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WEEKEND

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Champions

Lake Mary's and Trinity Prep's boys and girls teams and Winter Springs' boys all won basketball tournaments this week.

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Seminole public schools request more volunteers

There are more than 14,000 registered Dividend volunteers serving in Seminole County Public Schools. The schools can always use one more Dividend volunteer and perhaps that one more volunteer is you. To register as a Dividend School Volunteer, log on to the district Web page at www.scps.k12.fl.us and highlight Community Involvement and then volunteer application.

The Assistive Technology Education Network (ATEN) is seeking help from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with assembling adaptive books and math tables during the month of January. Volunteers will also be cutting, pasting, collating, counting, and laminating materials. Volunteers would serve at the ATEN office, which is located at 1207 Mellonville Ave., Sanford. To volunteer, call 407-688-2201 ext. 229.

The Business Professionals of America, a student organization, will need performance judges to evaluate high school student's presentations. The judging will be held on Jan. 9, 9:30 a.m. to 1:20 p.m. at Seminole Community College. To volunteer, call 407-320-0174.

For more information on Seminole County Public Schools volunteer programs, call the Dividends office at 407-320-0182 or log on to the district Web page at www.scps.k12.fl.us.

Seminole Smile



Capt. Robert Reckline — Corps Officer for the Salvation Army in Sanford

Seminole school district earns top grade

By Christopher Patton
Managing Editor

A report card for all 67 school districts in Florida may be nothing more than a 'measuring stick' for Gov. Jeb Bush, but for Seminole County Public Schools it could help make their case for more funding.

Although the report, created by the state Department of Education to satisfy Gov. Bush's curiosity, will have no

Superintendent says the consecutive A grade should help state legislators bring more dollars to schools

bearing on school districts, it can be used as another tool to promote Seminole County schools, said Superintendent Dr. Bill Vogel.

Individual schools are graded each June based on student scores from the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test. This was the

first year whole school districts were given grades. According to a state Department of Education official, the report was merely "an academic exercise."

Vogel said the report that calculates district grades for the 2001-02 and 2002-03 school years can be used an

indicator of success, however, providing education is a "journey."

According to the report that was first detailed by the *Palm Beach Post*, Seminole scored an A grade for the second year in a row. Other high performing Central Florida schools districts also included Brevard

and Volusia counties.

"We are real pleased to continue that A grade. Everyone has been working extremely hard and we were very proud of the individual schools this last year. Seventy-seven percent of our schools earned A's and 86 percent earned A's and B's, and matter of fact, all of our Title I schools earned A's and B's," Vogel said. "So it's a credit to the hard work of our

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Driveby shooting reported in Altamonte

From Staff Reports

A barbecue at a residence in the 800 block of Brentwood Avenue in Altamonte Springs turned deadly Thursday afternoon, when a vehicle reportedly arrived and the people in the vehicle began shooting at the participants. The Seminole County Sheriff's Department investigated the case.

Who was responsible, and a description of the vehicle used in the shooting remains a major mystery.

One deputy contacted Aynisha Taylor, 20, in the emergency room of Florida Hospital Altamonte, where a friend had taken her following the shooting. She was said to be the only person actually struck by any of the bullets. She told officers she had obtained food, and was sitting on the hood of her rental vehicle eating, when she saw an unknown make/model silver mini van drive past. She said the van turned around and stopped near her vehicle, where a number of black males, wearing black masks, began to shoot unknown weapons in her direction as well as in the direction of the residence. She was hit in the left middle finger.

Another witness reportedly told deputies she saw a black car drive by with people in the vehicle shooting in the direction of Taylor and the residence. Later the vehicle was described as a black mini-van, and still another witness, in the residence at the time, described the vehicle as a green sport utility vehicle with beige trim.

One of the witnesses is said to have told deputies the incident may have started the previous day when there was a fight between several men, one of which drove away. She gave officers the name of "Dunk," as

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New van to help kids buckle up



Herald photos by Tommy Vincent

Phillip Miller will manage the Safe Kids van that will be used to conduct mobile safety seat checkups for Seminole and Orange counties.

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading killer of children

From Staff Reports

The Safe Kids Seminole County, along with their lead agency, the Seminole County Fire Department, unveiled its brand new 2004 Chevy Express Cargo Van to the public last month.

The van will be used to conduct mobile child safety seat checkups throughout the community. The new vehicle was possible with a \$52,000 grant from UAW-GM Center for Human Resources and General Motors. Safe Kids of Seminole will share the van with Safe Kids of Orange

County with Seminole County serving as the lead agency.

The Seminole and Orange counties Safe Kids coalition partners are two of more than 300 across the country in all 50 states, District of Columbia and Puerto Rico. The national campaign strives to educate parents and caregivers about the importance of properly restraining children as they ride in vehicles.

The new van for Seminole and Orange counties was one of 10 donated by UAW-GM Center for Human Resources and General Motors, which sponsors the Safe Kids buckle up child

passenger safety program. The new vehicles join the existing fleet of 81 Chevy vans presented to Safe Kids by GM.

The new van unveiling occurred with county and municipal officials on hand at the Safe Kids Seminole First Annual Awards and Appreciation Breakfast held at the Longwood Community Building. According to Safe Kids officials, motor vehicle crashes remain the leading killer of children ages 1 to 14.

For more information, call Paula Ritchey, Safe Kids Seminole coordinator, at 407-665-5150.

Iraqi Diary: Christmas boxes to U.S. soldiers arrive just in time

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



Carlson

29 Dec. 2003 I finally got a hop out of Kuwait on a C-130 and made it safely to Baghdad. Just before I left Kuwait I ran into a guy Joyce and I knew during Desert Storm when we were with the 705th MP Company. His name is

Grecco and he is currently assigned to Balad, Iraq, with the 800th MP Brigade. He was escorting some prisoners, not the enemy type, but some of our own unruly soldiers. He is a MSG [master sergeant] now but remembered us from the first Gulf War. He could not believe that Joyce and I got married after we got back to the states from the first war. I told him we even have two sons and showed him their pictures. That was a surprise meeting him. It is a

small world.

I made it back to Camp Marlboro OK, and they had a Christmas tree set up that Vinny and Chris Best had sent from Sanford. It was the only Christmas tree at Camp Marlboro. The unit received all 38 boxes in good condition from *The Seminole Herald*.

They told me that the boxes kept coming in each day before Christmas, and they were stacking them up each day to see how much of a wall they could make. Then on Christmas Eve they began opening the boxes and continued opening them on

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New plate is a paratrooper's delight

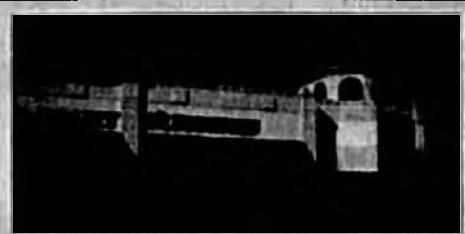


Photo submitted

Andrew Cardona, former paratrooper who served as a medical specialist with the 2nd Battalion, 12th Special Forces Group (Abn.), shows off his Florida Paratrooper Tag. According to the Seminole County tag office, Cardona is the first Seminole County resident to purchase the new tag that honors active and former paratroopers. The tag is set with a white background, in the foreground are depicted the parachute wings and the World War II glider wings. The tag is only available to former or active paratroopers. Those who wish to purchase the tag must submit proof that they successfully completed airborne training. Fees from the sale of the tag will be used to finance State Veterans' programs. Cardona's son, Staff Sgt. Stephen Cardona, is also a paratrooper currently serving with the 1st Armored Division in Iraq. Andrew is a video photographer for Seminole County's SGTV.

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SEMINOLE SUMMARY

A GLANCE AROUND OUR COUNTY

Ligustrums are a popular Florida landscaping choice

Ligustrums are one of the most commonly used landscape plants. Their low cost, availability, rapid growth and wide adaptability make them a popular choice for the landscape. They are widely used as landscape shrubs, hedges, and specimen trees.



Al Ferrer

Many species and varieties are available with a diversity of leaf colors, leaf forms, and growth habits. Ligustrums are very tolerant to heavy pruning and for that reason are frequently used as hedges. Because of a rapid growth rate, many require pruning to control their size. The white flowers are attractive during late spring and early summer.

Types: The most common ligustrums grown in Florida are Japanese or wax privet, glossy privet, and Chinese privet. Japanese privet and glossy privet are often confused. Japanese privet has thick, evergreen, glossy leaves 3 to 4 inches long.

The leaves have four to five pairs of veins and leaf tips have a wide-angled, blunt point. Japanese privet is a vigorous compact shrub or small tree reaching a maximum height of 15 to 18 feet, but is easily pruned to maintain any desired height.

The Japanese privet "Gold Tip" is very popular. Glossy privet grows rapidly and can become a small tree 30 to 40 feet tall. The dark evergreen leaves are 4 to 6 inches long, with six to eight pairs of veins and narrow, elongated tips. Small white flowers are borne in compact terminal clusters in spring. The small mature black berries persist much of the year. The variegated Chinese privet has small white to yellowish variegated leaves about 1 1/2 to 3 inches long.

Culture: Privets can be planted throughout Florida with little fear of cold injury. They are also tolerant of the wide diversity of Florida's native soils and can be grown in full sun to partial shade.

Japanese and glossy privet are moderately salt tolerant but should not be used where subjected directly to salt spray. Regular pruning is required to promote desired growth and maintain desired size. Fertilization of ligustrum depends upon plant size and desired rate of growth. Established plants should be fertilized two to four times a year. If only two applications are used, fertilize in early spring and mid-summer for best results.

Additional applications can be made in late spring and early fall to promote faster growth. A 6-6-6 or 8-8-8 fertilizer can be broadcasted in shrub beds at two to four cups per 100 square feet. Single plants may be fertilized with 6-6-6 or 8-8-8 at rates of one-half to one cup per plant.

Ligustrums can be propagated from cuttings, grafting and seeds. Desirable plants must be propagated by cuttings or grafting to maintain the desired leaf and growth characteristics.

Softwood and spring hardwood cuttings of most ligustrums root easily. About eight weeks are required for rooting. Japanese privet and glossy privet are sometimes grafted on Quzhou privet to obtain resistance to nematodes. Japanese and glossy privet can be propagated from seed. They flower in late spring or summer with the fruit ripening in September or October. The pulp should be removed and the seed planted without allowing complete drying.

Pests: Aphids, scales, whiteflies and spider-mites frequently affect ligustrums. Severe injury can easily occur before being detected. Insecticides should be applied when populations begin to build and before the leaves are damaged. Usually two applications of an insecticide five to seven days apart will provide acceptable control.

Nematodes are also important pests on ligustrum, large populations of them can damage their root systems reducing plant growth, causing leaf drop, and sometimes death. A leaf spot caused by the fungus of the genus *Cercospora* is very common on ligustrum. This fungus can be controlled with fungicide sprays early in the rainy season.

Use: Ligustrums are used as foundation plantings, hedges, shrub borders, accent shrubs, specimen and patio trees. Most ligustrums are not well suited for home foundation plantings because of their rapid growth and large ultimate size.

Frequent and severe pruning is necessary to prevent these shrubs from overgrowing designated areas. Ligustrums are ideally suited for hedges because of their large mass of foliage and ability to tolerate heavy shearing as well as neglect. Hedge plants should be spaced 2 feet apart for low formal hedges and 4 feet or more for medium to tall hedges.

'You say Tomayto, I say Tomahto'



Herald photo by Tommy Vincent

Is it a fruit or is it a vegetable? Either way it is OK because it's a matter of personal taste. These tasty looking tomato specimens were on sale recently at the new Farmers' Market building on U.S. Highway 17-82. Every Friday, local farmers and growers bring their fruits and vegetables — as do food vendors and plant nursery owners — to sell at the open air market.

Deadly weapon

• Joel Mondragon Marin, 18, of West 25th Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police on Dec. 14. Police were called to his residence in reference to a fight in progress. When they arrived, they reported finding blood on the ground leading to a woman. The woman said she and her husband had attempted to break up a fight involving several Mexican males when she was cut with a knife and a beer bottle. Marin was arrested on a charge of aggravated battery with the use of a deadly weapon.

• George Jenkins, 31, of West Third Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at Eighth Street and Avocado Avenue, where officers said they saw him carrying a shotgun and an open beer bottle. He was arrested on charges of openly carrying a weapon, violation of a county permit for carrying a firearm, and use or display a firearm during a felony.

Burglary

• Prevo Larry Clark, 21 of South Myrtle Avenue, Sanford, and a 16-year-old female juvenile were arrested by Sanford police Tuesday, in connection with the reported burglary of a residence in the 300 block of West 26th Street. Both were said to be in the residence when police arrived. Clark was charged with burglary of a dwelling, possession of under 20 grams of marijuana, property damage — criminal mischief, and providing aid to a minor. The 16-year-old girl was said to be a run-away from Washington, D.C. who had been released from the rescue mission in Orlando and given a bus ticket home. When the bus arrived in Sanford she reportedly fled, where she encountered Clark. The girl was taken to the Juvenile Assessment Center.

• Vance Stephen Brown, 47, and John Robert Janak, 43, both listed as homeless in Sanford, were arrested by Sanford police early Friday in the 3700 block of Orlando Drive, where they were found in an old fire station. Police said it appeared both of the men had been living in the vacant structure for some length of time. Each was arrested on a charge of burglary of a structure with no persons inside.

DUI arrests

• Alfonso Almaraz Martinez, 42, of Placid Lake Court, Sanford, was



arrested by Sanford police Wednesday following a traffic stop on Airport Boulevard at Orlando Drive. He was charged with driving under the influence (DUI) of alcohol or drugs, and reckless driving.

• Johnny Cruz, 23, of Windridge Circle, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police on Dec. 23 following a traffic stop on First Street and Oak Avenue. He was charged with DUI alcohol or drugs, reckless driving, possession of under 20 grams of marijuana, possession of narcotics equipment, no current insurance, and refusal to take a DUI test.

• Michael Marchesano III, 32, of Winter Haven, was arrested by Sanford police on Dec. 23, after a traffic stop on Orlando Drive. He was charged with DUI alcohol or drugs.

• Jennifer Mary Staudacher, 29, of Cedar Creek Circle, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police last Sunday when officers said her vehicle was being driven in a careless manner. She was arrested on charges of DUI alcohol or drugs, and reckless driving.

• Garrison Anderson Dunn, 41 of DeBary, was arrested by Sanford police last Saturday, following a traffic stop on French Avenue when officers saw his vehicle swerving in traffic lanes. He was charged with DUI alcohol or drugs, and violation of business purposes only driving restrictions.

Shoplifting

• Cheryl C. Burke, 43 of Crystal Lake, Lake Mary, was arrested by Sanford police Monday at a store in the 300 block of Towne Center Circle. She was accused of taking a total of \$680 in jewelry from a store without paying. She was arrested on a charge of larceny, over \$300.

• Angela Virginia Bozzo, 22, of Birmingham, Mich., was arrested by Sanford police Tuesday at a store in the 3600 block of Orlando Drive. Officers said she took \$5.68 in lip gloss from the store without paying.

She was charged with petty shoplifting from a merchant.

• Tyler William Sauer, 18, of DeBary, was arrested by Sanford police Monday at a retail store in the 3600 block of Orlando Drive. He reportedly took gun powder valued at \$24.47 from the sporting goods department and left without paying. He was charged with petty shoplifting from a merchant.

Battery cases

• Elicer Carrasquillo, 33, of Logan Heights, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday on Bay Avenue where he reportedly kicked a vehicle and struck a health care worker. He was charged with battery on a health services person and criminal mischief — property damage over \$200.

• Dean Eugene Sweet, 48, listed as homeless in Sanford, was arrested in a wooded area on Country Club Road, Wednesday where officers said he became involved in an altercation with a female. He was arrested on a charge of battery — touch or strike (domestic violence).

• Neal Ryan Klauck, 21, of S. Park Avenue, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at a residence in Logan Heights, following a fight with other men. He was arrested on a charge of battery — touch or strike.

• Jordan Carmichael, 28, of Country Club Drive, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday at his residence where officers said he was involved in a dispute with a female. He was arrested on a charge of battery — touch or strike (domestic).

• Keith F. Smalley, 35, of Ridgewood Lane, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Thursday following a dispute with a female near his residence. He was charged with battery — touch or strike (domestic), resisting an officer with violence, property damage over \$200 (to the police vehicle), and aggravated battery on a police officer.

Robert Smith, 38, of West First Street, Sanford, was arrested by Sanford police Wednesday as the result of an altercation with a man at his residence. He was charged with aggravated battery — causing bodily harm.

OUT & ABOUT

MON 5

Starting the week of Jan. 5, winter term art classes begin at the Maitland Art Center for adults and children. Adult classes meet once a week for nine weeks. Children's classes meet once a week for six weeks. Classes are in various art disciplines for beginner through advanced. For more information, call 407-539-2181.

The Sanford Woman's Club will hold its monthly board meeting at 10 a.m. at the clubhouse.

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The Community Methodist Church, located on South U.S. Highway 17-92 in Casselberry, is offering classes for the general public. "Along the Virtuous Way," a parenting class, will meet weekly on Wednesdays for 18 weeks beginning Jan. 7. "Parenting Your Parent" will meet weekly on Wednesdays from Jan. 7 to Feb. 18. "Golden Years," a program for people age 55 and older, will consist of a luncheon and speaker on Jan. 21. A women's retreat will be held on Jan. 31 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Beth Moore Women's Bible Study, "A Heart Like His," will meet on Mondays beginning Jan. 12 and going until March 22. For more information, call 407-831-3777.

The Seminole County Sheriff's Office Community Law Enforcement Academy 14-week course begins. Openings are still available for the program that is designed to educate citizens about the inner workings of the sheriff's office.

Participants meet once a week, usually on Wednesdays, from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Items covered during the course include neighborhood policing, patrol and special operations, Internet strategies, Felon registration and sex offender/sexual predator tracking, major crimes investigations, undercover narcotics operations, domestic security and much more.

The course also includes a hands-on demonstration at the firing range, a ride-along with a deputy sheriff and a ride on one of the many lakes or rivers in a sheriff's office airboat.

To be eligible participants must live or work in Seminole County, be at least 19 years old, have a valid Florida driver's license, never have been convicted of a felony and file an application with the sheriff's office.

For more information or to register, call Pete Robinson at 407-665-6741 or register online at www.seminole.sheriff.org.

SAT 10

The Helen Stairs Theater for the Performing Arts will host Boots Randolph on Jan. 10 at 2 and 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$30 and \$25. "The Gondoliers" will be performed on Jan. 15 at 7:30 p.m., Jan. 16 at 7:30 p.m., and Jan. 17 at 2 and 7:30 p.m. "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" will be performed on Jan. 23 at 7 p.m., Jan. 24 at 2 and 7 p.m., Jan. 30 at 7 p.m., and Jan. 31 at 2 and 7 p.m. Student shows will be on Jan. 23 at noon and Jan. 26-29 at 9:30 a.m. and noon.

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Obituaries

MILDRED M. BAUGH
Mildred M. Baugh, 98, of Sanford, died Monday, Dec. 29, 2003. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include granddaughter, Cheryl Lynn Andrews; grandson, Harry "Butch" Baugh III; four great-grandchildren. Brisson Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

JENNIE DALES
Jennie Dales, 78, Winter Springs, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003 in Winter Park. She was born Jan. 6, 1925, in Clairton, Penn. She was a bookkeeper/clerk with Pan Handle Equipment. Survivors include sister, Barbara A. Lewis. There will be no local services. Banfield Funeral Home, Winter Springs, in charge of arrangements.

RUBY P. ECHOLS
Ruby P. Echols, 83, of Sanford, died Monday, Dec. 22, 2003 at Healthcare & Rehabilitation of Sanford. She was born May 4, 1920, in Valdosta, Ga. and moved to Sanford 70 years ago. She was a former hairdresser and a housewife.

Survivors include children, Lynda Carter Johnson, Terry Echols and Gay Barks; six grandchildren; ten great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at Palmetto Avenue Baptist Church, 2626 Palmetto Ave., Sanford, Saturday, Jan. 3, at 2 p.m. Orlando Direct Cremation Service, in charge of arrangements.

MARY R. 'BECKY' KOUMA
Mary R. "Becky" Kouma, 73, Adams Street, Longwood, died Sunday, Dec. 28, 2003, at Florida Hospital South, Orlando. Born Aug. 10, 1930, in Greenwood, Miss., she moved to Central Florida in 1946. She worked at Woolworth Store then Bell Telephone Company. She was a member of College Park Presbyterian Church, Orlando. She was a member of Women of the Moose Chapter 1002 and Fraternal Order of the Eagles Auxiliary Aerie 3646. Survivors include husband, Harold Sr., Longwood; son, Harold Jr., Longwood; daughters, Frances Renca Stone, lady Lake, Tanya Kay Joiner,

New Smyrna Beach; sister, Irene Bowman, Dunedin; four grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers the family recommends donations to College Park Presbyterian Church, 2 cents a meal program, 118 East Par Street, Orlando, 32804.

Allman-Long Funeral Home & Crematory, DeBary, in charge of arrangements.

YVETTE L. RAMSEY
Yvette L. Ramsey, 74, died Saturday, Dec. 27, 2003, at her residence. She was born May 17, 1929, in Woonsocket, R.I. and moved to Sanford in 1957. She was employed in the city of Sanford Utility Department, and Albertsons as head of the data processing department. She served in the Army Air Force's Aircraft Warning Service Reserve in the 1 Fighter Command. She was a member of Sanford Moose Lodge holding several offices for many years. Survivors include husband, Garland W. Ramsey; sisters, Rose Bernard of Glendale, R.I., and Therese Fontenault of Harrisville, R.I.; son, Michael W. Fillion; daughters, Laurie H. Fillion Phillips and Nancy C. Ramsey Donaldson; three

grandchildren. A funeral mass will be held at All Soul's Catholic Church in Sanford Saturday, Jan. 3, at 10 a.m. Family Funeral Care in charge of arrangements.

WILLIAM STANLEY WALSH
William Stanley Walsh, 65, of Winter Park, died Tuesday, Dec. 30, 2003 in Tampa. He was born Aug. 7, 1938 in Cuba, Ohio and moved to Central Florida in 1976. He was a pastor who evangelized in churches in Iowa, Ohio and Illinois. He was involved with the V.A. in Winter Park, and qualified for the Seniors P.G.A. Survivors include wife, Paula; sons, William S. Walsh III and Charles Walsh; daughters, Susan Walsh and Megan Walsh; brother, James; sisters, Shirley Davis and Carol Norman; three grandchildren.

A viewing and visitation will be Monday, Jan. 5, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Gramkow Funeral Home in Sanford. The service will follow at 7 p.m. at the funeral home.

Gramkow Funeral Home, Sanford, in charge of arrangements.

Answer key to today's puzzle

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Military Briefs

Lance Cpl. Waleri returns from Iraq deployment

Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Richard M. Waleri, son of Bonita L. Waleri of Longwood, recently returned from an eight-month deployment embarked onboard the USS Iwo Jima, while assigned to the 26th Marine Expeditionary Unit (MEU), based in Camp Lejeune, N.C. Waleri was one of more than 4,000 Atlantic Fleet Sailors and Marines who were deployed aboard the ships of the USS Iwo Jima Amphibious Ready Group.

The deployment included training and real-world operations in Iraq and Liberia.

Waleri is a 2000 graduate of Lake Mary High School and joined the Marine Corps in March 2002.

Lake Mary High School graduate completes U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Seaman Recruit Steven Norena, son of Rosmaria and Fabio Norena of Lake Mary, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, Ill.

During the eight-week program, Norena completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, fire fighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

Norena is a 2003 graduate of Lake Mary High School of Lake Mary, Fla.

Edge-Johnson graduates from Marine Corps training

Marine Corps Pvt. Christopher R. Edge-Johnson, a 2003 graduate of Altamonte Christian High School, Altamonte Springs, recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S. C. designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Edge-Johnson and fellow recruits began their training at 5 a. m., by running three miles and performing calisthenics. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Edge-Johnson spent numerous hours in class-

room and field assignments which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training. They performed close order drill and operated as a small infantry unit during field training.

Edge-Johnson and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour, team evolution

culminating in an emotional ceremony in which recruits are presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and addressed as "Marines" for the first time in their careers.

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OPINION

Assembly Required

Product directions require a degree and a lot of patience

Now that the holiday season has ended and the gifts have been distributed, we can all calm down after being faced with those nerve-racking words, "Some Assembly Required." I feel certain many fathers or grandfathers, even mothers and grandmothers, found this line on at least one if not a dozen gifts. I think the term should be changed. It SHOULD read, "For assembly, an engineering or electronics degree from a major university is required."



Nick Pfeiffauf

Not only do these words greet us at Christmas time, but throughout the year, with hundreds of purchases we make. Buy a book case, set of shelves, lawn maintenance equipment, bicycle, doll house, or a dozen other items, and you are required to put them together, for yourself or someone else, as the case may be.

In order to do this successfully, you are told, "Read the directions." OK — so here we go. "Attach item 1 to item 2, using bolt #3, washer #4 and lag nut #5." The problem often is that they don't tell you what item 1 or 2 are, and there may be four or five different size bolts and nuts included in the package. (at times more than will be required, at other times less). The person who wrote the instructions, of course, works for the company that manufactures the parts for the item. As such, he or she is in on all the information regarding what item is attached to what other item. The instructions are explained in such a manner that the writer knows (or thinks he knows) exactly what to do and the order in which to do it. But for the average John Q. Public, his words are often just gibberish.

So, getting disgusted with the instructions, you set off trying to figure it out by yourself. That doesn't work either, because I think the manufacturer purposely aligns items to be put together in a backward order. Then there are often parts that, once installed, cannot be removed without damaging or bending them. If you make a mistake, you find you cannot correct it. And, as I ran into this year, "Install three AA batteries." So, I went out, purchased them, and installed them, only to read the next paragraph, "But if you have rechargeable batteries, (which I did), put them in instead of the AA batteries."

Wanna start a money-making business? If you are a pure genius, hire yourself out as a product assembler in private homes. Chances are you will have more work than you can handle.

Regarding New Years:

TV shows and publications are filled with a summary of the things that made history during 2003. Capturing Saddam Hussein seems to be the most mentioned as No. 1. The Michael Jackson saga is also high on the list.

No one knows what 2004 will see. Perhaps a cure for some major disease, an increase in the nation's and local economy, the end of the Iraq occupation and the return of our troops, or possibly some other good news.

What we DON'T want to see or fear of is more terrorist attacks in the United States, another conflict in some overseas nation, an economic recession, an increase in crime or other bad news.

What probably won't happen is a political campaign in which no mud is slung, the completion of Interstate 4 construction and the solving of traffic problems, the reopening of Seminole Boulevard along the Sanford lakefront, or an end to the dispute over whether SUV's are safe or a danger.

Regardless, here's a wish for a Happy New Year to one and all.

Call this a CORRECTION, or a goof:

In last week's column about losing a musician friend, I mentioned that another musician, H.W. Shannon had died recently. As he is very much alive, this was an error, and I bet he was quite surprised to see this. The error occurred because I didn't research my records closely enough. I had indeed written an obituary for W. Shannon recently, but it was his father H. Watson Shannon of Lake Mary. H.W. Shannon, Jr. was listed as a survivor. Sorry about that, Hiram. You are still a great musician.



Your Views

Sergio Gabil writes poem in wake of Iraq war

To the editor:

Honor Thou Country
An American soldier comes
From a land which principle
Motto's "In God we trust."

An American soldier
Comes from a land
Whose national anthem
Explicitly says: ...is the
Land of the free
And the home of the brave.

An American soldier
Comes from a land
Which clearly demands:
To defend liberty.

An American soldier
Comes from a land
With a pledge of Allegiance
To its loveable flag:
Stars and blue for Heaven,
Red for motherhood,
White for liberty.

An American soldier
Comes from a land
That makes him proud
Of war desolation
Knowing that his loved ones
Are safe and secure
While he strives to endure.

An American soldier
Carries proud with him
His country's greatest seal
With the branch of olive
And a bundle of arrows
Carried by an eagle.

An American soldier
Knows that it means
That his country is prepared
To fight evil threats
Preferring the peace.

An American soldier
Comes from a land
With a constitution
That clearly reassures
The reason for it:
"...Established justice.
Insured domestic tranquility."
And "...Provide for the
Common defense."
(Excerpts.)

An American soldier
Solenned oath to be
Reserved and restrained.
From questioning decisions
Made by his superiors
Who made them based
On restricted military
Secrets. The purpose
Is not only to win,
But to save fellow
Soldiers' lives.

An American soldier
Should honor and respect
The number one among them,
Who had to agonize
Over the idea of sending
You there;
Your Commander-in-Chief
Who solemnly sworn
To protect and defend
Our wonderful country:
The United States!

Sergio Gabil
Lake Mary

Reader hopes troops come home for 2004 holidays

To the editor:

Twask the Night Before
Christmas
Twask the night before
Christmas,
They lived all alone,
In a one bedroom house made
of

Plaster and stone.
I had to come down the
chimney
With presents to give,
And to see just who
In this home did live.

I looked all about,
A strange sight I did see,
No tinsel, no presents,
Not even a tree.

No stocking by mantle,
Just boots filled with sand,
On the wall hung pictures
Of far distant lands.

With medals and badges,
Awards of all kinds,
A sober thought
Came through my mind.

For this house was different,
It was dark and dreary,
I found the home of a soldier,
Once I could see clearly.

The soldier lay sleeping,
Silent, alone,
Curled up on the floor
In this one bedroom home.

The face was so gentle,
The room in such disorder,
Not how I pictured
A United States soldier.

Was this the hero of whom I'd
just read?
Curled up on a poncho, the
floor for a bed?
I realized the families that I
saw this night, owed their
lives to
These soldiers who were will-
ing to fight.
Soon round the world,
The children would play,
And grownups would cele-
brate
A bright Christmas day.

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War comes home to Thailand

Chief Warrant Officers Ampon Chulert and Mitr Chahan came home Tuesday morning in what Thai television called "brown Western-style coffins." The two men were the first Thai servicemen killed abroad in more than 30 years — a Thai division fought with the United States in Vietnam — and were hailed as heroes as their coffins were ceremoniously unloaded by a military honor guard at Don Muang airfield.



Richard Reeves

Prime Minister Thaksin Shinawatra announced that both men would be posthumously promoted to lieutenant colonels, giving their survivors greater insurance and pension benefits. Then he said he would give each of their families 500,000 baht (about \$12,000) of his own money. The army's chief of staff said he would give each family about \$750 from his own pocket. They will also receive part of the \$10 million reward the U.S. government gave Thailand after the capture here in August of Hambali, an Indonesian accused of planning the Bali bombings of October 2002.

A Thai contingent of 440 soldiers was sent to Iraq a month after Hambali was turned over to the United States. Occupation duty is not popular here — polls show support in the 30 percent range — but Prime Minister Thaksin is determined to raise Thailand's profile in Southeast Asia and in the world. Siding with the Americans in Iraq is obviously one way to do that. The prime minister has repeatedly emphasized that the Thai soldiers, almost all of them engineers and medics, were doing only "humanitarian work."

The first official reaction here to the news that the Thais were

killed in a suicide bombing at Camp Lima in Karbala, Iraq, was a decision to send combat troops to help protect the engineers and medics. "Force protection," as the Americans call it, usually becomes the curse of occupation — because foreign liberators soon become enemies of the liberated.

The two Thai sergeants (the American equivalent of their ranks) died along with four Bulgarians and 12 Iraqis on Dec. 27, trying to protect their fellows on sentry duty at Camp Lima, the home base of non-Americans and non-British troops in Iraq. They went down fighting, trying to kill two suicide bombers before their trucks exploded at Gate 5 of the camp. They almost certainly saved dozens of lives or more; the toll would have been much greater if the truck bombers had been able to breach the gate.

The two deaths seem to have traumatized this country of 63 million people, in which 66 people were killed the same day, Dec. 27, in automobile and motorcycle accidents. Part of the reason for the national reaction was certainly Thaksin's assurances that Thais, serving just six months, would not be in danger because all they were doing was helping Iraqis rebuild their country.

"The troops were sent there as a result of a decision that appeared to have been rushed by the country's leaders without taking into account public concern," said The Nation newspaper this week. "Instead, the government told the public only half of the truth: that the troops were being sent to Iraq for a noble and humanitarian cause. Even while Americans and other coalition forces were getting blown to pieces, our leaders stuck to their simplistic line, saying no one would hurt our soldiers..."

In fact, the Thais are there because the United States is forcing other countries to make choices in President Bush's war of choice. "You're either for us or against us" — Bush's own words — has great implications for a prime minister in a country like Thailand. Thaksin's decision was not about Iraq; it was about being caught between the world's only superpower, the United States, and the emerging Asian superpower, China. Thaksin has been courting China, presenting Thailand as first among equals in Southeast Asia, bigger than Singapore or Malaysia, more secure than Indonesia. But so far, China has rejected the idea of any "special relationship" with Thailand.

Then along came President Bush in October, coming to Bangkok for a summit of APEC members (Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation). He was quite direct in linking trade benefits to standing with the United States in its war on terror and the war in Iraq. You're for us or against us.

In the end, whatever the cost, Thailand is one of the countries that have decided they have to be for us. It is, for American leaders, a fringe benefit of war.

Candidates avoid inspiration at all costs

The 2004 presidential campaign begins in earnest this month, and I'm still looking for a candidate. The entire field — President Bush and his would-be challengers — leaves me cold. I'm still looking for a candidate who draws us together rather than hardening the divide between us, a candidate who calls us to a cause greater than ourselves rather than appealing to our selfish interests, a candidate who inspires us to overcome our fears rather than give in to them.



Cynthia Tucker

I haven't found such a man or woman. This country once produced great leaders, men who were not afraid to challenge Americans to be better than they were. The 40th anniversary of the assassination of John F. Kennedy reminded me why he is still revered. It wasn't just the youth, the vigor, the romance — much of which was manufactured by PR-savvy aides and a quiescent press.

Kennedy also had raw courage — political courage. Just imagine a presidential candidate today saying, "Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country." In the current political climate, candidates spend their time currying favor with various factions by promising to give them beneficial cave-ins to their prejudices. The benefits are rarely good for the nation as a whole; the prejudices never are.

So, we see tax breaks for the wealthy, prescription drug benefits for the elderly and trade barriers to protect certain industries (and their workers) from compe-

tion abroad. None of those is good for the nation, but they do tend to satisfy certain narrow constituencies. Contrast that to the Kennedy era, when a young president challenged the country to put a man on the moon. In 1961, Kennedy told a joint session of Congress that it was "time for a great new American enterprise — time for this nation to take a clearly leading role in space achievement, which in many ways may hold the key to our future on Earth."

After the Soviet Union launched Sputnik in 1957, the United States feared it would forever remain behind in the space race. Kennedy's answer was to tell students and teachers that they must work harder. It was a time when men and women of learning — geeks and nerds — were respected. The federal government would support their efforts with more money for math and science education, but they would have to put in the work. As a result, the U.S. put the first men on the moon in 1969.

What if the president had issued a call for all young Americans between the ages of 18 and 24 to give two years of service to a Homeland Defense Force? There is much work for such a corps to do. Ports remain unguarded, as do railroads, bridges, national monuments and nuclear power plants. They might also be trained as first responders — firefighters, nurses, paramedics. (Any young men and women who volunteered for the military could be exempted.)

If such a corps had been started, the recent heightened terror alert might not have been necessary. The nation would already have been prepared. (Oddly, Bush is reportedly considering a call to reinstate manned flight to a distant moon or planet to add luster to his second term. How unimaginative. That's been done. Besides, doesn't winning the war on terror have more immediacy?)

The Democrats have been no better at inspiration. They, too, have dodged anything that sounds like a call for Americans to make sacrifices. Apparently, that's now the political equivalent of showing up for a casting call for "The Bachelor" with your dark roots showing.

So it appears that we will trudge through the political season without a call to rise to the challenges of the 21st century. It is a wasted opportunity.

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Diary

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Christmas day.

One soldier said he never saw so much stuff. Another commented that if we didn't have soap before, we sure got enough now. There was so much stuff that after my squad over-loaded themselves, they shared the rest with the platoon and there was more than the platoon could use, so the platoon shared the leftovers with the rest of the company.

So the entire company benefited from the shipment. It was really bigger than they expected. I told them it was going to be a big shipment, but I don't think they believed how big it was until the boxes started arriving. We now have more stuff than the PX. Heck, we don't even have to risk our necks going to the PX at the air-

port now, we got enough right here.

The DVD movies, books, magazines and games were very much appreciated and all are in constant use. The batteries were a welcome item and everybody in the whole company now has batteries for their needs with a good supply in reserve.

The female soldiers appreciated all the things that they use, like the lotions and shampoos, which has been scarce up to now. I think we have enough snacks and drink mix to last us a long time and everybody is taking snacks from the shipment on patrol with them. There was even enough stuff for me too.

It was definitely a great big morale boost for the whole unit. All the

Nightstalker soldiers send their sincere thanks and appreciation to everybody in Sanford and Seminole County for making their Christmas a really great one.

I got a letter from Joyce that was mailed on 28 September, it sure took a long time getting here. It was still mail so I read it.

While I was on leave, my squad scored an average of 266 points on their PT test, [Physical Training Test], they got the highest score in the company. Remember I had been running them and getting them in shape. They complained a little, but they ended up out doing everybody else, so I'm quite proud of their accomplishment.

Now the bad stuff. The 2nd Cavalry had one soldier killed the other day

and six wounded, two pretty bad. This was the patrol that was in the news that was ambushed by a road side bomb.

However, none of these casualties were from our company. Three days after I left on leave our 3rd platoon came under a heavy attack by loyalists. One soldier lost his finger when grenade shrapnel took it off, five others from the 549th were wounded in the attack.

The Company Commander's vehicle was hit with AK-47 fire and the whole front end of it is riddled with bullet holes. The enemy launched several RPGs at our troops. During this attack, my platoon, 1st platoon, moved-in supported by elements from the 2nd Cav with some tanks, to the attackers' location

and leveled the whole place to the ground. They just blew everything away including the enemy. There were 50 Iraqi militants killed in that attack. In this incident we only suffered wounded and had no one killed on our side. Most of the wounds were from shrapnel.

I can see a contrast between now and when I went on leave. It is worse and there is a significant reversal in what progress we had made. In our area it is probably a 100 percent worse in terms of security and reconstruction than when we first arrived in Baghdad last Spring.

I really don't see any headway being made, at least in our area of operation. The utilities are still not fixed, Iraqi unemployment is still high, Iraqi-

American relations are touchy at best, and the Iraqi police still have very few cars and are under constant threat.

Now the army is taking field artillery soldiers and turning them into MPs because we don't have enough MPs to handle the job. I hear that other MOSs [military occupations] are being turned into military police to handle the situation. Of course none of these soldiers have police training as they are from other types of jobs. We are really over-extended for the mission. With that being said, we are told that our redeployment to the states still stands for the first week in March if they can find a replacement unit for us. Maybe a light is starting to flicker at the end of this tunnel.

City honored by ALPI



Photo submitted

The city of Sanford Board of Commissioners and Mayor Brady Lessard received the community service award from the Agricultural and Labor Program, Inc. (ALPI) for their support of the Goldboro Front Porch, Inc., community improvement projects. Presenting the award to Lessard last month was Marva Hawkins of ALPI.

Grades

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teachers and students, and the support of the parents. It's a real team effort in Seminole County."

About half of the districts in the state received an A grade for the 2002-03 school year and another 40 percent of the school districts either earned a B or C mark. Only four districts received a D, but not one of them was in Central Florida. No districts were given an F mark.

At the Seminole County Legislative Delegation public meeting in December, Vogel among other school officials lobbied local state leaders for additional funding. Similar to other educational institutions serving Seminole County students, such as Seminole Community College and the

University of Central Florida, school officials are dealing with a fast-growing area to serve.

Despite the growth, Seminole County has had to make \$20 million in budget cuts over the last three years and is ranked 51st out of the 67 state school districts in funding.

"What I think this (Department of Education report on school districts) will do is help our local legislators bring additional funding, programs and dollars to Seminole County because when they can say with pride that Seminole County continues to be an A school district that really makes a case for more financial support," Vogel said.

Shooting

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possibly one of the shooters, as he was involved in the fight.

In addition to Taylor's finger being struck by a bullet, several vehicles were also said to have been hit.

In investigating the shooting, officers reported finding a number of cartridge cases from a Luger 9mm firearm, and a spent Smith and Wesson .40 cal. cartridge case.

The incident report identi-

fied at least eight persons in attendance at the barbecue, plus several children.

Deputies have listed two descriptions of the vehicle believed to have been used in the shooting. One was an unknown silver make/model minivan.

The other was described as a dark green over brown Chevy Tahoe SUV with tinted windows and possible broken passenger side windows.

Community Notes

County Demos to meet
The monthly meeting of the Seminole County Democrats will be at 7 p.m., Thursday, Jan. 8 at the Seminole County Public Library, 215 N. Oxford Road in Casselberry. All present and prospective Seminole County Democrats are encouraged to attend. Admission is free. For more information, call Vic Ogilvie, chairman, at 407-622-1783.

Navy goes boom, boom
The U.S. Navy has announced that live ordnance is scheduled to be used at the Pinecastle Bombing Range in Astor on Jan. 7 and 8. Depending on the winds, these explosions may be

heard in the Sanford and Seminole County areas. There will be no cause for alarm. For more information, call Bill Dougherty at 904-542-3846.

Club offers square dancing
The Starlight Promenaders Square and Round Dance Club will be offering new square dance classes in January. Free lessons will be held Wednesdays, Jan. 7 and 14, at 7 p.m. with new classes scheduled to start Wednesday, Jan. 21. For more information or to register, call 386-851-0708 or 386-532-8566. The Starlight Promenaders meet at DeBary Community Center, 38 South Shell Road in DeBary.



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LIFESTYLE

The Way We Were: More news from Jan. 7, 1948, paper

The following items were edited from the Jan. 7, 1948, edition of *The Sanford Herald*.

Joshua C. Chase dies
Joshua Coffin Chase, 89, pioneer Florida citrus developer and chairman of the board of Chase and



Grace Marie Stinecpher

Company had died that morning at his home in Winter Park following a short illness. Funeral services would be held at Knowles Memorial Chapel Saturday afternoon, Jan. 12, 1948, and there would be a private interment. The family requests that no flowers be sent.

Mr. Chase, who was associated with his brother, the late S.O. Chase Sr., in the organization of Chase and Company in 1884 had been an outstanding figure in the citrus and vegetable industry for more than 50 years. He was born in Germantown, Penn., of New England ancestry on Sept. 22, 1858. He came to Sanford in May of 1884 and went into business with his brother. His brother had preceded him in coming to Sanford by six months.

Joshua Chase was also associated with the work of James E. Ingraham and General Henry S. Sanford in the early development of this city. He was the oldest living member of the Sanford Masonic Lodge and was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

Following the freeze of 1894-95, he went to California where he became managing director of the Earl Fruit Company, distributors of fruits and vegetables.

In 1904, Chase and Company was reorganized with J.C. Chase as president. He moved to Jacksonville where the marketing end of the organization was handled. While in Jacksonville, Chase was active in civic affairs including the Jacksonville Rotary Club, the Florida Children's Home and the Boy Scout movement. He organized the first troop of Negro Scouts and was himself a Silver Beaver Scouter and Chief Scout Commissioner.

He was director of the Barnett National Bank and at the time of his death, the director who had served the longest length of time.

During World War I, he served on the Liberty Loan Commission and was manager of the Hoover Relief Campaign in Jacksonville.

He was also director and chairman of the board of the Chase Investment Co., owner of the Isleworth and other groves belonging to the Chase brothers.

In 1926, Mr. Chase moved to Winter Park shortly after the Jacksonville office was transferred to Sanford. In Winter Park, he built the magnificent "Casa Rosada" estate which was one of the finest in Central Florida.

He served as trustee for Rollins College and was active in the Florida Historical Society, serving as president from 1936-39.

Mr. Chase also served as president of the Florida Citrus Exchange and was a director of the Growers and Shippers League of Florida. In this capacity and throughout his life he devoted much of his energy and financial resources to the fight for lower freight rates and better transportation for Florida growers and shippers.

He frequently attended hearings in Washington where he battled almost

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Fort Mellon NSDAR chapter celebrates the holidays



Photos submitted

Vanra Decker, senior president of the Fort Mellon Society, (top) hosted the Sallie Harrison Chapter of NSDAR at her home along with C.A.R. members who presented the program at the December meeting. Also present at the holiday function (left) were Chuck Decker, treasurer of the Fort Mellon Society C.A.R., and Susanna Sovran, president of the Fort Mellon Society C.A.R., and (above) Sallie Harrison Chapter, NSDAR, Regent Virginia Powell, Marti Snider and Lorraine Buchmann.

Regent Virginia Powell leads the chapter into the New

Sallie Harrison Chapter, NSDAR, met Dec. 13 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Decker in Tuscawilla. Also attending were members of the Fort Mellon Society, C.A.R. which is sponsored by Sallie Harrison Chapter. Vanra Decker is senior president of Fort Mellon Society, C.A.R.

Regent Virginia Powell greeted all attendees and gave each an exquisite fabric angel Christmas tree ornament. She conducted the opening ritual which included prayer, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, The American's Creed and the singing of the first verse of our National Anthem.

A bountiful holiday luncheon was enjoyed by all attending as Melissa Schneider, a member of C.A.R., played a medley of tunes on her violin. During the business session Lois Somerville read the President General's message and Ann Howland gave the National

Defense Report which featured an article by Secretary of State Colin Powell. He stated: "I have just returned from Iraq. What I saw there convinced me, more than ever, that our liberation of Iraq was in the best interests of the Iraqi people, the American people and the world. The Iraq I saw was a society on the move, a vibrant land with a hardy people experiencing the first heady taste of freedom..."

All members attending brought gifts for veteran patients. This is a joint project with C.A.R. The program, presented by Ft. Mellon Society members, featured the C.A.R. Creed by Victoria Sovran and a variety of patriotic, heart-warming and humorous readings by Susanna Sovran, William and David Sovran, Abby Durham and Melissa Schneider. The author of two of the readings was poet Bede Buck, former chaplain of Sallie Harrison Chapter and now Poet Laureate of Winter Park Towers.

Chuck Decker, senior president of Fort Mellon Society and also a state and national officer in C.A.R. received the Grace Childs Parks Memorial Award. The certificate was presented by Susanna Sovran, society president and also a state officer.

Fran Morton drew names and recipients were presented with a variety of her homemade jellies and jams. She also presented gifts to hostesses Vanra Decker and Regent Virginia Powell.

Sallie Harrison Chapter members are invited by William P. Duval Chapter, Winter Park, to attend a luncheon meeting Jan. 12. Guest speaker will be Linda Chastain, director of resources at Tamasssee School. The school is owned by NSDAR.

HODAR Ed Mossman was a special guest at the meeting which was concluded as members sang a Revolutionary Tea song followed by "We Wish You a Merry Christmas."

2004 Jubilee a celebration of heritage

Happy New Year from your correspondent Marva Y. Hawkins.

The African-American Cultural Forum cordially invites the community to attend the 2004 Heritage Jubilee, a celebration of Black Achievement.

This year's 2004 presentation will be



Marva Hawkins

"The First Time I Saw the Sea" a tribute to Nina Simone (1933-2003), a young lady who began her musical career at an early age. Her family saw that Nina had a special musical talent and they began sponsoring her classical piano lessons. After attending a school for girls in North Carolina, she won a scholarship to the Julliard School of Music in New York. With hopes of being accepted into the prestigious Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, she was rejected. This was one of the earliest disappointments that Simone would attribute to racism. She changed her name after being born in 1933 at Eunice Kathleen Waymon, the sixth of eight children to an ordained Methodist Minister.

In 1954 she began to play piano at the Midtown Bar and Grill in Atlantic City.

Simone recorded her first tracks, "Plain Gold Ring," "Don't Smoke in Bed," also "I Loves you Porgy" from the opera "Porgy and Bess." Noted for her alto voice, with its rich timbre and distinctive interpretation of standards, blues and jazz compositions, she made two solo appearances at Carnegie Hall.

Nina Simone was part of the Civil Rights Movement, and wrote "Mississippi Goddam" after the bombing of a Baptist Church in Alabama killed four little girls. Others of her songs were adopted by the civil rights movement as anthems. They were "Blacklash Blues," "The Turning Point," "Old Jim Crow" and "Four Women." Her song "To Be Young Gifted and Black" was composed in honor of her friend Lorraine Hansberry and became an anthem for all espousing the power and beauty of being black.

Nina Simone's deep husky voice and a musical repertoire that combined spiritual, jazz, classical, folk and protest songs was noted as the "High Priestess of Soul."

To perform the evening's musical repertoire of Nina Simone will be Stephanie Alston-Nero, an award-winning actress, poet and arts educator whose commitment to education through the arts has been taken around the world. She serves as artistic director of the Lena McPhatter-Gord Youth Theater Program in New York City.

Another performer will be Roger Parris, playwright, actor and poet, with 20 years experience in theater and as an arts educator. He has written, directed and performed in "African Spirit/Love." Parris' play, "Waiting for Dawn" will open this spring for the Hadley Players Theater in New York City.

Pearl Yvonne Williams, dancer and poet, was born in Lakeland, a native of Florida who had the opportunity to study and perform with Cleo Robinson and Joyce Little. Pearl has a master's degree in dance-movement therapy. She has also studied dance at Clark Center, New York, performed with the "Variables of Seven," a modern dance company, "La Troupe McKendal," a Haitian dance company. Ms. Williams Choreographed "Fame"

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Magnolia trees can be adapted to Central Florida

Magnolias encompass a group of about 80 different species of trees and large shrubs.

They are native to southeastern North America and eastern Asia. Magnolias characteristically have showy, fragrant flowers that can be white, pink, purple, green or yellow. Some species are deciduous (drop their leaves) while others are evergreen.

This family of plants is very ancient with fossil remains dating back 50 million years. Magnolias do not produce true nectar but a fragrant, sugary secretion, which attracts a pollinating beetle.

Care and culture: Well adapted to north and Central Florida (USDA Zones 8 and 9) Magnolias grow best in moist, rich, well drained soils in full sun to light shade. (Full sun results in more blooms.)

Container grown plants can be added to the landscape at any time of the year, though the best time to plant is winter or spring when the tree is dormant. Be sure to enrich the planting site with organic mate-



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Magnolias, once established, should not need special fertilization.

Be sure to allow a 12 to 15 feet distance from pavements when planting Magnolias as most will become very large trees whose roots could disrupt driveways and sidewalks.

Species Selection: There are several species available at local nurseries that do well in Central Florida. The Southern (Bull) Magnolia is a large evergreen tree that can reach heights up to 90 feet and produces 8-inch fragrant white flowers.

rial this will help retain moisture and provide nutrients.

Water daily for the first few weeks then gradually taper off to watering as needed. Fertilize four to six weeks after planting then in March and June for the next two to three years.

It prefers moist rich soils but adapts well to our sandy soils if amended with organic materials. It is also very drought tolerant once established.

Good cultivars for our area are: "Bracken's Brown Beauty," "Little Gem," "Saint Mary," and "Samuel Sommer."

Sweet Bays are a particularly good choice for wetland, pond and lake edge plantings. These evergreen trees reach a height of about 50 feet and produce fragrant 2-inch cream colored blossoms. The deciduous Magnolias, that bloom with pink or purple blossoms prior to leafing out, are beautiful specimen trees but not as readily available in Central Florida.

The yellow blossom cultivars are very lovely, but tend to fade to cream in the hot sun of Florida.

Propagation: Magnolias can be grown from seeds which often vary in crown structure, size, vigor, and flower and foliage characteristics.

Freshly cleaned seeds may be sown right away, but germination

may be improved if seeds are stratified at 40 °F for two to four months.

Cuttings from soft to semi-hardwood from juvenile plants should be used to propagate magnolia trees.

Cuttings should be treated with a rooting hormone and placed in a moist environment. Treated this way, they usually root within six to 12 weeks.

Pests: Magnolias are less susceptible to pest infestation than most other ornamental trees. Scale (which can be treated with oil sprays) and root borer can occasionally damage plants.

Powdery mildew, and leaf spots are sometimes observed but are readily treatable with fungicide sprays you can buy at your local nursery or garden shop.

Al Ferrer is Seminole County Urban Horticulturist. Inquiries may be directed to him at the Cooperative Extension service, 1500 W. County Home Road, Sanford, FL 32773 or phone 685-4668. All Seminole County Cooperative Extension services are open to all regardless of race, color, sex, handicap or national origin.

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single handedly for better rates.

Survivors included his wife, Mary Justice Chase; daughter, Mrs. R.C. Lansbury of East Windsor Hill, Conn.; five grandchildren, Ralph, Cela, Benjamin, Abigail and Joshua C. Chase Jr.; two step-sons, Capt. William J. Lee, USN Retired, of Washington D.C., Phillip Lee of Philadelphia; nine step-grandchildren and five step-great-grandchildren.

R.A. Williams elected mayor

City Commissioner Robert A. Williams, local realtor, was elected mayor of Sanford at the meeting held the previous evening of the new commission.

John Krider and Randall Chase were sworn in as commissioners to succeed George Bishop and Mayor H. James Gut, with Mrs. Raymond Lundquist as notary.

Fred Williams, city attorney,

offered his resignation, but was requested by the mayor and commission to serve until October, the end of the fiscal year.

The election of Mayor Williams was unanimous and followed the nomination by Lea H. Leshner and second of Andrew Carraway.

Williams was born in Americus, Ga., and came to Sanford with his parents in 1910. He attended local schools and graduated from Sanford High School in 1923. For more than 20 years he was manager of Seminole Dry Cleaners. His real estate office was in the Sanford Atlantic National Bank Building.

He lived with his family at 541 Valencia St. His daughter, Nancy, was a student at Stetson University. He was a rotarian and a member of First Baptist Church of Sanford.

Newly installed commissioner Krider was manager of the American Oil

Company branch in Sanford and had served as manager of the Sanford Baseball Club during the past season.

Randall Chase was an executive of Chase and Company. During World War II he had served as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy.

Following the election, the new commission discussed the traffic hazard at the intersection of Park Avenue and Seminole Boulevard. Police Chief Roy Williams was directed to contact the state safety engineer for information on what type of traffic light should be installed there.

Jack Ratigan requested that a neon sign be placed at the bandshell and also made suggestions for placing various road signs on highways. These items were tabled until a future meeting.

Mrs. Winn entertains Circle 6

The home of Mrs. C.H. Winn was the meeting place

for the members of Circle 6 of the WSCS of First Methodist church the previous Monday evenings.

Mrs. J.C. Davis, chairman, presented the officers for the new year. They were, Mrs. Winn, vice chairman; Mrs. E.G. Kilpatrick, study chairman, Mrs. E.C. Williams, devotional; Mrs. Brodie Williams, sunshine chairman; Mrs. J.J. Carver, secretary; Mrs. J.P. Thurmond, treasurer; and Mrs. J.O. Lancy, publicity chairman.

During the business meeting, Mrs. H.A. Swanson was welcomed as a new member.

Following the business meeting, Mrs. Winn and co-hostess Mrs. Davis served refreshments to Mrs. C.C. Priest, Mrs. Tom Williams, Mrs. Thurmond, Mrs. Carver, Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. L.T. Doss, Mrs. E.C. Williams, Mrs. Brodie Williams, Mrs. E.G. Kilpatrick, Mrs. W.E. Smith, Mrs. Maud Williams and Miss Ella Bolton.

City starts 2 new programs

The city of Casselberry Parks and Recreation Department is happy to announce two new members of the Casselberry programs family. They are T.E.A.M.S.

(Tutoring /Mentoring Elementary and Middle Schoolers) and S.W.A.T. (Students Working Against Tobacco). Both begin in January 2004. Local teens in grades 6-12 are invited to participate in both of these fun and free programs.

T.E.A.M.S. will be offering free tutoring for elementary and middle school children at the Casselberry Senior Center, 200 N. Triplet Lake Drive, beginning Jan. 12. The sessions will be Mondays through Thursdays, 3 to 5 p.m. Computers with monitored Internet access will be available for use. The children will be

paired with S.E.R.V.E. (Students Engaged in Recreation and Volunteer Efforts) members as tutors and mentors. S.E.R.V.E. is made up of high school students who are volunteering in their community.

S.W.A.T. is a volunteer grassroots and advocacy group, working to create a tobacco-free generation. All students in middle school and high school are eligible to participate. This will be an active group that participates in events and programs throughout the area. This program is co-sponsored by the Seminole County Health Department. For more information about the T.E.A.M.S. or S.W.A.T. programs, log on to www.casselberry.org, e-mail pks_recasst@casselberry.org or call at 407-262-7720 ext. 1307.

Overstreet, Bledsoe to wed

Lori E. Overstreet and John D. Bledsoe, Clover Leaf Boulevard, Deltona, are engaged to be married on April 24, 2004, at 2 p.m. at the Central Baptist Church in Sanford. Lori was born in Titusville, and John was born in Pensacola, but both grew up in Seminole County.

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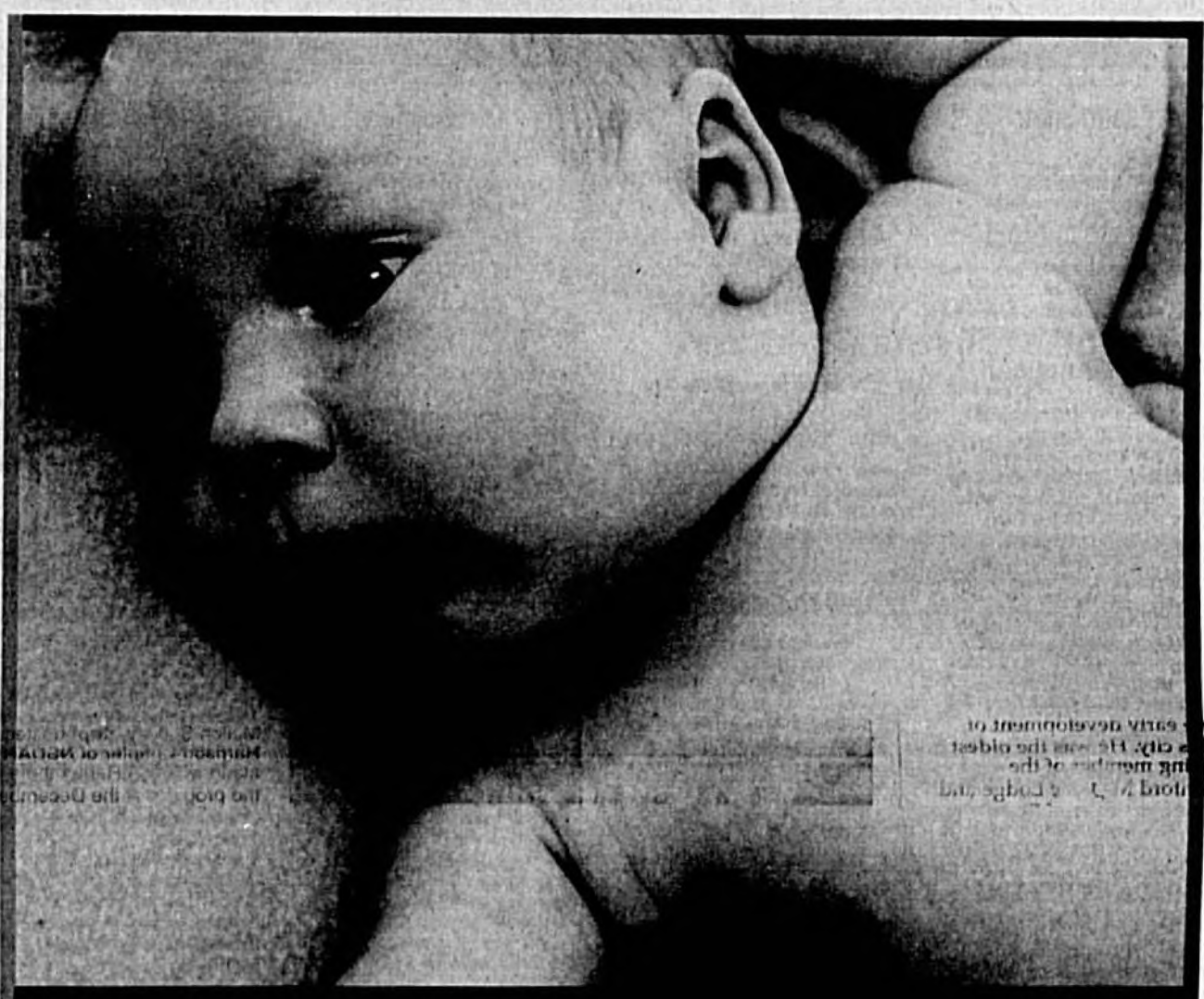
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10:30AM

425-Congregational

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2401 S. Park Ave, Sanford
407-322-4584
Larry Leonard, Pastor
Sunday School 9:30AM
Morning Worship ..11AM
Choir Practice Wed. ...8:30PM
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440-Lutheran

Lutheran Church of The Redeemer (Missouri Synod)
2525 S. Oak Ave, Sanford, FL
Vicar James Timmons
Sunday School 9:15AM
Worship Service.....10:30AM
Information, 407-322-3552
http://www.lcms.org

428-Episcopal

Holy Cross Episcopal Church
S. Park Ave @ 4th St, Sanford FL
Sunday Worship 7:30 & 10a.m.
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New Creation Lutheran Church

101 Upsala Rd, Sanford Hwy46A & Upsala Rd.
Interim Location: Upsala Community Church
407-322-7312
Bob Bresemann, Pastor
Sunday Worship: 8:15AM & 8:30PM
Nursery Provided
www.NewCreationChurch.cc

443-Methodist

Christ United Methodist Church
408 Tucker Drive
(corner of Tucker Dr & 427)
407-322-7900
Rev Wayne Stone, Pastor
Sunday School.....9:30am
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Morning Worship ...11am
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Sunday Eucharist 9:30AM

437-Non-Denominational

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Christian Resource Center
Lakeview Plaza, 407-328-4300
320 E. Commercial St., Sanford
Sunday Service 11AM
Children's Fellowship (ages 4-12)11AM
Family Fellowship
Refreshments12:30PM
Wednesday
Fellowship Meeting.....7:30PM
Friday
Christian Counseling ...2-5PM
Rev. Steve Michaels
Pastor/Director

First United Methodist Church

419 Park Ave, Sanford, FL
407-322-4371
Jim Bradshaw, Pastor
Morning Worship,
8:30am & 11:00am
Coffee Fellowship, 9:45am
Sunday School, 9:45am
Youth Fellowship, 4pm
Nursery Provided

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www.lakesidefellowship.org
407-330-6560
305 S. Orange Blvd, Sanford,
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449-Presbyterian

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& Fri 11am
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Bible Study, Wed., 8:30PM

402-Assembly of God

Family Worship Center
2462 S. Park Ave
Sanford, FL 32771
407-322-9222
Jeff Krall, Pastor
Sunday Worship
Service 9:30AM
Wednesday Service 7PM

404-Baptist

Central Baptist Church
3101 West SR 46
Sanford, FL 32771-8844
407-322-2914
www.cbcsanford.org
Jimmy Dale Patterson, Senior Pastor
Sunday Services
Sunday Morning Bible Study 9:45 am
Worship Services 8:30am, 11am, 6pm
Wednesday Prayer Service 8:30 pm

404-Baptist

Palmetto Avenue Baptist Church
2626 Palmetto Ave
Sanford, FL 32773
(407) 323-1583
website-www.PABC-LCS.org
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Andrew Jenkins, Student Ministry Pastor
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Sunday School 9:45AM
Sunday AM Worship 10:45AM
Sunday PM Worship 6PM
Wed Prayer Meeting 7:30PM
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404-Baptist

Blessings Baptist Church
2593 S. Sanford Ave
Sanford, FL 32773
407-323-5848
Pastor Tyrone Herndon
Sunday School 9:30am
Sunday Worship Svc, 10:45am
Bible Study, Wed, 7pm
Clothes Closet (Free to public) 3rd Sat., each mo. 10am-1pm

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891 State Road 434 East
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407-339-3817
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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
8:30 Youth Bible Study
7PM Pastor's Bible Study
7PM Choir Rehearsal
7:30PM Youth Activities

407-Catholic

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Corner of 9th St & S. Oak Ave
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407-322-3795

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Saturday Vigil5PM
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9AM - Spanish (Church)

410-Christian

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Sanford, FL
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Praise & Worship ...10:30AM
Message by Pastor...11AM
Evening Service6PM
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Sanford, FL 32771
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Early Morning Serv., 8:15AM
Sunday School 9:30AM
Morning Worship, 11AM
Evening Worship(TBA), 4PM
Monday Bible Study ...7:30PM

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ACROSS

- Running start?
- "Heartland" autobiographer
- One-way lift
- Proceeded in line
- Gasel's school
- Wind with a wide range
- River of Leeds
- State bordering Arizona
- Some feel it's bad luck
- Put to beddy-bye
- Astronomy
- Muse
- Sr. Income sources
- Mandolin's cousin
- Do a brewery job
- John Deere equipment
- "Law and Order"
- Spanish essayist José y Gasset
- Lid
- counterpart
- A bit cracked
- Liberals
- Clinton cabinet member
- Narrow inlet
- Fiel holder
- Spelling contest
- Stripes on the Atkins diet
- Where one is when solving this puzzle?
- Bit of folk wisdom
- Campus party item
- Pollen producer
- Element No. 5
- Alcohol-based solvent
- It's not done
- Use the cell phone?
- False god
- Parallel Francis
- One may pick for it
- Aviation first name
- Former U.S. terr.
- Telecommuters, e.g.

DOWN

- In ... as found
- King Hussein's widow
- "Puppy Love" singer
- Profitable
- Hearing type
- Legal eagles' org.
- More pious
- Discovered
- Crow relatives
- Laysite item
- Caribbean
- Finery
- Grounds for free throws
- Peruvian ancient
- Norse god of discord
- The Phantom of the Opera
- Comic Carvey
- Stiffening stuff
- Become prone
- Out-of-style
- Zoom, e.g.
- Roadside stopover
- Sun, in Frosty
- Faith in Japan
- Cream sauce meat dish
- Wad
- Miss. neighbor
- Longtime fitness guru
- Lotion
- ingredient
- Pealed
- LPGA golfer Johnson
- Vogue rival
- Grooms-to-be
- Grant-giving gp.
- Help in a crime
- Ibsen title
- Organic compound
- Part of ACLU: Abbr.
- Not very bright
- Naturally bright
- Red Baron, e.g.
- Big name in talk
- Pay finish
- Irritates
- Third man
- "Wheel of Fortune" buy
- Prohibition loes
- Less stuffy
- Light objects?
- Calm appet
- The "Say Hey Kid"
- Joint
- Like gossiping
- longues
- School setting
- "Star Wars" creator
- Fleur-de-
- Order to a boxer
- B-ball big man
- Andean
- Tops
- Dogie catchers
- Virus spreader, often
- Not virtuous
- Historical records
- Cable modern alternative
- Join a union?
- "Tomorrow" singer
- Where some cutting remarks are made?
- Pray for a bully
- Fight with seconds
- Big times
- Force unit
- The Beau's interjection
- In the past

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Hawkins

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and "The Wiz" with blind and visually impaired children.

Mikel Alston-Nero will be the technical director, the producer of Artist Spotlight, assistant director, film editor and set designer, having filmed and videos "Four Days After," a video that captured the emotional climate of New York City after the World Trade Center tragedy of Sept. 11, 2001.

The First Time I Saw the Sea, an evening of words and movement will feature the above artists as they present "A Tribute to Nina Simone." Special honor will be given Evelyn Rock Clark, at 8 p.m., Friday, Jan. 9, at the Seminole Community College, Sanford/Lake Mary campus Fine Arts Concert Hall.

The honoree, Evelyn R. Clark is known as the musician with a melody in her heart, soul and mind. Her inspiration for music came from ladies who were a part of her life, especially her piano teacher.

As an accomplished musician, she has, for many years,



been a lover of gospel music, and she appreciates and plays all music. She is known in the community for her musical talents and

Clark

contributions. Clark, at an early age of eight, played her first solo, and at 12, was the musician for the Sanford Community Chorus.

Sanford gearing up for MLK Jr. celebration

Up and coming activities for the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Steering Committee of the city of Sanford community-wide celebration include an oratorical contest with students receiving scholarships to the college of their choice.

Orations will be held Friday, Jan. 16, at 6 p.m. at Sanford Chamber of Commerce, Sanford Avenue at First Street.

The 19th MLK, Jr. Commemorative Banquet and Community Service awards will be Saturday, Jan. 17, at 6 p.m. at the Sanford Civic Center. Tickets are available for \$20.

MLK Jr. Interfaith Religious Service will be Sunday, Jan. 18, at 2:30 p.m. at the Sanford Civic Center.

MLK Jr. Bass Fishing Tournament will be Monday, Jan. 19. For more information, call 407-765-5585 or 407-831-5959.

The MLK Jr. Parade will start at Crooms Academy of Information and Technology in the street area with an 8 a.m. lineup and start at 10 a.m. The parade will go east on 13th Street to Holly Avenue, to the coastline park on Ninth Street.

The Unity March will be from Laurel Avenue to Fort Mellon Park.

MLK Jr. Rally in Fort Mellon Park will have vendors, talent, artists, choirs and groups.

For more information on the parade, call 407-322-5418. For more information on the rally, call 407-321-2109.

For more information on Brotherhood Community Service Award, call 407-321-2447. For more information on the MLK choir, call 407-322-5418.

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Seminole County Historical Society to present Jan. 8 'Roots of American Music'

The public is invited to attend the Seminole County Historical Society's annual meeting on Jan. 8 to enjoy a program entitled "Roots of American Music."



Grace Marie Stinecpher

It will be presented by John Kay, folk-lore and musician, and president of the Florida Folklore society. He is also director of the oldest folklore festival in the United States, the Florida Folk Festival.

The audience will explore the functions, uses and meanings of music in America and listen to the ballads collected from oral tradition as well known folk melodies. It will be a most entertaining program which all will enjoy.

The Roots of American Music have grown out of the melodies and songs that were handed down from the British Isles and shaped in this country by the ancient musical aesthetics of Africa.

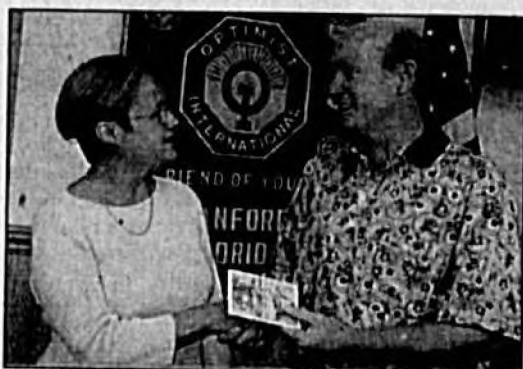
In this program you will

hear the story of America's diverse musical legacy that was forged from these traditions.

This program was recently presented to the Oviedo Historical Society, which pronounced it outstanding. They claimed that your toes will be tapping and that you even get to sing along.

Don't miss this opportunity. This exciting event will be Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7 p.m. at the Cooperative Extension Auditorium located behind the Museum of Seminole County History. The address is 250 W. County Home Road. Turn at the traffic light just south of Flea World and go past the fire department and the museum.

The society will hold a short business meeting at 6:30 p.m. to elect officers. For more information, call the museum at 407-665-2489.



Sanford Optimist Club gives and receives

Sanford Optimist Club program director Audrey Ogden and President Ron Fraser recently received a \$1,500 check from Christina Valkenburg, Good Works coordinator for the Sanford Wal-Mart on Orlando Drive, (below) as recognition of the club's

positive reinforcement programs for youth in the community. The Sanford organization was the first local group to receive the award from Wal-Mart.

Fraser also recently presented a thank-you certificate to Sanford Middle School teacher Jan Tidwell (above) for her work with the club's 'Optimist Achiever of the Month' program.

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Sports

NASCAR Preseason Thunder Fan Fest to begin

Special to the Herald

Bands, pit stop demonstrations and inquisitive fan forums with your favorite drivers are just some of the exciting features fans will experience at the all new 2004 NASCAR Preseason Thunder Fan Fest at historic Daytona International Speedway. Coinciding with January's NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Series, NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series and NASCAR Busch Series testing sessions at the "World Center of Racing," officials at the Speedway announced dates for the unique NASCAR Preseason Thunder Fan Fest.

The 5-10 p.m. events will be held on the following days:

* Jan. 7 & 14: NASCAR NEXTEL Cup Fan Fest

* Jan. 10: NASCAR Craftsman Truck Fan Fest

* Jan. 17 & 20: NASCAR Busch Fan Fest

Scattered along the frontstretch outside the gates of legendary DIS, the scheduled fan festivals will feature show cars, bands, sponsor displays, race team haulers and other exhibits. The high-energy event will also include fan forums, engine building and pit stop demonstrations, silent auctions and food and fun all set in the shadow of one of motorsports most storied venues.

On each Fan Fest day, fan forums with drivers and NASCAR officials will be moderated by MRN, FOX or NBC celebrity announcers.

While all displays and entertainment outside is free to the public, tickets to enter the NEXTEL Cup events are \$10 and \$5 for the NASCAR Busch Series and NASCAR Craftsman Truck events. Only fans purchasing tickets to the Cup, Busch and Truck Fan Fest events will receive gift bags that will include: driver's autographed pictures, DAYTONA USA admission vouchers, NASCAR Magazine, posters and other fan goodies.

Fans can also experience the high-speed excitement of all testing sessions free.

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

* Jan. 6-8: NASCAR NEXTEL Cup (odd owner's points)

* Jan. 10-12: NASCAR Craftsman Truck (even owner's points)

* Jan. 13-15: NASCAR NEXTEL Cup (even owner's points)

* Jan. 17-18: NASCAR Busch Series (odd owner's points)

* Jan. 20-21: NASCAR Busch Series (even owner's points)

Driver Testing Schedules:

Jan. 6-8: Matt Kenseth, Dale Earnhardt Jr., Kevin Harvick, Tony Stewart, Kasey Kahne, Kurt Busch, Jamie McMurray, Michael Waltrip, Mark Martin, Jeremy Mayfield, Scott Wimmer, Dale Jarrett, Ricky Craven, Joe Nemechek, Ward Burton, Kyle Petty, Jeff Green, Derrike Cope.

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Herald photo by Jim Wentz

Jeff Owens hit a layup with 0.5-seconds left to force overtime and finished with 13 points and 15 rebounds as Winter Springs defeated host Cypress Bay, 86-82, in the Championship Game of the Cypress Bay Holiday Classic.

Bears bag another trophy

Owens' heroics force overtime, Hodges MVP

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

Don't look now, but there may be some competition for Oviedo yet.

The once-beaten Lions made a name for themselves when they finished third in the prestigious Great Florida Shootout last week, while also once-beaten Winter Springs was gaining some notice for winning its own tournament.

Well the Bears proved that first tournament title was no fluke as they

went to South Florida and outlasted a stout field in winning the Lightning Holiday Tournament at Cypress Bay High School near Weston.

Trailing the host Lightning, 57-55 with 0.5-seconds left on the clock, Winter Springs junior center Jeff Owens got loose on an inbounds play for a layup to force overtime.

The Bears, who trailed much of the game, then outscored Cypress Bay (9-3), which was coming off a 44-41 upset in the semifinals of the state's top 6A team, North Miami Beach, 6-2 to open the extra frame and 9-5 overall to win their 11th game in 12 starts.

Brett Hodges scored a co-game-high 16 points and was named the Most Valuable Player for the second straight tournament, while Owens, 6-foot-4, scored 13 points and grabbed

15 rebounds. Jared Benton also scored 13 points, while Mike Kuhl added 11.

Geothz Laurent led the Lightning with 16 points and 10 rebounds. Winter Springs, which starts five juniors and has only three seniors on the roster, will get a chance to gauge just where it stands as they Bears will host district favorites Oviedo on Wednesday and DeLand on Friday. Both varsity games are set to tip off at 7:30 p.m.

Another team that is starting to raise some eyebrows is Trinity Prep. The Saints, who already hold a big win over Lake Mary earlier this season, ran their record to 9-1 with a 63-54 victory over Tarpon Springs in the Championship Game of the Keswick Tournament in St. Petersburg.

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Rams sweep Classic

Lake Mary teams win own event

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

LAKE MARY — If you are a Lake Mary basketball fan, it doesn't get any better than this.

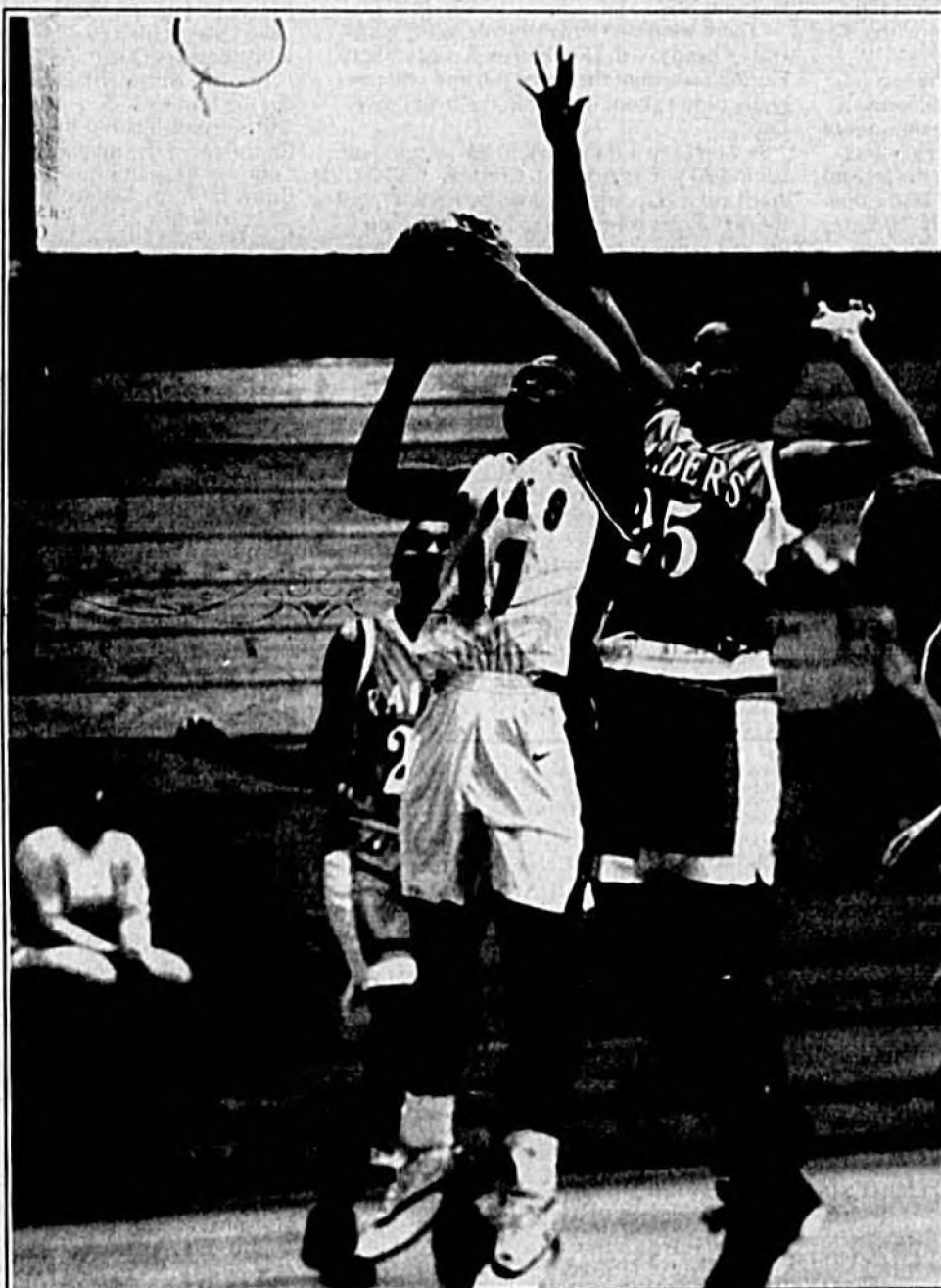
For the first time in the eight year history of the tournament the host Rams swept the titles in both halves of the event.

The girls of coach Carl Brown showed the boys how it was done on Tuesday, remaining undefeated with a 48-46 victory over previously unbeaten Orange Park.

Senior Angie Prassey and sophomore Mitryk led the way for Lake Mary with 13 points each, while Brittany Green was also in double figures with 11 points. Also scoring for the Rams were Kaycee Smith (five), Sena Cooks (four) and Ashley Savitz (two). Titusville finished third, edging Leesburg, 58-53.

The final day of the boys' tournament was a day for comebacks and dramatic finishes.

After Hallandale had eased past Miami Springs, 65-47, in the Seventh Place Game, Lake Brantley, which had whipped Hallandale 56-43 on Tuesday, looked to be in control, leading at the end of each quarter, including 38-28 at halftime and 55-50 after three quarters over Miami Palmetto, which had clobbered Miami. See Classic, Page 12



Herald photo by Jim Wentz

Lake Mary senior Angie Prassey hits a jumper despite being fouled by an Orange Park defender during Tuesday's Championship Game of the Lake Mary Holiday Classic. Prassey tied teammate Caitlyn Mitryk for scoring honors with 13 points as the hosts won the battle of the Rams, 48-46.

O'Leary suffers heart attack

From Staff Reports

New UCF football coach George O'Leary is recovering in a Minneapolis hospital after suffering a mild heart attack at his home on Christmas Eve.

O'Leary, 56, remained in serious but stable condition in Fairview Southdale Hospital on New Year's Day and was expected to stay in the hospital through Saturday and isn't expected to be in Orlando for at least two weeks.

BODDEN LEADS UCF MEN'S BASKETBALL TO FIFTH STRAIGHT WIN

Josh Bodden scored a career high 24 points and grabbed 10 rebounds en route to recording his third career double-double as UCF (7-2) defeated Tennessee-Martin (4-7) 80-68 in its final non-conference game of the season at UCF Arena Tuesday evening.

Bodden who scored 11 points in the first half, notched five of UCF's first nine points as the Golden Knights opened the game on a 9-2 run. The Knights had the inside game going early as Roberto Morentin fed Bodden under the hoop on consecutive possessions to cap off the early scoring spurt.

The Skyhawks battled back and went on their own 9-2 run and following a jumper by Tyler George the game was knotted at 11 apiece. Following a UCF turnover, George scored his second consecutive basket to give the Skyhawks their first lead. See College, Page 12

Raider women win 11th game; men return home

By Dean Smith
Sports Editor

SANFORD — The Seminole Community College women's basketball team showed moments of brilliance before coasting to its 11th win of the season, 74-67, over Brevard Community College at the SCC Health and Physical Education Center last Monday night.

Four Raiders scored in double figures and the hosts built leads of as many as 25 points as they improved to 11-5 in their final tune-up before Mid-Florida Conference play begins on Monday, January 12th at home against defending conference champion, and nationally-ranked, Daytona Beach Community College.

The SCC men continued to struggle during a difficult road trip dropping two games in the Broward Community College Classic in Davie earlier this week.

The Raiders built an 11-point lead at halftime against Brookdale Community College from New Jersey in the first game on Monday, but could not maintain the momentum and fell, 94-89, in double overtime.

Freshmen T.J. Jones (31 points, six assists, six steals) and Vince Mosley (13 points, 12 rebounds, five assists, three steals) had monster all-around games for SCC, while sophomore Rushawn Johnson (10 points, four

assists) and freshmen Will Graham (11 rebounds, three blocked shots), Kemaine Samuels (eight points, 10 rebounds, five blocked shots), and Will Green (four blocked shots) also had good games.

SCC then played better but still fell to the host Seahawks, 72-60, on Tuesday.

Johnson led the way with 17 points and seven rebounds, while Jones added 12 points, Mosley 13 points, 10 rebounds and four assists and Aaron Ball nine points, four steals and four assists.

The team is currently in Ocala to take part in the JUCO Shootout at Central Florida Community College, having faced Okaloosa-Walton Community College on Friday and facing a very-difficult Chipola Junior College squad today (Saturday, Jan. 3) at 4 p.m.

The men will finally return home on Tuesday, January 6th to host Abraham-Baldwin College from Georgia and IMG-Pendleton on Saturday, Jan. 10. Both games will start at 7:30 p.m. at the SCC Health and Physical Education Center and all home games are free of charge.

The women jumped out to an early lead and had a great first half, leading the Titans 41-24 at halftime with freshman Danielle Jenkins coming off the bench to score 11 points.

The Raiders looked like they would blow See SCC, Page 13



Herald photo by Jim Wentz

Freshman guard Danielle Jenkins came off the bench to score 17 points, pull down seven rebounds and take away four steals as the Seminole Community College women won their 11th game of the season, 74-67, over Brevard Community College.

Classic

Continued from Page 11 had clobbered Miami Springs, 67-51, on Tuesday.

But Palmetto battled back and tied the game on a three-pointer by Ruthvan (20 points), his fourth of the game, in the final 20 seconds. Kyle Fowler then drove the length of the court and was fouled from behind.

The Patriots junior calmly made both free throws and Lake Brantley (5-5) withstood two pretty good shots for the tie in the final 10 seconds to claim fifth place.

Junior Marquis Johnson paced the Patriots with 23 points and 13 rebounds, while Fowler added 16 points and four assists. R.J. Allen, Todd Stamp and Matt Dobbins chipped in with seven points each.

The Third Place Game saw a tremendous comeback and a lesson hopefully learned.

Forced to play at Winter Park's pace, Seminole could not buy a bucket in the first quarter and trailed 9-0 after the first eight minutes.

Arrow Force XII finally got things going in the second period behind the all-around play of Jake Polk and Robert Preston and the shooting of Tyler Ganas to take a 19-15 lead into the lockerroom at intermission.

The third quarter remained more to Seminole's liking, but turnovers and fouls left the game tied at 32-32 heading into the final eight minutes.

Using a slow-paced attack that featured an average of eight passes per possession, the Wildcats turned the momentum in their favor in

the four period and led for much of the final four minutes.

AFXII finally got a big turnover and Cy Wynn buried a long jumper from the right wing to tie the game at 45-45 with 7.5-seconds left.

It looked like the contest would go to overtime when the ball was bobbed by a Winter Park guard.

But Jeremiah Rivers, the sophomore son of former Magic head coach Doc Rivers, picked up the loose ball, made a dribble and hit nothing but the net from 20 feet as the final horn sounded, giving the Wildcats a 47-45 victory.

That brought up the finale between host Lake Mary and Hollywood-McArthur and it looked like McArthur was going to run away with the

trophy as Glen Phillip hit four three-pointers in the first period and the McArthur box-and-one defense took the game away from Rams star Darryl Merthie as the visitors took what looked like an insurmountable 20-9 lead after the first quarter.

Michael Ford then got open for a dunk to open the second period and it was 22-9.

But McArthur would score only two more points over the next 7:30 as Lake Mary, led by the hustle of Lyndon Merthie and tremendous defense, began to eat into the lead.

The Rams got within 24-19 before McArthur hit a pair of free throws after the halftime buzzer to make the score 26-19 at intermission.

Lake Mary continued to inch back into the contest and took the lead, 29-28, with 5:25 to go in the period on an old-fashioned three-point play by Trey Hinson.

The Rams widened the lead to 37-32 with 1:30 left, but Phillip hit back-to-back three's to put McArthur back on top, 38-37, heading into the fourth quarter.

The game stayed close and when Lyndon Merthie got a great feed from Cousin Darryl for a long three-pointer, the game was tied at 48-48 with 2:15 to play.

The hosts then got layups by Hinson (1:45), Darryl Merthie (1:09) and a rebound basket by Lyndon Merthie gave Lake Mary a 52-48 lead with 45-seconds left.

Two free throws by Phillip cut the lead to 54-50 with 28.1-seconds left, but the Rams scored the final three points of the game on a free throw by Andy Layden with 22.1 remaining and a rebound basket by Mike Whitcomb with 10 seconds left to make

the final score, 57-50.

Darryl Merthie scored a team-high 16 points for Lake Mary (7-4) and was named the tournament's Most Valuable Player.

Lyndon Merthie finished with 15 points and 12 rebounds, while Hinson added nine points and John Ingram eight, including a pair of crucial three-pointers.

Phillips finished with six three-pointers and a game-high 21 points for McArthur (4-4), while Ford was also in double figures with 14.

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

RAMS 57, MUSTANGS 50
Hollywood-McArthur (4-4)
Felix 10-0-3, Abreu 10-0-2, Phillip 6-3-4
21, Gasana 0-2-2, Lake 4-0-0, Ford 7-0-0
14. Totals: 19-5-6 50.

Lake Mary (7-4)
Ingram 3-0-1, Layden 0-5-11, D. Merthie 6-4-16, Hinson 4-1-1, Whitcomb 2-0-4, L. Merthie 6-2-4 15.
Totals: 21-12-31 57.

McArthur (4-4)
Lake Mary 9-10-18 20-57
Three-point field goals - McArthur 7 (Phillip 6, Felix); Lake Mary 3 (Ingram 2, L. Merthie). Total fouls - McArthur 25, Lake Mary 12. Fouled out - McArthur, Felix. Technicals - McArthur, Felix.

FIFTH PLACE GAME

PATRIOTS 68, PANTHERS 66
Miami-Palmetto (7-4)
Miller 5-4-6 15, Powell 2-0-0 4,
Astigarra 3-0-2 9, Jackson 4-0-3 8,
Rothman 8-0-1 20, Browne 0-2-2 2,
Mandler 2-2-3 6, Reyna 1-0-0 2. Totals: 20
8-17 66.

Lake Brantley (5-5)
Fowler 5-6-8 16, Johnson 9-4-6 23, Guy 1-3-3,
Allen 3-0-0 7, Odoh 1-0-0 3, Oliver 1-0-0 2,
Stamp 3-0-0 7, Dobbins 2-2-4 7.
Totals: 25-13-21 68.

Palmetto (6-3)
Lake Brantley 13-15-22 16-68
Three-point field goals - Palmetto 6 (Rothman 4, Miller, Astigarra); Lake Brantley 5 (Johnson, Allen, Odoh, Stamp, Dobbins). Total fouls - Palmetto 20, Lake Brantley 15. Fouled out - none. Technicals - none.

TUESDAY

MUSTANGS 52, WILDCATS 46
Winter Park (N/A)
Mitchell 8, Pietkiewicz 13, Bolton 14,
Rivers 5, Bolton 2, Robinson 2, Meyers 2.

Totals: 19-2-46
McArthur (4-3)
Felix 11, Phillip 16, Lake 16, Ford 9.
Totals: 18-11-35 52.

Winter Park 13 9 7 15 46
McArthur 10 11 18 13 52
Three-point field goals - Winter Park 6 (Pietkiewicz 3, L. Bolton 2, Rivers); McArthur 5 (Felix 3, Phillip 2).

RAMS 64, ARROW FORCE XII 55
Seminole (5-3)
Palk 2-0-4, Chapman 4-0-0 10,
Feldstein 1-0-0 3, Robinson 4-0-1 9, Wynn 5-3-14,
Preston 2-7-8 11, Whigham 0-1-2 1, Ganas 1-0-0 3, Mitchell 0-0-0 0. Totals: 19-11-36 55.

Lake Mary (6-4)
Ting 1-0-2, Kersenbrock 0-1-3 1,
Ingram 1-3-4 5, Layden 2-6-6 11, D. Merthie 8-8-11 25, Hinson 7-1-3 15, Garvin 0-1-2 1, Whitcomb 1-0-0 2, L. Merthie 1-0-2 2. Totals: 21-20-30 64.

Seminole (5-3)
Lake Mary 10 13 13 19 55
McArthur 10 11 19 24 64
Three-point field goals - Seminole 6 (Chapman 2, Feldstein, Robinson, Wynn, Ganas); Lake Mary 7 (Layden, d. Merthie). Total fouls - Seminole 25; Lake Mary 18. Fouled out - Seminole, Robinson; Lake Mary, Hinson. Technicals - none.

MONDAY

RAMS 76, PANTHERS 73

Palmetto (6-3)
Miller 5-0-0 11, Powell 3-1-4 7,
Astigarra 7-0-0 14, Jackson 9-3-8 22,
Ruthvan 4-0-0 10, Mandler 5-1-6 11.
Totals: 33-5-18 73.

Lake Mary (5-4)
Ingram 4-2-3 11, Layden 1-4-6 6, D. Merthie 16-5-9 41, Hinson 1-1-2 3, Garvin 1-0-0 2, Whitcomb 0-2-4 2, L. Merthie 4-3-6 11. Totals: 27-17-32 76.

Palmetto (5-3)
Lake Mary 15 13 21 26 73
Lake Mary 21 14 18 26 76
Three-point field goals - Palmetto 4 (Ruthvan 2, Jackson, Miller); Lake Mary 5 (D. Merthie 4, Ingram). Total fouls - Palmetto 22; Lake Mary 14. Fouled out - Palmetto, Powell; Lake Mary, Hinson. Technicals - none.

MUSTANGS 54, PATRIOTS 53

McArthur (6-3)
Felix 11, Sherman 3, Phillip 21, Lake 3,
Ford 11, Johnson 5, Bowe 0. Totals: 20-8-14 54.

Lake Brantley (3-4)
Fowler 7, Johnson 10, Guy 1, Rowen 2,
Odoh 2, Smith 3, Oliver 6, Stamp 5,
Dobbins 14, Mann 3. Totals: 18-13-20 53.

McArthur (5-3)
Lake Brantley 15 16 7 15 53
Three-point field goals - McArthur 6 (Felix 2, Phillip 2, Sherman, Ford); Lake Brantley 4 (Dobbins 2, Smith, Fowler).

College

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With the game tied at 15, Dexter Lyons canned a three and then was the recipient of a Kingsley Edwards pass on a fast break, set up by a Bodden rejection, laying the ball in for a 20-15 UCF advantage. Tenn-Martin quickly answered back after Kenan Ascenic drained a triple to again cut the lead to two at 20-18.

UCF held a 27-20 edge with just over 10 minutes remaining in the opening stanza and after a Justin Smith triple cut the lead to 27-23 the Knights came alive finishing the half on a 15-4 run and held the Skyhawks to just four points to head into the intermission with a 42-27 lead.

The Golden Knights controlled the second half and grabbed a 21-point lead following a Marcus Avant dunk in the opening minutes of the second stanza. Following Avant's points, UCF would put the lead over 20 in the second stanza on 10 occasions. The largest lead came after a Lyons free throw put UCF up 78-56 with just five minutes to play. A Lyons lay-up with 3:29 on the clock would be the final points for UCF as Tenn-Martin scored the last 10 points for the final outcome.

The trio of Bodden, Lyons and Morentin combined for 59 points as Lyons and Morentin finished with 19 and 16 respectively. Morentin snagged eight boards to finish two behind Bodden, who also tied a career high with four blocks. Gary Johnson finished with seven assists to lead both teams.

Cleve Woodfork led the Skyhawks with 17 points, while Smith and Tyler George contributed 16 and 12 respectively. Woodfork also led the team on the glass pulling down eight rebounds.

UCF will return to action today (Saturday, Jan. 3) at UCF Arena as the Panthers of Georgia State travel to Orlando for an A-Sun

Conference game. Tip off is set for 7:30 p.m. The game will be broadcast live on AM-740 with Marc Daniels calling all the action.

#25 FLORIDA STATE SHOOT PAST STETSON 87-72

Florida State hit a school record 17 three-pointers en route to a 87-72 victory over host Stetson Tuesday night at the Edmunds Center.

Nate Johnson led the 25th-ranked Seminoles (12-1) with 20 points, including a 6-for-6 performance from behind the arc. Florida State hit seven consecutive three-pointers during one stretch in the first half and led 51-32 at halftime.

"There were two key elements in the game," Hatter head coach Derek Waugh said. "One, Florida State shot the lights out and two, we really didn't shoot well from the free throw line."

Stetson (2-5) fought back in the second half behind 23 points from E.J. Gordon. A 13-3 spurt cut a 21-point FSU lead down to 11, but the Seminoles continued to bury three pointers and came away with the 15-point victory.

"I was proud of the way we played in the second half," Waugh added. "It showed we didn't give up."

"Give Stetson credit, they kept the ball away from our inside guys," Seminole head coach Leonard Hamilton said. "That's a credit to their defense. Johnson was fresh and had his legs under him so we gave him a few more minutes."

The Hatters shot over 40 percent from the floor but hit just 19 of their 31 free throw attempts. Florida State shot 55 percent from the floor and 56 percent (17-30) from behind the arc.

Stetson will also return to action today (Saturday, Jan. 3) at Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tenn. Tip-off for the Atlantic Sun Conference game is set for 3 p.m.

Basketball

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Trailing 46-42 midway through the fourth quarter Trinity Prep, which normally thrives against zone defenses, came to life when the Spongers went to a man-to-man, hitting five consecutive three-point shots and then closing out the win with deadly accuracy at the free throw line.

The Dietrich brothers, Scott and Eric, led the Saints with 20 and 14 points, respectively.

The Lake Howell boys also continued their steady play under new coach Reggie Kohn with a third place finish in the Jim Clark Classic at Bishop Moore High School.

Senior sharpshooter Pat Calathes, a 6-foot-10 St. Joseph's signee, scored 24 points to lead the Silver Hawks to a 60-53 victory over Colonial in the Third Place Game.

The Lake Howell girls (8-6) also came in third at the same tournament with Abby Kohn scoring 14 points and handing out four assists, Mattia Codrey pulling down nine rebounds and Kat Luetzow also dishing out four assists in a 39-37 victory over Central Florida Christian Academy (9-5).

Seminole also returned home with its head held high as the Fighting Seminoles bounced back from an opening game loss to win two straight and finish fifth in the Treasure Coast Holiday Classic at Port Saint Lucie High School.

Evelyn Moore scored a game-high 22 points as Seminole topped Bartow, 44-37.

Trinity Prep (8-2) gave the Goldenrod-based school a sweep as the girls outscored host Orlando Christian, 34-28, to win the Orlando Christian Prep Tournament.

Most Valuable Player Angela Gulu and Erin Kirkwood scored 10 points each for the Saints.

Sanford's Jennifer Russal hit a pair of three-pointers and scored eight points and Jessica Pressley scored six

points, but the efforts of the sophomores from All Souls Catholic School were not nearly enough as host Father Lopez (10-3) was whipped, 64-39, by Centennial, Georgia in the finals of the Sunshine Classic Holiday Tournament.

Lyman (5-6) also took part in the tournament and finished eighth, dropping a 74-56 decision to Jupiter in the seventh place game despite 25 points from Jelisse Oliver and 16 points from Brunswick.

BOYS LIGHTNING HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT

at Cypress Creek High School CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

BEARS 64, LIGHTNING 62
Winter Springs (11-1)
Owens 13, Kendrick 0, Kuhl 11, Benton 13, Hodges 16, Gidus 5, Magluta 8, Alvarino 0. Totals: 23-18-22 66.
Cypress Bay (9-3)
Cuka 15, Avant 5, Hill 2, Laurent 16, Millan 0, Jaffe 6, Smith 15, Portuondo 3. Totals: 25-3-10 62.
Winter Springs 13 16 13 15 9 66
Cypress Bay 15 19 17 6 8 62
Three-point field goals - Winter Springs

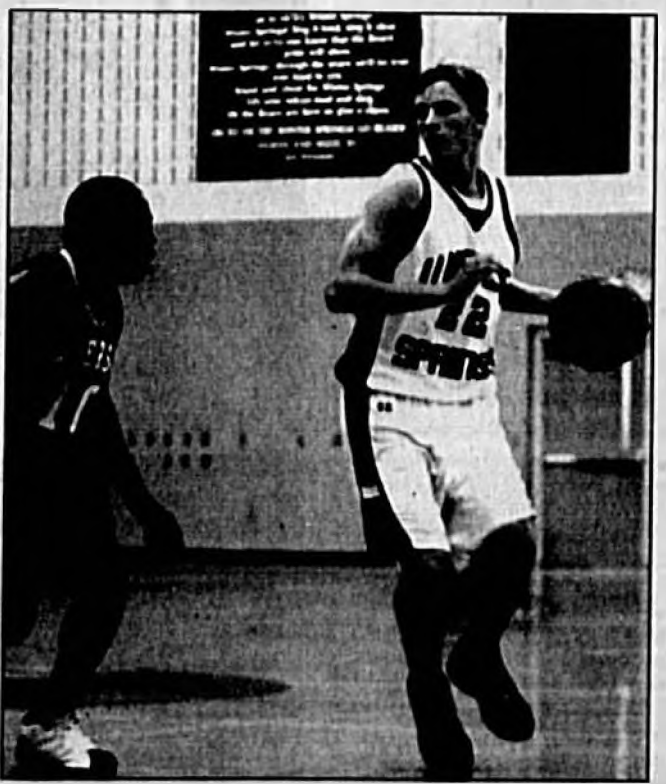
3 (Benton, Hodges); Cypress Bay 9 (Smith 4, Jaffe 2, Cuka, Avant, Portuondo).

GIRLS SUNSHINE CLASSIC HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

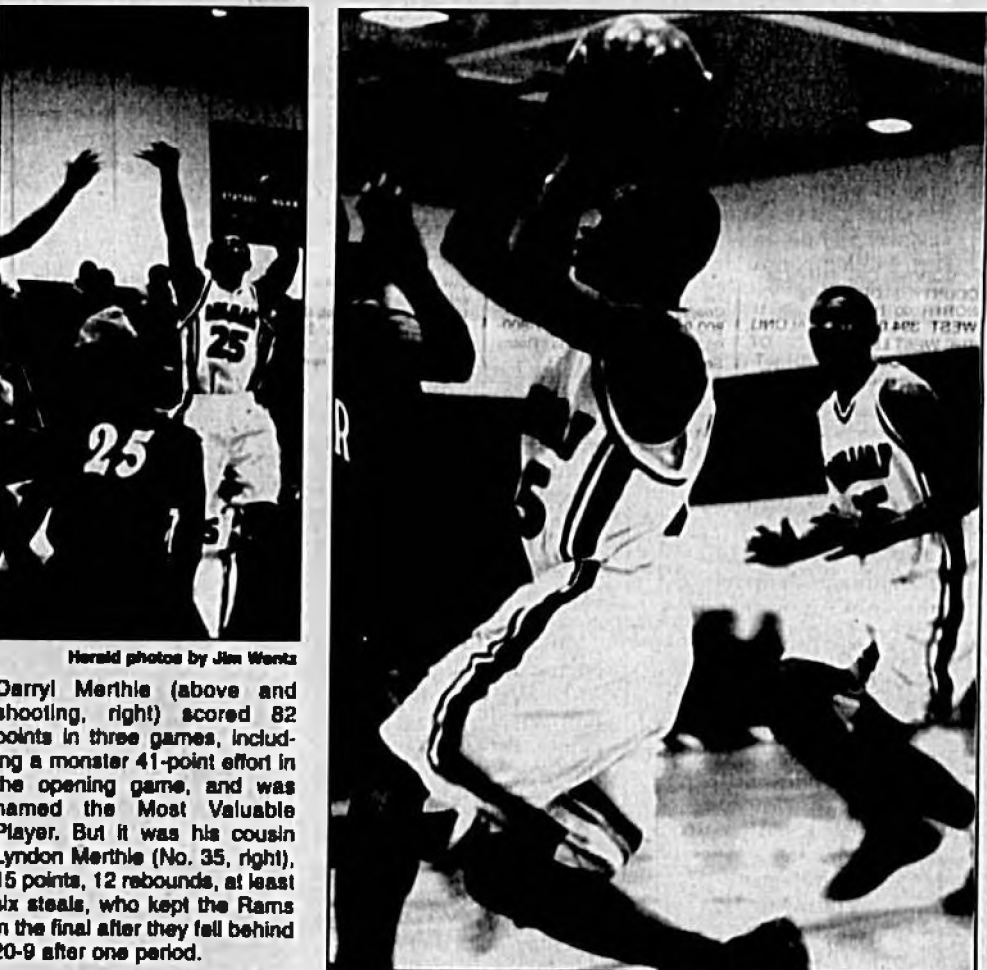
COUGARS 64, GREEN WAVE 59
Centennial, Georgia (8-4)
Taylor 28, Moore 13, Ayers 14, Finney 7, Woodis 3, Michelle 1. Totals: 28-5-7 64.
Father Lopez (10-3)
Pressley 6, Melendez 9, Kenzik 13, Jennifer Russal 8, Buchholz 1, Smith 2. Totals: 12-10-11 39.
Centennial 17 9 22 16 64
Father Lopez 4 20 3 12 39
Three-point field goals - Centennial 5 (Moore 3, Finney, Woodis); Father Lopez 5 (Melendez 3, Russal 2).

SEVENTH PLACE GAME JAGUARS 74, GREYHOUNDS 56

Jupiter (8-4)
Kosman 0, Carriere 0, Levy 16, Milton 0, Williams 0, Fradley 8, Miller 0, Hinkle 0, Kinard 6, Jain 0, Cragg 28, Farrelly 0, Wattles 10. Totals: 28-9-15 74.
Lyman (5-4)
Cooper 0, Gammons 5, Oliver 25, Brunswick 16, Quinn 0, Wheeler 0, Bernerfield 8, Alicia 2. Totals: 18-11-20 56.
Jupiter 15 11 23 23 74
Lyman 14 11 14 17 56
Three-point field goals - Jupiter 9 (Cragg 6, Levy); Lyman 9 (Oliver 4, Brunswick 4, Gammons).



Junior Brett Hodges scored 16 points in the Championship Game and was chosen the Most Valuable Player of the Lightning Holiday Tournament at Cypress Bay High School.



Herald photos by Jim Wentz

Racing

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* Jan. 13-15 - Jimmie Johnson, Jeff Gordon, Ryan Newman, Bobby Labonte, Terry Labonte, Ricky Rudd, Jeff Burton, Rusty Wallace, Robby Gordon, Sterling Marlin, Greg Biffle, Elliott Sadler, Scott Riggs, Brian Vickers, Jimmy Spencer, John Andretti, Johnny Sauter, Casey Mears, Ken Schrader, Larry Foyt.

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

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

WALLACE, STEWART, EARNHARDT JR. TO DRIVE IN ROLEX 24 AT DAYTONA

Howard-Boss Motorsports and Crawford Race Cars announced today that veteran road racer Andy Wallace will team with NASCAR stars Tony Stewart and Dale Earnhardt Jr. for the Rolex 24 At Daytona in the No. 2 Crawford DP03 Daytona Prototype.

"This is an exciting time for all of us at Howard-Boss Motorsports," Rick Howard stated. "We have set our standards high with the new DP03 Daytona Prototype car. Our unique blend of driving talent with Andy Wallace, Tony Stewart and Dale Earnhardt Jr. makes this event even more exciting, not only for our team, but for the fans of the Grand American Rolex Sports Car Series."

"Our expectations are also high for our teammates in the No. 4 Boss Snowplow Dave Brule-owned car. The results of our recent test session at the Homestead-Miami Speedway are very encouraging and we're really looking forward to the Rolex 24 At Daytona."

"From the manufacturer point of view, I'm elated to have three DP03 Daytona Prototype cars competing in the Rolex 24," commented Max Crawford, owner of Crawford Race Cars. "I'm also pleased to be associated with such a stellar list of drivers who I'm sure will do an outstanding job."

Andy Wallace, a mainstay on the international sports car circuit for many years, has won the Rolex 24 At Daytona three times in his storied career. Wallace was on the winning team in 1990, 1997 and 1999 and is one of only five drivers to win all three major road racing endurance events, the Rolex 24 At Daytona, Sebring 12 Hours and LeMans 24 Hour.

Tony Stewart will be making his second start in the Rolex 24 for Crawford Race Cars. Stewart teamed with Jan Lammers and Johnny Mowlem in a Crawford SSC2K Prototype in the 2002 endurance race. After an impressive run at the front of the field, engine problems sidelined the Stewart, Larimers and Mowlem team just past the midway point in the twice-around-the-clock event.

The Wallace, Stewart and Earnhardt Jr. team will have the support of Action Performance Companies and Chevrolet for the Rolex 24 At Daytona.

Primary sponsorship opportunities are available and interested parties should contact Howard-Boss Motorsports at (704) 489-6533.

Howard-Boss Motorsports will participate in the pre-season test session at Daytona International Speedway this weekend, January 3-5. The 42nd Anniversary of the Rolex 24 At Daytona is set for Saturday, January 31 and Sunday, February 1, on the 3.56-mile road course at the Daytona International Speedway.

Tickets are currently on sale for the Rolex 24 At Daytona and can be purchased online at www.daytonainternationalspeedway.com or by calling 386-253-RACE.

LEGALS

THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 03 CA-824-14G

WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, F.A. PLAINTIFF VS.

LOREN W. HOWARD, III, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, LOREN W. HOWARD, III, KELLY Y. GALLOWAY AKA KELLY Y. HOWARD, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST KELLY Y. GALLOWAY AKA KELLY Y. HOWARD, TRILBY BENO ASSOCIATION, INC., APPROVED FEDERAL SAVINGS BANK, RUMKER MATERIALS OF FLORIDA, INC., F/W/A RUMKER CORPORATION, JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION DEFENDANT(S)

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting the Motion to Revoke Foreclosure Sale dated December 17, 2003 entered in Civil Case No. 03-CA-824-14G of the Circuit Court of the 18th Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the West Front Door at the Seminole County Courthouse located at 301 N. Park Avenue in Sanford, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 20th day of January, 2004, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 14, BLOCK 2, NORTH ORLANDO TERRACE SECTION 3 OF UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 90, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

LOT 14, TRILBY BEND, 2ND SECTION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 90, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 23, TOWNSHIP 20 SOUTH, RANGE 30 EAST, SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA, BEING MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGIN AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 14, TRILBY BEND, 2ND SECTION, AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 90, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA; THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 04' 11" WEST 394.09 FEET ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID LOT 14 TO A POINT ON THE EAST-EASTLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF THE SEABOARD COASTLINE RAILROAD, SAID POINT LIES ON A CURVE CONCAVE EAST-ERLY HAVING A RADIUS OF 2548.42 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 05 DEGREES 54' 24" WEST 390.14 FEET ALONG SAID EAST-ERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY OF OLD POST ROAD, THENCE SOUTH 68 DEGREES 55' 38" EAST 81.77 FEET ALONG SAID NORTHERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

Dated this 17 day of December, 2003.

(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL) MARYANNE MORSE, Clerk of the Circuit Court, By: Mary Stroupe, Deputy Clerk.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 03 CA 1978 14W

OMAC MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF VS.

CHERI L. WAGNER, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST, CHERI L. WAGNER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF CHERI L. WAGNER, IF ANY, JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION DEFENDANT(S)

Dated this 17 day of December, 2003.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Notice is hereby given that the below described personal property will be sold at a public sale to the highest and best bidder for cash at 8356 Orange Blvd. Sanford, FL 32771, at the hour of 10am on the 14th day of January, 2004.

The personal property to be sold belonged to Donnae Mary Downes, the former tenant at 1001 S. Country R.V. Resort of Sanford.

1. A 2001 1982 Globalstar trailer VIN# 1U210R28C1100471 with 192878 FL. room and all contents therein.

2. AN 83X58 aluminum shed and all contents therein.

Town & Country R.V. Resort of Seminole By: Jerry Sanders

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LEGALS

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 03 CA 3141-14

FIRST HORIZON HOME LOAN CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF VS.

BERNADINE LEWIS AKA BERNADINE C. LEWIS, IF LIVING, AND IF DEAD, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE, HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS, CREDITORS, TRUSTEES AND ALL OTHER PARTIES CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST BERNADINE LEWIS AKA BERNADINE C. LEWIS, IF ANY, JOHN DOE AND JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANTS IN POSSESSION DEFENDANT(S)

RE-NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order Granting the Motion to Revoke Foreclosure Sale dated December 17, 2003 entered in Civil Case No. 03-CA-3141-14 of the Circuit Court of the 18th Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the West Front Door at the Seminole County Courthouse located at 301 N. Park Avenue in Sanford, Florida, at 11:00 a.m. on the 20th day of January, 2004, the following described property as set forth in said Summary Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 14, BLOCK D, NORTH ORLANDO TERRACE SECTION 3 OF UNIT 1, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 17, PAGE 29, PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Dated this 17 day of December, 2003.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 03 CA-824-14W

HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORP. III, PLAINTIFF, vs.

GERALD DENNIS HAND, JR., et al., Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated the 18th day of December, 2003, and entered in Case No. 03-CA-824-14W of the Circuit Court of the 18th Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida, wherein HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORP. III is the Plaintiff and GERALD DENNIS HAND, JR.; JPMORGAN CHASE BANK AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE; LUANN HAND; JOHN DOE; JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF THE SUBJECT PROPERTY. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the WEST FRONT DOOR OF THE SEMINOLE COUNTY COURTHOUSE, in Sanford, Florida, at 11:00 on the 20th day of January, 2004, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

LOT 7, BLOCK 13, LOCKHART'S SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 70, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Dated the 19th day of December, 2003.

(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL) MARYANNE MORSE, Clerk of the Circuit Court, By: Mary Stroupe, Deputy Clerk.

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LOT 465, FRANK L. WOODRUFF'S SUBDIVISION OF FINANCIAL SOUTH SANFORD, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 44, PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2003.

(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL) MARYANNE MORSE, Clerk of the Circuit Court, By: Mary Stroupe, Deputy Clerk.

Submitted by: Faber & Gitz, P.A. Suite 300 1570 Madruza Avenue Coral Gables, Florida 33148 (305)682-4110

Persons with a disability who need a special accommodation to participate in this proceeding should contact Court Administration at 301 N. Park Avenue, Suite N301, Sanford, Florida 32771, within 2 working days prior to the proceeding. Telephone: (407)665-4227; 1-800-855-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (V) via Florida Relay Service.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2003.

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Dated this 18th day of December, 2003.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 03 CA-423-14W

DLI MORTGAGE CAPITAL, INC., PLAINTIFF, vs.

IVORY LEE WHITAKER, UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF IVORY LEE WHITAKER, JOHN DOE, JANE DOE AS UNKNOWN TENANT (S) IN POSSESSION OF SUBJECT PROPERTY, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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LOT 7, BLOCK 13, LOCKHART'S SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF AS RECORDED IN PLAT BOOK 3, PAGE 70, OF THE PUBLIC RECORDS OF SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2003.

(CIRCUIT COURT SEAL) MARYANNE MORSE, Clerk of the Circuit Court, By: Mary Stroupe, Deputy Clerk.

Submitted by: Faber & Gitz, P.A. Suite 300 1570 Madruza Avenue Coral Gables, Florida 33148 (305)682-4110

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 03-1382-CA-14W

CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF, vs.

KATHY PRYOR, et al., Defendant(s).

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 18, 2003 and entered in Case No. 03-1382-CA-14-W, of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for SEMINOLE County, Florida wherein CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff and KATHY PRYOR, et al., are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the West front door of the Courthouse in SANFORD, SEMINOLE County, Florida, 11:00 AM o'clock on the 19th day of January, 2004, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

Lot 9, Block B Paradise Point Third Section, according to the Plat thereof recorded in Plat Book 9, Page 74, of the Public Records of Seminole County, Florida; a/w/ 1508 Floral Way, Apopka, Florida 32703.

DATED this 18 day of December, 2003.

MARYANNE MORSE, AS CLERK OF SAID COURT, By: Mary Stroupe, AS DEPUTY CLERK.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY GENERAL JURISDICTION DIVISION CASE NO. 03-2214-CA-14W

MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF, vs.

JENNIFER L. TRIVETT, et al., Defendant(s).

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated December 18, 2003 and entered in Case No. 03-2214-CA-14-W, of the Circuit Court of the EIGHTEENTH Judicial Circuit in and for SEMINOLE County, Florida wherein MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION is the Plaintiff and JENNIFER L. TRIVETT, et al., are Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the West front door of the Courthouse in SANFORD, SEMINOLE County, Florida, 11:00 AM o'clock on the 20th day of January, 2004, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, FLORIDA (General Jurisdiction Division) CASE NO. 03-CA-1130-14-K

DISA ANHALT TUA DTD 3-23-92 DISA ANHALT TRUSTEE and 1st TRUST CORP FBO HAROLD ADLER #940301, as assignee of CITY FIRST MORTGAGE CORP., PLAINTIFF, vs.

GRUPO TITANICO, LTDA, a Costa Rican Corporation, MARCELLO G. VEGA and UNKNOWN PERSONS IN POSSESSION at 201 Longbranch Court, Winter Park, Florida, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to a Final Judgment of Foreclosure dated October 15, 2003, and entered in Case No. 03-CA-1130-14-K of the Circuit Court of the Eighteenth Judicial Circuit in and for Seminole County, Florida, wherein ANDY AND DISA ANHALT TUA DTD 3-23-92 DISA ANHALT TRUSTEE and 1st TRUST CORP FBO HAROLD ADLER #940301, are the Plaintiff and GRUPO TITANICO, LTDA, a Costa Rican Corporation; MARCELLO G. VEGA and UNKNOWN PERSONS IN POSSESSION at 201 Longbranch Court, Winter Park, Florida, are the Defendants. I will sell to the highest and best bidder for cash at the Seminole County Courthouse, 301 N. Park Avenue, Sanford, Florida, at 11:00 AM on the 15 day of January, 2004, the following described property as set forth in said Final Judgment, to-wit:

Lot 4, LAKE ANN ESTATES UNIT THREE, according to the Plat thereof, recorded in Plat Book 18, Page 32, of the Public Records of Seminole County, Florida.

Dated: This 22 day of December, 2003.

MARYANNE MORSE, AS CLERK OF THE COURT, By: Mary Stroupe, Deputy Clerk.

Bruce R. Jacobs, Esq. Wedderburn & Jacobs, P.A. 18300 N.E. 19th Avenue, Suite 244 No. Miami Beach, FL 33162 305-819-9222

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE 18TH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA, IN AND FOR SEMINOLE COUNTY, CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 03-CA-3487

CENTER HOME EQUITY COMPANY, LLC SUCCESSOR BY MERGER TO, CENTEX CREDIT CORPORATION, D/B/A CENTEX HOME EQUITY CORPORATION, PLAINTIFF, vs.

VERNY RODRIGUEZ AKA VERNY RODRIGUEZ, JANE DOE RODRIGUEZ, THE UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF ERNESTINE MIDGETTE, IF LIVING, INCLUDING ANY UNKNOWN SPOUSE OF SAID DEFENDANT(S), AND IF REMARRIED, AND IF REDECEASED, THE RESPECTIVE UNKNOWN HEIRS, DEVISEES, GRANTEE, ASSIGNEES, LIENORS AND ALL OTHER PERSONS CLAIMING AN INTEREST BY THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST THE NAMED DEFENDANT(S), JOHN DOE, UNKNOWN TENANT, JANE DOE, UNKNOWN TENANT, Defendants.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE

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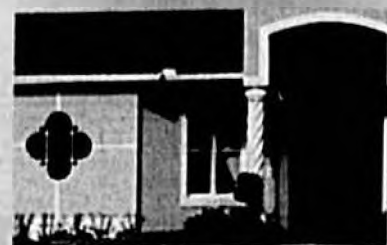
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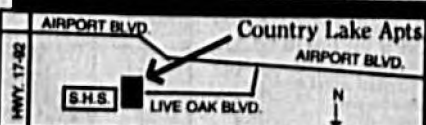
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