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Feb. 9	72	50	
Feb. 10	76	49	
Feb. 11	78	45	
Feb. 12	74	40	
Feb. 13	76	57	02
Feb. 14	65	60	04
Feb. 15	67	52	



SUNDAY ALLEN APCI Trailer Park, gives close attention to a treat, as an admirer looks on. School children throughout Avon Park Community Schools observed Valentine's Day Monday with parties and the exchange of what else, valentines. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis) Turn To Page 3

Bombing Range Hearing Issue Is Hot Potato

A meeting called by the Air Force Tuesday night to discuss the recreational uses of the Avon Park Bombing Range quickly turned into a question and answer session between area sportsmen and officials responsible for the range.

Col. Donald Griffing, commander of the range, explained the purpose of the meeting to the approximately 200 interested residents, mostly hunters, who attended.

Griffing said the Air Force was attempting to improve on the plan to provide the recreational uses of the land. "We are trying to arrange it so that people can enjoy nature, but without the ecological damage."

He said the range was operated under a "multiple use concept", stressing that the military use of the land was always foremost in the minds of the Air Force.

However, Griffing added that he was presently attempting to "minimize the conflicts arising from the various uses of the land."

In response to a query from the Highlands County Commission, which was represented at the meeting, Griffing compared the range regulations to other wildlife management areas in the state, and concluded that the range's rules were no stricter than any other area, and coincided with 80 per cent of them.

As to the inspection and issuing of hunting licenses, Griffing said this was required by Air Force regulations, and named one other wildlife area in the state where this was the practice.

The first questions from the audience concerned the availability of information on the range's operating hours. Griffing said he was under the impression that notifying the Highlands County newspapers had alleviated the majority of the problems, but several hunters disagreed.

Many told the tale of calling the range to find what hour it would be open, and were informed that they would be admitted at 5 p.m. Friday on a given weekend. "At 5 a.m. Saturday, they opened the gates and let us in. When you're planning a camping trip, sitting for 12 hours at the gate kind of messes you up."

The colonel admitted that at times it is hard to get the proper information on opening times to the proper people at the range, but that he would attempt to improve his efforts to do so. He added that he would send notices of the range's opening on weekends to any newspaper or radio station that the hunters cared to list after the meeting.

J. O. Brown, from the Fish and Game Commission's Lakeland office, said that present there is a secretary who calls the major newspapers and TV stations as soon as opening times for the range are announced the week of the opening.

It was suggested from the audience

that the base install a toll-free number for interested parties to call for range information, and Griffing said an 800 number had been under consideration.

"However, this costs money, and we're waiting to see where they cut the defense budget before making any plans of this sort."

Another complained that on the first day of archery season, the range would be open, according to a number of newspaper accounts, and the Fish and

Game Commission would be charged for the service. Councilman Kelley Phillips voiced his dissatisfaction with the current state of affairs, saying that it was not right that city crews should be spending their time making corrections to the project, especially when Avon Park has paid the contractor to do the work in the first place.

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Ross Is Given Death Sentence For Killing

A jury moved swiftly Tuesday in deciding that a slightly built teenager should die for the robbery-murder of an elderly Avon Park woman.

At 3:17 p.m. Tuesday, only 46 minutes after it had begun deliberations, the six-man six-woman panel was back with its verdict: Frank Ross is guilty of robbing and killing Helen Dixon.

Mrs. Dixon, a 64-year-old widow, was found on the floor in her home at 603 S. Verona Avenue, Nov. 17. In low, emotional tones Ross told the jury he had stomped Mrs. Dixon, striking her head.

Ross's testimony, given a little before six Monday evening, brought to a close the first day of the trial. Closing arguments by Bill Fletcher, assistant state attorney, and Kingswood Spott Jr., assistant public defender, filled most of the morning hours on Tuesday. Judge Clifton Kelly presented detailed instructions to the jury after lunch and sent the all-white panel to its deliberations at 2:29 p.m.

The jury recommended that Ross be sentenced to death. However, the final decision on the sentence must be made by the court. To aid him in making his decision, Judge Kelly ordered a presentence investigation, a procedure which usually requires a month.

A presentence investigation is also underway for James Wells, a 17-year-old Avon Park youth who, along with Ross, had been arrested on Nov. 20. Wells has pleaded guilty to robbery and second degree murder. He appeared at the trial this week as a prosecution witness. Both Wells and Ross had made confessions a short time after Avon Park police had picked them up for questioning in connection with the white woman's death. Ross's confession was introduced at the trial, after the public defender lost a last ditch effort to block its admission.

When Ross was called to the stand he talked very softly but did not appear to be

hesitant to describe the events of Nov. 15, 1976.

He said he and Wells spent the day together. He said they were headed for a supermarket to buy wine when they saw a sign about a car Mrs. Dixon had for sale. The teenager said they obtained the wine and drank it. He said he and Wells had been drinking heavily all day. At one point he testified that the juveniles had

consumed two bottles of wine.

When they returned to the Dixon home he said he took no part in the negotiations between Wells and Mrs. Dixon, that he took out his pocket knife and used it to clean his fingernails while the car was discussed. He said that at one point Mrs. Dixon had told him "Keep quiet."

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Dead Woman Is Called For Jury

It was a one in 20,000 chance, but there it was on the jury list. An Avon Park woman was to be called to serve on the jury which would try the man accused of murdering her.

The appearance of the name Helen Dixon on the venire drawn for jury duty Feb. 14-18 was just one bizarre incident which occurred along the road toward obtaining a jury for this week's trials. Last summer the Highlands County Criminal Justice Forum had pondered the question of improving the methods of obtaining jury lists. Clerk of the Circuit Court Earl Rich worked up a written report and Judge Clifton Kelly convened a workshop which included Supervisor of Elections Jimmy Whitehouse and members of the Highlands County Jury Commission.

The raw materials for a jury list come from the registered voter records. With the '76 primaries and a big general election in the offing, Whitehouse asked delay in implementing changes which would involve his office records. In accordance with preliminary plans worked out in the conference, however, the task of preparing a list of eligible citizens was begun after the November election.

The jury box was filled with 1,000 names. The juries for late 1976 and early 1977 trials — criminal and civil, felony and misdemeanor have all been drawn from that box. For service the week of Feb. 14 the names of 40 citizens were drawn.

In accordance with a new rule issued by Judge Kelly the jury notices were mailed rather than delivered in person by sheriff's deputies.

Some question had been raised about whether a pool of 40 possible jurors was adequate for service in a week which included six criminal trials — one a first degree murder case which would require 12 persons for the jury.

Late Friday afternoon Judge Thomas Langston, who was hearing criminal matters in circuit court here, ordered additional names for this week's juries. Fifty names were drawn.

Preparation of jury summons ate away the remaining minutes of Friday

afternoon. Shortly after five o'clock the jury summons were ready and deputies fanned out over the county to deliver the notices to be in court Monday at 9 a.m.

For rookie Sheriff Joe Sheppard it was his first encounter with citizen ire at receiving a summons at the 11th hour. Deputies worked Friday night and Saturday, finally contacting 32 of the 50 persons listed on the supplementary list. "Not over two or three of them willingly accepted the summons," Chief Inside Deputy Charles Seelgrove said.

He said not many people seemed to understand that the deputies were acting on court orders, that "it wasn't their idea to make those calls on the weekend," Seelgrove said.

Judge Kelly, who presided for the criminal trials this week, said he had not talked with Judge Langston and could not say what prompted the judge to draw extra names.

"He may have checked the first list and if there were a large number of people from Avon Park he may have acted on a hunch it would be hard to get a jury," Judge Kelly surmised. "We did have a good number on hand for jury duty this week and that gives the attorneys for both sides opportunity to get a good jury," the judge observed.

Both prosecutor and defense counsel moved quickly to choose a jury in the trial of Frank Ross, accused of first degree murder and robbery of Helen

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Holiday To Be Observed

Federal offices will be closed Monday, Feb. 21, in celebration of George Washington's birthday. The date for celebrating the first President's birth was changed several years ago in the move to provide three-day weekends.

The Postal Service will not make home deliveries and windows at the post office will be closed. Other federal offices such as Social Security will be closed Monday.

Some Residents May Not Be Able To Hook To Sewer

Problems with Avon Park's new \$3.5 million sewer project occupied much of the city council's time, as they met in regular session Monday evening.

Avon Park's consulting engineer, Mike McWeen y of Dawson and Associates reported that while the entire project was virtually completed, there were problems pertaining to residential sewer connections, water distribution and intake.

Of primary concern to the council was the revelation that at least 30 persons had complained to the city that they were unable to hook their homes into the new system. City Clerk Malcolm Crews indicated that the large number of complaints had come to the city's attention when residents purchased their sewer tap-in fees and then discovered that they could not hook up. He added that each and every complaint was being investigated by city officials, in an effort to determine if they were true.

Crews said this, indeed, the actual design of the sewer was at fault, then residents who were unable to hook-in

would not be charged for the service. Councilman Kelley Phillips voiced his dissatisfaction with the current state of affairs, saying that it was not right that city crews should be spending their time making corrections to the project, especially when Avon Park has paid the contractor to do the work in the first place.

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THE GROUP OF 10 semi-finalists for the night by a panel of three judges and included, from the left: Kay Durden, Sebring; Helen Ewing, Avon Park; Diana Taylor, Sebring; Lisa Windsor, Cheawandaw Roberts; Joyce Wade and Tanya Andrus from Avon Park; Virginia Rogers and Debbie Hardy from Sebring; and Diane Cammell, Lake Placid. Turn To Page 10-A

Editor's Viewpoint

by Russ Dennis

I think I got some insight into why tourists didn't seem to mind paying prime rates and looking out for their own service during the recent hotel worker's strike in Miami.

I had to visit Miami last Thursday on business and while checking into a posh hotel I got into a conversation with a bell boy.

Now, this young fellow was relating to me some of his happier moments during his tour of duty. He failed to see the incredulous look I gave him when he chuckled over turning down dollar tips.

After the usual checking in formalities were out of the way, I asked the desk clerk for my room key, as I only had a suit bag for luggage and didn't feel that I had to have it carried for me.

Guess what the answer was. It seems that there is an unspoken agreement that no guest will be allowed to find his own room. Okay, that makes sense, I guess.

Can't have just anybody wandering about the place. So I waited and waited until a bellhop directed me. He eyed my light suit bag, which I was hanging on to and, with a sneer, directed me to an elevator.

When we reached the floor that my room was on, he pointed with his thumb and mumbled, "It's over there."

As I left the elevator, he stuck his hand out in the age old manner and seemed quite put out when I failed to cross his palm with silver.

Finding a little time on my hands, I decided to observe the world of hotel living in more detail. I secured a comfortable chair in the lobby and waited to watch.

Guests and bellhops seem to come in two categories: the polite and the rude. I

watched with ill concealed glee as two hotel employees jockeyed for the task of escorting an attractive woman with just one small suitcase to her room.

Ignoring a tired family party complete with three children and a pick-up truck load of luggage. A short time later, a well-dressed man appeared with only a suit bag. He cooled his heels, by actual count, for almost 15 minutes until he could be escorted to his room. I wonder what type of tip he gave the bellhop.

In an offhand manner, I asked a few of the hotel's employees how they felt about their jobs. All of them indicated they liked where they were working and all seemed to think that a one dollar tip was almost an insult to offer.

Of the three people I spoke with, all seemed to feel that two to five dollars was the size of tip they were entitled to. Why? That's the point at which the conversations seemed to trail off. I was assured that showing guests to their rooms, carrying luggage, fetching items from the hotel shops, etc., were all part of their job.

Now I'm not saying that what I witnessed is true at all hotels, but I do feel that many tourists who visited Miami during the worker's strike probably didn't mind making their own bed and carrying their own luggage, after all, they probably saved enough in tips to treat themselves to a nice dinner and night on the town. I guess I'm a cheapskate.

I don't believe in tipping unless I get exceptional service—service provided by cheerful people who don't act like they are doing you a favor, when, in fact, they are only doing their job.



ARE WE A city of litterbugs? Avon Park Sun Editor Russ Dennis spent less than three minutes to gather up this pile of trash from our downtown business district. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)

Do Litterbugs Ever Think?

Are we a city of litterbugs? From the surface, it would appear that we are. We wonder how many residents have taken a really good look at the amount of litter that can be seen on just about any street in town.

For the most part, litterbugs seem to be the type of people who have little or no respect for other people's rights or property. An occurrence that seems to be happening all too often lately.

What can we as citizens do to help clean up our city? We might start by making sure that we have litterbugs in our vehicles. How often have you seen a passing motorist casually flip a wad of junk out of his window?

We could also petition the city council to instigate a special litter removal brigade—perhaps comprised of volunteers who would pick a special date and about the business of sprucing up the entire town. In fact, that's not a bad idea. Why not designate one weekend this spring as Avon Park Clean Up Day. With a little publicity, we may discover that

there are many citizens who would not mind donating a few hours of their time to help with a clean up campaign.

Private citizens, aided by city crews and equipment, could do quite a bit in just one day towards removing some of the litter.

The appearance of a town is what makes first impressions on visitors and residents alike. If an area is clean and well kept up, you will usually find a town with a thoughtful and caring population.

It is a shame to allow the actions of what we hope is a minority, to defile what in other ways is a wonderful place to live.

The Avon Park Sun goes on record as calling for the city council to designate one Saturday in April as Avon Park Community Pride Day. On that date, hopefully, private citizens, members of civic clubs and fraternal organizations, along with city work crews, will undertake a facelifting of the town.

Perhaps such an event, if successful, will become an annual feature each spring—thus insuring that this city stays nice and spruce all year long.

Gadabout Alice

By Alice Smith
Buying a gift for someone you love should be fun. It isn't always so—but sometimes it is.

Take records, for instance. No size or color problems, easy to mail and you meet the nicest people. I recently marched into a local shop and announced that I wanted to buy records for two boys—a five year old and a ten year old. And furthermore, I thought I wanted something having to do with Beethoven's Fifth.

"Of course," said the salesperson, giving me the prettiest, happiest smile I've seen in Highlands County. "You want 'A Fifth of Beethoven'." The kids would love it—let me play it for you." She did and I loved it.

The second choice took more doing. We wound up with a three-way conference between my happy friend, me, and a personable young man named Sam, who contributed his knowledge and his opinion. Finally chose an early Beatles record, and I came away with the fine feeling of camaraderie with the young world of music.

Some of my gift list are on the shady side of the generation gap. Which, by the way, means anyone born before World War II. For them, there's good news tonight. Columnist Rex Reed, no rock enthusiast, recently reported that these elderly souls looking for good jazz, theater songs and quiet pop should turn to the mail order business.

He mentioned in glowing terms two albums, one by Nancy Walker and one by Elaine Stritch, available from Out Take Records, P. O. Box 298, Ansonia Station, New York, N.Y. 10023.

Ben Bagley, Painted Smiles Records, 116 Nassau St., New York, N.Y. 10038 has a new album called "Oscar Hammerstein Revisited." Write him and he'll put you on his mailing list.

If jazz is your bag, especially jazz piano, consider Mame McPartland and her new firm called Halcyn Records, 320 Clinton St., Bellmore, N.Y. 11710. Write her there for information on her new catalog.

Improv Records, Tony Bennett's new label at 107 Delaware Ave., Buffalo N.Y. 14202, has recorded a great album of McPartland called "A Fine Romance," his own rendition of Ten Rodgers and Hart songs and a big band album "Life Is Beautiful."

Order by mail—but don't lost touch with the young sound. Go on down to your local record shop for fun and "A Fifth of Beethoven."

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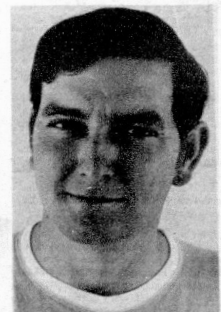
Interviewpoint

Garbage disposal and the cost of doing so brought forth some interesting viewpoints for this week's column, as Avon Park residents proved once again that they do have strong opinions on local issues.

This week's question: Do you think it is fair for the county to charge a fee when residents use the sanitary landfill?



Mrs. Faye Skelton, 807 S. Seminole. "Why should we be penalized to dump trash? I pay to have it picked up, but sometimes I don't want to wait for city crews, so I take it to the landfill myself. Why should I have to pay twice?"



Donald Singletary, 200 N. Anoka. "If you are going to dump something that a city garbage truck won't pick up, then I guess it is fair for the county to charge you to use the landfill, but if you are just taking normal garbage, then it should be free."



Larry Pate, 809 E. Bell St. "No, I don't think it is fair. The only reason for government is to provide services. The government collects taxes to provide these services, so an extra fee to use the landfill without an extra fee."



Mrs. Pat Strickland, 511 E. State St. "Yes, I think it is fair. We have regular city trash pick-ups, but this is over and above that. Many people who carry their trash to the landfill are doing so to save a fee and they should have to pay something."

Letters To The Editor

Dear Sir:
I would like to express my views my views on the Frank Weems debacle recently performed by the bureaucracy of Avon Park. On most ideas I concur with the "Concerned Citizen", from your last issue. I feel, however, that if he or she did not have the courage to sign his name, they haven't the right to an opinion. I attended all the hearings, including the last one where the Civil

Service Board just "rubber stamped" the opinion of the City Council, enabling Weems to go to another police department with no stigma. I have talked to members of the community who have had unpleasant dealings with Weems in the past, and they feel this is just another one of them. I personally feel that a bad-mouthed, brutal cowboy has just been unleashed on some other town.

Randy Cecil
Avon Park

Avon Park May Get New Middle School If funds Come

Avon Park may be in store for a new middle school shortly, providing the Highlands County School District is assured of the necessary funds to build the project.

The school board last week approved a \$5.3 million building priority list, which placed the Avon Park facility in the number three spot overall and in the number one position for new building.

Dr. James Smith, Assistant Highlands County Superintendent of Schools, reported to the Sun that he was "confident" that the necessary state funding would come through.

The only projects that were rated higher than the Avon Park Middle School were additions to Sebring High School and to the Fred Wild Elementary School. Smith reported that the school district had approximately \$1 million earmarked for construction at this time, or, just about enough to take care of the construction to the two Sebring schools. He explained that he felt the Florida Legislature would grant the district's request to borrow the remaining \$4 million against future state school monies destined for Highlands County.

The Avon Park Middle School project is estimated to cost roughly \$1.8 million. The school board has tentatively set March as the target date to advertise for bids on all projects, including the new middle school. Smith said that final plans for the facility could be ready by late October, once a contractor is found.

If constructed, the new school would be located on the site of the present facility and would include a library, cafeteria, an auditorium and administrative suites, in addition to classrooms. Smith indicated that some of the existing facilities' space could be refurbished and used with the new structure.

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Business Briefs

United Growers have urged the Florida citrus industry to voluntarily adopt customer supply allocation cuts to protect a "totally inadequate inventory and to build replacement supply" for this season and perhaps the next two.

The Orlando based organization claims that the losses in boxes and juice reported earlier by USDA were "both conservative and incomplete, probably because of lack of data on a freeze of this nature."

Scotty's, Inc. has reported that the company's sales for the month of January were \$7,700,204, an increase of 14 percent over the same period last year.

The Florida Cannery Association says that for the week ending February 5, its members packed 9,626,771 net gallons of frozen concentrated orange juice, bringing the season to date pack to 63,118,928 net gallons.

GRIFFIN CITRUS TOPS

Prostrop and Deerfield Groves, Inc. of Wabasso, walked away with the grand championships in the annual fresh fruit competition as the Florida Citrus Festival in Winter Haven. BFG, Inc. was awarded the grand prize in the interior producing area for a box of honey tangerines, and Deerfield captured the prize for the Indian River area with a box of marsh red grapefruit.

The US Small Business Administration has reported that small businesses that are facing economic setbacks because of energy shortages may be eligible for SBA loans. The loans may be used for working capital to pay financial obligations which concerns couldn't meet due to energy shortages.

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Sweden Exchange Student Guest Speaker At Avon Park Grange

Peter Hansen, International Exchange Student from Sweden, was the speaker at the Avon Park Grange meeting Monday Feb. 8. As he told of his homeland he projected colorful pictures on a screen that captivated his audience. He said that Sweden is the fourth largest country in Europe, has a population of 8 million, with 90 per cent living in the southern half.

Sweden maintains the highest standard of living of any country. The climate is more mild than others that far north, but this winter has been the most severe in twenty years. Taxes are very high taking 80 per cent of the income and women make up 40 per cent of the labor force.

Peter is a member of the senior class at Avon Park High School, not Florida Junior college as previously reported, and will be in the June 1977 graduating class. When he returns to Sweden Peter plans further studies at one of the five universities.

Music of the evening was by two



USING COLORED SLIDES, Peter Hansen from Sweden and attending Avon Park High School, told the Avon Park Grange members about his country. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.

vocalists from the Young Highlanders group. Phyllis Johnson and Kathy Hall who each sang three selections accompanied by Don Meiser as pianist. A pot luck supper preceded the open meeting and was presided over by the Master Ralph Fulmer. He announced that a sign had been placed in front of the Woman's Club hall, which denotes the time of meetings for both the Club and the Avon Park Grange No. 203.

Among the 29 visitors in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. David Kay from Germany, the speaker Peter Hansen of Sweden, several from Ohio, New York and Pennsylvania Granges, also a number from Frostproof and Avon Park. These were welcomed by the Master. Members signed for the hours they would sit at the Fair booth.

The next meeting of Avon Park Grange will be Degree Day on February 22 when the 1st and 2nd degrees will be conferred at 4:30 p.m. followed by a pot luck supper at 6:30. The 3rd and 4th degrees will be given later in the evening.

Laurie Rehner Directs Musical At Newberry College Theatre

On February 12-15, Newberry College Theatre, Department of Speech and Theatre and The Department of Music presented a musical "The Boy Friend" by Sandy Wilson, directed by Carl Von Kleist. Dr. Milton W. Moore, chairman of the department of music as Musical Director.

Laurie Rehner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Rehner, was Director of Choreography for the musical. Newberry College operates on the 4-1-4 plan, an academic calendar consisting of two 4 month terms separated by a one month interim term in January.

During Interim, the Newberry Student is encouraged to explore areas of interest outside his major field of study or engage in research



Laurie Rehner

or activities of a nature that would not be possible in the regular semester. Upon graduation, a student must have completed one interim course for each full year of his enrollment at Newberry College.

"Musical Comedy Production" may be the most rigorous of all interim courses. The actors and musicians (who also build and paint all the scenery) have adhered to a rigorous daily work schedule beginning at 9 a.m. and ending at 10:30 or 11 p.m.

By the end of the final performance the students enrolled in this course will have worked as much as 250 hours each on this play. There are nearly 60 students involved in the production of "The Boy Friend."

During this Interim period Laurie has also been working with students at Whitten

Village (a state institution for the retarded in Clinton, S.C.) in music and dance.

Prior to the musical Laurie also directed the choreography for the Miss Newberry College Pageant, working with the reigning Miss South Carolina, the 1972 Miss South Carolina and the reigning Miss Newberry. In April she will be working with the Miss Newberry Pageant.

Laurie is majoring in accounting at Newberry.



PAUSING TO GIVE the photographer a pensive look, this unidentified youngster was one of many who exchanged Valentine's Day greetings in Avon Park Monday. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis.)

Charles Swan Memorial Toastmasters To Meet

The Charles Swan Memorial Toastmasters Club will meet for dinner from 6:15-7 p.m. at the banquet room of Howard Johnson's on Thursday, Feb. 17. The meeting will start promptly at 7 p.m.

Toastmaster of the evening will be Ruth Kaye. Table topics master will be Elizabeth Walker. A patriotic theme will be featured.

HIGHLANDS HARDEE LEGAL SECRETARIES ASSOCIATION Highlands Hardee Legal Secretaries Association will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 17, in the County Commissioners' board room in the Highlands County Courthouse. Monica

Saals, juvenile investigator of the Highlands County Sheriff's Department, will be the guest speaker.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS Upcoming activities of Parents Without Partners include the following: A family game night has been planned for 7:30 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 18, at the home of Martha Greene in Avon Park.

The group (including entire families) will travel to the Mystery Fun House at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20.

Amigo night has been set for Monday, Feb. 21, at the Sebring home of Connie McQuestion. For further information, persons may call 385-2966.

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Heart Fund Charity Ball To Be Held Saturday

The annual Highlands County Heart Fund charity ball will be held at the Agri-Civic Center this Saturday, Feb. 19. Dancing will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. and music will be provided by the famous "South Wind" band from Orlando.

In addition to the dancing, there will be a group of fabulous door prizes including weekend accommodations for two at several of Florida's leading attractions. Contributions for the dance are \$5 per

person and all proceeds, above expenses, will go to the Highlands County Heart Fund to support public information, awareness and research pertaining to heart diseases, which are the number one killer in the United States today.

Contributions (tickets) may be made at Barnett Bank at Sebring, the Highlands County Courthouse or Golf and Lake Realty.

Menus

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Week of February 21

Monday - Ravioli, tomato salad, lima, baked salad, orange juice, bar, milk.

Tuesday - Roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, cherry crisp, whole wheat rolls, milk.

Wednesday - Chicken and yellow rice, spinach, tomato wedge, corn bread, banana pudding, milk.

Thursday - Tuna, noodle casserole, English peas, vegetable las, cubed jello, rolls, milk.

Friday - Hot dog on bun, baked beans, cole slaw, peanut and raisin cup, milk.

HIGH MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Week of February 21

Monday - Sloppy Joe on bun, corn, cole slaw, Martha Washington-cherry cake, milk.

Tuesday - Oven fried pork chops, au gratin potatoes, green beans, tomatoes on lettuce, mixed fruit with topping, rolls, milk.

Wednesday - Pimiento cheese sandwich, lima bean soup with rice, carrot and celery sticks, chocolate cream pie, milk.

Thursday - Beef pizza with cheese, potato triangles-catsup, vegetable salad, fruit cup, milk.

Friday - Turkey and noodles, cranberry sauce, chicken, lima beans, cheese rolls, milk.

Sun Correction

In the story "Nanin's the What To Do Blues" it stated that Frank Hillmeyer had never y lit a thing. This was a misunderstanding.

Hillmeyer had never built doll houses before, but he was a carpenter and had worked with wood most of his life.

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WITH THE WEATHER being a bit warmer last Saturday it appeared like a good time for Marjorie Richards, Musteyon, Mich., staying at Lake Bonnet Village, to give Ginger a bath with a special flea shampoo. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).



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People On The Go

by Barbara Cornell

GEORGE PALMER SENDS REGARDS

George Palmer sends his regards to his friends in Avon Park after spending four months in Tucson, Arizona.

His wife, Margaret, died Dec. 20, 1976. The Palmer's had spent 23 winters here.

Anyone wishing to write to him may do so at the following address: Clark Memorial Home, 1546 Sherman St., S.E., Grand Rapids, Mich., 49506. Palmer hopes to return to Avon Park next winter.

Visitor's From Mississippi

Mr. and Mrs. M.E. Wagon of Jackson Miss. and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Arthur of Clinton, Miss., will be weekend guests of Mrs. Arthur's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Devon Reddick.

They will all be attending the Camp-Dennery wedding on Saturday night.

Marriage Licences

Henry Julius Breen, 54, of Sebring, and Kathleen Horton Breen, 46, of Sebring.

John Nicholas Denney, 39, of Mississippi, and Laura Alicia Camp, 23, of Avon Park.

James Wayne Cartwright, 18, of Moore Haven, and Debra Ruth Hubbard, 16, of Moore Haven.

Jason Kipp, 18, of Avon Park, and Rita Ann Lettitt, 17, of Avon Park.

Robert E. Lee, 22, of Avon Park, and Kelly L. Hightower, 18, of Wauchula.



Miss Holly Green, bride-elect of Ed McAnally, was honored with a shower Feb. 9th, at the home of Mrs. Dan Evers. Pictured left-right, Mrs. Freeman, Holly's grandmother, Holly and Mrs. Melvin Green.

Holly Green Feted With Valentine Party Feb. 9

Miss Holly Green, bride-elect of Ed McAnally, was honored with a shower at the home of Mrs. Dan Evers, Feb. 9th.

Guests enjoyed games and offered Holly advice and recipes during the evening.

Helen Drake-T. E. Bloom Announce Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Drake of Wauchula announce the engagement of their daughter, Helen Kay, to Thomas Edward Bloom, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul J. Bloom of Temple Terrace, Fla.

Miss Drake is a graduate of Florida Technological University and is currently

employed as the Secretarial Science instructor at South Florida Junior College, Avon Park.

Bloom is a graduate of the University of South Florida and will be employed in Avon Park.

The couple is planning an April 2 wedding.

E. A. DeLaney Speaks To Founders Circle Thursday

The Founders Circle of the Avon Park Garden Club met last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. W. Hartt. Mrs. J. C. Bates was co-hostess.

Refreshments were served in the dining room, with candelabras gracing the table.

Mrs. Charles Lanier poured the coffee.

Mr. E. A. DeLaney was the guest of honor and brought a

selection of orchids to show. He talked about his trip to South America and the appreciation of nature.

Mrs. Robert Tulison read the minutes of the last meeting and Mrs. Genevieve Hurd gave the treasurer's report.

Four visitors were welcomed to the meeting: Mrs. Sadie Brown, Millie Pearson, Louise Gregg and Mrs. H. E. Rulison.



The Avon Park Bombing Range Wives Club installed their new officers. Jan. 21st. Standing: Treasurer, Dot Johnson; Secretary, Aimee Dunn. Seated: President, Pat Chaney and Vice President, Kacky Williams.

Bombing Range Wives Install New Officers

The Avon Park Bombing Range Wives Club had its installation of new officers on Friday, the 21st of January, in the Dining Hall.

Mrs. Jody Griffing and Mrs. Ann Fortner presented the charges and installed the following officers: President, Kacky Williams; Secretary, Aimee Dunn and Treasurer, Dot Johnson.

Ellis Chaney and John Williamson, husbands of two members, were given special recognition for their assistance to the club during the past year. After the ceremony, everyone enjoyed a meal prepared by Sgt. Dunn and his staff.

At the February meeting, the new president announced that the following members will serve as committee chairmen: Program, Marlene Hoyer; Publicity, Charlie McMillan; Bingo, Marge Abbott; Telephone, Billie Moore and Refreshments, Doris Doud. Leira Borden is the new Parliamentarian.

During February, several members have been helping get the new BX set up and ready for the grand opening, scheduled for the 15th.

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Community Events

ODD FELLOW BINGO

Come play Odd Fellow Bingo each Saturday night, 7:30, 104 S. Forest Ave., Avon Park.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Union Congregational Ladies Aid will hold their annual Rummage Sale Friday, Feb. 18, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Saturday, Feb. 19, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Lots of bargains for everyone. Hope to see you there.

FEZZETTES TO HAVE BAKE SALE BAZAAR

The Fezzettes will hold a Bake Sale-Bazaar at Southgate Shopping Plaza in front of Publix, Feb. 19th, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Chairman for the event, Mrs. C. L. VanNwegen.

AMERICAN LEGION BINGO

Don't forget Bingo each Thursday night at the American Legion Hall, W. Bell St., 7:30 p.m. You could win the \$200 jackpot that's given away each week.

BINGO AT OUR LADY OF GRACE

Bingo every Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. next to Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, 595 E. Main St., Avon Park. Everyone is welcome to join in the fun.

Rebekah Lodge 45 MEET

Eleanor Seaverns Rebekah Lodge 45 held its regular meeting in the Lions Club Hall with Noble Grand Flo Wells presiding.

Visitors were welcomed from New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia and Sebring.

The program for the evening was a quiz on Thomas Wildey, the founder of Odd Fellowship in America.

GRANGE TO MEET

Avon Park Grange will meet Tuesday Feb. 22nd at the Woman's Club hall, corner of Verona and Pine. This will be Degree Day with the 1st and 2nd exemplified at 4:30 p.m. A pot luck supper will be served at 6:30.

The 3rd and 4th degrees will be conferred during the regular business meeting at 7:30.

FEDERATED GARDEN CLUB TO MEET

The February meeting of the Federated Garden Club will be held Thursday morning, 9:30, Feb. 17 at the Florida Power Lounge, Florida Power building.

Mrs. Pat Houghpaul will speak on "Flower Arranging," sun Comm. Events.

REBEKAH LODGE NO. 45 WILL MEET

Eleanor Seaverns, Rebekah Lodge 45 will meet Feb. 21st, 8 p.m. at the Lion's Den on West Bell St.

All Rebekah's are welcome to attend.

Singer's and Jazz Tour

The Newberry Singer's and Jazz Concert, under the direction of Dr. Milton Moore, will appear at the Grace Lutheran Church, 745 Ingraham Ave., Lakeland, Fla. The Jazz ensemble will play at 4:30 p.m. and at 7:30 p.m. the Newberry Singers will present sacred music.

The church is two blocks from Florida Southern College.

ATTENTION ALL CB'ERS in the Avon Park Area!!

Chief Robert Brooks of the Avon Park Police Department has asked that all CB'ers in our area who are interested in working with the Police Department and other law enforcement agencies in this area meet with him at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 22, 1977 at the VFW Hall on Main St., Avon Park.

If you are interested, but unable to attend, please contact "The Red Baron Base" on channel 11 or "Dragon Lady" on channel 22.

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Cumberland

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Cumberland is a Baptist College located at Williamsburg, Ky.

FEZZETTES TO MEET

Fezzettes will hold their regular monthly meeting Feb. 26, 6 p.m. at the Club House. A social hour will proceed the covered dish buffet.

CANADAINS TO MEET

The Highlands County Canadian Club will hold a picnic, Feb. 19, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the county and will be held at the recreation building, Highlands Hammock State Park.

Bring your own table service, beverage and "pot luck" to share. Lunch will begin at 12:30.

"VIOLETS IN PARADISE"

The Haines City African Violet Society will present "Violets In Paradise", Feb. 26th and 27th, 1-6 p.m. in the Civic Center.

Many violets and arrangements will be shown along with an Educational Exhibit and Violet Show.

Lions Club Barbecue

The Lions Club of Avon Park will be having another of their famous Chicken Barbecues this Saturday, Feb. 19. The place, as usual, will be the Lions Club house on West Bell St. and the time will be from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.

All proceeds will go to Slight conservation projects in this area.

Tickets can be purchased at Albertsons Barber Shop, Gibbs office supplies or any Lions member.

Community Notes

Next "Rinky Dinks" meeting, 7:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 21, at VFW Hall, Main St., Avon Park.

Special CB meeting with Chief Robert Brooks, 7:30 p.m. VFW Hall, Main St., Avon Park. All CB'ers invited to attend.

The table was decorated with a fan shaped camellia arrangement made by Mrs. Marshall Davis. Matching candles at each end of the table completed the colorful decor.

Sandwiches, cookies, cheese biscuits, nuts and muller cider were enjoyed by everyone.

President Grace Boney introduced her visitor, Mrs. Donald Davis, who is a prospective member for Hibiscus Circle.

Mrs. Margaret Stewart, chairman of the nominating committee for Hibiscus Circle, presented a list of candidates proposed to serve as officers for the ensuing year.

The slated was accepted and elected as read: President, Mrs. M.K. Sawyer; Vice President, Mrs. Fuchsia Anderson; Recording Secretary, Miss Mildred Myers; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. G. L. Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. G. W. Neubauer; Historian, Mrs. G. Ward; Chaplain, Mrs. George Kelsey; Plant

Bennett, Florence Talley, Alora McNeil, Daniel Wood, Ann Johnson.

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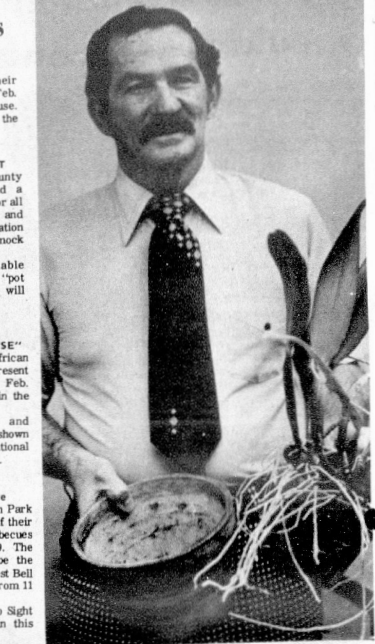
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Louie Ballentine

Ballentine Speaks To Hibiscus Circle

The Hibiscus Circle Garden Club met Feb. 10, 2:30 p.m. in the Florida Power Lounge, Florida Power building.

Twenty-three were in attendance to enjoy the graciousness of the three hostesses. Mrs. Laura Neubauer, Mrs. Margaret Stewart and Mrs. Gladys Smith.

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Camp-Dennery To Speak Vows February 19

The marriage of Laura A. Camp daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Camp Jr., of Avon Park and John Nicholas Dennery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas John Dennery of Jackson, Mississippi will be solemnized Feb. 19, 6:30 p.m., at the First Baptist Church of Avon Park, Fla.

The Rev. Aden D. Childress and the Rev. John E. Zantidachis will officiate respectively in the Baptist and Greek Orthodox ceremonies. All friends and relatives of the couple are cordially invited to share this joyous occasion with them and their families. The pre-nuptial music will begin at 6 p.m.



Births

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wakeley of Wauchula are the proud parents of a daughter, Meko Mazette, born Feb. 7, weighing 8 lbs. 4 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Alvin Sellers, Wauchula, are the proud parents of a son, Daniel Lee, born Feb. 8, weighing 6 lbs., 10 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Allan Beagress, Ft. Meade, are the proud parents of a daughter, Caroline Margie-Anna, born Feb. 9, weighing 6 lbs., 10 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Willis Lamar, Avon Park, are the proud parents of a son, Frank Willis Jr., born Feb. 9, weighing 6 lbs. 8 1/2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Carrey Lee Walton, Sebring, are the proud parents of a son, Carrey Lee Jr., born Feb. 10, weighing 7 lbs., 3 oz.

First Runner-Up



LISA WINDSOR, Avon Park, chosen as first runner-up in the Miss Highlands County Contest, made her own gown and

jacket of light avocado green quina with a dark green feather trim. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

Vaughans' On Tour In South America

Last week we made note of Marquette and Verne Vaughan, who had taken off in mid December for New Orleans, to board a Lykes Freighter, and from the freighter, to see how the other half lives the world, that is.

Another postal, received this week, gives us an answer how folks on board a sailing ship may-and did have extra curricular happenings while in port, somewhere in South America.

Below are some of their experiences, as per their latest picture card. "Greetings Harve, from somewhere between Buena Ventura,

Columbia and Guayaquil, Ecuador. We expect to have a more than interesting story for you, including something about a ship berthed next to ours that caught on fire, at one port. Then the buzzing, of our ship, at the height of a hundred feet, by 2 military jets. That was along the coast of Columbia. Then, a very tense situation when our ship was boarded by 12 armed bandits while we were waiting for a high tide to take us out of port."

"Kid you not, however we are having a ball. Will be seeing you all one of these days." Signed, Verne and Marquette.

Couple To Exchange Vows

Miss Kathy Kirkland and Terry Bodenborn will exchange vows, Feb. 20 at 3 p.m.

The wedding will be held at 1506 North State Road 17A, on Dinner Lake.

A reception will follow at Pinecrest Country Club. All friends and relatives are invited.



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Growing Pains

Courtesy, Washington Nursery

by Edna Washington

Hey, folks, can't you just smell the coming of spring in the air? We could have some frost still, but the likelihood of a hard freeze is nil, I hope. Last week we were telling you about shrubs and trees that would not be affected by the cold weather, so this week we will continue. I'm really amazed that the beautiful Pony Tail Palms were not affected more by the freeze. I drove in back of the Highlands County Bank to see that beauty that is planted there, and there was very little damage, and the ones we have come through with little or no damage. They are more hardy than one would think.

It is azalea time again, too. These striking plants colored up a bit with the cold, but went on blooming their little hearts out.

There are so many different varieties of azaleas that it is hard to decide which is the prettiest, but you have a large bush, but you have a large choice, such as the large Formosa, lavender or red; the Lake Red, which is bushy, but not as tall as the Formosa; the Duc de Rohan, white and salmon, which is semi-dwarf; and the Duchess of Cypress, which is beautiful

pink. Azaleas require pruning to eliminate long branches and to keep them well shaped, which also increases flower potential. Do not prune after July 1st in any instance.

The dwarf Red Wing is a delightful small azalea for low borders, however, these do require filtered shade, as do most of the azaleas for good color and flowers.

Azaleas require an acid soil, and they do require a goodly amount of water to prevent them from wilting. A 6-6-6 fertilizer is recommended by most books, but we find that a fertilizer especially formulated for azaleas does a better job.

Pancake Day Feb. 22

Pancake Day will be held at the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer, corner of N. Verona and E. Pleasant, Avon Park, Feb. 22, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Menu - Pancakes made from scratch, grapefruit, sausage and coffee. Adults \$2, children under 12, \$1.

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Keith Debo

Like many other "Northerners," each winter Keith and Mirian Debo make their journey from Clyde, Ohio, to Avon Park. They have done this for the last twenty-five years.

It was four years ago that a stranger approached Keith Debo and inquired about the "beautiful mile long Mall," that the tour books wrote about when describing Avon Park. Keith explained that following the severe 1962 winter, which had devastated the Avon Park Mall, it was left neglected for years. Suddenly his interest in renovating the Mall was born, and having been a farmer all his life, he took a natural interest in the challenge that lay ahead.

The Avon Park Grange liked the idea, too. Representing the organization, Keith Debo took the matter to the Chamber of Commerce. There, Annabelle Worden, excited about the prospect, helped the project take root.

Ever since that time, four years ago, he has devoted himself, non-stop, in beautifying the Mall. He special orders the seeds and plants them fall and spring.

He originally hoped that the community would become interested and then involved in that mile long trek. Since then, with the help of organizations and the city, the Mall has again become the focal point of Avon Park, and Keith Debo no longer needs to hope. His hopes have become realities.

CSWIPED

Rachel Toms, of Lake Placid, told sheriff's deputies Thursday that a \$75 CB radio was stolen from her car, parked on Interlake Blvd. near the high school.

West Virginia Holds Annual Picnic-Reunion

Eighty-five West Virginia's met Saturday, Feb. 12, in the Lions Club House for their 7th Annual Picnic and reunion.

The tables were decorated with gold and blue crepe paper. Door prizes of West Virginia glass and state flags were on each table.

The picnic started with chicken and baked ham and ended with pie and cake.

The meeting was opened with a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Ed Simon, "Whispering Hope."

Later a program of music was presented by Gay Nelle Matney and Mrs. Virginia Martin at the piano.

Officers for next year are: President, Mr. O'Leary; Vice President, Mr. MacDonald; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Alma Smoot.

Everyone had a good time and they would be back next year.

People On The Go

REHNER'S VISIT
NEWBERRY, S.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Rehner were at Newberry College, Newberry, S.C., last weekend visiting their daughter Laurie. During their stay they attended the musical "The Boy Friend."

HEFNER VISITS FROM
CHICAGO

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Coulliette had a guest, Mr. J. C. Hefner from Chicago, Ill., in their homes.

The Wright's and Coulliette's went to Tampa Airport Tuesday to pick him up.

He also visited with Maxine Ezell and Saturday they enjoyed Six Gun Territory in Ocala.

Saturday evening they all gathered at the Coulliette home near Horse Hammock for a cook out. Everyone enjoyed oysters, shrimp and steak with all the fixin's.

Also joining them for the cook out were Mr. and Mrs. Willie Massey of Sebring and Mr. and Mrs. Butch Knight of Columbia, S.C.

Hefner left to go back to Chicago on Monday.

The Coulliette's, Wright's and Massey's will be flying to Chicago Feb. 24th for a visit in the snow with Hefner and Jerry Wright's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bryan.

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Heritage Singers

To Appear At Highlands Lakes Academy Feb. 21

The Heritage Singers U. S. A. will appear in gospel concert on Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. in the Highlands Lakes Jr. Academy Gym, Avon Blvd.

Now in their sixth concert tour season, the group has won national recognition for their unique style in presenting gospel music.

The Heritage Singers is one of the largest traveling full-time gospel singing groups in the country today. Based in Placerville, California, the group of 15 singers and musicians spends ten months of the year traveling, presenting some 200 programs. They have traveled throughout the United States, Hawaii, and the Philippines, presenting programs in large and small cities.

Max Mace, founder and director of the group, says, "Our programs are designed to reveal through music the fundamentals of Christian love." The group has been successful in filling a void existing in many religious communities.

All are welcome, and the program is free.



The Heritage Singers U.S.A. will present a gospel concert, Feb. 21, 7:30 p.m., at the Highlands Lakes Junior Academy gym.

The Episcopal Women Make Plans For Pancake Day

The Episcopal Church Women of Avon Park, held their regular monthly meeting on Feb. 9th.

After a short coffee, Mrs. Barbara Klueber, brought the meeting to order.

Since this was a work and planning meeting, no other program was arranged. Several members had brought samples of articles to make for the Christmas Bazaar, to be held Nov. 12th. It was voted to hold a work

meeting every two weeks at the Parish House and Wednesday's were decided on. A date for the first meeting was not decided.

Plans were finalized for Pancake Day, Shrove Tuesday, Feb. 22. Serving will start at 9 a.m. and continue till 2 p.m. The menu: Home grown grapefruit, pancakes made from scratch, sausage and all the coffee you want. \$2.00, \$1.00 children under 12. One can't beat that.

A Food Bar will be an added attraction. All kinds of good things are offered, from cakes, pies, salads and other items. The bar will be by the door, so order as you go in, pick up as you go out. Members wishing to donate should contact Mrs. Louise Watterson.

World Day of Prayer, is March 4 at the Congregational Church. Members are asked to remember this date and try to attend.

Women's Council Meets At First Christian Church

The Women's Council of the First Christian Church met Thursday evening in the Fellowship Hall, with Mrs. Johnnie Berry as hostess.

The Council began a study of the book "Be Joyful" and Mrs. Bernice Wilder gave a review of the first chapter, with Bible references from "Philippians".

At the business meeting letters were read from the Millers in New Zealand, Artista Christian College in New Mexico, Atlanta Christian College and Miss Dorothy Emsun, a missionary in Ghana.

Reports were given on flowers and cards sent to the sick.

The refreshment table was decorated with a Valentine theme.

World Day Of Prayer March 4

We hope that you are planning to be a participant in the service to be held at the Union Congregational Church, U.C.C., on Friday evening March 4th at 7:30 p.m.

This service will be part of a world wide service that starts as the day begins in the islands of the Pacific and ends on our west coast some hours after we meet.

Christian women all across the world join their hearts and voices in prayer and praise confirming their oneness in Christ. The topic developed this year is "Love In Action".

WMU To Meet Tonight

The Associational WMU Meeting will be tonight (Thursday) at the First Baptist Church, Wauchula, 7:30 p.m. The speaker will be Miss Karol Kelley, State Baptist Young Women director.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ALWAYS SUBJECT TO GOD'S WISDOM

Beginning with childhood, most of us have had the disturbing experience of praying for some specific object or occurrence, only to be keenly disappointed when our prayers were not answered. In the course of our lives, the repetition of such incidents can result in a gradual erosion of faith; and yet in each case the fault lies with us, because of our erroneous assumption that we always know what is best for us and therefore that our judgment is superior to that of the Almighty. On the other hand, we should not attempt to inform God of our genuine needs and problems, for He is already aware of them. At the Church of your choice you will learn that the right way to pray is to thank God for your many blessings and affirm your faith in His infinite wisdom.



When praying, don't give God instructions; just report for duty.

"Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities; for we know not what we should pray for as we ought."

—Romans 8:26

—Author unknown

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Obituaries

Mrs. Nellie Cleo Bennett, age 73, passed away at her home in Louisville, Ky. on Jan. 31, 1977. She was predeceased in death by her mother, Mrs. T. L. (Ada) Camp and by her husband, Ralph Bennett, both of Avon Park.

Survivors are an uncle, Ernest Van Vactor, Kentucky; cousins, Mrs. Dale King; Mrs. Beaul Reese; Mrs. Grace Smith and Mrs. James C. Hall, all of Louisville, Ky. and friends from Avon Park.

Gravestone funeral services were held at the Hart Cemetery in Hardee County, Florida at 2 p.m., Feb. 4, 1977 with the Rev. A. D. Childress officiating. The Stephens-Nelson-Smith Funeral Home in Avon Park was in charge of local arrangements.

MRS. ALICE NIERSTHEIMER
Gravestone services were held for Mrs. Alice Nierstheimer, of Florence, Ky., Feb. 14, in Bougainville Cemetery. Father George Fraister officiating.

Mrs. Nierstheimer was 72 years old. She died in Florence, Ky.

She was the wife, of the late, Walter E. Nierstheimer, formerly of Miami, Fla. They had lived in the Avon Park area four years.

Mrs. Nierstheimer is survived by three sisters, all of Covington, Ky., and several nieces.

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Ross Gets Death

are talking business."

He said he became thirsty and asked for a drink of water. Mrs. Dixon took him into the kitchen and gave him a drink and they returned to the airport to continue the talk with Wells.

Then Wells asked for a drink and all three went inside. Ross testified. He said Wells pushed Mrs. Dixon down and he (Ross) kicked her head 3 or 4 times. Once he told the prosecutor, "I didn't stomp her hard." At Fletcher's request Ross left the witness stand and demonstrated the way he stomped on the woman's head. He said he could not identify a reason for his actions — the stomping, pulling a telephone loose, dumping and going through the contents of a purse. He testified that he found \$4 in the purse and that he and Wells took that money and some jewelry from the Dixon home. He repeatedly denied that robbery had been a motive in the slaying.

Wells gave a slightly different version of the events at the Dixon home. He denied that he had spent the day with

Ross; he set the wine consumption level at one bottle, split between them; he denied that they were drunk at the time of the crime.

In response to Fletcher's questions Ross denied that he had used fake identification to buy the wine. He said Wells bought it at an Avon Park supermarket.

A statement which Ross made to Avon Park police the day of his arrest said the two stole the wine from a grocery. Two different stores have been named as the source for the wine.

The only other witness called by the defense was Dr. Brian Jordan, clinical psychologist with Highlands Mental Psychological Center. He testified that he had interviewed Ross and administered tests which indicated that Ross should be classified as mildly retarded. One test, verbal intelligence, where the normal test score is 100, Ross rated 50. By some other tests he showed rating somewhat higher, but all below the normal level.

Ross testified that he is a 11th grade student at Sebring High School where he is, he testified, an A-B student although he could not recall when he had attended class. He said that at the time of the murder he was not living with his family at DeSoto City but was residing in Avon Park, living with an 18-year-old girl friend.

Ross, who is just above five feet in height, had some difficulty following some of the questions asked by the lawyers. When the prosecutor asked him about drinking "alcoholic beverage" he had to back up and rephrase the question, changing beverage to "beer, wine, booze."

Ross's hair was close cropped, his expensive cottons, trousers and long sleeved shirt neat. Wells, who is taller and heavier than Ross, was wearing his hair in small braids. He appeared to have more trouble than Ross in following more than a few questions and had considerable difficulty in setting events into a time frame.

Civil Service Board Accepts Council's Action On Weems

A special meeting of the Avon Park Civil Service Board was called by Secretary Melvin Beane to discuss the resignation of Police Officer Frank Weems in return for all of his back pay.

In the discussion that followed, board member Alan Ball stated it was not necessary to act because of the city council's action, as per section 54. While Kelly Phillips, council member on the board felt there was nothing to be gained by the discussion.

Other discussion pointed out that it was an oral agreement between the city council and Weems, his resignation in return for his (Weems) back pay check. Some board members felt that the only thing the board should agree on was that goes on his (Weems') record.

Paul Sheffield brought the matter to a head when he moved that the board accept the city council's recommendation on Weems' offer to resign for his check. The motion carried with Secretary Beane objecting on the grounds that he felt this way was a "copout" and not the right way to settle the matter. However, he would not object to the motion.

The board heard a letter from E. M. Lawrence, requesting a hearing on demotion to number 4 dispatcher at the Police Station. He had asked for a reason and had been given none.

Board members stated that on inquiry at city hall there had been no cut in Lawrence's pay but just a shift in work

schedules. The board moved to deny the hearing as Lawrence hadn't been charged with anything. Board member Paul Sheffield

presented a letter of resignation from the civil service board, effective Feb. 15, citing a conflict of interest with his work in the Department of Rehabilitation. The letter was referred to the city council.

Public Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that the City Council intends to pass Ordinance No. 465. This ordinance intends to increase the deposits required on water meters.

ORDINANCE NO. 465 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 16-2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES TO INCREASE SOME METER DEPOSITS AND TO ESTABLISH CHARGES FOR RE-ESTABLISHING SERVICE DISCONTINUED BECAUSE OF NON-PAYMENT. A public hearing will be held on this at 7:30 P.M. Monday, February 28, 1977 at the City Hall council chambers. All those desiring to speak for or against are urged to attend.

(s) Malcolm K. Crews City Clerk

Feb. 17, 1977

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The City of Avon Park will receive bids for exclusive purchase of all city chlorine requirements for one year from date. Estimated requirements are approximately 150 cylinders of 150 pounds each for use in water and sewer departments. Bid prices to be quoted delivered to the work center, U.S. No. 27, South, Avon Park, with no deposit on cylinders. Bids will be received until Monday, February 28, 1977 at 7:30 P.M., at office of the City Clerk, The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

(s) Malcolm K. Crews City Clerk

Feb. 17, 1977

Bombing Range Hearing

Same. "But when we got there a little in at the gate said 'This place isn't open.'"

Griffing conceded that at times planes making up for runs lost during the week caused the range to be shut down at the last minute, but "we've kept this to a minimum."

Another bone of contention with the hunters was the restriction of all hunting buggies to existing roads and trails on the range.

Griffing said that a government-sponsored test showed Off-the-Road Vehicle (ORV) use was detrimental to the wildlife management areas, and that Air Force regulations stated the most satisfactory way to control ORV use was to confine them to roads.

Churches Will Conduct Conventions

The colonel attempted to show slides of some of the areas, allegedly damaged by ORV's, but found several of those in attendance to be incredulous of the slides.

Some contended that the aerial photos of tracks made through an area were actually the tracks from military vehicles, others said the growth would quickly reclaim the area without causing any permanent damage to the range.

Still others maintained that while the photographed tracks may have been made by the wide-tire vehicles equipped with special equipment "You can't tell me that an average four-wheel rubber tired vehicle can do any damage to that terrain."

Griffing repeatedly stated he only

knew what he had been told by a battery of government wildlife experts who studied the problems of the range and other wildlife management areas.

Some hunters said they would not particularly mind being confined to existing roads, if all the existing roads on range had been opened during hunting season.

Griffing said this last hunting season. "We were under pressure, and we may have made some mistakes. Like, we were getting calls complaining that one end of a road was closed, and the other was open."

However he added that he and the range's natural resources director were "looking into" opening more roads in the range to hunters.

He also invited the hunters to pencil in on an aerial photograph of the range any trail that they would like to see opened. However, some hunters claimed they could not locate a given trail on the map.

A storm of protest arose when Griffing said that a questionnaire sent out to 1600 hunters who had hunted the first nine days of the season on the range indicated 56 per cent were satisfied with the present regulations governing the range.

Many said they had been in the range during the period, and had not received or heard of a questionnaire being distributed. The colonel offered any and all the opportunity to fill out a questionnaire after the meeting "to obtain all the local input into this we can get."

The comment which seemed to draw the greatest support from the audience came when a hunter asked if several cattlemen were leasing approximately 82,000 acres for grazing land at approximately \$1 per acre.

Griffing said the figures were "reasonably correct" and the audience broke into applause when the hunter continued, "I would gladly let Mr. Carter keep this \$50 he says he's going to give back from our taxes, if he would just kick the cattlemen off the range and give it back to the sportsmen for recreational use."

Griffing later stated that he was less than happy with the current leasing arrangements, and hoped the new lease would "maybe triple" the amount of money being paid for grazing rights.

A number of hunters accused the cattlemen of hunting on the leased grazing land, but Griffing refused comment as the charges were unsupported by hard evidence.

Several other matters were discussed at the meeting, and Lt. Col. Keith Kiplinger, operations officer at MacDill Air Force base, explained why it is often necessary to use the range weekends for flights lost during the week due to inclement weather.

At one point in the meeting, Griffing said that he lacked the power to arbitrarily change any of the existing range regulations, but that he could make recommendations to his superiors to alter any of the rules, and added that the Tuesday night meeting would help him to better understand the problems of the area's outdoormen.

Dixon Murder

Dixon of Avon Park. Within an hour a jury of six women, six men and one woman as alternate was seated.

And one more unusual incident reported in connection with selection of that jury — the murder victim's daughter was called for duty this week.

GAS STOLEN

Fred Schroeder, of Sebring, reported to sheriff's deputies that 17 gallons of gasoline were stolen from his pick-up truck when he left it parked near the public boat ramp on Lake Josephine Thursday. Loss was set at \$12.

City Council Meeting

to, would be charged for the service just the same.

McWeen y also outlined another problem area for the city, that being Avon Park's lead water well, which is located on West Bell St. Customers in that area had been complaining of serious and drastic changes in water pressure.

"Some of the people said that the water would come on with so much pressure, that it would knock a dish out of their hands," said Crews.

McWeen y explained that the problem centered around a special water pressure sensor connected to the well's pump. That sensor reads the amount of pressure in the line and either turns on or shuts off the pump. The council voted Monday to spend \$600 and move the sensor to another location, which, McWeen y said, would eliminate part or most of the problem.

The final area of concern discussed by the council Monday centered around a defective portion of the water treatment plant's collection system. Specifically, a device known as a "grit collector" has developed a large crack, making the device unsafe. Victor Beaver, representing Johnson Engineering, told the council that he had informed construction crews that the design of the device was faulty prior to its installation. It is estimated that to repair the collector, major work will be necessary.

McWeen y said that no determination as to who or what was at fault had been made yet. The council, however, indicated that the city should not have to pay for any repairs.

City Attorney Jack Hancock told the council that the city had the right to prohibit Highlands Aviation from selling aviation fuel at the Avon Park Airport. Although the Federal Aviation Agency had earlier said that the city could not do this, due to government stipulations in the airport deed, Hancock explained that the only original airport property owned by the company had been traded to the city several years ago for a right-of-way and lease on a taxiway.

The city had already signed a lease with Avon Park Flying Service, granting that concern an exclusive franchise to provide aviation services.

Churches Will Conduct Conventions

Local pastor Paul J. Searcy announces: The Churches of God in Florida will be conducting simultaneous District Conventions February 14-25, 1977. The convention in this area will be held at the Frostproof Church of God on Tuesday night, February 22 at 7:30 p.m. The church is located at Palm Ave. and Highway No. 630, Frostproof, Fla.

The thrust of the meeting will center around the theme: "Perseverance in Spirit-Serving the Lord." This will complement the Church of God International Theme: "Together... In the Power of the Spirit." The goal for the Church of God is to "Double in a Decade."

Guest speaker for the Sebring District Convention will be the Rev. Jerry Howell, Tampa, Fla. for the 300 Churches of God in Florida. Ladies from area congregations will meet at 6:30 p.m. with special guest Mrs. Jerry Howell, Tampa, Fla. They will share local projects and discuss national and world missionary news.

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Band In Marching Contest

By Chris Bullock

The Avon Park Marching Grenadier Band marched off the Auburndale football field Saturday night with everything except Best Auxiliary Unit and \$1,000, which goes with first place. The Avon Park Band did leave with Best Drum Major, Best Brass Section, Best Woodwind Section, Best Percussion Section and second place which included \$500. Plus a standing ovation by over three fourths of the crowd — something no other band received.

It all started two weeks ago with band practice on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights for two hours each night and last week when they practiced the show Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights for two hours each. If you remember, the past two weeks happened to be pretty cold, but this didn't stop Avon Park's Band.

Saturday rolled around and members of the band started trickling in around 8 a.m. for the 8:45 bus departure. The band boarded the buses. Some band members were talkative, others quietly contemplated the day ahead. All were

confident that they would walk away with some money. The question was how much \$1,000, \$500 or \$250?

On the senior bus the trip was a relatively quick one. The buses pulled up to unload upon reaching their destination, Winter Haven. They were the last of 17 bands to march as they also had the privilege of escorting the 1977 Florida Queen Melissa Malle of Orlando.

The Lakewood band from St. Pete won the parade with a close order precision drill in front of the judges stand. The parade ended at the Citrus Showcase fair grounds. But Avon Park couldn't quit then, because they had to get to Auburndale to run through the half-time show one more time. Some other band had the field, so our band took to the stands. A couple band members slept, but most watched another band with whom they would be competing later on that night.

When the Avon Park Band finally took the field, it was 2:30 p.m. They did the show twice and each time it was great. Well by now there is no reason to doubt how everyone was feeling. Hungry. They

hadn't stopped to eat since breakfast and it was now 3:30 p.m.

The Grenadier's loaded the buses believing they would leave tonight with some money. The buses headed for Auburndale's McDonalds. They stayed there for an hour. Everyone was relaxed. Then the band went back to the high school at Auburndale to get dressed for the night time show.

Tension began to build as the time grew closer. Nerves began to fray as the Grenadier's saw other bands being inspected. It was at 9 p.m. when the Avon Park Band was called to attention for inspection. The inspection lasted 10 minutes. For one girl it was too long. She had to be helped from the ranks because of her illness.

Louis Lee, Drum Major, then took the band to right outside the field as they watched and waited for two other bands to do their shows. At this time Louis showed his first signs of illness. He had a sharp pain in the lower right portion of his stomach.

There were about 15 other

people who had been sick for a couple of days. Mike Ryan, Drum Major for the Bagpipers, nursed the flu for a week just to take part in this event. However, none of the people gave in to their illnesses.

Lake Brantley finished their show and Louis brought the Avon Park Band to their starting positions on the end of the football field. Drum Major Mike Ryan and Louis Lee marched to the 50 yard line, saluted the judges, shook hands, turned and marched to their positions.

The band started out with "Fanfare", followed by "Tune of Glory" while doing the Company Front Drill. Then the band did the Double Zipper with the Flag Corps going up one tipper and the Honor Guard coming down the other. A concert formation came next as the Bagpipes were led across the field by Bagpipe Drum Major Mike Ryan while playing "Rowan Tree"; next came an old American hymn "Amazing Grace." Following this the pipers played the Bagband as they played the Bagpipers theme song "Scotland

the Brave." During the song Mike and Louis exchanged maces by throwing them to each other six times. Also Eric Longshore came through loud and clear with a trumpet solo. The band made their exit to a standing ovation. No other band received such acclaim.

All of the six bands returned to the field and the drum major of each came to the sidelines at the 50 yard line to receive their hands awards.

Louis Lee and Mike Ryan took the previous mentioned awards with huge grins and plenty of applause from the crowd. The Lakewood Band from St. Pete took first place and the Best Auxiliary Unit award: Lake Brantley took third place and \$250.

After receiving awards, the bands left the field. Upon reaching the buses laughter, tears, shouts and screams took over. When asked, "How they felt?" members of the band replied, "Great." "On cloud nine" and "Cheated, how could we have won so many awards and not come in first?"

Southland Mobile Court

By Louise Carson

Monday evening Feb. 7, twelve attended the recreation hall to play Euchre. Laura Pouley and Angus Cameron won. Harriet Cassellius won the boogie prize.

Tuesday morning Feb. 8, coffee hour, twenty-three came out to enjoy coffee and buns. Charles Van Cleave won the lucky dollar.

Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 8, the ladies met at the recreation hall for arts and crafts, getting things together for the holiday show.

Tuesday evening, Feb. 8, Aggravation was played with twelve in attendance.

Thursday afternoon Feb. 10, the ladies shuffle team of Claire Ross and Clara Davis won three games. Our girls are getting to be experts.

Friday afternoon Feb. 11, the mens shuffle team of Ray Long and Gilbert Longbans won three games.

Friday evening there were 28 out to play Bingo. Everyone had a good time. Bea White won the coverall.

We welcome Florence Stichter back this week, it's

good to have her with us once again.

Gouldia Daun spent a few days visiting Betty Peterson, Dorcas Young, Laura Berthel who live in Kissimmee. Bill and Dovie Liller, Scotty and Gladys Gooney, Park and Ellen Ernsberger went to Balcon Park for dinner on Sunday.

Visitors at the Arent Flints recently were Ora Ellsworth and Rollin Van Vuran from St. Pete, Frances Flint from Corpus Christi, Texas.

Marion Jones Florence Stevens daughter, is back after spending a week in Miami.

Ester Nickerson went to Sarasota on Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Donald Foster who have been on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Whipple from Land-O-Lakes paid a visit to Ray and Martha Long on Monday.

Barney and Claire Ross took off for Titusville Saturday to

visit their son and daughter-in-law.

Recent callers at the Marvin Tebo home were Mr. and Mrs. Alex Sinclair from Canada. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Lancaster from North Carolina. Mrs. Helen Collins from Raleigh, N.C.

Mr. and Mrs. Ron Browne spent four days visiting Jack and Dot Lavery. They took a trip to Cypress Gardens, had dinner at Duffs in Winter Haven, did some golfing in Sebring. The Brownes are from Canada. Ron is Dot's cousin.

Southland Court's Hobby Show will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 1977. The recreation hall will be opened to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Refreshments served 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Everyone is welcome. The public is invited to attend.

All for now. Bless you all with health and happiness.



THE AVON PARK HIGH School Grenadier Marching Band Drum Majors, Louis Lee (right) and Mike Ryan (center) received the second place trophy and \$500 check at the end of the marching contest in Auburndale Saturday night. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller.)

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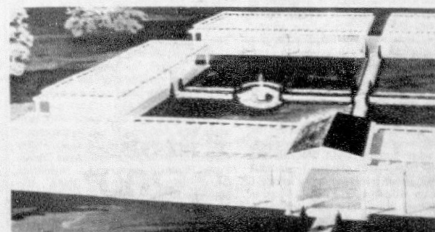
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Avon Park Cagerettes

Win Gives 2-12 Record

A win in an overtime period over Sebring and a loss to Lake Wales closed out the Avon Park girls' basketball team's regular season this week. The Devilsiettes slipped by Sebring 37-35 in an exciting game last Thursday night here at the high school gym but fell victim to the Lake Wales Highlanders in an afternoon game in Lake Wales last Monday by a score of 64-22. The final record was 2-12.

Avon Park's team will meet the Santa Fe Crimson Hawks girls in the opening game of the Class AA, District 13 basketball tournament in Frostproof at 7 p.m. tonight, Thursday, Feb. 17. The winner of that game will play Lake Placid at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 18.

After an almost even first half, the Avon Park girls cagers pumped in 17 points in the third quarter to take a 31-1 lead going into the fourth quarter of play against the Sebring girls' team last Thursday night in a home game. But the Blue Streaks ladies came back in the fourth quarter to swish 18 points through the nets while Avon Park managed only 4 counters and the regular game ended in a 35-35 tie.

With only seconds left in the game, Devillette guard Ellen Macklin had hit a free shot to put Avon Park out front 33-35. But Sebring's Cindy McCauley drew a foul and hit both free shots to put the game into overtime.

Both teams had several shots at the goal in the three minute over-time period but only Avon Park's Thelma Wessels could put the ball through the hoop. Thelma dribbled all the way down the

court and made her lay-up shot good for the winning basket.

Sebring again had a chance to tie



RED DEVIL GUARD Tammy Welch races past a Sebring player on her way towards the basket last week-Avon Park 37, Sebring 35. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

things up with a one and one free shot situation but the first shot was missed and Avon Park held on for the victory. Ellen Macklin and Thelma Wessels both scored 9 points for the Devilsiettes. Delores Cox had 5 points, Delora Cox and Tammy Osling hit for 3 points each and Sally Braithwaite scored 3 points to give Avon Park the win. Avon Park made 11 of 28 free shots. Sebring hit 5 of 16 from the foul line.

Lake Wales 64 Avon Park 22. Lakes Wales senior Lillie Williams with 24 points and sophomore Ann Dickson with 19 counters led the Highlander girls to a 64-22 victory over the Avon Park girls cagers last Monday afternoon in Lake Wales. The Devilsiettes trailed all the way scoring only 2 points in both the first and third quarters while the Highlanders pumped in 17 and 14 points in those two periods.

Red Devil Girls

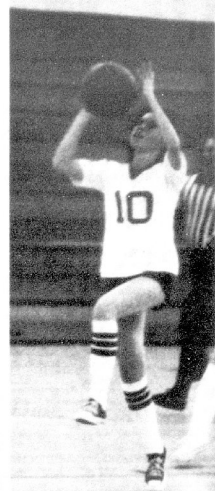
To Meet Santa Fe In Frostproof Tourney

Avon Park's girls basketball team will participate in the Class AA, District 13 basketball tournament starting tonight (Thursday) in Frostproof. The Devilsiettes will meet Santa Fe of Lakeland in the tourney opener, a single game, starting at 7 p.m. tonight.

The winner of tonight's lone game will meet the Lake Placid team Friday, Feb.

18, in a 7 p.m. start and Fort Meade will go against Frostproof in the 8:30 p.m. game tomorrow night. The finals will be played at 8 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 19. The winner of the district meet will take part in a sectional one-game play-off the following Tuesday at a site to be announced.

"I feel that the girls who stuck it out have come a long way," said Coach Cheri Lee after the final game. "There has been so much for the girls to learn and skills just haven't become automatic yet." "It was hard for the girls and their parents to adjust to the amount of time it takes to play a team sport but the nine girls who finished the season have proved their dedication," concluded coach Lee.



ONE OF THE most improved players on the Avon Park High School girls basketball team, Patty Barben starts a long shot on its way. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

TIED FOR HIGH point scoring for the Red Devils, guard Ellen Macklin (11) gets away a finger tip shot during the game with Sebring last Thursday, won by Avon Park in overtime, 37. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

Varsity Loses Close Game To Palmetto

The Avon Park varsity basketball team will close out the regular 1977 schedule with three games starting with the Mulberry Panthers in Mulberry this afternoon (Thursday) at 1 p.m. Tomorrow night (Friday) the Red Devils will host the cagers from Bradenton Southeast at the local high school gym and next Monday, Feb. 21, the Avon Park five will travel to Wauchula for a 1 p.m. afternoon game with the Hardee Wildcats.

Next Thursday, Feb. 24, the Class AA, District 13 tournament will start in Frostproof and Avon Park will participate along with Mulberry, Frostproof, Lake Placid and Santa Fe of Lakeland.

The Red Devil varsity dropped two home games last week. The Lake Placid Green Dragons romped to a 79-64 win over Avon Park on Tuesday last week and then Palmetto came from behind as much as 22 points to take a heart-breaking 65-64 victory last Saturday night from the Avon Park cagers.

Lake Placid 79 Avon Park 64. The Green Dragons took a 24-17 first quarter lead over the Red Devils in the third meeting between the two Highlands County schools last week and then rolled on to a 79-64 straight wins over the Avon Park five. The Devils had a poor night percentage-wise on floor shots and hit only 8 of 17 shots from the foul line.

Lake Placid's Anthony Haynes had the hot hand for the Dragons and pumped in 13 field goals to lead the game scoring with 27 points. Bill Ross, Dragon center, got only 7 points but tied up the Devil defense as the Devils had to double-team

the 6'10" shooter all evening. Avon Park's Anthony Corner led the Devil scoring effort with 19 points and



RED DEVIL MELVIN Collins (44) takes a rebound off the Green Dragon basket and looks around to pass the ball out during last Thursday night's game. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller).

Melvin Collins pumped in 17 counters. Kenneth Burley scored 10 points, Larry Pough hit for 8, Dale Ssemore had 4 points and Freddie Moore, Freddy Williams and Charlie Pough hit 2 points each for Avon Park.

Palmetto 65 Avon Park 64. A big 27 point fourth quarter by the

Palmetto Tigers gave them a 65-64 win over the Red Devil varsity last Saturday night at the A. P. H. S. gym. Palmetto's Wilmore Fowler made 9 of 9 free shots and sank 5 field goals in the final period to lead his team to the close victory.

The Red Devils had jumped off to a 19-10 first quarter lead and held a 38-22

advantage at halftime against the Tigers. But in the third quarter, the Palmetto team started edging back and the Devils came back to tie the score at 51-51 going into the final quarter.

Kenneth Burley and Anthony Corner both went to the bench with five fouls before the game was over as did Fowler of Palmetto late in the game. Red Devil forward Melvin Collins

pulled down 129 rebounds and scored 23 points. Anthony Corner accounted for 18 rebounds and scored 12 points and Larry Pough hauled in 11 rebounds from the boards and put in 10 points and Dale Ssemore had 9 counters for the losing Red Devils.

The Devils hit only 10 for 23 free shots while Palmetto made 15 of 22 from the line. Fowler took game scoring honors with a 30 point total.

Bombing Range Closed This Week-End

The Avon Park Bombing Range Recreational area will be closed this weekend, February 18th and 19th due to scheduled military training maneuvers being conducted on the range.

The Spring Gobbler Season starts the fifth of March and continues throughout the month. At the present time, scheduled military activities will close the range the first and third weekends of March (3-6 and 19-20).

The Air Force requested the Florida National Guard to postpone their March training dates to facilitate opening the range for hunting. The Florida National Guard replied stating the previously requested dates be honored to enable them to complete quarterly training requirements prior to April 1.

Again, schedules are subject to change, so contact 492-4195 for further information.

Junior Bowling Results

Pee Wee, age 5-9 or below 60 average, 9 a.m. Saturday. Head coach Joan Palm. 1. Martin Plumbing, Inc. 2. Wells Motor Co. 3. Maddox Insurance 4. Kelson Hill Insurance

Bantam, age 9-9, 9 a.m. Saturday. Head coach Joan Palm. 1. Buck Eye Fuel Co. 2. Cooper and Sons 3. Scotty's Furniture Barn 4. R & W TV Stereo Center 5. Fashion Scene 6. Agra Home Sales Co. 7. Jordan's Sewing Machine 8. Hasler's Union 76

Junior, age 10-14, 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Head coach Sid Davis. 1. Weldon Mfy., Inc. 2. Massey's Auto Ser. 3. Carroll Con. Co. 4. Fountain Funeral Home 5. Pizza Hut

6. Tad Citrus 7. Tondoe's Auto Ser. 8. American Auto Body 9. Sunbeam Bread 10. Glove Communications 11. Kitchen Kabin Inc. 12. Jordan's Floor Covering

Seniors, age 15-21, 4 p.m. Sunday. Head coach Rose Hart. 1. Avon Flying Ser. 2. St. Regis Paper Co. 3. Hart's Auto Parts 4. The Cobbler's Bench 5. Marlene's Rec. & Tapes 6. Potter's Garage 7. The Acorn 8. Jonathon's Sub Shop

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"We All Need Clean Water" Theme Of 40th Wildlife Week

By Harve K
Millions to take part in
driveto clean, conserve Water
supply.

We here in the Highlands are
so fortunate, in having lots of
good water. How long this good
situation will last for us is
unknown. With careful
conservation and planning we
hope, in the future, we will be
equally fortunate.

"We all need Clean Water",
will be the theme for the
40th Annual National
Wildlife Week, March 20-28.

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according to Ray Arnett,
president of National Wildlife
Federation.

NWF, whose 3.5 million
members make it the nation's
largest conservation,
education organization,
sponsors National Wildlife
Week, every year, in
conjunction, with its 50 state
Affiliates. Wildlife information
kits have been mailed to 180,000
teachers to date.

We chose clean water as the
focus for this year's
observance, Arnett said
"because this is a pivotal year
in our long struggle, to clean up
the nation's waterways. We
have a July 1, 1977 deadline
coming up, for all industries,
that discharge waste into
navigable waters. We want to
make sure that there is no
relaxing or rollback, of these
new standards."

The 1977 Wildlife Week
poster shows three Alaskan
brown bears — a mother and
two cubs — prospecting for
salmon, in a rushing stream.
More than 700,000 have been
printed, and the poster has
been reproduced on 7 million
stickers.

Arnett noted, "Unless water
is clean fish can't survive.
Salmon are not only food for
bears, but if water is polluted
for fish, then bears, or any
other animals, or birds,
can't exist either, much less
humans."

Arnett cited recent oil spills
by ocean going tankers, the
contamination of the
Hillsborough River in closeby
Tampa. Deadly Keopene
getting into the James
River in Virginia. Sewage
Sludge getting into the ocean in
the Miami area. All evidence
that the pollution problem is
much with us.

For too long, industries,
cities, and individuals have
polluted our waters,
indiscriminately, he said. We
still must educate millions of
Americans to the dangers of
pollution. We've got to clean up
some of our "old water
dumping" grounds, and we've
got to make sure that new
water pollution don't develop.

Arnett noted that under the
1972 amendments to the federal
Water Pollution Control Act,
the nation's waters, must be
clean enuf by 1983 for human
swimming and the protection of
wildlife. By 1985 no pollutants
could be dumped into any

waterway, Arnett said.

It is believed that this year,
over 90 per cent of all
industries will meet effluent
standards, the many
municipalities will not meet
the standards.

Arnett said industrial
pollution "is only a small part
of the overall problem."

Pollution from farms, cities,
groves, is almost unchecked,
at this date." Insecticide and
pesticide pollution is a problem
requiring urgent attention.
EPA estimated that in 1976,
it cost people of this country 11
billion dollars in damages to
wildlife, property and human
health.

The first National Wildlife
week was proclaimed by
President Franklin Roosevelt
in 1938. In 1954 the theme was
"Clean Water for all America."
In 1960 it was "Water, Key to
Your Survival". In 1965 it was,
"Fight Dirty Water".
The National Wildlife
Federation's legal efforts in

behalf of clean water, include:
"Challenging the dumping at
sea of sewage waste of
different municipalities. EPA
has now ordered a phaseout of
this practice. Opposing U. S.
Army Corps of Engineers
permits for needless dredging
and fillings in coastlines and
river systems. An example of
this is in our nearby
Kissimmee River basin. Of
course it will never be put back
as it originally was, but the
wrong going out is that like
damage will never be
repeated.

Suits are now being
instituted in regulating tanker
(oil) design and operation.
Teachers, Scout leaders and
Highlands area wanting a kit to
help in cleaning up our waters
should contact National
Wildlife Federation at 1412 18th
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In the future Starting next
week, we'll take up, easy to
understand info and lessons on
bass fishing. Covered will be
thats on important items as:
Best Lures, Rods, Reels, Lines,
Boats, etc. Each week one of
the categories in detail. Will be
written on this page.

GAST STOLEN
Shelton Merritt, of Avon
Park, reported to sheriff's
deputies that after he left his
bike near a tree on Counterfeit
Road Thursday, some one
made off with it. Loss was set
at \$50.

Shagena Using Shiner Pulls In 9½ lb. "Hawg"

Joe Shagena came up with
this big bass-even with the
cool weather and water. Sure
Joe like Joe has his ice
fishing jacket on. The bass
weighed in at 9½ pounds. He's
looking forward to having it
mounted.

Many fishermen fish all their
lifetimes to come up with a big
big one. When they finally
connect, by all means, the fish
should be taken to a good
taxidermist. Sure it will cost a
few bucks, but that trophy
should be around for a long
time.

Joe lives at 3109 Grand Prix
Drive. He's as proud of this fish
as he is of his grandchildren.
He carries, a bunch of these
fish photos with him in his car
glove compartment as he
drives around, to always have
a good talking piece with him.
Anyway, congrats, Joe.



J.H. SHAGENA, 3109 GRAND
Pine Dr., Sebring, came up
with this nine and one-half
pound bass from Westwood

Lake recently. The "Hawg"
was snagged using a shiner for
bait. (Sunphoto by Harve K.)



Hazel Holds Lake Verona Bass

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Mrs. Hazel Thompson, Lot
32, Avon Park Mobile Park, has
fished all her life. She was
born in Northern Indiana and
fished there a lot, but she also
has fished extensively in
Wisconsin, Minnesota and
Michigan. Her favorite state,
however, is now Florida and
Lake Verona, right here in
town, is one of the best spots,
Hazel says.

She backs up that statement
by saying that she never has
fished in Verona without
coming up with at least two fish
— usually bass. The bass she is

holding here, was caught a
week ago in Verona and
weighed over 5 pounds. Mrs.
Thompson said she caught the
"big rooster" using a spin cast
rod.

Harve's Hours For Best Fishing, Birdwatching

Thursday, February 17 —
10:30 A.M.
Friday, February 18 — 11:30
A.M.
Saturday, February 19 — 12
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Sunday, February 20 — 1
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Monday, February 21 — 1:45
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Tuesday, February 22 — 2:45
P.M.
Wednesday, February 23 — 3
P.M.

Water temperatures still
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little. Average water
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about 56 degrees. Up 2 or 3
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hours before and then 6 hours
after the peaks; that will get
you in some 12 hours, or more
of daily angling.

Water Users Need To Have Permit

A public hearing held in Lake
Wales, Friday, by the
Southwest Florida
Management District for the
purpose of discussing rules and
regulations in regard to
water use permits for the
expanded area of the district,
which includes the northwest
part of Highlands County and
other areas north.

The area in Highlands
County is 12 miles wide by 18
miles long, or roughly from
Arbuckle Creek west to the
Hardee County line and from

Josephine Creek north to the
Polk County line, including
Sebring and Avon Park.
Ronald Lambert, Southwest
board member from
Wauchula, conducted the
meeting and pointed out that
this is part of the Peace River
Sub-basin into which the
district is divided. James
Mann, senior hydrologist,
made a presentation on use
regulations and permits.

He pointed out that existing
users will have two years from
the adoption of the final rules
which is expected to be about
April or May of this year, in
order to be considered an
existing user. He said that any
new facility going in now, after
Jan. 1, 1977, would be required
to have a permit, except for
individual domestic use.

Anyone desiring information
can contact the Southwest
Florida Water Management
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TRAILER STOLEN
A boat trailer, valued at \$200,
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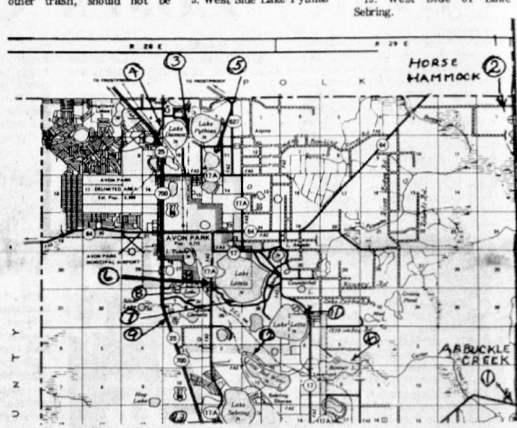
We boaters and fishermen in
the Avon Park area have a
goodly number of good
launching ramps close by.

For the most part they are
under the care and keep of the
Highlands County Road
Commission, who do a fine job
of maintenance on them. All
they ask of the users of these
ramps is that they be kept
clean. Bottles, cans or any
other trash, should not be

discarded, at the ramps. Take
your trash back with you, or
deposit it where it will not
filthy up shorelines. At some
of the ramps, there are trash
barrels to deposit trash.

Below is a list and index on
nearby launching ramps.
1. Arbuckle Creek —
Letta
2. Horse Hammock —
Arbuckle Road
3. West Side Lake Pythias

4. West Side Lake Damon
5. North Side Lake Pioneer
6. West Side of Lake Lotela
7. South Side Lake Lotela
8. West Side Lake Letta
9. West Side of Lake Glenada
10. Northeast Side of Lake
Bonnet
11. Northeast Side of Lake
Letta
12. Northwest Side of Red
Water lake
13. West Side of Lake
Sebring.



Locations Of Public Boat Launching Ramps On Lakes

Firefighters Have Quiet Week With Few Fires

While it may not have been a
quiet week for the area's
firefighters, it was, in the
words of one department
spokesman, "A whole lot better
than last week." When a rash
of fires calls were reported
around the county.

The West Sebring group was
also called to a controlled burn
north of Highlands Hammock

Monday when it was reported
the fire had escaped its
controls. It had not.

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The open-class District 7 high school golf tournaments for both girls and boys have been awarded to Highlands County for the first time ever according to Avon Park Red Devil golf coach Fred Sandlin, who has been named tournament director for both meets. The girls will play on April 27 at the River Greens Golf Course. The boys' tournament will be held at the challenging 7,362 yard Sun 'n Lakes of Sebring course on April 28.

"This is quite a tribute to the progress of the golf program in Highlands County," commented Coach Sandlin. "The fine facilities in the area and the much improved caliber of play by the three county high school teams aided in getting the two tournaments here. We are

honored to host the 184-team District 7 tournament for boys and the girls district meet."

Zephyrhills is the defending champion of District 7 and Winter Haven came in second last year at the tourney played on the Imperial Lakes Course in Lakeland. Both teams will participate in this year's

district meet along with Lakeland, Kathleen, Bartow, Lakeland Senior High, Haines City, Lake Wales, Frostproof, Lake Placid, Oklawaha, Sebring, Santa Fe, Hardee High, Land of Lakes, Dade City, Springstead, Auburndale and the host Avon Park.

Winter Haven is the defending girls'

District 7 champion and the Blue Devil ladies are expected back to defend their title. Also expected for the distaff tourney are teams from Santa Fe of Lakeland, Bartow, Frostproof, Kathleen and Lakeland Senior High. Avon Park does not have a girls golf team.

"Hosting these two tournaments is only possible because of the fine cooperation of Charlie Polk, golf pro at Sun 'n Lakes, and Rodney Davis, of River Greens Golf Course," Coach Fred Sandlin was quick to add. "The Red Devils have been practicing some at Sun 'n Lakes and will play most of our home matches on the River Greens course."

John DuPriest's 35 Ties School Record

Senior Red Devil golfer John DuPriest shot a par 35 on the Frostproof Golf Links Wednesday of last week to lead the Avon Park team to a 162-206 victory over the Bulldogs foursome. John's 35 tied the school record for low nine-hole score set by himself and Pete DuPriest last season.

The Red Devil will host two of the toughest teams in the area today, Thursday, Feb. 17, when they take on the Lake Placid Green Dragons and the Winter Haven Blue Devils at the River Greens course starting at 3:15 p.m. Then next Tuesday, Feb. 22, the Avon Park team will go to Lake Wales for a match with the Highlanders. The scheduled match with DeSoto High last Monday was cancelled when Arcadia did not have enough players reported out to have a team.

Against the Frostproof Bulldogs last week the Red Devils shot the 162 total with John DuPriest's 35, Pete DuPriest finishing with a 40, Bill Tharp turning in a 42 and Craig Skipper and Bret Hoyer both shooting 46. Mike Smithson carded a 50 for the nine holes. Mark Palmer was unable to participate in the match due to illness.



John DuPriest tied the school record with a 35 for the nine hole Frostproof golf course. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller.)

Key Club To Have Slave Day For Track Team

By Bret Atkins
The Avon Park Key Club will hold a Slave Day Saturday, Feb. 19, with all proceeds going toward a badly needed pole vault pit for the Avon Park High School Track Team at Memorial Field. If you do have some type of work available, please call John McKinias at 453-7987, or Jim Lanier at 453-3286.



HAPPY FIRST TEAM winners in the Sweet Valentine golf tournament at the Pinecrest golf course stopped on the green with a variety of clubs. From the left: Helen Griffith, Flo Cushman and Kathie Utz. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller.)

Valentine Golf Tourney At Pinecrest

The Pinecrest Country Club of Avon Park was the scene of some superb golfing during the past week-end, Feb. 12-13 during the Sweet Valentine Tournament sponsored by the Pinecrest Men's Golfing Association.

Joe Papp was chairman of this two day event which was at the Best Ball Team tournament using handicaps. The ladies division had three

ladies on a team, while the men were paired into teams. Competition and good-natured rivalry made for considerable enthusiasm for both participants and spectators. When the dust settled last Sunday afternoon the championship teams taking first place honors were: Mrs. Austin (Flo) Cushman, Mrs. Earl (Helen) Griffith and Mrs. Carl (Katie) Utz, and Lynn Lee

and Aaron Cravens. The ladies had set a scorching record of 112 with a 55 on Saturday and 57 on Sunday. Lee and Cravens had a 64 and 60 for a total of 124.

Other winners included: Second place, Mrs. Doyle (Sara) Spears, Mrs. Jack (Ginny) Hughes and Mrs. Carlton (Henretta) Melear and third place, Mrs. Pete (Kathy) Hattery, Mrs. Arlie (Gertie) Clark and Mrs. B. C. (Markie) Ostling.

In the men's division the following teams also placed: Second, Chip Neptune and Bill Reck, Sr.; 3rd, Gussie Sullivan

and Jim Fann; 4th, Bobby Barben and Bill Brown and 5th, Earl Griffith and Dean Kimmel.



SWEET VALENTINE GOLF tournament winners at Pinecrest Golf course took time out for a photo. From the left: Third place winners, Jim Fann and Gus Sullivan, Frostproof with a 127 score; 1st place, Aaron Cravens, Avon Park and Lynn Lee, Sebring shot a 124 while 2nd place winners Bill Reck, Avon Park and Chip Neptune, Sebring fired a 126. (Sunphoto by Lew Miller.)



RED DEVIL BOYS TENNIS TEAM, coached by Bruce Wyse, will take on the Sebring Blue Streak netters at the Harder Hall courts in Sebring next Wednesday, Feb. 23, in the 1977 season opener. The defending Heartland Conference championship team: from left to right — Eddie Garner, Tom Fleming, Joel Wright, Mike Behal, Jim Smithson, Dave Epstein, and Ronnie Brock.

Defending Champ Devil Tennis Team Opens Season At Sebring

The defending Heartland Conference champion Red Devil boys tennis team will open the 1977 season next

Wednesday, Feb. 23, in Sebring at the Harder Hall Courts against the Sebring Blue Streak netters. The Avon Park team will have five experienced players and two newcomers ready for the Blue Streaks.

Returning as the number one player on the Devil team is Ronnie Brock who had a 16-2 regular season record last year. Joel Wright has moved into the number two slot on the team for the opening match and Mike Behal and Eddie Garner are fighting it out for the third seed on the squad. Behal was undefeated last season in the fourth position with a 15-0 regular season mark, and Eddie Garner was 11-1 as five.

Wright, Behal and Garner all made the Heartland All-Conference team last season. David Epstein currently holds down the number five position with newcomer Jim Smithson pushing for a starting spot on the team.

Freshman Tom Fleming is showing promise according to Devil coach Bruce Wyse. Pernell Gibbs and Horace Moore may report out for the team after basketball season which will finish up next Monday afternoon for the two jayvee players.

"We're hoping to repeat as conference champs and looking forward to a good showing in the open-class District 7 tournament this year," commented Bruce Wyse, the enthusiastic Red Devil tennis coach. "We've added several Pulk County schools to our schedule and have been working hard since mid-January."

The Avon Park netters finished with an 11-1 regular season record last year. The Coach Wyse has been concentrating on improving the team's doubles play this spring. Ronnie Brock and Joel Wright

will probably play the number one doubles with the number two team still undecided.

All home matches will be played at the Avon Park city courts. The two teams practice at the local city courts and at the South Florida Junior College Courts. Arcadia has been dropped from the boys schedule because the Bulldogs did not have enough boys out to enter a team in the competition this year.

Analysis Classes Offered At SFJC

An introduction to transactional analysis class will be offered by South Florida Junior College as part of the Community Instructional Services Program. It will meet in Room 31 at Sebring High School beginning Thursday, Feb. 24, from 7-10 p.m. Jim Robertson will be the instructor for the course which is a general introduction to the T. A. theory. The registration fee is \$3 which includes all materials.

Persons may register in the adult education office of SFJC beginning Monday, Feb. 21, at 9 a.m., or in the evening from 6:30 to 9 p.m. in the registrar's office or in the classroom on the first night of class.

Additional information may be obtained from the Adult Education Office at the college or by calling 453-0661, extension 123, in Avon Park.



AVON PARK HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' TENNIS TEAM will open the 1977 season next Wednesday, Feb. 23, at the Hardee Hall tennis courts in Sebring against the Blue Streak girls net team at 3:30 p.m. Members of the team: front row from left to right — Debra Cox, Deloris Cox, Rhonda Landress, and Cindy Evers. Back row: Tammy Welch, Maureen Murphy, Bridgette Randolph, Sheri Hoke, Barb Noaker and Vesta Hall. The team is coached by Jeannie Cox.

Postal Service Estimates \$514 Million Loss

"American consumers lost an estimated \$514 million last year as a result of mail fraud and misrepresentation-by-mail schemes," according to Postmaster Bob Young.

Accounting for most of the loss were schemes involving stocks and land investments, credit misrepresentation, and false claims against insurance companies.

"In a concerted effort to assist consumers, Postmaster General Benjamin F. Ballar has designated February 21-26 as the second annual Postal Consumer Protection Week. This week is designed to alert the public to mail-order schemes and serves to emphasize the consumer protection activities of the companies."

Postal Service, Postmaster Young said. "The Postal Service has been helping consumers since enactment in 1873 of the Mail Fraud Statute."

Investment schemes ranked "in dollar value, with a loss the public of \$44,524,240" in the number of complaints received, with more than 19,000 reported, involving a loss of \$2,945,326.

Postmaster Young stressed that the overwhelming majority of those companies making up the \$60 billion mail-order industry are honest and seek to satisfy their customers. But, as in other industries, there are a few disreputable ones that cause problems.

The Postal Service actively investigates mail fraud and false representation by mail, and assists with mail-order and service problems through the efforts of the Postal Inspection Service Law Department, the

Services' Judicial Office, and its Consumer Advocate.

The consumer protection activities of these departments include attempts to resolve unsatisfactory mail-order transactions such as failure-to-furnish ordered merchandise or make promised refunds. Administrative proceedings may be initiated against mail-order firms that falsely advertise their products. In cases of mail fraud, the Postal Inspection Service presents investigative results to the appropriate U. S. Attorney for criminal proceedings.

"In conjunction with Consumer Protection Week, we are re-emphasizing the Consumer Service Card program, to remind consumers of our continuing interest in their mail-service and related problems," Postmaster Young said. "Consumer Service Cards are available at the post office or from letter carriers and provide the means for

attacking problems individually and geographically."

"If you have any problems, complete and mail a Consumer Service Card for mail service

assistance. Talk with my office or a postal inspector concerning possible false

advertising-by-mail or mail fraud. Let's work together. "Postmaster Young added.

New Policy For Pistol Range

The county commission is currently considering a new policy for citizens' use of the sheriff's pistol range, after a complaint from the Highlands Gun Club Tuesday.

At Tuesday's commission meeting, Charles Cullen, administrative assistant, read the board a letter from Jack Stroup and Tom Markland, both members of the club, saying that the group had recently been denied use of the Sheriff's Tower Road facility by Sheriff Joe Sheppard.

The club had been using the range since 1972, under an arrangement worked out with former Sheriff O. L. Raulerson. Additional conditions on citizens' use of the range were added in 1974.

County Attorney Robert D. Smith informed the commissioners that he had discussed the problem with

Sheriff Sheppard Monday night, and said the sheriff "was only concerned with liability insurance. He told me if there were adequate insurance arrangements to cover the county, he had no objections."

The pistol range is owned by the county, and the commissioners advocated setting up a policy similar to the one in use at the Ag Center, with organizations showing proper proof of liability insurance, making advance reservations for the range through Cullen's office.

When a commissioner asked if the sheriff would have to reserve the range for his use, another board member remarked, "I see no reason why he couldn't."

The board asked Cullen to draw up a state of policy recommendations, and report back to the commission at a later date.

DAR Meeting To Be Held

At St. Agnes In Sebring

The February meeting of the Patriots Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be held on Feb. 22 at 12:30 p.m. in the parish hall of St. Agnes Episcopal Church, Sebring. It is the George Washington Birthday luncheon. Each member is asked to bring a covered dish and table service.

The "DAR good Citizens" from the high schools of Highlands County, Sebring, will be honored and their mothers are invited guests.

Guest speaker will be Troy White, a graduate of Mississippi State and Florida State Universities. He teaches American history at Lake Placid High School.

The following members will serve as hostesses for the occasion: Mrs. Harry Childress, chairman; Mrs. J. M. Brunstetter, Miss Hester K. Fleck, Mrs. W. D. Jones, Mrs. Phyllis W. Loveridge, Mrs. F. R. Payer, Mrs. J. D. Watson, Mrs. A. A. Wesnitzer and Mrs. Charles H. Wheeler.

Ten Students Get All A's

By PETE HENTNIK
The administration of Avon Park High School announced the names of students who made the honor roll for the second nine-week grading period.

To be on the Honor Roll the student must make all A's or B's or any combination of both A's and B's. The students are to have 1's (excellent) and 2's

(good) on their report cards in attitude, conduct and application.

The student who made all A's this nine-week period were: James Hamilton, Peter Hansen (Sweden), Linda Klein, Kelly Newsome, Margaret Miracle, Paul Ballentine, David Sizemore, Debra Heiring, Cynthia DeWitt, Vesta Hall and LaDawn Long.

Continuing with the rest of the Honor Roll students were Seniors: Tom Macklin, Brenda Cooper, Elois Tate, Sharon McRae, Cathy McCook, Glen Smith, Robin Smith, Janet Warner, John Mickunas, Jane Upson, Dale Sizemore and Mike Ballentine.

Juniors who made the Honor Roll were: Earl Abbott, Lee Barber, Edwin Garner, Pam Williams, David Epstein, George Ratzman, Mike Behal, Debra Cox, Delois Cox, Ruth Hentnik, Charles Oliver, Barbara Maness and Judy Prince.

The Sophomores who made the Honor Roll are as follows: Eugene Cox, Cathy Barber, Katrina Conner, Maureen Murphy, Danielle Elliott, James Knight, Cheryl Haman, Ellen Macklin and Cindy Evers.

Freshman who made the Honor Roll are as follows: Penny Cooper, Cynthia Spires, Ruth Velazquez, Daphne Wall, Patty Barben and Terri Swanton.

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Legion Collects \$375 In Roadblock

American Legion Post 69, Avon Park, collected \$375 from their 20th annual Roadblock for the Retarded, Saturday, Feb. 12, and immediately matched it with \$375 from the post treasury. The \$750 was turned over to the Ridge Area Association for Retarded Citizens Monday morning.

J. A. Wise, former Post commander and long-time spearhead of projects for the mentally retarded, stated that four Legionnaires had manned posts at the four corners of Lake and Main from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday. Cars of all descriptions from Camaros to Cadillacs were stopped and occupants asked to contribute in order that the lot of Highlands retarded citizens might be improved.

Wise told the Sun that one of the larger contributions was made by a crammed carload of migrant fruit pickers. Legionnaires participating in the project in addition to Wise were: Al Hadd, Mike Janik and Ralph Caraway.

Funds from the roadblock will aid the financing of the Developmental Training Program for pre-school retarded children, now being carried on at the Ridge Area Day School, Avon Park. The program, described in detail in the Feb. 10 edition of the Sun, now serves nine youngsters ages 2 to 6. The staff at the school is the teacher, Marilyn Burchell, and assistant Penny Miller.



CLARICE FORD AND Debbie Davis put the finishing touches on the Avon Park Community Booth Monday, just prior to that exhibits first place award from

Highlands County Fair officials. Mrs. Ford (foreground) is a member of the executive board of the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce. Ms. Davis is a

secretary with United Telephone Co. The local business highlighted by the community booth. (Sunphoto by Russ Dennis)

County Commission Said To Have Last Word On Local Waterways

The reopening of a canal to connect Little Lake Jackson to the main canal, Lake Jackson, is under consideration following a request submitted to the Highlands County Commission Tuesday.

Kenneth Shade, a landowner in the Little Lake Jackson area, suggested that the commission open a five-foot canal under the bridge on U. S. 27 to connect the two bodies of water, making both lakes more accessible to boaters.

Cecil Skipper quickly pointed out that the county commission does not have the last word on area waterways, and that the Department of Transportation would have to give its approval.

The commission said there had been a canal dug approximately six years ago, but that it gradually filled back in after wind and wave action pushed sand back into the waterway.

At a later date, the erection of a wind

and tide barrier to keep the canal open was discussed, but the \$100,000 price tag for the project was considered economically unfeasible.

Several other commissioners cautioned that it would require a nod of approval from many state agencies before the canal could be reopened at all.

Shade said, "The DOT should give their approval. There's a bridge down there, and why would they put up a bridge if they're not going to let water flow under it?"

Carl Arant Jr. said that now not only the DOT would have to approve the canal, but "we'd have to get permission from the Department of Environmental Regulations, and a number of other agencies. The last time the canal was dug out, these agencies weren't around."

Robert Skipper asked Shade, "If you

were in our position, of trying to spend the taxpayers' dollars, how much do you feel the canal would be worth?"

Shade replied that while the canal would serve those living on Little Lake Jackson, "We pay more taxes because we live on a canal, or a lake, and we can't use the lake to full advantage."

Arant pointed out that presently there is not one public boat ramp on Little Lake Jackson, and the only place most county residents can get into the lake is by using a private ramp. "That one landowner has been very gracious, but should he ever stop letting people go in there, as he has every right to do, it would be landlocked. It would be nice if we had this canal so that boaters can get from Lake Jackson to Little Lake Jackson."

The board agreed to discuss the canal with DOT when several members go to Barlow next month to meet with DOT officials on a number of concerns.

The board also discussed the continuing saga of Bloomberg Road, and expressed frustration that "This man is breaking the law, and nobody can do anything about it."

For several weeks, a landowner at the end of the road, Roger Carter, has been complaining that groveowners, principally Harry Bloomberg, have been rendering the road impassable by discing

it and sprinkling it with irrigation sprinklers.

Last week the commission asked assistant state's attorney David Langford to see what could be done about prosecuting Bloomberg, but Tuesday, Langford said his boss, state's attorney Quillian Yancey, told him the matter was not one worth pursuing.

Langford also complained that there was not an adequate statute on the books in either the state or county to take the offender to court and effectively prosecute.

The commission and attorney Dunty disagreed, and said they would go to Yancey personally in an attempt to rectify the matter.

"And if that doesn't do any good, we'll go over his head, too," remarked a commissioner.

The commission told Carter that within 30 days, definite action would be taken to see that the continual destruction of the road is halted.

In other business commissioners: Approved a zoning change for property south of SR 66, off McRay Road, from agricultural to mobile home and residential subdivision, at the request of James and Edna McRay.

Approved the plat for Sunshine Ranchettes.

Daubach To Bank Board

During the third annual meeting of the Stockholders of Highlands County Bank of Avon Park, Bob Daubach, Avon Park, was elected to serve on the Board of Directors, as announced by Ben Hill Griffin Jr., Chairman of the Board.

Daubach is the Executive Vice-president of the bank and has been associated with the Highlands County Bank of Avon Park since its organization and opening for business in May, 1974. His banking career began in 1960 with Peoples Bank of Lakeland. He is a graduate of the Florida School of Banking.

The Daubachs, Bob, Lynda and their three children, reside at 806 East State Street in Avon Park. He is a member of the First United Methodist Church of Avon Park and serves as Chairman of the Administrative Board. As immediate past president of the Avon Park Chamber of Commerce he is also a Director of the Chamber.

He is a member of the Avon Park Kiwanis Club, serves on the City of Avon Park Recreation Board and is a Director of Highlands County Scholar Recognition. He is a past president of Group Six Installment Credit Division of the Florida Bankers Association, Past President of The Fulk County Chapter American Institute of Banking which includes the Highlands County area.

Other directors elected at the Board meeting were Ben Hill Griffin Jr., John R. Alexander, Ben Hill Griffin III, Robert R. King Jr., David F. Lanier, Charles R. Metcalfe, R. L. Padgett and Lewis Sudham.

Ben Hill Griffin Jr., in commenting on the growth of the bank during the past

year, stated the year end deposits were \$8,310,793.85, which represented an increase of \$3,127,475.23 over 1975. Griffin commended the stockholders for their excellent support and solicited their



Bob Daubach

continued efforts.

Following the Stockholders meeting, the Board of Directors met and elected the following officers: Ben Hill Griffin Jr., Chairman of the Board and President, Bob Daubach, Executive Vice-president, John S. Seal, Vice-president and Cashier and Verita S. Bentley, Assistant Cashier.

Couple Wins A Judgement In Area Mortgage Dispute

A Broward County couple who believed they were buying first mortgages on Orange Blossom subdivision lots, have won a judgement in a suit which shows that their mortgage was not first, but fourth.

Circuit Judge Tim Strickland has awarded a partial judgement to Charles F. and Camille M. Wood for \$21,727 and set Feb. 28 for sale of property to meet the judgement.

The Woods had been involved in the suit as co-defendants in legal action against Land Services Inc. (LSI), the Orange Blossom developer. Arthur B. and Gladys S. Stroup of Palm Harbor filed a civil suit claiming they had loaned \$10,000 to LSI, the loan secured by mortgages on two lots in Orange Blossom. That loan was made in November 1972.

Mr. and Mrs. Wood allege that they were contacted at their home near Fort Lauderdale and sold, in November 1973, \$15,000 investment backed by "first mortgages" involving some of the same lots the Stroups claim was a 1972 mortgage.

When the Woods delved into the matter they learned that Central Bank and Trust of Miami had, in July 1971, obtained a mortgage on 1,038 acres of Orange Blossom lands including the same lots the Stroups and Woods claim. The bank has obtained a judgment for its claims.

In March 1973—mid-way between the

Stroup and Woods mortgages—LSI had delivered to James Talcott Inc. a mortgage on large blocks of land including the same lots.

In May 1976 LSI sent a \$300 check to the Woods for past due interest and \$75 toward their attorney fees. In the files of the suit here are copies of four checks on a bank in Haiti. None of these checks had been honored and the Woods allege that LSI has refused to replace these checks.

In addition to recovering invested money, the Broward County couple asserted that the land developer deserves punishment.

Thefts Reported

A hub cap theft ring appears to be at work, pressing on cars parked at South Florida Junior College, as three vehicle owners were victimized at the end of last week.

On Friday, Nicholas Fells, of Avon Park, told deputies that unknown persons removed three of his hubcaps, worth \$75.

Donald Gonzalez, of Lake Placid, reported that on Thursday, thieves removed all four hub caps from his car, and James Keefe, of Sebring, reported that his two front hub caps were stolen on the same day.

Keefe set his loss at \$30. Gonzalez's loss was undetermined.

Investigations are continuing.

Juvenile Arrests Are Up

One quarter of the arrests made by sheriff's deputies from Feb. 4-10 were listed as juveniles.

Of the 28 arrested by county deputies five were under 18.

Juvenile arrests included one for breaking and entering, another for possession of stolen property, and two for possession of marijuana.

Other charges filed in the week included two larceny arrests, another possession of stolen property, a forgery and counterfeiting, and an arrest for offenses against the family and children.

Also included were six charges for driving while intoxicated, and one for disorderly intoxication.

The average age of the defendants worked to out to 30.85 years, with the oldest being a 66-year-old woman picked up on a larceny charge and the youngest a 14-year-old girl arrested for possession

of marijuana.

Six of those arrested were black, 14 were white. Three of the defendants were female.

Three of the arrested were not residents of Florida, one was a resident of a Florida county other than Highlands, and the remainder were county residents.

Florida Rainfall Is Going Crazy

"Rainfall in South Florida is following the national weather trend this year and gone a little crazy," according to a news release from South Florida Water Management District.

The governing board of South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) received a report at its February meeting showing that this season—normally known as the dry season—has had about twice the normal amount of rainfall for January.

Much of Highlands County falls into the area designated the Lower Kissimmee River Basin where 1.79 inches of rain were recorded in January. The dry season, usually counted as beginning in October, actually began in September 1976. Rains in December and in January were so much heavier than usual that by the end of last month the dry season for 1976-77 was up to 92 per cent of the normal amount for winter months.

At this time last year Lake Istokpoga area farmers were warned that dry conditions were threatening to make irrigation restrictions necessary. Lake Istokpoga has remained constant throughout January 1977 with regulatory releases necessary to keep the lake from exceeding its authorized schedule.

Normally Lake Okechobee is losing water this time of year, but now the level is rising. The January rainfall at the lake was 3.38 inches or 294 per cent of normal and left the lake .28 feet above normal, the highest it has been at this time of year for many, many seasons.

Highlands Said To Be Cheap Place To Live

Highlands County is a cheap place to live.

According to a recent study made by the Florida Chamber of Commerce, there are only 14 Florida counties which have a lower price index than Highlands, and most of the lower counties are located in the state's Panhandle.

Of the 67 counties in the state, Highlands ranks 53rd in the price level index, which is quite a drop from 1975, when the county was counted as the 32nd most expensive county in which to live.

The price level index is determined by pricing an identical market basket of goods and services throughout the state, and for the first time last year, prices were obtained in all 67 counties.

Of the surrounding counties Highlands is by far the least expensive with Hardee being the closest with a No. 40 ranking.

DeSoto is at No. 33, Polk is listed at 29, Glades at 27, and Okechobee is all the way up at No. 21.

Counties cheaper than Highlands are, in descending order Ocoee, Washington,

Walton, Putnam, Bay, Holmes, Bradford, Hamilton and Marion.

The bottom five counties in the state are Santa Rosa, Sumter, Escambia, Jackson, and the cheapest of the cheap, Calhoun.

The most expensive counties in which to live are, in descending order, Monroe, Dade, Palm Beach, Collier, Broward, Lee, Martin, India River, Volusia and Brevard.

The Chamber reported that the price indexes for the entire state are leveling out, with the rural counties becoming more expensive to live in, and the densely populated counties slightly less expensive.

For example, in 1972, the first year of the price level index, it cost 10.33 per cent more than the state average to live in the most expensive county, which was then Dade and 15.30 per cent less than the state average to live in the least expensive county.



Local March of Dimes officials and Clarissa Chauby, head of nursing at Highlands County, are shown with a transport incubator, that was recently presented to HGH and purchased with March of Dimes funds. From left are: Tom Leshman, Highlands

County March of Dimes chapter president; Miss Chauby, a Rucky Rosen, a Dimes public relations chairman. The next major March of Dimes fund raising project is the annual Walkathon, which is scheduled for March 26.

Fat Steer Sale Is Friday

The 1977 Highlands County Fair Junior Livestock Sale will be held at the Fairgrounds tomorrow, Friday at 3 p.m. The auction is open to any person or business who would like to support the 4-H and FFA members, who have worked long and hard at raising their animals. Once the business bids the animal it can resell the livestock for the market price and consider the balance as advertising, or can have the animal slaughtered, cut and wrapped for the freezer. Pictures of each exhibitor, his animal and the buyer will be published in the Sun the week following the Fair.

This year there will be 35 fat steers, 12 dairy heifers and four hogs for sale. For more information, call G. Tim Hurmer Jr., at 385-5158.



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Food Classes For Senior Citizens

Donald H. Farrens dean of Vocational, Technical and Adult Education Division of South Florida Junior College,

announced that two classes in nutrition facts for seniors will begin next week. These classes are co-sponsored by the Highlands County School Board and will be funded under the Community Instructional Services Program.

One class will be held at the new educational building of the First Christian Church in Sebring. This class will begin Tuesday, Feb. 22, at 10 a.m. The second class will be held in Lecture Room 102 at SFJC beginning Thursday, Feb. 24, at 2 p.m. Classes will meet for one two-hour session each week for seven weeks. There will be no cost to those who enroll and helpful pamphlets will be distributed.

Mrs. Jan Felthouse, a graduate home economist, will be the instructor. There will also be several guest lecturers during the series. Highlights of the course will be sessions on Healthful Menu Planning and Economical Meals for Two. The Nutrition Facts for Seniors classes are open to all persons and advanced

registration is not necessary. Anyone desiring further information may contact Dean

Farrens at SFJC or call 453-6661, Extension 123, in Avon Park.

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Car Accident

A two car accident on SR-17 in Sebring left a total of \$3800 in damage to the vehicles involved.

Florida Highway Patrol reports say Floyd M. Schumacher of Sebring was crossing SR 17 when he pulled into the path of southbound William R. Tharp of Avon Park. Tharp left 23 feet of skid marks before hitting the Schumacher vehicle.

Trooper J. E. Vahn charged Schumacher with failure to yield right of way entering a through highway. There were no injuries.

Holiday Ranch

A birthday dinner for Ray Robertson and Gordon Willnow was held Monday in the recreation room with ham the featured entree. Guests were Mrs. Robertson, Mrs. Willnow, Bob and Mildred Savage, Clair and Ila Reno, Karl and Ida Walter, and Herman and Pauline Rupard.

On Wednesday Earl and Mabel Baker of Jasper, Mich., visited the Savages and other friends. They are spending the winter at Chisholm Trail Park at Altoona.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cole of Ocala visited the Clair Reno's on Thursday.

Sunday dinner guests of the Karl Walter's were his sister, Rose Bradish and his niece Carol of Lake Worth, his nephew Roger of Tecumseh, Mich., and his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Walter of Lake Worth.

The Walters were overnight guests of Mr. and Mrs. Syl Larna and sister Mrs. Hazel Hauck at Stuart on Tuesday. Dick and Doris Somers attended the Northville, Mich., winter reunion in Bradenton Friday.

Charles and Mabel Travis, Bill and Dorothy Webb, and Dick and Doris Somers had dinner at Morrisons in Winter Haven Sunday celebrating the Travis' 51st wedding anniversary.

Bob and Mary Walterhouse and Bill and Leona Lynn visited Sebring and Highlands Hammock State Park Thursday.

Doris and Warren Curry of Coral Gables visited the Lynn's this week.

Max and Dora Crossett were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ulick of Avon Park. Clarence and Miranda Nelsonwenger and Ed and Ernestine Davis shopped in Lakeland Thursday and had lunch at Outlaw's Cafeteria.

John and Barb Elmeyer attended the Valentine party of the Avon Mobile Home Park Saturday evening as guests of Paul and Pauline Thomas. There were 74 present at the

home talent variety program of which Pauline was in charge. The Thomas' are former Ranch residents.

The Elmeyers shopped in Lake Wales Monday and had a Valentine dinner at the Black Forest.

At the Monday coffee it was decided to discontinue making orange juice for the rest of this season at least, the oranges are not juicy enough this year to make it worthwhile. In past years the men have gathered each Thursday morning at Owen Brown's and using his press, made juice for the residents.

They also decided to buy more shuffleboard sticks and wax for the court. Bill Lynn was selected as deputy wagonmaster for the coming week.

Clair and Ila Reno are proudly showing a souvenir of their 50th wedding anniversary which was presented to them by their daughters. It is a huge candle with their pictures in color impressed on one side, and a copy of the reception invitations on the other. As the candle burns the two inserts are lighted from inside. The party was held in Adrian, Mich., in October, and of the 200 guests present, seven other couples winter at Holiday Ranch. They were the Bob Savages and Ray Robertsons of Blissfield, Miss., the Owen Browns of Grant, Mich., the John Elmeyers of Lansing, the Dick Somers of Northville, Mich., the Karl Walters and Gordon Willnows of Hudson, Mich.

All those wishing to attend the pancake breakfast next Monday morning should sign up with Bob Savage by Friday.

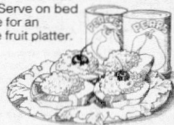
Jerry and Gladie McCarty left Monday for Mission, Texas. They will be missed. May and Dad Hamstra from their home town of Muskegon, where the snow is deep, have been visiting them this week.

Residents may now purchase the Avon Park Sun at the Ranch office.

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Sheryl Bond, Patty Germani. Fifth row: Lisa Dixon, Vanda Wells, Denise Pearson, Barbara Thomas and Carol Chaney. Sunphoto by Barbara Cornell



Fifth Grade Honor Roll from left-right: Front row: Jamie Coatney, Allan Irvin, Theresa Cook, Michelle Traverse, Jennifer Bezman, Tony Germani.

Second row: Johnny Lewis, Ken Warner, Vidi Cribb, Ben Johnston, Rodney Rider, Robert Daubach. Third row: Melaine Cooper, Lucy Loveless, Willetha English.

Melissa Henly, John Fields, Tonya Simpkins. Forth row: Cynthia Gilbert, Carol Padgett, Linda Heiring, Andrea Wilson, Anna Myers and June O'Quinn.

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Frustrated Landlord Takes Troublesome Tenant To Court

A frustrated Avon Park Landlord has gone into court for a second try at dealing with a tenant he finds troublesome. Estanion E. L. Roberts complains that J. B. Yon has occupied Roberts' property without permission and "unlawfully held the property since July 7, 1969. Earlier Roberts had gone

into county court and Judge Mark Richardson Jr. said \$100 per month would be reasonable rent for the property. In a new circuit court suit Roberts is complaining that Yon still occupies the property but has failed to pay the rent the court set and now he owes rent from July 7, 1971 to and through February 1977.

SouthsideCommunity Park News

By ALPHONSO WILLIAMS

Greetings: Due to a busy schedule and a lack of having current developments and events being reported to me, the column was almost completely omitted this week. However, as events do occur, I shall try to cover them in this column which I still consider to be yours, the reader and mine, the writer. Things are kind of slow in the Park this week. The weather and "Be my Valentine" were paramount discussions. Church news always ranks high, but here again I must make a special appeal to the reporters to keep their announcements and notes about their services forthcoming that I may inform the public.

Best wishes for another week of happiness and hopefulness, I will have more news next week.

Church News: Church of God by Faith. On Sunday, Feb. 13, we had our pastor with us all day. Sunday School was carried out as usual. Midday service, our pastor gave a wonderful lesson, Colossians 2:11, which was good to our souls. W. W. C. was conducted by Sis. Sumbry.

Sis Addie Gardeon rendered a nice program. Evening worship was conducted by Dea. Gerald Hawkins and Deacon Frank Hilton. Choir No. 1 sang out of their hearts. Our pastor, Elder Fogle broke the bread of life and spoke from Isaiah 26:16, Ephesians 2:28, 1 Peter 2:5. His subject was "A Stone of Stumbling" and the Lord spoke through him. We thank God for having our friends of the city with us, Mrs. Cohens and Mr. Bentley of Hewing Community Chapel were among them. We were also blessed to have some of our teaching men of the county and we thank God for our musicians. Look and listen on Sat. Feb. 19, 1977. We are planning a charity program. We are looking for everybody to come. There will be the Mighty Sons of Faith, and others and if you have a group and would like to be on this program, please come and we can enjoy the Lord together. Also Bar-B-Que will be sold Friday night at the home of Mrs. Roper and Dinners and Bar-B-Que at the church annex Saturday. Come, Come.

Pastor Elder C. M. Fogle
Reporter Louise Roper



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If you're one of those people who thinks a telephone is just a telephone, we have a surprise for you. Although you know telephones come in different shapes and colors, we still have some eye-openers for you.

Did you know that you can have a wall phone built into your wall? One that offers a choice of two metal face plates, and six colored inserts you can change yourself to match your moods.

For that up-to-the minute feeling, you might want a streamlined Trend Line phone with the dial in the handset. In eight colors, naturally, including burnt orange and cocoa brown.

If you are really stylish, select from one of 15 decorator phones, ranging from elegant continental models, to a phone in a beautiful wooden case, to a colorful modernized Candlestick phone.

And in some areas, we can offer you telephone service in your car, and pocket pagers that will tell you when you have a call, even when you're miles from home.

If you call some numbers frequently and repeatedly, we offer an automatic dialer that does your dialing for you at the touch of a single button.

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How about a phone that answers your calls when you're not home, and takes messages for you?

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Dave Fries - Owner

A great way to save money and still increase the property value of your home or business at the same time is to call Aluminum Builders and talk to the friendly people, phone 454-0402. Aluminum Builders is this area's leading home improvement specialists.

Located at 306 Avon Blvd. in Avon Park, this prominent concern specializes in custom aluminum awnings, pre-standing fireplaces, and is introducing the all new aluminum insulating shutters, which lower fuel bills by sealing and insulating your windows effectively.

Aluminum Builders also will build and install carports, screened and enclosed Florida rooms and room additions to match existing homes. They also offer a host of other custom aluminum products designed to make living more comfortable for all of us.

The editors of this 1977 Community Profile suggest that anyone interested in saving money and raising the property value of their home or office, contact this reliable firm today.

VOGUE BEAUTY SALON

Louise Edmondson - Owner

The Vogue Beauty Salon is located at 23 S. Verona Ave. in Avon Park, phone 453-3751. Every phase of modern beauty service is featured at this popular shop including electrolysis and hair styling, and they employ only highly-trained and versatile people.

Electrolysis, which is over 100 years old, is the permanent removal of unwanted hair. They use the short wave method with the newest type of equipment in the field.

Star piercing is another service newly offered by Vogue Beauty Salon. A free pair of earrings is given to each customer who has her ears pierced.

They are now offering the ladies of the area expert electrolysis service by a certified electrologist.

Women who want to look their best for any special occasion can certainly rely on the Vogue Beauty Salon, for "Beauty is their Business."

One appointment is all that is needed to convince the most exacting women that this modern and up-to-date establishment can please her.

We, the authors of this 1977 Community Profile edition, suggest that you enjoy the friendly, professional beauty work at Vogue Beauty Salon.

B & J RESTAURANT

James & Brenda Strenth - Owners

Located at the corner of US Hwy 27 N and Circle St. in Avon Park, phone 453-2706, this restaurant is renowned as headquarters for "good food." Come and bring your friends, you know you're always welcome.

Here, people can be seen from every walk of life, who make this popular restaurant their regular dining spot.

In this entire area there is not another establishment that surpasses B & J Restaurant in service and satisfaction. They are particularly well equipped to serve good food and offer great, friendly service.

And last, but not least, the attention and courtesy of the serving staff is a feature that

receives more than passing notice from their customers.

In making this 1977 Community Profile of the city, we, the writers, are pleased to give B & J Restaurant commendation for the excellent food and service they give and for the leading position they hold.

MASSEY'S AUTO SERVICE

Herchel Massey - Owner

When the people of this area look to someone to take care of any mechanical problems they might have with their car or truck, they generally head straight for Massey's Auto Service on US Hwy 27 S. in Avon Park, phone 453-4648.

This well known shop specializes in all types of expert automotive repair and service. They use only the latest equipment and can handle any size of job in the shortest time and at reasonable rates.

With the automobile as complex as it is today, you owe it to your car to let these qualified people take care of the problem.

In this 1977 Community

Profile, we, the compilers, take great pride in representing this reliable shop to the readers of this Community Profile.

When you take your car to the experts at Massey's Auto Service, you can be assured that the work is done according to factory techniques and that you will not have to take it to them a second or third time for the same problem.

KEN'S LAND CLEARING, INC.

Ken & Lorraine Geiger - Owners

Land leveling and clearing is a precise job and Ken's Land Clearing, Inc., located at 2660 State Road 17 S. in Avon Park, phone 453-5198 is well known in this area for his first rate, professional work.

This contractor makes it a point in every job to use only highly skilled workmen who understand the use of the equipment, who have the

experience necessary to insure the right slope for drainage and know how to handle each soil condition.

When you receive a bid from this contractor, you can be certain that it will be accurate and realistic in price, and that the work to be completed will be done on a schedule so that it does not hold up any other building operation.

The composers of this 1977 Community Profile make particular mention of this reputable contractor. We suggest to the people of this area that they let Ken's Land Clearing, Inc. handle any land leveling or land clearing work.

We know from his past reputation that you'll be glad you did.

HILLCREST NURSING HOME, INC.

The Hillcrest Nursing Home, Inc. is located at 80 State Road, in Avon Park, phone 453-6675. Here they offer complete care of the aged, sick and convalescent.

This nursing home is quiet, has plenty of sunshine, well landscaped grounds, and conveniently located so friends and relatives of guests can visit often.

Heating, ventilation and sanitary arrangements are well planned for the comfort of each guest and daily schedules are approved by the supervising medical authorities.

All rooms are light and cheerfully decorated, and have that home atmosphere which has a good psychological effect.

Their food is prepared by a nutritional expert under the giving the guests well balanced meals. This special care given to the diet is essential for

rebuilding the health and strength so necessary for the inactive person. Leon Marlier, the administrator, welcomes your visits and will gladly answer all your questions.

The entire area is very fortunate to have a nursing home, "So like a home". The authors of this 1977 Community Profile are proud to make particular mention of Hillcrest Nursing Home, Inc., who open their doors to all.

A full selection of equipment and supplies for your boating pleasure is available at Charlie's Outboard at 2525 S. Memorial Drive in Avon Park, phone 453-6960.

There are a lot of insurance agencies and agents in this area. What makes one stand out above all others is to make service and personal interest that they take in the welfare of you, your family, and your personal property.

For security and peace of mind, we, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile, recommend State Farm Insurance, represented in this area by Daniel R. Evers at 15 S. Verona Ave. in Avon Park, phone 453-3750. For information or an appointment, we know you'll be glad you did.

Most of us do not want to think about the many things that could happen to us or our property. . . and there is no need if we have a competent insurance agency planning for our future security.

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JET'S OYSTER BAR & RESTAURANT

Jet Hansen & Jimmy Gross - Owners

Since only true seafoods can offer you fresh flavors, the people of this area choose their favorite seafoods from the menu of Jet's Oyster Bar & Restaurant, located at 280 Hwy. 27 S. in Avon Park, phone 453-2531.

They are now featuring a 7 T screen and game room with a pool table, football and bowling machine. They are serving oysters on the half shell, smoked mullet, boiled shrimp, barbecue beef sandwiches, chili, beer and wine.

The staff is accommodating and will serve you quickly with flavorful dishes prepared in a spotless kitchen by chefs who are experienced in the delicate art of seafood cooking.

In this 1977 Community Profile we, the editing staff would like to take this opportunity to express our full endorsement to this fine restaurant, and suggest to our readers that they enjoy their favorite seafood dish soon at Jet's Oyster Bar & Restaurant. You'll find yourself returning often.

CHANCEY RADIATOR SERVICE

Henry Chancey - Owner

Radiators play an important part in the life and operation of an automobile, truck or tractor engine. The combustion temperature in the cylinders of your engine exceed 2000 degrees Fahrenheit. This heat must be dissipated if your engine is to continue to operate properly.

In this area the firm to see to keep your radiator in top shape is Chancey Radiator Service located at 251 S. Hart Ave. in Avon Park, phone 453-3053.

These men are experts in radiator flushing, recoring, and repairing. Let them check your entire cooling system, pressure test your radiator and examine your heater core for leaks and proper flow.

Remember this is the time of year to have your radiator serviced and checked by these friendly professionals. Stop in soon and get your cooling system ready for trouble free operation throughout the coming month to this area.

We, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile would like to direct all our readers to Chancey Radiator Service and to say that they are doing their part in keeping this area on the move.

Time and service have honored the name Fountain Funeral Home, located in Avon Park at 507 Hwy. 27 N., phone 453-3134.

RIVER GREEN'S SOUTH GOLF COURSE

Rodney Davis - Owner

With more leisure time on our hands, more and more men and women of all ages are taking up the challenging sport of golf. Unlike most sports, golf can be played at any time, and is one of the best daily exercises you can enjoy.

This area is proud to feature the River Green's South Golf Course in Avon Park, a public, 18 hole, championship course, at Lake Dunbar Drive, phone 453-0210 for starting times, private and group instruction rates.

River Green's South Golf Course features a completely stocked pro shop with the latest

selection of clubs, bags, balls, shoes and golf accessories to aid in the lowering of your handicap.

For your eating and drinking enjoyment, they have a fine snack bar offering fine food and drink, to relax before and after your game with food and friends.

As golfers ourselves, we, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile, suggest for outstanding recreation, exercise, lessons and the latest in golf equipment, stop and play at River Green's South Golf Course today.

Drop in at the Thriftway Food Store, located at 118 S. Lake Ave. in Avon Park, phone 453-2965, if you're interested in real bargains. You will find their shelves are stocked with a complete variety of vegetables, fruits, cereals, staple groceries and the finest in fresh meats. To assure you of top quality merchandise, this store handles only the better known brands in good products.

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The management has always had at heart the best interests of the community and has done its best at all times to serve the people.

They offer an excellent savings service. We have all granted our savings again and again to start saving, but somehow we never get started. Don't wait any longer! Tomorrow morning stop at the

Heartland Federal Savings and Loan Association, open your savings accounts and watch it grow regularly, and watch it grow.

The planners of this 1977 Community Profile take great pride in pointing out this foremost concern and heartily recommend our readers discover for themselves the real satisfaction in the services of Heartland Federal Savings and Loan Association.

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MONEY'S GROCERY

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Lounge soon.



COMMUNITY PROFILE

READER ADS THIS SECTION WRITTEN BY
J & B ASSOCIATES

ALUMINUM BUILDERS

Dave Fries - Owner

A great way to save money and still increase the property value of your home or business at the same time is to call Aluminum Builders and talk to the friendly people, phone 433-3502. Aluminum Builders is this area's leading home improvement specialists.

Located at 200 Avon Blvd. in Avon Park, this prominent concern specializes in custom

aluminum awnings, pre-standing fireplaces, and is introducing the all new aluminum insulating shutters, which lower fuel bills by shading and insulating your windows effectively.

Aluminum Builders also will build and install carports, screened and enclosed Florida rooms and room additions to match existing homes. They

also offer a host of other custom aluminum products designed to make living more comfortable for all of us.

The editors of this 1977 Community Profile suggest that anyone interested in saving money and raising the property value of their home or office, contact this reliable firm today.

VOGUE BEAUTY SALON

Louise Edmondson - Owner

The Vogue Beauty Salon is located at 23 S. Verona Ave. in Avon Park, phone 433-3751. Every phase of modern beauty work is featured at this popular shop including electrolysis and ear piercing, and they employ only highly-trained and versatile people.

They are now offering the ladies of the area expert electrolysis service by a certified electrologist.

Electrolysis, which is over 100 years old, is the permanent removal of unwanted hair. They use the short wave method with the newest type of equipment in the field.

Ear piercing is another service newly offered by Vogue Beauty Salon. A free pair of earrings is given to each customer who has her ears pierced.

Women who want to look their best for any special

occasion can certainly rely on the Vogue Beauty Salon, for "Beauty is their Business."

One appointment is all that is needed to convince the most exacting women of this modern, up-to-date establishment can please her.

We, the authors of this 1977 Community Profile edition, suggest that you enjoy the friendly, professional beauty work at Vogue Beauty Salon.

B & J RESTAURANT

James & Bronda Stronch - Owners

Located at the corner of US Hwy 27 and Circle R, in Avon Park, phone 433-2700, this restaurant is recognized as headquarters for "good food." Come and bring your friends, you know you're always welcome.

Here, people can be seen, from every walk of life, who make this popular restaurant

their regular dining spot. In this entire area there is not another establishment that surpasses B & J Restaurant in service and satisfaction. They are particularly well equipped to serve good food and offer great, friendly service.

And last, but not least, the attention and courtesy of the serving staff is a feature that

receives more than passing notice from their customers.

In making this 1977 Community Profile of the city, we, the writers, are pleased to give B & J Restaurant commendation for the excellent food and service they give, and for the leading position they hold.

Profile, we, the compilers, take great pride in representing this reliable shop to the readers of this issue. When you take your car to the experts at Massey's Auto Service, you can be assured that the work is done according to factory techniques and that you will not have to take it to them a second or third time for the same problem.

MASSEY'S AUTO SERVICE

Norshel Massey - Owner

When the people of this area look to someone to take care of any mechanical problems they might have with their car or truck, they generally head straight for Massey's Auto Service on US Hwy 27 S. in Avon Park, phone 433-4660.

This well known shop specializes in all types of expert automotive repair and service. They use only the

latest equipment and can handle any size of job in the shortest time and at reasonable rates.

With the automobile as complex as it is today, you owe it to you, car, and let these qualified people take care of the problem.

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KEN'S LAND CLEARING, INC.

Ken & Lorraine Golger - Owners

Land leveling and clearing is a precise job and Ken's Land Clearing, Inc., located at 2460 State Road 17 S. in Avon Park, phone 433-4198 is well thought of in this area for his first rate, professional work.

This contractor makes it a point in every job to use only highly skilled workmen who understand the use of the equipment, who have the

experience necessary to insure the right slope for drainage and know how to handle each soil condition.

When you receive a bid from this contractor, you can be certain that it will be accurate and realistic in price, and that the work to be completed will be done on schedule so that it does not hold up any other building operation.

The composers of this 1977 Community Profile make particular mention of this reputable contractor. We

suggest to the people of this area that they let Ken's Land Clearing, Inc. handle any land leveling or land clearing work. We know from his past reputation that you'll be glad you did.

HILLCREST NURSING HOME, INC.

The Hillcrest Nursing Home, Inc. is located at 80 Stratford Road in Avon Park, phone 433-9674 or 433-6675. Here they offer complete care of the aged, sick and convalescent.

This nursing home is quiet, has plenty of sunshine, well landscaped grounds, and conveniently located so friends and relatives of guests can visit often.

Heating, ventilation and sanitary arrangements are well planned for the comfort of

each guest and daily schedules are approved by the supervising medical authorities.

All rooms are light and cheerfully decorated, and have that home atmosphere which has a good psychological effect.

Their food is prepared by a nutritional expert under a medical dietitian, giving the guests well balanced meals. This special care given to the diet is essential for

rebuilding the health and strength so necessary for the inactive person. Leon Marlier, the administrator, welcomes your visits and will gladly answer all your questions.

The entire area is very fortunate to have a nursing home, "So like a home." The authors of this 1977 Community Profile are proud to make particular mention of Hillcrest Nursing Home, Inc., who open their doors to all.

This dealer has a large selection of Flare-McKee Craft boats and Johnson motors, designed to your specific requirements. Call to learn more about the fabulous boats, motors and accessories available today.

Shoreline and Murray boat trailers, modified fuel tanks, tachometers, temperature gauges, fuel gauges and many other boating accessories are

JET'S OYSTER BAR & RESTAURANT

Jet Hanson & Jimmy Grosse - Owners

Since only fresh seafood can offer you true flavor, the people of this area choose their favorite seafoods from the menu of Jet's Oyster Bar & Restaurant, located at 2801 Hwy. 27 S. in Avon Park, phone 433-3331.

They are now featuring a 7' TV screen and game room with a pool table, football and bowling machine. They are serving oysters on the half shell, smoked mulllet, boiled shrimp, barbecue beef sandwiches, chili, beer and wine.

The staff is accommodating and will serve you quickly with flavorful dishes prepared in a spotless kitchen by chefs who are experienced in the delicate art of seafood cooking.

In this 1977 Community Profile we, the editing staff would like to take this opportunity to express our full endorsement to this fine restaurant and its owners for the reason that they enjoy their favorite seafood dish soon at Jet's Oyster Bar & Restaurant. You'll find yourself returning often.

CHANCEY RADIATOR SERVICE

Henry Chancey - Owner

Radiators play an important part in the life and operation of an automobile, truck or tractor engine. The temperature in the cylinders of your engine exceed 2000 degrees Fahrenheit. This heat must be dissipated if your engine is to continue to operate properly.

In this area the firm to see to keep your radiator in top shape is Chancey Radiator Service located at 251 S. Hart Ave. in Avon Park, phone 433-3083.

These men are experts in radiator flushing, recoring, and repairing. Let them check

your entire cooling system, pressure test your radiator and examine your heater core for proper flow.

Remember this is the time of year to have your radiator serviced and checked by these friendly professionals. Stop in soon and get your cooling system ready for trouble free operation throughout the coming months.

We, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile would like to direct all our readers to Chancey Radiator Service and to say that they are doing their part in keeping this area on the move.

RIVER GREEN'S SOUTH GOLF COURSE

Rodney Davis - Owner

With more leisure time on our hands, more and more men and women of all ages are taking up the challenging sport of golf. Unlike most sports, golf can be played at your own pace, and is one of the best daily exercises you can enjoy.

This area is proud to feature the River Green's South Golf Course in Avon Park, a public, 18 hole, championship course at 47 Lake Damon Drive, phone 433-3210 for starting times, private and group instruction rates.

River Green's South Golf Course features a completely stocked pro shop with the latest

selection of clubs, bags, balls, shoes and golf accessories to aid in the lowering of your handicap.

For your eating and drinking enjoyment, they have a fine snack bar offering fine food and drink, so relax before and after your game with food and friends.

As golfers ourselves, we, the narrators of this 1977 Community Profile, suggest for outstanding recreation, exercise, lessons and the latest golf equipment, stop and play the River Green's South Golf Course today.

AVON INVESTMENT CO. INC.

Robert W. Herman - Owner

Avon Investment Co. Inc. in Avon Park located at 1800 Summit Ave., phone 433-5960 is noted throughout this area for first-class building contracting. They have a reputation for getting a job done properly and quickly.

This well known contractor is noted for the ability to handle numerous types of projects quickly and professionally, and often times jobs thought impossible by others.

It is good to know that when you employ a contractor you can depend on him to do the job

according to specifications. Experience and proper equipment enables them to tackle any contracting or alteration job and complete it with expert detail.

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STATE FARM INSURANCE

Daniel R. Evers - Agent

The people of this area are indeed fortunate to have in their midst a friendly insurance agent that has built a fine reputation by serving local needs through all types of insurance, including car, home, health, life, etc. from one of the most reliable major companies, State Farm Insurance.

There are a lot of insurance agencies and agents in this area. What makes one stand out above all others? It's the service and personal interest that they take in the welfare of you, your family, and your personal property.

Most of us do not want to think about the many things that could happen to us or our property... and there is no need if we have a competent insurance agency planning for our future security.

For security and peace of mind, we, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile, recommend State Farm Insurance, represented in this area by Daniel R. Evers at 15 S. Verona Ave. in Avon Park, phone 433-3756. Phone for information or an appointment. We know you'll be glad you did.

CHARLIE'S OUTBOARD

Charlie Bennett - Owner

A full selection of equipment and supplies for your boating pleasure is available at Charlie's Outboard at 2325 S. Memorial Drive in Avon Park, phone 433-6999.

This dealer has a large selection of Flare-McKee Craft boats and Johnson motors, designed to your specific requirements. Call to learn more about the fabulous boats, motors and accessories available today.

Shoreline and Murray boat trailers, modified fuel tanks, tachometers, temperature gauges, fuel gauges and many other boating accessories are

also carried by Charlie's Outboard.

Come in and see for yourself. It is one of the largest selections in this area.

Thousands of persons throughout Florida are experiencing the thrill of owning their own boat from a runabout to a deep hull cruiser. About 20 million people in the United States each year enjoy the pleasure of water sports in about 6 million boats; so for your boating needs, the compilers of this 1977 Community Profile recommend Charlie's Outboard.

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Mercedes Smith - Branch Mgr.

A great many of us have a desire to invest in a home of our own, but money problems seemed to make it impossible. This community is fortunate to have in its midst a firm which can make just such a thing possible.

Come in or call and talk your problems over with the officers of the Heartland Federal Savings & Loan Assn., located in the Avon Square Shopping

Plaza on U.S. 27 South in Avon Park, phone 433-7561. The management has always had at heart the best interests of the community and has done its best at all times to serve the people.

They offer an excellent savings service. We have all promised ourselves again and again to start saving, but somehow we never get started. Don't wait any longer! Tomorrow morning stop at the

Heartland Federal Saving and Loan Association, open your savings account, add to it regularly, and watch it grow.

The planners of this 1977 Community Profile take great pride in pointing out this foremost concern and heartily recommend our readers to discover for themselves the real satisfaction in the services of Heartland Federal Savings and Loan Association.

MONEY'S GROCERY

Lamon Money - Owner

There are quite a few grocery stores in this area, but what makes one stand out above all the others? It's the extra friendly service and fair prices at Money's Grocery, located at State Road 64 W. and Hart St. in Avon Park, phone 433-3508.

This store is headquarters for people who want to keep their food bill at the lowest possible figure and still eat properly.

No matter what you may need, tender meats, canned goods, dairy products, picnic supplies, or kitchen utensils, they have it here! Due to their large volume of business and intelligent buying practices, they are able to provide you with large selections of groceries, vegetables, and USDA inspected meats at lower prices than you can find elsewhere.

Money's Grocery has an able and efficient management,

whose job is serving you, and they are glad to do it. They see that their stock is complete at all times with food supplies that everyone may desire.

We, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile, would like to bring this friendly, well managed grocery store to the attention of all our many readers. Be sure and stop in at Money's Grocery soon.

When a funeral director must be called, may we suggest that you place this firm in charge. They will relieve you of all the many details that must be

taken care of at the same time due to everything according to your desires.

In this 1977 Community Profile we, the editors, unhesitatingly refer to our readers to Fountain Funeral Home. We suggest that you call them when the need arises.

FOUNTAIN FUNERAL HOME

James Fountain - Owner/Director

Time and service have honored the name Fountain Funeral Home, located in Avon Park at 507 Hwy. 27 N., phone 433-3124.

For years this reputable firm has served the people of this area reliably and well. They relieve you of all worry and responsibility and by sympathetic cooperation bring

comfort to your hour of bereavement. Their service supplies the comforting thought that the final tribute to your loved one has been both beautiful and fitting.

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THRIFTWAY FOOD STORE

Rodney Shelton - Manager

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Rodney Shelton, who has been an Avon Park area resident for 20 years, invites all his friends to come in, stop and visit him at the Thriftway Food Store.

It is a pleasure to shop at this grocery because great care is taken to see that all foods available on the market today are within your easy reach and you can be assured that they are priced right for your budget.

An outstanding feature of this grocery store is the friendly and courteous service that is always yours when you shop here. It is to your advantage as well as your pocketbook to shop at the Thriftway Food Store.

In knowing the reputation of this fine store, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile give their recommendation to the people of this area of them.

AVON CITRUS BANK

Charles H. Hoke - President

The Avon Citrus Bank is located at 21 W. Main St. in Avon Park, phone 433-3111.

A strong bank instills confidence in a community.

You'll find the Avon Citrus Bank friendly, providing the services of a city bank together with a personal interest in each and every customer. When you're contemplating making an

investment of any kind, it's a safe plan to consult the officers of this bank before you make the investment.

A great deal of credit is due to the professional officers of the Avon Citrus Bank who have done their best toward the developing of the vast interests of the community.

The staff of this bank are fine, public-spirited men and

women who believe in this community, and they feel that there are always better times ahead for the energetic businessman who works with a plan backed by sound judgement and reasoning.

We, the editors, are pleased to recommend to our readers the Avon Citrus Bank, in this, our 1977 Community Profile.

E. KERCKHOFF JEWELER

Eino & Claire Kerckhoff - Owners

E. Kerckhoff Jeweler & Watchmaker is located at 302 W. Main St. in Avon Park, phone 433-4729.

They feature diamonds, watches, clocks, earrings, and jewelry for all occasions. When you're buying jewelry, you want to be sure you're receiving quality merchandise. Kerckhoff Jeweler carries only the highest caliber of

jewelry, stones and accessories, and of course, stands behind every sale.

They maintain a fine watch, clock and jewelry repair department where E. Kerckhoff will repair your watch or jewelry at a reasonable price. He has been a German master watchmaker since 1943.

When you're shopping for jewelry, be sure to visit

Kerckhoff Jeweler and see their selection. Mr. & Mrs. Kerckhoff are courteous and helpful, and they are happy to assist you in selecting any item for that very special loved one.

The compilers of this 1977 Community Profile are happy to recommend Kerckhoff Jeweler to our readers for quality products and first-rate service.

FRENCHIE'S ANTIQUES

Zelma Church - Owner

Those of you who are antique collectors should come in to see the large selection of genuine antiques and objects of art at Frenchie's Antiques, located at 30 Lake Byrd Blvd. in Avon Park, phone 433-6704 and at 2700 NW 27 Ave. in Miami, phone 395-634-2021. They started in business in Miami over 30 years ago and are happy to be serving the Avon Park area, too.

There is a great thrill in

collecting and owning genuine antiques because it gives you a real satisfaction to know that you have a piece of furniture, silver, jewelry, glass or china that has a distinctive quality only years can give. Keep and treasure them and hand them down to your children, and they will experience the same joy as you now treasure.

The owner is an expert in antiques; don't hesitate to call for any information. They buy,

sell, and trade, and they will appraise your treasured pieces so you may protect them with the proper amount of insurance. Everyone is invited to come in and browse around.

As writers of this Community Profile, we fully endorse the fine business practices of Frenchie's Antiques, and we recommend them to all our readers.

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AVON WHOLESALE ELECTRIC SUPPLY

Fielding Todd - Owner

Many families have reason to appreciate the services performed for this area by Avon Wholesale Electric Supply at 105 S. Lake Ave. in Avon Park, phone 453-4340.

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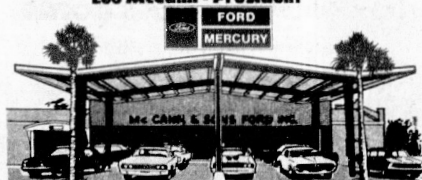
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NUMBER ONE REALTY CORP.

The Number One Realty Corp. is located in Avon Park at 103 W. Main St., phone 453-7778. The active real estate firm of today is one that is meeting the challenge of this day and age, where all are seeking property that not only appreciates in value, but also serves as a "home" not just a house. They are doing more than their share to meet the real estate demand in this section.

The transcribers of this 1977 Community Profile recommend the Number One Realty Corp. to all our readers.

SENTRY HARDWARE Metcalfe Hardware, Inc.

In this community, as in every community, the hardware store is one of the most time honored of institutions. Metcalfe Hardware, Inc., located at 7 E. Main St., in Avon Park, phone 453-3253, is just such a place. They carry a complete line of "Sentry Hardware," from a potato rake to an automatic steam-iron.

We, the editors of this 1977 Community Profile, wish to take this editorial opportunity to present this old established firm to all the people of this area.

BONNIE BRAE MOBILE ESTATES

One of the most popular and better known mobile home parks in Avon Park is Bonnie Brae Mobile Estates located at 1201 W. Cornell St., behind J. C. Penney, phone 453-6396. They have expanded an additional 7 acres with new double-wide homes on display. They also sell new and used homes. This park has paved streets, recreation areas and patios.

The writers of this 1977 Community Profile highly recommend Bonnie Brae Mobile Estates to all of our many readers.

HART'S AUTO PARTS & SALVAGE

Hart's Auto Parts & Salvage is located at 105 N. Hart Ave. in Avon Park, phone 453-3128. They have everything in the way of used, new or rebuilt automobile parts which means a savings to you. Rose and Gordon Hart, the owners, have been in the same location for 31 years. They buy wrecked and used cars and disassemble them to get parts, and sell them at low prices. The writers of this 1977 Community Profile wish to recommend Hart's Auto Parts & Salvage, whenever you need used, new or rebuilt parts.

SANDERS LOCKSMITH

Sanders Locksmith is located at 707 W. Bell St. in Avon Park, phone 453-3244. Over the period of time Keith Sanders has served the area, and has made many friends through his expert service in the locksmith field. He would like to take this opportunity to thank his customers and friends for their past patronage and continued support.

Sanders Locksmith is open 8 AM to 5 PM but closed from Friday noon until Monday morning. The writers of this 1977 Community Profile recommend Sanders Locksmith to our readers.

DUANE KOPTA GENERAL CONTRACTOR

Let Duane Kopta - General Contractor, at Rt. 1 Box 1087 in Avon Park, phone 453-4217, handle any of your general building construction. He is state certified and has been serving the area for 10 years. He is noted for his reliability, fair prices and general business-like policies.

The authors of this 1977 Community Profile make public our recommendation of Duane Kopta - General Contractor, and suggest to our readers that they have then handle their construction needs.

BACK DOOR LOUNGE

This popular night spot rates high in Avon Park on U.S. Hwy. 27 S. If you're looking for a good time, we all need relaxation, and visiting with friendly

people is considered to be one of the most relaxing. In making this 1977 Community Profile, we, the editors, are pleased to make

particular mention of this fine tavern and hope you will enjoy an evening at the Back Door Lounge soon.



Heart of Florida Girl Scout Council's Camp Wildwood is the heart of our summer program. Many girls in your area would love to go to camp this summer but cannot afford to. You can help them by sending a gift in any amount to Heart of Florida's Campship Fund. All campership money goes toward sending girls who need it to camp.

Girl Scouting is a love affair with people, places, things! Be a love - send a gift to Heart of Florida Girl Scout Council Campship Fund, P. O. Box 1434, Lakeland, 33802. Our heartfelt thanks.

Fire Danger At High Peak

Conditions have never been better to have destructive fires. Usually at this time of the year old grass is dry, along with

brush, fallen leaves and dead palmetto, but this year, with our only recent freeze, most plant life is about 100 per cent dry.

Harry Lee's Trailer Village

By Mabel Stocker

Mrs. Zona Uding is a surgical patient at the Winter Haven Hospital. The village washes her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Diehl and granddaughter Shelly of Norristown, Pennsylvania, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Rutz.

Mr. and Mrs. James Frey of Glencoe, Ontario, have returned to their home after visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Parker, Jennifer was also visiting her grandparents.

Harold Ayers was called home to Iowa due to the death of his mother. The village extends their sympathy to the Ayers family.

Twenty-four ladies and guests of the Avon-Vin Social Club sponsored a Tag-a-long party on Wednesday afternoon. Several enjoyable contests were held. Hostesses were Eva Tribbett and May Graper.

To add to the danger, here in the Highlands, winds usually get up a velocity of 15 or 20 miles per hour. These high winds fan a tiny spark into a full scale blaze in a matter of minutes.

With all these conditions against us, extra caution just must be exercised by everyone especially outdoors sportsmen. A special gobbler hunt is

CAR VANDALIZED Royce Chaney, of Avon Park, reported to sheriff's deputies that while his vehicle was parked at Chaney's Used Car Lot Wednesday, vandals scratched the paint job on both sides of his car. Damage was set at \$90.

CB STOLEN Bill Benson, of Avon Park, reported to sheriff's deputies that while his auto was parked at a bar on SH 64 Monday, thieves removed a \$170 CB radio.

H. Lee Burgess, Jr.

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1.94 DISC. PRICE REGULAR SIZE GAMING LBS. SET OF 12	1.77 DISCOUNT PRICE WAS 1.87 1/4 IN. LAUNDRY BASKET Colorful, snap-on plastic with 10 handy loops. Easy to clean.	66¢ WAS 80¢ SHIRT'S ONE-SHOT AUTOMATIC INSECT BOMB 2.97 DISC. PRICE	3.44 DISCOUNT PRICE WAS 3.94 GET A HEADSTART ON FOOT COMFORT IN HOPKINS CASUALS Lightweight & comfortable. In the favorite colors. Men's sizes 1-12.	3.97 SUPER LOW DISCOUNT PRICE SHORT SLEEVE COTTON CHAMBRAY SHIRTS FOR MEN A casual classic for work or play. Blue cotton chambray. 8-14.
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Feb. 17, 1977

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2BR, 1B, cent. A & H, 22 citrus trees, nice.

2BR, 1B, refrigerator & stove overlooking Lake Chilton.

3BR, 2B, built in range, in town.

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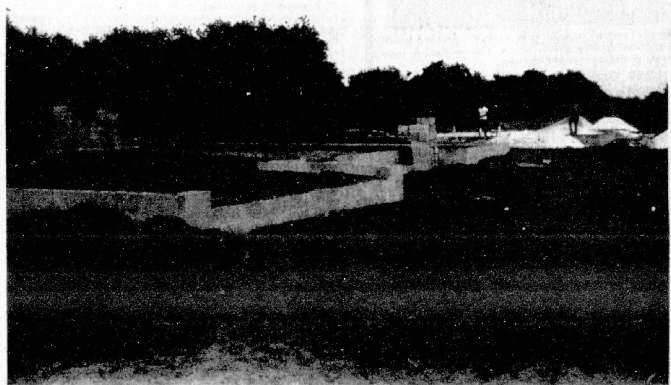
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We are pleased to know that our trusses and many builder supplies are going into houses in 'The Grove' — the first set of trusses will be on this weekend, the 19th. We have been serving builders in 'The Grove' since mid-fifties and with the location that can only be rated 'TOPS' our association will continue for a long time. Our compliments to all participating.

BUTLER & STILL, INC.
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Our association with Realtors in Highlands County dates back to early fifties. Realtors Ed O'Connor and Roy Alexander will no longer have to listen to our plea for lake properties, they have it. We look forward to completion of the first homes in this project to present to many people from this area. Our compliments to the Builders arranging for this outstanding location on Lake Jackson.

OSCAR DOOLEY AND ASSOCIATES,
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It is comforting to know how well we too are serving builders in 'The Grove' building program as evidenced by continuous use of our building supplies. And too — many buyers of their homes do business with us and this speaks well for the kind of service we are giving to warrant the builders' recommendations.

CENTRAL BUILDERS SUPPLY INC.
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Our plumbing experience dates back some 20 years all in Highlands County. We are quite familiar with building locations throughout the county and can say 'The Grove' can't be beat and yes, we will even go so far as to say 'It's the finest in the State'. So many building lots need a lot done before they are fit to build on — not able to meet percolation tests. Not so here.

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Now we can say "Yes, we can take you to Lake Jackson homes and give you that full grown orange tree in your backyard." These are common requests from many customers coming to our offices. Our compliments to the Builders constructing homes in 'The Grove'.

REALTORS VIRGINIA ZINSER, ED O'CONNOR, DAVIS AND ROBERTS, ALEXANDERS AND ASSOCIATES.

Our plumbing experience, extending over the past 25 years, is being used by builders in 'The Grove' housing project. We are pleased to be a part of this 'going concern'. Our compliments to each Builder making this all possible.

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We have been serving builders of 'THE GROVE' continuously since 1958. The reason often expressed for this continuous unbroken service is that no matter the time of day or night or on a Holiday, when service is needed, we are on the job. Our Compliments to each Builder operating 'The Grove' housing project.

WAYNE WHITMIRE,
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