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WEEKEND

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Boston-bound

Former Lake Mary High School, Sanford Post 53 and University of Central Florida star Kyle Bono has signed a professional baseball contract with the Boston Red Sox.

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Orlando-Sanford sets monthly record

Total passenger traffic at Orlando Sanford International Airport for June 2004 was 194,981, up 60 percent compared to June of 2003.

It represents a new all-time record for any one month at the airport, breaking the previous record of 181,790 in August 2003.

The traffic mix for June 2004 included a record month of domestic travelers with 86,191, up 105 percent and 108,790 international, up 36 percent.

Specifically, there were 91,968 United Kingdom passengers, up 15 percent from June 2003.

Cargo volume was up 38 percent and aircraft operations were up 3 percent.

The year-to-date figure of 813,113 shows an increase of 95 percent in total passenger traffic. Larry Dale, President of the Sanford Airport Authority commented: "The traffic increases we are seeing so far this year are strong evidence that the types of airline services this Airport offers are certainly meeting the demands of our customers."

"With July and August traditionally being the busiest months of the year, we expect to see even more growth during the rest of the summer."

Seminole Smile



Jessica Holloway — Daughter of Weaver and Casey Holloway, owners of Extreme Auto Repair

Prep school director arrested

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

LAKE MARY — The principal/business manager of Lake Mary Preparatory School here was arrested July 22 and charged with embezzling more than \$422,000, according to the Lake Mary Police Department.

Rex Stephen Clark, known as Mr. Steve to the prep school community, was arrested at his home at 3911 Wimbledon Drive in Lake Mary. He was charged with grand theft and scheming to defraud and later released

Lake Mary man charged with embezzling \$422,000

on \$3,900 bail.

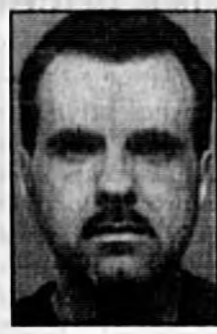
David Sundstrom, a board member at the school on Rantoul Lane in Lake Mary, said that figure could increase as investigations continue.

Sundstrom appeared with Lake Mary Police Chief Richard Beary for a news conference July 23. Sundstrom said everyone liked Clark at the school

which educates more than 600 students.

"We were in a total state of shock," Sundstrom said. "He used that trust to do what he did."

Sundstrom and William Alcott, president of the school's board of directors, went to police after Sundstrom found a strange check dur-



Clark

ing an audit following Clark's resignation in May.

In trying to reconcile bank accounts, Sundstrom noticed a check written to Capital One Bank for leasing equipment. Sundstrom said the school did not lease equipment

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Van Gaale fired City manager: Dismissal is for 'course of conduct'

By Dan Ping
Editor

SANFORD — City Manager Al Grieshaber fired his second in command for "a course of conduct" involving the use of a golf cart during the July 4 celebration.

Grieshaber informed Deputy City Manager Andrew Van Gaale Friday afternoon that was effect beginning 5 p.m. Friday, July 23. Grieshaber stressed in an interview after his meeting with Van Gaale that the dismissal was not the result of simply using a golf cart donated to the city for personal use.

"It was not a single incident but rather a course of conduct," Grieshaber said. "It started prior to July 4."

Grieshaber conducted a two-week investigation into the matter and presented Van

Gaale on Friday with a 17-page "Notice of Decision on Contemplated Removal." In the document, Grieshaber outlined 15 separate areas where he said Van Gaale violated Florida statutes or city policies, from solicitation of gifts and misuse of public position to using city property for personal gain. Grieshaber also maintains that Van Gaale did not perform any code enforcement duties. In responding to Grieshaber's original charges, Van Gaale said he obtained a golf cart to conduct code enforcement during the celebration on July 4.

As part of the preparations for the celebration, the city obtained golf carts for staff members to use during the event. Mayfair Country Club donated eight carts for city

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Horse vanishes near Lake Jesup

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — A high-strung thoroughbred gelding threw his rider July 15 near Lake Jesup and owners, boarders, and the Seminole County Sheriff's Office have not located him.

Four horses and their riders walked along a trail in the Lake Jesup Wilderness Park Area. The riders missed a turn and got stuck in a wooded area with palmettos.

When they tried to turn, the thoroughbred named Madeo became separated. He spooked and tossed his rider, according to the horse's boarder Anne Britton of Crooked Creek Farm. The rider, a young woman, was not hurt.

"He took off in the opposite

direction which is not the normal behavior," she said. "He totally lost it."

The Sheriff's Office's Range and Water Division used four-wheel ATVs and a helicopter from July 15 through 17, but could not find the horse, Britton said. Friends and others have helped in the search, but to no avail.

Two stirrups from the English saddle were recovered close by, Britton said.

On regular patrols, the Sheriff's Office helicopter flew over the area, but it is heavily wooded with thick foliage making it difficult to see anything, said Brent Davison, sergeant in charge of special operations.

"This is just an assist to the public," he said. "There is

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District spends millions on schools, learning center

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — The Seminole County School Board voted July 20 to raise \$37.5 million to pay for a new elementary school in Lake Mary and to replace Tuskawilla Middle School in Oviedo.

Of that amount, \$24 million will go toward the middle school and \$11 million for the new elementary school. The rest would cover closing and other costs.

In settling a dispute between the school district and the City of Lake Mary, and in conjunction with developer D.R. Horton Homes, a school site was carved out on Rinehart Road.

The new school will be located behind the public safety complex, said Dianne Kramer, deputy superintendent of schools. She also estimated the school would probably open in August 2007.

The school district sued the City of Lake Mary earlier

this year when the city tried to ban school sites from a high-tech zoning area. Once the dispute was settled out of court, the new school site was formed.

"We have looked for a place in that area," Kramer said. She added that there will not be a need to rezone the entire district since that process just ended for elementary schools.

Some localized rezoning will take place as the city gets

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Pretty in Pink



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Sharon Huggins, owner of Yesteryear's antique store, moved the Pink House to West First Street.

Victorian beauty lies inside and out

By Ashley Coover
Herald Intern

SANFORD — The Pink House proudly stands at 616 W. First St., in Sanford as a monument to Victorian beauty, both inside and out.

Built in 1908 and renovated by Joanne Drage in 1993, the teal-trimmed, pink



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

The Pink House was built in 1908

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District proposes budget, sets hearing

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — The Seminole County School District budget for the 2004-2005 year will be \$373 million, an increase of about \$24 million over last year, according to the superintendent.

The first of two public hearings on the budget is set for Tuesday, July 27 at 5:05 p.m. at the Educational Support Center on Lake Mary Boulevard. The second public hearing is at 5:05 p.m. Sept. 7.

For a homeowner with a house valued at \$100,000 with a homestead exemption of \$25,000, taxes levied for the Seminole County School District will be \$638, according to a district report.

That figure is nearly \$17 less than last year, when the same homeowner with a house valued at \$100,000 with the homestead exemption paid \$655.

Unlike a city or the county, the school district does not

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Briefs

Oil companies respond to state on gas prices

TALLAHASSEE — Attorney General Charlie Crist announced July 23 that seven of the eight oil companies issued subpoenas on May 25 have responded by submitting information and documentation about the cost, production, inventory, and pricing of gasoline in Florida.

One company has asked for an extension of today's deadline. In addition, Crist announced that during his recent meetings with the National Association of Attorneys General five states offered to assist with the examination of the documents submitted by the companies.

"The price of gas is still sky high in Florida and continues to hurt Floridians and the tourists who visit our state every day," Crist said.

"Therefore, we will continue our investigation and welcome the participation and assistance offered by our colleagues in other states."

"I am pleased to be working with Attorney General Crist and our colleagues from several other states on this important investigation," said Pennsylvania Attorney General Jerry Pappert. "It is crucial that we do all that we can to address the high cost of gasoline for the consumers of our states."

"I am pleased to assist the State of Florida in reviewing documents it is receiving from various oil companies as part of its investigation of recent increases in gasoline prices," said Ohio Attorney General Jim Petro.

"While we have no evidence, at present, of any illegal or collusive conduct, I am committed to ensuring that Ohio consumers receive the full competitive benefits of the free market each time they visit the gasoline pump."

Vermont Attorney General and President of the National Association of Attorneys General, William Sorrell stated, "Given the recent and alarming increases in gasoline prices across the country, we are pleased that General Crist is playing a leadership role in investigating this matter."

Our office is eager to join with the other states in lending our input and assistance to this important effort."

The companies that responded to the subpoenas are:

- BP Products North America, Inc.
 - Chevron USA, Inc.
 - Citgo Petroleum Corporation
 - Conoco-Phillips Company
 - Exxon-Mobil Corporation
 - Marathon Ashland Petroleum, LLC
 - Amerada Hess Corporation
 - Motiva Enterprises, LLC (Shell)
- requested an extension and has been given until July 30, 2004, to respond.

State investigates drug manufacturers

FT. LAUDERDALE — Attorney General Charlie Crist issued civil subpoenas to six pharmaceutical manufacturers July 23 regarding their wholesale pricing practices.

The investigation focuses on estimated overcharges to the Medicaid program of in excess of \$100 million.

"We need to get to the bottom of pharmaceutical pricing practices," Crist said. "If a violation has occurred, we will pursue and recoup these funds, which will help citizens and the overall state budget."

The subpoenas request materials that will assist in the determination of liability under the Florida False Claims Act. The materials are to be provided to the Attorney General's Office by August 16, 2004. The manufacturers are: Mylan, Geneva, Ivax, PurPac, Teva and Watson. The time frame of the questioned conduct is 1994 to the present.

Florida's Medicaid program reimburses pharmaceutical providers at wholesale prices reported by manufacturers. The subpoenas will help determine whether the reported wholesale prices were inflated beyond the actual wholesale price, resulting in overpayments.

Copies of the subpoenas are available at <http://myfloridalegal.com/subpoenas.pdf>.

Summer Coolers



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

The hot days of summer are here to stay for several months, but one can help make summer cooler with lots of fresh melons and fruit. This refreshing array of fruit was at a recent party at downtown Sanford's Willow Tree restaurant.

Theft

• Julian Alamo, 28, of Kissimmee, was stopped by Sanford police Tuesday in the 2700 block of S. Orlando Drive. The vehicle he was driving was reportedly stolen in New York State. He was charged with grand theft of a motor vehicle and driving with a suspended license.

Battery

• Brandon Travis Carr, 21, of Hickory Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Monday at his residence following an altercation with a female. He was charged with battery — touch or strike (domestic violence).

• Jeremy Dale Taylor, 24, of Forest Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police early Friday at a business in the 2600 block of Orlando Drive, where he reportedly was in a fight in the parking lot. He was charged with aggravated battery — causing bodily harm.

Traffic stops

• Timothy Alan McDonald, Jr., 18,



of Collins Road, Osteen, was stopped by Sanford police Thursday at 13th Street and Laurel Avenue. He was charged with driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol or drugs, possession of liquor by a person under 21 years of age, possession of narcotics equipment, running a stop sign, and possession of an open container in a motor vehicle.

• Theron Ellis, 33, of Colledge Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Thursday at Academy Avenue and Carver Avenue. He was charged with DUI alcohol or drugs, driving with a suspended license, and sound too loud.

• Christopher Michael Shagena,

21, of Rockyridge Place, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Tuesday in the parking lot of Seminole Towne Center.

He was charged with driving with a suspended license, possession of under 20 grams of marijuana and possession of narcotics equipment.

• James Michael Peck, 25, of Elm Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Wednesday at SR-46 and Airport Boulevard. He was charged with driving with a suspended license.

• Stephen Willis, 32, of Elm Avenue, Sanford, was stopped by Sanford police Thursday at Celery Avenue and Mellenville Avenue. He was charged with operating a motor vehicle without a valid license.

Other charges

• Ronald Dixon, 46, listed as homeless, was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday in the 300 block of W. Lake Mary Blvd.

He was charged with trespassing after warning.

Device saves paper for Sanford police

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — The Sanford Police Department has replaced a 5-pound manual officers use with a tiny flash drive that can plug into any computer.

The device, called a flash drive, can hold 128 megabytes of information, according to Lt. Mike Horan. The drives can be worn around the neck, stored in a pocket, or hung around a patrol car rearview mirror.

They will fit into squad car computers for quick reference, officials said.

If an incident happens, say an at-risk child is missing, the manual dictates exactly what protocol to follow.

"It's like a check list," Horan said, referring to the device hanging from a strap around his neck. The manual will be updated quarterly.

The department purchased 120 flash drives for \$30 each for a total of \$3,600, Horan said.

He did not know how much money it will save in paper and copying costs, but a recent update cost \$900 in paper alone.

The manual includes police rules and regulations, policy procedures and standard operating procedures, the administrative officer said.

It tells officers when the use of force is warranted, for example. It will help supervisors look up information quickly.

Police Chief Brian Tooley said the



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Sanford Police Officer Leticia Caradonna shows the 5-pound manual on the right and the 1-ounce flash drive that replaces it on the left.

purchase will help with the accreditation process the department is going through. A few years ago, the policy manual was not "a great one," Tooley said. Today it is very comprehensive, he said, but has gotten unwieldy at 5 pounds. The flash drive weighs less than an ounce.

"To our knowledge, no one else is using this technology," he said referring to other law enforcement agencies.

"the convenience of this piece of technology ensures that all officers have the most current information

right at their fingertips," Tooley said in a July 21 news release.

"Staff members are encouraged to be innovative and to pursue effective, creative solutions to antiquated, routine tasks," Tooley said, adding that the flash drives are a good example of creative thinking.

Flash drives are the smallest, portable storage drives, according to the police department. They require no external power source. They are powered by USB ports which they plug into to review, update, or transfer information.

OUT & ABOUT

SUN 25

The Altamonte Jazz Ensemble, directed by Mike Arena, and the Leisure Services of Altamonte Springs will celebrate the music of George Gershwin, beginning at 7 p.m. at Lake Brantley High School Auditorium, 991 Sand Lake Road. Admission is \$5 at the door. Special appearances will be from vocalist Linda Cole "Lady of Song" and pianist Dave Sheffield. The concert is funded in part by the Seminole Cultural Arts Council.

MON 26

Mt. Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 2001 Sipes Avenue in the Midway community will host its annual Vacation Bible School through July 30, beginning at 6:30 p.m. All ages from 2 to adult are invited.

Rev. Dr. W. Frank Williams is the pastor.

TUE 27

The Oviedo Police Department will host Florida Licensing on Wheels, a community service program offered by the Florida Division of Driver Licenses. The event will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at 300 Alexandria Blvd. in Oviedo. For additional information phone 407-327-4761.

THU 29

The Therapy Center is hosting a free Chronic Wrist Problem seminar from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. at the office 305 Mangoustine Avenue, Suite 100, in Sanford. The seminar is open to anyone who would like to learn more about the causes of wrist pain, ergonomics, stretching, self-massage, how to prevent wrist pain and how to prevent wrist surgery.

Refreshments will be served. RSVP by phoning 407-321-1910.

AUG 17

Central Florida Regional Hospital will hold a Wellness Seminar for Weight Reduction from 6:30 until 8:30 p.m. The first 45 minutes is free. The expansion of the program will be offered at a small charge. No reservations are required. For information phone 1-800-848-2822.

AUG 21

The Mid-Florida Milers Walking Club will meet at Seminole Community College Gym, Building H, 100 Weldon Blvd. for a walk through the college campus and surrounding residential areas.

Register between 8 and 8:45 a.m. For additional information phone 407-695-9181.

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Horse

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Photo submitted

Madoe, a thoroughbred gelding bay horse, has been missing since July 15.

nothing to indicate anything criminal."

The search has been expanded to include all properties surrounding the park, Britton said, in case the 17-hand bay gelding somehow joined up with cattle or other horses. A color leaflet has been handed out to area residents.

She did not want to say that someone may have taken the horse or how much the thoroughbred is worth, but Madoe's whereabouts remains a mystery.

The horse has been boarded at Crooked Creek less than a year, Britton said. He may still be wearing his English saddle and bridle. He also has a scar on his left side. He has socks or white patches on the lower part of three legs.

Britton said a woman is coming this weekend with her

How to help

Anyone with any information about the missing horse is asked to call 407-739-4404 or 321-239-9929 or the Seminole County Sheriff's Office at 407-324-9685.

dog to try and find the horse. Britton receives calls and e-mails all day about the horse since his plight has been publicized on the Internet at floridahorse.com.

"We are just following up any leads that we have," she said, praising the Sheriff's Office's efforts.

Anyone with any information is asked to call 407-739-4404 or 321-239-9929. Shane Love of the Seminole County Sheriff's Office is handling the case. He can be reached at 407-324-9685.

Pink

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Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

A Victorian Tea Set is just part of the antiques and special gifts available at Yesteryear's on First Street in Sanford.

Victorian home now houses an antique and original gifts shop called Yesteryear's.

Yesteryear's had been located at 205 E. First St., for more than seven years, but when owner Sharon Huggins heard that the City of Sanford was going to do a streetscape on downtown First Street, which would basically close the street for more than 18 months, she decided to open Yesteryear's at its current location.

The appeal of the new location will hopefully draw customers into Yesteryear's who are hoping to marvel at the Pink House's architecture and decorations inside, along with the usual crowd of antiques-hunters.

"A lot of people, especially men, stop in and say, 'I wanted to see the interior of this house,'" Huggins said.

Yesteryear's specializes in Victorian decor, gifts, resale clothing and accessories and silk floral arrangements. Visitors can buy Victorian Christmas ornaments, limoges and pincushion balls, among other ornate mer-

chandise.

"We have really beautiful, China and dresser pieces," Huggins said.

Several local women, ranging in age from their late 60s to mid-70s, have their own businesses within Yesteryear's.

They buy antique pieces, clean them up, research them and price them to sell. Some also create original pieces for the store.

And every woman hauls her own, often heavy, merchandise around.

"They say this type of business gives them a reason to get up in the morning and keeps them in great shape as well," Huggins said.

Huggins says Yesteryear's is considering opening a tea-room in the Pink House within a year or two.

Yesteryear's opened at its new location Jan. 15.

The store's operating hours are Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

"It's worth coming by just to see the renovation that's been done," Huggins said.

Clark

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from the bank.

He said Clark had setup a company called Budgetext, which is the same name as a legitimate company from which the school once bought textbooks.

When Clark resigned in May, Sundstrom said Clark told the school he was leaving because he had obtained a law degree.

"We haven't even checked to see if that was true yet," Sundstrom said.

Clark came to the school in 2001 and eventually became director or principal and business manager, Sundstrom said. A background check had been done on Clark, but Sundstrom said he had used a bogus social security number.

As far as the school knew, Clark had a clean record. Subsequently officials have learned that Clark was arrested in the 1990s for

obtaining prescription drugs.

One of the questions police have is whether Clark used money from the school to purchase drugs, Beary said. Beary said investigators are pouring over two years worth of school financial records.

Sundstrom described Clark as tricky and creative. He said Clark told the school he had worked for the Cocoa Beach Police Department.

"As far as I was concerned, he was a great guy," Sundstrom said. "He told us he was a former chief of police."

Sundstrom said this would not hurt the school, and in fact called it a blessing. He said there has been frustrating problems with several projects.

"Now we know why," Sundstrom said.

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Obituaries

JOSEPH D. ALEXANDER

Joseph D. Alexander, 25, of Grove Street, Orlando, died Sunday, July 18, 2004. He was born Jan. 10, 1979 in Orlando. He was a block mason.

Survivors include father, Joseph P.; mother, Jacquelyn D.; step-mother Peggy J.; brother, Anthony D.; sister, Jacquelyn L.; step-brother, Marcus B. Allen; grandmother, Annie Mae.

Funeral services will be Saturday, July 24 at 11 a.m. at Full Gospel Miracle Revival Center, Orlando.

Sunrise Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

MAGGIE LEE GREEN-BOUEY

Maggie Lee Green-Bouey, 71, of Altamonte Springs, died Sunday, July 18, 2004. A native of Quincy, she was a longtime resident of Altamonte Springs. She was a member of William Chapel Missionary Baptist Church.

Survivors include husband, Henry Bouey; children, Dawn Green, Gregory Bouey, Valerie Bouey, Toller Bouey, all of Altamonte Springs, Vanessa Bouey-Merriman of Maitland, and Yada Dawkins of Sanford; step-children Emerson Merrit, Renda Washington of Atlanta, Ga., Arthur Morton of Sanford; mother, Lena Lanier of Altamonte Springs.

Funeral services will be Saturday, July 24 at 3 p.m. at New Bethel AME Church in Altamonte Springs with viewing from 1 p.m. until funeral time. Interment will be in Fern Park Cemetery.

Gail & Wynn's Mortuary, Orlando, in charge of arrangements.

MANUEL E. BOWEN

Manuel E. Bowen, 78, of Maitland, died Monday, July 19, 2004. He was born in Ecuador. He was a factory worker.

Survivors include wife, Martha Bowen of Maitland; son Oscar Bowen of Sanford; daughter, Evelyn Alice of Maitland; brother Aston Alvia; two grandchildren. Collison's Howell Branch Funeral Home & Crematory, Winter Park, in charge of arrangements.

CHARLES THOMAS "TOM" COATNEY

Charles Thomas "Tom" Coatney, 66, of Brushcreek Drive, Sanford, died Wednesday, July 21, 2004 in Sanford. Born Aug. 24, 1937 in West Carrollton, Ohio, he moved to Central Florida in March of 1985. He was a self-employed entrepreneur and a Protestant.

Survivors include wife, Serita Coatney of Sanford; son, Michael Tindall of Orlando; daughter, Kimberly Marsh of Orange City; sisters, Carol Rayburg of Largo, Jane Barton and Peggy Moore, both of Dayton, Ohio; eight grandchildren.

A memorial service will be conducted Monday, July 26, at 7 p.m. at the Deltona Alliance Church, 921 Deltona Blvd. The family requests, in lieu of flowers, donations be made in his name to Vitas Hospice Foundation, 5151 Adanson Street, Suite 200, Orlando, 32804.

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

JOHN EUGENE MATHEWS

John Eugene Mathews, 51, of Geneva, died Thursday, July 15, 2004. He was born Jan. 3, 1953 in Williamsport, Ind. He was a veteran of the U.S. Army and Army Reserves. He was employed at United Trophy Manufacturing in Orlando.

Survivors include daughters, Kristi Reeves of Geneva and Jamie Mathews of Dalton, Ga.; sister, Linda of Casselberry; father, Robert Wesley Mathews of Hoopston, Ill.; one granddaughter; former wife, Sara O'Kane of Dalton, Ga.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, July 25, at the home of Kristi Reeves, starting at noon. The family has a Remembrance Registry.

Visitors are urged to sign the guestbook and share a memory at the web site of www.baldwinfairchild.com.

Baldwin-Fairchild Funeral Homes, Oviedo Chapel, Oviedo, in charge of arrangements.

WALLACE OGLESBY

Wallace Oglesby, 101, of Paisley, died Saturday, July 10, 2004 at his residence. Born Sept. 25, 1902 in Lake Monroe, he was a lifelong resident of Sanford. He was a fisherman and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife Lula of Paisley; sons, Charles of Deltona, Wallace L. of Lake Monroe, Jesse of Paisley and Jack of Pine Lakes; daughters, Mary Evans of Geneva, Judy of Paisley, Ruth Rogers of Sanford and Barbara Bumgardner of Pine Lakes; brother, Johnny of Louisville, Miss.; 28 grandchildren; 33 great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, July 14 at Sylvan Lake Cemetery.

Gramkoff Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

TRUDY DEWIS WILLS

Trudy Dewis Wills, 55, of Oviedo, died Monday, April 19, 2004. She was born April 23, 1949 in Washington, D.C. She was employed at Siemens/Westinghouse Power Generation in Orlando and Pensacola for 34 years. She was a member of Gulf Coast Knitters Guild and Gulf Coast Spinning & Weavers Guild. She was a member and treasurer of the International Toastmistress club.

Survivors include husband Ted; sister, Connie; stepsons Jeff and Greg; one step-granddaughter.

Funeral services were held Friday, July 23 in the Chapel of Collison's Howell Branch Funeral Home & Crematory. Interment was in Chapel Hill Cemetery.

Donations may be made to Hospice of the Comforter, 407-682-0808 or the American Cancer Society.

Collison's Howell Branch Funeral Home & Crematory, Winter Park, in charge of arrangements.

Los Angeles Times Sunday Crossword Puzzle

Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis

"PRIMA DONNA PRIMER" By DEB AMLEN & NANCY SALOMON

ACROSS

1 Trendy travelers

7 What some heroes are made of

13 Put on

20 Precise, in Puerto Vallarta

21 Beams

22 Actually target

23 Prima donna principle #1

25 Apple source

26 Madrid museum

27 Business mag

28 Mail letters

29 Duster

30 WWII female

32 Prima donna principle #2

38 Fabulous

41 Mini-albums, for short

42 Raised-eyebrow retorts

43 Prepared to be shot

44 1950 film noir classic

45 Capital of Cuba

47 Sopping

49 Pkg. with a balance

50 "I'd rather do it"

52 Goalpost part

56 Bio datum

59 Prima donna principle #3

63 Fabulous

66 "Waiting for Lefty" playwright

67 Majesty

68 Curtain holder

69 Dress down

72 Under the table

74 Bourgeois department

75 Hosiery shade

76 Get the moisture off

79 Grannies

80 Prima donna principle #4

85 Carpooling car, briefly

86 Distribution

87 Helping hands

90 Ambient rocker Brian

92 It may come before long

93 "Chicago Hope" Emmy winner

95 Black gold

97 Quick flash

100 Invoice no.

102 Director

Craven

103 Make certain

105 Prima donna principle #5

110 French articles

111 Buckeyes' sch.

112 Places to go in London?

113 Very long stretch

114 Trimmer's target

117 Musical chairs loser

120 Prima donna principle #6

125 Pretentious gambler

126 Intifadaled with

127 Drill that cuts circles

128 Least original

129 Landlord's need

130 Declines

DOWN

1 Ely May's "paw"

2 River of Devon

3 Buccaneers' home

4 Way to make yourself?

5 Italian hot spot

6 Lincoln in-law

7 Fresno-to-L.A. dir.

8 Pro-... loureys

9 Fatty compounds

10 Coeur d'...

11 Islam's holy city

12 Marx follower?

13 Takes in

14 1996 campaigner

15 Rank below

16 ...-di-dah

17 Youth who flew low near the sun

18 Online investors' company

19 Avoided

24 Caviar

28 "That feels good!"

30 Rolled cabbage?

31 Basic bit

33 Like some ballots

34 Product bars

35 False

36 NASDAQ debut

37 Now

39 Baser's relief

40 Like some tales

46 '60s ally, general

47 Refuses to

48 Balpark figs.

49 Cardinal kopper

51 Galleys order

53 "Self-Reliance" essayist's monogram

54 Caviar source

55 State

57 Bridge authority

58 Gay

60 Gross parts

61 Curbed

62 Briers rival

63 Fast one

64 Hoop of fiction

65 Liberal, to

70 Flis market

71 Lupino and Farbell

72 Anterior limb

73 It'll hold water later?

78 Letter opener

77 Kin of ...

78 Anti-fraud agcy

81 It happens

82 Because of

83 "None"

84 Offer as proof

88 Cattle drive actions

89 Kingly address

91 Dozy in math?

92 USA rival

94 Blonde shade

96 "Mu?"

97 Ibsen play

98 Snapped

99 Spiny lizard

100 Way up

101 AWOL trackers in "Little Women" (1994)

102 She played Jo in "Little Women" (1994)

104 Fringed carriage

106 Water jugs

107 Mini-ha-ha

108 "Arabesque" actress

109 [We'll tell you later] Abbr.

115 Tolman creatures

116 Gillette brand

118 Panguns' gp.

119 No-name name

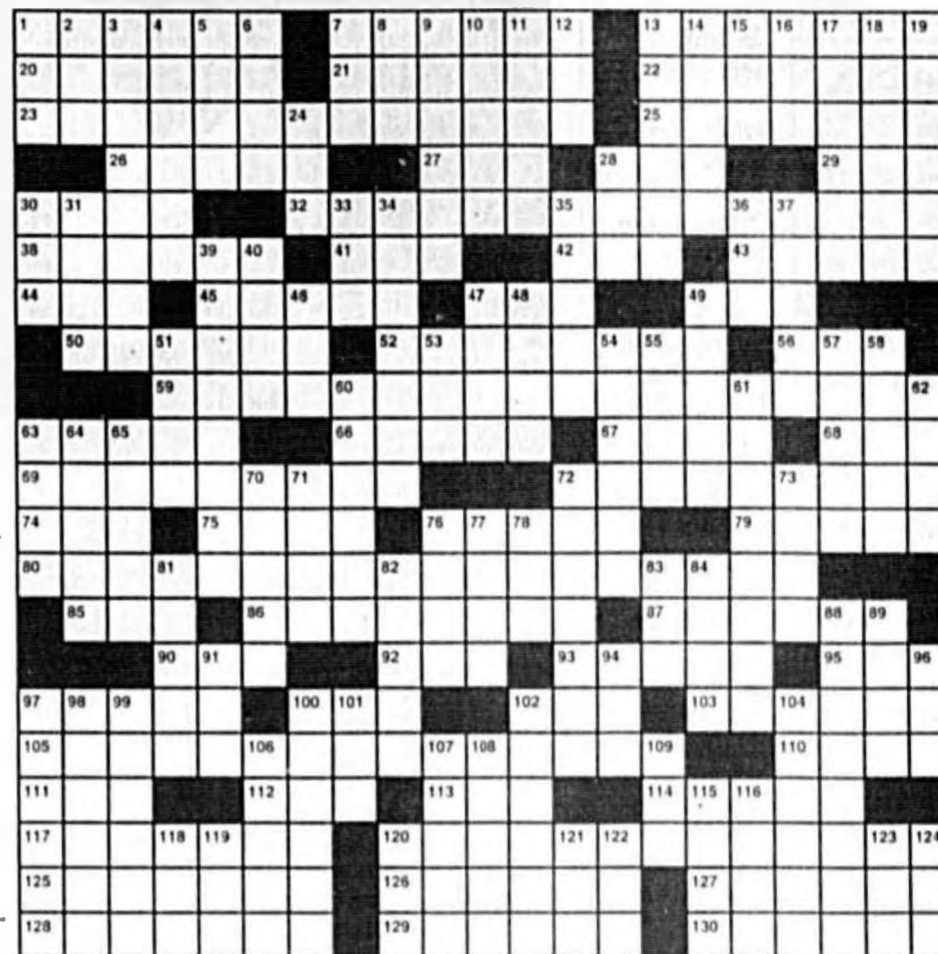
120 Booth buy: Abbr.

121 Came out on top

122 USA rival

123 Chess piece

124 ...Cat



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See crossword puzzle answers on Page XA

Schools

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its second elementary, she said, but it is too early to tell which neighborhoods will supply students to the new school.

The \$37.5 million will come from the issuance of Certificates of Participation. Kramer said these are similar to the bonding process for a city or county capital project.

Fuskawilla is the last of the old round middle schools. Repairs following a fire about 15 years ago allowed it to last longer than the rest, Kramer said.

The new building will be constructed behind the current school. It will have three stories. The current gym and cafeteria will continue to be used, but the rest of the school will be torn down once the new building is complete.

The replacement school will offer more room with more classrooms, Kramer said, and it moves it away from Fuskawilla Road that has expanded close to the school.

"It will be approximately the same size as other middle schools in the district," Kramer said.

The school district will also spend almost \$2.9 million to construct an early learning center at Bentley Elementary School in Sanford.

Early learning centers are part of a district plan to deal with class reduction mandates, Kramer said. She said the district would put them wherever possible.

Some campuses do not have room for an early learning center, such as Rainbow Elementary in Winter Springs.

"These are schools within a school," Kramer said. Vogel added that the school communities have said they like this concept.

The first was built at Bear Lake Elementary in Apopka. At the time, the elementary was small, but it has land to try the new concept. Now it is the largest elementary in Seminole County.

The centers are separate buildings that house kindergarten and first grade. At some point, they may also hold pre-

kindergarten, Kramer suggested.

Bentley's center will have 14 classrooms, a resource room, a multi-purpose room for lunches, art and music. The centers have their own administrators.

These are part of the district's five-year Capital Improvement Plan and are meant to relieve overcrowding. In addition to Bear Lake, centers have been constructed at Carillon and Lawton elementary schools in Oviedo.

Red Bug Elementary in Casselberry has an intermediate learning center for fourth- and fifth-graders.

"This is an economic way to provide more classroom space," Kramer said. "We don't have to rezone. It's better than just adding classroom space to an existing school."

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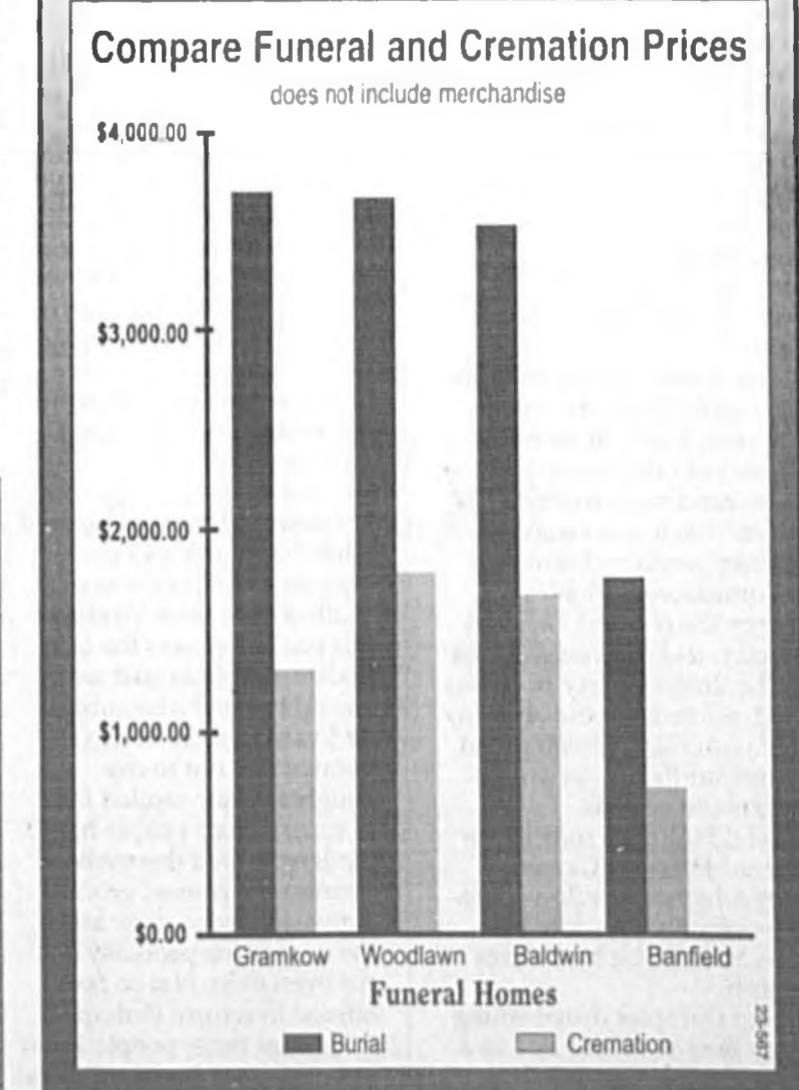
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LIFESTYLE

The Way We Were: Honors and revues mark Sept. 1943

The following items are from the Sept. 3, 1943, edition of *The Sanford Herald*.

Civilians Receive Awards

Presentations of insignia to civilians for faithful service in the war effort were made by A.B. Peterson the previous Wednesday evening at intermission of the USO Dance. This climaxed the day of dedication ceremonies of the new Federal Recreation Building. (I have never heard the USO Building called this).

As a floor show, Dick Pope and seven models from Cypress Gardens presented a revue, similar to the ones they had given for the armed forces in 60 Florida camps.

About 300 civilians and servicemen attended the dance held at the army. Music was furnished by the Orlando Air Base Jive Bombers.

Mr. Peterson, on behalf of the defense council, presented ribbons and service pins to several civilians in appreciation for their many hours of service.

The following persons were eligible to receive 500 hour ribbons: The Mesdames James Moughton, M.L. Wright, Ava Wright Davis, A.W. Knox, C.E. Hunter, Estelle Jennings and Miss Frances McDougal.

Also H.B. Pope, Roy Williams, James Gut, Lea Lasher, W.A. Patrick, M.S. Wiggins, H.C. DuBose, W.J. Toll, C.R. Dawson, H.E. Morris, R.E. Kipp, Frank Shames, J. Tilden Jacobs and E.J. Meyer.

The following hostesses and Sailorenes were eligible for 50 hour service pins: Mesdames John Eick, M.N. Cleveland, R.B. Wight, A.C. McReynolds, E.F. Lane, Betty Toll, Lillian Vickery, C.R. Kirtley, J.P. Thurmond, Frank McNeill, J.L. Ingle, Frances Moses, O.P. Herndon, E.J. Moughton, S.C. Graham, and J.E. Stemper.

Also, Misses Gussie Hinton, Nancy Whitmore, Irene Rabun, Violet Wells, Winnifred Lovell, Marjorie Newman and Ruby Crawford.

Thanks Given USO Dedication Helpers

Mrs. E.F. Housholder, publicity chairman, expressed appreciation for the persons who helped her in publicizing the dedication of the Federal Recreation Building.

Ruth Gordon Wright, director of the parade, added her thanks for the 41 children who took part in the miniature float pageant and also to the mothers who assisted her.

Mrs. Housholder named the following who had assisted her: Bill McBride, manager of WDBO Radio Station, John F. Rudy and T.R. Higgins of the Orlando Morning Sentinel, Willard Connelly and Roland Dean of Sanford Herald.

Ned Smith, chairman of the arrangements for the miniature parade which preceded the formal ceremonies announced the winners of the contest. Each was awarded defense bonds and stamps.

Winners were Robb's Bakery, the Sanford Fish and Grocery and the Valdez Hotel. The Robb's Bakery float was a red, white and blue birthday cake with Nancy Robb posed in the middle. It was driven by Erna Jean Robb.

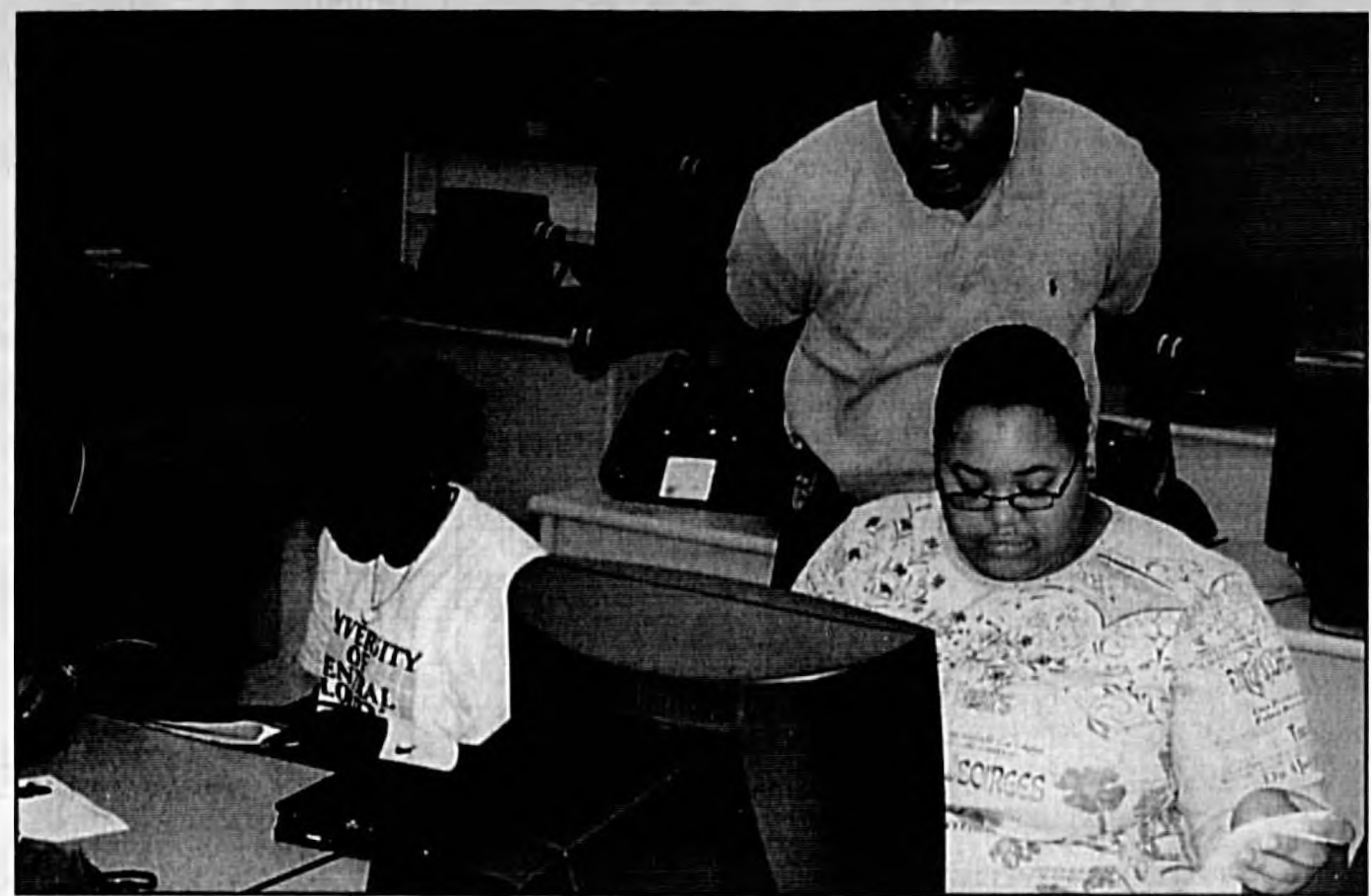
Sybil Holcomb rode in the Sanford Fish and Grocery entry which was a flower basket covered with white blossoms and driven by Delores English.

Joan Dampier drove young Leroy Reel who was clad in a sailor suit riding a subchaser to represent the Valdez Hotel.



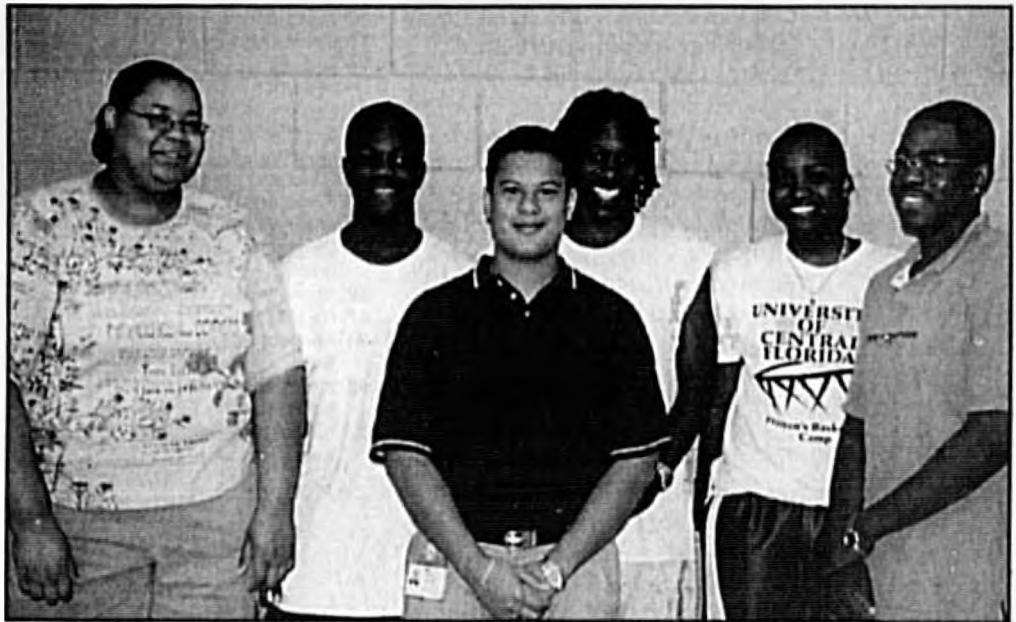
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Competition Crooms



Photos submitted

Aubrey Griffin, top photo, of the Black Data Processing Associates checks the work of Crooms' student Lyndsey Jones as she prepares for the National High School Computer Competition in Dallas. The right photo shows students going to the competition from Crooms Academy of Information Technology. From left are: Lindsey Jones, Shelton Stile, Kevin Walsh, Yusuf Corley, Jamika Garner and Justin Bagley.



Students to duel in Dallas

SANFORD — In an effort to promote information technology literacy in the minority community, the Orlando chapter of the Black Data Processing Associates is sponsoring six high school seniors from Crooms Academy of Information Technology to compete in BDPA's High School Computer Competition.

The event will be held the first week of August at BDPA's 26th annual National Conference in Dallas.

The Orlando chapter of BDPA, which was officially chartered in 2002, is sponsoring the registration and underwriting costs incurred by all the Crooms students who will attend the national competition.

Aubrey Griffin, president-elect of the Orlando chapter of BDPA and an IT professional, has volunteered to train the students at Crooms High School for the HSCC.

"This is the first year our local BDPA chapter is sending youth to the conference," Griffin said.

"This type of competition is vital for Central Florida minority students to participate in so that we can continue to bridge the information technology gap."

Since late April, the team has been hard at work studying every Monday and Wednesday in two-hour sessions.

The format of the competition consists of oral, written and programming sections. In the programming component of the competition, each team will have six to eight hours on one computer to analyze, design, program and document a solution to a business problem.

"Every component of the competition is equally challenging," Griffin said. "I believe the students will be well prepared for it. Right now, they are working hard on the Web development portion."

"We are very thankful to BDPA's Orlando chapter for its financial support and tutoring for the competition," said Connie Collins, principal of Crooms. "We

hope that our students' presence at BDPA's High School Computer Competition will become a Crooms tradition."

Any interested organizations willing to participate or donate to the program and help BDPA continue in its mission to promote IT literacy in the minority community, please contact the local chapter at bdpa-orlando@cfl.rr.com or call (407) 828-2847.

Crooms Academy of Information Technology is a three-year-old magnet school in the Seminole County Public Schools system. Crooms AOIT offers a nontraditional curriculum that enables students to take part in integrated projects.

Designed to develop essential workplace skills — with an emphasis in information technology — the school's IT courses include networking, keyboarding, computer programming and business systems and technology. Students can earn college credit and industry certifications as well.

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Seminole County residents were among the 2000 delegates making decisions and new laws about the church.

Attending the 47th Quadrecentennial of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Church recently that met in Indianapolis, Indiana, were the Rev. Valerie J. Henery, Mrs. Sweetie Williams of Allen AME Church, Rev. Michael B. Price, Mrs. Lenora Mobley of New Bethel AME Church, Sanford, and Ms. Cherita Johnson of Lake Mary.

St. Mark AME Church of Orlando pastor Rev. Samuel L. Green, Sr. was elected Bishop and has been assigned to the 15th Episcopal District in South Africa. He will begin his assignment in early October.

Eight other bishops, two females and six others including three from Africa were elected at this historical conference. New legislation passed included the banning of AME pastors performing same-sex marriages, enforcement of pastoral and elder retirement at age 75, and a new connectional budget for 2004-2008.

The new Bishop assigned to Florida and Bahamas District was Bishop McKinley Young. Highlighting the conference this year said delegate Lenora Mobley, were notable speakers, Senator John Kerry, Democratic candidate for President, the Rev. Jessie Jackson of the Operation Push, and Congresswoman Corrine Brown of Florida, West Sanford Freewill Holiness Church, 814 Mulberry Ave., the Rev. Dr. Hezekiah Ross.

The new extension classes are being
See Hawkins, Page 9A

Stetson's Corner: No time to rest at this haven ...

Welcome to Stetson's Corner, where weekly we hope to share a bit of what is good about the Village of Geneva. This column is dedicated to a man who did the same — Deputy Sheriff Gene "Stetson" Gregory, who was killed in the line of duty July 8, 1998, in the place he was sworn to protect, but which could not protect him. Geneva will never be the same because of Deputy Gregory...it will be better.



Darla Kinney Scoles

One of the things I noticed while vacationing in the magnificent mountains of southeastern West Virginia this past week was the fact that every homestead we passed boasted a bountiful backyard garden. When I pointed this out to my daughters they replied that of course those people had gardens to feed themselves because the nearest grocery store was hours away and the nearest job probably did not even exist. Not so fast, I offered in return. Perhaps it is because those people know something we here in Central Florida (where we grow

mostly houses) have missed or forgotten. Family gardening is a time-honored tradition that carries on because those who garden know that when you work the

earth it's like free therapy and because nothing in that grocery store tastes as fresh and sweet as produce from your own plant-ripened plot.

Prior to this week of time off, I visited Rest Haven Farm in Geneva, where Bob and Laura Braun and their son Zachary know of what I speak. The Brauns have just finished up their first season as growers of hydroponic tomatoes and hope to repeat the process again in a few months having gained much experience during their inaugural run.

The Braun's greenhouse may be a tad large to qualify as a backyard garden, but it is (discreetly hidden) in their backyard, and does produce

tomatoes with a taste that takes you back to a time before mass production, mass transportation and chemical preservation took over the produce aisle at the local supermarket.

"We're not an organic operation," comments Bob Braun when asked about pest and disease fighting within his computer controlled facility. "We deal with white flies, which are primarily a greenhouse bug, and some fungus from the humidity." Braun, conscious of the chemical effect on his crop, however, uses pyrethrin-based formulas to combat pests, and hopes that adding a vinyl covering to the now dirt floor of his site will cut down on fungus problems next time around.

Their second season of production holds much promise for the family, who relocated here in 1997 from Miami in the hopes of raising their son in a rural small town atmosphere and with mom and dad working from home.

"We learned a lot in this



Photo submitted
Bob Braun and Zachary pose in their hydroponic tomato operation. The Brauns recently ended their first growing season.

See Scoles, Page 9A

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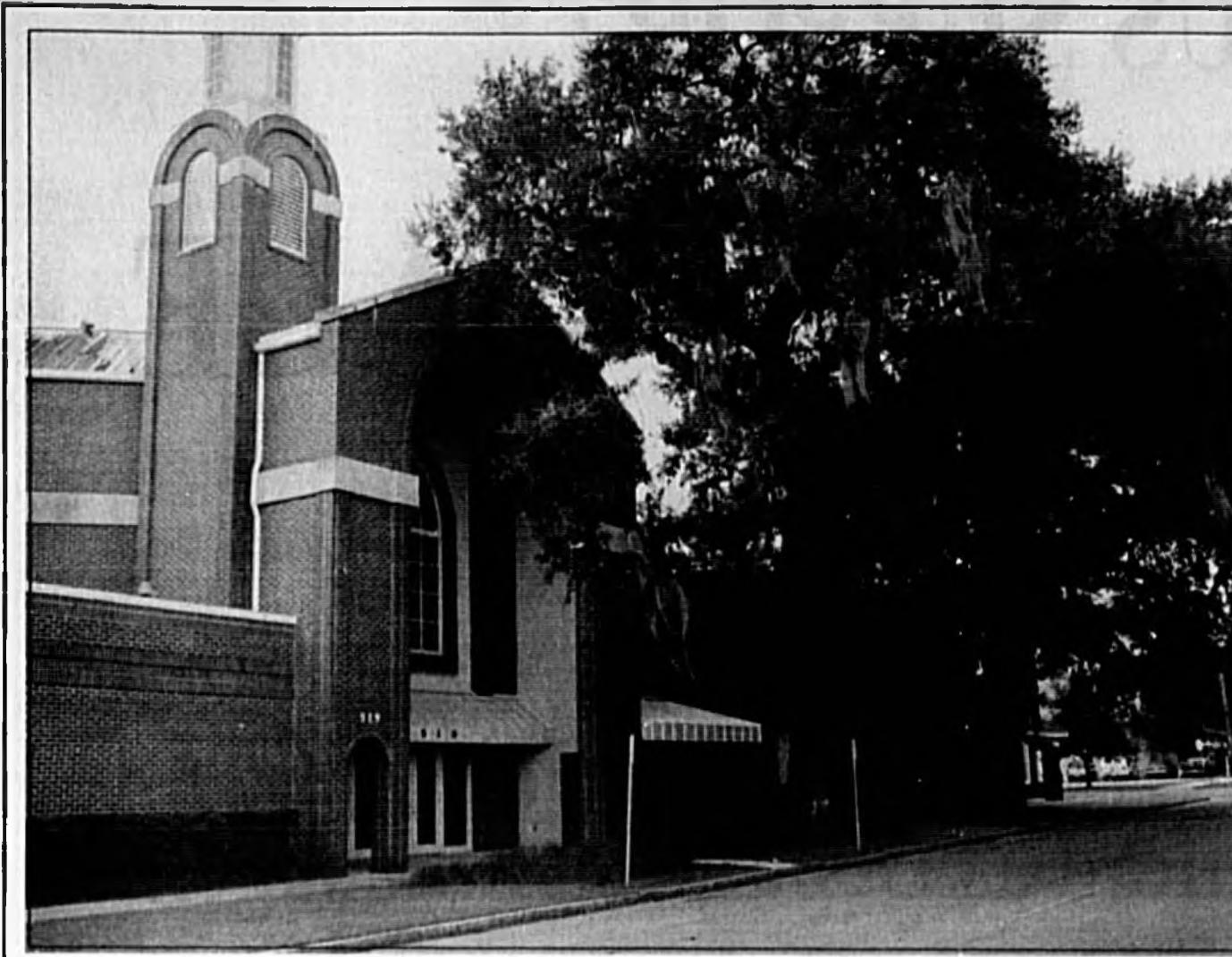
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Sunday PM Worship 6PM
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Wednesday Family Activities.. 6PM

First Baptist Sanford

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Youth: 407-322-5322
Rev. Rick Blythe, Sr. Pastor
Rev. Tom Smith, Pastoral Care
Rev. R. Wagoner, Music
Rev. Mark Williams, Students
Adam Willow, Intern-Students
Sunday School ..9:15AM
Sunday Worship, 10:30A, 6P
Wed Activities, all ages, 6:30PM
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891 State Road 434 East
Longwood, FL 32750-5394
407-339-3817
Chris Whaley, Senior Pastor
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11:00AM Worship Service
5:00PM Youth Choir
5:30PM Youth Discipline
5:30PM Awana
5:30PM Discipleship Study
5:30PM Pastor's Discipleship Study
5:30Vocal Ensembles
Wednesday
6:00 PM Kids Kaleidoscope
(Children's Creative Arts)
6PM Discipleship Classes
6PM Orchestra
6:30 Youth Bible Study
7PM Pastor's Bible Study
7PM Choir Rehearsal
7:30PM Youth Activities

First Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church

700 Elm Avenue
Sanford, FL 32771
407-322-5489
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Early Morning Serv., 8:15AM
Sunday School9:30AM
Morning Worship, 11AM
Evening Worship(TBA), 4PM
Monday Bible Study7:30PM

Grace Baptist Church

919 Longwood Hills Road
Longwood, FL 32750
407-265-3595
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Sunday School9:30am
Morning Worship10:45am
Evening Worship8:00pm
Wed Eve. Service6:30pm

Westview Baptist Church

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Sanford, Florida
407-323-0523
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Charlie Higgins, Associate Pastor of Music/Youth
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Sunday School 9:15AM
Evening Worship 6PM
Wed. Bible Study & Prayer Service 6:30PM

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Confessions, Saturday, 4PM
Saturday Vigil5PM
Sunday, 7:45AM, 10:30AM, Noon
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Michael Milligan,
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Message by Pastor...11AM
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Budget

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set its own millage rate, Superintendent Bill Vogel said. The state sets the tax rate and the amount of money the schools will get.

"Basically the state says here's your pot of money, see what you can do with it," said Deputy Superintendent Dianne Kramer. The Legislature determines the amount when it passes the state budget during its regular session in the spring.

The budget includes money for items listed as "unavoidable cost increases." Expenses like \$1.7 million for a program called Teachers for Growth and more than \$1 million for utilities.

Terminal leave payout and the McKay Scholarship cost at least \$690,000.

Other big items in this category include support staff and new custodial staff for the new Hagerty High School in Oviedo.

New budget items included in the budget are proposals for the rest of the balance, Vogel said.

These include intensive math support in all middle

schools, money for developing a district-wide algebra I exam, writing programs and Sanford area elementary resource officers.

The total budget will be \$373.5 million. Of the new money available to the district, 94 percent went to increasing salaries and benefits which amounted to just more than \$15 million.

According to a report from the district, nearly 84 percent of the budget goes to salaries and benefits. There are more elementary schools, so they get more of the budget, or about 33 percent. Middle schools receive 16 percent of the budget and high schools just under 21 percent.

Capital projects included in the proposed budget for 2004-2005 include a new elementary school in Lake Mary, a new middle school in Tuskawilla, and expansion of Hagerty High School in Oviedo. Lawton Chiles Middle School is being expanded to become Hagerty High School.

Each year, district officials said, \$1 million is given to the

schools to cover individual school capital equipment and improvement needs. Funds are allocated based on school size, enrollment, and age of the facility.

The budget report also sets the cost of meals at the schools. Paid lunch at the elementary level will be \$1.75. Secondary student paid lunches will be \$2 or \$2.25. Reduced price lunch remains 40 cents.

An enterprise fund was established to the district's Extended Day Care Program. The budget proposal says childcare service is available for school days, teacher workdays, student non-attendance days. Some school sites also have childcare services during spring and summer breaks.

Costs set for childcare service are before school, \$21 per week; after school, \$40 per week; before and after school, \$45 per week; full day, \$25 per day; and full week, \$100 per week. There are reductions for second and third children enrolled. Late pickup for any of these times is \$5 for every five minutes after 6 p.m.

Hawkins

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Herald photo by Marva Hawkins

"Expressly Yours" teaches its students how to be entrepreneurs. Experience the results of success at the summer program, Saturday, July 24 at 6 p.m. at Sylvan Lake Park Center in Lake Mary when students will perform.

offered through the International Seminary - Plymouth, Florida.

All pastors, ministers, deacons and members who are interested in advancing spiritual growth, please attend an important meeting concerning "Being Successful in Your Ministry, 1, 2 and 3".

Monday, Aug. 30, at 7 p.m. Congratulations to the June 2004 "Be Successful in Your Ministry II" class graduated ministers Georgia Gohagen, Carlos Smith and Mary Smith. For inquiries call 407-322-4397 or email Hesroz@aol.com.

"Expressly Yours" summer program will hold their school program Saturday, July 24 at 7 p.m. at Sylvan Lake Park Center. The community is invited to witness the success of this summer program.

New Bethel missionary Baptist Church, 618 E. 10th St., celebrated its 72nd Church Anniversary Celebration.

The anniversary sermon was given by the Elder Alphonso Waddell of the

Olive Baptist Church of Riviera.

Saturday, July 17 at 3 p.m., Women's Session, the women of New Bethel were graced with the story of Missionary Glensecella Taylor and Missionary Gurley. Their

message was about their field of mission work in Africa.

Minister Manning and Sister Butts invites the community youth and adults to attend Vacation Bible School, July 26-30 at the church from 6 until 9 p.m.

Scores

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short season," Braun reflects, "so that next time we'll be able to hit the ground running." Lessons learned this go-around, which found the Brauns months behind other growers who began harvesting in November 2003 (the Braun's tomatoes first ripened in May 2004) include things as minor as what color gloves to wear so as to not excite the bumble bees which pollinate the plants, to making sure there is an automated back up generator to run the operation when the power goes out, and of course, dealing with county and state regulations.

First year blessings have included supportive neighbors who have helped with everything from a "greenhouse raising" to planting, picking and promoting, as well as late-season tomato purchases by other growers who had already shut down their operations for the summer.

"One grower bought my entire day's crop," delights Braun, who also gained much from interacting with local growers who had several years experience in the business.

Not wanting to get to over-confident in his crop-producing abilities, Braun adds, "As much as you think you are prepared, there is so much involved that every day there is something

new to deal with."

Braun's production abilities previously involved major on-the-road shows featuring touring recording artists and spanning the globe. Laura is a computer consultant and business analyst in the cruise industry. Both continue to jump in and out of their professions as necessary to keep things financially functioning at Rest Haven Farms. Both also hope to be full-time growers within a few years and continually plan and work towards that end. This fall, for example, the couple will be utilizing a portion of the current greenhouse facility to grow strawberries and herbs. A second smaller, passive greenhouse may provide lettuce crops in the future.

Tomatoes will always be the mainstay here, however, with most of what they produce being sold to area restaurants. And these are not just any old tomatoes. These are nutrient fed, tenderly handled, computer monitored babies that listen to classical music to help them grow. Just ask Zachary, age 3. He knows the tour script as well as his father, although the day he visit he prefers to play with his toy tractor among the rows and rows of towering vines.

"They sell themselves," says

Braun matter-of-factly. This first year, however, many days harvest were donated to local food banks rather than be allowed to spoil. (Rest Haven Farms also provided the tomatoes for Geneva's Fourth of July celebration condiment table.) Next season, though, will be different. Concludes Braun: "This has been very rewarding for a number of reasons. I'm actually surprised at how rewarding it has been. In the end, everything has really worked out pretty well for people who didn't know what they were doing when they started."

The Brauns are currently in the process of shutting down for this season, with a mid-August date for replanting from seed - a time when many neighbors show up to help and socialize. When harvesting begins, the Brauns open a roadside stand (run on the honor system) at the entrance to their farm on Rest Haven Road in Geneva. The contact number for the farm is 407-349-0111.

We need you to tell us what you know that is good about Geneva! Please share your information, ideas and comments by calling 407-349-2140, via e-mail at darlas@mpinet.net, (please put "Stetson's Corner" in the subject line), or with a fax to 407-349-1311. Thanks!

City

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use, and the city leased five others from Mid Florida Golf Carts for \$75 each

According to Grieshaber's findings of fact, on July 1 Van Gaale called Lisa Jones in the city's recreation department to ask if the city was obtaining golf carts for July 4 Jones, who oversaw the lease of the carts, said yes. Van Gaale, who oversees the city's code enforcement department, asked if one could be reserved for him to handle code enforcement duties, since he had given employees in that department the day off. Jones said she would attempt to reserve one but the carts were set aside for other departments.

Van Gaale later informed Jones he had spoken with Mid Florida Golf Carts and the company was sending an extra cart. An employee in the DeLand office of Mid Florida Golf Carts, Mitch Sander, told a Sanford police investigator that the company routinely sends a spare cart at no charge in case one of the carts malfunctions.

Jones, in a written statement, said she called Van Gaale on Sunday, July 4, and told him a cart had been set aside for his use. Van Gaale picked up the cart in the early afternoon.

About 7:30 p.m. on July 4, Grieshaber saw Van Gaale driving the golf cart in the Mayfair subdivision with two minor children sitting in the front seat and a minor child standing on the back. Both Grieshaber and Van Gaale live in the Mayfair subdivision, about eight blocks east of the July 4

"I have one objective and that is to get my job back."

Andrew Van Gaale, fired from City of Sanford

activities.

Van Gaale approached Grieshaber, who told Van Gaale that "he didn't like that." Van Gaale attempted to fit all three children, two nieces and a nephew, in the seat, but eventually told his nephew to "run back home," according to Grieshaber's notes.

Later that evening, a neighbor told Grieshaber she had seen two women driving the golf cart in the neighborhood.

Until Grieshaber saw Van Gaale on the golf cart, Grieshaber said he was not aware the deputy city manager was using a cart obtained by the city.

"That incident revealed these other allegations," Grieshaber said Friday.

Van Gaale contends he informed Grieshaber about the golf cart on July 2. Grieshaber disagreed.

"If you had, I would have objected," Grieshaber wrote in his decision to terminate Van Gaale.

Van Gaale admits that he used the golf cart. He apolo-

gized in person to Grieshaber Tuesday morning, July 6, the first work day after the federal holiday, and he provided Grieshaber with a written apology on July 7.

"I am disappointed that I have let you down as my boss/mentor, as well as the mayor who has been a supportive advocate of my contributions to the team," Van Gaale wrote in the letter. "During the event, I was available and on call all day. As we discussed on (July 2), I was hosting a family barbecue and planned to run between my house and downtown via golf cart. In doing this I made two mistakes. The first was allowing my mother and wife to drive the golf cart. The second was my (sic) giving my nieces and nephew a ride in the neighborhood. It was a lapse in judgment, and I regret any exposure brought upon the city because of it."

Van Gaale said he will appeal his termination to the civil service commission and the city commission, if needed. He added that he was not surprised about Grieshaber's decision.

"Based on (Grieshaber's) approach all along it was pretty much anticipated," Van Gaale said. "We were optimistic that he would make another decision, but we were also realistic that he would not."

Van Gaale said he is focusing on appealing Grieshaber's decision and is not looking for other employment.

"I have one objective and that is to get my job back," Van Gaale said.

Answer key to today's puzzle

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Letters

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where the professional that we have hired to run our town is refusing to listen to reasonable input from the people that this town voted to be our voice.

I want a city staff that responds to the collective wisdom of the voted representatives. The informed, well questioned and debated wisdom of the representatives. The City Manager is staff. He works for me as do you, mayor. The problem is the city manager doesn't seem to understand that or care to understand.

I don't know what the second deck is. But lately, I've felt very removed from the second floor of my City Hall. I grew up in a military family. My father is a retired Bird Colonel. But, one thing he taught me was, his rank didn't matter after he retired. He was Joe citizen to every one around him.

After a debate at the Sanford Women's Club, regarding the "Strong Mayor" vote, I mentioned to you the following phrase that kept going through my head while listening to you and your "professional city manager expert" debate: "The Titanic was built by professionals, the Ark was built by an amateur."

I want to see the right thing done, regarding Andrew Van Gaale, and I believe that keeping him would be the right thing to do. If we do not value those who have done well for us, then we deserve the people that we find ourselves with later.

I have faith in you to do the right thing for Sanford. As always, please let me know if I can be of service to you or the city.

Virgil Hurley
Sanford

To the editor:

My name is Charles Rowe. I was the Director of Community Development for the city of Sanford for many years. I have served on many boards, and I have worked to help countless non-profit groups and individuals throughout Seminole County. I feel that the city of Sanford is my adoptive home town. I currently serve proudly as a member to the City's Community Redevelopment Agency.

As an employee I worked, many times, very closely with Andrew Van Gaale. I saw Andrew go out of his way to help the people and to protect the city.

The city of Sanford has been steadily polishing its image. Over the recent past, we built the Seminole Town Center and established the Orlando Sanford International Airport. We have a beautiful riverfront and an ever improving residential and commercial historic district. Our water and sewer capacity to provide service is excellent. Our diverse community in terms of wealth, race and culture is becoming one of our most precious strengths.

It is unacceptable to me to see our strides tarnished and our laundry aired during a time when we could be capitalizing on our hard work and our God given location in time and geography. The issues surrounding the attempt to fire Andrew are, in my opinion, hardly worth any mention. We have work to continue, we have a city to build and we have citizens to serve. Let's not squander any more of our resources on this issue. Bring Andrew Van Gaale back, identify the problem and make it go away.

Charles Rowe
Orland

To the editor:

I am writing to you about Carl Gate and Andrew Van Gaale's pending dismissal. At this point I'd like to say to Mr. Grieshaber that the greatest in this episode, but unless this is piled on top of other similar incidences, then I would say look for a compromise. From my experience Andrew is a good employee and has value. What really worries me is that no compromise has been found and that is a sad indicator of an unyielding management style. All in all, this episode as played out has been an embarrassment for the city and it's high time to resolve this. I support Andrew's retention.

Denny Gibbs
Sanford

To the editor:

I'm writing to show my support for Andrew Van Gaale. I worked with him when I was chairperson for the Historic Preservation Board in Sanford. Andrew is one of the most moral, upstanding, and dedicated persons I know. The city is fortunate to have him as an employee. As a taxpayer, I really don't care whether or not any government employee used a golf cart to

shuttle his family on 4th of July. Andrew was working code enforcement by just driving around checking on things. So what if family was with him. What a waste of time and direction on the city manager's time. He told Andrew he didn't approve of his actions. Andrew apologized. Let it go, Al.

Laura Howell
Sanford

To the editor:

I have been following the "Van Gaale" story on the news as well as in the papers/internet. I know I don't live in your city, however, I would just like to express my opinion on the matter. The golf cart incident from July 4 has turned into the biggest waste of time, money and effort.

It seems to me that Sanford city officials have more important business at hand than conducting a witch hunt. Granted, I do not know all the details about the case, but do they really want to fire Mr. Van Gaale for using a golf cart? What type of precedent will that set? It seems to be a case involving a lapse in judgment. Do the people of Sanford seriously want these types of repercussions for such a minor offense? I don't believe it.

Mr. Van Gaale used a golf cart. He did not remove documents from the National Archives. I ask the people of Sanford, please stop your city officials from running wild. Stand up and let your commissioners know that the firing of Andrew Van Gaale is inappropriate and unnecessary.

Allan R. Henderson
Cocoa Beach

To the editor:

As the person who has known Andrew Van Gaale since his birth, please allow me to share with you what I know to be true. Andrew Van Gaale is a man who is devoted to his family, community and country. Andrew is a man who steadfastly conducts himself with honor, integrity and dependability. Andrew is a man committed to serving his fellow man. As a son, husband, brother, friend and public servant, Andrew exhibits leadership at it's finest. I have been blessed to have Andrew as my son.

Judith Van Gaale
St Petersburg

To the editor:

It is with considerable satisfaction that we write to acknowl-

edge Mayor Brady Lessard's Letter to the Editor in Wednesday's *Sanford Herald*.

In that letter, the mayor clarified his view of the proper role the city commission has with personnel actions of the city manager—that is, don't meddle.

The mayor refers quite appropriately to last year's referendum which he says "put the issue to rest." And so it did. The issue in the current controversy is not about the person who is city manager, or whether his attitudes/actions are agreeable to everyone. The issue is whether the city manager is within his rights and duty to take action against an employee whom he feels has engaged in misconduct. As the mayor says, he is within his rights.

Those of us who organized and worked very hard in the referendum to retain our city manager form of government, and rejoiced when more than two-thirds of the citizens agreed, now applaud the mayor's re-affirmation, along with zzzother commissioners, of that decision.

We believe that Sanford is best served by a professional city manager administering the operations of the city, and by a city commission actively promoting it vision.

As this writing, the city manager's decision on the actions of the deputy city manager has not been announced. Whatever that decision, it is our earnest hope that all involved will allow due process to proceed, without poorly-conceived calls for retribution against the city manager. Both men deserve no less. For those who would take advantage of an unfortunate situation to pursue a political agenda at the expense of good government, we say remember that citizens are watching.

Henry Sweet
L. Millard Hunt
Sanford

To the editor:

It was annoying to see once again that precious taxpayer dollars are going to be wasted over a minor infraction by deputy city manager Mr. Andrew Van Gaale using the City's golf cart for a day for supposed non-city work.

In such serious times of focusing attention to issues of terrorism, homeland security, upcoming elections and economic uncertainties, it is comically infu-

riating to see city "grown up" elders fighting over such a trivial issue.

There seems to be total disregard to Mr. Van Gaale's 10 years of dedicated service to the city of Sanford where no such habitual misuse has ever been cited.

Any concerned citizen should call for an immediate halt to this childish nonsense (at, once again, tax payers expense) and instead devote attention, energy and revenues towards more serious issues.

Martha and Jerry Hendrix
Casselberry

To the editor:

I am very concerned with the status of Andrew Van Gaale's suspension and potential dismissal as deputy city manager. This has got to be one of the most absurd situations I have ever witnessed in government.

It is disturbing to think that while he is on suspension, city business is piling up on his desk. If he is dismissed, more tax money will be spent to cull for a replacement as well as train that person and hope that they are up to the standards that Mr. Van Gaale has achieved after ten years.

I have not spoken to one single person that feels that these means justify this end. If anyone should be punished, it should be Mr. Van Gaale's supervisor, who has let his pride override any sensible judgment in this situation. As a man in charge of many subordinates, I would think that he would have the training and management skills to differentiate between a truly serious infraction and one that certainly should be addressed, but does not warrant termination.

I certainly hope that since it is stated on the city's website "The City Manager, City Clerk and City Attorney serve at the pleasure of the City Commission," that the city commission will be able to override any decision that Mr. Grieshaber, due to his pride, has shown himself unworthy to make.

Christina Eaton
Sanford

To the editor:

I have served on the Historical Board, Planning & Zoning, City Commission (8 years) and am presently on the Airport Authority Board.

I moved to Sanford in 1978

and fell in love with this community. In all of my years of service, I have never seen such absurd behavior as what the City Manager is trying to do with Deputy City Manager Andrew Van Gaale.

I was on the committee to select a new City Manager for our city and was a big supporter of the new City Manager—what a big mistake I made!

He may be from the military but when you get the real world everything is not black or white. Sadly, the current city employees are working in fear. No one should work in fear. This is the city of Sanford, not the city of Sanford Military Base.

Please bring Andrew Back!
Lon Howell
Sanford

To the editor:

I was shocked when I heard about the suspension of Deputy City Manager Andrew Van Gaale. I believe City Manager Al Grieshaber was suspiciously hasty and overreacted by putting Van Gaale on immediate suspension. Van Gaale served the Sanford community as interim city manager last year (July - August 2003) before Georgia resident Grieshaber was hired for the city manager position last August.


During his tenure as interim city manager, he proposed a budget—that was approved by the commission—that saved the city more than \$37,000. He also requested employee educational reimbursement, with allocations for each department, unused funds be placed in a citywide contingency fund; and \$35,000 in funding to the Sanford/Seminole Chamber of Commerce. Seems to me that in the short time he was interim city manager he did a lot for the city.

Van Gaale has served on the Sanford Historic Preservation Board as a certified local government contact since 1997, as vice president of the Central Florida Chapter Florida Planning and Zoning Association, and was endorsed by the Sierra Club for Seminole County Commission District 1 in 2000.

It would not be in Sanford's best interests to let this man go. The use of a golf-cart during Fourth of July festivities is a slap on the wrist offense, not something to lose a job over.

Christine Allen
Altamonte Springs

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Oviedo High School's

MARK BELLHORN



2B
Boston Red Sox

ab	h	r	HR	rbi	avg.
346	90	64	11	51	.260

• Had a four-hit game against Texas on July 10 and was in an 11-for-33 streak (.333) before going 0-for-8 in a doubleheader on Thursday.

Seminole High School's

DAVID ECKSTEIN



SS
Anaheim Angels

ab	h	r	HR	rbi	avg.
308	92	49	0	19	.299

• Was 20-for-45 (.444) during 11-game hitting streak that ended in an 0-for-4 against Texas on Wednesday.

Lake Mary's

DANNY GRAVES



P
Cincinnati Reds

w	l	sav	so	bb	era
1	4	34	30	5	3.12

• Just missed chance to become fastest to 35 saves in a season when Cubs rallied late in game on Monday.

Lake Brantley High School's

FELIPE LOPEZ



SS
Cincinnati Reds

ab	h	r	HR	rbi	avg.
46	7	3	0	5	.152

• Back at AAA Louisville hitting .273 in 70 games after an extended stay with Reds.

Sanford Middle School's

COREY PATTERSON



CF
Chicago Cubs

ab	h	r	HR	rbi	avg.
352	98	51	11	39	.278

• Is 10-for-31 (.323) in getting hits in 6-of-last-8 games, including a three-hit game and two two-hit contests.

Seminole High School's

TIM RAINES JR.



CF
Baltimore Orioles

ab	h	r	HR	rbi	avg.
34	10	4	0	3	.294

• Did much better in month stay on Big League roster, but was sent back to AAA this week after a trade and return of several injured pitchers.

Lake Brantley High School's

JASON VARITEK



C
Boston Red Sox

ab	h	r	HR	rbi	avg.
284	79	37	11	39	.278

• Has been steady after a slump, going 6-for-19 (.316) with three two-hit games in past week heading into week series with the Yankees.



Photo courtesy of Bill Richardson, UCF Athletics Association, Inc. Lake Mary's Kyle Bono leaves UCF first in career ERA with a 1.66 mark after posting a 12-4 record in two seasons.

Bono Boston bound

Lake Mary star inks contract with Red Sox

Special to the Herald

UCF sophomore right-handed pitcher Kyle Bono has signed a professional contract with the Boston Red Sox and will report to the Lowell Spinners in the New York-Penn League. Bono, an eighth-round draft selection of the Red Sox in the 2004 Major League Baseball Draft, was a draft eligible sophomore following his All-America season in 2004.

"It was a big decision because I loved playing at UCF for Coach Bergman and Coach Cozart,"

commented Bono. "Still, this is the right time for me to join the Red Sox and my goal is to reach the Major Leagues one day."

Bono had a rapid rise from a high school senior at Lake Mary High School, where he was used out of the bullpen as a part-time pitcher and full-time third baseman. In two seasons with the Golden Knights, Bono finished with a 12-4 career record and 1.66 ERA in 130.0 innings of work.

"It's a credit to Kyle to his makeup and work ethic," stated UCF pitching coach/recruiting coordinator Craig Cozart on Bono's quick trip to the pros. "His greatest asset is his makeup on the mound. When you put that together with a guy who works the way Kyle does, you see the results. We wish him the best in his professional career."

Cozart has quickly established himself as one of the top pitching coaches in the nation. During See College, Page 13A

Title within reach

Weekend could decide champ

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

With their feet securely back on home turf, the Sanford River Rats are edging ever closer to the regular season championship in the Florida Collegiate Summer League.

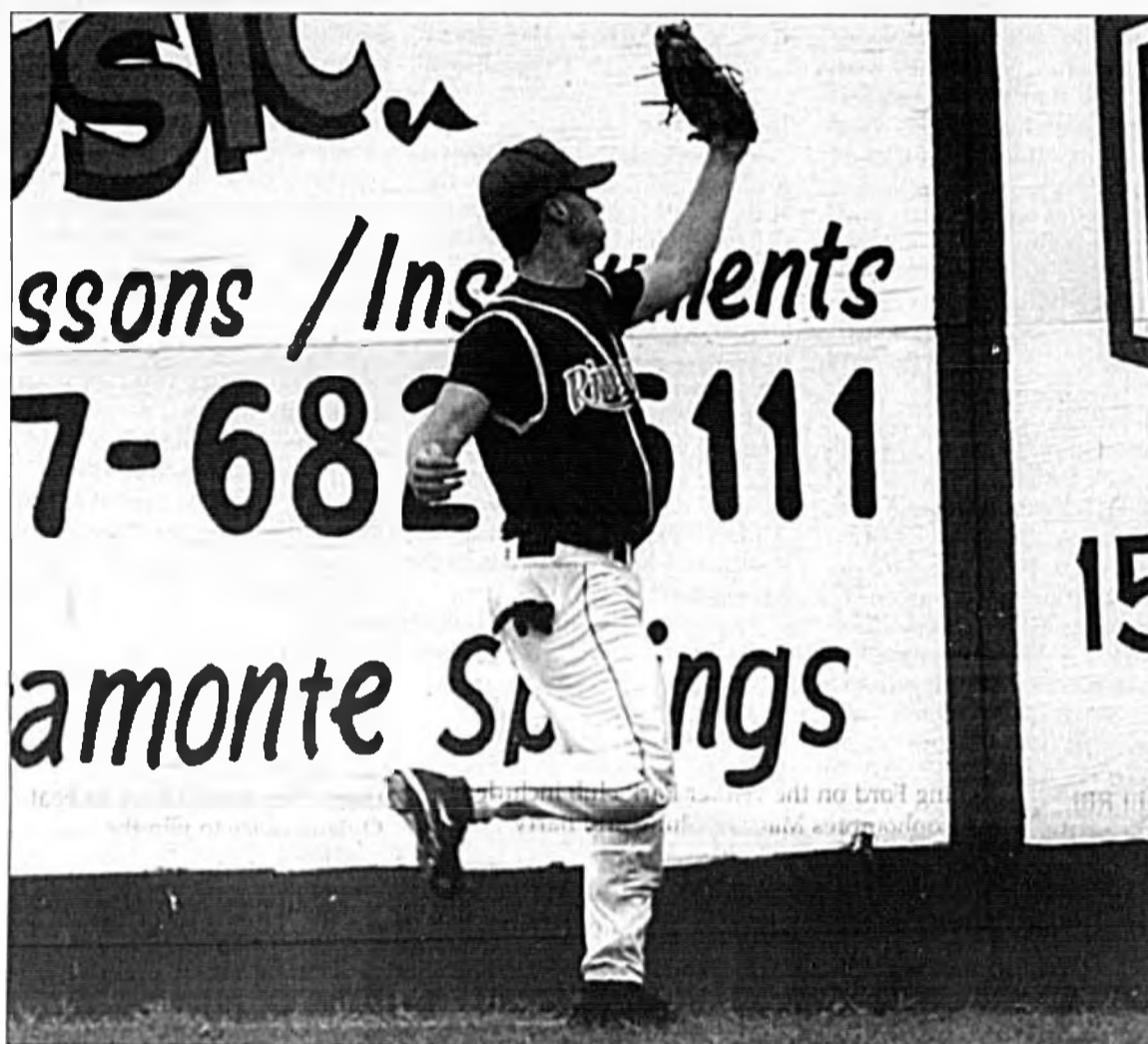
After opening the week with an extra-inning loss at Daytona Beach on Tuesday, the team bounced back with wins over Daytona Beach and Winter Park on Wednesday and Thursday at Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium.

The latter two games were make-ups from earlier rain outs. With the victories, and heading into Friday night's game with the Orlando Shockers, the River Rats were 16-10 on the season and holding a two-game lead over the Barracudas, although they were only a game back in the loss column at 13-11.

Sanford will close out the regular season with home games against Orlando today (Saturday) at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. and on Tuesday against the Winter Park Diamond Dawgs starting at 7 p.m.

The double elimination tournament will be played Thursday through Saturday at Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium to finish a highly-successful first season for the league.

Thursday's games will begin at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. and will feature the No. 2 seed taking on the No. 3 seed and the No. 1 seed. See River Rats, Page 13A



Herald photos by Jim Wentz

The Sanford River Rats have moved to within a couple of wins of the regular season title due in part to the play of star second baseman Dan Quattararo (at left, sliding back into first in a recent game against the Winter Park Diamond Dawgs) and newly added outfielder Adam Tindle (shown above making a super catch in right field against the Diamond Dawgs). The locals will close out the regular season with home games against the Orlando Shockers today (Saturday) at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. and against Winter Park on Tuesday at 7 p.m. The Double Elimination Tournament will also be hosted by the River Rats at Historic Sanford Memorial Stadium this coming Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

Oviedo 12-U girls making a mark

Special to the Herald

Undeclared at Districts and States, The Oviedo Babe Ruth 12-Under All-Star team headed to the Southeast Regional on Wednesday, July 14th.

Although they had been playing beautifully, they were nervous. They had to face Pitt County, N.C. Pitt has quite a resume. The six-time Southeast regional Champion and four-time defending World Series Champion in 12U, they were a force to be reckoned with.

Two years ago this same Oviedo team, with only a few player changes, under the coaching of Kurt Shoup, won the Florida State Championship in the 10-Under division. They went to Southeast Regional in Kinston, N.C. where they finished second. Not bad, and only one team beat them.

Twice. Pitt County, N.C. The girls' first game was Thursday morning at 9 a.m. Against, guess who? Pitt County. The team may have been nervous, but they never showed it and they were certainly never rattled. They took on Pitt County just like every other team they had faced. Strong defense, talented and versatile pitching, and bats that could show up anywhere in the line-up.

Oviedo jumped on Pitt early with a 1-0 lead in the first inning. Two more runs were added in the 4th inning. Pitt started hitting in the 5th inning, but the team kept calm and got out of the inning with two runs scoring. Oviedo won 3-2.

Oviedo worked its way through the winner's bracket with two more wins. One against West North Carolina (10-0) and the other against See Oviedo, Page 13A

Teams, players shine at Disney

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

LAKE BUENA VISTA — It's been quite a week for both teams and players at AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) National Tournaments held at Disney's Wide World of Sports complex.

The girls' portion of the summer AAU tournaments at Disney ended this past Monday with the Seminole Raiders and Winning Ways Matrix both finishing tied for fifth in the nation in their respective tournaments.

The Seminole Raiders, coached by Seminole Community College women's assistant Alex de la Fe and Winter Springs' Missy Guadagnino and made up mostly of player who will be playing for SCC this fall, came to life in Bracket Play and got all the way to the Quarterfinals before falling to the Tennessee Elite in the 18-and-Under Division I National Championship.

Following the tournament rising SCC sophomores Abena "Bobo" Bosia from Orlando and Kirsten Harris from Fr. Lauderdale were named to the All-America Team.

Making up the rest of the team were Winter Springs High School rising junior Annie Hite, Ronke Allen, Sade Allen, Oviedo's Irimar Hernandez, who almost single-handedly won a game that put the team into the Quarterfinals, Anika Henrey, Tamara Layton, Latasha Lawrence, Carmen Thomas, Lindsey Violette and Christina Wright.

The Matrix rolled through Pool Play unbeaten and looked like they would easily make the Final Four.

The team held a seven-point lead at halftime, but the Southern Kentucky Sharpshooters, who come by their name honestly behind twin-sisters Amber and Paige Guffey, rallied on a three-point barrage to win by five points and end the Altamonte Springs-based team to a fifth place finish.

Following the tournament, Oviedo High School graduate Whitney Tossie, who is headed for Appalachian State in North Carolina, was named to the All-America Team.

Matrix was coached by Tasha Hamilton and Kelcey Roegiers-Jensen and joining Tossie on the roster were

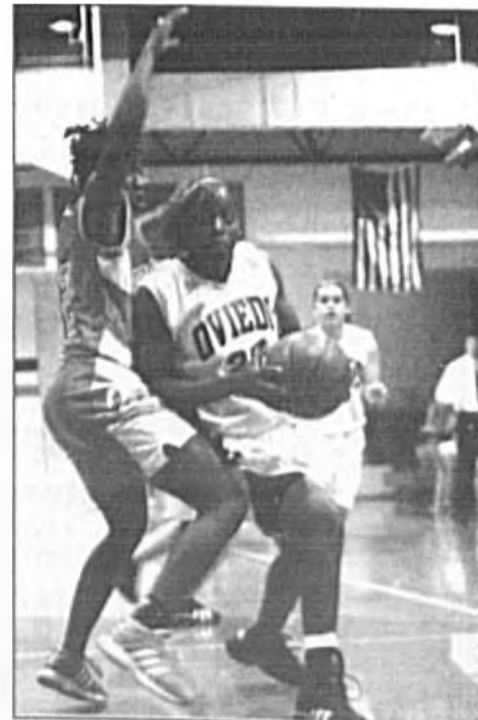
Sarah Badawi, Amber Bishko, Kalia Carrington, Janelle Collazo, Quagee Gaines, Carmen Jones, Brittany Mixon, Antoinette Reames, Latoshia Richburg, Amber Stoney and Taylor Wilbur.

The boys' events began on Tuesday with the 16-and-Under Super Showcase for invited players only.

The Nike Team Florida 15-and-Under Team, fresh off a fourth place finish at the AAU 15-and-Under Division I National Tournament in Tennessee, moved up in division to play older teams and was outstanding, going 3-0 in Pool Play, thumping Team Florida, 102-71, the Gastonia Mountaineers from North Carolina, 87-83, and Cecil Kirk out of Maryland, 81-76.

The team then defeated Team Heat from North Carolina in the first round of Bracket play before falling to eventual champion Ferrari out of Illinois, which featured a line-up of several players over 6-foot-8.

The Casselberry-based team, formerly known as the Raptors, then went into Friendship Play and defeated the See AAU, Page 13A



Herald photo by Jim Wentz

Former Oviedo star Whitney Tossie (shown earlier this season against Boone) was named an All-American after leading the Winning Ways Matrix to a Fifth Place finish in the AAU 17-and-Under Division I National Tournament at Disney's Wide World of Sports.

River Rats

Continued from Page 12A facing the No. 4 seed.

There will be three games on Friday (July 30) beginning with a Loser's Bracket Game at noon, the Winner's Bracket final at 3:30 p.m. and the

Loser's Bracket final, featuring the noon winner and the 3:30 p.m. loser, at 7 p.m.

The Championship Game is scheduled for 4 p.m. on Saturday, with the 'if necessary game,' if both teams have a loss, being played at 7 p.m. The River Rats lost the opening game of the

week, 7-6, in 10 innings against the Barracudas at Daytona Beach Community College.

Stetson standout Jon DeStefano was the star, scoring four runs. The lefty-swinging opened the bottom of the 10th with a single and advanced to third on a pair of wild pitches before scoring on a one-out infield single by Tim Orlosky.

Brent Sellers led Sanford at the plate, going 3-for-4 with two runs scored and an RBI. Other hitters were Jon Lozada (2-for-4, RBI), Adam Tindle (2-for-5, run), Isaac Libby (two RBI) and Dan Quartararo (single, run, RBI).

Sanford's Angelo Petracca was 1-for-4 with an RBI for Daytona Beach.

The River Rats' main weapon all season, their starting pitching, dominated the two wins.

On Wednesday, Kyle DeYoung ran his record to 6-1 with a complete-game 2-1 win over Daytona Beach.

DeYoung scattered seven hits, two of which were doubles by Angelo Petracca and another a home run by DeStefano, while allowing one run

with seven strike outs and two walks.

Sanford broke a 1-1 tie in the bottom of the eighth inning off Lake Mary's D.J. Ackley when Kyle Patrick and Sellers hit back-to-back singles. But the next two batters made outs, with Patrick moving to third on a fly by Lozada and Sellers stealing second, before Adam Tindle, who recently joined the team, ripping the game-winning single.

Former SCC ace and current South Carolina starter, Zac McCamie, who joined the team at the All-Star break, was the winner on Thursday, going all nine in a 5-2 win over Winter Park to raise his record to 3-0.

The righthander from Boone High School gave up six hits and two runs, while striking out six and walking only one.

Tindle was 2-for-4 with a run, while Oviedo's Brett Murphy was 2-for-3. Other contributors were Propst (single, run, RBI), Patrick (run, two RBI), Ben Sprague (run, RBI), Lozada (RBI) and Ryan McKenzie (run).

AAU

Continued from Page 12A Louisiana Stars to finish the three days, 5-1.

The team has decided to skip the 17-and-Under Super Showcase being played this weekend, but will return to Disney on Monday to start play in the Juniors (17-and-Under) Division II National Tournament.

As he was at the nationals,

rising Lake Howell sophomore Nick Calathes led the team in scoring, while fellow Silver Hawk rising sophomores John Roberson and Joey Rodriguez played a major roll in the success of the team.

Other Lake Howell players on the squad are Chandler Parsons and Jeremy Jackson with Jordan Bolton of Winter Park, Matt Pressey of Lake Mary and Danny Krazit of

Bishop Moore rounding out the roster.

The team is coached by John Calathes, the father of Nick and former Lake Howell star Pat Calathes, who is playing in three leagues in Philadelphia as he gets ready to begin his career at St. Joe's, and Dave Krazit, who played at Seminole Community College for Joe Sterling.

College

Continued from Page 12A his eight-year tenure at UCF, 20 Golden Knights have been drafted under his watch, including two first round selections.

Bono smashed the UCF career record of ERA, formally held by Jason Arnold (1998-01) with a 2.38 ERA. Arnold was an All-American and second round pick of the New York Yankees in the 2001 Major League Draft.

Bono totaled 150 strikeouts and just 89 hits allowed over his career, and opponents hit just .192 off the right-hander. He ended his career with four saves, which placed him in a tie for eighth in school history. Bono also totaled five shutouts in his career, which is tied for first in school history.

Bono's 2004 season was one of the best in school history. He finished the year 8-2 with a 1.94 ERA and was named a second team All-American by USA Today/Sports Weekly. He tallied six complete games and five shutouts in 97.1 innings of work with 107 strikeouts and 29 walks.

"It's a big goal and has always been my dream to pitch in the pros," added Bono.

Bono's signing comes on the heels of him being named to the West All-Star Team for the 2004 Cape Cod League All-Star Game, the premier collegiate baseball summer league in the nation. The Golden Knights have five players in the Cape Cod League, just a portion of several players in action in NCAA sanctioned wooden bat leagues around the nation.

During his time on the Cape, Bono was the league's top closer. Although he was used as a starting pitcher in 2004 for UCF, Bono has limited his innings this summer as a closer.

In 12 games, Bono was 1-0 with seven saves and a perfect 0.00 ERA. In 15.2 innings, Bono yielded just five hits with 22 strikeouts and five walks. He did not allow a run during the season. Bono was also tied for the league lead with seven saves.

His twin brother Ryan has joined Kyle on the Cape with the A's. In 18 games including 13 starts at first base and five at catcher, Ryan is batting .240 with one home run and eight RBI. Ryan leads the A's in batting and ranks second in RBI.

Rising junior pitcher Mike Billek has joined the Bono twins on the A's roster and has pitched extremely well for Chatham. Billek is 0-1 with a 2.79 ERA in four appearances. In 9.2 innings of

work, Billek has yielded eight hits, three runs with one walk and 14 strikeouts.

Lake Mary's Drew Butera has appeared in 24 games for the Orleans Cardinals in the Cape. The rising junior is batting .155 with five RBI for Orleans.

Rising sophomore Matt Ray is the final UCF player active in the Cape. Ray is playing with Yarmouth-Dennis and is batting .188 in 10 games.

In the Valley League in Virginia, eight Golden Knights are currently active. Rising senior Dee Brown joined Luray in mid-June and went on to win the Home Run Derby at the Valley League All-Star Game, belting 14 homers to win the title. In 15 games for Luray, Brown is batting .259 with three home runs and six RBI.

Drake Wade garnered All-Star honors with the Staunton Braves as the rising senior has hit .262 with a team-best five home runs in 26 games.

Joining Wade on the Staunton roster are rising senior right-handed pitcher Darren Newlin and rising sophomore right-hander Derek Abriola. Newlin is 1-0 with a 3.32 ERA in 19 innings with 20 strikeouts and just six walks. Opponents are batting .230 off the right-hander. Abriola is 3-0 with a 4.50 ERA in six games for the Braves.

Elsewhere around the Valley League, Matt LaFleur and Kevin Richmond are playing for Loudoun. LaFleur is batting .177 with one home run in 19 games while Richmond is hitting .158 in 11 games for the Rangers.

Rising senior third baseman Marshall Bernhard and rising senior left-hander Mike Mercadante are with the Covington Lumberjacks in the Valley League. Bernhard is fifth on the team with a .257 batting average in 27 games while Mercadante is 0-2 with a 4.63 ERA in eight games.

Brian Brooks from Oviedo and Dave Lambert are both in the Central Illinois Collegiate League. Brooks is 0-2 with an 8.05 ERA for the Springfield Rifles.

Four other Golden Knights are currently active in the Florida Collegiate League. Rising senior Tim Ford is batting .417 with Winter Park. Joining Ford on the Winter Park club include rising sophomores Matt McClung and Barry Baxter. McClung is batting .233 while Baxter is hitting .182 with one home run for Winter Park.

Rising senior right-handed pitcher Matt Rhodes is pitching for the Sanford River Rats and is 0-1 with a 4.50 ERA.



Photo courtesy of Oviedo Babe Ruth

The Oviedo Ripppers All-star team represents the Oviedo Babe Ruth League at the 8 and under Rookie level. Managed by Ron Hunziker and coached by Scott Bowersox and Dwayne "DJ" Johnson, the team consists of Juan Aponte, Jordan Bowersox, Garrett Cox, Jason Driskel, Nicholas Hunziker, Kyle Johnson, Nicholas Kerkmann, Gunnar Lambert, Joseph Marinelli, Zachary McCabe, Tanner Ragland and Johnny Tatum.

Oviedo

Continued from Page 12A South Carolina (7-11). And then they waited for Pitt to take out every team in the losers' bracket.

Every player, parent, coach and fan knew who the girls were going to play on Championship Sunday. Pitt had their work cut out for them; they would have to beat Oviedo twice to win the Regional. But Pitt had done it before, many times.

Oviedo was as ready as they were going to be. They had waited for this opportunity for

four years, most of the girls had been playing together that long.

Oviedo did not wait long to let Pitt know who was in control, it jumped out in the first inning with a 2-0 lead, started by a base hit by Natalie Bellantoni. In the second inning Oviedo scores three more runs, to give them a 5-0 lead.

Then in the fourth, the locals added on three more runs and Pitt had yet to have a base runner reach base.

In the fifth inning Oviedo started off with a walk by Erin Wolfe-Muse and a base hit by Kelly Griesemer that drove in a run. Then Chloe Labrador gets up to bat and rips a base hit to drive in the 10th run giving Oviedo a run rule championship winning, 10-0, victory over Pitt County.

Almost flawless defense, tremendous pitching by Dani Wilson and Demi Laney and a full line up that can hit anytime, anywhere. They are Champions! Oviedo has known it for four years, the girls just had to prove it to the eight states in the Southeast, and now they are planning to prove it to the World.

The team leaves for the World Series on August 5th, in Mattoon, Illinois and if you ask these girls what makes them good, they will tell you it is because they are best friends. They have been together a long time, and the bond between them is very strong.

They are very well coached by Kurt Shoup, Jim Wilson, Ben Evans and Doug Wayt. They perform. And they love it.

A new force has arrived, in grand style. Oviedo. OVI -

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Members of the team are Megan Alligood, Natalie Bellantoni, Marissa Blake, Amber Evans, Kelly Griesemer, Amanda King, Chloe Labrador, Demi Laney, Sarah Pettigrew, Stephanie Shoup, Dani Wayt, Dani Wilson and Erin Wolfe-Muse.

Interested parties can follow the locals' play in the World Series at www.brlworldseries.com.

In other Oviedo Babe Ruth news, the 8-U boys were 2-1 in pool play as of late Friday afternoon in the Southeast Regional at Wilmington, N.C.

The team won its first game on Thursday, 9-5, with Garrett Cox being named player of the game by the Tournament Committee.

The locals suffered their first loss Thursday evening but bounced back Friday morning to beat the Virginia State Champ team with Zachary McCabe named Outstanding player of the game by the Tournament Committee.

Oviedo was to have played again Friday evening and if they won, it should have put them into the Championship brackets.

The Oviedo Ripppers 8-and-Under Cal Ripken League Rookies All-Star team is managed by Ron Hunziker and coached by Scott Bowersox and Dwayne "DJ" Johnson and the team roster is made up of Juan Aponte, Jordan Bowersox, Garrett Cox, Jason Driskel, Nicholas Hunziker, Kyle Johnson, Nicholas Kerkmann, Gunnar Lambert, Joseph Marinelli, Zachary McCabe, Tanner Ragland, and Johnny Tatum.

WELL DONE WARRIORS



Photo courtesy of Jack Bitzer

The Seminole Warriors, a local 14 & under team from Seminole Softball Club in Winter Springs, won the AAA Sports Girls Fastpitch Softball Tournament held in Kissimmee on July 12th-17th. The team also was the runner up in the NSA "A" State tournament held July 9-11th in Wellington. Since April, this team has entered 11 tournaments and has finished first or second eight times. The team has an overall record of 57-12-2 as they enter into the final weeks of the summer season. The team will be traveling this week to participate in the NSA (National Softball Association) held in Columbus, Ohio. Pictured above are (front row, left to right): Amanda Edelman, Sondra Valentino, Lauren Ely, Bethany Lawrence, Christine Pulliam, Kim Gase, (back row, left to right) Jim Gase, Chelsea Sutton, Christine Roser, Jack Bitzer, Rich Casher, Alli Perkins, Richelle Raley, Hope Bitzer and Roger Perkins.

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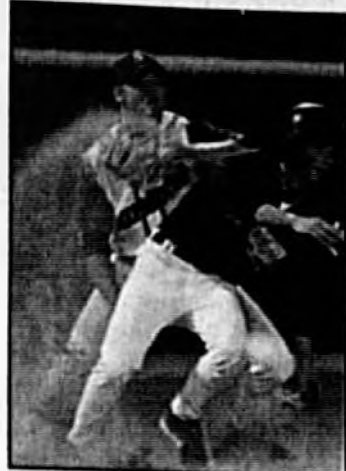
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MIDWEEK

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Champions!!

The Sanford River Rats wrapped up the regular season championship with the top seed for the Florida Collegiate Summer League Tournament with a weekend sweep of the Orlando Shockers.
See Sports, Page 8A

City outlines 1st Street details at July 29 meeting

A town meeting will be held 7 p.m. Thursday July 29, at the Sanford Civic Center to discuss the scope of the 1st Street Streetscape Project.

Representatives from the city and the general contractor, Gomez Construction of Winter Park, will attend the meeting to answer questions and receive input from merchants and other interested parties.

Among the topics to be discussed are the schedule, progression, parking, maintenance of business and pedestrian access, and informational signage.

A ground-breaking ceremony for the \$2.2 million renovation of 1st Street is scheduled for Monday, Aug. 2. The five-month project is expected to be completed by Dec. 31.

The First Street Streetscape project will extend from Oak Avenue to Sanford Avenue. The Community Redevelopment Agency provided funding for the project.

The project will include complete street amenities, new underground storm drainage system, irrigation, street lighting and electrical utilities.

The timing of the construction will allow for pedestrian traffic to stores and restaurants at all times. Construction and traffic signs will be posted and traffic controls will be provided.

Letters on Page 5A

Because of a production error, Saturday's issue of *The Herald* included the wrong Page 4A. The error caused several letters to the editor to be omitted. Those letters are published on Page 5A of today's *Herald*.

Seminole Smile



Dawn Tamari — Manager of the Bayhead Eye Centre in Sanford

Van Gaale brought back

Split commission overturns city manager

By Dan Ping
Editor

SANFORD — In an unprecedented move, the city commission bypassed normal personnel procedures and reversed the city manager's decision to fire the deputy city manager.

As the overflow crowd of more than 175 people sat down following the Pledge of Allegiance at Monday's commission meeting, Mayor Brady Lessard deviated from the agenda and presented commissioners with a resolution that called the dismissal of Andrew Van Gaale unwarranted. The resolution also directed City Manager Al Grieshaber to consider some

other discipline.

The vote wasn't unanimous. Commissioners Kevin Hipes and Art Woodruff voted against a resolution.

"When something is thrown at you all of a sudden, it's always difficult," Woodruff said, "especially when you're being asked to stray from standard policy."

Grieshaber fired Van Gaale on July 23 following a two-week investigation into Van Gaale's use of a city-leased golf cart during the city's July 4 celebration.

Normal procedure would call for Van Gaale to appeal the termination to the city's civil service board, which would make a nonbinding recommendation to Gries-



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

A biplane circles Sanford with a message reading, "Bring Back Andrew."

haber. The city manager could accept or reject the board's recommendation. If Grieshaber rejected the board's

findings — and because the disciplinary action was termination — Van Gaale could appeal to the city commission.

Lessard offered his resolution after "hours and hours of

See Reverse, Page 6A

YMCA to finish Phase I of project

From Staff Reports

SANFORD — Seminole YMCA, a winner in two categories of the Best of Seminole contest from *The Herald*, will finish major renovations in August.

The facility won Best Recreational Facility and Best Health and Fitness Center in a reader contest (See special section inside).

A \$2.1 million expansion and renovation project is underway at the Seminole YMCA Family Center located at 685 Longwood-Lake Mary Road in Lake Mary. Construction began in December 2003 with completion of Phase I expected in late August.

The Phase I renovation includes the creation of a new wellness wing which will add 5,000 square feet to the existing wellness area. A newly designed member reception area and increased handicapped parking spaces will be added near the front entry. This phase will also include the relocation of the children's playground.

Phase II and interior renovations will begin after the first phase and is scheduled for completion by the first part of November.

Phase II includes the relocation and expansion of the child development area, the youth/teen center and the multi-purpose/aerobics

See YMCA, Page 4A

Fit For A Queen

Recipe starts royal exchange

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — Of all things, dog treats sparked a correspondence between a local woman and Queen Elizabeth of England.

For years, Kathy Andrews of Winter Springs has cooked up treats for her dogs. She has three canines that she rescued from area animal shelters.

"You know, Queen Elizabeth is a real dog lover," Andrews said.

When the queen's dog died, Andrews wrote to the monarch and sent her a recipe for tuna bread for dogs.

Just 10 days later, Andrews received a letter from the queen's lady-in-waiting.

"The Queen was interested to hear about your three dogs and appreciated your kind thought in writing as you did," the letter reads.

The recipe calls for two 12-ounce cans of water-packed tuna. It also includes jumbo eggs, garlic, wheat germ, and flour.

Everything is mixed in a

See Queen, Page 4A



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent

Kathy Andrews of Winter Springs displays her dogs, her letter from Buckingham Palace, and her now famous tuna bread for canines.



Reading essential for high school success

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — Too many young people are arriving in high school without proper reading skills, so Seminole County Public Schools Superintendent Bill Vogel has written to the state for help and to offer some suggestions.

In a letter to Florida Department of Education Chancellor Jim Warford, Vogel said the district is concerned with the number of high school students who did not achieve an annual learning gain in reading on the FCAT.

That fact alone dropped Lake Brantley High School to a "C" grade and Seminole High School to a "D." "The current classes of ninth and tenth grade students have not had the benefit of the latest research and subsequent new methods to successfully teach reading to students," Vogel wrote July 1.

Most high schools have not offered reading as part of a regular curriculum, Vogel said in a later interview.

"It's not that they can't read," said Deputy Superintendent Dianne Kramer.

Comprehension of what they read and especially

See Reading, Page 6A

Family finds horse in a hurry

By Steve Paradis
Managing Editor

SANFORD — For more than a week, hundreds of volunteers, people with dogs, expert trackers, and even the Seminole County Sheriff's Office couldn't find a missing horse.

It took the Carter family literally a couple of minutes.

Scott Carter said his family found out about the missing horse Saturday, July 24. The bay gelding named Madeo had been missing since July 15, but Carter said they hadn't noticed that or he may not have started looking.

Tammi Carter, Scott's wife, figured

the horse must be down by Lake Jesup. The animal bucked its rider while exercising on a trail near the lake.

The Carter family, including son Don, drove slowly down the ramp of State Road 417. Peering into the woods, Tammi spotted the horse's tail wagging. She climbed into the woods, and scaled a barbed-wire fence that separates the park from the highway.

The Carters forgot the flier with the phone numbers.

They called neighbors and soon dozens of people were on the scene, including Anne Britton of Crooked Creek Farm, where Madeo is boarded.

The horse still wore its saddle,

which hung upside down under his belly.

"The worst of the injuries was the abrasion from the saddle girth rubbing on his back," Britton said. Scott Carter said Madeo lost about 100 pounds.

"The horse was only 300 yards from the road," Scott Carter said. "We ride mountain bikes in there all the time, so we had an idea where he might be."

A reward was offered, but Carter said it was an insult. The family did not look for the horse to pocket the reward.

"Our reward are the phenomenal new friends we made," he said.



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