



Mayor Davis:
Brooks Not Cooperating

Brooks Charges Interference By Mayor

Mayor: Brooks 'Incapable'

By George Duncan
In the midst of charges and counter-charges Mayor J. Marshall Davis has suspended Police Chief Robert Brooks. Davis said there was lax administration and mismanagement in the police department.

Chief Brooks called Davis' charges "false accusations" and said Davis had overstepped his authority at times in interfering with the operation of the police department.

"If we have a department head who is not capable of running his department, then we've got to get someone else who is capable," said Davis.

The mayor said he had the backing of three city councilmen. The Avon Park City council must vote whether to sustain Davis' action or reinstate Brooks at its next meeting.

Davis told reporters Friday that "they (the council) plan to back me. The

council and I have worked together fully. We've had no conflicts. I don't make any decisions until I do talk to some of the councilmen because I feel like I owe it to them.

"The man, (Brooks) is not an administrator. This is not a quick decision. I've been working with him for several months. He's not administering the office the way it should be," Davis said.

The mayor had particular criticism because the department was overbudget. According to a six-month budget review, the police department had spent 54 percent of its total budget for the year.

Brooks said he would be at the council meeting "probably with an attorney. Either way this thing needs some investigation. The men are working under too much of a strain." Davis and Brooks differed sharply on several matters relating to the police department.

Brooks said the mayor had ordered him to reduce patrols on "light" nights to save money on gasoline. Davis said he was merely a suggestion and Brooks agreed with it.

"I asked him (Brooks about the light nights) I did not mean for this to be published," said Davis. "Nobody would have known it whatsoever. That was between him and me. Nobody would have known it was day, night or any other time. Undoubtedly he resented it. He came before the council Monday night. It seemed like he was doing it in a way that might belittle me."

Brooks said he had "openly objected" to the idea of reducing patrols.

"The first night there were three dwellings broken into. Two nights later two more breaking and enterings. That's more B and E's than we've had all year within a two-week period," said Brooks.

The mayor said Brooks tended to

ignore him and the council and would do things his own way, ignoring the chain of command in the city. Davis said he was also concerned about the high turnover rate on the police force and said he felt councilmen were concerned about it also.

"When a man will not cooperate with me, something has got to be done," Davis said.

Brooks said whenever he received an order from the mayor he obeyed it.

However, Brooks accused Davis of overstepping his authority on more than one occasion. Brooks said the mayor had asked officers be suspended for some alleged infraction like "ticketing one of the mayor's friends."

"I told him to give me the names of who made complaints. If there was any action warranted, then I would take it. But I refused to take action after hearing



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AN ACCIDENT AT Manatee Road and Memorial Blvd., last Wednesday, staged by Civil Defense created near panic for some people as they heard the news over CB Radio and word of mouth that a bus

full of children had turned over with many persons hurt. The mock accident had many people making a special trip to the scene as ambulances raced to hospitals with the made-up accident

victims. This scene caused near panic among many citizens as they heard about and first saw the surprise Civil Defense staged accident.

County To Aid Repairs At Airport After Tornado

Highlands County Commissioners, who provided assistance to Sebring Airport in the past, have agreed to give more aid by helping clean up some of the mess left by the May 4 tornado.

Commissioners have offered the services of county crews to assist in cutting up fallen trees and in salvaging concrete blocks that have been scattered about the airport grounds.

Ren Jesters, airport director, sought aid from the board last week and then met with Gordon Hays Jr., county engineer, to see what aid the county might provide. Hays said the uprooted bridge, which had spanned the race course, would best be repaired by skilled welders. He said the county doesn't have the type of personnel needed to reconstruct the bridge.

Commissioner Robert Skipper, who moved that the county help in cleaning up trees and the blocks, objected to involving county workers in extensive rebuilding efforts. He pointed out the county agreed to call for bids on several road projects last week because there isn't enough time for crews to tend to all the county's needs.

Schering has also agreed to provide clean up help and Betty Neale, Sebring Chamber of Commerce executive director, said there was a meeting Saturday of civic group representatives who are interested in providing volunteer workers for airport cleanup.

Following a suggestion from Commissioner Cecil Skipper, the board agreed to allow the NAACP to use an empty county office building on Delaney Ave. Utilities must be paid for by the NAACP and the organization must also provide upkeep.

The board unanimously approved the agreement at Tuesday's regular meeting. The agreement allows the county to give a 30-day notice to vacate, if it needs the building in the future.

Several public hearing dates were scheduled by the board.

On June 13 there's to be a hearing on a proposed ordinance for a special assessment district to be created in Placid Lakes. Residents there are asking a \$10 annual per lot assessment to give

City Asks For Citizens Help In Trash Pickup

Cooperation of citizens in the handling of garbage and trash has been requested by Superintendent John Ziegler.

Ziegler cited instances where broken glass has been put in plastic garbage bags causing the collectors to suffer cuts on their hands. Also, all limbs must be cut into lengths of four feet or less for city pickup.

The city will pick up old furniture,

appliances, etc. but this usually done as a special pickup.

Trash not collected by the City crew must be carried to the County transfer station where they will accept up to six bags for a .50 cents fee.

Trash not bagged must be taken to the Highlands County Landfill at DeSoto City.

Only Woman Sports Editor In State

Derkman Unique Sports Reporter



Lucy Derkman
No Criticism

The only woman sports editor in the state of Florida says actually she "really isn't a reporter."

Lucy Derkman of Avon Park Sun belongs to what could possibly be the smallest minority in the nation; sports editors who happen to be women. She is the only one in the state and one of the few in the nation.

However she says, in the strict sense of the word, she is not a journalist.

"One of my policies is not to criticize. I can't say a kid has done something bad. And I don't like to criticize coaches, even if I think they have done something wrong. So maybe I'm not really a reporter," said Mrs. Derkman.

The latest statement might get her into an argument with some of the students and coaches whose athletic activities she has been covering off and on for over 20 years.

She came by the profession naturally. First as a physical education teacher who came to Avon Park in 1952 and second as a sports enthusiast herself.

However, the main reason she began writing about the sports she liked was to ensure the students received the recognition she thought they deserved.

"I want to all the games. I wanted to write it up for the kids, to make sure all the accounts were right and accurate. I wanted to make sure all the games were reported correctly."

Although she has been reporting baseball, basketball, football and other types of games accurately for over two decades, she admits her stories are, in one sense, biased.

The opposing team usually gets overshadowed by the hometown Red Devils. However, partisan fan which she admits she is, Mrs. Derkman believes most of her readers like her that way, giving emphasis to local stories.

"I know the stories are slanted slightly. But I think people want to read about their teams and their players," she said.

The emphasis and involvement with

of the law. According to Assistant Attorney General Sharyn Smith, a specialist in the sunshine law, if the city charter states the mayor is the chief executive officer then "he would probably not be subject to the state sunshine law."

Ms. Smith said, in that case, the mayor would be analogous to a city manager who may talk to councilmen privately. He would be a part of the executive branch of the government and exempt from the sunshine law even though he is an elected official, she said.

Previous opinions from the attorney's general's office have indicated that such officials as city manager may not act as a conduit for opinions of city councilmen and may not pass on the opinion of one

city councilman to another.

The city charter of Avon Park does not specifically state whether or not the mayor is the chief executive officer. However, he does perform many of the duties of such an official.

Regardless of whether the state attorney decides to pursue an investigation, Accorsi and Kelley said they would represent Brooks at the next city council meeting. The city council must vote on whether to sustain or overrule Davis' action.

Davis has slapped a gag order over all city policemen. Several sources, both inside and outside the department, said patrolmen had been given "direct orders" not to talk to reporters.



Captain Frank Cratty has been appointed the temporary acting Police Chief by Mayor J. Marshall Davis. Captain Cratty has had five years of experience with the Avon Park Police Force and a total of nine years of law enforcement experience. In his five years on the force, Captain Cratty worked his way up from patrolman to his present rank.

No City Taxes Set For Debt Service This Year

The city of Avon Park may not be out of debt but it's closer to that goal than it was a year ago. For the first time in 30 years citizens

will not be taxed for debt service on general obligation bonds. In fact, when the bonds are paid off in 1983, the city will have approximately a \$30,000 surplus.

City Clerk Malcolm Cewes said the present city investments will yield enough interest to pay off the city's general obligation bonds. The final installment on the bonds, which are a 30-year issue, will be in 1983.

Last year the city leveled .6 of a mill to cover the debt service requirements of the bonds.

Cewes said these were general obligation bonds and not the city sewer bonds, which are a 40-year issue.

The city still owes \$278,000 in principal and \$11,858 in interest on the bonds, which were issued in 1946 and refinanced in 1960.

Current city investments, which will come due from 1978 to 1980, will yield approximately \$347,000. However, any surplus from the debt service tax cannot be used for other city expenditures.

Any funds received from the debt service tax must go to pay off the bonds, Cewes said. "What the city would be with the extra money was a 'legal question', he said.

The bonds were first issued in 1946 to help pay off debts incurred by building the city mall, parks and other areas. The bonds had to be refinanced in 1960.

Cewes said the city should not pay off the bonds now because, while city investments were at an interest rate of six to seven percent, interest on the bonds was only 3.75 percent.



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... Only Praise

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State Attorney Should Investigate

Avon Park City Councilmen got exactly what they wanted, or at least three of them did, and now they are in the position of being hoisted on their own petard.

The council, despite controversy and postponements, passed an innocuous ordinance, officially entitled Ordinance Number 631 which set forth the procedures of hiring and firing city department heads.

However, as the events regarding the suspension of Police Chief Robert Brooks by Mayor Marshall Davis shows, the ordinance the council wanted so badly has a few flaws in it. Flaws which Mayor Davis took advantage of.

The whole mishmash of events surrounding Brooks' suspension was somewhat chaotic and, there is a temptation to say, unnecessary.

First of all, Chief Brooks appeared before the councilmen at the last city council meeting. He asked them very directly, in language which was polite yet quite distinct, if they had any complaints about the police department.

Chief Brooks said he wanted any complaints aired, and rightly so. Only one complaint was openly aired by Mayor Davis. If the incident was one, which is somewhat of a public still doesn't know, the two officers involved should have been reprimanded.

Davis had other complaints about the department, complaints which he said he would go over with Chief Brooks the next day. Just four days after the meeting Brooks was suspended for reasons which, officially, the public still doesn't know.

If there are valid and legitimate reasons for the suspension then, of course, the action taken by the mayor should be upheld by the city council. However, there are several items regarding the matter which are rather disturbing.

First, if the police department was in such poor shape, why wasn't this brought out at the council meeting, when Chief Brooks specifically asked for any complaints regarding him?

Secondly, in the notice of suspension which Mayor Davis handed to the chief of police, there were no reasons stated. The mayor used the rationale the new city ordinance did not call for reasons until the next council meeting.

Legally, he is absolutely correct. However, morally, a man deserves to know why he is being, in effect, fired. More over, as a public official who is running a vitally important department in the city, the police, he has an interest in why the man was suspended.

Council members, at the next council meeting, are supposed to decide on whether to uphold the mayor's decision or reinstate Brooks. Yet how can they make a proper decision if they don't hear both sides of the story? And how do they expect to hear both sides of the story unless Brooks' attorneys know what charges are being pressed against their client?

What the mayor should have done is to have prepared a list of charges and presented them to Brooks and to all city councilmen. Then everyone involved would know exactly what complaints will be leveled at the police chief.

This action would have also allowed the public to know what is going on in an important city department.

However, instead of shedding light on the matter, Mayor Davis decided to leave

it in murky grayness until the council meeting.

Granted, many people do not want to become involved in any particular public issue. The mayor has said repeatedly that some people have expressed their complaints about the department because of his promise of confidentiality.

However, when a man's job is on the

Editorial

line and when the moral and structure of the police department is being discussed, facts are needed. Not rumors, gossip, allegations, complaints or petty grievances, but facts.

Everytime the police arrests a man and charges him with a crime, witnesses are needed who will testify, under oath, that the individual is guilty of a crime. The witnesses no doubt find it uncomfortable to testify but such action is needed if a conviction is obtain.

Such basic rights as the right to confront your accuser should also be extended to policemen and not simply to those they arrest.

There may be quite serious allegations against the police chief, allegations which should draw the attention of the whole council. There could be. But because the mayor has seen fit not to reveal the official charges, the public is still in the dark.

The most disturbing accusation to come from this whole matter is the charge city officials disobeyed the sunshine law, which has become the foundation for how local governments should operate.

The mayor said he had talked to three councilmen who said they would support him in his move to oust the chief. Later Davis charged his story to say a councilman had talked to other councilmen and told him he would have council backing.

Either way, the whole matter is questionable. And right on the border of the sunshine law. If not in the shade entirely.

The three councilmen who allegedly said they would support Davis had remained silent at the council meeting when Brooks asked for complaints. They were in effect, telling Brooks they had no substantive complaints. Then four days later, are apparently ready to fire him.

It's difficult to find logic in such actions even after examining them with a high powered microscope.

Two councilmen reacted to the situation with a bit of wisdom. Both Council President Larry Albright and Councilman David Barefield said they would not commit themselves until they have heard what charges were brought against the chief.

That was the sole exception to the general confusion surrounding the event. There is definitely enough questions to warrant a investigation by the state attorney.

Assistant State Attorney Tom Gallagher should begin an investigation into this matter to see if the mayor and three city officials violated the sunshine law and, if they did, take the appropriate action.

In this case, there is no doubt of the charges.

Avon Park Needs Stronger Board

Editor:

As a Highlands County taxpayer, not only home but business, I am getting sick of the financial aid towards the Junior College Auditorium, yet we see the Sebring Chamber of Commerce claiming the Junior College in their brochure.

Maybe we in Avon Park need a little stronger representation on our County Commissioners Board and better attendance from this end of the county by taxpayers at the meetings. It's high time we pay more attention to how our tax dollars are being spent.

Indigent Taxpayer,

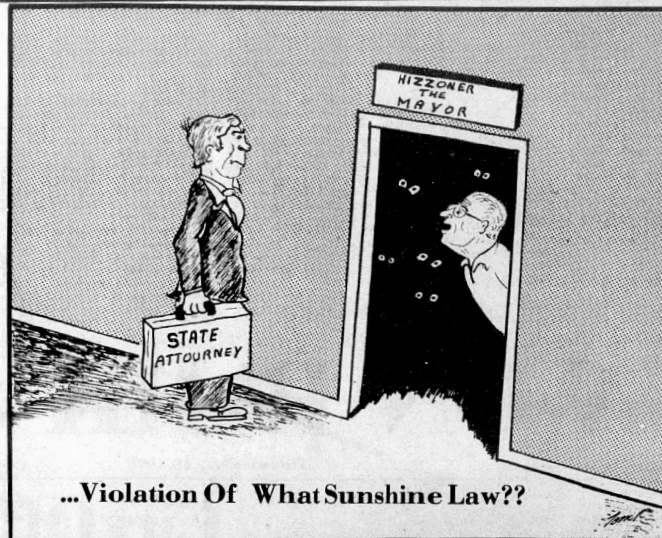
Don't Bring Child

Editor:

What would you think of an incident when a parent calls a doctors office and tells the nurse he has a child with the flu, and the nurse said don't bring him out here if he has the flu.

This happened in an Avon Park doctor's office.

Charles E. Carlson



Our Readers Opinions

Writer Makes Last Contribution To Band

To the Editor:

It's shame more taxpayers and voters were not present at the band banquet last Tuesday night.

It began with the usual prayer, thanking God for the past years bounty, and asking His blessings over everyone, real Christian like.

The food was good, supplied by the parents of band members. Then came the time for presentation of awards. A few were given out for deserving individuals who helped out a lot over the past year.

An award was given to Della M. Stephens, my mom, for her efforts towards forming a bag-pipe section in the band. Through her efforts, local merchants donated funds to obtain the pipes, kilts, etc. and for this she got an award. Little did the merchants know that after the necessary funds were collected, a small clique from the Band Parents Association formed and decided she wasn't needed anymore and so asked her to stay away. She stepped back, asked us not to say or do anything for fear of hurting the band, so we stayed quiet.

BUT NOT ANYMORE.

I was never more ashamed of a group of adults than I was of some of the Band Parents at the banquet. I saw parents joking, snickering and snickering while the band director was trying to make presentations. I was shocked to see one of them was an elected official I supported, and after seeing this, I will not do so again.

The new band director, Scott Whittemore, came here to replace Vic Mickunas. He stepped into the shoes of a good director, but let us not forget that Mickunas was not perfect nor a saint. How quick they forgot the errors of Mickunas and let them pass, yet quickly jumped on the mistakes of Whittemore. Sure he made some mistakes, this was his first assignment from college. How many of us who are on our jobs daily for years and don't make mistakes? Yes he got mad, I would too if my gas tank had been filled with sugar causing me to have to buy a new car, then having it splashed with eggs and tobacco spit all over it. I knew all this, but once again let it pass for fear of hurting the band.

BUT NOT ANYMORE.

Scott Whittemore requested an award be given to a Junior at the banquet. The trophy's cost was nominal. Yet, a clique in the band parents association decided no, notified the trophy supplier not to send it, so it didn't show up. Scott finally took all he could from them, and I'm sure after much deep thought, he decided to leave the banquet. If it would have been more a man I would have followed. I tell myself I didn't leave because I had a brother, a senior, who was to receive some awards naturally I wanted to see him get them. But an excuse is just that, an excuse, and principles are principles.

Scott Whittemore, I applaud you and respect you for your decision, for you are the only one who has taken the steps to buck the clique. You, the one who has suffered from their bite for a year, having members of this small clique taking of having you removed from your position after only being here for less than eight weeks, you who had most to lose, took a stand.

When Scott Whittemore was the right person for the job or not, that does not excuse the rudeness, the harsh

rumors, the damage done to his personal property, the total invasion of his private life, or the utter turmoil his life has been since coming here, done mainly by a small clique inside the Band Parents Association.

Whittemore must have been qualified, otherwise the job would not have been given to him in the first place. I'm just sorry the band parents and students reacted in such a way, but we should not really blame the students for they were only mimicking the things their parents said and did at home.

Those parents, the ones who seem to have an influence on our elected officials, even brag about the influence, but I will remember that election time comes around. I did not think some of these officials would be the way they are, I voted for them myself not dreaming of

this, but power seems to destroy even in a small position.

So today I make my last contribution to the band. The trophy Whittemore wanted for the Junior band member has been paid for by myself. To Scott Whittemore I make this pledge, I will not support any actions taken by the band until the powers that be, the small clique that has taken over control of the band, has been put in their place, and the Band Parents Association once again begins to support the band directors and the bands activities, not legislate decisions and actions that the director is supposed to make. Until that time, I know I can sleep with my conscience clear and pray to my God in confidence. Heaven only knows how they can.

Sincerely,
Mel Williams

Chief Has Right To Know Accusers

Editor:

On Monday, May 15, 1978, Our Honorable Mayor, J. Marshall Davis issued his Suspension Letter to Our Chief of Police, Stating that He had many Complaints from Many People complaining about the operation of the City of Avon Park Police Department. Stating that HE (Our Honorable Mayor) Would not divulge the Names of those who complained, for the Fear of Said Citizens against Retaliation from the Police Department. Mr. Mayor are you aware of the U.S. Constitution that assures that Every Accused person accused of any Crime or charges will have to Right to Face his or her accuser. So on Monday Night, May 21, 1978, Will the Honorable Mayor have the Accuser's ready to face the accused (Chief of Police Robert Brooks) In the last several years this Secret Accuser method has been used by not only our Mayor but Two Councilmen.

In A Court of Law in this Great Country, we are granted the right to sit Face to Face with our accuser's, and let A Jury or City Council and the Accused hear all of the Facts. And then the DELIBERATION IS THE RENDERED, Guilty or Not Guilty. Honorable Mayor, being the Christian You are Supposed to be will you do likewise. A Complaint given by such secrecy by anyone who will not stand up and identify Himself or Himself is not worthy of Consideration.

Recently Our Governing Body has seen fit not to accept Written Complaints against other Department Head's. Mister Mayor do you still remember Your Days in the Avon Park Post Office, there are plenty of others WHO DO.

No one is P-E-R-F-E-C-T, This is a free

Country, Not a Dictatorship Rein. What our Police Department real trouble is MAYOR-ITS, But Thank God we have Five Elected Councilmen who will also have their say in this matter. To Our Voting Citizens there is such an action as another City Took lately. A RECALL ELECTION. LET THE PEOPLE SPEAK. Chief Robert Brooks you have nothing to be ashamed of, But are to be commended for a Job WELL DONE. The only mistake you made was to step on the wrong toes, and that is a NO-NO in this City. Pray for Our Mayor, and may he Let You Run Your Police Department according to the Rules and Regulations as Laid Out. I am Sorry YOUR HONOR I do not want the Newspaper to Sign My Name to this letter as I AM AFRAID OF POSSIBLE RETALIATION FROM YOUR HONOR. HOW DOES THE SHOE FIT NOW BEING IT IS ON YOUR FOOT NOW.

CONCERNED CITIZEN

Wants Check On Tax Spending

Dear Editor:

I think it is high time that the taxpayers (city and County) should keep a closer check on how our tax dollars are being spent. It is a crime when our tax money is spent on 5 ball complexes (we already had 3), equipment to maintain the grounds (they planted grass that required heavier machinery than what they owned), Sebring Race Track, plus other sports and entertainment facilities.

When it comes to the health and welfare of the citizens, both city and county officials, turned thumbs down because they claim they cannot afford to buy spraying equipment, even though it would mean saving lives. Yet they spend thousands of dollars every year on the upkeep of these sports facilities.

It could happen that one or more of their loved ones will be bitten by one of these mosquitoes and it might make them wonder if the spraying equipment and chemicals were too expensive.

For one, along with a number of other citizens and the taxpayers I have discussed this with, feel that our city and county need new blood in our city hall and county courthouse. In up-coming elections we are going to try to put new blood in high elected places - until all the old blood has been replaced. We need officials that consider the health and general welfare of the citizens and taxpayers in our community, that put them in office, instead of sports and entertainment facilities.

An irate citizen, taxpayer.



Test For Journalists

Ever since the film "All The President's Men" opened, there has been heavy increase in the numbers of students who want to be journalists. Presently they are cramming the journalism schools at universities across the land.

However it takes a very special type of person to be a journalist. Psychiatrists call these types "neurotics" and often "border-line schizophrenics." However, that has not decreased the number of would-be journalists.

Since it is a rather strange profession I've devised a quiz which I think journalism schools should use to weed out potential journalists from those who would never make it in the profession. The most important thing in journalism is:

(a) Having a good, strong lead in your story.
(b) Making sure your story is accurate and correct.

(c) Finding a job on a newspaper which is close to a bar.

2. If someone strongly criticizes a story you have written you should:

(a) Get into an argument with the critic.
(b) Go back over your story to see if he is correct.

(c) Ignore him. He's only the publisher. What does he know?

3. If someone offers you a \$50,000 bribe you should:

(a) Immediately report him to the police.
(b) String him along so you'll get a good story.

(c) Thank your lucky stars and buy a one-way ticket to Argentina.

4. You are at a city council meeting at the press table while the council is debating an issue of paramount importance to the city. Which comment are you most likely to hear?

(a) If they pass this proposal, it will bankrupt the city. You can't tax over eight mills. Look at this figure.

(b) They have to do it now or it will be five years before the DOT can put another road in. It's a do-or-die proposal.

(c) They already over their heads with general obligation bonds. They don't have enough C.D.'s and Treasury Bills to pull them out of it.

(d) Did you see her legs? Fantastic!

5. Before writing a feature story, you will need to do what to ensure it will be a good story?

(a) Part research, part in-depth interview.

(b) Part interviews, part personal experience.

(c) Take one part gin, one part vermouth and wing it.

6. The one cardinal rule of journalism is:

(a) Never make up a quote.

(b) Never mistake facts.

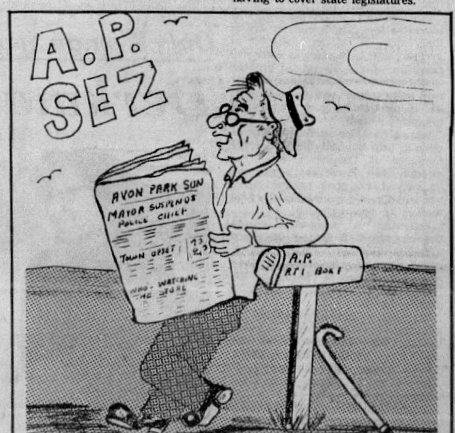
(c) Never call your editor a klutz.

7. In Journalism the mortality rate is relatively high. In other words, journalists die at a younger age than persons in other professions. Why is this?

(a) It's an emotionally draining profession.

(b) Science has not yet found a cure for cirrhosis of the liver.

(c) Researchers are not sure but they believe it has something to do with having to cover state legislatures.



Well...The Mayor Has Taken The Bull By The Tail... You Know What He's Facing!!!

Princess Pageant To Be Held This Saturday May 20

The Annual Winter Haven Mail Princess Pageant will be held on Saturday, May 20, beginning at 11:00 a.m.

Four Division will compete for the Winter Haven Mail title and winners in each category will be eligible for state competition. The Florida State Pageant will be held in August.

Judging will be based on beauty, poise, personality and modeling. Winners in each division will receive a trophy crown, and banner, plus other prizes.

Pageant regulations are: Contestants must live within 50 miles of pageant location. No props allowed (hats, parasols, etc.). Directors reserve the right to refuse a contestant when they feel it is not eligible. Entry fee for the pageant is \$17.00.

Division include: Teeny, age 3-4; Little Miss, age 7-10; Miss, age 11-13; Miss, age 14-17.

Competition attire: Teeny wear long dress. For entries and information and Little Miss wear short contact; Joyce Knowles, 283-party dress; Jr. Miss and Miss 1174.

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Judge Mark H. Richardson, Jr. was chosen as Boss Of The Year and presented a plaque at the Legal Secretaries Annual Installation Banquet Saturday.



Nancy Joy Smith

Smith Graduates With Honors

Nancy Joy Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Smith of Avon Park Lakes will be graduating from Forest Lake Academy, Forest City, Saturday night May 20.

She is finishing as an honor student, has been a member of the Wind Ensemble, Girls Club Treasurer, and has been accepted in the fall nursing class of Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tenn.

Brush Fire Smokes Out Residents

Many residents living on the east side of the Seaboard Coastline Railroad tracks were nearly smoked out of their homes Monday, May 15 when breezes carried the smoke of a large brush fire across the tracks and into their yards.

Avon Park Fire Chief Mack Flowers stated that he had no idea how the fire on the Seaboard Coastline Railroad property started, but he said, "This area burns just about every summer."

After the fire was reported at 5 p.m., by a resident in the neighborhood of the burning area, it took several hours to extinguish the flames Chief Flowers reported.

Four firemen used a mini-pumper and a tank truck to extinguish the flames in the three-block area.



In old India, coral was supposed to ward off the effects of too much sun.

Homemakers Council To Meet At Agri-Civic Center

The Highlands County Extension Homemakers Council will meet at the Agri-Civic Center, Tuesday at 10 a.m.

Mrs. Pat Karl, a representative of the New Testament Mission, will speak on the "Share and Care" program in Highlands County. Incoming officers for 1978-79 will be installed by Mrs. Betty Bolin of Punta Gorda, formerly of Sebring. She is a past president of the Sebring club and the State Extension Homemakers Council.

There will be a covered dish luncheon following the meeting and members are requested to bring their own table service. The program, starting at 1 p.m., has been arranged by Evelyn Waters, international program chairman. The public is invited.

Custom Car and Van Show May 21

Winter Haven Mall will proudly present the Pontiac Custom Car and Van Show, May 19 thru May 21, during regular mall hours.

Displayed during this three day event will be the Custom Trans Van Mini Motor homes. These homes are the newest in motor homes and can be customized to your specifications.

Most popular now is the Trans Am, a super sports vehicle. Displayed during the Custom Car and Van Show will be the Trans Am designer series. For the latest in modernized custom designed sports cars, don't miss these Custom Trans Am designer models on display at Winter Haven Mall.

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Adress, of Sebring, announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Frances, to Reid S. son of Chaplain and Mrs. Warren B. Wall, of Avon Park.

The bride-elect is employed in the meat department at Thriftway. The future bridegroom is attending South Florida Junior College and is employed at Dr. Faust Optometry.

The wedding is scheduled for July 30.



Danny DuBose

DuBose Graduates With Honors

Danny DuBose, son of Pastor and Mrs. R.E. DuBose of the Walker Memorial Seventh-day Adventist Church will be graduating from Forest Lake Academy, Forest City, Saturday night, May 20 with a 4 point GPA.

Congratulations Danny. Prem will be Danny's course of study next year at Southern Missionary College.

Silver Haired To Meet

Wednesday, May 24, is election day for senior citizens who wish to choose the participants in Florida's first Silver-haired Legislature.

Only one race is involved for the voters of Highlands, Hardee and Polk counties who will select a senator to represent them in a mock legislative session in July. The representative for this district, Ruth Hodges of Wauchula, is without opposition.

Two Lakeland women, Helen Sousa and Betty George, are vying for the senate seat.

The Silver-haired Legislature is a project developed and funded by Florida Department of Health and Rehabilitative (HRS). The Florida League of Women Voters is working with HRS staff in conducting the caucuses at which candidates were chosen and in holding the elections.

Candidates elected next week will participate in a mock Legislature at the Capitol in Tallahassee, July 10-14. That session will be similar to the Boys and Girls State programs held annually for high school students.

Any resident of this area who is 60 years of age or older is eligible to cast a ballot in the election. The voter need not be registered to vote in regular elections here, but must be prepared to offer some proof of age.

Highlands County Elections Supervisor Jimmy Whitehouse will be conducting the election at his office at the Commerce Street Annex of the county courthouse. Votes may be cast anytime between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. May 24.

Credit Women Holds Meeting

The Credit Women International of Highlands County will be in recess until fall.

The last meeting was held on May 8, at Howard Johnsons in Sebring. The group voted to donate a portion of the fashion show proceeds to the American Red Cross, which will remain in the Highlands County Chapter.

Another \$50 donation was given to the American Heart Fund.



Gladys Taylor was chosen as Secretary Of The Year and presented a plaque at last Saturday's legal secretaries annual banquet.



Myron Lee Donesky

Donesky Graduates

Myron Lee Donesky, age 16, will be one of the 100 senior students receiving graduation diplomas from Forest Lake Academy, Forest City, Saturday night, May 20.

Myron is not only one of the youngest of the graduating seniors in his class but is on the honor roll, in the high honor category. In addition to this he has been chosen to be one out of 10 of his class to be a member of the National Honor Society. These are chosen on the basis of grade point average, service, leadership, and character. These Honor Society students are outstanding in all four areas.

Myron has been a member of the school band and also the Wind Ensemble. He won the school's blue ribbon and set a new record in the back stroke swimming competition. He also took third place in the free style swimming meet.

Myron's first six years of school were spent in Palatka. Grades 7-10 were completed at Highlands Lake Junior Academy here in Avon Park. Myron plans to continue his education at Southern Missionary College, Collegedale, Tenn., preparing for a career in the medical profession. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Donesky, employees of Walker Memorial Hospital.



Lyle Halvorsen

Halvorsen Graduates From Academy

Lyle Halvorsen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Halvorsen of Avon Park Lakes will be graduating Saturday night, May 20 from Forest Lake Academy, Forest City, as President of the senior class, Band President, member of the student senate, and Boys Club officer. He has been captain of the football, soccer, and baseball teams.

The students have voted him "most dependable and most friendly" of the senior class and the faculty has awarded him "Man of the Year" which means that as an all-around student he ranked tops.

Other students graduating from Avon Park are John Oliver, son of Mrs. Peggy Noll; and Edward Prado, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Prado.

Our congratulations to each of these fine young people.



Wayne Roger Homes

Mr. and Mrs. Billy F. Homes of Whitmire, S.C. is proud to announce the birth of a son Wayne Roger, born on March 22.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Wayne C. Royce of Whitmire, S.C.

The paternal grandparents are Mr. Thomas Homes of Avon Park, and Mrs. Buck Baker of Whitmire, S.C.

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PEOPLE and EVENTS

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by Betty Amburn
Society Editor

Hibiscus Garden Club Holds Meeting

President Jamie Sawyer opened the Hibiscus Garden Club meeting, May 11 at the home of Helen Ginn. Seventeen members and one guest, Carole Dibler, were present. Carole is a resident of Pittsburgh, Penn., is visiting her friend, Mrs. Vera Davis of this city.

Imogene Kelsey led the devotional, title, "Getting Involved", with scriptures readings from Mark 1 verses 40-45.

The secretary read a "thank you" note from Ethel Rutherford, for the honor bestowed upon her by Hibiscus Garden Club, to become an honorary life member of the club, and for the hibiscus plant, which she plans to use in the landscaping of her new home in Plant City.

The president also read a note of resignation from Maggie Ferguson. Hibiscus Circle accepted her resignation from the Garden Club, with deep regret, and with hope that some day she may become a member again.

The president announced the appointment of Pearl Castine, to fill the vacancy, for the coming year, as corresponding secretary of the Hibiscus Circle, vacated by Maggie Ferguson.

President Sawyer gave a detailed description of the new book on science which the city library bought with the donation of money from the club. It is a wonderful book which everyone should read.

At the close of the business meeting, the President introduced the guest speaker, Ronald Lambert Sr., of Wauchula, the owner of Buckhorn Nursery and a professional, commercial, and

residential landscape gardener.

Lambert showed three massive sketches of his drawings on landscaping. He made a very interesting talk, emphasizing the importance of plantings. He stated that the right kind of plants and trees, planted in the right position, increased the value of your property and that property has a better sale market when well landscaped.

It is hoped that he will be available again for some garden club programs, and can give other interesting lectures.

After adjournment, members and guests gathered in the dining room where Imogene Kelsey offered prayer. The social hour was highlighted by delicious refreshments of sausage and cheese biscuits, and an assortment of cookies, nuts, and punch.

President Sawyer served at the punch bowl, which was surrounded with a circle of magnolia blossoms. Other flower arrangements were white shasta daisies, softened by sprays of baby breath and ferns. There was also an arrangement of colorful gerbera daisies with podocarpus greenery.

Hesitates for the meeting with Helen Guinn, were Carrie McGiboney and Bessie Fillmore.

Marriage Licenses

Ronald Shelton Perrell, 28, Avon Park, and Robin Lynn Tharpe, 19, Avon Park.

Billy Frank Pearce, 37, Sebring, and Julie Sprague Herper, 35, Sebring.

Ernest Lee Mills, 30, Avon Park, and Merial Carnegie Mosley, 28, Tampa.

Douglas Eugene Bash, 29, Avon Park, and Thelma Carol Tomlinson, 21, Avon Park.



Cradle Roll

Mr. and Mrs. John Mark Clyatt of Sebring announce the birth of a son, Jason Lee, born May 10, at Walker Memorial Hospital weighing, 8 lbs. 8 oz. Mr. and Mrs. Fermin Cobos of Zolfo Springs announce the birth of a daughter, Estela, born May 10, at Walker Memorial Hospital weighing 6 lbs. 2 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Francisco Navarro of Wauchula announce the birth of a daughter, Suzana Nollme, born May 9, at Walker Memorial Hospital weighing 8 lbs. 12 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Miguel C. Martinez of Zolfo Springs, announce the birth of twins born May 9 at Walker Memorial Hospital. Delores Lopez weighed 6 lbs. 8 oz., and Olga Lopez weighed 5 lbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Randy Gillis, born May 5, at Walker Memorial hospital weighing 7 lbs. 8 oz.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Hawthorne, Jr. of Lake Placid announce the birth of a son, Christopher Tommy Lee, born May 6, at Walker Memorial Hospital weighing 6 lbs. 10 oz.

Happy Birthday



Happy Birthday

We would like to wish the following people celebrating birthdays this week a big "Happy Birthday."

May 18- Mrs. Louise Birt, Mrs. Margaret Cribb, Patty Goff, Kenneth Light, Mrs. Lillie Mae Wynn, and Clifford Singletary.

May 19 - Kari Long and Pauline Tondoe.

May 20 - Earl E. Burns, Jr., Joe Strickler, Laura Carmichael, Darren Kopta, and Sara Mann.

May 21- Desmond Albritton, Dan L. Davis, D.M. Earnest, Oscar Rigdon, Lawrence Robinson, Jurelle Mosley, Sally Wright, and D.M. Earnest.

May 22 - Evelyn Carlisle, Mrs. P. T. Carlisle, Pamela Wooten, Audrey Bennett, and Erlene Tys.

May 23 - Mrs. L.W. Wicker, Mrs. L.A. Todd, and W.R. Reckley, Jr.

May 24 - John Palsgrove, and Allen Hornbaker.

If you have a friend or loved one that will be having a birthday soon, call us so that we may add their name to our birthday list.

Noaker - Crews To Wed May 27

Cheryl Lynn Noaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne R. Noaker and Dennis Mark Crews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Crews will be married on Saturday, May 27 at 7:30 p.m. in the First Baptist Church of Avon Park.

A reception will follow immediately in the Church Social Hall.

All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Tomlinson - Bash Weds May 6

Mrs. Carolyn Thullberry announces the marriage of her daughter Thelma Tomlinson, to Douglas Bash. The nuptial vows were spoken on Saturday, May 6.



Patsy Karen Lamb

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lamb of Avon Park are happy to announce the engagement of their daughter, Patsy Karen, to Gary Raymond Crowe, son of Mrs. Richard Thomas of Plant City and Mr. Jim Crowe of Macon, Ga.

Karen is a 1976 graduate of Avon Park High School and a graduate of Lakeland Business College. She is presently employed as a legal secretary in the state's attorney's office in Bartow.

Raymond is a 1973 graduate of Plant City High School, after which he attended Hillsborough Community College. He is presently employed by W. R. Grace Corp. in Bartow.

The wedding is to be held on Saturday, June 17, at the First Assembly of God Church, at 7:30 p.m. A reception will follow in the church social hall.

All friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

Couple Announces Engagement

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NEWLY ELECTED officers of the Highlands County Legal Secretaries Association were installed on office, Saturday,

May 13, at their 5th Annual Installation Of Officers Banquet, held at Ailyn's Restaurant in Sebring, R to L

Nikki Smith, president; Jan Howard, vice-president; Pat Strickland, secretary and treasurer; Gladys Taylor,

governor; and Ida Dorman, NALS representative. Sun-photo by Betty Amburn.

Highlands County Legal Secretaries Holds Banquet

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The Highlands County Legal Secretaries Association held its 5th annual installation of officers banquet May 13, at Ailyn's Restaurant in Sebring.

Guest speaker, Gordon Hayes a Highlands County chief engineer, presented a complete outline as to the various departments of the road & bridge division, their

President and Treasurer: Pat Strickland, Secretary: Gladys Taylor, Governor: and Ida Dorman, NALS representative. Sun-photo by Betty Amburn.

Local Grange Honors

Fullmer On 91st Birthday

Avon Park Grange No. 203 met Tues. May 9, in the Women's Club House with Past Master Ralph Fullmer presiding.

Sunshine chairman, June Fullmer, reported Elmer Fullmer was celebrating his 91st birthday and asked all members to be sure to sign the birthday card for him. Louise Clark is reported feeling some better and sent her thanks for flowers, cards, and telephone calls from the Grange.

Conservation committee reported that Albert Carey has volunteered to water the shrubs around the club house.

The lecturer, Gertrude Slocum, prepared an excellent program honoring mothers. The songs "I Want A Girl, Just Like The Girl That Married Dear Old Dad" was sung by the Grange. A poem, "Dedication to Mothers" was read by Gertrude, followed by another reading "She didn't Do Much Today" by Bessie Trude. Dora Robinson sang a beautiful solo "What a Friend We Have in Mother." An amusing poem "Ma and Her Checkbook" was read by Lillian Seeger. Alma Doty read several short compositions written by second graders on "What Is Mother?"

Class Of '58 To Hold Reunion

The Avon Park High School Class of '58 will hold their 20th Year Reunion On July 1, with a dinner and dance at the Elks Club in Sebring and On July 2, a family picnic at the Avon Park Correctional Institution Recreational Park.

A booklet is being compiled as a memento of the reunion and the classmates are urged to complete their form and return to Mrs. Barbara Perez Cribb P.O. Box 189, Avon Park, Fla. 33825.

All Class mates have been contacted but one, Anyone knowing the address of Mae Ann Hunter, or anyone that could be contacted who might know her address please call 453-4585.

There were thirteen sisters and seven brothers present. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake, jello, mints, nuts, and fruit punch was served by Alma Doty and Edith Martensen.

Welch's Celebrate 55th Anniversary Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welch celebrated their 55th wedding anniversary with a surprise party given for them by members of the Avon Park Church of Christ, last Sunday.

Frank and Rosa Welch were married on May 6, 1923 while sitting in a Model T Ford, just outside of Alamo, Tenn. at a little chapel.

As the couple first met each other while she was picking strawberries, Bob Barker, minister of the Church of Christ presented Rosa with a large strawberry candle in honor of this occasion.

The couple came to Avon Park after they were wed, and have resided at 17 E. Circle St. for the past 55 years.

Womens Council Hold Meeting

The Women's Council of the First Christian Church met Thursday evening May 11, in the church, with Mrs. R. Haviland, the hostess.

Mrs. Jane Click gave the devotionals using James, chapter one. She then conducted the program, which was a report of the Women's Retreat, held recently at Lake Aurora Christian Assembly.

Those taking part were Hazel Feeland, Nell Hamilton, Margaret Bush, and Mrs. Ed Simon and Mrs. H.J. Rutherford.

The business session was conducted by the president. She appointed chairman of the various committees for the coming year. A few matters of business were discussed, and officers' reports given.

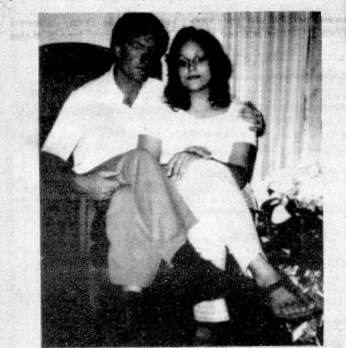
Highlands Lakes Junior Academy To Hold Graduation

Elementary School graduation, Highlands Lakes Junior Academy will be Thursday night May 18, 7:30 p.m. Graduating class: Michael Benchina, Shelley Brace, George Carrazano, Isaac Cruz, Deborah Dick, Darren Kopta, Roy Ladwig, James Marcum, Myron Mixon, Lori Selby, Carole Smith, Belkys Parado, and Ruben Parado.

Guest speaker will be Bucky Weeks, Youth leader for the Florida Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists.

The June meeting will be a salad bar luncheon at noon.

At the close of the meeting, refreshments were served by the hostess.



Jenny Perez and Mark Anthony Howard

Jenny Perez-Mark Howard Reveal Wedding Plans

Mr. and Mrs. Juan Perez of Wauchula announce the engagement of their daughter Jenny, to Mark Anthony Howard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Howard.

A June 10 wedding is planned to be held in Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, in Sebring. The reception will be held at Clellito Lindo in Wauchula.

Mark is a graduate of Avon Park High School, is presently employed with a local construction firm.

Bride-Elect Honored With Party

The East Walnut Street home of Sean and Rita Murphy was the scene of a bridal Tupperware party on Tuesday, May 9, honoring Cheryl Noaker, bride-elect of Dennis Crowe. Serving as co-hostess was Mrs. Murphy was Mrs. Ricky (Beth) Helms.

As the guests arrived at 7:30 p.m., they were given pads and pencils for joining in games directed by Carol Mundell. Several prizes were given for amusing games played, with the correct answer pertaining to the future bride couple.

In keeping with the wedding theme, Carol fashioned a wedding cake from items of white Tupperware and pastel ribbons, topping it off with a miniature bride and bridegroom.

Refreshments of a mixed fruit cup, cookies and punch were served by the hostesses.

Cheryl was presented an assortment of useful Tupperware gifts. Among the guests attending were the mothers of the future bride pair, Mrs. Wayne Noaker and Mrs. Malcolm Crews.

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Obituary

Luther T. "Lake" Sellers

Luther T. "Lake" Sellers, age 83, of 1415 N. Lake Avenue, passed away Wednesday morning May 10, at Walker Memorial Hospital. He was a retired Self-Employed Printer and has lived in this area the past six years, coming to this area from Jacksonville.

He was a member of the Methodist Church, a 32nd degree Mason, and a member of the Printers Union.

He is survived by his wife, Bertie Townsend Sellers; one son, Herman Eugene Sellers, Birmingham, Ala., three sisters, Mrs. Pauline Choate, Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, and Mrs. Gertrude McGaugh, all of Jacksonville. He also leaves one grandchild, and a host of nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday, May 11, at 1:00 p.m. at the Stephenson-Nelson-Smith Chapel with the Rev. Vernon Ragsdale officiating. Masonic graveside services were held at Lakeview Memorial Gardens, with burial following.

Stephenson-Nelson-Smith Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.



New officers of the Gamma Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International were installed at the May 13 meeting in the Fred Wild Elementary

School. L. to R. Shirley Furr, president; Zorthea Blanding, 1st vice-president; Virginia Crews, 2nd vice-president;

Eleanor Trescott, recording secretary; Lois Smith, corresponding secretary; and Mary Harig, treasurer.

Gamma Alpha Holds Meet

Gamma Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International met Saturday, May 13, at Fred Wild Elementary School. Vi Moseley, President, opened the meeting and then turned it over to Annie Laurie Hunt who was in charge of the Founders Day program.

Candies were lighted, honoring the founder Annie Webb Blanton and 11 other women educators who met in 1929 for the purpose of forming Delta Kappa Gamma.

Julia Titus, a charter member of Gamma Alpha gave some of the historical background of the Gamma Alpha Chapter, paying special tribute to Sadie Brown for her contributions. Gamma Alpha was chartered May 29, 1971 with Dorothy Clark, President, and Jamie Edge as Vice-

President. Jamie Edge gave a most interesting review of her years as president.

The retiring officers then installed the new officers for the year 1978-1979. President, Shirley Furr; 1st Vice-President, Zorthea Blanding; 2nd Vice-President, Virginia Crews; Recording Secretary, Eleanor Trescott; and Corresponding Secretary, Lois Smith.

Four of the new inductees were introduced, Majel Bowerman, Kay Trumble, Anna Hargett and Beth Skipper.

Shirley Furr as the new president greeted the membership and gave a few words of inspiration for the next two years. She asked for the continued cooperation of everyone to insure a most

successful year.

Farewell remarks were made by Vi Moseley thanking everyone especially officers and committees for their support and cooperation the past two years.

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The next meeting was announced for the fall workshop to be held Sept. 30, at Avon Park, the meeting closed by the singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma song led by Annie Laurie Hunt.

A most delicious covered dish luncheon was served by the members from Fred Wild Elementary School.

FHA Salad Bar

On May 22 at 6 p.m., the Future Homemakers of America from Avon Park High School will hold a mother-daughter covered-dish salad bar in the high school cafeteria. All members and their mothers are invited and should bring a salad. After the dinner, the new FHA officers will be inducted into office.

New Keyette Officers

The new officers for the Keyettes were chosen May 11 by the Keyette members. The officers elected have been in the Keyettes for one year and have not held any office in the club other than this year.

The new president for the Keyettes is Vesta Hall. Moving into the Vice-President job for next year is Cindy Evers. The newly elected secretary is Cindy DeWitt and the treasurer for the 78-79 school year will be Debbie Heiring.

Senior Week

Last week was a time that many seniors had been waiting for. The week was devoted entirely to the seniors at Avon Park High School. These five days were called, of course, "Senior Week".

Monday was "slave day". This involved participation from the underclassmen as well as seniors. The seniors simply had to tell an underclassman to do something and it was done. On this day the 2:45 bell meant much more than relief from a typical day



Denise Blackman (Left) And Cindy DeWitt Were Chosen As New Majorettes For The Coming Year. They Were Introduced At The Band Banquet

Devils Cha-a-a-t-t-t-e-e-e-r-r

By Joel Wright

at school for juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. Tuesday was "future day," and most of the seniors dressed up in what they thought would be the clothing of their profession. Eddy Garner dressed as a janitor, but everyone knows that his true ambition is to be a member of the Jackson Five.

Wednesday was "sports day", where seniors decked out according to their favorite sport. Larry Pough had a basketball hoop around his neck and Bret Atkins wore a microphone so he could bring the "action" to the public.

Thursday was perhaps the most unenjoyable day for the underclassmen, but they weren't asked to do anything. They simply had to go to school with a bunch of seniors who were short. Parke Sutherland had forgotten "shorts day", but luckily he also forgot to change from his fancy pajama shorts so he looked in place.

There wasn't anything planned for the seniors Friday, but none of them showed up anyway. A lot of the seniors enjoyed a day off at the beach or some other place in the sun. Since such a large number of seniors were absent, none were asked for an excuse the next Monday.

Choral Grove

Performs For School A 76 member choral group from Southeast High School in Brandon performed for the student body at Avon Park High School auditorium

Thursday May 11.

Under the direction of Arch Seider, the young vocalists performed gospel as well as popular tunes. The first song was "Here Comes That Rainy Day Feeling Again." After that kicker, the group turned to some spiritual music and sang "Soon It Will Be Done."

Following these numbers, the group sang "I Won't Last A Day Without You," "California Dreaming," "Advance Democracy," "Monday, Monday," "Evergreen," and "I Believe." The talented young group stood and sang these numbers for two groups and were well received for their performance.

Live drama at Avon Park High School will be in the form of two, one act plays presented on May 18. The plays will be presented by Bruce Wyse's second and fifth period drama classes and consists of two melodramas of the West.

The first play, presented by

the second period class, is called "The Cleanest Town in the West" and is about the sheriff of Red Gulch, the cleanest town in the West, who arrests the wrong men for a stage coach hold up. The main characters in this play are the sheriff, played by Andy Lanning, and the saloon girl, played by Cyndee Greenway.

The second play, which will be presented by Wyse's fifth period class, is "Hold Back the Redskins" which consists of a false attack by Indians. The main characters in "Hold Back the Redskins" are Jim Irvin, who plays Captain Jerry Cogswell, of the U.S. Cavalry, and Silvia Hicks, who plays Dillah Dregs, a dance hall performer.

The plays will last about 30 minutes each. The seniors and juniors will see the performance second period, and the sophomores freshmen will see them fifth period. The cost is 25

cents, which will be donated either to the Andrew - Miracle Memorial Pation or the junior class for the prom.

Majorette Tryouts

Held Majorette tryouts for the band's 78-79 marching season were held after school on Thursday, April 27 in the high school auditorium.

The girls were judged on a routine done to music and on how well they knew their rudiments, they consisted of 2, 4, and 8 finger twirls, front spins, thumb flips, butterflies, little Joe's, leg, elbow and waist rolls.

Denise Blackman and Cindy DeWitt were chosen as the new majorettes.

All of next years majorettes including: Cathy Barberoe, Ellen Macklin, Cheryl Jordan and Cyndee Greenway will be attending the Penny Janowski Twirling Camp, June 25-28 this summer.

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Harvey Norris Receives First Place Award In Speaking Contest

Harvey Norris, eighth grade student at Sebring Middle School, won first place at Area VI Soil Conservation Speaking Contest, held in Okeechobee on May 11.

Harvey spoke on "CONSERVATION OF FLORIDA'S NATURAL RESOURCES" to an audience of Soil Conservation District supervisors and guests.

The contest was sponsored by Area VI of the Florida Association of Soil Conservation District Supervisors. Robert J. Barben, area vice-president and chairman of the board of the Highlands District, presented cash prizes to the winners. Second place went to Jim Knight from Okeechobee.

As first place winner of this contest Harvey, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Norris of Sebring, will compete in the state finals in August.

There will be Free Movies for all school-age children grades 2-6 at the Avon Park Library every Wednesday morning at 10:30 during the summer months. This free program begins on June 14th and will present full-length feature films. Free tickets will be given out at the library every Monday and Tuesday preceding the film showings on Wednesday. Ticketing is necessary because of space limitations and fire regulations. No one will be admitted without a ticket. If the 10:30 showing proves full then the library will present another showing in the afternoon.

Kindrick Completes Course Staff Sgt. Myron Kindrick, son of Ota Kindrick, 1971 Azore Court, Jacksonville, recently completed an advanced non-commissioned officer course at Fort Benning, Ga.

The course consists of advanced training in the duties of a first sergeant, operations sergeant and intelligence sergeant. It also covers field-related topics. Kindrick entered the Army in February 1966.

He is a 1965 graduate of Avon Park High School. His wife, Shirley, was with him in Georgia during the training.

His mother, Mrs. Lena Gomez, lives in Avon Park.

Between The Book Ends

Mrs. Maurice Bush is the guest artist at the City Library for the months of May and June.



Kenneth Lloyd Smith Celebrates First Birthday May 9

Kenneth, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Kenneth Smith, celebrated his first birthday May 9, at the home of his baby sister, on Prospect Avenue.

Kenneth opened many lovely gifts and was very pleased with all.

Refreshments of cake and punch were served to the following guests: Timothy Michael Powell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Powell, Eddie Johnson, Felicia Roth, and Mrs. Cindy Aspinwall, sister of the honoree.

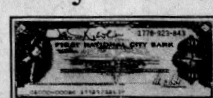
The following adults were present: Mrs. Pal Wells, Kenneth's grandmother, Mrs. Karen Powell, Sis Roth, and Mr. and Mrs. James Kenneth Smith.

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With the business meeting ended, unused picnic supplies along with the remaining barbecued beef and pork were auctioned off to the highest bidders by Richard Butts Okeechobee serving as the persuasive auctioneer.

IN THEIR BI-ANNUAL election of officers the Kissimmee Cemetery Association reelected Richard McClelland (left) Brighton, president and George W. Tomlinson (center) "Wash" Boney, vice-president and elected Mrs. Ruby secretary-treasurer. Sunphoto by Lew Miller

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SURROUNDED BY MEMBERS OF THE Avon Park High School Band Rifle Corps, Francis LaFlam received an award for his work with the group during the annual band banquet last Tuesday night. From the left: Elizabeth Farless, Nancy Turnbull, Francis LaFlam, Pattie Felber and Karl Long. Sunphoto by Lew Miller



PRESENTED AN AWARD by her son O.C. Stephens III, for her work in securing equipment and uniforms for the Avon Park High School Grenadier Bagpipe Band, Della Stephens gets an embrace as an added extra during the band banquet last Tuesday night. Sunphoto by Lew Miller



AVON PARK HIGH School Band Director, Scott Whittemore at the band banquet last Tuesday night quietly told band students, parents and guests that he had requested to be transferred to the Avon Park Middle School as band director. Sunphoto by Lew Miller



SENIOR MEMBERS OF the Avon Park High School Grenadier Band received a variety of awards for their work and leadership in the band at the Band banquet. From the left, front row: Loretta Barber, Terri Thompson, Ruth Hentnick, Lee Barbar, Tom Delk, Craig Skipper and Amy Barger. Back row: Mike Brown, O.C. Stephens III, Babs Maness, Chris Dennison, Eddie Garner, Arnold Wilson and DeeDee Willis. Sunphoto by Lew Miller

Three Criminal Charges Temporarily Set Aside

Three serious criminal charges were temporarily put aside when juvenile court determined that the 14-year-old suspect was out of touch with reality and in need of hospitalization in a mental health facility.

On recommendation of Children and Youth Service (CYS) counselors, Judge Clifton M. Kelly ordered that when the hospitalization is completed the teenager is to be placed in foster care and continue psychiatric care on an out-patient basis.

The juvenile had been charged with armed robbery, aggravated assault and grand theft. Disposition of the criminal charges is deferred for six months.

In a petit theft case disposition was deferred for three months and disposition

was deferred for four months in a case involving a youth in a charge of fleeing to elude an officer.

A youth charged with grand theft was adjudicated delinquent, placed on probation, ordered to make restitution and to study a criminal law booklet.

At the same session of court probation was formally terminated for two juveniles.

In a dependency hearing the child was declared dependent and custody awarded to CYS. Dependents in another case were continued in foster care and the children's mother ordered to pay \$10 a week toward their care. Another family was continued in foster care, but one family was found no longer dependent and CYS was relieved of responsibility for supervision.

Governor Proclaims May 15-21 As Continuing Education Week

Governor Reubin O'D. Askew has proclaimed the week of May 15-21 as Community Services and Continuing Education week. This proclamation urges "All people to realize that education and systematic learning must be lifelong and continuous."

South Florida Junior College, in cooperation with DeSoto, Hardee and Highlands County School Boards, offers Community Service and Continuing Education classes with resources made available through a Community Instructional Services Grant for the State Department of

Education. These classes are held throughout the three county district and many times are cosponsored with other agencies; such as, The American Heart Association.

Classes which have been offered through the Community Instructional Services Program are: Pre-Natal, Cardio — Pulmonary Resuscitation, Adult Driver's Education, Leisure Activities for Seniors, Nutrition for Seniors, Car Care for Laymen, Family Finance, Effective Parenting, Parents Study Skills, Introduction to Transactional Analysis and Manual Language for the Deaf.

Information about Community Instructional Services classes is available from the CIS Office at South Florida Junior College or by calling 453-6661, extension 115, in Avon Park.

Willy M Perry Files Civil Suit

Willy Mack Perry has filed a civil damage seeking to recover damages for injuries allegedly suffered when he was involved in a traffic accident at Fort Lauderdale. Defendants in the suit are David Ussery and Fireman's Fund Insurance Co. According to the suit, the accident occurred on March 28, 1975.

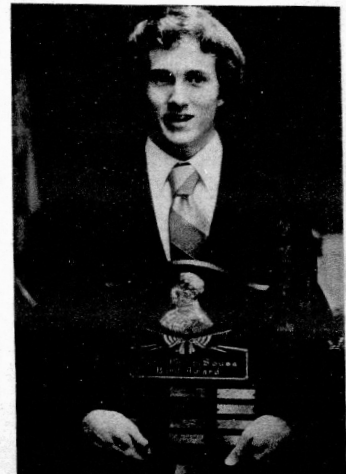
House Robbed

Highlands County sheriff's deputies are continuing their investigation of the theft of a variety of household items valued at \$925 from the residence of Robert B. Morgan of Route 2, Avon Park Lakes. Deputies report entry was apparently gained by removal of panes from jalousie windows in the bathroom.

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CHOSED AS THE outstanding band member for his interest, devotion and work, Tom Delk received the highest band honor given, the John Phillips Sousa Award, during the annual band banquet last Tuesday night. Tom also received top rating at the state music contest with his baritone solo. Sunphoto by Lew Miller

Atchley Charged With Willful And Wanton Reckless Driving

Billy Ray Atchley, 33, of Avon Park was charged with willful and wanton reckless driving after a one-car accident on SR 70 near Lake Placid Saturday.

Florida Highway Patrolman Morris Dunn said Atchley was southbound on CR-29 when he came on the intersection of SR-

70 and tried to turn left at too high a speed. Atchley lost control of his car in the middle of SR-70, spun around, and left the roadway on the north shoulder. His vehicle came to rest in a ditch.

Trooper Dunn also charged Atchley with no tag and driving on a revoked drivers license.

Ask About Alcohol

(This column is produced jointly by Tri-County Alcoholism Rehabilitative Services and the Florida Alcoholism Treatment Center. To have your personal questions answered, address your letter to: Ask About Alcohol, 1033 West Pine Street, Avon Park, FL 33825).

QUESTION: My brother-in-law drinks heavily every weekend, but I'm not sure whether he's an alcoholic. How can I tell?

ANSWER: The matter of deciding whether or not a person is an alcoholic often stands in the way of getting help for the problem. If his

drinking is damaging his health, upsetting his family or jeopardizing his job, it really doesn't matter whether someone first certifies that he is an alcoholic. The most important thing is to take action that will encourage the problem drinker or those close to him to make positive

changes. For the record, there are several definitions of alcoholism because there are different types of alcoholics, and each type may go through a number of stages. The basic factor in all types is a loss of control over drinking. A person is in the early stage of alcoholism when drinking begins to cause problems in one or more of several areas of their life: health, family, emotional well-being, finances, job or the law.

One of the late stages consists of a physical addiction to alcohol, which means that the person must continue to have a drink every few hours for days, weeks or months because stopping means suffering from the pains of withdrawal. There are many points in between, but since there is such a wide variation of what alcoholic drinking may be, you can see why there is confusion and disagreement about who is an

alcoholic. Another vital consideration is that the person who is abusing alcohol nearly always denies that he or she has a "problem" or is an "alcoholic" until something rather drastic happens to help them admit that their drinking, or behavior when intoxicated, has been out of control.

Many refuse to accept the label of "alcoholic," even after years of serious problem drinking. I think this happens because we all start drinking with the attitude "It can't happen to me, I will always be able to handle my drinking." What we ignore is the simple fact that we have one chance out of ten of becoming alcoholic at some point in our lives, and the chances are considerably higher if one of our parents or grandparents was alcoholic. If loss of control over the drug happens, our tendency is to overlook it because we don't want to see ourselves as weak

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Battery B Takes Honors At Camp



AT SUMMER CAMP IN Ft. Stewart, Ga., the Mess Section of Btry B, 2nd Bn. 116 Artillery, Florida National Guard, kept the men supplied with food. From the left: Robert Sperry, Jack Campbell and Buddy

Whitlock, Sebring; Eddie Hartigan, James Strength and Bill Thompson, mess steward, A Avon Park with Donald Strength from Brighton. Sunphoto by Wayne Miller

The locally based battery, on U.S. 27 south of Avon Park, was also the only battalion battery to successfully complete the level 2 training for which it receives the ARTEP AT78 award, which is the highest award in the battalion.

In the achievement of it's training for Ready Con the battalion also received the CPOISCOM Form 1-R AT78 award, which signifies that the battery is ready at all times for whatever mission is brought down from battalion headquarters.

The evaluating for awards, of the battery in the field, was done at the Georgia training area by the United States Army Military Training Command Company from Atlanta, Ga.

At it's post summer camp awards party at the National Guard Army on U.S. 27 South, Saturday night, Capt. Tom Simmons, Battery Commander, presented the best firing section award to the section under Sgt. Claud Powell,

Wauchula which was accepted in the absence of Powell, by SSGT John Mosely, also of Wauchula.

The outstanding enlisted man award during the summer camp '78, went to Specialist Don Barker, Avon Park, of the battery mess section. While the outstanding non-commissioned officer award was presented to Allan Duhm, Avon Park for his work in the fire direction center.

Normally Battery B attends summer camp in May. Traveling in convoy the battery took two days to reach Ft. Stewart. They spent the first night in a bivouac area.

After their arrival they spent the first four days in the wooded training area of Ft. Stewart. Testing of the battery took place during the early part of the second week of camp with the unit awards being given during the latter part of the week.

During the training period numerous spring rains resulted in the men often being soaked, while in the woods and several times sleeping bags had to have the water wrung out before use.

At present Battery B is at full strength with approximately 100 men coming from Avon Park, Bowling Green, Lake Placid, Sebring, Zolfo Springs and surrounding areas.



BRIG. GEN. J. BEEM, Tampa, Commander of the 53rd Infantry Brigade, congratulates Capt. Tom Simmons, Commander of Btry B, 2nd Bn. 116 Artillery, of the Florida National Guard on the excellence performance of the unit at summer camp at Ft. Stewart, Ga.



CHOSEN AS THE outstanding Battery B non-commissioned officer of the '78 summer camp for his work in the fire direction center, SSGT Allan Duhm, Avon Park, holds up the award and gave credit to men working with him at the camp.

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The second problem is people. There are vastly more of us Floridians every year, and we've tended to concentrate our homes and industries in relatively small areas along both coasts — where the aquifer is least able to withstand heavy usage.

Then there's the phosphate industry, which uses less water than agriculture or municipalities, but still a lot.

What is the phosphate industry doing about the water problems that concern all Floridians?

In a nutshell, we're conserving water in every possible way.

First, we are finding and using ways to get more production while using less water.

According to the Southwest Florida Water Management District (the agency that regulates our water use), the phosphate industry has reduced withdrawals from the aquifer by 40% in the five year period 1971-75.

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Woman Sports Editor

the local teams and the players is one reason she refuses to criticize players or coaches.

"I've guess I've gotten too close to them. I know of the controversial aspects of some of the players and coaches, but I won't put them in the paper."

"I do my reforming verbally," she said.

She first moved to Avon Park in 1952 to teach but soon became a stringer for the Tampa Tribune.

"In those days you would write a pre-game story, then call in the results."

In her capacity as a stringer, she came to know several other correspondents from around the state.

"I learned a lot from Bill Kirby of the Tampa Tribune. Also from the late Haydon Williams. He was the correspondent from this area. He used to do the whole county but it got to big. He would cover Sebring and got me to cover Avon Park."

Mayor Suspends Brooks

only one side of a story," said Brooks.

Davis said he had had some conflicts with Brooks, "But I don't care to reveal it at the present time" and that he has received numerous complaints against Brooks.

"I've had numbers and numbers of complaints from people, whose names I will not reveal because they elected me mayor. Why they come and give me something confidential I do not release their names. Many of them are afraid if I release their name, and the police get a hold of it, they will retaliate. I don't think they would, personally."

Airport Repairs

street lighting, fire protection and other special services the county cannot afford to provide on a frequent basis.

June 13 is also the date for a hearing, to be held at 7:30 p.m. in the board chamber, on the proposed use of the county's share of federal Revenue Sharing funds.

Board members agreed to adopt the summer meeting schedule of two meetings per month. Board meetings during the month of June, July and August are to be conducted on the second

The fact that she was the only woman in what was regarded as a man's field never bothered her. Nor, she says, did it upset any of her male colleagues.

"I went into it very slowly and stayed more in the background. I never went out to really get a story from coaches. I would interview them after the game. It was easier because I taught with the coaches and knew them."

"At the state tournament (in the 50's) which was held here I was the scorekeeper, the other reporters came to me for information. Since I was a stringer they knew me and accepted me. It's never been a problem being the only woman."

At first only such basic sports as football, basketball and baseball were reported on. Then the sports scene began to branch out and golf, tennis and track were added to the list of sports reported on and covered.

"Then I got involved in Little League."

I got to know the nine-year olds and could keep track of them year after year," she said.

Asked if she thought Avon Park was a sports oriented city, she replied yes.

"I definitely do. The whole city. I think people are partial to baseball in particular. We've had our greatest recognition from baseball. We've had several teams make it to the state finals."

City officials have always been more than willing to help in any way necessary, she said.

"I've always had the greatest cooperation from the city, the mayor and councilmen."

She was married in 1955 to Richard Derkman of Avon Park. They have two children, Mary Linda, 19, and Rick, 14. "My husband has backed me up all the time. When you're in a business like this, it makes it a lot easier when your family backs you up."

what support him appear to be Kelley Phillips, Henry Dennis and Robert Britt. Davis made the statement that three councilmen would back him Friday morning. That afternoon Davis talked to Council President Larry Albritton.

Councilman David Barefield said he had not talked to Mayor Davis about the matter.

Officially, Davis has not presented the chief with the reasons for his suspension. The letter Brooks received only stated he was suspended. Davis said he would state all his reasons at the next council meeting.

Lake Placid.

— Agriculture to general retail-wholesale for five acres off the east side of U.S. 27 north of Sebring near Maxcy Parkway Subdivision.

— Agriculture to general retail-wholesale for a tract on U.S. 98.

— Agriculture to mobile home park for 20 acres on Bonnet Lake and an adjacent five acres to camping use, public or private.

Mitchell Blacks Not Fairly Represented

Blacks aren't a significant part of the school system, was a charge raised by O. L. Mitchell of Avon Park during Highlands County School Board's Tuesday meeting.

Mitchell, who said he is associated with the recently-formed Highlands County Black Caucus, continued, "We feel that both discipline and achievement are based on participation."

He claimed hiring practices reflect the discrimination and prejudice.

While not commenting immediately on Mitchell's remarks, which came early in the meeting, Chairman Mrs. Ruth Davis said the board was not prepared at this time to give a detailed response to the allegations.

Mrs. Davis' remarks came after

a question was raised by Mrs. Wanda Wilson, Avon Park High School occupational specialist. Mrs. Wilson wanted to know why the board took time to comment on one man's question, which followed Mitchell's statement, but didn't take time to answer Mitchell.

Superintendent Dr. Dan Davis said he and four others from the school system met with Mitchell for over an hour and a half to discuss his views.

Mitchell said there should be an all-out effort to make blacks more representative in the local school structure. "I offer this in good faith in lieu of using other methods."

Mrs. Davis pointed out the schools hire those who are best qualified.

She said Mitchell would be welcome to

come back.

In a personnel-related matter, the board approved an application for a federal grant of \$11,130 that would be used in conjunction with \$50 in local money for a management consultant study on how to establish an organized personnel system in the county.

The study, to be done by Cody & Associates of Lakeland, will take about 10 months to complete. Board Member Steve Roberts was appointed to a committee that will work with consultants.

Hopefully the study will result in setting up a central personnel system headed by Samuel Nixon, personnel officer. Nixon would be in charge of all hiring within the county's system under the proposed plan. Nixon is black.

No Building Slump In Avon Park

Despite some rather strong statements to the contrary, Avon Park is not experiencing a building slump.

During the past several city council meetings some people have charged that the city is overly strict in adhering to the building code and is putting obstacles in the way of builders and developers.

At the last council meeting council members were told the city had a "built-in birth control for new growth." Most of the statements were undoubtedly aimed at Building Inspector C.W. Ellerbee.

However, although the statistics on building, during the first four months of 1978, are down slightly from the same period in 1977, there has been general and constant growth in the area.

During the first four months of 1978 construction costs are about \$150,000 under what they were in 1977. However, the cost for new buildings and renovations last year was \$3.4 million, close to a \$1.5 million jump from 1976.

Even with inflation taken into consideration, the building trades are not doing badly.

In the first four months of the year, construction costs in the city amounted to \$1,310,072 with the costs spread over 134 different structures.

With the exception of 1975, which followed a building boom, every year has seen an increase in building in Avon Park.

In 1974 total construction costs were approximately \$4.3 million. Forty-two single family homes were built and 18 commercial permits were let.

In 1975 building costs totaled only slightly more than \$2 million. The number of single family homes dropped to 33 and the number of commercial permits dropped to 18.

In 1976 the figures up only slightly, with about \$30,000 more being spent on construction than in 1975, although permits for 47 single family homes and 18 commercial establishments were let.

In 1977 the figure jumped to \$3.4 million, the highest since the banner year of 1974. Forty-three single family homes were let and 42 commercial permits were let.

Sebring, which is a larger city and

only 11 miles south of Avon Park, has consistently had greater construction than the smaller city of Avon Park.

However, this year, the difference is less than usual.

In 1976, while Avon Park building business totaled just over \$2 million, construction costs in Sebring were cost to \$3.2 million. The next year both cities took a large jump with Sebring con-

struction totaling \$5.3 million and Avon Park construction totaling \$3.4 million, a difference of almost \$2 million.

In the first four months of 1978, although the building business in Sebring is still outpacing business in Avon Park, it is doing so by a smaller amount.

Construction totals in Sebring to \$2.1 million, approximately \$300,000 more than Avon Park.

Cantrice Guest Speaker

Richard Cantrice, research biologist for the Florida Department of Environmental Research, will be guest speaker at the May 25 meeting of the Environmental Council of Highlands County.

The meeting is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. at the Sebring Woman's Club Building.

Carol J. Boley, president of the council, said the guest will "speak on everything from pollution to how's fishing" in the lakes of this region.

At the same time Mrs. Boley announced plans for the May 25 meeting, she revealed that the council has asked the Central Florida Regional Planning Council to comment on funding for dredging at the mouth of Arbuckle Creek.

"The county can not afford to

properly dredge a large sandbar which is making the mouth almost impossible cross. The county can only afford to dredge out an existing unauthorized canal," Mrs. Boley said.

She is of the opinion the canal should be filled and the sandbar removed — an option which, she says, is shared by the Department of Environmental Regulation.

The Highlands County is also becoming involved in a move to ask South Florida Water Management District to maintain Lake Istokopga at higher levels.

This past week the South Florida district announced that it is, at this time, maintaining a level higher than is usual for this time of year.

Graham Dreads Facing Another Trial

An Avon Park housewife who said she was dreading going to trial a second time, came into circuit court May 15 and pleaded guilty to manslaughter.

Earlier this year Evelyn Graham had been tried for first degree murder in the slaying of her husband, Bobby Graham. She did not deny shooting her husband, but contended that his frequent beatings had driven her to the point of insanity.

Working under a new Florida law, the court required that the jury reach a verdict in the slaying before considering the sanity question. In the trial the prosecutor, Tom Gallagher, did not ask the death penalty. The jury returned a verdict of guilty to a lesser charge, manslaughter. The next day the jury ruled Mrs. Graham had been legally sane at the time she shot her

husband, in July 1977.

At virtually the same time the jury was deliberating here, the Florida Supreme Court was ruling unconstitutional the law under which the trial had been conducted. Defense attorneys for Mrs. Graham, immediately sought, and won, a new trial for Mrs. Graham. She would have

been tried, on a charge of manslaughter, and under the old law which would permit consideration of the insanity plea along with the question of guilt.

Court sources said Mrs. Graham had "really dreading" facing another trial. After making her plea Monday, Mrs.

Graham was ordered to jail pending formal sentencing. Mrs. Graham had been jailed a few hours after her husband's death and remained in Highlands County jail until late December when bond was reduced to permit her to leave jail to observe Christmas with her family.

Retirees Celebrates Anniversary

Highlands County chapter of the National Association of Retired Federal Employees celebrated its 25th anniversary Monday with luncheon in the recreation hall of Francis Mobile Estates 2.

A birthday cake commemorating the silver anniversary was served.

The other issue of the National Association of Retired Civil Employees May 4, 1953 was prominently displayed with other documents of

chapter history. Past President Jack Gumph brought a display of U.S. postage stamps and a one cent postal card used a quarter of a century ago.

C. J. "Buddy" Wise, chairman of the county commissioners, announced that Home Health Service is now fully staffed and certified for operation in Highlands County.

District Five Leader George O. Whitehouse, commented on the possible passage of proposed legislation to reduce and extend tax credit for the elderly (HR 8818 sponsored by U.S. Rep Skip Bafalis). Present retirees would not be affected by the personnel reform bill, nor by the merger of Social Security and the Civil Service retirement system.

Former District Five Leader William F. Grady and his wife Beth attended and renewed old ties.

Former Vice President Harry B. Lyford traced the history of the chapter from 12 founders to the present. He introduced active member Alice Planagan whose husband was the first president and Cassie Berger whose husband Claude E. Berger was the second to hold that office.

Lauretta Stephens Guest Speaker

Housing for low income families will be the program topic for the May meeting of Highlands County Interagency Council. The meeting is set for 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, May 17, at Highlands Agri-Civic Center.

Council President John Murren has announced that Lauretta Stephens of the American Friends Service Committee staff will be guest speaker. Miss Stephens will discuss the American Friends work in launching organizations aimed at improving rural housing.

These two ladies chaired the anniversary committee with the help of Virginia Smith.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Turner of Wauchula. National member Henry L. Mount, of Lake Placid, has joined the chapter. President Florence Schroeder and Past president George Darby reported on highlights of the State Convention in St. Petersburg May 1-3.

Hearing Set On Sebring Academy

A hearing on a motion to find Sebring Academy officials in contempt of court has been scheduled by Circuit Court Judge Oliver Green Jr. for 11 a.m. Friday, May 19.

The hearing is to determine if school officials are in compliance with an April 6 order issued by Judge Green in this case which involves the school's alleged violations of health codes.

As directed by Judge Green in April, school officials were to turn over students' immunization records to Highlands County Health Department authorities and to meet with health department officials to discuss ways of bringing the school's facilities up to building code standards.

Both requests have been turned down health department representatives said.

Defendants named in the case are Dr. Kye Harris, school headmaster, and Dan Frodge, school administrator.

Bond Hearing Set

The bond validation hearing for Highlands County schools' proposed bond re-financing has been set for June 8, at 11 a.m. The hearing will be in circuit court here and will involve a \$1.5 million issue and an \$80,000 issue.

Corvette On Show At I.H. Ford Company

The marketing of a special silver anniversary Corvette has been something of a benediction (heads-on on one side) as Chevrolet dealers of Highlands County can testify.

The limited edition silver and black cars are so popular that would-be buyers are vying for the privilege of paying 50 to 60 percent more than the Corvette sticker price, and prices are still advancing.

As Russ Albritton of Albritton Chevrolet-Olds, Inc. and I. H. Ford Motors Co. salesmen explain, each dealer in the nation was allotted one of the special anniversary Corvettes. When the anniversary edition was declared the official pace car for the 1978 Indianapolis 500 the value of the popular sports car went even higher.

The local dealers say the Corvettes are always popular and the dealers never have any trouble selling their normal allotments — about two per year — even though the price tag is in the neighborhood of \$14,500 per car.

As soon as word of the silver anniversary edition was released Corvette fans and collectors began searching out dealers and bidding up the

prices. I. H. Ford has its car sold "long before it was delivered" and at a figure "above sticker price."

The Avon Park dealer is not saying how much above sticker price, but he does say it is well below the \$50,000 price now being advertised by some dealers.

Albritton is not so fortunate. An Orlando man is so eager to have the limited edition Corvette that he has filed a suit in circuit court seeking force Albritton to sell to him. He contends that he had a contract with the Sebring firm although papers he filed in the case show that he did not post a deposit as requested by Albritton.

Other customers are lining up and pushing the local dealer and the sleek car is becoming more of a headache for the agency.

I. H. Ford has persuaded its customer to leave his buy at the agency showroom for a few weeks. It will probably be there through the Memorial Day race so anyone who wishes to see the Indianapolis pace car close-up can look at it. With the emotional pitch and price the vehicle is generating even the owners may wish to use their new purchases as objects of art improving rural housing.

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SPORTS

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Sports Editor

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Red Devil Track Team Takes Sixth In State AA Meet

The Red Devil boys' track team placed sixth in the Class AA state meet held in Winter Park last Friday. The Avon Park team scored 18 points behind the third place finishes of three Devil team members.

Jim Ervin, junior hurdler, placed third in the 120-high hurdles with a time of 1:5.8. He had run a 1:5.2 in the prelims earlier in the day. The finals were run into a strong headwind.

David Jahna won third place honors in the 220-yard dash with a personal best 27.7 clocking. Jahna, a senior team tri-captain, closed out a superlative Devil track career.

Young Charlton Weathers soared to a 97" leap in the high jump to earn the third place medal in his freshman year. His previous best height, set in the District 6-AA meet the week before, had been 5'10".

Ervin also placed fifth in the 330-yard intermediate hurdles, and David Williams earned the fifth place medal in the 440-yard dash. Ervin posted a school record 40.6 time in the prelims and a 41.2 clocking in the finals. Williams had a 41.5 time in the 440 despite having to run in lane eight. Alan Peris, the Devils top distance performer, came in sixth in the mile run with a time of 4:37.8.

The Devil mile relay team took sixth place honors with a time of 3:32.4 clocking. The team was made up of James Wilburn, Clinton Anderson, Jerry

McKenzie and David Williams. The other two Devil relay teams had disaster befall them. The 440 relay was disqualified when a Devil ran out of the exchange zone. The 44.4 time would have earned the Devils a fourth place finish.

The Devil mile medley, rated as the best chance in the state contest by the coaches, did not finish after the 440-yard man, David Williams, was knocked to the ground by a Chiefland runner. The Devils were in good position when the mishap occurred causing the loss of valuable points. Williams, despite his injuries, came back in a courageous effort to anchor the Devil mile relay.

Rufus Wilson threw the shot put 47'8" in the prelims but did not qualify for the finals. Williams and Wilson, the other two tri-captains on the 1978 squad, finished out fine track careers for the Avon Park Red Devils.

"We feel that the young men represented Avon Park well in the state contest," said Coach Chet Brojek. "Our inexperience hurt us somewhat as only two of our twelve runners had competed in the state meet before."

"Weathers was just outstanding in the high jump and should have a great track future," continued Brojek. "I just can't say enough about the efforts put forward by these kids. They put out with top performances throughout the year. Coach Williams and I are very proud of all of them."



DEVIL FASTBALL PITCHER Larry Jackson fires the ball past a South Sumter batter during the Region 3-AA game played here last Friday night. Jackson hurled 11 innings of one hit ball but lost out in the twelfth inning to the

Raiders who scored three runs to take a 3-0 shut-out and advance to the state play-offs. Larry was voted Highlands County's "Player of the Year" by McDonald's local sports authorities. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.

Women's League Holds Meeting

The Avon Park Women's Slowpitch Softball League held its organizational meeting last Saturday afternoon at Donaldson Park with representatives from twelve teams on hand.

Doris Wilkes was elected president of the league, Willie Gammage was chosen as vice-president and Bob Barker was voted in as the new secretary-treasurer for the 1978 season.

A governing board made up of one representative from each team was named to make decisions for the twelve-team league. League rules, entry fees and scheduling were discussed during

the two hour meeting. The season is scheduled to open on Saturday, June 10, with all twelve teams playing on opening day in six games.

Then two games will be played each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights. On the last Saturday in July, the 29th, another day of all teams playing will be held.

Each team will play the other eleven teams one time during the summer and a play-off tourney is planned for the end of the season.

The age limit for players will remain the same. Girls must reach their fourteenth birthday before June 1, 1978 in order to be eligible this season. There is no age limit at the top.

The entry fee for each team to enter the league was raised to \$35. The fees will help pay for umpires, trophies and other league expenses.

The twelve teams entered in the league are: Jahna Concrete, Foxy Ladies, Cox Plumbing, Ridge Florist, Avon Citrus Bank, Jackie's Beauty Shop, A. P. Kids, Texas, Scotty's, People's Choice, Highlands Cable TV, and Gammage's Angels.

Recreational Area Open To Public

The Avon Park Recreational areas will be available for camping and recreation beginning at 8 p.m., Friday, May 19, and closing at 8 p.m., Sunday May 21, 1978.

coached the local team since its beginning but plans to play softball on the traveling Avon Park Merchants slowpitch team this summer so has asked Jim Hunter to take over the oldest team in the Avon Park Little League system.

Boys in the proper age bracket may contact Jim Sizemore or Coach Ronnie Jackson to sign up for the team try-outs or may just report out to Head Field any week night.

Devil Griders Start Spring Practice

will get in as many days as possible before school closes June 2.

"We'll just work out in shorts the first few days," Hunter stated early this week. "Mostly we need to work on plays and formations and then we'll have an intersquad game on Thursday or Friday night of the last week of school."

All freshmen, sophomores and juniors

Pitching Duel Ends In Raider 3-0 Victory

It took the South Sumter Raiders twelve innings to wear down Red Devil ace Larry Jackson and break up a superb pitchers duel by scoring three runs in the top of the twelfth for a 3-0 victory in the Class AA Section 3 play-off game held here at Head Field last Friday night.

Jackson had held the Raiders to a lone shut-out until the twelfth when they rapped out five hits off the fastballer to drive him from the mound.

The game had been an almost perfect one until the seventh inning when Avon Park loaded the bases on a hit by David Sizemore, an intentional walk to Jackson, and a third-strike batter by Victor Roberts that he beat out for a hit. But the next three batters were unable to drive the winning run across the plate.

Winning pitcher Randy Wilson showed the Red Devils batters an astonishing number of pitches and kept the Avon Park players off balance the entire game. Sophomore David Sizemore got to Wilson for two sharp singles, Larry Jackson hit him first in the fifth inning, Victor Roberts beat out the bunt down the third base line and Jeff Adams, sophomore left fielder, lined a single through the box for Avon Park's five hits. Wilson struck out fifteen batters in the twelve inning game and Jackson sent eleven batters back to the dug out with strike outs.

The three winning runs came in the top of the twelfth inning. The ninth South Sumter batter, John Woodward, hit a single through the hole at short with a two-two count. Then shortstop Mike Wheaton grounded to the Devil second baseman who errored fielding the ball trying for a double play. Woodward tried to steal third and was thrown out by Devil catcher Victor Roberts for the first out of the inning.

With one man on base and one out, second baseman Tim Schoenborn singled and was followed by centerfielder Keith Stephens who doubled to left field down the line. Wheaton scored. Then pitcher Wilson bunted on a squeeze play and safe as Stephens scored. Catcher Tommy Locke singled to left for the fifth hit of the inning and Coach Jackson brought in Don Wildish to relieve Jackson.

Wildish struck out the next batter but right fielder Lynn Deobson singled. Wilson came home from second but was called out at third base on an appeal play by the Devils to close out the fatal inning. Avon Park was unable to tally in the last of the twelfth although sophomore Tim Cribb drew a walk to give the home crowd hope.

Both teams played great ball. There was only one error credited to each team and the fielding was outstanding by the Red Devils and the Raiders as the game went the five extra innings.

Larry Jackson closed out his high school baseball career with a disappointing loss. His first of the season after 11 consecutive wins, but the lanky pitcher nor the entire Red Devil team had

anything to be ashamed as they battled the Raiders on even terms for eleven exciting innings. Jackson had pitched seven innings against Clearwater Central Catholic on Tuesday of last week and then added 11 and a third innings on Friday.

It was simply a case of the fastball hurler, who had pitched 18 innings in four days, tiring before the junk ball pitcher who had not had to pitch in the Tuesday Regional game.

The Red Devils, coached by Ronnie Jackson and John Hunter, set a season record of 20 wins and 6 losses winning the Heartland Conference championship, the AA-12 District title and the AA-6 Regional championship. Not bad for a team expected to have a building year.

Avon Park Takes 3-2 Region Win Last Tuesday night a week ago, the Red Devils held on for a 3-2 win over Clearwater Central Catholic for the Class AA Region 6 title. Devil senior hurler Larry Jackson posted his eleventh straight mound win as he fanned 13 Marauders in the seven inning game.

The Red Devils pushed over two runs in the first inning as Charlie Pough hit the first pitch of the inning into the right-center field wall at the 370 foot marker. Designated hitter Bubba Starling followed with a triple down the first base line and scored on a sacrifice fly to right field by Larry Jackson.

Avon Park scored its third run in the fourth inning. Victor Roberts drew a walk, was sacrificed to second by Charles Oliver with a bunt down the third base line, went to third on a fly to right by Tim Cribb, and scored on an error by the Marauder first baseman. Devil Don Wildish had walked. He got caught leaning toward second and the pitcher threw to first. Wildish broke for second and the first baseman hit him in the back of the helmet allowing Roberts to score from third.

Clearwater Central came back and scored two runs in the top of the seventh inning after the first two batters had been put out. A third run threatened to score after a long ball was hit over the head of the Devil right fielder. But a relay throw from Charles Oliver to second baseman Don Wildish to catcher Victor Roberts produced the third out and gave Avon Park the win. Roberts apparently misread the runner as he flipped over home plate. No call was made by the umpire and the runner started back to touch the plate. Roberts made a dive across the plate and tagged the runner just before he touched the plate and the umpire made the out call. It was an exciting end to an exciting game and the Devils advanced to the Section 3-AA play-off.

The Red Devils got only two hits after the opening home run and triple by Pough and Starling. Starling added a single in the fifth frame and pinch hitter Mark Wildish singled in the sixth frame for the fourth hit off losing pitcher Steve Haburi.

AT 7' LEAP by Avon Park High School freshman Charlton Weathers was good for a third place finish in the State Class AA track meet held in Winter Park last Friday. It was the highest young

Little League 'Big Boys' Start Practice

The Big Boys Division of the Avon Park Little League Association, The Highlands County Bank of Avon Park team, started practice last Tuesday evening under the leadership of Coach Jim Sizemore.

Boys age 16 through 18 are eligible to try out for the Avon Park team which will compete with teams from the area and will enter a tournament at the end of the season attempting to advance to national play.

Weathers had jumped this year in the high jump event and the third place finish helped Avon Park in sixth in the AA meet. Sunphoto by Mark Myers.

Coach Sizemore plans to spend a couple of weeks letting all interested boys participate in practice games in the evenings. Later he will have to cut the squad to a certain size for league play.

"I hope to make this summer baseball season a fun time for the boys involved," explained Sizemore. "That's what it should be and we'll just get some experience while having a good time."

Sizemore will take over the Avon Park Big Boys team from Coach Ronnie Jackson this summer. Jackson has

coached the local team since its beginning but plans to play softball on the traveling Avon Park Merchants slowpitch team this summer so has asked Jim Hunter to take over the oldest team in the Avon Park Little League system.

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Coach Jackson Says Building Men Is Most Important

By Les Burch

Anybody looking at the average high school's 20-25 game baseball schedule which opens in late February and ends in late April, could logically conclude that coaching a varsity nine is a relatively easy two to three months job.

However, anybody who follows Ronnie Jackson, coach of the Avon Park High Red Devil baseball team, around knows "it just ain't so." The game season for the big Red team may last only two months, but the coaching season runs a solid eight months and involves a lot more than just getting nine guys to show up to play a neighboring high school team on a given Tuesday or Friday night.

For Jackson, who has been at the helm of the Avon Park High baseball program since 1973, the season starts the first week in January and doesn't end until the middle of August — just in time to get going on football.

And it doesn't start with coaching high school boys either. The genial Red Devil mentor says the training program for his varsity actually begins in the city's minor league and little league program — boys in the 9-15 age bracket. "This is where the kids start getting ready for the varsity team," Ronnie says. "Avon Park with its youth baseball program has one of the best 'farm systems' going."

Coach is a Product

Jackson should know. He is a product of that system as is his counterpart Hoppy Hewis, coach of the junior varsity baseball team. They both started playing ball in Little League when they were nine and came up through what was then the Babe Ruth League and the American Legion baseball program.

Most of the junior varsity and varsity players on today's Red Devil nine followed the same route except that Senior League has replaced the Babe Ruth league, and the Big Boy's summer league has taken the place of American Legion ball.

Jackson is largely responsible for the existence of the latter two leagues in Avon Park, having helped start the Senior group for boys in the 13-15 age bracket in 1973, and later leading the organization of the Big Boy's league for the 16-18 years olds. He still is the head honcho of the four team Senior group, and also helps manage the Big Boy's league.

On top of these activities, Coach Jackson plays in a softball league and works for the City Recreation Department in the summer, setting up and operating softball schedules and tournaments.

With all this, it is only natural that

Ronnie has developed a philosophy to govern his coaching chores. In fact, this philosophy is sufficient to fill a book, yet surprisingly, the ability to actually teach baseball is down near the bottom of his list of priorities.

Jackson Lists Priorities Number one on the Jackson list is the job of teaching discipline. "That is the first thing any good athlete needs, both on and off the field," according to the coach. "The player must be able to listen and follow directions, and to discipline himself — to keep his 'cool' when things get tough, and to sacrifice his personal desires for the good of the team. "Without discipline, he isn't going to go very far in athletics."

Right along with discipline, Jackson tries to develop a good positive attitude in his players, one that makes them dedicated to the game and willing to put in long hard hours on the practice field. "With self discipline and a good attitude, the player is also going to develop self confidence," Jackson states. "And if the guy has all of these plus any ability at all, the coaching part comes easy."

As far as the actual coaching is concerned, the Red Devil head man believes in giving as many players a chance as he possibly can and he usually carries more than enough players on the

varsity roster. This year he issued game suits to 22 individuals.

Those freshmen and sophomores who have potential but aren't quite ready for varsity positions, he sends down to the JV team which he considers the prime "training station" for future varsity stars.

When at bat, the Red Devils play an



Ronnie Jackson

"offensive" type of game, with daring base running being one of the keys to their success. Jackson says, "If you can make the other team throw the ball often enough, somebody is going to throw it away and you can capitalize on the mistake. Sure, we get picked off sometimes because we take chances, but we also account for it by forcing the other team into errors."

"We also lay down a lot of bunts," the coach states, "although by most standards, I'm not much of an advocate of the 'squeeze play.' I'd rather get the runners in scoring position and then hope somebody comes up with a good hit."

In the field, Coach Jackson believes in a good solid defense based on fundamentals, not on fancy fielding formations and fancy ball tricks. "We teach our boys to catch and throw the ball without 'hotdogging' and backing up one another on all plays is an important part of our defense," he notes. "We also spend a lot of time working on cut-off including the double cut-off, and that certainly paid off when we caught the Central Catholic runner at home plate during last Friday's regional play-off game."

Jackson, like most baseball coaches, believes that pitching is 90 percent of the game on the high school level and he calls

on his best pitchers to toss their best pitches when the game gets tight.

"A regular pitching rotation schedule is tough to set up," Jackson states, "but I try to give each pitcher on the team plenty of rest between games. Only twice during the regular season do I use our ace, Larry Jackson, without at least a week's rest. And Larry's 10-0 record proved the point. It is just too bad he couldn't have had more rest before pitching last Friday's 12 inning sectional final; maybe the score would have been different."

"Actually, in coaching high school baseball, you have to remember that these players are teenagers and your real job is to help them grow into well rounded, self-sufficient men," is the way Ronnie sums up his basic philosophy. "I believe that high school coaches have more opportunity to help kids than people in most other professions, and I enjoy helping."

"All the trophies and titles (and the Jackson coached teams have won a bunch) don't mean nearly as much to me as seeing kids do well when they get out of school, and believe you me," Ronnie continues, "having four former players come back and give me some credit for the success he is making in life is really what makes it all worth the effort."

GOLF - TENNIS by Les Burch

River Greens Golf Notes

A new angle was added to the Couple's scramble last Sunday. Instead of every member of the foursome hitting tee shots, the men and women alternated driving on every other hole. Players of both sexes reported hitting second shots from some rather unusual spots.

The winners, shooting a three under par 67, were Don and Barbara Johnson paired with Bill and Grace Bennett. The foursome of Harold and Mary Ellen Kline and Warren and Berta Lou Holley shot a 68 for second place. Jack and Marge Osborne and Clint and Pearl Harmon finished third with a 69.

Though no names were mentioned, they claim this actually happened at River Greens last week:

Four ladies were waiting on the 17th tee for some men to finish playing the hole when one of the gals grabbed a club and said, "Well, I can hit. I can't reach the green anyway." So hit away she did, and, to everybody's surprise, the ball wound up on a collision course with one of the men putting out. He ducked and she missed, but later she remarked, "I guess all I need is a man to shoot for."

Jim Timberlake, Charles Brown, Russ Stevenson and A.P. Yanai combined for 15½ plus points in the May 11th Pro-Am to take first place honors. Individual winners among the men were Yanai in class A, Clint Harmon in class B, and Jack Osborne in the C group. Elmer Gregg and Russ Stevenson tied for the top spot in the D group.

Doris Yanai was the winner in the A group for the women. Edith Morgan won the B class prize, Kay Brown topped the

C players and D group honors were shared by Marge Wells and Mary Ellen Kline.

If you want to play crazy golf, try some of the games that the ladies play on Tuesdays. Last week it was counting T's and F's with one-half handicap. Literally translated, that means counting only those scores on holes whose number start with a T or an F and then subtracting half the player's handicap.

Score cards for the day were sent to the computer center which came up with Lucy Fluker as the winner. Eileen McCormick finished in second place and Akla Willet took third place.

Ed Rowell, firing a net 66, won last Saturday's men's low net tournament. Lowell Schmidt and Jack Osborne tied for second place with 69's. Around the clubhouse, the term "sandbagger" is being mentioned frequently.

Coming up at River Greens are an 18 hole Blind Partners Smoker for men on Saturday, May 20 at 1 p.m. and a couples Scotch Ball Twosome tournament on Sunday, May 28 at 1 p.m.

Practice tip of the week: Many top teaching pros maintain that it is better to do your practicing after completing a round of golf than before going out on the course. It won't make up for the money you may have lost on the round, but it can help you eliminate some of the mistakes the next time out.

"Emphasis is on basic wildlife biology and outdoor skills such as fishing, canoeing, archery, and firearms safety," he added. Tuition is \$60 per week and sessions run through August 19 at the Everglades camp and August 26 at the Ocala camp. Campers who elect to stay an additional week do not repeat experiences but go on to advanced instruction.

Information and applications are available from any Commission office or by writing: Camp Director, Ocala Youth Camp, 1239 S.W. 10th St., Ocala, Fla. 32670 or Camp Director, Everglades Youth Camp, 551 N. Military Trail, West Palm Beach, Fla. 33406.

Pinecrest Golf Notes

Nell Redd was named vice-president and Margaret Papp was selected as secretary of the Pinecrest Ladies Golf Association at a meeting last Thursday. Helen Griffith was installed as the new president of the group.

Lena Wright, Marie Eeles and Mary Wenrick racked up a total of 8½ plus points to win last week's regular ladies Pro-Am. The trio of Edith Martin, Katie Utz, and Mark Ostling wound up in second place with a plus 6.

The four man team of Earl Griffith, Larry Hatchett, Ron Wenrick and Bill Reck came in with a plus 15 point total to take first spot in the men's Pro-Am on Wednesday, May 10.

George Variano with a plus 6 topped all players in the A division. Bob King scored a plus 9 to win the B group honor, Ron Wenrick was top man in the C class, while Bill Reck won the D division.

Seen on the bumper sticker of a visiting golfer's automobile: "If you think I'm a bad driver, you ought to see me putt."

A nine-hole couples scramble was added to the Pinecrest golfing schedule last Tuesday and plans call for similar events each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. during the summer months. A covered dish supper follows completion of play.

Helen Griffith played 18 holes taking just 27 putts to win last Thursday's Penny Putt tournament staged by the ladies group. Mary Wenrick finished in the second spot with 28 putts. All ladies competing in the event had to play the "kitty" at the rate of a penny per putt, with the funds to be used for future tournament prizes. Edie Martin won the blind bogey prize for the day.

Did you know that if you hit a shot which ends up on the tee-off area of another hole, you must, according to the rules, play the ensuing shot from said tee area. However, if the markers interfere with your shot, these can be removed without penalty.

Local Trio To Try For U.S. Open In Monday Tourney

A total of 4807 golfers from all over the world have entered the 1978 U.S. Open Golf tournament slated for June 15-18 at the Cherry Hills Country Club in Englewood, Colorado.

Included in the record breaking group are three Avon Park golfers, all making their first try at what is one of golf's most prized titles, "the U.S. Open Champion." The three locals are the golfing DuPriest brothers, Peter and John and Avon Park High basketball coach, Donald Sisemore.

Pete DuPriest is a high school junior and the number one player on the Avon Park High links team. Brother John is a former Red Devil golfer and is currently enrolled at South Florida University in

Tampa on a golf scholarship. Sisemore, a 1972 Avon Park High graduate, rates among the area top golfers although as a student here, he starred in football, basketball and baseball but never played varsity golf.

Sisemore plays to a one handicap rating while each of the DuPriest brothers have a two rating. Entry in the Open is limited to players with a two or better handicap average.

Only 150 to Play
Only 150 of the nearly 4900 entrants will be around at tee-off time in Colorado in June, however, and the road to the final tourney is a rough one for all but about forty select players who don't have to qualify. These include such stars as Hubert Green, Jack Nicklaus, Gary

Player, Tom Watson, Tom Weiskopf, Hale Irwin, and Gene Littler. Lakeland's Andy Bean is also one of those with an exemption based on his being among the top 25 money winners on the PGA tour in 1977.

The select list does not include the names of the DuPriests and Sisemore. They will have to do battle with some 4850 others through two qualifying meets if they are going to play in the big "shoot-out" at Cherry Hills.

This first qualifying test comes up next Monday at Sun City near Tampa. There they will compete again 148 other entrants — 92 pros and 56 amateurs — with the sixteen low scorers over a thirty-six hole route moving on to the Atlanta, Ga., Sectional. Qualifying for the Atlanta section is going to be tough, according to Pete DuPriest. "What with such Florida big name golfers like Mike Souchak, Tommy Bolt, and Jack Veghte trying to make it at Sun City." However, all three local shooters feel they have a good chance.

Sisemore says, "It will take a score of better than 150 for the two rounds to qualify, but I've been hitting the ball well, and hope to come through. Even if I don't, it will be a great experience and I can always try again next year."

John DuPriest likewise says, "Anybody who makes it to Atlanta is going to have to shoot under 150 on Monday." Brother Pete adds, "Personally, I feel I can do it, even though it is my first attempt at the 'big time' tournaments." Pete, only 16, expects to have a lot more chances before he hangs up the clubs.

John and Sisemore spent last weekend at Sun City practicing, and this weekend they are tuning up by playing in the Stephens Memorial tourney at Sebring. Pete is spending the upcoming week-end at Sun City getting his practice licks in before Monday's showdown.

Approximately 600 survivors from 59 first round tournaments throughout the country will move on to 13 Sectional Qualifying meets on June 5 and 6. These 600 will vie for approximately 110 spots remaining in the 150 player field to "tee it up" in the final tournament for the big prize.

Pete, John and Don say they "are really hoping" and are excited about the prospects of maybe getting to play with some of the big name pros at Inglewood, Colorado, in mid-June.



THREE LOCAL GOLFERS, from right, Don Sisemore, John DuPriest and Pete DuPriest, will compete in a qualifying round of the U.S. Open Golf Tournament at Sun City next Monday, May 22. The

three Avon Park golfers will compete against 92 pros and 56 amateurs, hoping to finish in the top 16 to advance to a sectional qualifying round in Atlanta, Ga. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.

Youth Conservation Camps Open

This summer, youngsters can share an adventure in exploring Florida's woods and waters.

Applications are now being accepted for the Youth Conservation Camps operated by the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission. Summer sessions begin June 25 at the camps located in the Ocala National Forest and J.W. Corbett Wildlife Management Area near West Palm Beach.

The educational camps offer an unique opportunity for boys and girls to discover more about the natural environment and man's relationship to the world around him," said Major Ken Silvers, director of the Office of Informational Services.

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The Wauchula State Bank will sponsor a Heart Fund Tennis Tournament at the Wauchula City Courts on May 20-21 and May 27-28 with all proceeds going to the Heart Fund.

There will be seven different classifications. Singles play will be divided into men and women's "A" and men and women's "B" classes. There will also be men's doubles and women's doubles and mixed doubles.

Entry fee for the first event will be \$2 per person. The deadline for entry in the tournament is May 18.

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ACB-Avon Tire Undeclared In League Play

The Avon Citrus Bank and Avon Tire Little League teams remained undefeated last week as each picked up two wins to set a 4-0 record after two full weeks of play. The two league leaders

have a make-up game with each other that is yet to be played. Bagwell Lumber, the defending champion in the eight team league, also won two games last week to move to a 4-1

mark. Rotary and Lions finished out last week with 2-3 records as Rotary dropped two games and Lions won one and lost one.

First Baptist, L.H. Ford and Kiwanis also closed out last week's play with records of 1 win and 4 losses. L.H. Ford and First Baptist lost both games played last week while Kiwanis picked up its first win of the season.

Games set for tonight (Thursday) are Rotary vs Ford at Field I and Kiwanis vs Avon Tire at Field II. Tomorrow night (Friday) it will be Bank vs Bagwell at Field I and Lions vs Baptist at Field II.

Next Monday night May 22, Avon Tire will play Lions at Field I and Kiwanis will take on Bank at Field II. Next Tuesday night it will be Bagwell vs Ford at Field I and Rotary vs Baptist at Field II as the second half of the season gets under way.

Avon Citrus - 14, L.H. Ford - 2
John Tolar and Tim Devlin teamed up to strike out 11 Ford batters but allowed nine hits as the Avon Citrus Bank team won a 14-2 victory on Monday, May 8, at Field I. The Bank batters blasted out 12 hits off two Ford pitchers including six doubles.

John Tolar led the Bank batters with two doubles and a single. Daryl Williams hit two doubles, Randy Wright had a double and a single, and Michael Dozier hit a triple and a single. Jimmy Bennett also had a double for Bank while Tim Devlin and Ronnie Higginbotham added a single each for the winning team. Robert Turnbull led the Ford batters with a triple and two singles. Ken Warner hit a double and a single. Mark Elkhill had a double, and Clay Hipps, John Herman and Albert Jahna contributed a single each.

Bagwell Lumber - 9, Rotary - 6
Bagwell first baseman Greg Jackson slammed out a homerun, two doubles and a single, and scored three runs to lead his team to a 9-6 win over Rotary on Monday night a week ago at Field II. Bagwell batters got a total of 12 hits off the Rotary pitcher during the six inning game.

In addition to Jackson's four hits, Johnny Lewis got two doubles, Tommy Gordon hit a double and a single, Mike Baldwin had a triple, Fred Lewis hit two singles and Ron Matthews added a single for Bagwell.

The Rotary batters managed only three hits off Fred Lewis and Thomas Gordon who teamed up to pitch Bagwell to the victory. Blair Brooker, Rotary second baseman, connected for a double in the fourth and a single in the second inning for two of the Rotary hits and Frankie Muller had a single in the second inning.

Avon Tire - 17, First Baptist - 2
Avon Tire combined eight hits with 11 Baptist errors to chalk up a 17-2 win last Tuesday night a week ago at Field I.

Catcher Bobby Lewis was the big gun for Avon Tire at the plate as he boomed a home run over the fence and also had a double and a single for the evening. Tommy Johnson rapped a triple out in the fourth inning and Duane Young, Bryan Arnold, Vernon Simpson, and Otis Kelley added a single each for Avon Tire.

First Baptist got only two hits off pitcher Duane Young but they both went for extra bases. Fred Manning connected for a double in the first frame and then hit a triple in the third inning.

Lions - 12, Kiwanis - 10
The Lions tied up Kiwanis 9-9 in the top of the sixth inning and then went on to take a 12-10 win in an eight inning game played last Tuesday night a week ago at Field II. Bobby Barnes hit a home run with one runner on base in the top of the

eight inning to give the Lions the go ahead runs, and then Lawrence Spry hit a home run to ice away the win for the Lions.

Spry led the Lions at the plate with four hits. He had a double and two singles along with his home run. Barnes had a double as well as his round tripper. Charles Ervin Harris had two doubles as the Lions got to two Kiwanis pitchers for a total of 12 hits.

The Kiwanis batters got thirteen hits themselves. Bruce Sapp hit three doubles, Eugene Taylor hit four singles, Wyndell Moore added two single, Wayne Elder had a single and a double, and Stacy Pugh and Darren Helvey hit a single each for the losers.

Kiwanis - 6, L.H. Ford - 1
Kiwanis chalked up its first win of the season last Thursday night with a 6-1 victory over Ford. Kiwanis scored all six runs in the third inning and then held on for the win.

Gene Taylor and Wyndell Moore teamed up to hold the Ford batters to just three hits — two singles by Mark Elkhill and a single by Robert Turnbull.

The Kiwanis team got six hits off two

Ford pitchers. Taylor and Darren Helvey both had a double, Charles Garner hit two singles and Bruce Sapp and Stacy Pugh contributed a single each for the winners.

Avon Tire - 15, Rotary - 1
In a three and a half inning game at Field II last Thursday night, Avon Tire outscored Rotary 15-1 behind the two at pitching of Tommy Johnson. Only Cecil Perry and Emanuel Jackson managed to get a single off Johnson for Rotary.

The Avon Tire boys rapped out 10 hits off losing pitcher Frankie Muller. Vernon Simpson and Tommy Johnson had a double and a single each, Bryan Arnold hit a double, Ben Johnston had two singles and Duane Young, Bobby Lewis and Chris Fortner hit a single each.

Bagwell Lumber - 5
First Baptist - 3

Thomas Gordon, James Beck, Greg Jackson and Fred Lewis all lofted home runs over the fence last Friday night at Field I to lead Bagwell to an 8-3 win over First Baptist. It was Jackson's fourth homer of the season.

In all, Bagwell batters got 11 hits off two different Baptist pitchers. Beck had

a double to go with his homer and Gordon had a single also. Johnny Lewis hit a triple and a single while Anthony Wiggins, Ron Matthews and Anthony Gordon had a single each.

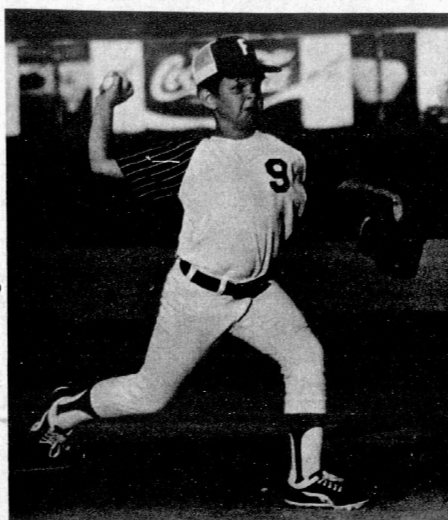
First Baptist scored its three runs on six hits but a mix-up in the official scoring book prevented crediting those six hits to the right batters. Perhaps it can be cleared up by next week.

Avon Citrus Bank - 9
Lions - 0

Avon Citrus Bank scored nine runs on nine hits to take a 9-0 shut-out from the Lions last Friday night at Field II. John Tolar and Tim Devlin shared the mound win for Bank giving up just four hits to the Lions.

Tim Devlin slashed out a triple and two singles to lead the Bank batters at the plate. Randy Wright hit a double, Michael Dozier and Daryl Williams had two singles each and John Tolar added a single in the fourth frame.

Hitting safely for the Lions were Charles Ervin with two singles, bobby Barnes with a double and Ervin Harris with a single. The Bank pitchers struck out 12 Lions batters.



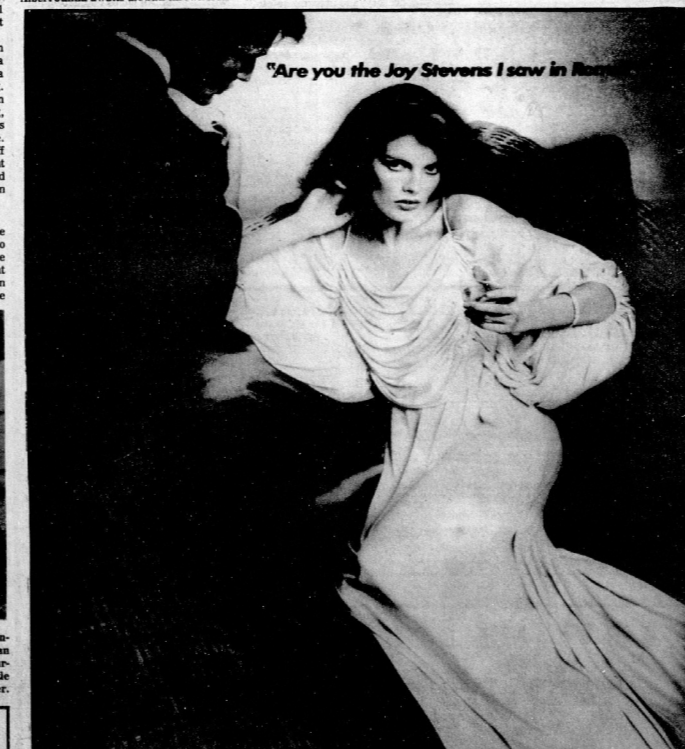
"I'LL GET YOU," L.H. Ford pitcher Allan Levin seems to be saying as he makes a face at the Kiwanis batter during a pitch. However, the Kiwanis team won the game by a score of 6-1 for its first victory of the season. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.



A KNEE SLIDE into home is short as the catcher makes a tag just in the nick of time. The action took place last Thursday night at the Little League Field I in a game between L.H. Ford and Kiwanis which Kiwanis won 6-1. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.



BASERUNNER BRUCE SAPP hurries into third base as L.H. Ford third baseman Albert Jahna awaits the ball thrown from the catcher during the game played last Thursday night between Kiwanis and the L.H. Ford Little League teams. Kiwanis won by a score of 6-1. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.



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1978 Little League Schedule

	FIELD NO. I	FIELD NO. II
Thurs. May 4	Lions vs Ford	Bank vs Rotary
Fri. May 5	Bagwell vs Avon Tire	Baptist vs Kiwanis
Mon. May 8	Ford vs Bank	Rotary vs Bagwell
Tues. May 9	Avon Tire vs Baptist	Kiwanis vs Lions
Thurs. May 11	Kiwanis vs Ford	Avon Tire vs Rotary
Fri. May 12	Baptist vs Bagwell	Bank vs Lions
Mon. May 15	Ford vs Avon Tire	Rotary vs Kiwanis
Tues. May 16	Bagwell vs Lions	Baptist vs Bank
Thurs. May 18	Rotary vs Ford	Kiwanis vs Avon Tire
Fri. May 19	Bank vs Bagwell	Lions vs Baptist
Mon. May 22	Avon Tire vs Lions	Kiwanis vs Bank
Tues. May 23	Bagwell vs Ford	Rotary vs Baptist
Thurs. May 25	Lions vs Rotary	Baptist vs Ford
Fri. May 26	Bagwell vs Kiwanis	Bank vs Avon Tire
Mon. May 29	Rotary vs Bank	Ford vs Lions
Tues. May 30	Kiwanis vs Baptist	Avon Tire vs Bagwell
Thurs. June 1	Bagwell vs Rotary	Bank vs Ford
Fri. June 2	Lions vs Kiwanis	Baptist vs Avon Tire
Mon. June 5	Rotary vs Avon Tire	Ford vs Kiwanis
Tues. June 6	Lions vs Bank	Bagwell vs Baptist
Thurs. June 8	Kiwanis vs Rotary	Avon Tire vs Ford
Fri. June 9	Bank vs Baptist	Lions vs Bagwell
Mon. June 12	Avon Tire vs Kiwanis	Ford vs Rotary
Tues. June 13	Baptist vs Lions	Bagwell vs Bank

All games will be played at 6:30 p.m.

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SFJC Baseball Wrap-Up



EX-COACH RALPH HILL holds an 8 1/2 pound bass he caught at the Kissimmee River last week. The bass was weighed in at Phillips Grocery.

The 1978 South Florida Junior College Baseball Team set another school record for the most wins in a season by posting a 25-13 record this spring. Under the direction of Coach Tim Hill, the team has steadily improved each year in the win column and the nucleus for another productive year in 1979 will be available.

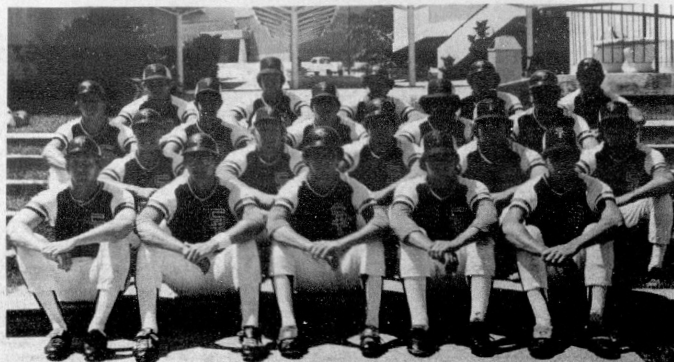
The Panthers lost only 2 sophomore starters: third baseman Toby Cunz (hitting .242), right fielder Charlie Faulconer (.330), and center fielder Randy Schlosser (.294). However, the recruiting of pitchers will be given top priority with the graduation of two sophomore frontliners, Dave Shepherd (7-3) and Kirk Scheerhorn (5-6).

First baseman March Lacy led the club in hitting this spring with a .381 average,

good for second in Division III. Charlie Faulconer hit .330 followed by second baseman Dan Pototsky at .303. Pototsky and Faulconer were named by the Division coaches to the All Division III Team. Schlosser and Lacy, along with Pototsky and Faulconer, were selected to play in the State All-Star Contest.

Dave Shepherd led the pitchers with a 7-3 record and a 1.61 earned run average. Tod Carter was 2-0, Bobby Pierce 2-1, Gary Parker 3-3, Billy Cary 1-0, Kirk Scheerhorn 5-6 and John Sedlock 5-0.

A third consecutive successful season has established a winning tradition for South Florida Junior College as SFJC baseball has developed into one of the top programs in the State. Prospects look good for even more success in 1979.



WITH A 25-13 win-loss record the South Florida Junior College Panther baseball team has steadily improved during the past three years under ex Coach Tim Hill. From the left, 1st row: Charlie

Faulconer, Randy Schlosser, Robbie Freeland, Gary Parker and Kirk Scheerhorn. 2nd row: Bill McMenamin, Billy Cary, Butch Rechart, Bobby Pierce and Dale Sizemore. 3rd row:

Mort Jackson, John Sedlock, Dave Shepherd, Tod Carter and Al Jensen. Top row: Toby Cunz, Ron Bolla, Dan Pototsky, Mark Lacy and Rick Kyzer.



A CONTROVERSIAL CALL resulted from this play during the Avon Park Clearwater Central Catholic Region 6-AA game played here last Tuesday a week

ago. Devil catcher Victor Roberts apparently missed the Marauder baserunner as he dived over him toward home plate. But Roberts later tagged the

runner as he tried to return to touch the plate. The umpire ruled the runner out ending the game with an Avon Park 3-2 victory. Snapshot by Lew Miller.

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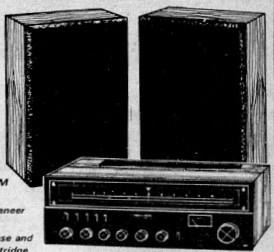
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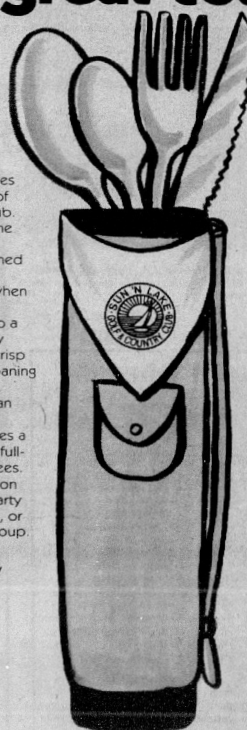
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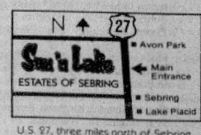
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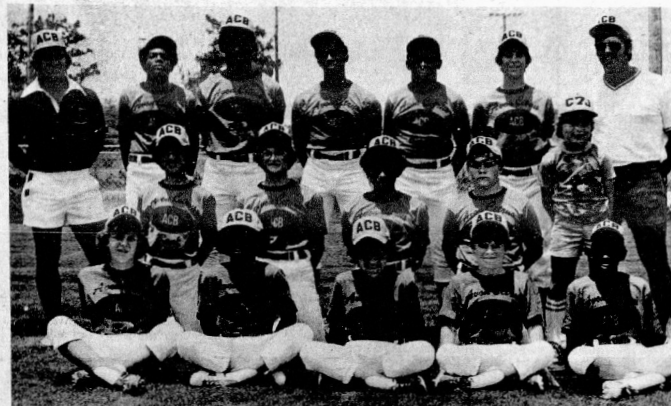
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McCANN & SON FORD "METS" team members are: from left, front row: Quinn Moody, Michael Rowe, Danny Elder, David Hodge and Ricky Norris. Second row: Todd Bennett, Joe May, David Roberts and Mike Shorkey. Back row: Jody Johnston, Tim Cribb, Chris Collins, Ricky Derkman and Coach Sunphoto by Lew Miller.



KOPTA & BENNETT "REDS" team members are: from left, front row: Glenn Caldwell, Tony Moore, Chester Daniels, Daryl Watford and Johnny Caldwell. Second row: Sam Barnes, Tommy Hips, Darren Kopta, Ronnie Barnes and batboy Kenny Tate. Back row: Coach Ken Tate, Alan Liskey, Ricky Oates, Alvin Conner, Dennis Barefield, and assistant coaches Johnny Barnes and Leon Watson. Absent: Michael Bent and Edwin Boone.



AVON CITRUS BANK "CUBS" team members are: from left, front row: Steve Antley, Jacques Thomas, Juan Sanchez, Jeff Davis and Eldridge Pressley. Second row: Terry Portis, David Jackson, Eddie Roper, Desmond Albritton and Batboy Steve Lewis. Back row: Asst. Coach Buddy Hunter, Dwayne Council, Jeff Caldwell, Kevin Caldwell, Gerald Jones, Tommy Turnbull and Coach Clark Jackson. Absent: Jeff Heckard.



AVON PAINT AND BODY "BRAVES" team members are: from left, front row: Troy Brown, Bart Murphy, Erdly Bent, Quinton Williams, and Dwayne Brown. Second row: Darwin Ford, Curtis Taylor, Billy Barben, Dwayne Durrance and Warren Moreland. Back row: Alvin Hardy, Ricky Johnson, Terry Daniels, Jerry Jones, and Walton Touchton.

Cubs And Mets Win Senior League Openers

The Avon Citrus Bank Cubs and the McCann & Son Ford Mets won opening games in the 1978 Avon Park Senior League last Saturday afternoon as the four-team league got under way at the new Senior League Field in the southwest corner of the City Ball Complex.

The ACB Cubs defeated the Avon Paint & Body Braves by a score of 4-2 and the McCann & Son Ford Mets handed the Kopta & Bennett Reds a 10-3 defeat in the two opening games.

Last Tuesday night AP & B was to play Kopta and Bennett at 5 p.m. with the two undefeated teams, ACB and McCann, meeting in the second game at 8:15 p.m. There will not be any games tonight (Thursday) due to a trip for freshman Civics class members to Tallahassee which involved players in the league.

Starting next week, the Senior League will play a single game on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights starting at 7:30 p.m. rather than two games on Tuesday and Thursday. This change in scheduling is due to the Avon Park High School varsity football team holding spring practice sessions from 4 to 6 p.m. each school day for the next three weeks.

On Monday night it will be ACB against Kopta and Bennett. Tuesday night, May 23, McCann will play Avon Paint & Body. Wednesday night McCann will take on Kopta and Bennett again and next Thursday night, May 25, ACB will play AP&B. All games next week will start at 7:30 p.m., at the Senior League Field.

Avon Citrus Bank - 8,
Avon Paint & Body - 2.

Avon Citrus Bank rapped out six hits, including a home run by Gerald Jones, to defeat the Avon Paint & Body Braves 8-2 last Saturday afternoon in the opening game of the 1978 Senior League season. Gerald Jones, David Jackson and Dwayne Council shared mound duties for Avon Park Citrus Bank with Jones posting the win. The three Cub pitchers held the Braves to just four hits, a double by Ricky Johnson and singles by Jerry Jones, Warren Moreland and Curtis Taylor.

Jones had a single to go with his towering home run to left centerfield which came in the seventh inning with no one on base. Dwayne Council hit a double and a single and Steve Antley and Kevin Caldwell both singled for the Cubs.

Ricky Johnson pitched the entire seven inning game for the Braves. He gave up the eight runs on six hits while his teammates made five errors.

McCann - 10, Kopta & Bennett - 3.
In the second game played last Saturday afternoon, the McCann & Son

Ford Mets outscored the Kopta and Bennett Reds 10-2 behind the three hits pitching of Ricky Derkman and Tim

Cribb. Cribb, who came on the mound in relief in the second with one out, finished



FIRST BASEMAN TERRY DANIELS, Avon Paint & Body, stretches and dives for an overthrown ball in foul territory

as right fielder Erdly Bent comes in to assist. The action took place during the Senior League season opener last

Saturday afternoon between AP & B and Avon Citrus Bank. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.

Air Force To Recruit 430 Doctors

The Air Force is launching an all-out recruiting program to fill 430 physician positions by September 30, the end of Fiscal Year 1978, according to a recent release by the Air Force News Service.

"We need people to recommend to us a civilian physician they would like to have in the Air Force," said Colonel Giles H. Hall, health professions recruiting chief.

While physicians in all specialties should be referred, the Air Force especially needs doctors specializing in: obstetrics-gynecology, orthopedic and general surgery, radiology, ear-nose-throat, neurology, pediatric neurology and internal medicine, including cardiology, infectious diseases and allergy subspecialties.

"We need the help of everyone in the community, from active duty military personnel and their dependents to retirees and their dependents to civilians," Colonel Hall stated. "Once we have the referral, medical recruiters will follow up to inform the doctor about what the Air Force has to offer him."

People can call (800) 531-5981 toll-free,

or sent the information to Medical Professional Opportunities, P.O. Box 1776, Valley Forge, Pennsylvania, 19481. Individual support for the new

referral program may affect "the continued ability to provide comprehensive health care to the Air Force family," Colonel Hall said.

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the game striking out ten batters and allowing only a double and a single. Derkman started pitching for the Mets and gave up a home run during his inning and a third on the mound.

The nine hit attack by the McCann team was led by centerfielder Mike Shorkey who rapped out a double and two singles during the seven inning game. Ricky Derkman and Ricky Norris both had two singles, David Roberts hit a double and Jody Johnston singled in the second when the Mets scored five big runs.

Alvin Conner hit the second homer of the day as he tagged a high inside pitch over the left field fence. Conner also had a single and Dennis Barefield hit a double for the only Red hits of the day.

SLUGGER ALVIN CONNER, Kopta and Bennett shortstop - pitcher, trots home after hitting a home run over the left field fence in the first inning of Saturday's Senior League game against McCann & Son Ford at the new Senior League Field situated in the southwest corner of the City Ball Complex. McCann won the game 10-3. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.



SENIOR LEAGUE PRESIDENT Ronnie Jackson sweeps off the plate between innings of a game played last Saturday afternoon when the four Avon Park Senior League teams opened the 1978

season with two games. Jackson has to do a little of everything to keep the league going. Saturday he umpired two games behind the plate. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.

Adams Appointed District Deputy Grand Master By Donald Wessel

At the 149th Annual Meeting of Masons in Florida, Newly elected Grand Master Donald H. Wessel appointed Guy A.



GUY A. ADAMS

Adams, Avon Park resident and Sebring businessman to the position of District Deputy Grand Master of District 22. This district includes the

Masonic lodges in Wauchula, Bowling Green, Fort Meade, Avon Park, Frostproof, Lake Wales, Sebring and Lake Placid.

Wessel is a member of Scottish Rite and York Rite bodies, Shrine, Eastern Star, Order of the Amaranth, National Sojourners, and Royal Order of Jesters. He is also a Senior DeMolay and shows his support of young people with the fact that he has served as a member and secretary of the Board of Directors of the Masonic Youth Association of Florida from 1966-1975.

Guy Adams, District Deputy Grand Master, has lived in Avon Park the past seven years, is Past Master of the Poinciana Lodge, Avon Park, Past president of Highlands Shrine Club, and Past President of Peace Ridge Scottish Rite Club.

Adams says he is looking forward to an outstanding year for Masonry in Florida. One of his dreams for this district is to

establish DeMolay, Rainbow Girls, Job's Daughters organizations for our young people ages fourteen to twenty.



DONALD WESSEL

one. He hopes that under the capable direction of Grand Master Wessel and with the support of the fine Masons in our district that this dream will come true.

Plans Announced For Christmas Bonanza By Episcopal Women

The Episcopal Church Women of Avon Park met for their regular monthly meeting, on Wednesday, May 10 in the

SEJC Offers Cosmotology Class In Fall

Applications for the fall class of cosmetology are being accepted now through June 1 at South Florida Junior College. Applications are available at the College Admission Office.

The next cosmetology class begins August 28. Classes will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Fridays and from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Thursdays. The cost of the program is approximately \$530, (\$100 tuition, \$100 kit, \$50 books, \$50 uniforms and \$50 miscellaneous supplies). All applicants will be required to take an aptitude test on either June 7 at 1:30 p.m. or June 8 at 6:30 p.m.

In order to be considered for the cosmetology program, applicants must have at least a 10th grade education. In exceptional cases, persons who have completed the 9th grade may be accepted by making special arrangements with the Director of Vocational and Adult Guidance. Anyone interested in applying for the cosmetology program but does not meet these requirements may take the G.E.D. tests for a high school equivalency diploma on May 16 and 17. Anyone desiring further information should see Gen. Statler at South Florida Junior College or call 453-6661, extension 119, in Avon Park.

Parish House of the Church of the Redeemer, after mid-week communion. Mrs. Nelson Kluberg, the president called the meeting to order and Elsie Hall led the devotions. The secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and approved.

Margaret Hise announced that the monthly covered dish suppers would continue throughout the summer, on the first Wednesday of each month. The next supper will be June 7. Evening prayer will be 6:30 p.m. and members will adjourn to the Parish House afterwards for the meal. Members should bring a dish to pass and table service. Tea and coffee will be provided.

The president stated that the

delegates to the Episcopal Church Women's Convention which will be held in Orlando on May 22 and 23, will be Mrs. Eugene Hise and Mrs. Sherman Francisco.

Plans for the Christmas Bonanza were announced by Mrs. Kluberg. Jane Betts was appointed chairman; attic treasurer, Mrs. Eugene Hise; handicraft, Margaret Hise; lunch bar, Claire Irwin; bake sale, Alice Morris; publicity, Grace Romilly; and posters, Vi Kinyon. Each chairman will appoint her own committee. Some meetings will be planned for work, during the summer. It is hoped that members will cooperate, and make the Bonanza its most successful ever.

Church Of Nazarene Burns Mortgage On Anniversary

On May 12, the first Church of the Nazarene, 707 West Main Street, Avon Park, Florida, celebrated its 53rd Anniversary with a mortgage

burning ceremony. Dr. Robert H. Spear, Jr., superintendent of the Southern Florida District, Church of the Nazarene, officiated at the ceremony, with several members of the church assisting in the burning. Two former pastors, Rev. W. Earl Spurlock, and Rev. James Lighty, also assisted.

Following the morning worship service, a time of fellowship was enjoyed by all in a dinner-on-the-grounds.

Dr. Spear was also at the church in the evening service, for the purpose of calling a new pastor to the church. Pastor

and Mrs. Byron Schorthinghouse and family, who have been in Avon Park almost four years, will be leaving the end of this month. The first of July they will be leaving the United States to begin mission service in Wainuiomata, Wellington, New Zealand, for the next four years.

During the week of May 16, the Schorthinghouses will be in Princeton, for the church's annual District Assembly, where Pastor Schorthinghouse will give his final report for the church in Avon Park. On Friday evening, the District Missionary Society will hold a sending service for the Schorthinghouses as new missionaries.

Delegates to the Assembly from the church include: James Davidson, Miriam Filippa, and Mary Batson. Delegates to the Missionary Convention are Miriam Filippa, Mary Batson and Mary Rice. Dr. Schorthinghouse is also a member of the convention by virtue of her office as District Secretary for the Missionary Society.

VFW Auxiliary Elects Officers

At the April 24 meeting, election of officers was held by District No. 4, President Calli Rose Starai, acting as pro-tem for auxiliary President Dale Ragland, who was hospitalized.

Elected were president — Dale Ragland; Senior vice president, Rosella Barber; junior vice president, Gloria Gannon; treasurer, Patricia Leopold; chaplain, Elaine Boyle; conductress, Calli Starai; guard, Eleanor Frederick; three-year trustee, Adelle Froelich; two-year trustee, Mickey Murray; one year trustee, Dora Richter; secretary, Virginia Moody.

Installation officer will be District No. 4 President Calli Rose Starai on Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Post, following a dinner at 7. Following installation, will be a dance

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—Gloria Nowak

"I am the rose of Sharon and the lily of the valleys." —Song of Solomon 11:1

He called the flowers, to blue and golden, Stars that in earth's firmament do shine.

—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



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Morning Worship 10:30 A.M.
Youth Meeting 6:00 P.M.
Evening Service 7:00 P.M.

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Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
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Thursday Missionary 7:30 P.M.
Youth Program—Sunday 5:30 P.M.
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Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.
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Wednesday: Bible Study 7:30 P.M.

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Wednesday Service 7:30 P.M.

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Sunday School 9:45 A.M.

Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

Training Union 6:00 P.M.

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Morning Worship 11:00 A.M.

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USING A 9 inch black worm, John Leadingham pulled in an 8 lb. 11 oz. bass while fishing with Jerry Huier in the Kissimmee River deep channel off of Rt. 98 last Tuesday. Sunphoto by Lew Miller.



THE UMPIRES WIN AGAIN! The Clearwater Central Catholic assistant coach points out a foul ball near home plate trying to prove the Marauder baserunner touched home before Red Devil catcher made the tag as three



SOPHOMORE DAVID SISEMORE raps out a base hit against the South Sumter Raiders during the Region 3-AA baseball game played here at Head Field last

Big Bass Seminar

Bigger is better when it comes to bass. And the 1978 Big Bass Seminar will be bigger and better than the gathering of bass anglers last year.

The 1978 seminar is scheduled for December 8-10 in Orlando, the same site as its predecessor which attracted more than 1,800 bass fishermen to the central Florida location.

Again sponsored by the Florida B.A.S.S. Chapter Federation, the National Bass Association, United Bass Fishermen and the American Bass Fisherman, the three-day program is coordinated by the Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission.

Jim Floyd, program coordinator for the Commission, said the objective of the December seminar is to establish an open line of communication between the bass angler and the bass biologist who manages the resource.

The Big Bass Seminar is a nonprofit, self-supporting operation benefitting the Bass Research Foundation for research and study of the black bass.

"From what we can determine," Floyd said, "the 1977 Big Bass Seminar represented the single largest gathering of sportsmen anywhere at anytime. An auditorium filled with fishermen on the same afternoon of the Florida-Florida State football game says something for the interest and dedication of bass anglers."

All of last year's fishing stars will be back this December along with new angling experts to share their knowledge and secrets of successful bass angling. "We are expanding the seminar concept this year with a much wider range of speakers and subjects, and plan to place more emphasis on outdoor demonstrations of angling techniques and skills, individual fishing opportunities in the Big Bass Bayou and an outdoor field test area," Floyd reported.

One addition to the session will be a fish-eye view of underwater world of the largemouth bass by Glenn Lau, award winning producer of some of America's best fishing films, including the popular "Bigmouth."

Plans for the seminar include the Big Bass Exhibit and Display Center where bass anglers will have the opportunity to see what's new for bass angling in 1978. The Big Bass Theater will again feature continuous showing of bass films from Florida and around the world.

"Last year," Floyd said, "we established a little better understanding and a little better appreciation of the Florida largemouth legacy and we hope to advance another step this December by generating even more concern and interest in this valuable natural recreational resource."

For additional information and advance reservations, write: Big Bass Seminar, P.O. Box 15602, Orlando, Florida 32858.



Larry Jackson-County Baseball Player Of The Year

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Les Burch, Sailor

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The 85 Day Voyage Of The Manuia

Les Burch has been described by a friend as quiet, very preceptive, friendly, having a good sense of humor and community minded. But, he is more than that, he is an avid sailor in the truest sense of the word.

After World War II, Les and two war buddies of his decided to sail off the coast of Los Angeles to Tahiti. They began their adventure on Feb. 20, 1946 in a 39 ft. yacht, made by the owner, Arnulf (Hal) Halverson. The yacht, better known as a "rawl," was named "Manuia," which in Tahitian means "Good Luck." Joe Ellis went as navigator and Les as the driver.

Their first stop was to be in Cabo San Lucas but a storm hit the "Manuia" between Catalina Island and San Lucas, about 90 miles off Mexico. The storm lasted for 12 hours with winds up to 90 miles an hour and 30 to 40 feet. Les stated they were lucky. "We all three had a lot of sailing, but had encountered like this," he said. They lowered the boat for the staysail and put a sea anchor. The sea anchor is similar to an aircraft sock, he stated. With such high waves the danger was to prevent the boat from going sideways and the sea anchor did its job well, it kept the boat in the waves, and the boat traveled approximately 100 miles in the storm.

The boat was reported to hold up beautifully, but not so well for the crew. They had to break out the Mother Sills (sea sick) Pills.

Wednesday, Feb. 25, they anchored off the coast of Bartolome, near a Mexican village and an old cannery. Les noted that the Mexican coastal area was very barren with high sandy bluffs.

Here they worked on the "Manuia" and the dingy, which suffered most of the damage during the storm, for five days before going ashore. While visiting Bartolome they met a lobster pilot called "Porcho." He fed Mexican lobster to San Diego and brought back milk and ice cream for the crew. Burch stated that the Mexican fishermen were very friendly and they became very well acquainted.

"The Mexican fishermen exchanged lobsters for beer," said Burch.

The fishermen would exchange their lobsters for beer, and the men thoroughly enjoyed this delectable food item. After purchasing more stable items from a lobster boat the "Adventure," the "Manuia" sailed for Carbo San Lucas, and reached port three days later. They motored the dingy into the harbor, and had their first mail pick-up. Sure was nice to hear from home. "The people of Carbo San Lucas were friendly," said Les, "and I soon learned that I needed to brush up on my Spanish, sign language just wasn't working too good."

While there he purchased a pack of American cigarettes which cost 90

centavos or 16 cents American money; and a barber visited their boat and gave him a much needed haircut and shave which cost Uno Peso Fifty centavos or 35 cents in American currency.

The crew had to overhaul the generator while they were in the port. Work on the boat was finished on March 9, so they pulled anchor and set sail for Manzanillo. They arrived in the area on Sunday, Mar. 14, and decided to land at Santiago Bay instead of Manzanillo, as the port and pilot fees were doubled there if landing on Sunday. Santiago Bay was the nicest spot on their journey so far, stated Les. Lots of people, Mexican and French, nice beaches and two attractive hotels which served good, hot meals at a reasonable price. While on the Bay, Les met two sugar mill operators and they became very friendly. Pico and George showed Les the town, and life for the crew was easy here and they took plenty of "Siestas."

After four days of leisure living, the "Manuia" and its crew set sail for Manzanillo. They had no problems in landing and picked up a few groceries, supplies and 125 gallons of bottled water.

Acapulco was the next stop on their agenda, and it took them four days to sail to the harbor. Les, Hal and Greg spent nine days on Acapulco taking in the sites and enjoying the company of people from other yachts anchored in the harbor.

A friend on Acapulco told them of small revolutions along the coast and that a boat could be impounded for an indefinite period of time and the crew of

the "Manuia" wanted to avoid this. It was suggested they go to Cocos Island, a treasure map was given to them and they were told to go see what they could find.

On Tuesday, Mar. 30, 1948 the "Manuia" crew set sail for Cocos Island," said Burch.

Tuesday, March 30, the crew decided to go treasure hunting, and set sail for Cocos Island.

From there they would go to Panama and onto Tahiti. It would mean longer continued sailing, but hopefully there would be no revolutions going on enroute. It took the "Manuia" ten days to travel from Acapulco to Cocos Island.

They anchored in Chatham Bay, off the coast of Cocos Island and took the dingy to shore. The crew found fresh water on the island; a fresh water bath was in order and they washed some laundry.

"Treasure hunting was limited to the beach area," he said.

Treasure hunting for them was limited to the beach area as the island was densely covered in thick foliage and they would have had to cut their way through. As their original trip did not begin with a treasure hunt in mind, provisions for this activity were not included with the supplies, however, they did have a shovel and pick.

"Cocos Island is under the government of Costa Rica," said Les, "and was supposed to be a treasure burial ground for pirate ships from Mexico and Guatemala." They found the island completely uninhabited except for some unusual birds and wild hogs. You could tell that the island had plenty of visitors as there were holes all over the place, the remains of others seeking buried treasure.

The water surrounding Cocos was very clear and the men sited a square rigger at the bottom of Wafer Bay, another inlet to the island. The men wanted to dive and inspect the wreckage, but a school of sharks kept them from this adventure.

After three days of treasure and hog hunting, the crew set sail for Panama.

"The worst part of the voyage was the journey from Cocos Island to Panama," said Burch.

"The worst part of the whole trip," said Les, "was our journey from Cocos Island to Panama." The "Manuia" ran into a series of squalls which lasted for three days. "Lighting discharging off the mast made for a scary sight," he said. Some of their supplies were lost overboard and the menu for the rest of their trip would consist of canned meat and coconuts they had gathered from Cocos Island. The boat's generator burned out, adding to their predicament, and meant no electricity, no stove for cooking, no radio or ice box. The men finally ended up making a makeshift burner using a 5 gallon oil can with one end cut and a blow torch with tin cans to deflect it, with wires across the oil can on which to place the pot. Les said laughingly, "We used the darn thing for five to six days to cook on."

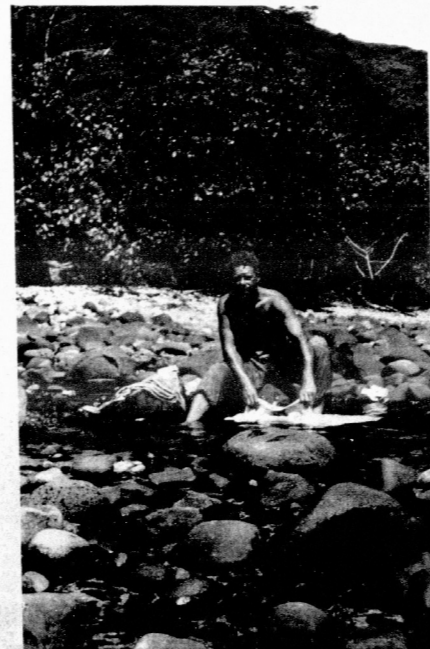
Winds and currents were against them and they were going backwards and drifted way off course. It was decided to start the diesel engines and head for the coast of South America and try going in that way. They were also able to catch a big sea turtle. Turtle steaks and turtle burgers, were a welcome change from the canned meat, they had been eating.

The "Manuia" finally arrived at Balboa off the coast of Panama on Monday April 26. "It felt good to set foot on land with all passengers well after 30 days at sea, but it wouldn't stop rocking," said Les.

"We had planned to sail from Panama Tahiti, but the boat caught fire and burned to the water level," commented Burch.

It seems that Hal, the owner of the craft, was burning some old varnish off the boat, shut the torch off, and went below.

After a period of minutes he heard a crackling sound, came topside and found the boat engulfed in flames. He could only save himself. Cinders from the torch had evidently gone unnoticed. The journey for the men had come to an abrupt stop. But, they had a very en-



ARNULF (HAL) HALVERSON, the Yacht's owner is caught through the eyes of a camera doing his laundry on Cocos Island.



The "Manuia" sailing off the coast of Acapulco.

joyable time and the experience was something to reflect on in the future.

Hal stayed in Panama to work with the Panama Canal Company. Joe and Les flew back to California and Burch went back home in Minnesota.

He and his wife Betty were married in 1962 and they have two children, Laura is a graduate nurse from Florida State University, and is finishing a two-year term internship at a medical college in Richmond, Va. Greg is a senior at University of Florida, majoring in civil engineering.

The Burches came to Avon Park in 1967 from Hollywood, Fla. where Les was employed as an executive manager of the Chamber of Commerce for seven years; He was at one time an executive manager for a chain of 500 motels throughout the United States, and later did public relations for a bank. The busy life finally got too much of him and they decided to move to a quieter area. Avon Park was their choice. Since living here, Les has been employed at the Avon Park High School and he handles a corporate work program for the juniors, better

known as Diversified Work Program. The program allows for students to go to school part of the day and work part of the day. There were 52 students enrolled in the program this year. Les works closely with the employer and the students.

He is a director of the local Chamber of Commerce, co-chairman of the industrial committee, and is an elder of the First Presbyterian Church.

His hobbies are sailing, of course, and playing golf.

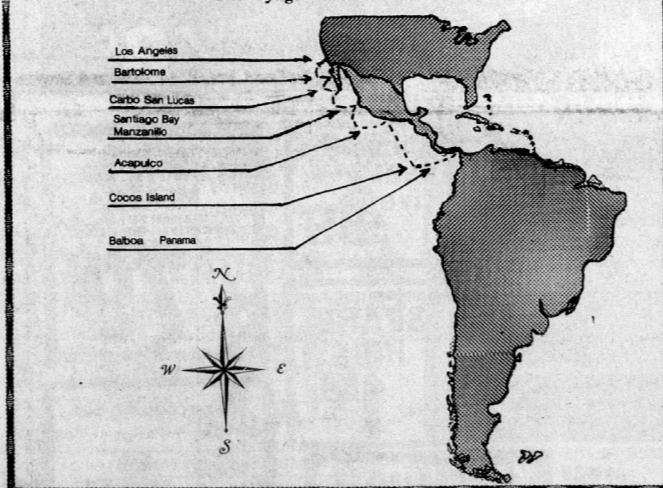
The Manuia voyage from Los Angeles harbor to Balboa, on the Pacific side of Panama, took 85 days.

The sailing cruise began on Friday Feb. 20 and ended on Monday, April 26, a total of 85 days.



LES WITH A sailor's beard stands beside island rock on Cocos Island. It bears the names of previous boats, and of course they carved the Manuia on it also.

The voyage of the Manuia.



The crew aboard the yacht Les, Joe Ellis and Arnulf Halverson.



The "Manuia" at the beginning of its voyage.



Avon Mobile Home Park News

Ruth E. Robinson
Mr. and Mrs. John Evans along with her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Johnson, returned Thursday

from a three day trip to Key West and Fort Myers. While in Key West, they enjoyed the Conch train tour and the visit to the Key West Hand Print

Delaney Heights News

By Mrs. Charles Marshall
The monthly birthday luncheon was held at the Club House on May 10. Happy Birth-

We welcome any newcomers and invite them to join us at our luncheons.

Day was sung for Mrs. Watson. Sadie Whitehurst has returned to her home from Walker Memorial Hospital. Her daughter Velma Hill, of Bonifay, spent some time with her mother.

Ester Bovard, Thelma Wilson and Joyce Bovard attended the Mother-Daughter Banquet at the Congregational Church.

Daisy Burnett of Atlanta, Ga. visited Rebecca Elliot. Katherine Hicks of Sarasota was a guest of her mother, Mrs. Fletcher recently.

Opal Phelgar had a nice surprise when her son, James of Charleston, S.C. came to visit her.

Mrs. Elliot visited her brother and wife, the Aubrey Hunters, in Lake Placid.

Mrs. Max Campbell was a visitor at Mrs. Campbell's. Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marshall were Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Martin and Mr. and Mrs. R.H. Pugh of Templeton, Pa., and Mrs. R.M. Neal of Dayton, Pa.

Word was received that Mrs. George Bearrs (Mercedes) is

with her son John in Louisiana for the coming month or longer until the weather breaks.

Randy and Monica Geib from Taylor, Mich. visited their Grandmother Gladys Geib from Taylor, Mich. for a few days, then the other grandparents, Roundbushes in the Brentwood Mobile Home park. Mrs. Geib will be leaving

on Wed. for Ohio to visit folks. Mrs. Susan Claypool spent Mothers Day at Sebring with her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. John Haley, Mr. and Mrs. Drallo Bartoli from Cape Coral and grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wolfe from Fort Myers.

A visit to Bok Tower on Mother's Day for the concert was an inspiring event for the

John Evans and Paul Johnson. The privilege of meeting Pearl's sister and husband has been a pleasure; we wish them a safe trip home this Wednesday, as they travel together back to Ohio.

Al and Dorothy Keyes are having a nice, relaxing vacation according to their message to Robert McBeth. Mothers Day Dinners Out

included: Ralph and Mildred Helt to Sun Ray Restaurant, and Gladys Geib with grandson, Randy and wife Monica, Lela Maddrell and Rosa Bennington to the Golden Corral; Susan and Joe Bacon with Floyd and Bonnie Stevens to Lake Placid Tower; Mrs. Inez Swearingen at home of son Eugene, Ellen and grandchildren with Mrs. Edith Kimbell.

Bonnie

By Margie Wells
Hostesses for the coffee Wednesday morning, Rozzie Parkhurst and Reichenbaugh. Every one such a good time, even the crowd was small. Ella Drake and Hunt showed pictures of trip. It was decided that hour would be stopped summer after next.



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Applications For PRN Classes Being Taken

Applications for the fall class in Practical Nursing are now being accepted at South Florida Junior College. Applications are available at the College Admission Office.

The next Practical Nursing class begins August 28, and ends in July, 1978. June 1 is the deadline for applying for admission to this class. All nursing applicants will be required to take an aptitude test before being considered for the program. This test is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on May 24, and at 1:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. on June 1. Applicants need to attend only one of these testing sessions. There is an \$8 fee for each person taking the test.

All applicants for the Practical Nursing Program must be high school graduates or possess a Florida G.E.D. diploma. Prospective students who do not meet this requirement may take the G.E.D. test at South Florida Junior College on May 16 and 17.

The fee for Practical Nursing is \$140 which does not include books, uniforms or miscellaneous supplies. There is financial aid available for those persons who meet the eligibility requirements.

Prospective students who plan to take the G.E.D. test on May 16 and 17, and - or apply for financial aid should contact Gene Statler, Director of Vocational and Adult Guidance at South Florida Junior College, immediately or call 453-6661, extension 119, in Avon Park.

Summer Voc-Tech Classes Offered By SFJC

Six occupational classes are scheduled to be offered during the summer term by the Vocational, Technical and Adult Education Division of South Florida Junior College. Classes will meet Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 12 noon and 1 to 3 p.m., beginning June 13 and ending July 25. Cost of each course is \$15, and registration is June 12, at the South Florida Junior College Admissions Office.

Classes being offered are Air Conditioning and Refrigeration, Auto Body Mechanics, Automotive Mechanics, Tractor and Diesel Mechanics, Carpentry and General Office Clerk. Small gas engines and welding will be emphasized in the Tractor & Diesel Mechanics class.

Anyone desiring further information should see Gene Statler, Director of Vocational and Adult Guidance, at South Florida Junior College or call 453-6661, extension 119, in Avon Park.

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Bonnie Brae Mobile Home Park News

The Avon Park Sun, May 18, 1978 3C

Mildred
restaurant,
grandson,
Mrs. Lulu
Manning;
Susan
Lloyd and
the Placid
Coastline
Club with Mrs.

By Margie Wells
Hostesses for the coffee hour Wednesday morning were Rozzie Parkhurst and Ellen Reichenbaugh. Everyone had such a good time, even though the crowd was smaller than usual. Ella Drake and Ellen Hunt showed pictures of their trip. It was decided that coffee hour would be stopped for the summer after next Wednesday.

nesday. That coffee hour will be held to celebrate the birthday of our manager, Dan Bohland. Incidentally, Dan has an early birthday present - a "souped-up," power lawn mower with all the trimmings. Get your grandchildren and pets out of the way - here comes Dan!
There were 26 present at our Mother's Day covered dish

dinner. Rev. C.D. Harsh, father of Margie Wells, gave the invocation. We would all like to thank Ellen Hunt for the delicious roast beef and gravy which she prepared for everyone. The covered dishes which were brought in were both varied and delicious and no one went away hungry. We were all very happy to have Frank Webster present. This

was the first activity he had been able to attend in a long time. It was a very nice get-together for all of us and helped to make Mother's Day special for those who couldn't be with their children.
Thelma Miller spent the week-end in Fort Lauderdale visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hart. While there, she visited friends in Hollywood and

Margate.

We hope all of you saw the "Letter to the Editor" in the AVON PARK SUN where Bonnie Brae was given special thanks for sending in Campbell and Franco-American labels. We can all be proud of the manner in which our park assists in community activities.

Edith and Miles Morgan of

Fairmount Mobile Estates were guests of Margie and P.D. Wells on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. They spent some of the time working on the preparation of "Hooks and Slives," a monthly publication of River Greens Golf Course and Miles did a "fixit" job which Margie and P.D. appreciated very much.

News from our friends in the

north:

A note from Ray Jones said that Dessie was in the hospital. She was taken there soon after they arrived home. They haven't been able to determine as yet what her problems are. We wish you good health soon, Dessie!

Dorothy and Karl Hart write that they are very busy getting their farm ready for the

summer shows and tours. They said they already had received many reservations.

Agnes and Charles Davies write that they have been having some nice weather and have a big garden planted. Betty and Lou Vedder told us in a letter that they are still having cold weather but that most of the snow drifts had melted. They said that in spite of the crazy weather, they were having a lot of golfers playing their course.

Hope we can continue to receive news from our northern friends regularly!

Winter Guest Club News

Contract Bridge

Thursday, May 11, there were two tables of bridge. John Schoen took first with a score of 8270 and Ada Johnson second with a score of 4620.

Shuffleboard
On May 10, with ten courts at play, the three game winners were Al Wilson, Herb Wooliscroft, Ernie Thomas, George Geiser, Paul Maneigold, and Geraldine Long. Saturday, May 6, the tournament was called, on account of rain.

Pinchle

Friday, May 5, there were four tables playing pinchle. First place went to Garce Romilly with 804 and Sheila Wurster took second with 743. On May 8, four tables were at play with high scorer being Bill Benson with 720 and second was Allen Benson with 580. Ed and Cecelia Healy report their trip home was nice all the way back to Strathroy, but the morning Cecelia wrote there was a covering of snow and the temperature was 22 degrees.
Mac and Jean McDougall wrote that April was a cold month, and there are still patches of snow in the spots where the sun doesn't hit. Fred Frye wrote of very poor farming weather. Rain, Rain, Rain! Of course, Fred, the optimist, just knew tomorrow would be the day the sun would start to shine and they would get caught up.

Every letter just makes us appreciate our beautiful Florida weather all the more. Last Wednesday evening the shuffleboard players watched an alligator catch the last rays of the setting sun on Lake Verona.

Car Care For Women Offered

At SFJC

South Florida Junior College, as part of its Community Instructional Service Program, will offer a course entitled "Car Care for Women" on Thursday evenings beginning June 8 and ending July 27. The class will meet from 7 until 10 o'clock in the Automotive Department at SFJC.

The fee is \$3 plus \$1 park fee. Gene Thomas will teach the class assisted by W.R. Hood, SFJC Automotive instructor.

This class is offered to any adult but the course objectives are specifically addressed to the problems that many women face concerning car care. Subjects to be covered will be the selection and care of the automobile, consumer tips on repairs, how to change a tire, the elements of basic auto mechanics, elementary auto tune-up, danger signs for auto efficiency and many other topics of interest to the driver.

Wells Motor Company of Avon Park has requested Chrysler Corporation to assist in this program through use of their audio-visual entitled, "Women on Wheels."

Persons may register for the Car Care for Women Class at the Community Instructional Service Office at South Florida Junior College. Anyone desiring further information should contact Mrs. Adair at the College or call 453-6661, extension 115, in Avon Park.

WIRED FOR PROBLEMS
Robert Barben of Avon Park told Highlands County sheriff's deputies that someone pulled wires from the instruments on the dash of his tractor, which had been left on SR 17 due to a flat tire. An attempt was made to cut the main cable to the starter. Damage has been estimated at \$200.

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