate Earth Day 2003 by doing a little spring cleaning and recycling. In particular, they want you used lead-acid auto, lawn mower and marine batteries. AAA will donate \$1.50 for every battery collected during the Great Battery Roundup to be used in FWC conservation programs.

"We hope people will scavenge their garages, back yards and storage sheds for old batteries and take them to our drop-off sites for recycling. This is an opportunity to clean up your personal environment today and make a little investment in Florida's future environment," said Amy Newton, AAA Auto Club South project manager.

We appreciate AAA choosing the FWC as the recipient of their Earth Day fund-raiser," said Ken Haddad, executive director of the FWC. "We're hoping AAA has great participation for this event. We know a successful day for them means a very successful day for the FWC and our conservation."

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## Tourney time nears

### Season on down side; Rams earn top seed in softball

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**SANFORD** — The Lake Mary softball team found out Thursday night that it can play quite well on what will be the District Tournament turf.

With the district tournament scheduled to begin in a little over a week, the Rams got excellent pitching from Andrea Wain and extra base hits from Leah Lilly, Caitlin Mahoney and Beth Laurence as they clinched the top-seed for the Class 6A-District 2 tournament with a 4-0 victory over host Seminole.

The Seminole Softball Complex will be the site of the district tournament starting April 28th.

But first things first, district tennis, district volleyball and state weightlifting kick off the postseason this week.

Actually, the playoffs began last Saturday with the Class 2A-Section 4 Meet at Spruce Creek High School.

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Lake Mary's Caitlin Mahoney had quite a night for herself on Thursday, blasting a solo home run (above) far over the leftfield fence for the first run of the game leading off the second inning and then driving in the second run of the game during a three-run fourth as the Rams blanked host Seminole, 4-0.

## Patriot JVs claim first

By Dean Smith  
Sports Editor

**ALTAMONTE SPRINGS** — The Lake Brantley High School girls' junior varsity basketball team did something that has never been done before.

Win a District Championship.

Coached by former NAIA All-American and Seminole County Player of the Year Bruce McCray, the Patriots went 20-1 and defeated powerful Lake Mary, 56-45, in the Class 6A-District 2 Girls Junior Varsity Championship Game at Oviedo High School.

Part of the success of the team can be attributed to McCray, who in his playing days at Seminole High School, Seminole Community College and two schools in West Virginia had maybe the strongest will to win of any player or this country has produced.

This season was a success because of the commitment, hard work, respect and attitude the girls had toward the game and me as their coach," said McCray. "I believe that winning is not everything, but what I think is success is making sure the girls love what they are doing and to help them to be the best they can be."

"We are a team and a team helps each individual become a success."

McCray decided to try his hand at coaching last year and led the Lake Brantley freshman girls' team to an 11-3 record and its first county basketball championship.

Now following this season, the 6-foot-5 former swingman is now 31-4 as a head coach.

And he has shown that he can do the classroom too, having been named Seminole County Teacher of the Week.

Another reason for McCray turning to coaching and a very large reason the Patriots won the title was the opportunity for him to coach his two daughters, Ryannine and Ashley.

Led by 10 first-quarter points from Ashley, Lake Brantley took a 22-9 lead after the first eight minutes and never looked back in winning the championship game.

Ashley finished with 19 points and 16 rebounds while sister Ryannine chipped in with six points and eight assists.

Also having big games were Kirsten Perry with nine points and five assists and Chiumeka James with 11 points and five assists.

Other members of the Patriots were Denice Brown, Marie Campos, Diana DeMartino, Wendy Gonzalez, Alexandra Lotton, Jessica Lowery, Katherine Matashewski, Megan Meister, Morgan Palmer, Natalie Ruff, Jessica Tomasetti, Karlie Turner, Heather Uvino, and Natalie Wyatt.

For Lake Mary, which was coached by Barber Cooks, Sean Cooks tallied 12 points, while Linda Fordyce and Amanda Dewey added nine points each. Other members of the Rams were Meriel Brown, Malon Shewield, Katie Evans, Erin Barrett, Sheila Calloway, Taylor Willbur, Tracy Brenton, Yasmin Molhuddin, Sabria Brown and Katie Wilkins.

### CLASS 6A-DISTRICT 2 GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

at Oviedo High School

PATRIOTS 56; RAMS 45

Lake Mary 22 13 10 9 Totals 56

Lake Brantley 9 10 15 11 Totals 45

Halftime: 32-22. Final: 56-45.

Scoring: Lake Mary — Leah Lilly 10, Caitlin Mahoney 9, Ashley McCray 19, Kirsten Perry 9, Diana DeMartino 5, Jessica Lowery 4, Chiumeka James 9, Meriel Brown 4, Malon Shewield 3, Katie Evans 3, Erin Barrett 2, Sheila Calloway 2, Taylor Willbur 2, Tracy Brenton 2, Yasmin Molhuddin 2, Sabria Brown 2, Katie Wilkins 2. Lake Brantley — Karlie Turner 12, Linda Fordyce 9, Amanda Dewey 9, Kirsten Perry 9, Diana DeMartino 5, Jessica Lowery 4, Chiumeka James 9, Meriel Brown 4, Malon Shewield 3, Katie Evans 3, Erin Barrett 2, Sheila Calloway 2, Taylor Willbur 2, Tracy Brenton 2, Yasmin Molhuddin 2, Sabria Brown 2, Katie Wilkins 2.



Lake Brantley's Ashley McCray (shown scoring against Deland) made her coach and father, former Seminole High star Bruce McCray, happy as she scored 19 points and pulled down 16 rebounds as the Patriots won their first ever Junior Varsity Championship.

Herald photo by Jim Wentz



## Preps

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The host Hawks appear poised for another run at a state title as they won seven of the 10 weight classes and qualified 12 for the state tournament, which will also be held at Spruce Creek on Saturday, April 26.

DeLand, Seminole and Winter Springs had the other weight class winners.

Bear senior Kevin Brotz easily won the 119-pound weight class. Brotz had a bench press of 255 pounds and clean and jerk lift of 185 for a 440 total — 50 pounds better than the second-place finisher.

Fighting Seminole Jamaal Neal won the 129-pound class with a 470 total, benching 240 and doing 230 on the clean and jerk.

Winter Springs also qualified seniors John Esquivel, who was third at 129, and senior captain Thomas McBee, who was second at 139.

Seminole's other qualifiers were Carlos Ortiz, who was second at 119, and Jeremiah Stokes, who was second at 219. Oviedo had three second-place lifters in Clint McMillian (Heavyweight), Mike Zeb (183) and Ladarian Rudolph (238). Lake Brantley qualified Richard Soto (238) and Nate Johnson (219) — both took third.

Tennis districts are Monday and Tuesday with Lake Brantley hosting the Class 4A-District 2 tournament at Sanlando Park.

Only the district team champion and the No. 1 singles champion advances to the state playoffs.

Boys volleyball only has one district and Oviedo High School will host the District 1 championships on April 26 with the

winner advancing to the state playoffs.

Districts for baseball, softball and track and field begin the following week.

Freshman Emily Edelman, who hurled a perfect game for Seminole on Monday, retired the first three Rams she faced, but Maile led off the second inning with a blast far beyond the barrier in left.

But that was the only Lake Mary player to reach base over the first three innings.

The only problem for the Fighting Seminoles was that they could do nothing with the starts of Wain, who retired the first 11 batters she faced before finally giving up a two-out single to Ashley Tabor in the fourth inning.

Wain got a great over-the-shoulder catch from leftfielder Lauren Bennett on drive off the bat of Edelman in the second inning.

The Rams (21-3) broke the game open in the fourth inning with a three-run outburst.

Lilly led off the inning with a double to leftcenter and Kristen Patton walked.

Mahoney then drove in the second run with a sharp single to left and after a ground out, Beth Laurence slammed a double into the rightcenter field gap, scoring Patton and Maile Keeney and chasing Edelman.

That would be the end of the scoring as Andrea Pochette retired 11 of the 12 Rams she faced, allowing only an infield single.

Wain, meanwhile, was cruising along with a one-hitter, allowing a walk in the fifth and having a player reach on an error in the sixth.

Seminole (12-10) finally mounted a challenge in the bot-

tom of the seventh as Jeny Abendroth and Kara Lively walked around a pop up and, after a fly out, Kristin Miller got the second hit on an infield grounder to deep shot to load the bases.

Wain got the shutout though when she got a grounder to second to end the game.

Mahoney finished the night 2-for-3 with the home run, a run scored, and two RBI. Laurence doubled in the two runs and Lilly doubled and scored a run.

Patton and Keeney scored one run each.

For Seminole, Tabor and Miller had singles, while Lively drew a pair of walks and Abendroth walked once.

**RAMS 4, FIGHTING SEMINOLES 0**  
Lake Mary 0 0 0 0 0 0 4 6 1  
Seminole 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 0  
Wain and Keeney 1 on Edelman, Pochette (4) and Packer, WP; Dan LP; Edelman (2-1) save; none 2B; Lake Mary: Laurence, Lilly 2B, home HR; Lake Mary: Mahoney, Records Lake Mary 21-3; Seminole 12-10

### FLORIDA SPORTS WRITERS SOFTBALL POLL

#### CLASS 6A

1. John I. Leonard (14)	18-1 140
2. Tampa Riverviews	16-6 121
3. Lake Mary	18-3 105
4. Venice	15-4 100
5. Palm Beach Gardens	17-3 82
6. Miami Palmetto	17-5 69
7. West Orange	22-3 56
8. Lantana Santaluces 14-4 .43	
9. Southwest Miami	15-5 21
10. Valrico Bloomingdale	14-5 16
Others receiving votes ... Orlando: Edgewater 16-6; St.云: Western 16-5; Wellington 14-4; Oviedo 13-4; Lakeland 13-4	

#### CLASS 2A

1. Lake Highland Prep (11)	17-3 132
2. St. Petersburg Catholic (2)	13-1 120
3. Chipley	16-3 109
4. American Heritage-Day	11-3 72
5. Tallahassee Florida High	13-6 67
6. North Florida Christian (1)	12-3 65
7. Boca Raton St. Andrews	10-2 64
8. Trinity Prep	17-6 62
9. Millard	12-2 37
10. Lakeland McRee Academy	16-6 13
Others receiving votes ... Trenton 19-4; Bell 13-3; 7; Coral Springs Charter 15-5; 7; Gainesville PK Yonge 11-5; Bristol Liberty County 9-4; Fort Pierce John Carroll 13-4; 1	

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## Heading to St. Augustine

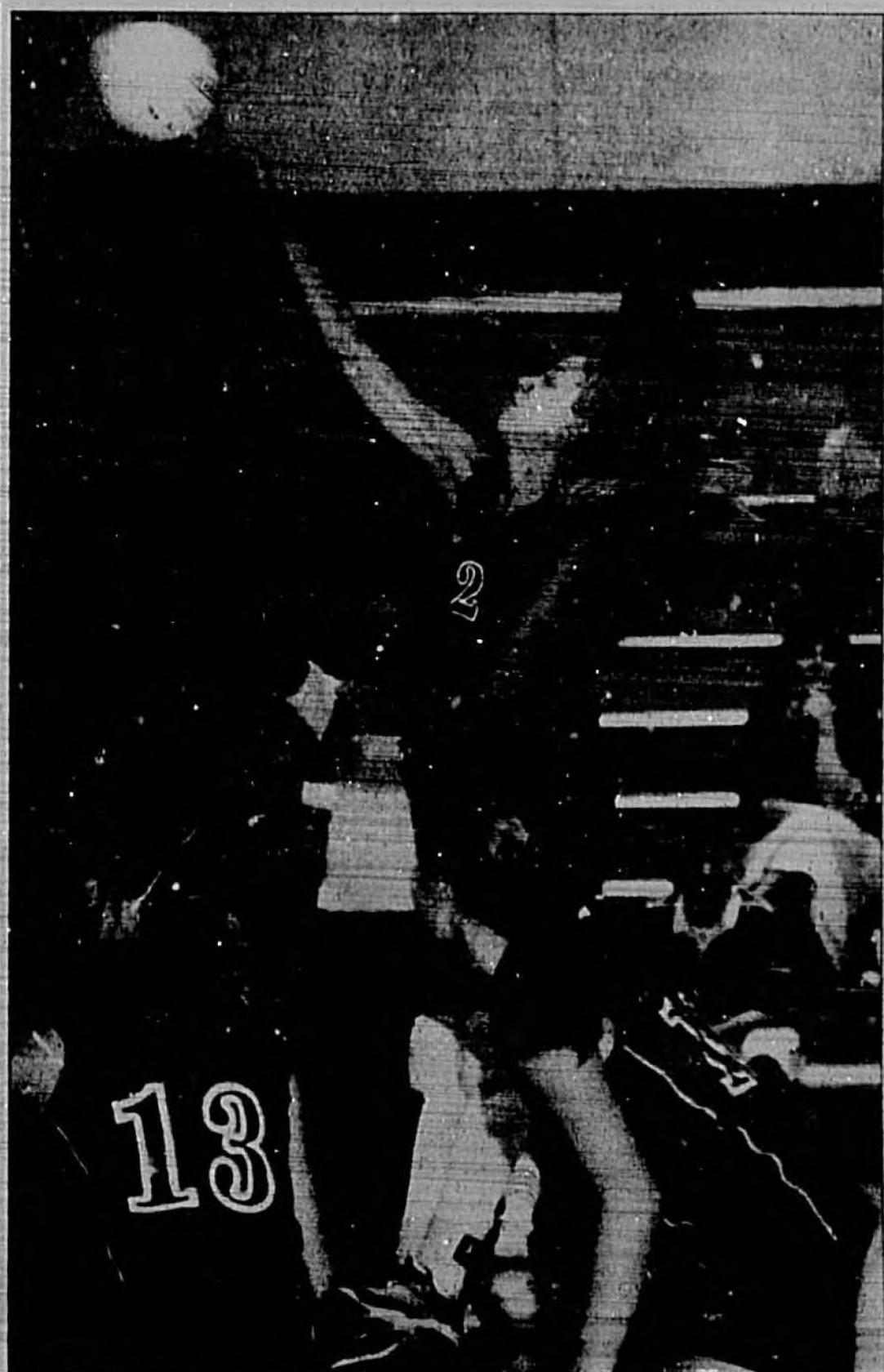
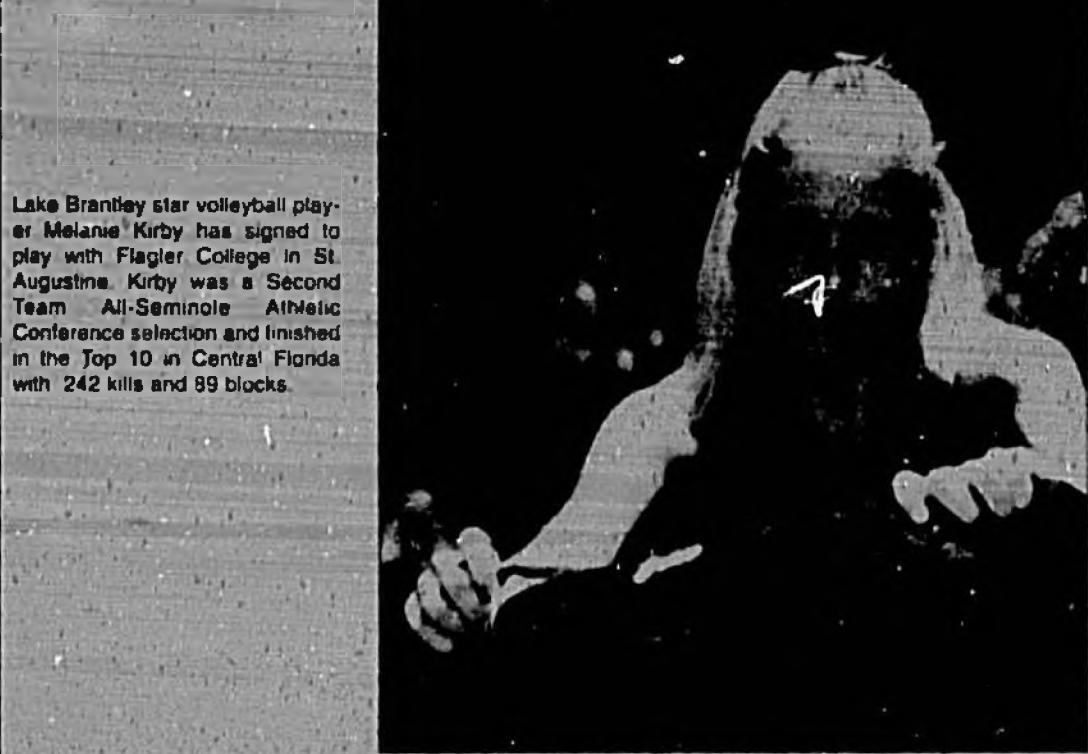


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### 2nd ANNUAL WOMEN'S SAILING CONFERENCE

#### TO BE HELD JUNE 7 IN MARBLEHEAD, MA

BoatU.S., the nation's largest recreational boat owners association, has stepped in to fill this important gap with its National Recall Alert Registry, a free service for all boat owners that connects owners and manufacturers with U.S. Coast Guard recall actions.

"The system often fails because second or third owners aren't notified of recalls," says Caroline Ajoian, BoatU.S. consumer protection bureau director. "It also fails when new boat owners don't return warranty cards. In both cases, manufacturers have no way to notify owners about structural, mechanical or safety related defects and their efforts to correct them. Oftentimes boat owners - unaware of manufacturer's recall actions - end up paying for a fix the manufacturer would have corrected in the first place," said Ajoian.

To register, simply visit <http://www.BoatUS.com> and click on "Boating Safety" or call 703-461-2856. To protect boat owners' privacy, all information is secure. Since its launch three years ago, the Registry's database has been utilized in several recall actions, saving boat owners thousands of dollars and potentially many lives.

Practical conference topics include diesel troubleshooting, weather, introduction to racing, basic sail trim, GPS and navigation.

"BoatU.S. has taken the lead in fostering women's only conferences from coast to coast," said Elaine Dickinson, chairwoman of the BoatU.S. Women's Committee and NWSA board member. "While this conference has a relaxed atmosphere, it is packed with great information. It also gives women sailors a chance to learn from each other in a way that can't be done at other venues," she continued.

The fee for the program — which sold out last year and drew over 150 women from around the U.S. — is \$100 for NWSA members, \$135 for non-members and includes a continental breakfast, lunch and keynote dinner. For more information, call 781-631-2084 or visit <http://www.womensailing.org>.

BoatU.S. — the Boat Owner's Association of the U.S. — is the nation's leading advocate for recreational boaters and provides its 535,000 members with a wide array of consumer services including a group-rate marine insurance program that provides over \$7 billion in hull coverage, a fleet of more than 400 towing assistance vessels, discounts on fuel, slips and repair at nearly 700 marinas; and a subscription to BoatU.S. Magazine, the most widely read boating publication in the U.S. For membership information visit <http://www.BoatUS.com> or call 800-395-2628.

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## Outdoors

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There will be no charge for dropping off batteries and people can take them to the following designated sites and AAA locations from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.:

\* Wednesday, April 23 in Orlando at 4300 E. Colonial Drive.

\* Thursday, April 24 in Heathrow at 1000 AAA Drive.

AAA says all batteries collected to raise funds for the FWC will be recycled properly.

### BOATU.S. CHRIS-CRAFT SWEEPSTAKES SURPASSES ONE MILLION ENTRIES

With over a million hopeful entries flooding BoatU.S. national headquarters, BoatU.S. and Chris-Craft have announced that the year-long contest to give away a 22-foot, 2003 Heritage Edition Launch valued at \$58,000 will soon end. Entries will be accepted until midnight, April 30, 2003.

"This has been the most successful contest in BoatU.S. history," said BoatU.S. Founder and Chairman, Richard Schwartz.

The contest to win the 22-foot, 2003 Heritage Edition Launch began in April 2002. The vessel has stylish, modern lines blended with classic beauty. The leak-decked and trimmed launch was designed by Michael Peters Yacht Design, has an 8-foot, 6-inch beam and comfortably seats eight persons. It is powered by a Volvo 5.0 litre 270 hp GM I/O engine capable of propelling the boat to a top speed of 54 mph.

Anyone still wishing to enter can do so by visiting [www.BoatUS.com](http://www.BoatUS.com) or mailing an entry with your name, address, phone number and email (if applicable) on a 3" x 5" card to: BoatU.S. Chris-Craft Sweepstakes, 880 S. Pickett St., Alexandria, VA 22304. One entry is allowed per day. The sweepstakes is open to the public as well as the 535,000 members of BoatU.S. and no purchase is necessary. Complete contest rules can also be found at [www.BoatUS.com](http://www.BoatUS.com).

### FREE HUNTER ED COURSES BEING OFFERED IN MAY

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) is offering free hunter education courses in Orange and Seminole counties in May.

The first will be held in Winter Park on May 3-4 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and the second will be held in Chuluota on May 24-25 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Participants must pre-register by calling the FWC's Hunter Education Training Center at (352) 625-2804. Classes fill quickly so please register early.

To successfully complete the course, students must attend all class sessions, pass a written exam and participate on the firing range. Class materials, guns and ammunition will be provided, but participants must bring their own pen, pencil and paper to take notes.

The course covers survival, wildlife identification, hunting laws, ethics, first aid and gun safety, and is required for anyone born on or after June 1, 1975 in order to purchase a Florida hunting license.

For information on future hunter education classes and classes in other areas, please visit the FWC's Hunter Education website at <http://floridahunter.org/hunter/>.

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Teams can register at Riverside Park, which is located at 1600 Lockwood Boulevard, and the fee is \$340, including ASA fees.

For more information, please call 407-977-6088.

**FWC SUMMER CAMP**

Now is the time to register for the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's (FWC) summer camp for children held at its Hunter Education Training Center.

(HETC) in the Ocala National Forest.

This year's program begins on June 22 and offers five 1-week sessions for boys and girls ages 10 to 15. The primary goal of the summer camp program is to provide campers with the necessary skills and knowledge to become better sportsmen and women, while instilling an awareness of firearm safety, conservation, and wildlife stewardship.

In addition, campers will enjoy fishing, canoeing, swim-

ming, hiking and many other outdoor activities.

Tuition is \$250 per camper and includes lodging, food, and instruction for each weeklong session. The summer camp is divided into three groups: Pioneers, Pathfinders and Voyagers.

The Hunter Education Training Center is located about 20 miles east of Ocala on Lake Eaton on a 57-acre peninsula rich in history and wildlife.

For more information or registration materials for the summer program, please contact the camp at (352) 625-2804. New this year, beginning March 1, campers can register online at [www.floridconservation.org/camps](http://www.floridconservation.org/camps).

**WIRZ PARK POOL TO OPEN IN CASSELBERRY**

The Wirz Park Recreation Center pool will officially open for the season on Saturday,

April 26th.

Admission to the pool will be free on this day only. Regular admission prices are \$2 per day for Casselberry residents and \$3 per day for non-Casselberry residents.

The pool will be open from noon until 7 P.M. Wirz Park Recreation Center is located at 806 Mark David Boulevard.

While you're there, enjoy games, relay races, ERB food and much more! You will also

have the opportunity to learn about pool safety and drown prevention techniques from the American Red Cross and other local vendors.

For more information about the Wirz Park Recreation Center Pool Opening, please contact TC Donahue at 407-262-7720 x1302 or email him at [sports@casselberry.org](mailto:sports@casselberry.org). You can also visit our website at [www.casselberry.org](http://www.casselberry.org) and hit the Parks and Recreation button.

**Congratulations Tracy**

Herald photo by Jim Wentz

Orlando-Magic guard Tracy McGrady (above) hardly won the NBA scoring title despite sitting out the final game against the Milwaukee Bucks. For Kobe Bryant to have taken the title from T-Mac he would have had to score 245 points in his final game. The Magic will open the NBA Playoffs today (Sunday) against the Eastern Conference Champion Detroit Pistons. The game can be seen locally on Channel 65 with Nextel Countdown to Magic at noon and the game starting at 12:30 p.m. It has been announced that Lake Mary resident Matt Guokas, the Magic's first head coach, will join David Steele, Jack Givens and Paul Kennedy to announce Wednesday's second game of the Best-of-Seven series. The schedule is as follows:

Game #1 - Sunday, April 20 @ Detroit, 12:30 p.m., MTN-Channel 65, Nextel Countdown to Magic @ 12 noon  
Game #2 - Wed., April 23 @ Detroit, 8 p.m., Sunshine Network  
Game #3 - Friday, April 25 @ Orlando, 8 p.m.  
Game #4 - Sunday, April 27 @ Orlando, 5:30 p.m.  
\*Game #5 - Wed., April 30 @ Detroit, time TBA  
\*Game #6 - Friday, May 2 @ Orlando, time TBA  
\*Game #7 - Sunday, May 4 @ Detroit, time TBA  
\* = if necessary

**SCW Wrestling**

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cials could not resist the opportunity to schedule these two to meet each other back in the ring.

The history and rivalries goes back even further as Sequel, who is making his return to an SCW ring, also has a chance to even up an old score against Hexx as well.

So come and take in the action as these four men have been given one night to settle their differences!

The heavyweight belt will not be the only one on the line on this night as Champion Kid Lethal has agreed to put his title on the line against the "Independent Sensation".

Chasyn Rance, who will have Mister Saint Laurent in his corner,

In what figures to be an interesting matchup, Dagon Briggs, who is marking his return direct from NWA-Wildside, will have the gorgeous Se7en in his corner when he steps through the ropes to take on Thump Dupree.

One of the biggest men in professional wrestling, the 6-foot-10 Korean monster, Ryze, will square off with "Showtime" J.B. Cool.

In a Special Challenge, the Prowler will battle Bam Bam Mancuso.

In other grudge matches, the college rules have been thrown out as Frat Pack member Josh Rieh will arch rival "Untouchable" Leon Scott with Mizzi Tiziana, and UCI Alumni member Jacques Taylor pulls on the tights to face bitter rival Aaron Epic.

More matches will be

announced the night of the event and a portion of the proceeds from the matches will go to benefit the DeBary Civic Association.

The DeBary Civic Center is located at 38 South Shell Road, just off I-75.

The doors will open at 7 p.m. and the Bell will toll at 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for ring side

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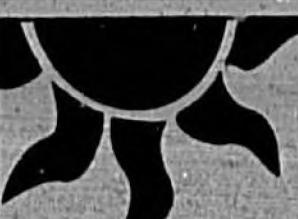
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## Signs

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located directly off of I-4.

Furthermore, the signs reading "to Sanford" take visitors toward Oviedo by way of State Road 417.

"The city and county are doing great things to develop Sanford and bolster the economy in the area," said Temple. "But, the I-4 artery has horrible signage. It could be added at a small expense in the grand scheme of things. I'm sure they can afford a few signs."

According to Temple, the hotel's front desk receives 10 calls a week from travelers who have reservations that are lost and frustrated due to the signage coming off I-4 at Exit 101. Another 10 calls are received from those without reservations.

According to Temple, Comfort Inn & Suites, which opened its doors in June 2002, relies heavily on walk-in traffic.

If they don't have a reservation and

they miss our exit they're not going to turn around and come back," said Temple. "I don't blame them. There are too many other options."

According to Meyers, Hops Restaurant is down 10 to 12 percent, which is equivalent to \$4,000-\$4,200 per week, because of the sign issue.

"We're not asking for brand signage, just awareness that State Road 46 and the businesses located here exist," said Meyers. "We're stuck between a rock and a hard place. We're bound by laws that keep us from putting large signs up high so that people can see them from I-4. We don't have any other way to promote ourselves other than billboards which are expensive. It would be a reoccurring monthly expense that isn't entirely necessary."

According to Temple, he and other managers in the area have contacted the Department of Transportation, the organization responsible for these

types of signs. The only response has been that it is a zoning issue and that nothing can be done.

"Something has to be done to clearly indicate that State Road 46 is here," said Temple.

The State Road 46 businesspeople concerned about the sign issue, which also includes Cracker Barrel, plan to contact DOT again. However, according to Temple, if they receive the same response, they plan to route a petition throughout the businesses and deliver it to DOT.

DOT is not a user friendly organization," said Meyers. "They are the No. 1 buck passers. You'll have to contact so-and-so. When you contact so-and-so you get voice mail and never hear back. The next week you start the whole process over again."

According to representatives of DOT, the issue is being reviewed and they plan to comment next week.

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## Capsule

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burying the capsule.

"Many time capsules are never found after they are buried," Carlson said. "In fact, more than half are never found. Sometimes, the spot where they are buried is paved over, or after time, people just forget where they are buried."

Now that the museum's renovation project is almost complete, the society chose a spot behind the main building where asphalt will probably never touch. According to Museum Specialist Karen Jacobs, a plaque will eventually mark the area where the container full of Seminole's history is buried.

"On the plaque, we will give people a rough date of when the time capsule can be opened," Jacobs said. "So, in 2103, they'll have directions of what to do. And, when it is opened, it will let future generations know a little bit about us."

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# LifeStyle

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**WHERE IN THE WORLD**  
**Is PETTY OFFICER ADAM SMITH?**

**Officer stationed in Persian Gulf spotted in Seminole County**

D STATES!

By Jamie J. Anderson-Potter  
Staff Writer

Where in the world is Petty Officer Adam D. Smith? According to his mother, Susie Smith, the 20-year-old Navy officer can be spotted at some of his favorite Seminole County hangouts. But, according to the U.S. Navy, he is aboard the USS Kitty Hawk stationed in the Persian Gulf.

Believe it or not, both of these accounts are true. So, you ask — Does he have a twin? Is he a clone? Well, not exactly.

Adam did, in fact, enlist in the Navy in early 2001 during his senior year at Seminole High School. After graduation, he attended Navy boot camp, where he graduated with distinguished honors and was later stationed in Yokosuka, Japan.

In October 2002, Adam was promoted to petty officer and currently works in interior communications aboard the aircraft carrier. In February, while engaged in maneuver drills off the coast of Japan, his unit received orders to report to the Persian Gulf to assist in what would become Operation Iraqi Freedom.

To deal with the harsh reality of having a loved one at war, Adam's friends and family have banded together to stay strong.

Adam's friends, Elisabeth Suyars and Joe Mikler, along with his mother decided to deal with their concern and sadness with a touch of humor.

The trio constructed a life-size cutout of Adam, which they have affectionately named Adam 2. The three have taken photos of Adam 2 at some of Adam's favorite hangouts and sent the pictures to the Persian Gulf.

"Having him gone is very difficult because we are such close friends," said Suyars, a Sanford resident. "There are so

many places that we use to go with Adam that I won't go back to until he is with me."

"This was the perfect way to show him that we are still hangin' out with him even though he can't be with us," she added.

Suyars and Mikler have been seen with Adam 2 at the mall, Sears (where Adam used to work), church, the batting cages in Lake Mary and at Adam's favorite restaurant, Cracker Barrel.

"It's almost as if he's here," said Smith, who says the family dog, Dutchess, is unable to tell the difference between Adam and his Doubletwin.

"It's hard to explain until you see the pictures of Adam 2. If the lighting is just right, it looks like the real Adam in the photos instead of a cardboard cutout."

During a night out on the town with Mom, Adam 2 joined local country band Stampede on stage at The Barn during a rendition of "God Bless America."

"Everyone was yelling and taking their hats off," said Smith who lives in Sanford with daughter, Ashley. "He was there in spirit and, I couldn't believe the tremendous response from the people in the bar. All the girls wanted to kiss him, and everyone wanted their picture taken with him."

Later in the evening, Adam 2 was thrown out of the Sanford nightclub for "unruly conduct."

According to Smith, the bouncer felt that every Navy officer has to be thrown out of a bar at least once. For Adam, it was his evil twin who took the rap.

Playing along, Officer Nigel Price of the Sanford Police Department, "arrested" Adam 2.

"I thought it was so sweet that his mom would do something like this to cheer up her son," said Kelle Wetherald, co-owner of The Barn with husband,

Tom. "It was a really fun night, and everyone got involved when they were here."

"I asked her what we could do to help out," she added. "We put our heads together and decided to get our patrons involved."

Wetherald and The Barn staff Nava asked patrons to sign a banner that reads, "The Barn in Sanford Florida Salutes USS Kitty Hawk." The banner along with a care package will be sent to Adam and his shipmates aboard the USS Kitty Hawk.

According to Smith, by joining the military, Adam is following in the footsteps of his father, uncles and grandfather, who was shot seven times during battle and received a purple heart.

"He is not disappointed in his choice to join the Navy," Smith said. "He believes in America and what this is all about and that it's worth fighting for — whatever it takes. He does miss everybody, but to him the most important thing is family and he is fighting for his country to maintain that family unit. He wants people everywhere to be able to have the family unit without fear hanging over them."

"He's such a good kid, and I'm fortunate when I lay down at night I know my son is safe on a ship with a clean bed and a shower," added Smith. "It's different if your son or daughter is part of the ground troops. Having the cut out helps make me feel closer to my son and each day until he comes home a little easier."

And how does Adam, who won a baby contest in 1983 while wearing a sailor outfit, feel about his double? Through an email correspondence Adam told his mom, "I love the pics."

Keep an eye out Seminole County, you might just end up face-to-face with Adam 2.

Photos submitted to the Herald/Pace design by Michelle Jorda



Adam 2 (a cardboard cutout of Adam Smith) is arrested by Officer Nigel Price of The Barn



Adam 2 joins country band Stampede on stage at The Barn



Joe Mikler, left, stands with Adam 2. The real Adam Smith is stationed in the Persian Gulf

## School Notes

**Margaret Collier**, a sixth-grade geography teacher from Millennium Middle School in Sanford, will be traveling to Japan for a three-week stay in October. The trip is courtesy of the Japanese government and the United States International Education Program under the Fulbright Scholarship Program.

Collier was a recipient of a two-week stay in Ukraine in

the fall of 2001. That trip was also part of the International Education Program, in conjunction with the Teaching Excellence of America program that sponsors teachers who go to Russia and the newly independent Soviet countries.

A follow-up program to Collier's trip to Japan will be to triangulate communication between her students, the Ukrainian students, and the

Japanese students that she will meet.

**Jessica Parish**, Lake Mary High School student, has been chosen as the Visual Arts winner in the High School Division. She will represent Florida in the National PTA Reflections Program.

Reflections is a National PTA Arts Recognition Contest with more than 4,000 entries from Florida alone. Only one

winner is chosen in each age division per category. Visual Arts, Photography, Literature, and Music Composition are the art areas represented.

Also placing in this year's contest with Distinguished Awards are:

- Visual Arts Connor Wesson, Eastbrook Elementary; and Mary Grace McInerney and Stephanie Barnes from Lake Mary High.

- Music: Jensen Werley, Sabal Point Elementary, and Ryan Lauth, Lake Mary High.

- Literature: Elisabeth Gilbert, Seminole High; and Joel Seyforth, Lake Mary High.

The Seminole County PTA Reflections Contest has consistently done well in the State Contest as they have had a National winner for the past three years.

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## Morris, Blatt announce marriage

Ann Elise Morris and Dr. Marc Benjamin Blatt were married 3 p.m. Sunday Feb. 9, 2003, in a wedding ceremony at Leu Botanical Gardens in Orlando. Officiating the ceremony were the Rev. Stephen Bauman and Robert Lefkowitz. Harpest Christine Macphail provided nuptial music.

The bride is the daughter of Ellis Rowe Morris and Stephanie Morris of Longwood. The bride's grandparents are Josephine Giunta and the late Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Giunta of Roslindale, Mass., and the late Mr. and Mrs. Hugh L. Morris of Roanoke, Ala.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Blatt of North Miami Beach. He is the grandson of Mrs. Sara Blatt and the late Gus Blatt and Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Damasker of North Miami Beach.

The bride was escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents. She wore a wedding gown of imported diamond white, silk satin designed by Carolina Herrera. The sleeveless scoop neck gown with a cathedral train was accented by a band of tiny seed pearls and crystals just below the waistline. The bodice was fitted and flowed into an A-line skirt. The three-layered veil was also cathedral length and was scattered with aurora borealis crystals. Ann's gloves were opera length in matching silk. The bride wore a single strand of pearls given to her by her grandmother, the late Mrs. Hugh Lee Morris Sr. of Roanoke. Her bouquet was comprised of miniature aubergine calla lilies, black magic roses and hypericum berries.

The groom wore a matching miniature calla lily as his boutonniere while the groomsman sported black magic rose buds. The groom and groomsman wore morning coats, vests and ascots.

The bridesmaids wore iridescent silk taffeta skirts and matching 3/4 length sleeve sweaters in a stunning merlot hue designed by Vera Wang. The A-line skirts had shoestring bows at each side pleat.

Matron of honor was Mrs. Debby Grindstaff of Alpharetta, Ga. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Patricia Allard of Orlando, Mrs. Emily Araby of Tampa, Mrs. Nicole Mossbacher of Clearwater, Mrs. Lauren Rayment of Seattle, Wash., Ms. Heather Chalmers, cousin of the bride, of Roslindale, Mass., Dr. Jennifer Madoff, Pembroke Pines, and Mrs. Seftari Engelhard, of Plantation, sister of the groom, Dr. Kristen Byron of Arundale Estates, Ga., and Mrs. Marjory Mannion of Norcross, Ga.

The best man was David Alan Wols of Aventura, Fla. Groomsmen were Michael Morris, brother of the bride, of Longwood, Michael Small of Jackson, N.J., Dr. Michael Weinberger, of New York, N.Y., Dr. Michael Blum of Stuart, Jay Bass, of Mountain View, CA, cousin of the groom, and Mark Mazloff, of Pembroke Pines, and Brett Engelhard, of Plantation, brother-in-law of the groom.

Junior Attendants were Victoria Grindstaff, of Alpharetta, Ga., and Britt Morris of Roanoke, Alabama.

Immediately following the ceremony, the wedding party remained at the gardens for a photo session, after which the bride's parents hosted a reception, honoring the bride and groom, at the Lake Mary Marriott Hotel. The bridal party traveled to the reception by limousine.

Following a honeymoon trip to Jamaica, the couple resides in Jacksonville.

## Lodge to host state convention in May

The Celery City Lodge No. 542 and Evergreen Temple No. 321 Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World will host the 78th Florida State Association of Lodges and Temples State Convention beginning May 16 through the 21.

The history making session will be held at the Orlando Lake Mary Marriott Hotel. The convention activities include numerous events.

On Friday, May 16, at 8 p.m. there is a Joint Public Collaring Service (Brothers and Daughters).

On Saturday, May 17, at 8 a.m. there will be a joint opening session. At 10:30 a.m. organization members will begin assembling for a parade in downtown Sanford, which begins at 11 a.m.

The State Oratorical Contest and Banquet will be held Saturday, May 17 at 3 p.m. at the Marriott. A donation of \$25 is suggested. Seminole High School senior Larry Madhanagopal will represent the Sanford/Celery City Lodge No. 542, Evergreen Temple No. 321 and the Number 2 District in the oratorical contest. Harry will vie for a scholarship and a chance to compete in the regional oratorical competition to be held in June in Savannah, Ga., with winners from that event moving on to the finals in Las Vegas in August.

At 9 p.m. on Saturday, the Elks members will participate in the President's Grand Ball. A donation of \$15 is requested.

On Sunday, May 18, at 7:45 a.m.,

members are invited to attend the Susie M. Harvey Prayer Breakfast. A donation of \$10 is requested.

The Sunday morning worship service will be the annual memorial service with a guest minister delivering the message of the hour. The Convention Choir will provide the music.

At 3 p.m. on Sunday, The Civil Liberties Luncheon will be held. Speaker to be announced. A donation of \$25 is requested.

At 9 p.m. on Sunday, the Antler Guard Ball will be held. Donation is \$15 and formal attire is required.

On Monday, May 19, there will be a fashion show in the Grand Ball Room at the Marriott. Donation is \$3.

On Tuesday, May 20, at 9 p.m. there will be "An Evening at the Elk Lodge: A Tropical Extravaganza." The event is at the lodge on 619 Cypress Ave. and tickets will be available at the door.

The community is invited to attend open sessions and special occasions with fees.

Organizers for the event include Roosevelt Cummings Jr.; Retha M. Baker, Daughter Ruler; Grace A. Melton, Grace Haynes Brewer PSP president; Clarence Ford; Gloria Flounery, Earl E. Minott, Commander Fox Company "F"; and Willie Hooks, Jr., exalted ruler.

For more information about the state convention, call the lodge at 407-323-4433 or 407-330-3915.

It's time to put on your calendar up



Marva Hawkins

and coming dates for the Goldsboro Elementary Magnet School for Math, Science and Technology.

The school, located at 1300 West 20th Street, will have a Pre-Kindergarten Camp for those students accepted in the magnet program.

Camp will take place June 16 through 19 and June 23 through 26 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Parents are expected to come and take part in many workshops that will help them participate in their child's education.

Parents will be able to sign up online for the Dividend Program in Seminole County.

The students will be involved in a program to assess their developmental level to provide readiness skills for kindergarten.

For information, contact Debora Campbell, family liaison specialist at 407-320-5805.

The Christian Fellowship Baptist Church (pastor Otis C. Raines) family invites the public to the "Sisters of Love," the church's first women's conference to be held June 20 and 21. The theme is "Putting on the Whole Armor of God," and will be held at the Woman's Club of Sanford.

Keynote speaker is Elder Bettye Pittman of Jacksonville. Registration is \$20 per person. Early registration is required.

For more information, call Sister Odella Pauldo at 407-365-3872 or Sister Mattie Stephens at 407-365-5521.

## Grand opening

**Parade Fellowship, Church of the Nazarene**, located at 200 N. Wayman St., in Longwood, will host its grand opening service Sunday, April 20. Sunday school begins at 9:30 a.m., with morning service beginning at 10:45 a.m. On Saturday, April 19, the church will host an Easter egg hunt beginning at 10:30 a.m. The event will include a moonwalk, face painting, games, free hot dogs and drinks. The Rev. Scott A. King is pastor. For information, call 407-631-6558.



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

## Richmond, Spivey marry

Gwen S. Spivey, formerly Martha Shannon, of Sanford and Stuart "Stu" L. Richmond of Apopka were married Friday, April 18, 2003, in Faith Fellowship Church of Sanford.

The Rev. Robert J. Harley officiated the traditional ceremony, which began at 10:30 a.m. The bride wore an off-white suit with lace on the jacket and an off-white hat.

Her corsage included mums, carnations and daisies.

## Woman's Club of Sanford celebrates 90th birthday

From Staff Reports

It was "Birthday Party Time" for members of the Women's Club of Sanford as they celebrated their 90th birthday at their regularly scheduled April meeting. Entering the clubhouse they were greeted with the sight of a large cake proclaiming "90 years" and balloons circling the perimeter of the entire room. A round table in the center of the room held a large arrangement of roses and was the seating place of past presidents who were special guests of the club.

President Melinda Tooley called the meeting to order and heard routine reports. Then she introduced each guest and they in turn gave a synopsis of their term as president. Past presidents attending were: Mrs. M. E. (Vida) Smith, 1966 - 1968, Mrs. Richard (Jean) Fowler, 1980 - 1982, Mrs. William (Pat) Foster, 1982 - 1984, Mrs. Ann Branson,

1984 - 1986, Mrs. Robert J. (Bettye) Smith 1986 - 1988 and 1998 - 2000, Mrs. Jean Metts, 1992 - 1994, Mrs. James (Delores) Lash, 1994 - 1996, Mrs. Frederic (Ruth) Gaines, 1996 - 1998, Mrs. Betty Jack, 2000 - 2002.

President Tooley and House Chairman, Vivian Buck then opened presents that were stacked near the dais. A large chafing dish was a gift from Buck's Custom Caterers and two more to match were received from the Literary Club. A large framed mirror for over the fireplace was a gift to the club from the Board of Managers and pictures framed to match were gifts from Mrs. Buck and 2nd Vice President, Helen Folgar.

Mrs. Buck then presented a program on the history of the clubhouse and of the Women's Club. Of interest was the fact that the clubhouse was built in 1877, the same year that the City of Sanford was incorporated and that originally it

was the Presbyterian Church.

April 19, 1913, one hundred twenty-five women joined together to form the Sanford Women's Fine Arts and Social Club. The address then was 1313 Oak Avenue and the telephone number was 78. They met the first Wednesday of each month for lunch and a business meeting, the second Wednesday for the arts and the third Wednesday for socials. They played bridge games, had musical programs, plays, flower shows and dinner dances. In 1921, they joined the National Federation of Women's Clubs. From that time until now, they have been active in service to the community by donations of time, talent and money to various charities and by establishing scholarships for displaced homemakers and high school girls.

The Birthday cake was cut and served following a delicious lunch of stuffed chicken, pan seared potatoes, carrots and fresh fruit slices.

## Church Notes

### Easter Party

Metro Church of Christ will host an Easter Party for families with children in the fifth grade and younger. The event, featuring an egg hunt, "Daniel and the Lions Den," games, crafts and an appearance by the Easter Bunny, will be held 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. today at Metro Church of Christ, 281 Division St., Oviedo. Bring a picnic lunch. For more information, call the church office at 407-366-7714.

### Glorifying God in Body & Spirit

Community United Methodist Church will sponsor a four-week program beginning Wednesday to discuss becoming a healthier person. Topics such as stress management, how personality types respond to food, exercise and attitudes, how to balance your health, and problem solving will be studied. A \$12 fee for the Glorifying God in Body & Spirit workbook will be collected. Class meets from 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. each week at Community United Methodist, Room 1, 4921 S. Hwy. 17-92, in Casselberry. For reservations and to order the workbook, call 407-831-3777.

### Concert

Mary Rice Hopkins & Company will perform at Tuskawilla United Methodist Church, 3925 Red Bug Lake Road, in Casselberry, at 6 p.m. April 28. Cost is \$5 and proceeds benefit the Tuskawilla United Methodist Church Preschool Programs. For more information, call 407-699-6012.

### Volunteers Needed

The Christian Sharing Center in Longwood has an urgent need for volunteers to fill various positions. Receptionists and interviewers are needed to interview families in crisis situations and to assist them in meeting their needs. Pantry workers are needed to stock shelves for client families. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For information, call Dianne at 407-260-9155, ext. 6. Monday, Wednesday or Friday.



## Holy Cross Lutheran Church Of Lake Mary

760 Sun Drive  
Lake Mary  
Paul Hoyer, Pastor

**Sunday  
Worship  
8:00, 9:30, &  
11:00 a.m.**

### AME

**HISTORIC ST. JAMES AME CHURCH**  
813 Cypress Ave., Sanford, FL  
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Bible Study Wednesday 6:30 PM

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Tuesday 12:00 noon  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
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### Assembly Of God

**FAMILY WORSHIP CENTER**  
2462 S. Park Ave.  
Sanford, FL 32771  
407-322-9222  
Jeff Kroll Pastor  
Sunday Worship Service 9:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Service 7:00 p.m.

### WELKIN ASSEMBLY OF GOD

1520 Dixie Rd.  
Longwood, FL 32750-5394  
(407) 339-3617  
Reverend Chris Whaley Senior Pastor

### Sunday

Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.  
AWANA Youth 6:15 p.m.  
Discipleship Training 7:00 p.m.  
Pastor's Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
Adult Choir 8:00 p.m.

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH MARKHAM WOODS

5400 Markham Woods Road  
Lake Mary, FL 32746  
(407) 333-1065

### On-Going Activities

Adult Classes, Full Choir, Ladies Choir, Men's Ministry

### Sunday

Coffee and Donuts 8:30 a.m.  
Bible Study 9:45 a.m.  
Worship 10:45 a.m.

### Wednesday

Choir Practice, Children's Ministry 7:00 p.m.  
Prayer and Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
Youth Meeting

### Children's Choir and Senior Adult Choir

Nursery provided all services

### GRACE BAPTIST CHURCH

9151 Imperial Hills Rd.  
Longwood, FL 32750  
(407) 265-1556

### Pastor Dale Thompson

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.  
Wed. Eve Service 6:30 p.m.

### LIGHTHOUSE BAPTIST CHURCH

601 MARKHAM ROAD  
Sanford, FL 32771  
(407) 829-4400

### Randy Walker Pastor

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:50 a.m.  
Jr. Church for Children ages 3 thru grade 6

### Evening Worship 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday

Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.  
Children & Teen Services 7:00 p.m.

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## Transfer of blame and guilt usually follows person's infidelity

**QUESTION:** My wife tried to make me feel guilty when she left. She again blamed me for our divorce despite my desperate attempts to hold things together. I'm not a perfect man, but I loved her and would never have left. But in her mind, I failed so miserably as a husband that she was forced to run around with her boss! Can you believe that? She blamed me for her adultery!

**DR. DOBSON:** Your wife is trying to transfer her guilt to you. Nearly every spouse does something similar when engaging in

infidelity. Such people must find a way to deal with the condemnation of their own consciences. They have torn up a home, rejected their spouses, wounded their children and jeopardized their future. Such outrageous behavior demands an explanation of some sort.

Ask any victim of an affair, he or she has probably heard a version of the following rationalizations designed to handle four specific sources of guilt:

- 1. Marital guilt: "I know that what I'm doing is difficult for you now, but someday you will understand that it's for the best. I never really loved you even when we were young. In fact, we should never have gotten married; their union becomes an unfortunate mistake rather than a relationship that is ordained and cemented. Then by putting the remaining responsibility on the other party, the blame is successfully trans-

ferred from the guilty to the innocent. So much for wedding vows.

Now let's deal with the children.

2. Parental guilt: "This will be hard on the kids for a while, but they'll be better off in the long run. It certainly isn't healthy for them to see us fight and argue like we've been doing. Besides, I will spend just as much time with them after things settle down as I do now."

Zap! Zap! Guilt over the children is also tucked away. Would you believe that Dad's escapade with another woman or Mom's flight with Don Juan is actually a constructive thing?

This message has a transparent purpose. The first sentence miraculously purifies the motives of the unfaithful spouse.

The second sentence is also a beauty. It is designed to serve as an "annulment" to the marriage instead of a cruel abandonment of a loved one. By saying that they should have never gotten married, their union becomes an unfortunate mistake rather than a relationship that is ordained and cemented. Then by putting the remaining responsibility on the other party, the blame is successfully transferred from the guilty to the innocent. So much for wedding vows.

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## Easter Lily: Aristocrat of all flowers

The Easter lily, a member of the lily family, is native to Japan and grown extensively in China. A very popular flower for weddings and funerals, the Easter lily has been called the Aristocrat of flowers and white trumpet lily. Normally it blooms during mid-summer but plants are forced for sale at Easter by manipulating the light during their growing period in the greenhouse.

### The Plant

The Easter lily is about 1 to 2 feet tall, herbaceous, with long leafy stems bearing sessile, lance shaped leaves.

Flowers are borne on end of the stem. Individual flowers are funnel-shaped, white, fragrant, measuring 5 to 6 inches long and 4 to 5 inches wide. Flowers are composed of 6 equal petals and sepals,



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and each flower has 6 stamens.

### Culture

Plant in full sun. Use soil rich in organic matter but with good drainage; bulbs will rot if the soil is too wet. Soil pH should be slightly acidic, between 5.5 to 6.5.

Water to moist the soil to a depth of 6 inches. Manure fertilizers should be avoided because they may aid the growth of pathogenic fungi.

Plant bulbs in the fall or early spring about 4 to 6 inches deep. Dig planting hole 6 to 12 inches deeper than the depth of the bulbs. Replace enough soil so the bulb will be covered with twice as much soil as the height of the bulb. Space plants 10 to 12 inches apart.

Apply mulch to conserve moisture; lilies require moisture year around because the

plant is always growing. After the tops turn yellow, reduce the water slightly. Overhead irrigation promotes foliar diseases and frequent watering may induce basal rot. Normal blooming season is spring and summer.

Propagation is mainly by bulbs, but can be planted from seeds. Use balanced fertilizers as high nitrogen fertilizers tend to produce excessive growth. Fertilize twice during the growing season with a special bulb fertilizer or 2 to 3 lbs of 6-6-6 or equivalent fertilizer per hundred square feet of bed.

Remove faded flowers, but allow as many leaves as possible to remain on the plant during the growing season. Flowering in the following season will be greatly reduced if seeds are allowed to set. When stems and leaves turn brown, cut the plant back.

Allow the bulbs to grow undisturbed until the stalks become smaller and produce

fewer blooms. After the leaves die back, dig up and divide late in June or July.

Store bulbs in dry sawdust or dry peat placed in plastic bags. To reduce the chance of insect and disease damage, a combination of fungicide and insecticide dust may be applied.

Transplant the bulbs in the fall, making sure some roots are left intact when transplanting. It takes between 90 to 120 days from planting the bulb to blooming.

### Use

Plant on borders, clusters, flowerbeds, and for cut flowers. As indoor plants they are difficult to grow for the average gardener, and the results are usually poor.

### Pests and Diseases

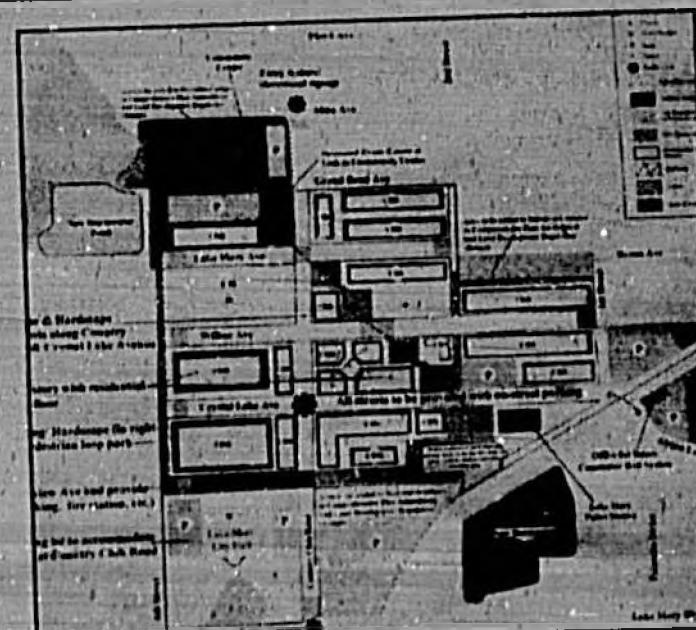
Chewing insects such as caterpillars and grasshoppers should be controlled by low toxic chemicals or hand picking.

Aphids can cause direct damage by sucking plant fluids but they also transmit virus diseases.

Thrips can invade flowers during the warm, dry season, damaging petals and preventing flowering bulbs from opening. Spider mites can also damage the bulbs by direct feeding and also transmitting organisms that produce bulb rot such as pathogenic fungi.

Melybugs can also damage lilies. Nematodes feed on the roots and may cause direct damage to the bulbs. Animals such as moles, pocket gophers, rabbits, and squirrels can also damage bulbs by feeding on them.

Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension Service, 260 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32772, call 865-5848 or e-mail: [aferre@ce.semicoe.fl.us](mailto:aferre@ce.semicoe.fl.us). All Seminole County Cooperative Extension services are open to all regardless of race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.



Lake Mary's proposed downtown revitalization plan

Lake Mary Historical Society attended a recent meeting with Mr. Omana. The goal of the new city plan is to make people

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## Historical Society takes a look into future

If you do not like opinionated columns, please do NOT read any further. There are some things I am very passionate about. History is one of them. History tells us who we are and where we came from. History tells us about the greatness of our nation and the people who founded it.

History shines a light on our dismal failures as well as on our shining examples.

Sometimes, the importance of history, especially of preserving our remnants of history, is lost on those who do not understand it. Some people think something has to be over 100 years old to be worth saving. But in a state where few towns are that old, being historic doesn't mean being



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old. Many of the buildings in Florida that are part of her rich heritage are less than 100 years old. And that's because this state was settled so much later than many other parts of the country (with the exception of St. Augustine!).

As a state, Florida is only a little over 150 years old. Sanford is just 125 years old. Seminole County itself was only formed in 1913. A post office was established in Lake Mary in 1887, but most of the buildings that comprise "downtown" were built in the 1920's.

Yes, downtown Lake Mary needs revitalizing. To those who love the city, that means keeping the old and bringing in new to complement the old.

To some, it means tearing everything down and starting from scratch. Last year, the city's Community Development Director, Juan (John) Omana, spoke to members of the Lake Mary Historical Society and the Lake Mary Historical Commission about plans for downtown.

"Oh, you know that building you people fought like lions to preserve and make a museum? Well, we're going to move it down the street to the Community Building." (While this may not be exactly what Mr. Omana said at the time, it is certainly what it sounded like to everyone there.) Fortunately, the outcry was great enough that the city changed their mind.

Thus it was with bated breath that members of the

## Hop into Easter at the ZOO

Celebrate spring during the Hippity Hop Adventure at the Central Florida Zoological Park on Saturday, April 19 and Sunday, April 20.

From 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., children are invited to hop along the Adventure Trail in search of the Easter Bunny.

At Bunny Stations along the trail, kids will answer fun animal questions and play games to win candy, prizes, and surprises. Plus, kids will receive a bunny tail to wear, enjoy face painting, and meet the Easter Bunny.

Admission to the Hippity Hop Adventure is included in the Zoo's regular admission.

For more information, call 407-323-4450, ext. 149 or visit the website at [www.centralfloridazoo.org](http://www.centralfloridazoo.org).

## THE SEMINOLE HERALD'S ...

### Pet of the Week

'Sparky'



**Sparky**, a 3-year-old, neutered male lab mix, is looking for a good home. Although Sparky's friends at the SPCA of Central Florida in Seminole County — where he's lived since November — will miss him, the canine is looking for a new home where he can play fetch, go for walks and run around a lot. He is playful and obedient and already knows commands such as "sit," "stay," and "come here." His friends at the shelter say Sparky loves to have his ears, head, chest and back rubbed and scratched. He does well with other dogs. And, even though he's a big lad, he seems to think he's a small dog.

To adopt Sparky, call the Humane Society of Seminole County at

**407-323-8685**

or visit the facility at 2800 County Home Road in Sanford.

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## Judge in custody case is guilty of dubious conduct

**DEAR ABBY:** My brother, Rick, recently went to court to get custody of his 1-year-old son. He and the boy's mother, Ellen, never married. Ellen took the baby out of state while Rick was at work and without his knowledge. Rick convinced her to return, then got a restraining order and filed for custody.

The judge (**Hizzoner**) ruled in my brother's favor, giving him primary custody with joint legal custody.

Immediately after the hearing, Hizzoner spoke with Ellen and invited her to come to work for him as a nanny for his children. He offered her room and board, tuition for college and the use of a vehicle. Ellen accepted and moved to the town where Hizzoner lives.



Dear Abby

The arrangement did not work out. Ellen didn't like his children and was homesick, so Hizzoner paid for Ellen to return home.

Yesterday, he was in town and invited Ellen to lunch.

Abby, isn't this a conflict of interest? Isn't this unethical conduct? If Rick has to go back to court, wouldn't Hizzoner have to excuse himself from the case because following the original hearing he has kept in constant contact with the defendant?

### APPALLED IN NEVADA

**DEAR APPALLED:** The answers to your questions are "yes," "yes" and "yes." And this whole story should be explained to whoever represents your brother at that time.

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**Frankly, your story has raised more than a few eyebrows here in California — and I'm sure it will in other venues as well.**

**DEAR ABBY:** I have a problem with my husband, Lyle, and my ex, Charlie. They work together. Lyle and I are newlyweds, and he knows only too well the misery I went through with Charlie. In spite of that, Lyle goes to Charlie's apartment for drinks almost every night after work.

I don't like it when Lyle goes out drinking instead of coming home after work. Charlie knows how I feel, yet he continues to invite Lyle over. I suspect Charlie is trying to cause problems — and it's working — for the simple reason that Lyle isn't smart enough to say no.

Last night, Lyle went to Charlie's to "throw back a few,"

When he came home, we had a big fight and he said some very hurtful things to me. Then he stormed off in his truck. We haven't spoken since.

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to contact Al-Anon so that Lyle's problem does not become your problem.

**DEAR ABBY:** A reader once asked what your definition of love is. Richard Burton said it quite well: "Love is the highest form of tolerance."

**ANNIE FROM FLORIDA**

**DEAR SICK OF IT:** Although it's tempting, I'd recommend against giving your husband an ultimatum. If you do, it could be the end of your marriage. However, if you think this is history repeating itself, it might be time for you to rethink this recent marriage.

It's interesting that both of your husbands have made it a habit to drink after work.

Since it is having a negative impact on your present marriage, perhaps it's time for you

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**TO MY CHRISTIAN READERS:** Happy Easter, everyone!

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ple want to come downtown. Lake Mary has revised many city codes to make that easier. Developers will be able to come in with mixed-use plans combining residential and commercial. The city has amended its' comprehensive plan of the city to suit the mixed use and "higher" density stand-alone residents it wants in downtown.

Mr. Omara said that one of the things the city wants to add is an interactive fountain, something to draw the children. Draw the kids, you draw the parents. So far, so good. The city is also considering a band shell near the Community Building, also a pretty good idea.

Oh yes, the city has also decided to go with an Italianate/Mediterranean architecture similar to what is in West Palm Beach (where Mr. Omara is from).

Originally, the city was leaning toward a Florida Cracker style for downtown (which, of course, would have been in keeping with the historic buildings in existence), but the city commission okayed the go ahead to change to the Italianate/Mediterranean style.

Well, they say they are not going to move the Lake Mary Historical Museum, even though it is still on the current plan, which was drawn up over a year ago. Mr. Omara says a new plan will not be ready for 60 days, even though the city agreed over a year ago NOT to move the museum. While the historical museum is supposedly protected, NO other historical buildings in Lake Mary are. The Spilman building, the old garage, even the Presbyterian Church are not protected and can be bulldozed at will. You can't cut down a tree in the city of Lake Mary without permission, but, guess what? You can bulldoze any building any time.

The city claims they cannot step on people's rights by protecting the buildings. But they can step on people's rights to protect the trees. So, if one of the buildings is

made of wood, will they protect it? Sorry, I'm going off on a tangent. The city expressly said they do not plan to tear anything down, but they won't protect anything other than the museum. One commissioner said maybe the stair-step park (an innovative idea, unlike the architecture) can incorporate the facade of the flower shop. If they're already planning on incorporating the facade of one of the few historic buildings in the town into one of the parks, that means they haven't just written that building off, they fully expect its' destruction.

Am I against change? When it's not particularly good, when it's not particularly original, yes I am. I truly believe that a dedicated person with foresight and vision can save what is truly unique about Lake Mary AND come up with a new comprehensive plan that would revitalize the downtown area. Am I that person? I wish I was!

Am I that person? Again, no. I don't know a lot of architects or city planners. But if you know that person, or if you are that person, PLEASE call city manager John Latton at 407-324-3019 or

Community Development at 407-324-3019. If nothing else, just call them and tell them you want to know when the next planning meeting is so you can have your input. Despite repeated requests by one Historical Society and Commission member, Mr.

Omara never promised to let either group know when future planning meetings were going to be held. (Yes, this is the Sunshine State and all governments fall under the Sunshine law, but if they don't tell you about a meeting, you're left in the dark.)

Some people will say I'm being too critical of Mr. Omara and the city of Lake Mary and West Palm Beach. Well, I'm sure West Palm Beach is a nice place to visit, but I'm just as sure Lake Mary isn't West Palm Beach and it's far too good a city to made into a clone. Lake Mary deserves better than that.

Lake Mary deserves better from us.

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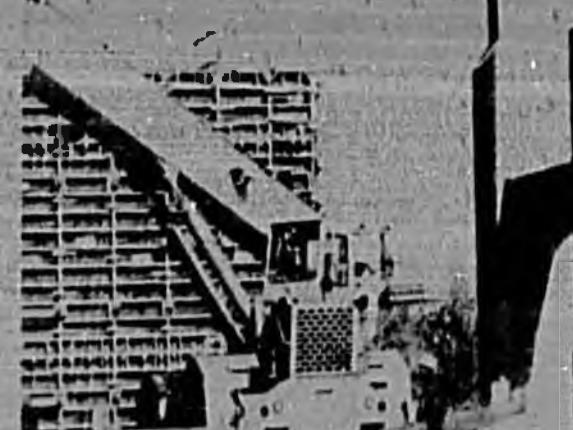
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# FOOD

## Simply sizzling grilling ideas

Americans everywhere are breaking out their barbecues, cleaning off their grills and laundering their "kiss the cook" aprons. This season, backyard grilling gurus can complement conventional charbroiled fare with meatless recipes that don't have to be a vegetarian to love.

One place to start is with delicious and easy-to-prepare Gardenburger veggie burgers. Widely available, Gardenburgers are a guaranteed crowd-pleaser, especially when prepared creatively. Indulge and delight summer guests with these deceptively simple and inspired recipes.

### Savory Portabella Bleu Burger

- 4 Gardenburger Savory Portabella patties
- 4 Kalamata Olive rolls, or other rustic rolls, each sliced in half
- Olive Oil, for grilling
- Balsamic vinegar, to taste
- 1 Portabella mushroom, stemmed, gills cut out and sliced into 1/4" thick slices
- 1/2 cup bleu cheese crumbles
- 2 bunches of arugula, trimmed
- Bleu Cheese Sauce (recipe below)

Lightly brush Gardenburger Savory Portabella patties with olive oil and grill according to package directions. Lightly brush mushroom slices with olive oil, sprinkle with balsamic vinegar and grill approximately 2 minutes each side, and remove from grill. Brush olive rolls with olive oil and grill, cut sides down, about 2 minutes or until golden. Remove from grill and spread with Bleu cheese sauce. Top each bottom half with Gardenburger patties, followed by grilled mushrooms, Bleu cheese crumbles, arugula and top half of bun.

### Bleu Cheese Sauce

- 1/2 cup crumbled bleu cheese
- 2/3 cup low-fat sour cream
- 1/3 cup low-fat mayonnaise
- 1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 tsp. lemon juice

Using fork, mash cheese in bowl. Whisk in sour cream, mayonnaise, Worcestershire sauce and lemon juice. Season with salt and pepper.



Savory Portabella Bleu Burger

## Backyard Bash



Add a little flavor to your next backyard bash with easy recipes like "Mixed Seafood Kabobs" with Lemon Aioli Sauce.

### 'Prehistoric' gathering gets a kick of lemon

In the earliest days of humankind, families gathered outside their caves to cook the day's catch over an open flame.

Today, millions of families get together each year to recreate these prehistoric barbecues in the comfort of their own backyards.

Nowadays, instead of hunting the family meal, the day's catch usually comes from the local supermarket. The open flame is generally contained within a barbecue grill and, the cave, may be how some describe the kitchen on a hot, sunny day. In fact, the only thing that hasn't changed is that families and friends still gather outdoors for food and fun.

In the old days, cavemen had few, if any, choices in food seasoning, and what they did have required loads of time to gather and prepare. Fortunately, the same supermarkets where we hunt for dinner also offer abundant selections of spicy seasonings, cool condiments and fantastic flavors that are perfect for a barbecue.

For example, new French's® GourMayo™ flavored light mayonnaise dress up salads, sandwiches and more with three gourmet flavors, including chipotle chili, wasabi horseradish and sun-dried tomato.

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the perfect flavor surge that's sure to get the party started.

Kick off your next prehistoric gathering in style with these fast, easy recipes for "Mixed Seafood Kabobs with Lemon Aioli Sauce." Happy grilling!

### Mixed Seafood Kabobs With Lemon Aioli Sauce

*Makes 6 servings*

#### Lemon Aioli Sauce

- 1 cup French's® GourMayo™ Sun-Dried Tomato mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons fresh squeezed lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 1/2 teaspoon pressed garlic

#### Mixed Seafood Kabobs

- 1-2 pounds large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1-2 pounds large scallops
- 1/2 salmon fillet, cut into 1-inch cubes
- Vegetable cooking spray

To prepare the Lemon Aioli Sauce: Combine all ingredients in a small bowl, then set in the refrigerator to chill. Serve with grilled seafood or use as a dip with vegetable crudites. Makes 1 cup.

To prepare the Seafood Kabobs: Arrange fish on metal skewers. Lightly coat with vegetable cooking spray. Grill on medium heat, until fish is cooked. Baste with Lemon Aioli Sauce during last few minutes of cooking. Serve additional sauce on the side.

### Top ten outdoor cooking tips

Here's food for thought from NextDay.com to help keep your family's next picnic or barbecue safe and enjoyable.

1. Never thaw meat at room temperature. Thaw uncooked meat in the refrigerator.

2. If you marinate the meat, do so in the refrigerator. Discard the marinade after use because it contains raw juices, which may harbor bacteria.

If you want to use the marinade as a dip or sauce, reserve a portion before adding raw food.

3. If you're using the grill for the first time in a long time, wash it. Contrary to popular belief, a grease-encrusted grill does not add flavor to the food.

4. Use cooking spray or oil on your grill to prevent sticking.

Do not apply cooking spray to a lit grill.

5. Trim excess fat off steaks and poultry. Dripping fat can cause grill flare-ups.

6. Do not add sugary or oily sauces or marinades to foods on the grill. This causes burning.

7. Use the proper tools when grilling. Using tongs to flip the food is recommended as piercing the food can cause juices to drip and burn.

8. The secret to good barbecuing is turning the food only once.

Lift the edge of the food, if the lines from the cooking grate have started to turn black, it's time to turn.

9. Meat and poultry on a grill often brown very fast on the outside.

Use a meat thermometer to be sure the food has reached a safe internal temperature. Insert the thermometer into the thickest part of the food away from bone, fat or gristle. Steaks should be cooked to at least 145 degrees F internal temperature; hamburgers should be cooked to 160 degrees F and poultry to 180 degrees F.

10. When taking food off the grill, do not put cooked items on the same platter that held the raw meat.

For more information on grilling safety, visit the Web site [www.NextDayGourmet.com](http://www.NextDayGourmet.com).

## Create the ultimate luau to celebrate any occasion this spring

The Hawaiian word luau means a festival or celebration that brings together a family or community for any occasion, at any time. So, whether you're on an island or in the quiet of your own backyard, there is no better way to celebrate than with a luau. The following are a few tips and a recipe provided by King's Hawaiian to help make your tropical paradise party flow as smooth as a Mai Tai.

Decorate with color and creativity. Create festive tables with brightly colored napkins, plates, glasses and centerpieces. Use tropical flowers, leis and colorful fabrics to create a festive atmosphere. Make sure your tables are set with the right utensils and glasses. Use tropical-themed plates and glasses to add to the overall theme. Make sure your food is presented in a visually appealing manner. Use tropical-themed plates and glasses to add to the overall theme.

spirit. Welcome your guests with a flower lei and a big "Aloha," or for the more advanced, "He Mai" (welcome). Encourage your guests to dress festively. A Hawaiian shirt, sandals, sarong or muumuu are always appropriate luau attire. For female guests, you may also want to have loose flowers on hand to tuck behind their ears. Those who are romantically available should place the flower behind their right ear, but if their attractions are currently occupied, put the flower closest to the heart to land the left ear.

King's Hawaiian Paradise Coconut Bars

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Lightly coat cookie sheet with non-stick spray (do not use dark metal pan). Set aside. Form bars. Remove crust from loaf. Cut loaf horizontally into four layers. Leaving layers stacked, make three vertical cuts down through loaf, about two inches apart. Turn loaf one quarter and cut again vertically in half. Each resulting bar will be about 4 x 2 x 1/2 inch. Pour milk and coconut into two separate shallow pans.

Dip one cut side of bread bar into milk to soak for a minute with a pastry brush. Press same side of bar into coconut. Transfer to baking sheet with coated side facing up. Repeat with remaining pieces. Place in oven, about 10 minutes. Once bread is golden brown, turn over and bake for another 10 minutes. Let cool completely.



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