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Fire district launches ALS

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By Dawn Grodsky
Editor

Just two hours after the Sanibel Fire Control District's new Advanced Life Support program went online Saturday, fire department paramedics responded to a head-on collision on Sanibel-Captiva Road while the ambulance stationed on the island was in Fort Myers.

Sanibel Fire Chief P. Charles Frederick said, "We went ALS at 12 noon on Saturday. At 2:03 p.m. Saturday afternoon, we had a head-on car accident on San-Cap with (four) patients. The ambulance was on another call. The program worked exactly like we designed it. ... It means it's a terrific program."

Frederick and Captain Rich Dickerson have spent the last four years working to bring ALS to Sanibel. It's designed to supplement Lee County Emergency Medical Services, which only stations one ambulance for Sanibel and Captiva that leaves the island to take patients to hospitals. Sanibel's ALS will provide paramedic services and won't ever leave Sanibel.

"What are the odds?" Frederick asked of the timing of the accident. "It was a major call and our paramedics were on scene, throwing IVs in."

He added that the Lee County paramedic on duty was thrilled when she returned to transport the patients to the hospital and found three island paramedics already there, working on the victims.

Frederick said the most seriously injured was a young girl who suffered compound fractures and a head injury. However, he said she's expected to fully recover.

Dickerson said the addition of ALS means "a new era" for island residents and visitors.

"It's the biggest step the Sanibel Fire Department has taken since it started in 1955. It's a major step," he said.

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Michael Pistella

Sanibel's firefighter/paramedic Rob Beyer checks the new Advanced Life Support vehicle's heart monitor to make sure it's functioning properly. The ALS program was implemented at noon Saturday and two hours later, island paramedics responded to a head-on collision while the Lee County ambulance was off island.

Refuge to scorch 79 acres

Controlled burn to prevent wildfire

By Pattie Pace
Staff Writer

Sometime between today and shortly before Easter, the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge will conduct a controlled burn on 79 acres of land that abuts Sanibel-Captiva Road near Jamaica and Tahiti drives.

Controlled burns are common ways of preventing out-of-control wildfires that have been plaguing Southwest Florida.

The burn must be coordinated with winds coming from the south, so the smoke will head into Pine Island Sound, rather than over Sanibel. If a south wind is blowing today, the burn will begin between 11 a.m. and noon, and last for approximately two hours.

Councilmember Nola Theiss, who lives in the area, said she would notify nearby residents by means of a telephone chain — people calling their neighbors to get the word out.



Lou Hinds

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BIDDING OPEN



Michael Pistella

Raymond Windt makes a bid for one of the donated pieces of art in the Beaux Arts silent auction at the Barrier Island Group for the Arts during a reception that opened silent bidding Monday. The Beaux Arts Gala is Monday, March 29, and is the first ever fund raiser for BIG Arts. For the full story, please see page 13.

Chamber to open meetings

11 vying for board

By Pattie Pace
Staff Writer

The board of directors for the Sanibel/Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce voted Tuesday morning to open all future meetings to any chamber member interested in attending.

The board will set aside 10 minutes at the beginning and end of the meeting for member input, said Mike Billheimer, interim board chairman.

Anyone wanting to put an item on the

agenda should submit the item to the board prior to the meeting. The time, date and venue of all board meetings will be posted in the chamber visitor's center.

Additionally, Billheimer announced that Chris Shields of Pavese, Shields & Garner was hired to complete revisions to the chamber's bylaws and members will be able to review the proposed changes when complete.

Tuesday, the board approved a slate of 11 candidates for the election of seven new board members. Ballots will be sent out to all active members by end of March and must be returned by April 12. Sanibel

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Teacher Taylor-made for Sanibel School

■ School notes/page 16

By Gwenda Hiatt-Clements
News Editor

It's no longer elementary. Proof is in place that Sanibel Elementary School will now be simply the Sanibel School. There are 43 students signed up to become members of the first sixth-grade class on the island. Two sixth-grade portable classrooms have been moved to the campus for next year's students. And Louise Taylor, the first teacher hired for the new program, is now working at the school.



L. Taylor

Taylor is planning the course of study for next year's sixth graders using the Environment as Integrating Content concept.

"It is a student-focused, student-driven means of learning. They get involved with taking responsibility for their learning. You establish goals and they determine how to get there," Taylor said. "The

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Weather

	High	Low	Rain
March 10	76	64	—
March 11	80	70	—
March 12	80	62	—
March 13	80	62	—
March 14	80	62	—
March 15	80	66	.60
March 16	70	52	.10

Rainfall for March is 1.01 inches so far.
Note: Rainfall levels are recorded from the morning of the day given to the following morning.

Source: Island Water Association

Correction

In the March 11 edition of the *Island Reporter*, the price for a poetry reading by Gerald Perkoff was incorrect. The cost is \$2 and the reading will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 25, at the Barrier Island Group for the Arts.

The *Reporter* regrets the error.

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CASI/COTI town meeting

The Condominium Association of Sanibel Island and the Committee of the Islands are sponsoring a town hall meeting at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, at the Sanibel Community House.

The first part of the meeting will be a brief presentation by the candidates who are running for city council, Bill Hillebrandt and Bob Laswell. Then the candidates will take questions from the audience.

The second part of the meeting will be a panel discussion on the special referendum dealing with the Sanibel Causeway drawbridge replacement.

CASI and COTI invite everyone to attend the meeting and encourage everyone to vote March 30.

■ Causeway petition to be circulated

A petition calling for any replacement or rehabilitation of the Sanibel Causeway to be similar to the existing structure will be made available at the joint CASI/COTI town meeting. The petition is intended for non-resident property owners to express their opinion on the causeway replacement issue.

For information, call Maddy Hanlon at 395-1691.

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Firefighters have 'gas' of a time

At its monthly training session last Thursday evening, Sanibel firefighters experimented with putting out gas fires. And with flames shooting high up into the sky, the drill proved to be quite a show.

Captain Rich Dickerson said the training session was set up by Lloyd "Stretch" Lentz, a technician with the Amerigas company.

He brought a liquid petroleum gas tank from which firefighters ran lines back to the helipad.

"It was to simulate a gas tank on fire," Dickerson said.

Teams of five firefighters with two nozzles would approach the gas tank in fog pattern, wearing protective suits, and shut the value off. They did it at several different intervals and witness Matt Asen estimated at one point, the flames were 35 feet in the sky.

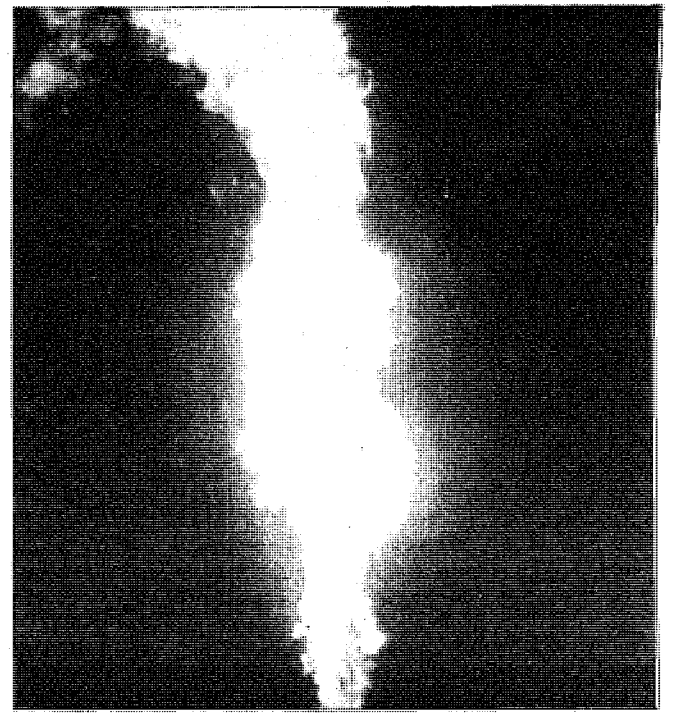
"It worked out real well," Dickerson said. "It was quite visible, especially at night."

— Dawn Grodsky



AT RIGHT: (l to r) Mary Hickey, administrator for the Sanibel Fire Control District, and Matt Asen of the Timbers in an "American Gothic" pose following the drill. Asen "smoked" the grouper on the pitch fork in the gas flames.

FAR RIGHT: Flames shoot up high in the sky during the recent fire department drill.



Photos / Special to the Reporter

ALS From page 1

Shifts are now scheduled so that at least one paramedic is on duty 24 hours a day. The district has eight paramedics and seven emergency medical technicians. All firefighters are certified EMTs and the district hired three firefighter/paramedics from Lee County. The remaining paramedics come from within the department and have been undergoing training. Of the eight, five are credentialed and three should be soon, according to Dickerson, one of the certified paramedics.

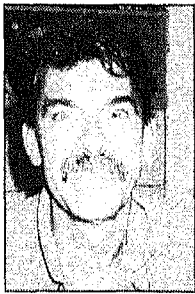
Dickerson said combined, the paramedics have more than 50 years of previous ALS experience.

The difference between an EMT and a paramedic is crucial in medical incidents, such as a heart attack, and trauma situations, such as vehicle accidents.

Paramedics can administer drugs. They can make an airway directly into the trachea. They can start IVs and give pain medication such as morphine, along with fluids. They can run diagnoses to determine whether a person is having a heart attack or a stroke, and alert emergency room personnel to have clot-busting drugs ready for the patient's arrival. They can use a standard defibrillator and adjust the levels of electric current given to the heart. They can use a Medical Anti-Shock Trouser or MAST suit that helps prevent shock.

EMTs can perform basic life support, such as CPR. They can use automatic defibrillators, administer oxygen and splint injuries. Stabilization methods are the same for both levels, according to Dickerson.

"To become a paramedic, it takes two years of training. ... They have to take a writ-



Frederick



R. Dickerson

ten, practical and oral test," Dickerson said.

To get an EMT certification, firefighters must take one semester of coursework and pass a state test.

"Paramedics ... they need to know math, anatomy and pharmacology. They do 300 hours in a hospital, in the ER and operating

rooms, and 300 hours of riding on an ambulance. ... We go beyond that. Our current trainees are doing 1,000 hours of ride time and they're still not finished. Experience helps and we're going to make sure they're ready," Dickerson said.

Sanibel ALS personnel will also be able to respond to Captiva if needed, Dickerson added.

Dickerson has been working closely with Lee County Medical Director Bill Bess, whom he thanked for being such a big help, along with Sanibel Fire Commissioners for supporting ALS and Edison Community College's EMS program for training island firefighters.

Dickerson also wanted to thank Dunes' resident Dr. Saul Bloomfield, who has been pushing for ALS since 1997 after being horrified when a houseguest suffered a heart attack and the island's only ambulance was off the island. It took about more than 20 minutes for paramedics to arrive and the houseguest died.

Last year, the issue came to a head again when roofer Sergio Roman fell 16 feet head first from a home under construction in the Sanctuary and it took the on-island paramedics 10 minutes to respond.

Dickerson hopes the new, round-the-clock, on-island care can curb these types of delays.

Fire commissioners approved a 12 percent budget increase to implement the program late last summer and costwise, Dickerson said the program was implemented for about \$40,000. That includes the new vehicle, which was scheduled to be replaced; the monitor defibrillator; drugs; and the 12-lead EKG, which Dickerson explained takes 12 different "pictures" of the heart that show up as graphs on paper and indicate whether a person is suffering a heart attack.

Not included in the \$40,000 figure are the salaries and benefits of the three additional full-time people and the cost of training for the current staffers who opted to become paramedics.

Dickerson said ALS is the way to go for a lot of county fire departments. "The way the population is growing, countywide, there are only 18 ambulances and one helicopter. ... Bonita just went on with ALS last month. South Trail and San Carlos (Park) will be on line in a few months and Cape Coral in the fall," he said.

District open house

The Sanibel Fire Control District is having an open house from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, March 20. The public is invited to stop by for "a day of education and fun."

On hand will be "Sparky," the fire dog robot, new and old fire trucks, a smoke detector demonstration, emergency care equipment, haz-mat equipment, confined space equipment, fire prevention information and a smoke room.

There will be a vehicle extrication demonstration at 1 p.m., fire hose practices for children, a new Advanced Life Support vehicle display and a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service display.

For more information, call 472-5525.

■ Heartsaver course

The Sanibel Fire Control District is offering another CPR Heartsaver course from 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, March 30, at Fire Station One.

Participants should wear comfortable clothing and can bring a towel or pad for their knees, if necessary, to work on the floor.

Pre-registration and prepayment of \$10 is required. For information, call Mary Hickey at 472-5525.

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Special causeway meeting scheduled

By Pattie Pace
Staff Writer

The Sanibel City Council debated the results of the planning commission's fact-finding report on the causeway and bridges for a full three hours before deciding to continue the discussion to a special meeting March 31.

The meeting was called so councilmembers could tweak the commission's list of facts and add results of the March 30 bridge referendum before turning the report over to the Lee County Department of Transportation. The findings will be considered by the DOT as it defines the scope of work to be accomplished during the upcoming Project, Development & Environmental study. The DOT's Scott Gilbertson gave Sanibel an April 1 deadline to submit suggestions for the PD&E, denying the city's request for a one-month extension prompted by the upcoming election.

Councilmembers plan to reword some of the report's 48 facts to strengthen Sanibel's position that Lee County's best alternative is building a low-span bascule bridge or rehabilitating the existing structures. In addition, they will draft a resolution highlighting key points for the county to weigh during the PD&E. A tunnel and a fixed-span will also be considered.

Walter Dickinson, an islander with a construction background, told councilmembers that they can get the county to

build a low-span drawbridge by diligently participating in every step of the process.

He said any studies finding that a low-span alternative is cheaper than a fixed-span bridge can be submitted to Florida Tax Watch Headquarters, which works directly for Gov. Jeb Bush to oversee tax spending.

Interim City Manager Bob Pritt and consultant Khirs Cella of Cella & Associates debated the fact that Cella had already given the planning commission's preliminary finding to the DOT.

"The result is, you have something that might be totally different from the final product," Pritt said.

Cella said she was aware of the report's preliminary status but said the DOT and South Florida Water Management District, which is conducting water quality studies, both wanted early input from Sanibel. She added that the document was already in the public domain.

Islander Matt Stein continued to question the county's rush to begin the PD&E study, noting he felt hurried and bullied by the PD&E's onset while crucial facts remain unanswered.

Cella said that required answers will emerge during the PD&E process.

The special council meeting will begin at 9 a.m. Wednesday, March 31 at City Hall.

Wildlife committee airs monofilament concerns

Peter Kyne of the Sanibel Wildlife Committee discussed a growing problem with discarded monofilament fishing line with the council Tuesday. He said the Care & Rehabilitation of Wildlife treats 2,400 birds and other animals injured by swallowing or becoming entangled in the lines each year.

"If you've ever witnessed the effect on birds or turtles, you'd be convinced how disastrous this can be," Kyne said.

The solution is threefold, he added. Education of anglers is paramount, as is the biannual events to rid the island of stranded monofilament fishing lines. Kyne added that proper disposal methods complete the circle, noting that most manufacturers now provide postage and packaging to return used fishing line for recycling.

"This problem is really daunting. If you walk along the causeway you can pick up several bushel baskets of monofilament," he said.

Councilmember Bob Davison, who served as liaison for the wildlife and vegetation committees during his three-month tenure and stepped down as interim councilmember following the meeting Tuesday, suggested the council set aside time every three months for city committees to publicly report their progress and problems.

Chamber From page 1

Finance Director Renee Lynch, who served as election judge in last November's hotly contested special election, will again take on that role.

"She's a real sport," outgoing Executive Director David Besse said.

In keeping with chamber bylaws, the board endorsed seven members. The current board members seeking reelection are Grover Arp, Revonda Cross, Jeff Molnar, David

Schuldenfrei and Jerry Stern. Paul McCarthy has decided not to run again and a seventh seat opened when Victor Mayeron resigned last month for health reasons. The board nominated Anne Joffe and Tony Lapi for those two slots.

The four additional candidates whose petitions were approved Tuesday are Randy Bacik, Rodney Jobe, Linda Logan and Ron Urkovich.

Meanwhile, Besse said at the end of April he'll be moving his family to the Akron/Canton area of Ohio, where he plans to start his own business.

He's currently working with Keith Trowbridge, the chamber's newly appointed executive director, until his contract expires March 30.

The next board meeting is at 8 a.m. Tuesday, March 23, at Tarwinkles restaurant at 2499 Periwinkle Way.

Burn

From page 1

Refuge Manager Lou Hinds received the Sanibel City Council's unanimous approval to conduct the prescribed burns Tuesday. Hinds said burns are normally conducted every three years but that opportunity was missed two years ago. With five years of fuel load on the ground, he wants to proceed before the State Fire Marshal puts a hold on all such projects, responding to extremely dry weather conditions and the recent wildfires in Lehigh Acres and Collier County.

Hinds said the amount of dried shrubs and palm fronds on the ground that could easily ignite — due to lightning, arson or even a carelessly tossed cigarette butt — is nearly twice as heavy as normal. One reason for the five-year lapse in having a prescribed burn is the agreement between the city and the refuge not to burn during the tourist season, which narrows the window to between Easter and the end of May, when the rainy season starts.

That arrangement, coupled with unusually dry or wet weather, have put the program behind schedule.

If the refuge receives permission to conduct the prescribed burn, Hinds said a helicopter will drop golf-ball sized pellets from the air that will ignite when they hit the ground. This method allows for a large area to be burned in a short time. Then a "Bambi basket" will be attached to the helicopter as a safety measure. In case the fire should become too hot, the helicopter can fly over a pond and pick up water to douse the fire.

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Tower debate centers around consultants

By Pattie Pace
Staff Writer

The subject of telecommunications towers was lofted again during the public comment session at Tuesday's Sanibel City Council meeting.

Responding to citizen concerns, Councilmember Andrew Reding motioned to preclude Michael Kurtis, the city's consultant, from attending the April 6 public hearing on the matter. Noting the council's change in direction away from tall towers, Reding said he was uncomfortable paying Kurtis \$2,000 to attend the meeting, since the bulk of his clients are wireless providers, a fact Reding said would likely skew his take on towers. Councilmember Steve Brown seconded the motion for discussion purposes, but later withdrew his support.

Brown motioned to direct city staff to begin the process of hiring a consultant to provide a second opinion. The proposal failed in a 3-2 vote, with Reding and Brown in the minority.

Councilmember Nola Theiss suggested an alternate course of action, saying she'd prefer to review the revised ordinance at the April 6 meeting before deciding if it's necessary to hire another consultant for a second opinion.

Resident Mike Gillespie highlighted the need to have a "technology guy" at the April 6 public hearing to confirm whether signals can pass through tall trees.

"We need a radio frequency engineer as a consultant ... someone with no ax to grind who can tell us what's possible," he said, adding that no one in the room was capable of disputing Kurtis' claim that requiring small devices on exist-

ing structures would be too costly.

Theiss once again offered the free consulting services of her husband Hal, who worked as an RFP engineer for 30 years with the National Aeronautics Space Administration. She said she made the offer previously but no one pursued it. Councilmembers agreed that his presence at the April 6 meeting would be beneficial and asked that he attend.

Councilmember Bob Davison stepped forward to defend Kurtis.

"I think Mr. Kurtis is the victim of a bum rap," he said, explaining that the council asked for advice in a void, with no framework provided, and then balked when it decided to change directions.

If the council does seek a second opinion from an independent consultant, both Mayor Bob Janes and City Manager Bob Pritt suggested the position be put out to bid.

Ted Kreines, who was hired by activist John LaGorce to conduct an independent seminar last month, is on the short list of consultants not affiliated with providers.

Janet and Degan Walker, Sanibel residents who were the first to openly oppose the proposed ordinance, called for the city to enact a moratorium on towers.

A debate ensued on whether a moratorium is necessary or if the notice of pendency currently in place would achieve the same goal — preventing towers from being built until the ordinance is adopted.

Planning Director Bruce Rogers has been working on a draft ordinance for approximately two years in order to bring the city into compliance with the 1996 Federal Telecommunications Act. The act precludes cities from unreasonable restricting the business of wireless providers.

Beach Road to be paved; city to pay for part

Driving over six-inch deep ruts and wiping away thick layers of dust kicked up by cars on Beach Road will be a thing of the past this summer, once the city paves the road in conjunction with its annual maintenance project along East Gulf Drive.

The Sanibel City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to approve the project after more than 80 percent of Beach Road residents petitioned the city to pave their road. A minimum of 50 percent of residents must sign a petition in order to effect change.

Al Helo said the rutted road serves the same purpose as speed bumps and he's had to have his shock absorbers and engine mount replaced prematurely because of the washboard nature of the shell road.

Beach Road resident Marica Luthringer concurred with the need for change.

"One of the reasons I moved here was because of the

natural beauty. But I cannot open my windows, ride a bike or walk without being bombarded by dust," she said.

John Boardman told the council that health concerns motivated him more than the basic inconvenience of a shell road. He's had to spend a considerable amount of money on a special air filtration system for his home because of his wife's serious allergy condition.

Planning Commissioner Phyllis Bogen, who lives on an adjacent shell road, took an opposing stance. "People move here loving Sanibel because it's low key and natural, and then complain about the inconvenience. (Paved roads) all add up and change the atmosphere of Sanibel," she said.

According to a resolution passed last year, the city will incur 30 percent of all costs with the additional 70 percent split between Beach Road residents.

— Pattie Pace

City notes

Juvenile Justice Week proclaimed

Mayor Bob Janes proclaimed the week of March 14-20 as Juvenile Justice Week, urging citizens to make a conscious effort to help prevent juvenile crime. Janes presented the proclamation to Sanibel Police Detective Kurt Schulte.

"On Sanibel, we don't have as much of a juvenile crime problem. But this past weekend a juvenile was arrested for shoplifting at Jerry's. Once they go through the court system, they come back to us for community service. We hope to turn this into a learning process so they won't do that again," Schulte said.

Deceased police officer honored

Sanibel Police Officer Nancy Jerz, who died of cancer March 6, was honored at Tuesday's Sanibel City Council meeting. A framed copy of the proclamation was presented to her husband, Dan. Another copy will be placed in the police department lobby, along with a photo of Jerz.

Mayor Janes said her radio call number, No. 308, will be officially retired and permanently assigned to Jerz, who was sworn in by Chief Lew Phillips on Feb. 3, 1997, and served as a road patrol officer, along with numerous other duties.

The resolution praised Jerz for her "motivational skills and astute awareness of each person's true potential," along with the sage advice she offered each and every person she met — "Be all that you can be." The resolution went on to talk about the personal message displayed on her police trading cards: "Today's Dreams are Tomorrow's Realities."

Dozens of Sanibel police, firefighters and city workers attended her funeral Monday morning.

Budget report delayed

Armand Ball, chairman of the Five-Year Budget Review Committee, said his committee's report will be ready at the end of April and in councilmembers' packets in time for the May 4 meeting. Ball received the council's unanimous approval to extend the committee's original April 7 deadline.

Trading places on committee

Richard Hulit resigned his new post with the Wastewater Research Committee because of his obligations to the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. Hulit is involved with building "Ding" Darling's new Center for Education.

The council voted unanimously to appoint Graham Kortegast to serve in Hulit's place. Born in New Zealand, Kortegast has a strong engineering background spanning 18 years.

— Pattie Pace

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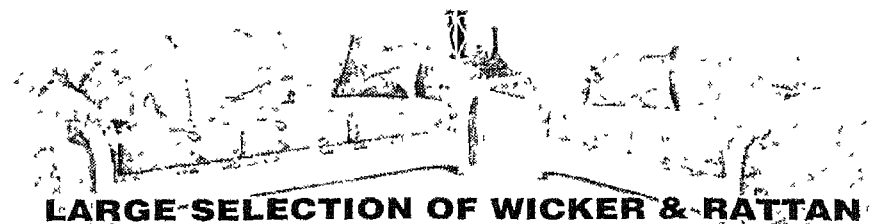
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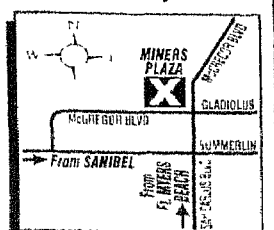
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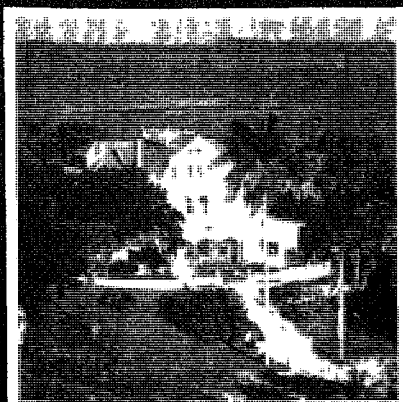
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Editor's note

Rub-a-dub-dub, three men in a tub

Just sit right back and you'll hear a tale, a tale of a fateful trip

*That started from this tropic port aboard this tiny ship.
The mate was a mighty sailing man; the skipper brave and sure.*

*Five passengers set sail that day
For a three-hour tour; a three-hour tour.*

The weather started getting rough

The tiny ship was tossed

If not for the courage of the fearless crew,

The Minnow would be lost; the Minnow would be lost. ...

But unlike that fearless crew aboard the S.S. Minnow, we were able to make it back into safe harbor at Jensen's last weekend and didn't end up stranded on a desert island for years, living in palm frond-thatched shacks with way too many clothes.

Whew, it was close though!

It started off as a lovely day if a little brisk. With myself at the helm, we cruised up to Cayo Costa in search of the wild pigs. We hiked around the island and came back to the beach to enjoy a picnic lunch when we noticed it was blowing quite a bit more than before. Our brie, bread, olives, grapes — and ourselves — suddenly had a thick coating of sand. The tide was outgoing but our anchored boat was in deeper water than we'd left it, and it was bouncing around more than a Rollerblader traversing Australian pine roots on the Sanibel bike path.

The Gulf temperature seemed to have dropped 20 degrees as we lugged the cooler and other stuff through the waist-deep water back to the boat.

Novice Captain Jonathan Reeves took over at the wheel and got his feet wet — along with his arms, legs, torso and head — as he steered us through Captiva Pass and into the Intracoastal Waterway channel.

We later learned that the wind was steady at 15-20 knots with 25 knot gusts. What that equates to is whitecaps — in the bay — along with swells of three feet or more.

We rocked and we rolled and we bounced and we banged and we got wetter and we held on and we tried to stay behind bigger, faster boats to make the ride smoother, but that proved to be impossible, so we white knuckled it when a 30-foot Chris Craft blew by us, and we screamed when a Pine Island fisherman nearly cut us off crosswise as he headed into port.

"We're the smallest boat out here," Reeves said at one point as he pushed the throttle up, trying to keep pace with another boat. But his friend, Sandy, visiting from Washington, D.C., and I thought our little boat — which now seemed the size of the one in "Three Men in a Tub" — was going to break in half. "You better ease up on that," I said. "SLOW DOWN, *%#* (expletive deleted)," Sandy chimed in.

"Am I doing OK?" Reeves later shouted over the wind.

"Nobody can do 'OK' in this weather, but you're doing fine," I answered.

"This is kind of fun, isn't it?" he asked.

"It'll be fun when we're back on shore," Sandy said.

"I need a drink," Reeves added.

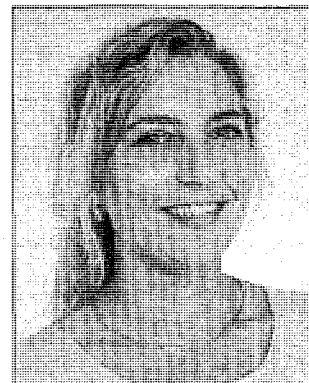
But back on shore we did make it, eventually. It took us nearly an hour to make what is normally a 20-minute run.

As we pulled into port, Jimmy Jensen was there waiting for us. He and Greg Rhodes congratulated the freezing cold captain and crew and said our ordeal wasn't much compared to some of the other boaters who had been out that day.

"You guys don't look bad. You're not that wet. Other people, I'm talking soaked," Rhodes said.

We got our sand-coated gear out of the boat and headed straight for the roaring fire inside the Crow's Nest, where our clothes didn't dry but the Scotch sure went down smooth.

(Dawn Grodsky is editor of the Island Reporter. She welcomes your comments and suggestions. Give her a call at 472-1587.)



Dawn Grodsky

As I see it

Island voices

Support our children

To the editor:

This Sunday, from noon to 4 p.m., the Sanibel School will be having its annual fund raiser, the Sea Horse Festival. There will be fun for the whole family with games, entertainment by our local singer Danny Morgan, lots of good food from island restaurants and a silent auction.

Gift certificate donations by local restaurants, resort vacations, local artwork and a Prism kayak are just a few of the many items in the auction. There is something for everyone!

Please come out and support our school. All proceeds go to enhancing our children's education.

Brenda Harrity
Sanibel School PTA president

Hats off to your news editor

To the editor:

Let us now praise your fine news editor, Gwenda Hiatt-Clements. She gives outstanding coverage to her topics. Her personal, St. Valentine's day experience was memorable.

We have seen her "in action," gathering

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Your comments are welcome!

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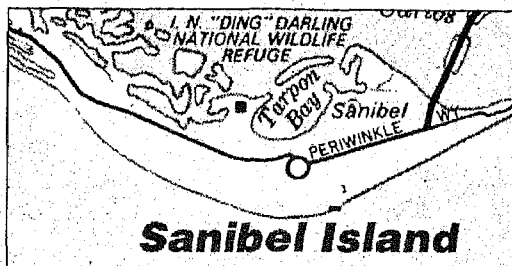
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Roving reporter

Sanibel School will take spring break April 2-12 and students are making big plans. Here's some of their answers to, 'What are you going to do during spring break?'

Kelsie Macray
Fifth grade

"I'm going to my aunt's house in Clearwater."



Jennifer Foulks
Fifth grade

"I'm going to the beach every day and get a tan."



J.T. Holly
Fourth grade

"I'm going to New York City and going to a play on Broadway."



Seth Freeman
Fourth grade

"I'm staying here and working on my new house with my mom."



Candidates' forum

Back to basics

(Editor's note: This is the second and final Candidate's forum by Bob Laswell prior to the March 30 election. Laswell, along with Bill Hillebrandt, is seeking the seat vacated by George Madison, who resigned in January. His first column ran March 11.)

In electing Bob Laswell to the city council, what you see is what you will get. My campaign started off with the mission to give voters a real choice for city council. Many of you asked me to run because there was no choice of candidates. My only interest is to give you that choice. There are no hidden, personal agendas. I accepted because I love this island (Captiva, too) and believe that it is my duty to help Sanibel move constructively into the 21st century.

Forthrightness is essential if there is to be trust. On such a small island, it is inevitable that any one of us will have a personal connection to one issue or another. In such instances the honorable course for a councilmember is to immediately reveal any relationship that could be perceived as a conflict of interest.

The most important task facing the council is certainly the selection of a city manager. His relationship with the council should be as a corporate chief operating officer to a board of directors. The council must not micro-manage daily operations. The emphasis in hiring should be on skilled management, not just small-government experience. The manager must know how to study and then follow Sanibel's vision, not have a formula for success from another community. Consistency of purpose is so important. Both the city and its new manager must be making a long-term commitment



Bob Laswell

to each other.

Of course, the city must continue to work with the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation and the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge to protect green space. The focus has rightly been on preserving the largest tracts. All islanders need to make sure that SCCF succeeds in its acquisition and preservation of the Trost tract. After that, we should proceed to consider the remaining small green spaces within largely built-out neighborhoods. I will work to maximize the public benefit from such small, green parcels as these.

No individual has all the answers. But I know where to find them. The council just needs to listen to the people. There is such a plethora of talent on our island that we could compete with the Rand Institute using a volunteer staff. We even have a rocket scientist! Nowhere are these resources more apparent than in the challenge of accommodating wireless communications without ruining our island's beauty.

Many of us do not like cellular phones and digital pagers but that technological genie is out of the bottle. Islanders have constructively begun to get second opinions about the best possible solution for wireless on Sanibel. I see wireless telephone service as just another utility. Cities can control utilities. I like the idea of Sanibel constructing appropriate facilities on city-owned land, retaining public ownership and then leasing space to cellular providers. This would be done only under a contract protecting the city from any financial risk. Public ownership of the communications towers would keep the control firmly in the hands of the people. I would ensure that any

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Ready to work for you

(Editor's note: This is the second and final Candidate's forum by Bill Hillebrandt prior to the March 30 election. Hillebrandt, along with Bob Laswell, is seeking the seat vacated by George Madison, who resigned in January. His first column ran March 4.)

I am a candidate for city council because I want to represent my fellow Sanibel citizens. Here are some important reasons why you should vote for me on March 30 and let me go to work for you.

■ I want to help conduct our government in a balanced, respectful manner. We have a city manager/city council form of government. The city council is legislative in nature — the city manager's role is more administrative. The council sets priorities for the city based on needs and priorities of the citizens. The city manager administers the day-to-day affairs of the city, supervising the city staff, according to the priorities and policies set by the council. For this system to work well, there must be mutual respect and collaboration between the council and city manager. I want to be sure that our new city manager is a person who will work well with the council; and who will demonstrate through word and deed and understanding of our values as a small-town community on a barrier island sanctuary. We must make this choice well — I want to help make that choice on your behalf.

■ I believe that the council and the city manager should collaborate, but that they should not do each other's work. The city manager should not set the policy for the city. City priorities should be set on behalf of the citizens by the city council. Likewise, the council should not "micro-manage" city



Bill Hillebrandt

staff by going around the city manager. Within the requirements of the Sanibel Plan, the Land Development Code, city ordinances and the budget framework, the city manager has ample guidance to administer the day-to-day business of the city. Jointly, the council and the city manager share a responsibility to keep the cost of government low through spending city dollars only where most needed and creating a work atmosphere that results in high productivity from each city employee.

■ Where there are differences and disagreements between the council and the city manager, I would like to see these worked out in the open, in plain view of the public, with mutual respect shown by all parties involved. We can disagree without being disagreeable!

■ As citizens, you deserve a city council/city manager team that understands who it is they represent — you. You deserve city leadership that works for you, and does that work in a positive manner respecting the rights and feelings of all citizens and employees in the city. I believe positive, respectful leadership is a tradition on Sanibel and I would like to represent you on the city council in the manner of that tradition.

■ In addition to the choice of a new city manager, I would like to represent you on city council in making some other major choices that we face. I wrote recently about our causeway and what we can do about it. I will summarize here by saying we can and we will work with Lee County at all levels, from the county commission to the county DOT and the PD&E ("E" for environment!)

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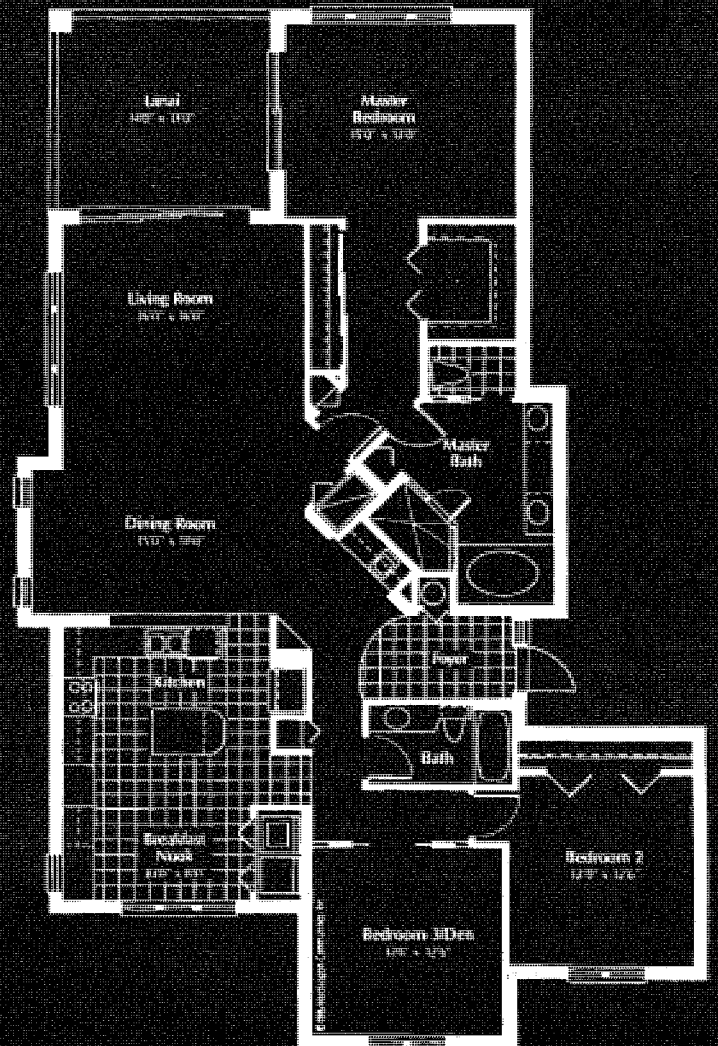
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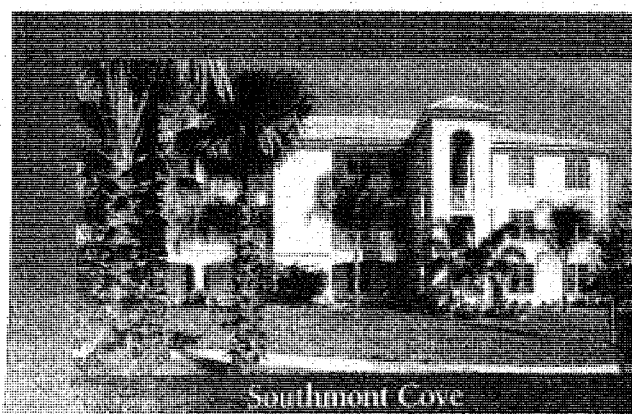
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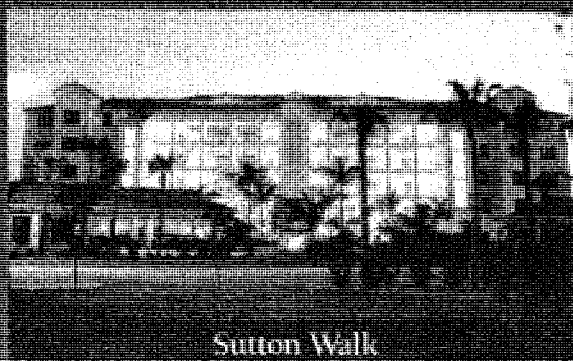
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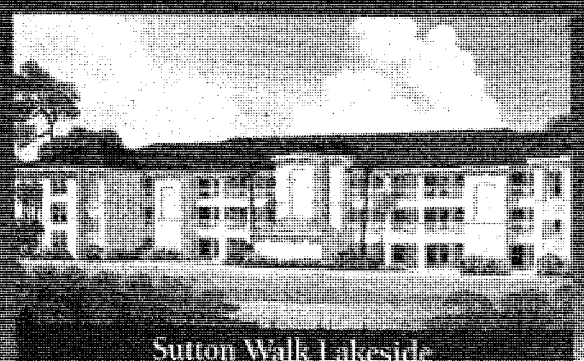
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Position defended

(Editor's note: The following was written in response to an anonymous e-mail sent to Matt Asen, regarding his position on the Sanibel Causeway replacement. It was submitted for publication in the Island Reporter.)

To the editor:

I normally don't reply to those who don't sign their letters; however, as long as you are "hearing things" second hand, I thought it might be better to get it directly from the horse's mouth.

You may pass on to whomever, that I am in favor of having a three-lane, fixed-span bridge keeping both causeway islands. Two lanes will be dedicated to traffic leaving the island at all times, continuing onto the already existing two lanes on the mainland.

My concern is to alleviate (as much as possible) the ridiculous traffic backup we have on Periwinkle every day during the season from 3-6 p.m. It has nothing to do with "getting tourists to my restaurants."

It seems a waste of money (over \$1 million per year) to maintain a bascule bridge, not to mention the traffic headaches, when modern engineering will enable us to build an aesthetically pleasing, functional, fixed-span bridge, which will be nearly two miles from our lovely island.

Thank you for taking the time to write me and I hope this clears things up about my personal opinions regarding the bridge.

Perhaps someday you will identify yourself. I have nothing to hide. ... Do you?

Matt Asen
Sanibel

Vote for Hillebrandt

To the editor:

I am writing to voice my support for Bill Hillebrandt as city councilmember. As a fellow member of the board of trustees at the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation during Bill's presidency, I came to recognize his talents. He

exhibited fair judgment, exercised sound management skills and excellent leadership.

Bill has demonstrated his dedication to this sanctuary island not only through SCCF but through his tenure as a planning commissioner, and other civic and religious activities. He can see the big picture and knows how to move things to resolution. As a 10-year resident of the island, he is aware of the needs and accomplishments of this community.

On Tuesday, March 30, I will cast my vote for Bill Hillebrandt as a Sanibel City Councilmember. I hope you will, too.

Sincerely,
Dean Skaugstad
Sanibel

Vote for Laswell

To the editor:

How fortunate we are to have two sound candidates running for city council, an elected position that will involve countless hours of volunteer service. However, after reviewing both constituents and their campaign platforms, we have decided to cast our votes for Bob Laswell.

He will bring much to Sanibel's council. A graduate of West Point Military Academy, he applied the same dedication to his studies at the University of Colorado and Murray State University in Kentucky. After eight years of active duty in Vietnam, he served in the reserves for 20 years, retiring as a lieutenant colonel. He has been employed for over 15 years in health care management. Despite this impressive, consistent realm of experiences, Bob remains a down-to-earth kind of guy. He believes in the basics.

He has stated that Sanibel faces three major issues: "redevelopment, the causeway and the stability of the city workforce." And it is clear where he stands on these matters, striving to keep our island unique, true to its nature.

Redevelopment, he notes, must be carefully considered and kept in light of the city's Vision Statement. It bears repeating that nearly all of us chose this island as our vacation destination or home because it was "simply" Sanibel. We must keep it that way.

While he agrees that the causeway must be safe and reliable, he eschews the concept of a mega-bridge and destruction of the surrounding islands that could very well draw commercial shipping and thus endanger our fragile estuarine waters. Bob also supports the stability of the city's workforce, noting the importance of communication and cooperation.

Besides his belief in these basic tenets, Bob also has a strong track record of community service and volunteer work. His sterling wit and easy-going manner have won

many a supporter. And whether you agree with him on every single issue that will arise during the campaign, you can rest assured that he will listen to you and any reasonable proposition or proposal.

Basic? You bet. The best? It's Bob. Get out and vote March 30 and keep this island Sanibel.

Sincerely,
Carmen and Tony Embry
Sanibel

Choose Hillebrandt

To the editor:

Our city government has gone through a difficult period this past year, with the protracted disagreements between some past and present city councilmembers, city employees and citizens. The upcoming city council election affords us, as local voters, the opportunity to elect a candidate who:

- Has been a long-time Sanibel resident.
- Has been extremely active in community organizations, especially the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation, before coming to city government.

- Has been an integral part of our city government on the Sanibel Planning Commission.

- Has a strong, open and well-known record of getting things done both as a member of the Sanibel community as well as in his past career, prior to coming to Sanibel.

Bill Hillebrandt can and will provide our city government with strong, consistent, yet diplomatic and friendly leadership on the city council. We believe he will listen to everyone and do the right thing.

We need a consensus builder. We need Bill Hillebrandt.

Terry Brennen
Sanibel

Hillebrandt the one

To the editor:

Until this year, I was aware of Bill Hillebrandt as a respected member of the Sanibel community and as president of the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation board of directors. After working with Bill on the planning commission, however, I understand — through direct experience — why people who know him and work with him have such high regard for his intelligence, his competence and his insights.

At commission meetings, he has demonstrated an ability to get to the essence of the issue under discussion and to formulate questions and possible answers that expedite matters toward a satisfactory resolution. Working with him is a positive and constructive experience. My support for Bill

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING AND WORKSHOP

The Capital Improvements Element Committee, a standing committee of the Sanibel Planning Commission, will be conducting a public meeting and workshop on:

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 1999 AT 8:30 A.M.

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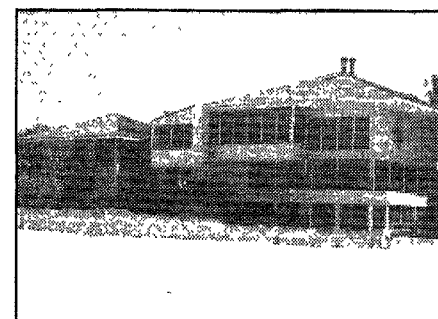
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Police watch

Weekend collisions

Sanibel Police and Sanibel Fire Department Advanced Life Support personnel were kept busy this past weekend with two major car accidents.

■ At 2 p.m. Saturday, a head-on car collision occurred on Sanibel-Captiva Road near the entrance to the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

Richard Rodgers of Wintergarden, drifted into the opposite land and crossed into the path of the oncoming car. Police reports said Rodgers indicated he had been having problems sleeping and suspected he might have fallen asleep at the wheel. Rodgers was cited for crossing the center line in a no-passing zone. A young female passenger with Rodgers was airlifted to Lee Memorial Hospital, her injuries are not life-threatening. The driver of the other car was April Powers of Alexandria, Va. She was taken by ambulance to HealthPark along with her passengers, David Bowers of Michigan and Christine Conforti of Alexandria.

■ In a single-car accident Sunday, Cynthia Asmuth of Fort Myers ran her car off Periwinkle Way into the trees near Periwinkle Trailer Park just before 10 p.m.

Sgt. Mark Steele, who responded to the accident along with EMS and two other SPD officers, said Asmuth works at the Lazy Flamingo II and was apparently on her way home after picking up her 2-year-old daughter, who was unrestrained in the car. Asmuth received facial lacerations and a broken arm. She was taken to HealthPark and released Monday. The child was uninjured.

Because of her injuries Asmuth was unable to submit to a field sobriety test but SPD is awaiting the results of a blood alcohol test sent to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement.

Underage alcohol possession

Justin Strauss, 18, of Sanibel was given a notice to appear in Lee County Juvenile Court for possession of alcohol under the age of 21. Police had responded to a complaint of a suspicious, empty vehicle on Middle Gulf Drive Sunday. Police later spotted the vehicle driven by Strauss and when he was stopped, they discovered a bottle of rum under the rear floor board of the vehicle.

Thefts

■ James Drotleff of Ferry Landing reported the theft of items from the family's two cars parked in the covered area under their stilt home sometime Wednesday, March 10. His wife discovered the ashtray in their Lexus had been opened and \$5 in change removed. A backpack with binoculars and an AM/FM short-wave radio had been taken from trunk of their Miata. Items missing were valued at just more than \$500.

■ Stefan Suto of Fort Myers, an employee of Sanibel Inn, reported his 1999 Honda Accord missing from resort parking lot. Suto said he parked in front of building No. 2 at 4 p.m. Wednesday, March 10, and the car was still there at 9 p.m. when he went to get food from it. However, on a pass by the parking spot at 10 p.m. the car was gone. No broken glass was on the ground and no one saw anything suspicious. Suto said his payments were up-to-date, so the car would not have been repossessed.

Ticketed

■ Bryant Palmer of Norwood, Mass., was ticketed for failing to stop at the stop sign at Palm Ridge and Tarpon Bay roads Thursday, March 11.

■ Dean Anthony Klug of Memphis, Tenn., was ticketed for traveling 60 in a 35 mph zone on Sanibel-Captiva Road Thursday, March 11.

■ Ellen Rex of Massillon, Ohio, was ticketed for careless driving on Periwinkle Way Wednesday, March 10.

■ Jonah Tobiah Spring of Sanibel was ticketed for traveling 51 in a 30 mph zone on West Gulf Drive at Casa Ybel Road Wednesday, March 10.

■ Norman Monley, II, of North Fort Myers was ticketed for passing in a no-passing zone on Sanibel-Captiva Road Wednesday, March 10.

■ Peter DeIow of Bedford, N.Y., was ticketed for passing in a no-passing zone on Sanibel-Captiva Road Wednesday, March 10.

■ Saleccia Hodgkins of Sanibel was ticketed for failure to use due care when he hit the car driven by Gerard Gerke of Cape Coral Tuesday, March 9.

Obituaries

Wolcott L. Beard, III, 68

Wolcott L. Beard, III, of Sanibel died March 9, 1999. He was 68 years old. Mr. Beard was born in Camden, N.J., the son of the late Wolcott L. and Bertha A. Beard. He owned Beard Electrical Service in Trenton, N.J., from 1957 to 1982.

He was a former member of the Elks and the power squadron, and he served as zone secretary for the Lions Club. He was also a member of the Gotchi-Fraternal Lodge No. 270 F&AM of Hamilton, N.J.

Mr. Beard is survived by his wife of 46 years, Frances M., his children, Wolcott and Lori Beard, IV, of Hawaii; Suzanne and Richard Groffie of Texas, and Leslie and Dennis Magalos of California, his sister, Ann Ehrlich-Jacobsen of North Carolina, and his grandchildren Wolcott L. Beard, V, of New Jersey, Stephen, Christine and

Michelle Groffie of Texas, Philip, Stephanie and Jacqueline Magalos of California. He was preceded in death last month by his mother.

A Masonic funeral was conducted at the Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home last Friday, followed by services with Dr. Ralph Dennison officiating.

The family requests that memorial contributions in his memory be made to the American Lung Association.

The Rev. Betty Bailey

The Rev. Betty Bailey died suddenly in a nursing home Monday, March 15, 1999. She had been moved recently to an Alzheimer's ward and was facing dialysis.

Her remains will be interred in the cemetery at the Chapel By the Sea on Captiva at a service of committal conducted by the clergy of Sanibel Congregational United

Lions plan Arts & Crafts Fair

The Sanibel/Captiva Lions Club is preparing for its 16th annual Lions Arts & Crafts Fair Friday and Saturday, April 2-3, at the Sanibel Community House. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday.

Roger Schmidt is the fair coordinator and said he anticipates 150 exhibitors. More than 100 have already signed up and will feature paintings, metal sculptures, shell craft, ceramics, needlework and jewelry. He said there will be 100 outdoor booths and 50 inside.

Exhibitors from throughout Florida, the Southeast, New England, the Mid-Atlantic and several Midwestern states will show their wares.

"Everything is handcrafted. That's what makes our show special," Schmidt said.

All proceeds will go to Sanibel/Captiva Lions charities. Earnings come from a \$1 donation for admission, booth rental fees, and a food galley and popcorn/lemonade stand. Exhibitors get all income from sales.

Last year's fair earned \$17,500 with 4,498 paid admissions. In 1997, the fair earned a record \$18,061 and attracted a record paid attendance of 4,597.

Also on the fair committee are Bob Kirkpatrick, Dave Spoehr, Dick Daane, Dick Pohl, Peter Maneri, David Crown, George McKinnell, Bill Wollschlager, Francis Bailey, Dick Hulit and Bob Steele.

The Lions club also continues with its other activities, including a trip to see "Guys and Dolls" at the Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre Thursday, March 25, regular meetings at 6:30 p.m. April 7 and 21, and a board meeting April 14.

Lions will attend a convention in Orlando April 29-May 2, and have their annual golf outing at Beachview Country Club May 1. May 5 is the date for the annual installation dinner at the Dunes Golf & Tennis Club.

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White elephant sale

The Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation is having a white elephant sale to benefit its Native Plant Nursery beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at the Tarpon Bay Recreation Center.

Organizers promise "good stuff cheap" and are looking for donations of artwork, furniture, antiques, collectibles, housewares, clothing, books and especially "high end" items to attract a crowd.

Call 472-2329

Butterflies to be released

Attendees at Hope Hospice's upcoming memorial service at 3 p.m. this Sunday, March 21, will get to see butterflies released. Butterflies are a long-established symbol of hospice care.

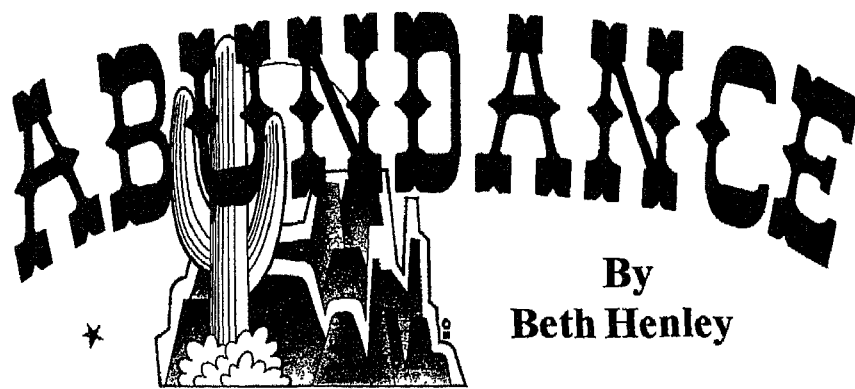
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Arts

Actress optimistic about playhouse future

■ Another actor profile/page 28

By Jill Goodman
Staff Writer

Living on Sanibel for only a few weeks, actress Allison Brennan said, "I feel more at home here than San Diego ... the light, the friendliness of the water is a familiar physical atmosphere."

Brennan, along with husband, Ralph Elias, left the West coast to join the Pirate Playhouse; he as the interim producing director and she as the development director.

Brennan's involvement with the theater is life-long. She studied at the Yale School of Drama, the Oberlin Conservatory of Music and has a long roster of theatrical efforts to her credit. She is an award-winning actress with an Obie nomination along with Villager, Drama-Logue and Critics Circle awards.

With an occasional exception, she now prefers to direct her energies off stage, as "Ralph's wife," supporting Elias' theatrically related efforts and as development director for the playhouse.

"What I really like is cooking and doing the garden," she laughed.

A successful fund raiser and administrator, Brennan has worked on the behalf of many arts councils, raising hundreds of thousand of dollars.

"I would never not be involved in the arts or the theater. My last job, which I left to come here, was being third banana in a major arts program for the Jewish Community Center in San Diego — one that was having a multi million-dollar art complex built.

"Essentially, I'm a great enabler."

Brennan's viewpoint for the future of the Pirate Playhouse is avidly optimistic and she is confident the personnel and financial problems that have plagued the theater the past year and one half are surmountable.

"It was more an emotional drama than an actual disability of the theater itself. The theater here is in a sort of perilous situation but it's not endlessly perilous," Brennan observed. "There is plenty of potential (community) support to keep the playhouse going in perpetuity ... the climate is there.

"There is not a great huge amount of competition, so it seems to me there is no way to go but up, once certain stuff gets under control."

She has far-reaching ideas and innovative con-



Michael Pistella

Allison Brennan reads from a script for "Abundance," which opens Friday and continues until April 10.

cepts to enhance the theater's appeal in the community.

"If we put out excellent productions, they will come. Also, there hasn't been any strong fund raising. There are so many wonderful things one can do. We have to have an island night where everybody who works on the islands, in gas stations, restaurants and shops, can get \$5 tickets and we will have a little nibble after the show.

"It's horrible to ignore these people. We need to be with the community," Brennan said.

In a rare acting appearance, Brennan will play "Bess" in the playhouse's next production, "Abundance," written by the Pulitzer Prize-winning screenwriter Beth Hanley.

Brennan and Elias got to know the dramatist several years ago during a trip to Russia for the production of "Abundance."

"When Vladivostok became a sister city to San Diego, there was a great conflagration of pro-

fessionals from Russia who met in California to plan exchange programs," Brennan said.

Representing the Blackfriars Theatre, Brennan and Elias met the head of the largest arts institution in Russia, the Vladivostok's Maxim Gorky Theater, who expressed interest in booking a show.

The upshot of this meeting resulted in "Abundance" being performed for thousands of enthusiastic Russian audiences during the three weeks of their visit.

Interpreters simultaneously piped the dialogue to the audience as the performers acted on stage in English.

"They loved the play and thought it was very much like Chekov. This was about pioneer women going west and in Russia there were pioneers going east," Brennan continued. "One of the most wonderful things was just being with the Russians because they are a country that reveres artists."

It is Brennan's impression that Hanley modeled the women characters in "Abundance" after herself.

"Her inspiration for this play had a to do with the fact that she had begun life in Jackson, Miss., where her mother was the leading light of the community theater. She wrote 'Crimes of the Heart' and boom, it won a Pulitzer Prize."

Offered a movie contract, Hanley was thrust into the limelight, facing a move from small-town living to the glamour and hubbub of Hollywood.

"She realized she would be moving to L.A. so there is the whole thing of her moving to Hollywood and the theme of 'making it'."

The play is about mail-order brides newly arrived in the untamed, post-Civil War West.

The female characters' names — "Macon," a wordplay on "making it," and "Bess" — may be a reference to herself, Beth.

"In a way I think the two women are aspects of herself in that situation ... going West. One side is, you can go out there and have it all; the other side is terrified," Brennan said, adding that she considers this Hanley's best play to date and notes that it was thoroughly researched for accuracy.

"Abundance" will preview for subscribers and the public at 8 p.m. Friday, March 19, with the gala opening at 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 23. The show will continue through April 10 and tickets are \$25.

Call 472-0006 for reservations.

Stepping out

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Vignettes

Opening at SunTrust

The artwork of Jim Sprinkle and Lauri Kaihlanen will be on display at SunTrust on Sanibel with an opening reception planned from 4:30-7 p.m. next Wednesday, March 24. Wine and hors d'oeuvres will be served and the public is invited.

Sprinkle, a water fowl carver, has been perfecting his craft for 28 years. He is a Sanibel resident who published "Waterfowl Patterns & Painting."

Kaihlanen of Captiva is a second generation Finnish American who combines draftsmanship with design techniques to produce whimsical art.

SunTrust is at 2408 Periwinkle Way. Reservations are required by March 22. Call 472-8200.

BIG Arts events

The Barrier Island Group for the Arts has a number of upcoming events and classes. They include:

■ Final comedy workshop

Hal Brand's end-of-season comedy workshop is planned from 10 a.m. to noon Tuesday, March 23. Brand, a long-time island resident, has collected one-liners and studied stand-up comedy for 50 years.

Audience participation is encouraged in the workshop. For information, call Brand at 472-5979.

■ "Sherlock Holmes — The first forensic scientist?"

David Crown will lead the next Inquiring Minds session with a lecture and discussion titled, "Sherlock Holmes — The first forensic scientist?" The session is from 1:30-3:30 p.m. next Friday, March 26.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, an unsuccessful medical doctor who became a world-class success writing about his hero, intrepid detective Sherlock Holmes, introduced some startling new usages of physical evidence used to solve crime beginning in the Victorian era.

Crown, former chief of the CIA Questioned

Document Laboratory and former president of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, holds a doctorate degree in criminology from the University of California at Berkeley. Participants should register early. The cost is \$5 for a single session.

■ Latin America: A broad overview

After a decade and a half of moving toward market economics and democratization, Latin America and the Caribbean are at a crossroads. Down one path lies further market liberalization, a strengthening of democratic institutions and in general a commitment to remain engaged in the international liberal order. Down the other path lie the "twin temptations" of a return to economic populism and political authoritarianism that offer an elixir for the economic insecurity and social problems that have intensified in recent years.

Charles Mathews, a Florida Gulf Coast University faculty member, will discuss which course these countries choose and how that will be influenced by the United States; and whose leadership and cooperation are essential to help solve regional issues, such as hemisphere-wide free trade, illegal immigration and illegal drugs.

His lecture will be part of the next Great Decisions series from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Monday, March 22.

The program includes a 30-minute video, a 15-minute lecture and a 1-hour discussion. Participants should register early and the cost is \$5 for a single session.

■ Suncoast Brass in concert

The Suncoast Brass Quintet, one of Southwest Florida's preeminent chamber ensembles, will perform a concert at BIG Arts as part of the Gulf Coast Symphony's Intimate Evenings Recital Series at 7 p.m. Friday, March 19.

The quintet's repertoire includes classical, contemporary, Dixieland, jazz, marches and Broadway musicals. Members of the quintet are Cindy Scaruffi-Klispie, Jamie Marshall, Alan Klispie, Thomas Kracmer and Al Mitchell.

A minimum donation of \$25 per person is required for admission. All proceeds go to support the symphony's educational programs.

For more information and reservations, call the Gulf Coast Symphony Orchestra at 472-6197.

■ Clay basket making

Jeanett McCall and Meta Neujahr are teaching a clay basket making course from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday and Friday, March 25-26. The cost is \$80 plus clay.

The mother/daughter team said the workshop will be challenging but enjoyable.

Registrations are now being taken.

■ Poetry reading

Gerald Perkoff of Sanibel will read from a collection of poems by his brother Stuart at 11 a.m. Thursday, March 25. Perkoff dedicated eight years of his life collecting and editing his brother's poems, and getting them published into the book, "Voices of the Lady."

The cost is \$2 and tickets are now available.

BIG Arts is at 900 Dunlop Road. For information or to register for any event, call 395-0900.

Playhouse annual meeting

All members of the Pirate Playhouse are invited to attend the annual membership meeting at 3 p.m. Sunday, March 21, at the theater at 2200 Periwinkle Way.

Standing for election to the board of trustees are Mark Anderson, Joe Boscov, Winnie Donoghue, Stona Fitch and Trevor Nette. Both Anderson and Donoghue are current directors.

John McTavish, board secretary, said new members are always welcome. "We encourage everyone in the community to show support for the Pirate Playhouse, Sanibel Island's professional theater," he said.

For more information, call 472-0006.

'Fine Craft Market Day'

The Southwest Florida Craft Guild will have its annual "Fine Craft Market Day" from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. this Saturday, March 20, at the Sanibel Community House.

Included will be basketry, wood turning, wood carving, fused glass, fabric weaving, fabric art,

▷ See Vignettes, page 14

Bidding open for Beaux Arts auction

By Dawn Grodsky
Editor

The Barrier Island Group for the Arts' Schein Hall was crowded with artists and arts patrons Monday afternoon for a reception honoring the more than 40 artists and other benefactors and sponsors who donated to the Beaux Arts Auction.

The total value of the artwork given for the fund raiser is \$45,000 with the \$8,000 piece donated by Captiva artist Darryl Pottorf having the highest singular value.

Robert Rauschenberg donated one of his early works, a gelatin silver print, "Untitled Captiva, 1980" valued at \$2,500.

Other noted local artists include Pat Aprea, Kay Strong, Carol Hagerman, Bernie Baller, Joan Klutch, William North, Jean Dean, Marty Stokes, Luc Century, Ikki Matsumoto, Katie Gardenia, Gretchen Wilson, Mary Keogh, Connie Maass, Elizabeth White, Gale Bennett, Charlie McCullough, Lynne Russell, Ralph Bigletti and many, many more.

A total of 54 works in all mediums will be auctioned and the Monday event opened bidding for the silent auction. Bidding continues from 1-4 p.m. daily until March 26 when the pieces will be moved to the Dunes Golf & Tennis Club for the big gala Monday, March 29. That's when final bidding on the silent auction will be taken coupled with a live auction.

Sealed bids will be accepted for those who cannot attend the gala.

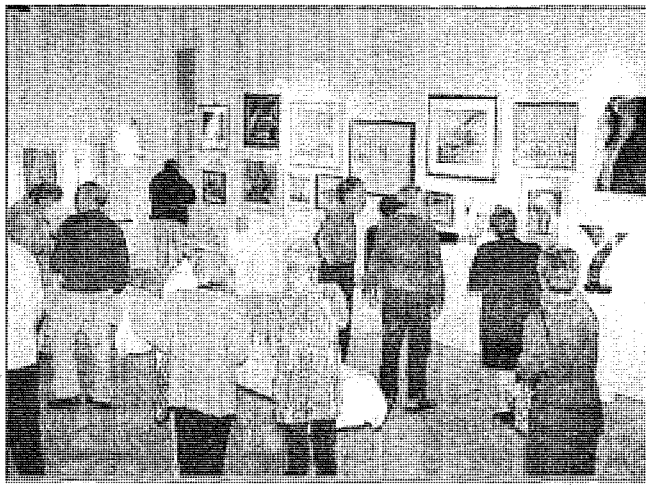
Beaux Arts is the first fund raiser to benefit the non-profit organization, which offers workshops, lectures, concerts and numerous other activities for the entertainment and education of residents and visitors throughout the year.

Co-chairwomen Pat Fishburne and Carol Scheiber greeted about 150 people — including BIG Arts' board members, committee members, staff, benefactors, sponsors and guests — at the reception.

Cornelia Reina, curator, and Liddy Johnson, chairwoman of the auction committee, organized the art show. Food and drink were provided by the Hungry Heron and Albertson's, and hosted by Betti and Hermann Kern, BIG Arts volunteers and their assistants.

The gala is from 6-10 p.m. March 29 and all 270 tickets for the dinner/dance/auction have been sold out but a waiting list is available.

Scheiber said she was "very pleased with the outcome



Michael Pistella

A big crowd turns out Monday afternoon for the reception of the Beaux Arts silent auction. and quality" of the donations, especially for a first-time event.

BIG Arts president Laverne Phillips said, "Isn't it wonderful and wonderful art they're giving us? We're very lucky."

Fishburne said the idea of having an arts auction along with a gala dinner was suggested by Judy Friedmann. She said the artists were very generous to BIG Arts and that most of the people who donated have either shown in the galleries, taught classes there or both.

"We have all different types of art — oil, pastels, photography, watercolor, jewelry, glass," she said. "We'll have a live auction for some of the major pieces."

She added that as a special treat during the gala, Freeland Mercedes Benz will display a new Mercedes never before seen in the area.

In addition to Freeland, other benefactors are Chico's; Henderson, Franklin, Starnes & Holt; John Naumann & Associates; and Merrill Lynch.

Sponsors are the Black Orchid Gallery; Congress Jewelers, Ltd., which donated a ruby and diamond ring; Eckert Fine Art; Floral Artistry; Friday's Creative Jewelry; Mark Loren Designs; Saks Fifth Avenue; and Sanibel Art & Frame. The auctioneer will be Private Collections.

For more information, call 395-0900.

Music festival in full swing

■ SMF donates to library/page 17

By Jill Goodman
Staff Writer

For decades, Cabaret meant Julie Wilson. A headliner in supper clubs around the United States and England, Wilson hobnobbed with some of the greatest talents of our time. After more than 50 years, this sultry torch singer shows no signs of stopping anytime soon.

She will be performing Saturday for the Sanibel Music Festival. Islanders and visitors can be assured they will hum a little, reminisce a little and enjoy a lot.

Wilson promises an evening of elegance, class and a strong dash of her own kind of humor.

And continuing with the Sanibel Music Festival's lineup through March 27, the Opera Theater of Connecticut returns this year with Puccini's "Tosca" next Wednesday, March 24. The preparation for this opera has been a community effort with volunteers devoting countless hours.

Two local artists, Mary Keogh and Liz White, created original works as part of the stage set. The art will be for sale after the performance.

Some of Sanibel's finest singing talents formed the Festival Chorus and have been rehearsing for weeks to join the professionals in this performance.

The final performance of the month-long festival, "Lovers, Demons & Divas," also by the Opera Theater of Connecticut, is scheduled for next Saturday, March 27.

The opera theater provides artists to communities for operatic performances tailor made for their space and needs. OTC has been a part of the annual Sanibel Music Festival performances for several years.

All performances are at 8 p.m. at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ. Pre-performance talks will be held prior to each opera at 7:30 p.m.

Both Wilson and "Tosca" are sold out with some tickets still available for "Lovers, Demons & Divas."

Music festival board president Nancy Clark said those interested should place their names on a waiting list. She noted that so far, all requests have been accommodated. Clark also urges anyone holding tickets who cannot attend to call 336-7999.



Julie Wilson

Art league news

Members and guests of the Sanibel/Captiva Art League celebrated with their annual potluck dinner at the Sanibel Community House. More than 40 people attended the gathering. Hazel Ringer, Carolyn Johns and Elaine Bippus were among prize winners in the "Events of the 20th century" painting contest.

The league also announced that three members — Ben Pappas, Carol Rosenberg and Liz White — have been accepted into the Lee County Alliance of the Arts "2D/3D

Fine Arts Juried Exhibition," which continues through March 26. The gallery is at 10091 McGregor Blvd. in Fort Myers. For information, call 939-2787.

Many members also have work on display this month at the Barrier Island Group for the Arts' "Marching to a Different Drummer" theme show, which contains 115 pieces of art and is open from 1-4 p.m. daily. Call 395-0900 for information.

The group holds weekly indoor portrait sessions. For information, call 472-8631. It also has weekly, on-location painting workshops. Call 472-9150 for details.

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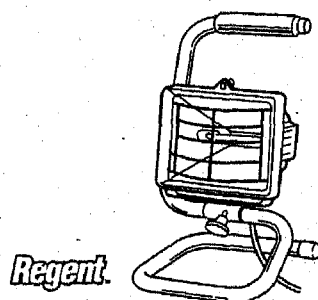
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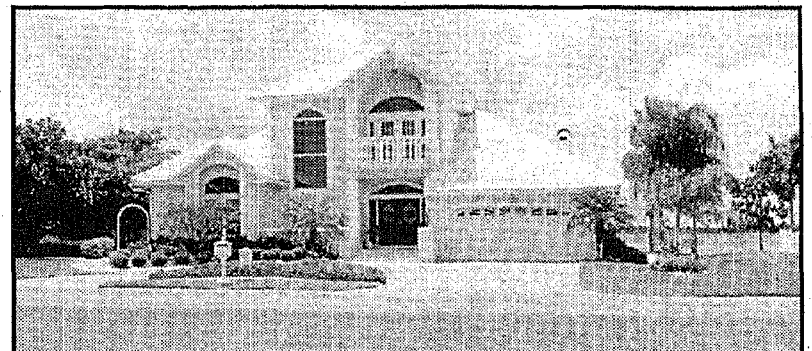


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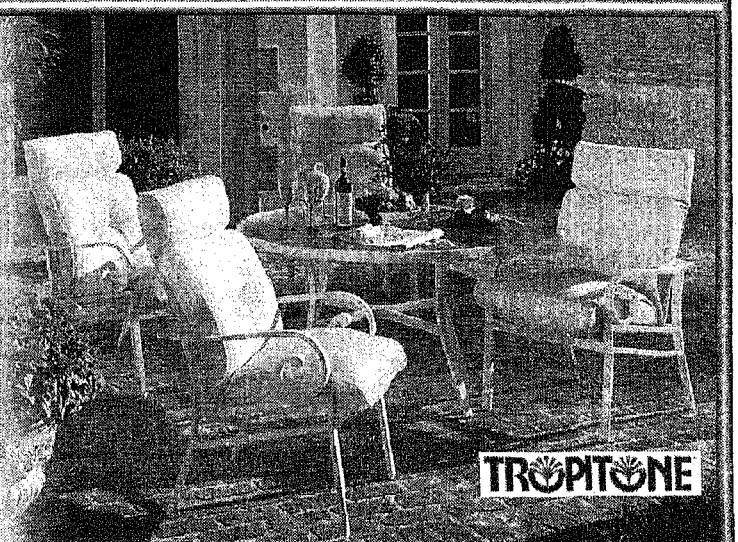
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The community house is at 2173 Periwinkle Way. For information, call Esther Rumaner at 543-6447.

Theater benefit planned

Eden Florida, a non-profit organization serving people with autism, will be the beneficiary of the second annual Eden's Evening at the Theater on Friday, April 9. The event will be at Sanibel's Old Schoolhouse Theatre and will feature a champagne reception at 6:30 p.m. followed by J.T. Smith's Encore Production's performance of "You Make Me Feel So Young ... The Songs of Frank Sinatra" at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$70. Call 279-5758, 436-5335 or 437-5335.

Workshop at West Wind

Mary McEntire is offering two, upcoming three-day/four-night art workshops at the West Wind Inn on Sanibel and Cayo Costa. Participants will be able to paint at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge and take a boat to the unspoiled Cayo Costa, a state park which is inaccessible by road. McEntire, an established Southwest Florida artist, moved to Pine Island from New York City, where she had a successful painting career for 15 years.

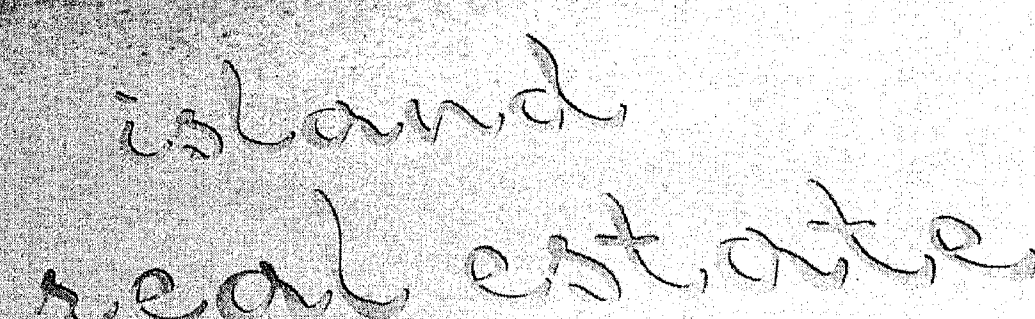
During her workshops, participants will stay at the West Wind Inn. The package also includes breakfasts, box lunches, basic watercolor supplies and an easel. The first workshop begins April 15 and the second is June 10. The cost for the April workshop is \$1,265 and the cost for the June one is \$1,112.

For reservations, call the West Wind at (800) 824-0476 or visit the website at www.westwindinn.com.

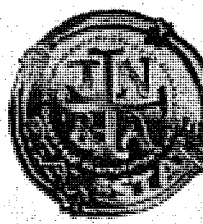


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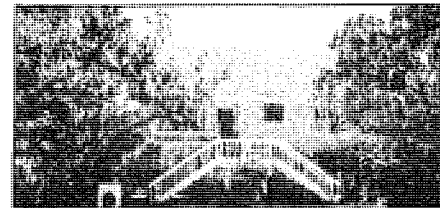
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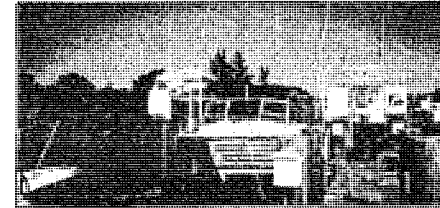
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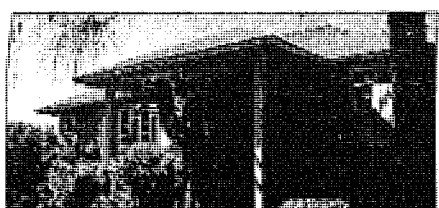
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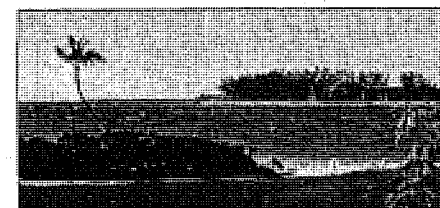
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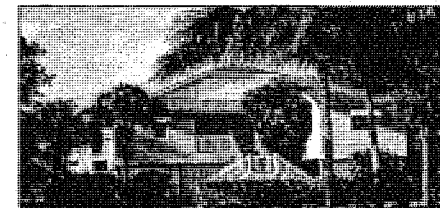
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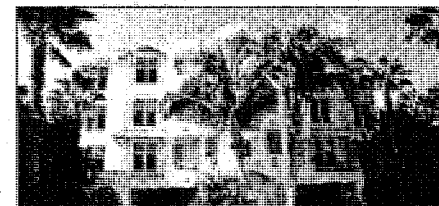
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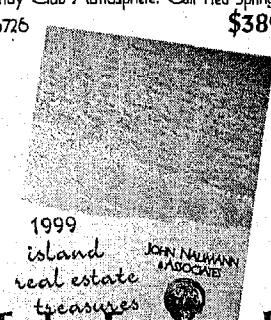
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Audubon to have final meeting

Internationally known photographer Connie Bransilver will present "Romeo and Juliet: A Tragedy in Madagascar" at the Sanibel/Captiva Audubon Society's final slide show of the season at 8 p.m. Thursday, March 25, at the Sanibel Community House.



C. Bransilver

Bransilver, recognized for her primate photography, will talk about the diademed sifaka lemur and its struggle to survive in the wild. One of the largest and arguably the most beautiful of lemurs, the diademed sifaka is under pressure by local customs in Madagascar — it is captured for its food value — and also from the illegal pet trade.

Bransilver will present both the sights and sounds of Madagascar in her multimedia presentation.

"Though the scene is set in Madagascar, the story is universal," she said. "It is the tragedy of limited resources. Like the Montagues and the Capulets ... two households both alike in dignity ... people and lemurs vie for survival."

A resident of Naples, Bransilver's background can be described as eclectic. She has worked in the U.S. Congress, practiced international law in London and worked as an international banker. In 1992, she began devoting herself full time to photography, attending the Corcoran School of Art and the Smithsonian photography program.

Although known for primate photogra-

phy, Bransilver's first major award was for a photograph of a woman in Madagascar, which was the visual symbol for the United Nations' Conference on Women in Beijing.

For the low-light jungle areas Bransilver photographs, she favors the Canon system, particularly the image stabilizing lenses that allow photographers to capture shots at slower shutter speeds that otherwise would not be possible.

"Many times it made the difference between getting the shot and getting nothing," she said.

This is the final of 11 programs the Sanibel/Captiva Audubon Society has offered this season.

"We are quite pleased at the strong turnout for our shows," said Program Chairman David Meardon. "We are grateful for the time and effort, and travel that presenters undertook to make possible our program series. We are currently working to bring another quality lineup for the series in the year 2000."

Honorariums supported several valuable research projects and three of the speakers donated their fees to benefit the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation's fund-raising efforts to purchase the Trost property. The Audubon Society also intends to make a sizable donation to the Trost fund that will be announced soon, Meardon said.

The community house is at 2173 Periwinkle Way and the suggested donation is \$2.

For more information about the program, call Meardon at 472-2346.

Permits and deeds

Deeds recorded at the Lee County Courthouse for more than \$80,000 during the week ending March 7 include:

\$925,000: Frances B. Stremmel; Frances B. Stremmel, trustee; and Frances B. Stremmel trust to Joseph M. & Janet S. Davie — L 40, Gulf Ridge.

\$639,000: Jane H. & Theodore E. Heidenreich, Jr. to Steve W. Hafener, trustee; Steve W. Hafener trust; Laurel L. Hafener, trustee; and Laurel L. Hafener trust — 610 North Yachtsman.

\$550,000: Michael Drusinski to Star Investment Company — 561 Lighthouse.

\$450,000: Roberta W. Knight to Peter O. & Alice E. Hausmann — 4325 Gulf Pines.

\$450,000: Seagrape Development Corporation to Richard A. Snell, trustee, and Richard A. Snell, Settlor — L93, PhIII, Sanctuary at Wulfert.

\$388,000: National Investment & Development to Susan R. & Malcolm Harpham — Tract in Herons Landing II.

\$384,000: William S. & Joan E. Strong to Joan A. & Charles E. Land, III — 253 Daniel.

\$360,000: S.J. & Ursula Sahakian to Nancy K. Dorrity — 617 Lake Murex.

\$325,000: William G. Petrie to Nicholas A. & Diane G. Lopardo — L72, PhIIB, Sanctuary at Wulfert.

\$295,000: Donald A. Bauer and Mary Lyn Sienkiew to Dan Cornila, Jr. and Nancy J. Hudson — L18, Bb, The Dunes.

\$290,000: Phil J. & Patricia Karns to Don R. & Joanna Bowers — 1065 Fish Crow.

\$290,000: Fred C. & Pamela B. Brodersen to James K. Planck — 1396 Sand Castle.

\$250,000: Warrin C. Meyers to Nicholas A. & Diane G. Lopardo — L71, PhIIB, Sanctuary at Wulfert.

\$237,400: James W. & Pauline F. Blocker to Lowell K. Harman, trustee; Alyce W. Harman, trustee; Lowell K. Harman Trust; Alyce W. Harman trust; and Diane L. Withelder — 1449 Tahiti Drive.

\$233,500: Walter P. Beaver to Jerry J. & Nancy H. Cunningham — Parcel in SE 1/4 24-46s-22e.

\$190,000: John L. & Milbrey Rushworth to Adrien & Fairman Jordan Rothschild — 418 Raintree.

\$170,000: Kevin W. O'Brien to Charlotte Mehrer — L31, Sanctuary at Wulfert.

\$170,000: James P. Stephens to Mary Lloyd Lee — L18, U2, José's Hideaway, North Captiva.

\$152,500: Henry Richard & Judith Jo Herrmann to Michael G. Curler — L12, U4, Sanibel Estates.

\$150,000: John T. Venaleck to Curt Bannister — Par L9, U6, José's Hideaway, North Captiva.

\$120,000: Frank E. & Jeanne Wilson to Dean Richard & Joan Martin Koth — L21,

Bright Water.

\$95,000: Mark G. & Donna G. Pass to Barbara J. & Roland J. Paquette, Jr. — L21, U1, Sea Oats.

Condos

\$685,000: John P. Cookson to Michael & Catherine Suthard — Gulfside Place-Unit 326.

\$605,000: Consuelo C. Albarran to Carol Q. Pearce — San'dollar-Unit A103.

\$533,000: Sanctuary Development Properties et al to John T. & Barbara J. Elliott — Heron III-Unit 1B.

\$510,000: Mary E. Wright to Boulevard Limited — Sundial-Unit R401.

\$301,500: Catherine Mary Smith (aka C.M. Smith) to Robert L. & Cynthia P. Fox — Coquina Beach-Unit 625B.

\$299,900: Michael Wachowicz to Jeffrey & Cynthia Buchta — Sundial-Unit C302.

\$245,000: Kenneth R. & Janet M. DeGroat to Louis R. & Jean M. Madonna — Blind Pass-Unit D105.

\$229,000: Richard W. & Anne P. Hulburt to E. Elizabeth McKinivan and Nancy Butterfield — Mariner Pointe-Unit 812.

\$170,000: Theodore V. & Judith A. Testa to Robert G. & Jean Patterson — Donax Village-Unit 5.

Permits issued by the Sanibel Building Department for the week ending March 12 include:

\$4,000: Newman, 1431 Sand Castle — screen enclosure by Freedom Screening.

\$5,000: Sauer, Yacht Haven-Unit 1 — boat dock & lift by A-Salo & Salo.

\$2,433: Waterman, 1142 Paper Fig, and \$2,400: Kambin, 6018 White Heron — boat dock & lift; and \$2,350: Murray, 2475 Tropical Way, and \$7,032: Bankoul, 5683 Pine Tree — boat dock by Stemic Enterprises.

\$7,250: MacKay, 912 Kings Crown — boat dock & lift by Dolan Marine.

\$3,445: Makowsky, 2313 Wulfert — screen enclosure by Sentry Shutters & Aluminum.

\$4,000: Bramlage, 1646 Middle Gulf — sun deck addition by the Mills Brothers.

\$3,720: Flowers, 707 Durion — screen enclosure by Exceptional Enclosures.

\$2,450: Markusch, 628 Lake Murex — screen enclosure by Fabri-Tech.

No value: City of Sanibel, 952 Dunlop — temporary 20- by 40-foot tent by owner.

\$13,000: Goddard, 742 Sand Dollar — boat dock & lift by Sunray Marine.

\$4,000: Devore, 580 Birdsong — decking & roof extension by the Mills Brothers.

\$2,304: Wood, Tanglewood-Unit 5B; \$6,344: Burnham, 1072 Blue Heron; \$17,500: Lehman, 3574 West Gulf; \$5,908: Pierson, Sanibel Arms West-Unit 13; and \$1,900: Fletcher, Captains Walk-Unit B5 — shutters by RolSAFE.

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Panel Discussion By

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Scott Gilbertson, Lee County Director of DOT

Kris Cella, Project Manager

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School notes

Sanibel School

■ **Citizens of the week** — Citizens of the week for March 15 are: Gus Costanzo, Katie Mejia, Ben Stivers, Maura Dowling, John Hodge, Catie Pinault, Guy Pepitone, Whitney Wolanin, Chris Moench, Lauren Williams, Jeff Richter and Kelsy Macray.

■ **Parents lunch** — Second-grade parents were invited to have lunch at school on Wednesday.

■ **Family math night** — Family math night has been changed to 6:30-7:30 p.m. today. Jan Manzella will host families with children in kindergarten through second grade; Georgia Brown and Cheryl Darbyshire will host families with children in grades three through five. Parents must be accompanied by a child and should bring a deck of cards for "dealing" with some fun math challenges.

■ **Sea Horse Festival** — The Sea Horse Festival is from noon to 4 p.m. this Sunday, March 21. The Fun Run will start at 11:30 a.m. Volunteers are still needed to help run the games and sign-up sheets are at the school's main office.

Additionally, people who have items to donate for the bake sale or those who can help staff the bake sale booth for 30 minutes should call Lisa Williams at 472-0871. The bake sale was a big money maker last year and a number of drop-off options are available this year.

Additionally, 9.6 volt radio control cars are still needed along with spare 9.6 volt battery backs. They should be marked with the name of the owner and the teacher, and brought to the school office. For information, call Graham Kortegast at 472-6227.

■ **Book fair** — The Scholastic Book Fair begins from noon to 4 p.m. this Sunday, March 21 and all parents are invited. The fair will continue from 7:45 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Monday, March 22, through Thursday, March 25.

■ **SAC meeting** — The Student Advisory Council will be at 2:15 p.m. next Monday, March 22, in the media center. The agenda includes a Power Point presentation on the FCAT tests recently administered to all fourth and fifth graders in the state.

■ **Levels testing** — The district's levels test will be given to all fourth and fifth graders next week, March 22-25.

■ **School Bus Operators of the Year** — Students are invited to nominate bus drivers for the School Bus Operators of the Year award. Three bus drivers from elementary, middle and high school levels will be honored at the annual NAACP banquet May 15. Nomination forms are available in the school office and must be returned by March 29.

■ **Music competition** — The Barrier Island Group for the Arts' First Young Musicians Ensemble Competition will



Jill Goodman

(1 to r) Eliza Lowe, Tim Goodman and Kari Halverson wash cars Saturday to raise money for the Cypress Lake Middle School band.

be at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at BIG Arts. All student ensembles in the five-county area have been invited to participate. The competition will continue until 1 p.m. and awards will be presented at 2 p.m. The winner will receive \$1,000 and the opportunity to perform their work with professional musicians at the fourth annual Norma Gillespie Chamber Music Concert April 11. This new BIG Arts' competition is to encourage young musicians to further develop their talents and techniques. Families are invited to watch at no charge. For information, call Ruth Keel at 395-0900.

■ **Art on display** — Twenty-five students had their artwork on display March 12-14 in the orchid show at the Edison Mall. This month, every student has been involved in creating a design for the Federal Junior Duck Stamp contest. Kindergartners and first graders have been painting with primary colors and mixing with secondary colors. Second graders finished masks in time for Mardi Gras, and third graders completed Mexican bark paintings and started to create rainforest masks out of wood, cones, seeds, feathers and grass. Fourth graders are doing metal embossing while fifth graders finished watercolor paintings and have just started constructing a loom for their Navajo Indian weavings.

Car wash hits high note

About 75 Cypress Lake Middle School band youngsters washed hundreds of cars Saturday, accepting donations to help fund their school band program. The nearly \$1,700 col-

School lunch menu

Monday
Deli sandwich or
Mexican pizza
Tossed salad
Whole kernel corn
Oven baked fries
Chilled pears

Tater tots
Lettuce & tomato
Fresh fruit

Tuesday
Roast turkey or
cheese ravioli
Mashed potatoes
Whole wheat roll
Peas & carrots
Mixed fruit

Thursday
Country fried steak or
oven baked chicken
Mashed potatoes
Whole wheat roll/bun
Fresh vegetable cup
Orange freezie

Wednesday
Barbecued rib
sandwich or taco

Friday
No school

Meal prices
\$1.60 — elementary
\$1.85 — middle/high
\$.35 — extra milk

lected will help pay for instructors, instrument repairs, sheet music and other related operating costs for the 170 students involved in the band program.

Final call for scholarships

The Sanibel/Captiva Kiwanis Club has scholarships available for area residents. Anyone planning to go to a college or university in Florida could be eligible.

For more information, call 472-5403. Applications must be returned by April 5.

Canterbury

■ **U.N. delegates visit**

Last Friday, March 12, the Model United Nations Club held a forum at the Lely Campus of Edison Community College in Naples for students to debate their prospective countries' views to various committees, with topics ranging from international terrorism to global ecology.

Canterbury's topics were international terrorism and human rights, and one of the 12 students who participated is from Sanibel. Mandy Reynolds joined her classmates in making up the Nigerian delegation.

■ **Kayak trip**

On Wednesday, March 17, Canterbury fourth graders went to Manatee Park in East Fort Myers. Some learned to kayak while others helped build a huge model of a manatee. The students also had a picnic lunch before heading back.

■ **Field trip to ECHO**

Next Wednesday, March 24, fourth graders will travel to ECHO in North Fort Myers. They'll take part in demonstrations on the importance of agricultural diversity and will see how the horticulturists at ECHO help third-world countries.

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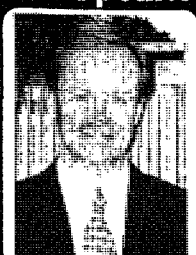
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Music festival donates to library

By Dawn Grodsky
Editor

As part of its community outreach program, the Sanibel Music Festival board donated 12 videotapes and three CDs by this year's performers to the Sanibel Public Library's audiovisual collection last Friday.

The videotapes, part of the "Great Courses on Tape" series, include 48, 45-minute lectures by Dr. Robert Greenberg on "How to listen to and understand great music." The set is a collection of six double tapes. Greenberg is a musician and professor with the San Francisco Conservatory of Music. He describes music as a "universal, non-verbal language that allows us to tap into different cultures, traditions and historical eras. The skills one brings to listening can expand our general knowledge as well as an appreciation of the art."

Maurice Oshry, who handles marketing and public relations for the SMF board, called the set "outstanding, fabulous."

Board member Mary Jaqua said, "It's wonderfully entertaining as well as informing."

The CD donations include: the Ahn Trio on EMI and Chesky labels with music by Ravel, Villa Lobos, Dvorak, Suk and Shostakovich; and the Juilliard String Quartet with a triple CD of the early Beethoven Quartets Op. 18, Nos. 1-6, and a second CD of quartets by Smetana and Franck.

All three of the groups are on the roster for this year's music festival, which continues through March 27.

"(Library patrons) can now listen to our artists and listen to some of the pieces they play," Jaqua said, adding the donation has a second motive. "And we're hoping that people in the community, music lovers, will help (the library) build their collection through more donations."

SMF President Nancy Clark said, "SMF hopes that other presenting organizations as well as individuals will also help in building the collection."

She added that the board will make it an ongoing practice to suggest its performing artists and ensembles contribute recordings to the library.

Library Director Pat Allen said the library has been adding to its audiovisual section for the almost five years its been in its new building. At the old site, there wasn't room, she said.

"It's a great contribution to our collection," she said of the SMF donation. "And it's also wonderful partnership the library is continually trying to develop with organizations on the island. This one is particularly helpful because people who can't attend some of the concerts can listen to at least part of what the musicians played. ... The Sanibel library appreciates the interest of the Sanibel Music Festival and knew that library patrons would enjoy these additions to its music collection."

The music festival comes to Sanibel each March.

For more information about making an audiovisual donation to the library, call 472-2483.



Dawn Grodsky

(l to r) Sanibel Public Library Director Pat Allen and Sanibel Music Festival President Nancy Clark look over the donations.

COTI meeting today

The Committee of the Islands annual meeting is at 9 a.m. today at the Sanibel Community House.

Breakfast, prepared by Mozella Jordan, will be served until 9:30 a.m. and the business meeting is planned from 9:30-10 a.m.

The agenda includes: reviewing the minutes of the 1998 meeting, hearing the treasurer's and audit committee report, presentation of the "Outstanding Citizen Award" for 1998, election of directors and voting on amendments to bylaws, recognition of past presidents and any other business.

From 10-10:45 a.m., Peter Gerard Blac, deputy director of the Hurricane Field Program, Hurricane Research Division of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, will speak.

Past recipients of the "Outstanding Citizen Award" are: Steve Mullins, Mark Westall, Ruth Deuber, Bob Slayton, William Angst, Abe Lerner, Ida Lalor, Louise Johnson, Mike Klein, Alice Kylo, Dr. William Webb, Milena Eskew, George Tenney and Urban Palmer.

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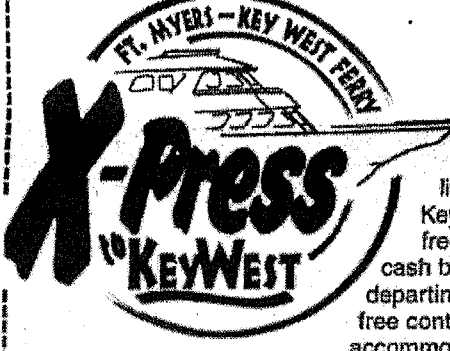
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March 24, 1999
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- 9:00 1. Chairman Ball calls the meeting to order.
2. Pay for City Council - Jan Hyatt
3. Seriatim of Services by Departments - Curt Stendahl
4. Privatization of Certain Services - Ray Vasquez
5. How to Reduce Stress on the Island
6. Begin Compartmentalization of Comments/Recommendations for Report
7. Review of Agenda for March 31st.
8. Adjournment

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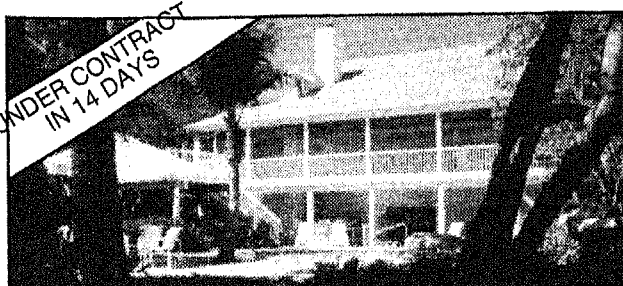
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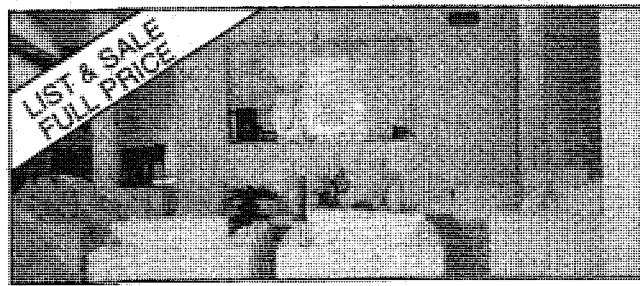
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The sports page

Pro-file: It's always May Day on 'Tweenies tennis courts

By Gwenda Hiatt-Clements
News Editor

Beary (yes, that's Beary; it's Danish) May, director of tennis at 'Tween-Waters Inn on Captiva doesn't slow down on or off the courts. His "inventive" mind is always working and doesn't leave him short of thoughts about tennis, the islands and his entrepreneurial plans for the future.

May explained his tennis beginnings were similar to others, starting play around age 6, participating in junior tennis programs and playing at Elon College in North Carolina.

Then he followed a path not taken by many American players. He toured Europe, teaching and playing in club leagues.

"Ordensee, Denmark; Sylk, Germany ... what a beautiful resort area with jet black pebble beaches ... Ankum, Germany," he said, recalling some of the places and resorts. "In Germany, I worked at the Vic Braden Tennis College. It was really good money ... \$2,500 a month plus hourly playing money ... but, that's all been consumed long ago!"

"I was at the Grasshopper Club in Zurich, Switzerland ... really ritzy! The one thing you had to have to play there was being able to speak English," he said.

May, who speaks German, some Dutch and some Flemish, said the U.S. pros were constantly on the move because it was difficult to get a visa for an extended stay. They would play while the application was pending and then move on when it expired.

May said playing in the frosty, Alpine air for 5-1/2 years finally got to him. He said, "One day when I got up and it was really cold, I just looked at my roommate and said, 'I'm going home!'"

He went back to Greensboro, N.C. "My parents suggested I go spend some time with my aunt and uncle in Cape Coral. After about 10 minutes there, I got bored and came over to Sanibel to look around. The first tennis person I met was Terry See (director of tennis at the Dunes). He just happened to be looking for someone to sublet his apartment. I was here, I had a place to live ... I just needed a job," said May.

Soon after, at Wil's Landing one evening, May met Brian Greenman, who was working as tennis pro at 'Tween-Waters and planning to leave to pursue timeshare sales at Casa Ybel Resort.

Exclaiming his good luck, May said, "I had the job at 'Tween-Waters!"

Who: Beary May
What: Director of tennis, 'Tween-Waters Inn
Where: Captiva Island
How long: 14 years
Education: Elon College, N.C.
Family: Single, parents in North Carolina
Favorite pro: Thomas Muster, Austria
He had the biggest heart in the world. He was putting his bags away in the trunk when a car rolled back and broke both his legs. He immediately had a chair built that he could practice hitting from. He still made it to No. 1 in the world. The 'Moo Man' ... he's in his late 30s now, but still playing.



That was 14 years ago and the job stuck. May said, "There hasn't been a tennis job open at one of the resorts since then. Toni (Halski, tennis pro at the Sundial) and Terry are still here, too. And John Williams at South Seas."

"Tennis down here pays well and no one wants to give it up. Besides that, there's living here. My friends come down here and say, 'You live here?' It's scary!"

A true islander, May is concerned about the future of the causeway islands and bridge, the recent conflicts in city council ... and, the traffic. As a member of Kiwanis, he keeps up with island happenings and those who make things happen.

May said his job at 'Tween-Waters has changed over the years with the only down time being in September. In the summer, people from the East coast of Florida and Europeans fill the resort and there are many more families coming in the winter. May keeps busy conducting clinics, setting up matches, teaching and caring for equipment.

"We have many of the same people who come back to 'Tween-Waters each year. One really great 83-year-old lady who stays here for two months comes to the clinics three times a week," he said. "We have 137 units and I bet come Easter I can sit at the pool and name 80 percent of the people there. We get an unbelievable repeat business. ... great

people. And we've had some famous tennis pros, including Tommy Haas and Martina Navratilova. She stayed here because she has dogs and they couldn't stay at South Seas!"

May believes that tennis is a great cardiovascular workout as well as a social activity, but he is concerned about the future of the game.

"It's hard to keep the interest of kids today. They play the computer games and when they are losing, they hit the restart button and win the next time," May said. "You can't push restart in tennis. You have to put in time and practice, play sets and get a mindset to build on."

Besides playing tennis, May's mindset is on his entrepreneurial efforts related to sports. He is in the process of striking a deal with a major sporting goods manufacturer to produce his Arm-Sox, a textile garment designed to reduce the risk of injury to the rotator cuff and tendons and muscles in the arm.

His patent-pending invention prevents cooling down and provides Spandex support for the arm. May came up with the idea in 1979 while he was in college. He had torn the rotator cuff in his right shoulder and the doctor instructed him to "keep it warm." His mother cut the sleeve off a long sleeve T-shirt, sewed elastic to it and the idea was born.

May points out the sleeve can be used by athletes in all sports — baseball, bowling, tennis, volleyball, rowing, water polo — and by those in trade industries.

Operating as Arm-Sox, USA, Inc., May has 35 island investors backing him.

May presented his Arm-Sox to 11 companies at the Bobbin Show, a textile show in Atlanta recently and several showed interest. He hopes to find one company that will manufacture the product, and he and Arm-Sox investors will share in the profits.

He has another product on the drawing board for large dogs such as Labradors and German shepherds that have hip problems. His "Puppy Panties" are constructed to give hip support without interfering with bodily functions. Then there is Hak Baboon's, a kids' surfwear line and he says there are "39 other things" on his mind.

He says all he is waiting on is the money and jokes that he can't do anything else right now because of all he is paying lawyers to handle his Arm-Sox venture.

May, who is currently driving a 25-year-old Volvo with 752,000 miles on it, said if his enterprises pay off, "The next car I get will be one that comes with a driver!"

Shorts

Gleason fares well in J.O.

Nick Gleason participated in the Florida short course Junior Olympics the weekend of March 6. The meet was at the Orlando YMCA Aquatic Center and Gleason had qualifying times in the 50-yard and 100-yard breaststroke. There were 53 teams represented and the Sarasota team was the largest with 50 swimmers.

In his first event, Gleason finished 14th in the 100-yard breaststroke and bettered his time by 3 seconds. He and his father then returned to Sanibel as Gleason had a baseball game. The two headed back to Orlando the following day for the 50-yard event, in which Gleason finished 11th and bettered his time by 1 second.

"Overall, Nick did extremely well," Coach John Barden said. "His school schedule only allows about four hours a week for practice time, where some of the other kids practice four hours a day. He plans to stay with swimming and I'm sure he will represent his family, himself and the city of Sanibel brilliantly in future meets."

Rec center to close March 21

The Sanibel Recreation Complex will be closed from 1-5 p.m. this Sunday, March 21, due to the annual Sea Horse Festival.

For more information, call 472-0345.

Youth basketball

Youth basketball for ages 13-16 will now be offered during open gym at the Sanibel Recreation Complex from 6-9 p.m. every Friday.

For more information, call Tony Reid at 472-0345.

Youth baseball

This week's standings in the 1999 Sanibel/Captiva Youth Baseball and Softball League are:

■ Major league

- ▲ Astros — 1-3.
- ▲ Giants — 3-1.
- ▲ Mets — 2-2.

- ▲ Yankees — 0-2.

- ▲ Rockies — 2-2.

- ▲ Marlins — 4-0.

■ Minor league

- ▲ Tigers — 2-0.

- ▲ Pirates — 0-2.

- ▲ Indians — 2-0.

- ▲ Cubs — 0-2.

■ Softball

- ▲ Phillies — 0-1.

- ▲ Blue Jays — 1-0.

- ▲ Dodgers — 1-1.

■ Weekly highlights and scores

- ▲ Giants/Yankees — 6-1; 3-4.

- ▲ Marlins/Astros — 22-3; 7-6.

- ▲ Mets/Rockies — 4-17; 6-5.

- ▲ Pirates/Indians — 7-10.

- ▲ Cubs/Tigers — 0-9.

- ▲ Phillies/Dodgers — 5-16.

Dunes men's golf

The Dunes Men's Golf Association played an individual points, 100 percent handicap tournament last Wednesday, March 10, and winners are:

■ **A Flight** — Don Weymouth, first with 40; Gib Warren and Jack Cohen, tied for second with 37.

■ **B Flight** — Rusty Hansmaier, first with 41; Earl Sawin and Bruce Sprinkle, tied for second with 40.

■ **C Flight** — Tom Hunter, first with 44; Jim Laramie, second with 42; Herb Gerhard, third with 41.

■ **D Flight** — Fred Nordstrom, first with 48; George Koury, second with 47; Bob Louwers, third with 46.

■ **Nine-holers** — Marty Conroy, first with 23.

Beachview men

The Beachview Men's Golf Association played a two-best-balls-of-four on 18 holes tournament last Saturday, March 13, and winners are:

■ Marv Backus, Frank Klepacki, Jim Putney and Tom Ware, first with 101.

■ John Moores, Ken Karasin, Bill Cheney and Jim Hornbrook, second with 111.

■ Bud Ristow, Marty Gallacher, Bob Mooney and "blind draw," third with 116.

The association also played a two-best-balls-on-the-back-nine tournament Tuesday, March 9, and winners are:

■ Dick Grant, Jim Hornbrook, Mel Bleiberg and Stu Merz, first with 65.

■ Dan Seaward, Tom Redford, Bill Cheney and Corney Becker, second with 67.

Beachview women

The Beachview Women's Golf Association played an "Odd and Even" golf tournament last Wednesday, March 10. To win, one player does well on even holes, which are the only ones that count, and her partner does likewise on odd-numbered holes. Teams total their odd and even efforts, adjusted-to-handicaps.

Winners in the 18-hole group were Betty Puff and Marianna Brown, with a net 65 to take first place, and Tamera Sutphen and Molly Johnson, who posted 71 to take second place.

Ginny O'Neil and Agnes McClintock won the nine-hole contest with 32; and Jerry Verblauw and Tommy Jaeger came in second with 35.

Don Mayeron Golf Classic

The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club will host the 10th annual "One and Only" Don Mayeron Golf Classic on Sunday, April 25.

The format is a four-person "screw" scramble that allows only one player with a handicap under 10 per team. The top four-some from each shotgun will be eligible to play in the state tournament.

The field is limited to the first 124 paid players per shotgun.

"Over the years, tournament followers have 'teed up' for the American Cancer Society while teeing off for 18 of the most imaginative holes of golf ever offered in Southwest Florida," cancer society development director Leslie Weninger said.

For information or to register, call 936-1113.

Wheelchair tennis program

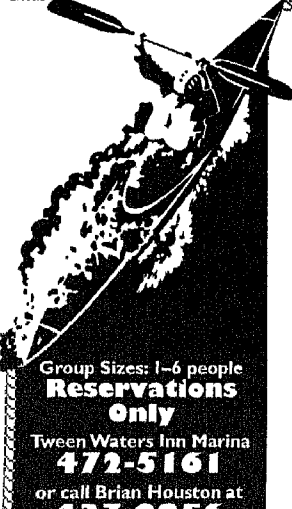
The Lee County Tennis Association and the United States Tennis Association Florida section are inaugurating a wheelchair tennis program for the Fort Myers area. The first task is locating prospective players.

Wheelchair tennis has come a long way since its first tournament in Los Angeles in 1977. Since then, wheelchair athletes from Southern California began to plan and promote the sport through exhibitions, clinics and tournaments. The National Foundation of Wheelchair Tennis was formed in 1980 and today, wheelchair tennis is one of the fastest growing wheelchair sports.

This fall, the USTA is planning a wheelchair tennis clinic in Fort Myers that will include a one-day workshop and a two-day player camp.

The only difference in the rules between wheelchair and regular tennis is that wheelchair players can let the ball bounce twice. A disabled player can play against an able-bodied player.

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Islanders walk to raise awareness, money

By **Gwenda Hiatt-Clements**
News Editor

"We walk because they walk" is the theme of this year's CROP Walk for Hunger.

Steve Greenstein, co-chair of the Sanibel/Captiva walk this Saturday, explained that theme was chosen because so many people in third world countries have to walk so far to get food and clean water.

CROP Walk, a nationwide event, is designed to raise awareness of and money for the war on hunger around the world. It is organized under the umbrella of the Church World Service, a group of 34 Protestant, Anglican and Orthodox communions in the United States that sponsors programs of development, emergency response and assistance to refugees worldwide.

Of the money raised, 25 percent goes to local agencies and the remainder goes to international hunger fighting groups such as CARE and Project HOPE. This year's local recipients are Community Cooperative Ministries Soup Kitchen and Friends in Service Here of Sanibel. Greenstein said FISH was approved for donations this year because it delivers meals to those in need on the island.

Connie Peeler, director of the soup kitchen, said, "We get a huge amount of support from Sanibel churches. Sometimes Sanibel gets a bad rap, so it is important for the people there to know they make a huge difference in what we are able to do. It is nice to know people can have empathy and understanding for those who have less."

"Maybe some of them remember what it was like getting to where they are. And, we also know Steve from Kiwanis. He takes it upon himself to do something for us at holiday times."

Peeler, who has headed the ministry for nine years, said she received more than \$1,500 last year.

Greenstein explained the money collected is sent to the national organization and then onto local organizations during the summer months.

"The money comes just in the time when we are most desperate for donations. During season more people are here from up North making donations but in June and July we run a little short. The check from CROP goes a long way," Peeler said.

The soup kitchen, the only place people in Fort Myers can get a free, hot meal, is open from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The daily meal is served between

11 a.m. and noon. Peeler said an average of 85 to 90 people come to the center. She sees numbers down somewhat this year, with unemployment at record levels and people finding seasonal work.

"People get trapped into a life of poverty in this area. Young people without good examples of how to try to get out and do better for themselves."

More recently, we are seeing people with mental problems showing there is truth to the stories about the need for treatment and medication," she said.

As a hopeful sign, Peeler sees a trend of younger parents showing more initiative toward going back to school, wanting to get out of the welfare system and provide for themselves.

CROP Walks are ecumenical, interfaith events and people contributing money to sponsor walkers may designate their gifts to any international hunger-fighting agency, such as Catholic Relief Service, Unitarian Universalist Service Committee, Lutheran World Relief, Cooperative Baptist

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Greenstein

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Taylor

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process is more important than the answer. Many times there is no answer. We are becoming more aware of how that model of teaching can improve test scores.

"We will be using the Sanibel habitat and environment to integrate content areas. And Sanibel is an oasis in terms of using environment as a means to teach and learn."

Students will make use of the 30 bicycles and safety equipment recently awarded the school through a grant application by fifth-grade science teacher Georgia Brown.

"We will have the mobility to do field work. The sixth-grade focus will be the physical process that is particular to barrier islands," Taylor said. "I can make suggestions for topics of study but I want the ideas to come from the students. We want to go to a place, let them observe, see what questions they want answers to."

"Another key aspect is the use of technology. I would like to see more appropriate use of technology in learning. The best way to learn is to teach others. Every day the students will be involved in the business of teaching one another. We should be using technology to that end," she said.

Although the concept sounds revolutionary, Taylor emphasized parents should not be concerned with the structure being too loose or not comprehensive. She said state standards must be met and students will be using county-adopted textbooks with studies incorporated into the environmental theme. She has been meeting with textbook representatives and doing research on curriculum offerings in other schools using environmental-based education.

"The program will offer the same basic education as all other middle schools with the added benefit of EIC model. The curriculum will go along with the basic requirements, but will be enriched," Taylor explained.

The proposed academic program for new sixth graders includes advanced math, comprehensive science, language arts, world geography and history, physical education and health. Students will have elective courses that include art,

music, broadcast communications, study skills, computer technology and problem solving. Fridays will be devoted to application of skills learned during the week. Each student will have time to work on his or her individual projects related to the ecosystem and other special areas.

To complete plans for next year, the school hopes to hire a language arts/history teacher before the end of the school year. Current music and art teachers will teach the sixth-grade students and Taylor is working on making additional arrangements for other elective and extra curricular activities.

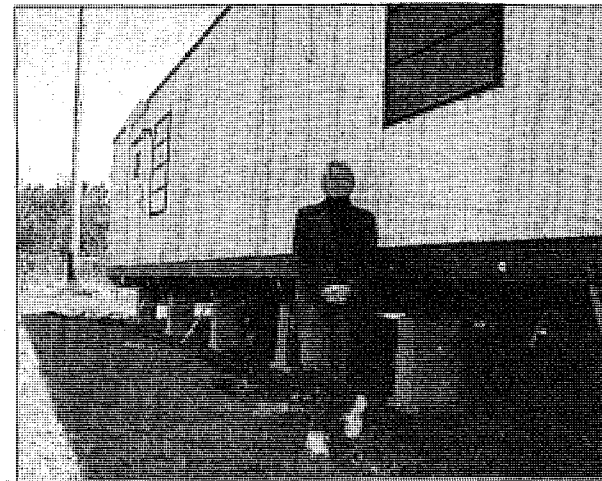
Taylor was able to get a head start on next year by serving out an interim contract as a guidance counselor and technical teacher, replacing Carl Melamet who was assigned to Lee County's environmental education program. A full-time replacement for that position will be hired next year.

"This was a wonderful opportunity for me to get to know the school," Taylor said. "I am filling out the year for Carl, but I can also focus on getting plans going for next year."

Taylor's background lends itself to her focus on environmental studies. A Golden Apple award winner in 1991, Taylor has been teaching for 17 years. She earned her bachelor's degree in history from Emory University in Atlanta and her master's in education from Jacksonville University.

Before coming to Sanibel, she taught marine biology at Fort Myers High School. Originally an elementary teacher, Taylor made the transition from teaching elementary to high school because of her involvement in a nationwide Department of Natural Resources research project, Science Educators at Sea.

"Of the 30 teachers involved, there were only two elementary teachers in the project. I begged to get in. We spent four days per month and earned college credit," she said. "After that, I attended summer workshops in the Keys. I worked on spiny lobster research ... a study of juvenile lobsters and their predators and prey."



Michael Pist

Louise Taylor stands by the new sixth-grade portables already in place at Sanibel School.

Using her hands to show the growth of a lobster from inch to six inches, Taylor joked, "After learning how to take them to grow and how hard it is for them to survive, can't eat lobsters anymore."

Of her new position, Taylor said, "I feel so blessed to be with these students who are excited about learning ... like sponges. And I am excited to learn with them. Teaching gives me a chance to be a life-long learner. I learn from the kids every day. When I'm no longer learning from them, it's time for me to quit."

"I feel so welcomed. I have gotten such a warm reception. And Barbara Von Harten is a principal who allows teachers to use their gifts. That's what we should be doing with the students."

Walk

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Each year, more than 3 million people participate in CROP Walks across the nation.

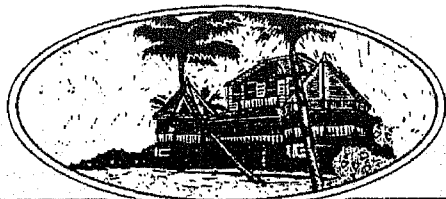
Greenstein estimates between 60 and 75 people will participate from Sanibel and Captiva this weekend.

He explained the island participation in the CROP Walk was started by Mary Glenna Malpass, a member of the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ. Malpass had been active in the effort in her native state of Michigan and brought the event to the island.

A member of Temple Bat Yam which meets at the Congregational Church, Greenstein worked with her for two years and is co-chairing this year with Connie Ayers.

This year, members of St. Michael's & All Angels Episcopal Church and Chapel By the Sea are joining Temple Bat Yam and the Congregational church in the walk.

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Easter film at library

Christian Film Ministry will be showing "The Jesus Film" at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 23, at the Sanibel Public Library in a special pre-Easter event.

The film has had a greater impact all over the world than any other film ever shown, according to organist Jean Wood. "It has changed lives and inspired young people. It has been highly recommended by a wide number of denominations."

The film tells the story of Jesus' life and was filmed in Israel "with outstanding acting performances by Jean Wood said. "It makes the Bible become real and it is suitable for families to enjoy together."

Admission is free. For information, call 472-0673.

Choir singers sought

The Sanibel Community Church invites everyone to sing along with other island musicians during the Easter service at 6:30 a.m. Sunday, April 4, on Sanibel Causeway.

Carl Gnat, director of traditional worship and chancel choir at the church, invites singers from other churches as well as island visitors to join in the celebration. The program will include many Easter favorites including Handel's "Hallelujah Chorus." The same program will be repeated for the 10 a.m. worship service at the Sanibel Community Church.

Anyone who enjoys singing is invited to practice with the group at 7 p.m. Wednesdays, March 24 and 31, at the church, Sanibel Community Church, which encompasses all denominations, is at 1740 Periwinkle Way.

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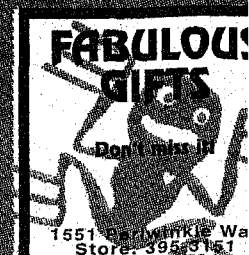
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By Michael Pistella
Staff Writer

Useppa Island may be known for its serenity and remoteness, but the island's administration is actively pursuing professional groups to use that tranquility to their advantage.

The tiny island in Pine Island Sound, which was once limited to members only, is now opening its doors a bit more.

"This is such a unique destination," said Perri Giafaglione, Useppa Island Club's director of marketing and sales. "It's perfect for businesses to have strategic planning meetings because they're sequestered here; there aren't the usual distractions you find in other places."

Giafaglione, whose charge it is to find groups to use Useppa as a meeting location, said she has been talking with professional groups on a face-to-face basis. She made the boat trip to Sanibel Monday evening to attend the Sanibel/Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce business after hours as part of her recruiting efforts.

Groups can stay on Useppa for two or three days, and sometimes up to five days, or for a simple daytime meeting. Useppa offers groups a conference room and an executive board room for meetings. But they don't have to use the rooms or even have to meet at all.

"Some groups have used our island just for relaxing," Giafaglione said. "There are those who use it for both meetings and relaxing or just meetings. (The island) is great for either one."

Giafaglione said a group of attorneys and their staff

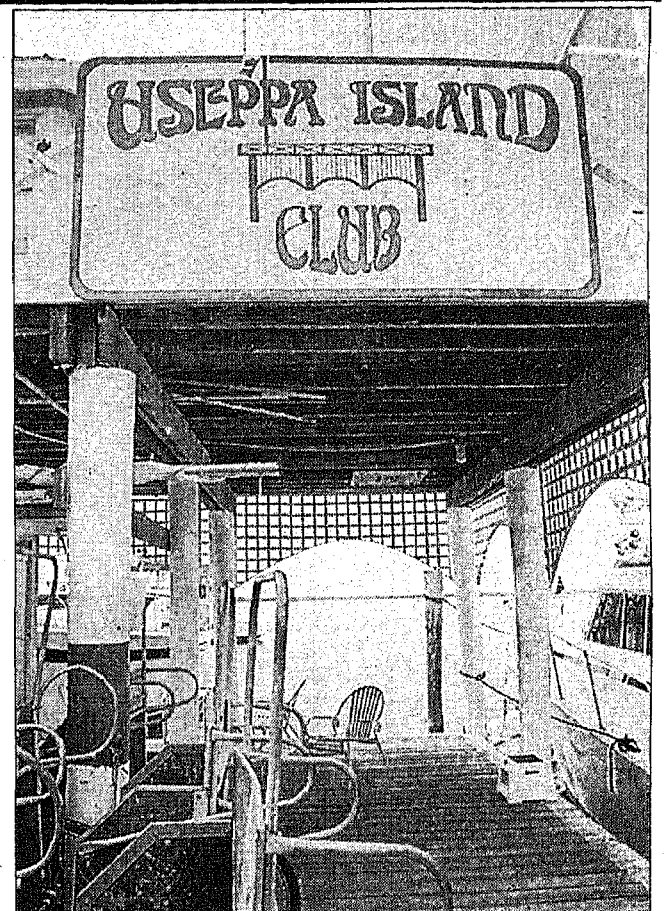
recently spent a few days on Useppa and didn't go near the meeting rooms; they did nothing but rest.

"They had been working on a case for a solid year — non-stop," Giafaglione said. "This is where they came to relax and kind of debrief and forget about the last year with their noses to the grindstone."

Giafaglione also said professional groups can utilize the island's "natural" resources — the two croquet courts, fishing and kayaking — for team-building activities.

For more information about Useppa as a professional meeting destination, call Giafaglione at 283-5255.

AT RIGHT: Useppa Island Club, located in Pine Island Sound between Pine Island and Cabbage Key, is recruiting business groups and social memberships that don't require people to own property on the island as before.



Michael Pistella

Community Great Island Pickup April 3

The first day of spring is this Saturday, March 21. It marks the day the sun's light crosses over the equator and begins climbing into the northern sky and, according to Kristie Anders, education director for the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation, it also marks the beginning of the end of another busy season and the time to clean up.

The Great Island Pickup & Treasure Hunt will begin at 8:30 a.m. Saturday, April 3. Cub Scout Pack 33 has already volunteered for the land-based operation while Sanibel's paddle club will help pick up monofilament snags along the mangrove fringe. More volunteers are needed to clean up beaches and roadways.

Individuals should register at the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation at 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road or at McCarthy's Marina/Wildside Adventures on Captiva.

All registered participants are eligible for prizes gathered by Visitors Television. In addition, VTV is the event sponsor and will fund the garbage bags, bottles of water, lemonade and hotdogs that will be served at the SCCF from 11:30 a.m. to noon.

"Please give the island three hours of your time on Saturday morning, April 3, to make this a 'tid litter day,'" Anders said.

For more information, call 472-2329.

Mambo Brothers benefit

Stevie Tomato's is sponsoring a benefit concert by the Mambo Brothers Blues Band with proceeds going to diabetes research from 7-10 p.m. next Wednesday, March 24. Fifty cents from every beer, and \$1 from every cocktail, appetizer and entree purchased will be donated to the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation.

Stevie Tomato's is on U.S. 41 just south of Page Field. For information, call 939-7211.

Program on Social Security

One of the strongest voices advocating privatization of the Social Security system will speak on the subject at 8:30 a.m. next Thursday, March 25, at the Ritz Carlton in Naples. William Shuman, co-author of "Promises to Keep: Saving Social Security" and chairman of the Cato Institute, will provide a two-hour overview of one of the most important issues of the day.

According to Cato Institute calculations, Social Security will begin paying out more than it takes in by 2013. Most young workers can expect a negative return on their Social Security taxes — they will get less in benefits than they paid in taxes. The Cato Institute alternative is to allow companies and individuals to redirect their payroll taxes into individually owned, privately invested accounts, similar to 401(k) plans and Individual Retirement Accounts.

Call Brooke Caciari at (941) 405-6006.

Minutes

Tops at VIP

VIP Realty Group announced its top producers at its Sanibel office for February are the team of Ruth Hamann and Cathy Gerasin, the top sales agents, and Mike McMurray, the top listing agent.

Hamann, a Florida broker/salesperson, has been selling real estate on Sanibel for 14 years. She is a member of National Association of Realtors, the Florida Association of Realtors and the Sanibel/Captiva Islands Association of Realtors. She also received the community service award from the island association.

Gerasin holds a Florida real estate broker's license and has been in the business for eight years. She's also been a 12-year property owner on Sanibel.

The two met about nine years ago after Hamann sold Gerasin and her husband Fred a home on Sanibel, and a few years later sold the house for them. Over the years they became friends and when Gerasin moved full time to the island, Hamann became a "mentor." They decided to pool their efforts and work as a team.

McMurray has been in the real estate business for five years. He is a board member for the Sanibel/Captiva Islands Association of Realtors, and belongs to NAR and FAR. He has been awarded VIP's No. 1 producer status on Sanibel on several occasions. He also regularly attends conferences and classes to improve his skills.



Special to the Reporter

(l to r) Roz Wegryn of the International Medical Center talks with Deepak Chopra, a doctor and well-known author.

Wegryn meets Chopra

Roz Wegryn, CEO and president of the International Medical Center with offices on Sanibel and in Fort Myers, recently attended the Consumers Complementary and Medical Practitioners-sponsored program in Naples, "An afternoon with Deepak Chopra."

Chopra is a medical doctor who is an articulate teacher espousing mind/body medicine and is the author of 22 books exploring the frontier, including "The Seven Spiritual Laws of Success," "Quantum Healing," "Ageless Body, Timeless Mind" and "The Path to Love." He also has video and audio programs.

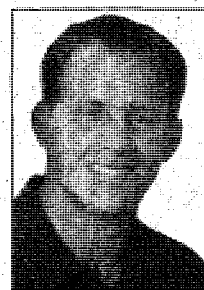
The gathering was at the new Gulf Coast High School auditorium theater. Following the program, Wegryn had the opportunity to speak briefly with Chopra and invite him to visit the IMC facilities.



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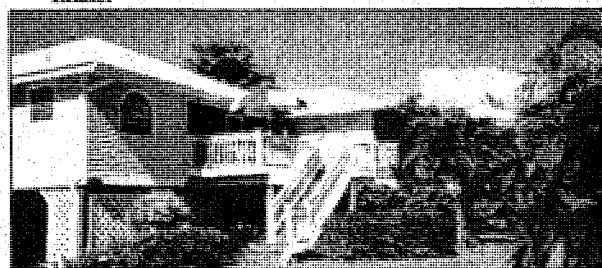
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Optimist Club staying busy



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ABOVE: Junior Optimists gather at the Everblades hockey game last Friday.

ABOVE RIGHT: Club members are thrilled with their name on the marquis.

AT RIGHT: Theresa Carson, who makes your lattes and espressos at the Bean, totes a sample of the coffee being donated to the Optimist Club for its first pancake breakfast Sunday morning.

■ Fun had at hockey game

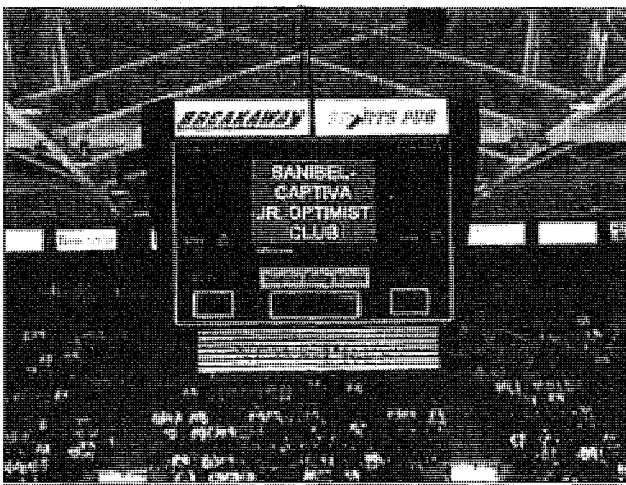
Last Friday, members of the Sanibel/Captiva Optimist Club traveled to Estero to see the Florida Everblades hockey game and, according to club mom-Lisa Bilske, "It was a blast. It was so much fun."

The island children also got their moment of glory when the Sanibel/Captiva Jr. Optimist Club name was flashed on the marquis.

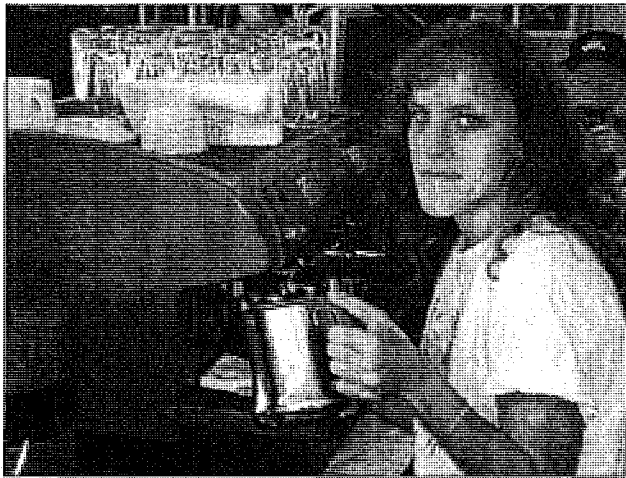
■ Pancake breakfast Sunday

The Sanibel/Captiva Optimist Club pancake breakfast fund raiser is from 8-11:45 a.m. this Sunday, March 21, at the Sanibel Community House.

The Bean, the Island House Restaurant, the Hungry Heron, Sun Harvest Orange Juice, NationsBank, Bank of the Islands and the Sanibel Brew Pub have donated all the



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fixings needed for a tasty breakfast.

Donations are \$5 per person with children 6 and younger eating free. The club supports youth activities on the islands, and the community house is at 2173 Periwinkle Way.

For more information, call John Turansky at 472-3121.

Club notes

Tamiami tale tellers

Stories about magical transformations and enchantments will highlight this month's meeting of the Tamiami Tale Tellers from 7-9 p.m. today at the Grand Court, 8351 College Parkway in Fort Myers.

According to spokesman, Bert MacCarry of Sanibel, the group plans to present stories about "transformation relating to characters in folktales, including leprechaun lore; Greek and Roman myths; and legends from Africa, Australia and India."

For more information, call 472-1781.

Zonta to award grants

The Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva is inviting local, non-profit groups to apply for grants. Funds are available for programs that benefit women and children.

For information, call Linda Logan at 472-3181 or Sally Webber at 472-9143. Application deadline is April 15.

Angel celebration

The "angel" nominations are in and the Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva invites everyone to attend the celebration from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Dunes Golf & Tennis Club. The winner of the Jean Wigley Community Angel Award Ceremony will be announced at that time.

In Wigley's memory, the Zonta Club will recognize an outstanding island female volunteer. Luc Century has designed an Angel Award for the recipient and a donation will be made to the non-profit organization of her choice.

The cost is \$20 and tickets are available from any Zonta member of by sending a check for \$20 to P.O. Box 1244, Sanibel, FL 33957. Call 466-5100 or 472-2059.

Of note

Second City to come to town

Tickets are now available to see Second City from Chicago at the Fort Myers Exhibition Hall at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 27. The comedy group, well known for its long list of distinguished alumni — including Dan Akroyd, Ed Asner, Mike Myers, Joan Rivers and Shelley Long — will bring a patented brand of comedy with them.

Started in 1959 by a small group of University of Chicago theater students, the company has been the starting point for many of the comedic actors, writers and directors working in American television and theaters today.

Second City, now based in Chicago, Detroit and Toronto has a national touring company made up of six performers and a musician. They stage a medley of classic scenes, songs and improvisations.

Nine-hundred tickets are available and tickets sales benefit the Lee County Alliance of the Arts' New Arts Scholarship Fund.

Sponsors include WB-6 and radio stations B-103.9 and 96-KRock.

The exhibition hall is in downtown Fort Myers near the Harborside and Centennial Park. For ticket information, call 939-2787.

Alumni club to meet

The University of Illinois Alumni Club of Southwest Florida will meet for lunch at the Cape Coral Golf & Tennis Resort at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, March 20.

Charles Stewart, Ph.D., from the Urbana campus will be the guest speaker. The resort is at 4003 Palm Tree Blvd.

For information or reservations, call 772-0604.

Bird programs at SCCF

The second pair of bird-related evening programs will be presented by Alvah Sanborn at 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 22, in the auditorium of the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation. This program will discuss the importance of bird song and methods of studying them.

Sanborn, a retired National Audubon Society staffer, will help people categorize bird songs, introduce people to available tapes and CDs related to bird song, and define calls that are both instinctive and learned.

Song bird migration on the islands begins in early April.

Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1 for children. SCCF's Nature Center is located at 3333 Sanibel-Captiva Road, one mile west of Tarpon Bay Road. For information, call 472-2329.

Wonders of the wetlands

The Lee County Parks and Recreation Staff and Volunteer Naturalists of the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve invite the public to a celebration of local wetlands from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, March 20.

Guided walks along the boardwalk trail will be available every 15 minutes.

Area environmental and educational organizations, such as the Calusa Nature Center, J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, the Babcock Wilderness Adventures, Care & Rehabilitation of Wildlife and others will have displays at the amphitheater.

Naturalists with spotting scopes and binoculars will help find wildlife and answer questions at the pond areas and along the boardwalk trail.

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City notes

By Pattie Pace
Staff Writer

General employee pension plan

Reaching consensus, the council asked Councilmember Steve Brown to work with city staff to investigate the benefits and pitfalls of changing the city's pension system from a defined benefit plan to a defined contribution plan. Brown recently attended a seminar in Fort Lauderdale with Finance Director Renee Lynch.

"We aren't the 'Lone Ranger' on this. There are a lot of people going the same way," Brown said.

Mayor Bob Janes said he was concerned about costs, benefits and fairness issues.

Brown countered, saying those employees who wouldn't benefit from a defined contribution plan, mainly those who aren't investment savvy, can choose to remain in a defined contribution plan.

Dick Walsh, vice chairman of the Five-Year Budget Review Committee, said a new actuarial study was completed March 9 and indicated the city's costs under the current

plan will increase by \$200,000 in five years. A copy of that report is on file in the finance department. He said the ideal time for Sanibel to switch plans is when market conditions are high and the city's costs will be lower. He indicated now is that time, with the Dow Jones Industrial Average breaking the 10,000 mark for the first time Tuesday.

Councilmember Andrew Reding questioned the city's contract with Pebsco, the top-ranked firm from the city's bid proposal, because the company takes a higher percentage for services than its competitors.

Acting City Manager Bob Pritt questioned the wisdom of starting over from scratch, negating work completed last year.

Summer recreation program expanded

On the condition that higher user fees will cover increased costs, the council voted 5-0 to expand the summer recreation program for island youngsters.

Recreation Director Helene Phillips said the program will be expanded from three hours, four days a week to eight hours, Monday through Friday. The new schedule will cost an additional \$14,000, causing fees

to rise from \$10 to \$45 per child, per week.

Councilmember Brown suggested Phillips and Pritt approach service groups on the island to provide scholarships for families who won't be able to afford the increase.

Celebrating Sanibel's 25th birthday

The council authorized Recreation Director Phillips to draw up a preliminary agenda to celebrate the city's 25th anniversary. Pritt said that Friday, Nov. 4, is the official date and indicated Sanibel can plan a three-day-long celebration since it falls on a weekend. Funds will be allocated from next year's budget.

Old Town Historic Tour place relocated

The council amended the location of the Old Town Sanibel Historic Tour plaque. The plaque will be placed near the bike path on Periwinkle Way in front of Billy's Treasures, rather than across the street on the boardwalk in front of the Sporty Seahorse.

Organizer Terry Brennen said all the plaques that will mark historic sites on the east end have been ordered and should be available in six to eight weeks. Tour brochures have already been printed and stored at the Sanibel Historical Village & Museum. Brennen said he plans to discuss a kickoff event with the historical committee. Once the plaques are in place, Brennen and a group of volunteers plan to design a series of other tours to highlight historic sites throughout the island.

Consent agenda

The council unanimously approved the following items on its consent agenda:

■ A resolution supporting the continued funding of Florida's Preservation 2000 Land Acquisition Program into the new millennium.

■ Florida Power & Light's request to use natural gas instead of oil as the primary fuel at its Fort Myers Electrical Generating Plant.

■ A reciprocal law enforcement and assistant agreement between the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge and the Sanibel Police Department.

Cruising for the shell museum

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum is planning a cruise for its annual fund-raising event, instead of its traditional "Hoedown." This year, the museum is hosting a dinner cruise aboard the "Lady Chadwick" departing at 5 p.m. Sunday, March 21, and returning at 8 p.m. Karkey and Woodard, a Fort Myers band, will provide the entertainment.

The cost is \$125 a person and proceeds will benefit the museum. The event is

being underwritten by NBD Bank, Times of the Islands, Tween-Waters Inn and Sain Galloway Ford. The ship will depart from the Tween-Waters docks.

The museum's mission is to spread knowledge about shells through meaningful exhibits, educational programs and tours, shell collections and its research library.

For information or to make a reservation, call 395-2233.

IWA plans annual meeting

The Island Water Association is having its annual membership meeting at 10 a.m. Monday, April 12. At the meeting, directors will be elected and members wanting to vote in person must register at the tellers' table between 9 and 10 a.m.

The candidates for the board are Bob Davison, Stella Farwell and Paul Garvey. The nominating committee is comprised of Armand Ball, Andy Schroder, Paul Smart and Robert Wigley. IWA's board supports the slate.

Garvey is a 19-year Captiva resident who serves as training officer for the Captiva Fire Control District. He has been an IWA board member since 1995. He previously served as chairman of the Captiva Erosion Prevention District and as president of the Captiva Civic Association, where he is now the executive director.

Davison, a native of Buffalo, N.Y., became involved in Sanibel city government immediately after arriving here in 1985. He was appointed to the Sanibel Planning Commission and served from 1986 to 1994, when he was elected to the city council. He served as chairman of the planning commission for three years and was mayor in 1996-97. Davison did not seek re-election to the council and was chosen to serve the remaining term of resigned IWA director Paul R. Storves. He's also serving the vacant term of City

Councilmember George Madison, who resigned in January, until a special election March 30.

Farwell moved full time to Captiva from New Orleans in 1990. She still serves as director and president of two family businesses in Louisiana. On the islands, Farwell pursues her arts career, conducts creativity workshops and is involved in many volunteer activities.

Farwell also has served the IWA in a volunteer capacity. In 1997 she was chairwoman of the nominating committee and in 1998 was head of the teller committee.

Other candidates can be nominated by any IWA member by presenting their name in writing to the secretary in a letter signed by at least 10 members and delivered at least 15 days prior to the April 12 meeting.

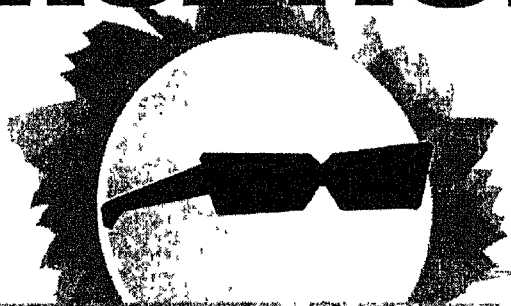
In addition to the election, the annual meeting will cover the president's and officers' reports, and any other IWA business.

Members who cannot attend are asked to sign and date their proxies and send them to IWA by Friday, April 9.

Prior to the meeting, coffee and doughnuts will be served, and following the meeting, tours of the IWA facility will be given. IWA President Roger Blind urges everyone to attend. He said attendance at the last few IWA annual meetings was less than he liked.

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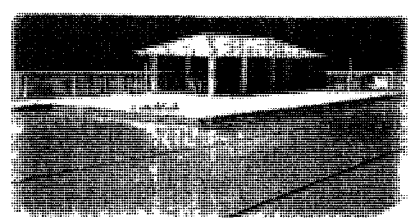
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Historical notes

By Jean Downes
Special to the Reporter

Pre-causeway ferry boats, the one-room schoolhouse on Periwinkle Way and the oldest surviving residence on the island are among the subjects tackled by author and historian Betty Anholt in her recently published pictorial history, "Sanibel's Story."

Kinzie Brothers ferries, that carried a maximum of 10 cars per trip, plied the waters between Punta Rassa and Sanibel from 1927 until the completion of the Sanibel Causeway in 1963.

But the first ferry across San Carlos Bay was actually part of a real estate promotion. In 1925, Cogdell Development Company advertised, "Drive one's own car on paved roads to Punta Rassa ... transfer the car and yourself to the Cogdell Ferry Boat, over the beautiful bay to Sanibel Island in a few minutes." The 1926 hurricane wiped out the Cogdell enterprise a year later.

Even earlier John Boring, a farmer near Blind Pass, ran a ferry between Sanibel and Captiva before the first bridge between those two islands was built in 1918.

Sanibel's earliest school (now the Old Schoolhouse Theater) began as one room with a front porch and a bell in a belfry on top. In time, a second room was added as well as a second teacher to accommodate a growing population. The school taught grades one through eight, a system the Sanibel School is in the process of reinstalling. Then as now, later grades went to Fort Myers or off to private schools.

Among the pupils at the old school were the Baileys, Mayers, Woodrings, Hennings, Gordons and Williams. Islanders who were students in the two-room expansion included Debbie McQuade Gleason, now a Realtor; Chuck and Curtis Nave, whose father established the plumbing business they now operate; and Gordon Tracy, the owner of

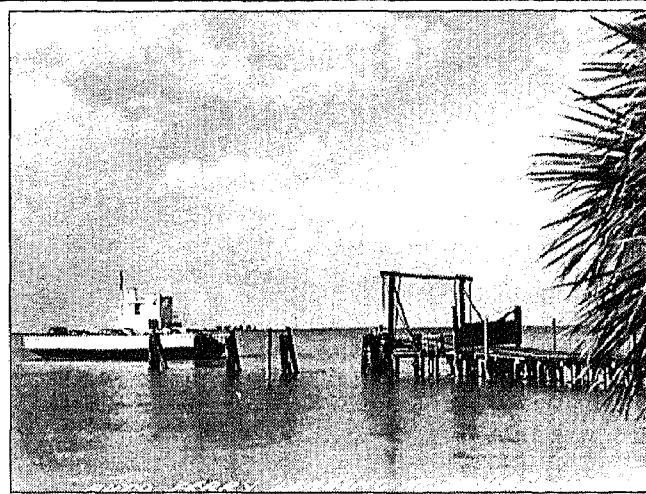
Out Island Marine.

The Gables was built in 1888 by Laetitia Ashmore Nutt and her daughters who came from Louisiana to settle on this remote island. She was appointed first postmistress in July of 1889. She took in boarders and day students at the Gables, where she taught school; and she helped organize the Fort Myers Chapter of United Daughters of the Confederacy. Laetitia and members of her family are buried in the little graveyard on the property they homesteaded on West Gulf Drive.

These are just samples of the fascinating array of stories and vintage photos Anholt has put together to relate tales of earlier days on this farming/resort island community.

Sponsored by the city of Sanibel and its Historical Preservation Committee, the book marks the city's incorporation 25 years ago. "Sanibel's Story" costs \$40 and is available only at the Historical Village & Museum located at 950 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, FL 33957. For mail orders, please add \$5 shipping and handling and make checks payable to "City of Sanibel — Book."

The village is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday and 1-4 p.m. Sunday. For information, call 472-4648.



Special to the Reporter

Kinzie Brothers ferry pulling away from the dock. This service lasted until the Sanibel Causeway opened in 1963.

Writers to read

Members of the Island Writers Groups 1, 2 and 3 will read selected works at the Barrier Island Group for the Arts beginning at 7:30 p.m. today.

The 90-minute program will include three short poems by Dick Jucker, "Riverbed," "A Waiting Poem" and "Essay No. 9 on Art." Jucker is heading the program. Other writers include: Ruth Iyengar reading "O Dolphin of the Deep" and "Who's Guilty;" Peter Hilger reading an essay on "European Unity" and a poem, "The Sea I See," by Deborah Butler; Carolee Greene reading her humorous article, "Lobes of Love;" Vivian Pyke reading her memoir, "The Move, College Next Door;" Bob Maxeiner reading his short story, "Morning Flight;" and three poems, "Pa-Hay-Okce," "Morning at Eco Pond" and "Glade Trip" will close the first half.

Following an intermission with refreshments, Carol Erlich's poem, "Hoh Rain Forest," will open the second half. A light memoir, "Ladies Who Lunch," by Winnie Donaghue, will follow. Then, Judy Maurer will read her poem, "The Wither that the Hard Frost Brings," followed by Nancy Mack's memoir, "Wringing Wet," and a poem by Claudia Burns, "Stalker." Sid Simon will read his poem, "Fairness and Justice in the Condo" and the program will close with "Island Porch Game," a humorous essay by Chuck Higgins.

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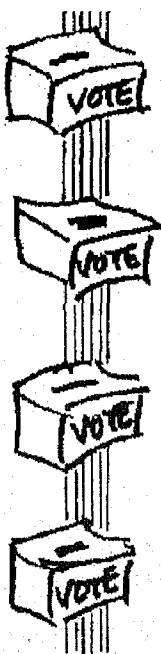
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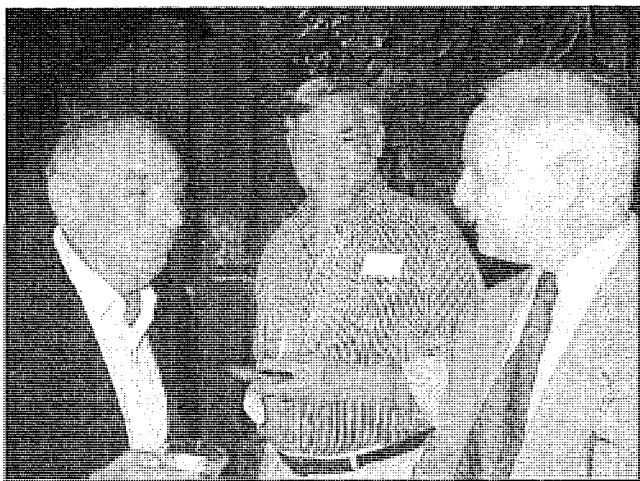
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Around the islands

CCF hosts after hours

Sanibel/Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Keith Trowbridge had a big first day on job Monday as it was the monthly business after hours. Trowbridge and his wife, Doris, were posted at the entrance of the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation, which hosted the gathering, greeting old friends and making new ones. Everyone raved about the salmon and clam dips while CCF Executive Director Erick Lindblad said he had to keep pinching himself to reality check his excitement over the progress of the Trost tract fund raiser, which has \$500,000 left to raise of its \$3 million goal. The money will be used to purchase and preserve the largest undeveloped tract remaining on Sanibel.

— Dawn Grodsky



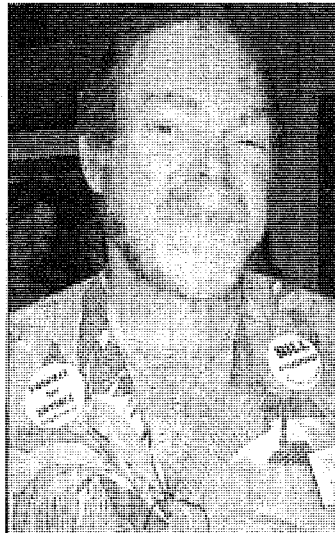
ABOVE: (l to r) Joe Giattini, Bill Walter and Interim Sanibel City Manager Bob Pritt.

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AT LEFT: Friedrich Jaeger and Susie Holly of Times of the Islands and Sanibel City Councilmember Steve Brown.

AT RIGHT: Chamber board member Grover Arp, sporting campaign buttons for both city council candidates, proves he's unbiased.



Children's center 25 and still growing

The Children's Education Center of the Islands hosted a year celebration with a wine tasting and silent auction at Arts 't Saturday. Host Rob DeGennaro introduced the dining board members present that evening — Judy Ryckman and Starr Thomas. Bari Fischer, the third founder, did not attend. Also honored during the evening's festivities was "Miss Martha" Ryckman, the first director of the center.

— Gwenda Hiatt-Clements

LOW LEFT: Current Children's Education Center of the Islands parents Alex and Leslie look over silent auction items up for

LOW RIGHT: "Miss Martha" Ryckman, the center's first director, reminisces about the classrooms that used to crawl into the classroom when the school was housed in the old Key General Store on the bay.



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Tom Uhler, the evening's wine host, demonstrates how to savor the flavor of wine by sucking air through pursed lips.

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Michael Pistella

(l to r back) Ron Ficks, Brian Berk and Mike Lang, and (l to r front) Kerri Berk, Carol Ficks and Kristin Ficks find a coveted junonia near the Sundial Beach & Tennis Resort.

A couple visiting from Illinois found a junonia near the Sundial Beach & Tennis Resort Monday, March 1. Ronald and Carol Ficks said they have been shelling for 12 years before finding the coveted shell.

"Finding this has been a highlight of a special week with our family being all together at this very special place," Carol Ficks said.

The couple lives in Arlington Heights, Ill.

Clayton Demanes of Groveland, Ill., found a junonia near the West Wind Inn on West Gulf Drive. Clayton was shelling with his grandmother, Lois Demanes. He is the son of Mike and Allison of Demanes.

"I'm 10 years old and love Sanibel," he said.

Lions paw

Wendy Kore of Brookhaven, Penn., found a rare lions paw Tuesday, March 2, at Blind Pass. She said this is her second year vacationing to Sanibel and she wasn't quite sure what she had found until she took it to the annual Sanibel Shell Show & Fair and people there told her it was "very rare."



Wendy Kore is proud of her find, a rare lions paw.



Dawn Grodsky

(l to r) Clayton and Cecily Demanes with their shell finds.

Bill Hillebrandt

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Jim Pritchett spins his web

By Jill Goodman
Staff Writer

The Florida Repertory Theatre Company is performing "The Spider's Web," written by the "queen of mystery" Agatha Christie, at the Arcade Theater in Fort Myers. And actor James Pritchett promises a tricky plot with all the zigs and zags Christie fans have come to expect.

Pritchett is a newcomer to the repertory company and brings with him a noteworthy background in theater.

Quick wit never far from the surface, Pritchett, a native of North Carolina, said, "I started in the theater when in grammar school. I played Prince Charming in the second grade and I was in productions all through high school."

Bowing to his attorney father's influence, Pritchett studied law in college and practiced with his dad for two years. But the lure of the stage was overwhelming and Pritchett

went back to school, earning a master's degree in dramatic arts.

"I left poor father alone in the firm," he quipped.

Arriving in New York City in 1954 during the "golden age of TV," Pritchett found himself on soap operas.

I did a couple of soaps ... "As the World Turns," "Secret Storm" and in "The Doctors." I was signed to do the lead chief of staff, Dr. Matt Powers."

He enjoyed that role until the show went off the air 20 years later, on New Year's Eve in 1982.

"(Since then) I've been doing this and that, mostly theater on the stage and at regional theaters around the country."

After performing in a show at the Oslo Theater in Sarasota, Pritchett and his wife, Cynthia, liked the area so much, they bought a condominium.

"We spent more and more time here and are now Florida residents. Recently a friend



Special to the Reporter

(l to r) Jim Pritchett as Sir Rowland, Carrie Lund as Miss Peake and Helen Mutch as Clarissa in "Spiders Web" at the Arcade Theater.

"I'm not going to retire. I like doing things and I'm doing more here than in New York."

— Jim Pritchett

location."

Upon his return to Sarasota, Pritchett will start another play at the Oslo, "Everything I Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten."

"I'm not going to retire," he said. "I like doing things and I'm doing more here than in New York. Here, if I'm not working it's like being on vacation."

In addition to Pritchett and Lund, who plays Miss Peake, "Spiders Web" also stars Niels Miller as Hugo Birch, Helen Mutch as Clarissa Hallsham-Brown and Michael Marotta as the Inspector.

Curtain time is 8 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday and 2 p.m. Wednesday and Sunday through April 10. The theater is on Bay Street at the intersection of Jackson and Hendry streets in downtown Fort Myers. Tickets are \$18. Call 332-4488.

PUBLIC MEETING

AGENDA FOR MARCH 23, 1999
MEETING OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION
COUNCIL CHAMBERS (MACKENZIE HALL)
800 DUNLOP ROAD, SANIBEL, FLORIDA

- 9:00 AM 1. Approval of minutes of regular meeting of March 9, 1999.
2. Public Comments on items not appearing on the agenda. (Maximum time allotted, 20 minutes, with a limitation of 5 minutes per speaker).

- 9:10 AM 3. Adoption of Resolutions.

There are no resolutions for adoption at this meeting.

- 9:15 AM 4. Consideration of a request to revise the conditional use approval granted by Planning Commission Resolution no. 96-65 to expand the permitted number of restaurants seats from 41 to 70 seats, to eliminate carry-out service, and to increase the restaurant floor area from 1952 sf to 2100 sf, all within an existing 8250 sf commercial building and utilizing the existing off-street parking; and

Consideration of a request for a development permit to provide for the implementation of the revised conditional use request described above, including a corresponding reduction in floor area designated for retail sales.

The subject property, Trader's Store And Café, is located at 1551 Periwinkle Way (tax parcel no. 30-46-23-T1-00004.0020). Submitted for property owner Captiva Ltd., by Roseanne Giordani. Application nos. 99-152 CUP and 99-12188 DP.

- 9:45 AM 5. Discussion as to the feasibility of Planning Commission inquiry into the impact of "Ecotourism" on the Sanibel way of life and whether or not it is the proper subject matter for the Planning Commission, and if so, to what degree.

6. Report from Director of Planning or staff.

7. Report from Commission Liaison to the City Council.

8. Report from Commission Members.

9. Report from Commission Chair.

10. Open discussion among Planning Commissioners regarding Commission Functions and Goals and the methods and procedures for achieving them.

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of mine took me to Fort Myers to see 'Our Town' at the Arcade. He introduced me to (Artistic Director) Robert Cacioppo. Bob called and asked me to play the part of Sir Roland Delahaye in 'Spider's Web.'

"The Arcade is a lovely theater and my apartment is in the same building. There is a charming restaurant and café as well as a barber here. ... I don't ever have to leave the building," he said.

By his own admission, Pritchett is a sports "nut" and hopes, now that rehearsals are over, he can get in some racquetball and tennis.

"I like hiking and going into the back woods. I'm planning a trip to the Corkscrew preserve."

Familiar with Christie's spoofs and sleuths, Pritchett, who was in "Ten Little Indians" said, "This play is more complicated. We are still trying to figure out all the ins and outs. There is a lot of intrigue and a lot of fun. ... This play has a great deal of humor in it. I'm not going to tell anything about the play because it would spoil it."

He has high praise for actress Carrie Lund, who began rehearsals on crutches. Now nearly recovered from her skiing injury, Pritchett said, "She went on with determination." He also noted the warm reception the cast gave him.

"I'm very honored and delighted to be a part of the repertory theater. From what I hear, they are doing amazingly well in this

Y2K From page 27

ment from Chairman and CEO Robert E. Lowder that Colonial Bank has completed its Year 2000 testing on internal software and hardware systems that directly impact Colonial customers and that these systems are expected to operate normally after Dec. 31, 1999. Lowder said Colonial is now testing its third-party business partners with plans to have that phase completed by the end of this month.

"We will be open for business as usual, and plan to have extra funds available for those customers planning on increased spending for celebrating the new millennium. Customers will find that direct deposits to accounts, safe deposit box access, and ATM usage will operate as usual at Colonial Bank," Lowder said.

Customers can also check out the bank's web site at www.colonialbank.com/y2k.html and e-mail questions to web@colonialbank.com.

SunTrust

SunTrust has a printout available to those who request information by calling their toll free number at (877) 999-2003. The inclusive information from John Wyler, senior vice president and manager of the Year 2000 Project Office, stated that SunTrust completed the awareness, assessment, renovation, validation and implementation of mission critical systems before Dec. 31, 1998. Ninety percent of the critical systems have been renovated, certified and installed and 87 percent of vendor dependent applications are compliant. The estimated SunTrust expense is \$45 million with 60 percent of the budget for application and testing.

Northern Trust

Northern Trust also has a Y2K task force in working from the Chicago office which has prepared brochures for local tellers to distribute to customers with questions. T h e i r

www.northerntrust.com/y2k/y2kfr.html section of their web site has a Year 2000 section with extensive information. Customers can e-mail questions to y2k@ntrs.com.

All of the banks note that Y2K compliance costs, spread over the years of implementation, will have no effect on bottom-line share holder earnings.

In February, the Federal Emergency Management Agency issued a statement that said Y2K should be a reminder to take care of individual billing, bank and tax records, including having recent copies of records and statements on file at home.

Webb said, "I think getting paper records in order, the same as you would do for taxes any way, is a good idea. That's just useful. The same thing with getting together a hurricane kit. But I really don't think the danger is from the system failing. There may be some errors in the processing, with calculating interest being the most obvious."

The President's Council on Year 2000 Conversion says the transition to Y2K would not disrupt people's lives and gave the banking industry good marks for compliance.

"There is no indication that there will be major national disruptions in key infrastructures such as electric power, telecommunications, banking and transportation, and most local authorities are leading aggressive efforts to solve the problem," John Koskinen, chairman of the council, said. "However, we are telling people that it is always smart to be prepared for the possibility that anything — from inclement weather to Y2K failures — could temporarily disrupt services at any time."

An updated guidance from the government will be provided in the months ahead through their web site at www.y2k.gov and at a toll free information line at (888) 480-2520.

TUGS CONVERGE ON CAPTIVA



Jonathan Reeves/Special to the Reporter

Nordic tugboats make quite a site at the Tween-Waters Inn Marina Saturday. Seventeen boats came from all over for the rendezvous.

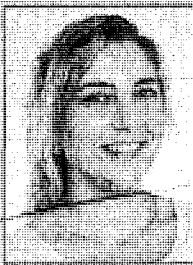
Nordic Tugs and their owners gathered at the Tween-Waters Inn marina last weekend for the largest gathering of the tug boats ever east of the Mississippi. Marina workers said 17 boats participated in the annual gathering, which was held on Captiva for the first time. Most of the participants came from the East coast of Florida while several came from Virginia

and one hailed from as far away as Colorado Springs. Many of the boats were already in Florida for the winter. The event was sponsored by "Nordic Tugs by Ed Shelton," the East coast distributor.

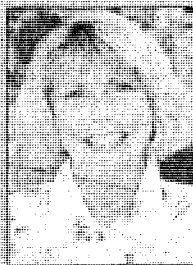
One tug owner from Punta Gorda said that the boats are great for cruising, and cute to boot.

— Dawn Grodsky

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■ American Business Women's Association (ABWA)

5:30 p.m. Dinner and business meeting
Second Tuesday of the month
Sundial Beach & Tennis Resort
Reservations required by prior Tuesday
472-4437

■ Sanibel/Captiva American Legion Post 123

6 p.m. second Wednesday each month
Mile Marker 3, Sanibel-Captiva Road
472-9979

■ American Legion Auxiliary

6 p.m. second Wednesday each month
Mile Marker 3, Sanibel-Captiva Road
472-9979

■ Caregivers Support Group

Sponsored by FISH
Meets third Monday each month
Ruth Hamann's house
1515 Bunting Lane
472-9035

■ Committee of the Island (COTI)

9 a.m. second Thursday each month
Nations Bank
472-0536

■ Kiwanis Club of Sanibel/Captiva

7:30 a.m. breakfast meeting Wednesday
Hungry Heron
2330 Palm Ridge Road
Visiting Kiwanians welcome
472-1537

■ Sanibel/Captiva Lions Club

6:30 p.m. first and third Wednesday each month
Sanibel Community Center
Periwinkle Way

■ Newcomers and Old-Timers luncheon meeting and program

Second Wednesday each month
Sundial Terrace Room
395-2457

■ Optimist Club of Sanibel/Captiva

7:30 a.m. breakfast meeting
Second Tuesday each month
NationsBank boardroom
2450 Periwinkle Way
395-9505

■ Rotary

7:30 a.m. Friday
Hungry Heron
Visiting Rotarians and others are welcome
472-2880

■ Sanibel Community Association

Monthly dinner and program October-

May

5:30 p.m. happy hour
Sanibel Community House
Reservations necessary
Office hours Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.
472-2155

■ Zonta Club of Sanibel/Captiva

7:30 a.m. first and third Tuesdays
Hungry Heron
Visiting Zontians welcome
472-3817

■ Weight Watchers

12:30-1:30 p.m.
Every Thursday
395-1378

Water Sports

■ Sanibel Fishing Club

6:30 p.m. second Tuesday each month
Refreshments and fish tales
7 p.m. meeting and program
Sanibel Community House
Visitors welcome

■ Sanibel/Captiva Power Squadron

6 p.m. third Tuesday each month
Sept.-June
Sanibel Community House
472-4809

■ Sanibel/Captiva Shell Club

8 p.m. last Tuesday each month
October-May
Sanibel Community House
Visitors Welcome
472-4094

■ Sanibel Island Tarpon Club

6:30 p.m. second Thursday each month
March-July
472-2656

Gardening Clubs

■ Sanibel/Captiva Orchid Society

1:30 p.m. third Monday October-May
Sanibel Community House
All welcome
Faye Granberry
472-6940

■ Master Gardener and Horticultural Society

10 a.m. first Tuesday every month, year round
Sanibel Public Library
All welcome
Faye Granberry
472-6940

Bridge

■ Duplicate Bridge

7:30 p.m. Mondays
1 p.m. Thursdays
November-April
Sanibel Community House
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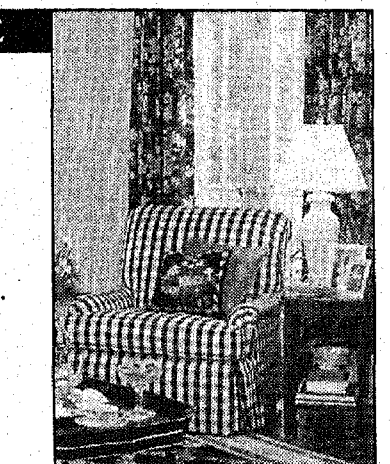
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Island voices

From page 10

Hillebrandt's candidacy is based on my personal experience. I am confident he will bring valuable background and expertise to the city council, and he will be an outstanding addition to our present, public-spirited and effective council.

Phyllis Bogen
Sanibel

Vote for Bill

To the editor:

We are writing to encourage residents to vote for Bill Hillebrandt on March 30. The coming March election for the Sanibel City Council is of major significance for the city of Sanibel. Fortunately, we have two candidates who are strong supporters of the Vision Statement, the Sanibel Plan and controlling density. Both candidates favor continued maintenance of the existing causeway or a replacement with a low-level drawbridge with a narrow span.

In our estimation, Bill Hillebrandt has outstanding credentials for the position. He has been an island resident for 15 years. He has been a member and supporter of many island organizations and he has taken a leadership role as president of SCCF. In addition, he has served as a member of the Sanibel Code Enforcement Board and is currently on the planning commission, where we believe he has demonstrated his ability to examine situations and present logical solutions. His experience with local government on Sanibel and his professional background, including labor relations, have prepared him to examine the facts, present the issues clearly and help resolve conflicts peacefully.

Sanibel is faced with a number of major problems now. We urge you to vote for Bill Hillebrandt for city council on March 30.

Dick and Nancy Curtin
Sanibel

Sanibel deserves Hillebrandt

To the editor:

Although I am no longer a voting member of this island community, I want to voice my support for Bill Hillebrandt, who is running for city council on March 30. Bill has been an integral part of the long-range planning efforts at the Sanibel/Captiva Conservation Foundation. He is a very capable leader, as demonstrated through his presidency of the foundation.

He listens, analyzes and directs his conclusions for the best interest of the whole. Bill gets things done.

The city of Sanibel will be a better place as Bill devotes his enormous talents, energy and time to working through

community's vision to maintain and nurture the harmonious nature on the island.

Sincerely,
Kristie Seaman Anders,
Education director, SCCF

Fight bridge we don't need

To the editor:

As a current homeowner and future full-time resident of Sanibel, the causeway issue is of utmost concern to my wife and me. For the last 10 years, we have been coming to Sanibel on a regular basis and we have visited at all times of the year. In my opinion, the causeway ain't broke, so let's not spend millions of our tax dollars to "fix it."

I have been following the issue through the Captiva Current and have yet to determine who is pushing to have this done. It smells like large developers, who own the hearts and minds of a few politicians, pushing to create a major project to line their collective pockets while unsuspecting taxpayers sit by and dole out the money. None of the evidence for changing the bridge system is conclusive by any stretch — it's pretty much theory.

The approach by the pushers of this project seem to be very cleverly targeted to appeal to both the environmentalists and island businesses. As for the flow of the tides being inhibited by the causeway spoil islands, that's really a stretch from any perspective. And trying to build a case for business being negatively affected because of the traffic jams due to only two lanes of traffic and the drawbridge is pathetic.

The appeal of Sanibel and Captiva is that they are serene, beautiful islands with a slower pace and low crime, among many other attributes. Why do people always want to take something beautiful and build on it until all the beauty is destroyed? It's happening all over our country, whether it's the mountains or the ocean areas. I'll tell you what drives it. Greed.

Sanibel and Captiva can be compared to that special little restaurant that you love because it is small and intimate, has a great ambiance, great food and great service. When it becomes successful, the greedy owner expands the size of the restaurant and hires more people. The ambiance disappears, the food quality and service deteriorate ... it's just not the same anymore. That's what can happen to our beautiful islands.

So Sanibel is a little harder to get to sometimes. Doesn't that help make it a little more special? For those who want to put up the sky-high, multi-lane bridge, increase the traffic, put high-rise condos on the beaches, eliminate all that

pesky green space and lay down a lot of concrete, I say, "Go to Miami or some other heavily populated area. Leave our beautiful islands alone!"

The current causeway bridge system with the spoil islands are not only functional but they blend into the natural beauty of the bay and the islands while providing a great recreational area for fishing, sailing, sunbathing and picnicking. Every time my wife and I cross the causeway when returning to Sanibel, it's a thrill. I'm afraid that if we have to speed across at 70 mph several stories up, it just won't be the same.

In your future coverage of this issue, I would appreciate it if you would identify the parties who are pushing this issue. I would also appreciate knowing what island organizations are in favor of a new bridge system and which organizations are in opposition to it. I think that will help the residents, business owners and property owners know who to support. Also keeping us all informed of the major meetings and deadlines will allow us to hopefully voice our opinions in time. These kind of projects often seem to be pushed through the system by an elite few with very little sunlight being shed on the issue or the cost until it's too late.

I hope the people of Sanibel and Captiva will unite to fight the development of an expensive bridge we don't need.

Sincerely,
Les Boyle
Indianapolis, Ind.

School vouchers a bad idea

To the editor:

Lee County has already had more than enough expense and conflict over religion in our public schools. The school board tried to put a Bible class into our high schools to teach a particular version of the Bible as literal history. That was clearly unconstitutional and the outcome predictable. But before it was replaced by a secular Bible course, we had been forced to pay for costly litigation and to deal with a lot of upset and polarization.

In last November's elections, the school board members who had insisted on the original course were replaced and a new board was allowed to get back to work. They face real problems of more demand for education coupled with a decrease in money available to do the job. We have to face hard choices about whether to fire reading teachers or cut back on music and art; to let children have lockers or try to keep courtesy busing.

I had hoped we had learned something and that perhaps other counties had learned from us. Evidently not. We have now seen Gov. Jeb Bush's education bill. It has good points but it may well be voted on as an all-or-nothing bill. It is being rushed through the Legislature before we have much chance to read the fine print or to think through what it will mean. The worst of it is the so-called "opportunity scholarship" (voucher) provision which would divert public money from the public school system and provide funding for sectarian schools.

The Florida Constitution provides that "(no) revenue of the state ... shall ever be taken from the public treasury directly or indirectly in aid of any church, sect or religious denomination or in aid of any sectarian institution." (Article 1, Section 3).

Pretty clear, isn't it? Most of the private schools are religious schools. If this bill were to pass, those who are determined to take over the school system by dominating its boards will attempt to destroy our public schools by bleeding them to death and creating a two-tiered educational system of haves and have nots.

I am strongly opposed to seeing our tax dollars go to private and religious schools. If you agree, now is the time to call our state senators, Burt Saunders and Tom Rossin, at (850) 488-1157 and tell them.

LeClair Bissell
Sanibel

fishing & boating

A lot of people are always asking me questions about fishing: Where to catch bait; what type of fish they can catch at different times of the year. I don't mind the questions at all. In fact, I love to talk about fishing.

For all the years that I have been fishing, I still seem to learn something new every trip out. And for those who want to learn more, I think we sometimes forget about our local organizations.

For instance, there is the Sanibel Island Fishing Club, which meets every month. This is a good club that has a well-rounded membership with avid anglers that like to fish everything from grouper to snook. They have guest speakers every month and if you are an all-species angler, this would be a good club to join.

There is also the Sanibel Island Tarpon Hunters Club. Whether you have been fishing the silver kings for years or are just thinking of getting started, this club is full of silver king history and information. There is also the Lee County Professional Guides



Fritz
Gisewhite



Association, made up mainly of Lee County guides that fish for everything that swims in our local waters. This organization also accepts angler members, so if info is your main goal, what better source than the local pros?

Not only will you receive good fishing knowledge from all these organizations but they all give back to the community and can help keep you up to date with new and ever-changing laws and regulations.

I will always be glad to answer questions and talk for hours about fishing, but remember we all need to give back to the resource that has been good to us.

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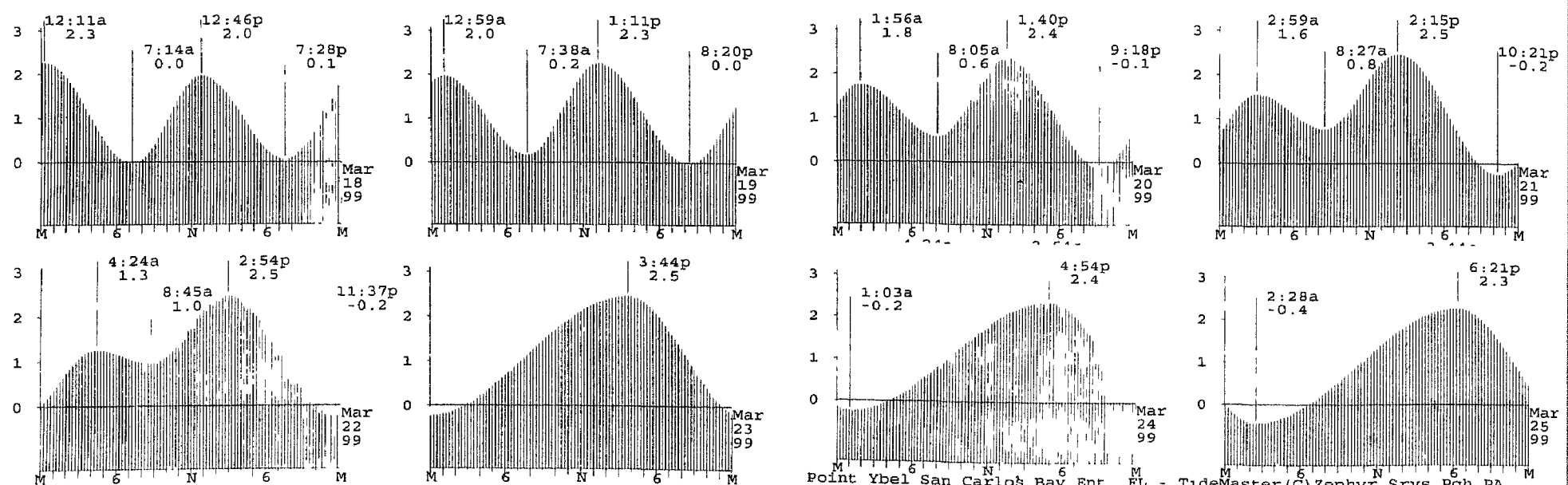
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Listings for the week of
Thursday, March 18-Wednesday, March 24

Week

THURSDAY PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy!	Friends	Jesse	Frasier	Frasier	ER (cc) (S) R		News	Tonight
③ PBS	The NewsHour		The NewsHour		Emotional Intelligence			Laura Fygi: Royal Carre			Charlie Rose (cc)	
④ FOX	News (cc)	Frasier	Friends	Seinfeld	Police Videos		Fox Files (cc) (S)	News (cc)			Love Cn.	Heart
⑤ CBS	News	News	Edition	College Basketball (Live) (cc)				College Basketball (Live) (cc)				
⑥ WNPL	Mad Ab't	Cops (cc)	Star Trek: Next		Wayans	Foxx	Harvey	For/Love	Star Trek: Next		Cheers	N'Radio
⑦ ABC	News (cc)	News	ET	Hollyw'd	Videos	Videos	Carey	Spin City	At Academy Awards		News (cc)	Nightline
⑧ WGN	Full H'se	Full H'se	Matters	Matters	Wayans	Foxx	Harvey	For/Love	News (cc) (S)		MacGyver (S)	
⑨ TBS	Matters	Matters	Roseanne	Roseanne	WCW Thunder		WCW Thunder		Movie: *** Total Recall			
⑩ PBS	The NewsHour		Business	Wait ...	How to Get What You Really Want			Improve Your Life Using Wisdom				
⑪ SHOW	Movie	Movie: ★ Modern Girls (S)			Movie: ★★ Desperate Measures (cc) (S)			Movie: ★★ Scream 2 (cc) (S)				
⑫ HBO	Movie: Hot Shots! (cc)			Dare to Compete			Movie: Wishmaster 2: Evil Never Dies				Real Sex 9 (cc) (S)	
⑬ DISN	Growing	Brotherly	Movie		Movie: Boy Who Could Fly (8-15) (cc)			Growing Pains (cc)			Disney Presents	
⑭ TMC	Movie		Movie: Road to Wellville (cc)				Movie: ★★ The Package (S)				Movie: Loaded	
⑮ FAM	Addams	Addams	Show Me	Show Me	Life	Life	Movie: The Darklings (cc) (S)				The 700 Club	
⑯ CNN	W'rdView	Moneyline		Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live (cc)	NewsStand: Ent.			Sports	Money
⑰ USA	Hercules: Journeys		Warrior Princess		Walker, Tex. Ranger		Movie: ★★ Big (1988, Fantasy) (cc) (S)				Movie: School Ties	
⑱ LIFE	Ellen (cc)	Ellen (cc)	Party of Five (cc)		Chicago Hope (cc)		Movie: ★★ Child of Rage				Attitudes	Golden
⑲ ESPN	Up Close	SportsCenter (cc)		Cheerleading		Figure Skating R		Challenge			SportsCenter (cc)	
⑳ TNT	Due South (cc) (S)	ER (cc) (S)			Movie: ★★ Jaws (1975, Horror) (Roy Scheider, Robert Shaw.)						Movie: Jaws 2	
㉑ AMC	Movie: ★★ Take Her, She's Mine				Movie: ★★ Auntie Mame (1958, Comedy) (cc)			Movie				
㉒ NASH	Dallas (cc) (S)		The Waltons (cc) (S)		Keith Whitley		Prime Time Country	Champ. Bull Riding			Dallas (cc) (S)	
㉓ A&E	Northern Exposure		Law & Order (cc)		Biography (cc)		Investigative Reports (cc)				Law & Order (cc)	
㉔ SHOW	All That	LA Weekly	Don't Get Me Started	Boyz n the City	Thorn	Ishtar	Radu	Wonder	Lieft'sone	Il aerna	Lucy	Bewitch

FRIDAY PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy!	Providence (cc) (S)		Dateline NBC (cc)		Homicide: Street		News	Tonight
③ PBS	The NewsHour		The NewsHour		Wash. Wall St.		The Cincinnati Pops Big Band Hit Parade				Charlie Rose (cc)	
④ FOX	News (cc)	Frasier	Friends	Seinfeld	World Records		Millennium (cc) (S)		News (cc)		Love Cn.	Heart
⑤ CBS	News	News	Edition	College Basketball (Live) (cc)				College Basketball (Live) (cc)				
⑥ WNPL	Mad Ab't	Cops (cc)	Star Trek: Next		Movie: ★★ Love Potion No. 9			Star Trek: Next			Cheers	N'Radio
⑦ ABC	News (cc)	News	ET	Hollyw'd	Two/Kind	Boy ...	Sabrina	Brother's	20/20 (cc)		News (cc)	Nightline
⑧ WGN	Full H'se	Full H'se	NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at Indiana Pacers. (Live)				Coach	News (cc) (S)			MacGyver (S)	
⑨ TBS	Matters	Matters	Roseanne	Roseanne	Movie: ★★ Dirty Dancing (1987, Musical romance)			Movie: Back to the Future				
⑩ PBS	The NewsHour		Business	Dad's ...	Wash.	Wait \$1.	McL'ghlin	Roy Orbison Anthology (cc) (S)			Bobby Darin	
⑪ SHOW	Movie: Mr. Music (6.15) (cc) (S)				Movie: ★★ Twilight (cc) (S)		Spotlight	Stargate SG-1 (cc)			Recall	Limits
⑫ HBO	Movie: Fifth Element (5:45) (cc)				Movie: ★★ Kiss the Girls (cc) (S)			Movie				D. Miller
⑬ DISN	Growing	Brotherly	Movie: ★★ Turner & Hooch (cc)				Movie		Jackson		Disney Presents	
⑭ TMC	Movie: Hijacking Hollywood		Movie: ★★ Blind Fury (S)				Movie: ★★ Prizzi's Honor				Movie: The Accused	
⑮ FAM	Addams	Addams	Movie: Picture Perfect (1995, Comedy) (S)				Movie: ★★ The Real Howard Spitz (S)				The 700 Club (cc)	
⑯ CNN	W'rdView	Moneyline		Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live (cc)	Cold War			Sports	Money
⑰ USA	Hercules: Journeys		Warrior Princess		Walker, Tex. Ranger		Movie: ★★ Working Girl (cc) (S)				Movie	
⑱ LIFE	Ellen (cc)	Ellen (cc)	Oh Baby	Maggie	Chicago Hope (cc)		Movie: ★★ Falsely Accused				Attitudes	Golden
⑲ ESPN	Up Close	SportsCenter (cc)		NASCAR Truck		Fitness Pageant		Sumo Wrestling R			SportsCenter (cc)	
⑳ TNT	Due South (cc) (S)	ER (cc) (S)			Movie: ★★ Space Jam (1996, Children)			Rough Cut			Movie: Heroic Trio	
㉑ AMC	Movie: ★★ Countdown				Movie: ★★ The Wrong Man			WENN			Movie	
㉒ NASH	Dallas (cc) (S)		The Waltons (cc) (S)		WSL Rollerjam			Motor Madness			Dallas (cc) (S)	
㉓ A&E	Northern Exposure		Law & Order (cc)		Biography		L.A. Detectives	Cracker (cc) (S)			Law & Order (cc)	
㉔ NICK	All That	A. Mack	Doug (cc)	Rugrats	KaBlam!	Cartoons!	Brady	Wonder	Jeff'sons	Laverne	Lucy	Bewitch
㉕ TRAV	Walker	Adventure	Adventure Bound		Lonely Planet		Travel Daily		Amazing Destination		Lonely Planet	
㉖ NOST	Bk Shop	Great	Love Boat		Ballroom Dancesport		Rockford Files (cc)		Streets of S.F.		Combat	

SATURDAY MORNING

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	Paid Prg.	Wall St.	Today Cookware. (cc) (S)				News		Saved	Hang	1 World	
③ PBS	Body	Arthur	Teletub.	Barney	Algebra I Homework		School	School	Cooks	Cooking	Baking	Food
④ FOX	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Mario	Workshop	Spider	Spider	Godzilla	Rangers	Magician	Rangers	Jack	Spy Dogs
⑤ CBS	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Rupert	Anatole	Bunnies	Fly Rhino	CBS News Saturday Morning (cc) (S)				Birdz (cc)	Mythic
⑥ WNPL	Monkey	Zorro (S)	Planets	Volttron	Batman/Superman		Black	Batman	Pokemon	Cartoonie	Histerial	Sylvester
⑦ ABC	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Field Trip	Bill Nye	Hercules	One Saturday Morning 'Doug'. (cc) (S)					Tweety	101
⑧ WGN	Paid Prg.	Children	Ch'lendo	People	Farm Rpt	Business	Paid Programming		Fishing	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.
⑨ TBS	TBA	G. Pyle	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Gilligan	Gilligan	Ties	Ties	National Geographic Explorer (cc) R			
⑩ PBS	Str'inside	Trailside	Zoobitee	Wimzie's	Barney	Barney's Big Surprise! (cc) (S)			MotorWk	House	Handy	Workshop
⑪ SHOW	Movie: Out of the Wilderness (S)				Movie: The Westing Game			Movie: ★★ In His Father's Shoes (S)				Movie
⑫ HBO	Movie: The Sender	Pippi	Babar		Movie: ★★ Picture Perfect (cc) (S)			Movie: Brylcreem Boys (9:45)			Stomp	
⑬ DISN	Mickey	Chip/Dale	Mermaid	Cubs	Bear	Rolie	Otter	Animals	Movie: Gumby: The Movie (cc)			Movie
⑭ TMC	Movie: ★★ Death on the Nile (5:40)				Movie: ★★ A Place in the Sun (8:05)				Movie: Ordinary People (10:15) (cc)			
⑮ FAM	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Pee Wee	Dogs	Casper	Tenko	Enigma	Jerry	Prelend	Cldn	Valley	Valley
⑯ CNN	CNN Int'l	Travel	Money	Golf	Saturday Morning				Showbiz	Style	Saturday	Page
⑰ USA	Business	Personal	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	WWF Livewire		Pacific Blue (cc) (S)	
⑱ LIFE	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Designing	
⑲ ESPN	SportsCenter (cc) R		Fisher	Outdoors	Fishin'	Sportman	FlyFish	Walker	Auto Racing (Live)		SportsCtr.	
⑳ TNT	Kung Fu		Hondo		Rough Cut		AFI's 100 Years ... 100 Movies (cc) (S)					
㉑ AMC	Movie	Movie: ★★ Canyon Passage			Movie: ★★ The Naked Jungle (8:15)			Movie: ★★ The Buccaneer				
㉒ NASH	Off the Air						Turkey	Outdoors	Fishing	Fishin'	Saltwater	Outdoor
㉓ A&E	Biography for Kids		Movie: ★★ Brink's: The Great Robbery				The Grand Tour		America's Castles		Biography Internat'l	
㉔ NICK	Gullah	Blue's	Seuss	Brown	Nicktoons TV (S)							
㉕ TRAV	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Travels	Travels	Travelers		Travel Daily	
㉖ NOST	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Movie	

Understanding zoning variances

It is important to understand the basic legal framework of variances before dealing with the specific zoning problem you may be encountering. Basically, a variance permits one to avoid the result of literal reading and enforcement of a zoning ordinance. The key test is whether the literal reading of the ordinance will result in "undue hardship" on the particular property owner. Unlike an actual change in the zoning law itself, which is a legislative matter, a variance is basically administrative. The applicant must first apply for the variance, and only then can challenge the decision in court, if necessary. In the commonly used expression in this field, the property owner must "exhaust his administrative remedies" before jumping into court, as it were.



Peter Kelly

The legal column

It is interesting to note that in a variance proceeding, the validity of the ordinance in questions is not at issue. This is contrary to the situation where one is challenging the ordinance itself as being invalid. The landowner has the burden of proof to show that the variance is procedurally proper and in accordance with the comprehensive plan in effect in the jurisdiction.

As I mentioned above, the key requirement to obtain a variance is hardship. The hardship must not be uncommon with other property owners in the same area. Rather, it must be unique to the particular property at issue. The requisite hardship can be shown if the property is almost unusable or not able to yield a reasonable return under the zoning ordinance in question. Such a unique hardship could be an unusual shape of a parcel of land, for example. That situation has arisen here on Sanibel on occasion.

The hardship involved must not be "self-inflicted." For example, in a Miami court case, a variance was rejected where the purchaser of the property knew of the specific zoning classification and permitted use and in fact tried to obtain a variance before purchase. However, in another case, when the owner showed that he was not aware of a frontage restriction when he purchased the property, this was not considered a self-inflicted hardship and a variance was granted. Courts have also held that the unusual size and shape of a property unique to it will not bar granting a variance, regardless of one's advance knowledge of the restrictions. An interesting note is that Florida courts have held that it is not necessary to prove hardship where the owner is attempting to install an energy device, such as a solar collector.

Variances do not lend themselves to precise study. Each situation involves unique facts and requires certain subjective judgments. Generally, the key issues are whether reasonable use can be made of the property, and whether it will be possible to use the land for the purposes for which it was zoned. Proper advance legal advice will assist you in that determination.

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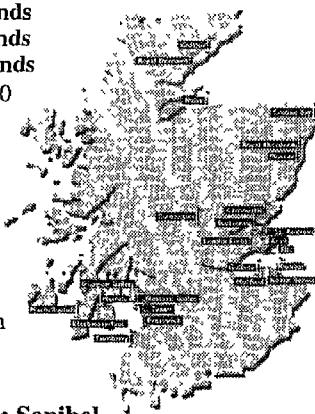
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SATURDAY AFTERNOON

	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
② NBC	City Guys	Hang	NBA	A-Team	Players Preview		Golf Bay Hill Invitational, Third Round From Orlando (Live)					
③ PBS	Italian	Yan: Asia	House	House	Workshop	H'melme	Victory	Woof!	Antiques	McL'ghlin	Wash.	Wall St.
④ FOX	Movie: ★★ Man Trouble				Movie: ★★ Only the Lonely				Star Trek: DS9		V.I.P. (S) R	
⑤ CBS	Paid Prg.	College Basketball From Louisville, Ky (Live) (cc)					Final 4	College Basketball (Live) (cc)				
⑥ WNPL	Student	Malibu	Movie				Viper (cc) (S)		Highlander: Raven		Earth: Final Conflict	
⑦ ABC	Winnie	Squiggle	NightMan (S) R		Golf From St. Augustine, Fla (Live)				Auto Racing (Live)			
⑧ WGN	Soul Train (S)		Warrior Princess		Hercules: Journeys	Preseason Baseball Chicago			Cubs vs Chicago White Sox. (Live)			
⑨ TBS	Movie: ★★ Carrie (1976, Horror)				Movie: ★★ Edward Scissorhands				Movie: ★★ Dirty Dancing			
⑩ PBS	House	This Old House (cc)	House		House	Favorites Rebroadcast of popular programs. (S)						
⑪ SHOW	Movie		Movie: Beverly Hills Ninja (1:15) (cc)				Movie: Jury Duty		Movie: 3 Ninjas Kick Back (4:15) (cc)			
⑫ HBO	Stomp	Movie: ★★ Volcano (cc) (S)			Movie: ★★ Top Secret! (2:15) (cc) (S)				Movie: ★★ U.S. Marshals (cc) (S)			
⑬ DISN	Movie: ★★ Joe (1:35) (cc)			Movie: The Paper Brigade			Jackson	Forward	Sitters	Torkel.	Bug Juice (5:05) (cc)	
⑭ TMC	Movie		Movie: The Long Way Home				Movie: ★★ The Godfather (1972, Drama) (cc) (S)					
⑮ FAM	Movie: ★★ Sabrina the Teenage Witch			Shirley	Eerie	Addams	Mork	Mr. Bean	Addams	Show Me	Show Me	
⑯ CNN	Saturday	Travel	Saturday	Sci.	Saturday	Health	Moneyw'k	Managing	Saturday	Money	Saturday	Evans
⑰ USA	Movie: ★★ The Stepsister (cc) (S)				Movie: ★★ Buried Alive II (cc) (S)				Movie: ★★ First Blood (1982, Action) (cc)			
⑱ LIFE	Golden	Golden	Katie	Katie					Movie: Conviction of Kitty Dodds			
⑲ ESPN	Women's College Basketball (Live)				Women's College Basketball (Live)				Golf From Phoenix (Live)			Auto
⑳ TNT	Rough Cut		Movie: ★★ The Deliberate Stranger (1986, Miniseries) (Mark Harmon.)						Movie: Money Pit			
㉑ AMC	Movie: ★★ Kiss of Death (12:05)			Movie: ★★ The Nanny				Movie: ★★ The Green Berets (3:35) (1968, War) (cc)				
㉒ NASH	In-Fish	Bass	Outdoor	Trucks!	Car	Classic	Horse.	Mechanic	Inside NASCAR		WSL RollerJam	
㉓ A&E	More Haunted Houses				The New Explorers			Investigative Reports (cc)				
㉔ NICK	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.
㉕ TRAV	Amazing Destination	Europe	Europe	Outdoor	Undersea	Adventure	Days	Adventure	Island	Kiss	Car.	
㉖ NOST	Movie: We Dive at Dawn (11)		Cookin'	Wok/Yan	Cookin'		Movie: ★★ Bulldog Courage		Mystery			

SATURDAY PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy!	The Pretender (cc)		The Pretender (cc)		Profiler (cc) (S)		News	Saturday
③ PBS	On One	Univ.	Sinatra: They Were Very Good Years				Feet of Flames (S)		Appear.		Fall/Rise	Mr. Bean
④ FOX	News (cc)	Friends	ER (cc) (S)		Cops (cc)	Cops (cc)	Amer. Most Wanted		News (cc)	Coach	MAD TV (cc) (S) R	
⑤ CBS	College Basketball (Live) (cc)				Early Edition (cc) (S)		Marital Law (cc)		Sons of Thunder		News	M*A*S*H
⑥ WNPL	Stargate SG-1 (cc)		The X-Files (cc)		Hercules: Journeys		Warrior Princess		N.Y. Undercover		NYPD Blue (cc) (S)	
⑦ ABC	Criminals	News	News (cc)	Siskel	Movie: ★★ Unforgiven (1992, Western) (cc) (S)						News (cc)	ET
⑧ WGN	Earth: Final Conflict	Malibu	Luckiest		Dawson's Creek (cc)		Charmed (cc) (S) R		News (cc) (S)		Coach	Movie
⑨ TBS	WCW Saturday Night (cc)				Movie: ★★ Raiders of the Lost Ark						Movie: ★★ Deliverance	
⑩ PBS	Favorites	Linda Eder in Concert (cc) (S)			Favorites Rebroadcast of popular programs. (S)							
⑪ SHOW	Movie: ★★ Greedy (cc) (S)				Movie: ★★ As Good as It Gets (cc) (S)						Movie: Daytrippers	
⑫ HBO	Movie: ★★ Picture Perfect (6:15) (cc) (S)				Movie: Earthly Possessions (cc)				The Sopranos (cc)		Boxing (Live) (cc)	
⑬ DISN	Wild!	Forward	Movie: ★★ Three Men and a Baby				Movie: The Paper Brigade			So Weird	Disney Presents	
⑭ TMC	Movie: ★★ The Godfather, Part II (5:30) (cc) (S)						Movie: Bram Stoker's Dracula (cc)				Movie	
⑮ FAM	Movie: ★★ The Night of the Twisters (S)				Movie: The Darklings (cc) (S)						Movie: ★★ Jack the Bear (S)	
⑯ CNN	W'rdView	Sources	Gang	Sports	World	Business	Larry King Weekend		Cold War		Sports Tonight (cc)	
⑰ USA	Movie: ★★ The Demolitionist (cc) (S)				Movie: ★★ Barb Wire (cc) (S)				The Net (cc) (S)		La Femme Nikita	
⑱ LIFE	Movie: ★★ Cast the First Stone				Oh Baby	Maggie	Movie				Movie: Lorenzo's Oil	
⑲ ESPN	Auto Racing (5:30)		SportsCtr.		Women's College Basketball (Live)				Women's College Basketball (Live)			
⑳ TNT	Movie		Movie: ★★ Space Jam (1996, Children)				Movie: ★★ Nothing in Common				Movie	
㉑ AMC	Movie: ★★ A Shot in the Dark (cc)				Movie: ★★ Pocket Money				Movie: Love Is a Many Splendored Thing			
㉒ NASH	WSL RollerJam (S)		This Week		B'kstage	Opry Live	Statler Bros. (S)		Gaither Gospel Hour		B'kstage	Opry Live
㉓ A&E	Movie		Mysteries of Bible		Biography Week		All About Money (cc)				City Confidential	
㉔ NICK	Flub	Doug (cc)	Arnold!	Beavers	Rugrats	All That	Kenan	Alfred?	Brady	Wonder	Hap.Days	Laverne
㉕ TRAV	Walker	Adventure	Adventure Bound		Spirit Hunters		Hawaii: Paradise		The Trailblazers		Spirit Hunters	
㉖ NOST	Movie		Jimmy Durante		From the Archives		Garrison's Gorillas		Combat The Letter.		12 O'Clock High	

SUNDAY MORNING

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	Paid Prg.	Web	Mech	News	Today (cc) (S)		News		Meet the Press (cc)		Olympic	Paid Prg.
③ PBS	Off Air	Living	Sesame	Wimzie's	Sesame Street (cc)		Tugboat	Arthur	Face	Firing	T. Brown	Lee Pitts
④ FOX	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Mass	Paid Prg.	Fox News Sunday		Talk About Money		Paid Prg.	Travel
⑤ CBS	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Parsley	Copeland	Dr. D.J. Kennedy		CBS News Sunday Morning		Nation		EXTRA (cc) (S)	
⑥ WNPL	Paid Prg.	Shepherd	Lionheart	Beast	Jenkins	Demola	Congregational Ch.		Van Impe	J. Hanna	I Shrunk the Kids	
⑦ ABC	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Homes	Robert Schuller		Martha	Bob Vila	Paid Prg.	This Week	Politically	
⑧ WGN	World	David	Roberts	Singsat'n	Bozo Super Sunday		Batman/Superman		Black	Batman	Pokemon	Cartoonie
⑨ TBS	Movie: ★★ Coogan's Bluff (5:55)				Movie: ★★ Escape From Alcatraz (1979, Suspense)						Movie	
⑩ PBS	Comly	Puzzle	Barney	Barney	Arthur	Arthur	Arthur	Arthur	Arthur	Religion	T. Brown	On One
⑪ SHOW	Piggie	Piggie	Movie		Movie: For Love or Money (8:15) (cc)				Movie: ★★ Pulse (cc) (S)		Movie	
⑫ HBO	Movie	Kids ...	Pippi	Babar	Movie: Secret Kingdom		Dare to Compete				Movie	
⑬ DISN	Mickey	Chip/Dale	Mermaid	Cubs	Bear	Rolie	Otter	Otter	Otter	Otter	Otter	Otter
⑭ TMC	Movie: Farmer's Daughter (6:05)				Movie: ★★ Rebecca (7:45)				Movie: Portrait of Jennie		Movie	
⑮ FAM	Paid Prg.	Z. Levitt	Sandiego	Potato	Goofs	Toonsyl	Walter	Jerry	Donkey	Donkey	Bureau	Crawler
⑯ CNN	CNN int'l	Style	Pinnacle	Gang	Sunday Morning				Page	NBA	Evans	Sources
⑰ USA	C-Net	Edge	The Web	Tech	Tee It	Videos	Saved	USA High	WWF Superstars		Movie: First Blood	
⑱ LIFE	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Designing		Golden	Golden
⑲ ESPN	SportsCenter (cc) R		Sr. PGA	PGA Tour	Sports	NBA	SportsCtr.	Sp'tWeek	Sports Reporter		SportsCenter (cc)	
⑳ TNT	Gilligan	Gilligan	Movie: ★★ Campus Man (1987, Comedy)				Rough Cut		Heat of the Night		Heat of the Night	
㉑ AMC	Movie: ★★ Goodbye, My Lady			Movie: ★★ Black Beauty (7:35)				Movie: Solder of Fortune			Movie	
㉒ NASH	Off the Air						Mechanic	Mechanic	Inside NASCAR (cc)		RaceDay	
㉓ A&E	The New Explorers		Movie: ★★ The Terror		Breakfast With the Arts				Book		Biography Week	
㉔ NICK	Gullah	Blue's	S.I. Kids	Gadget	Brown	Toon	Looney	Looney	Rugrats	Arnold!	Beavers	Thorn.
㉕ TRAV	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Travels	Travels	Go for It!		Travel Daily	
㉖ NOST	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Glass	Home

SUNDAY AFTERNOON

	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
② NBC	NBA	NBA Basketball Los Angeles Lakers at Orlando Magic.					Golf Bay Hill Invitational, Final Round From Orlando. (Live)					
③ PBS	Suze Orman: The Courage to Be Rich				The Arts	The Arts	9 Steps to Financial Freedom				Emotional	
④ FOX	Wild Things (cc)		Pensacola		Skating		NHL Hockey Detroit Red Wings at Philadelphia Flyers (Live)					
⑤ CBS	Moose on Loose		To Be Announced		Final 4	College Basketball (Live) (cc)					College Basketball	
⑥ WNPL	Hercules: Journeys		Warrior Princess		Movie: ★★ Angie (1994, Comedy-drama)				Walker, Tex. Ranger		The Crow: Stairway	
⑦ ABC	Politically	Paid Prg.	Joel Siegel/Awards		Golf From St. Augustine, Fla (Live)				Auto Racing From Homestead, Fla (Live)			
⑧ WGN	Histerial	Sylvester	Movie: ★★ Noises Off (1992, Comedy)				NBA Basketball Chicago Bulls at Boston Celtics. (Live)				Coach	
⑨ TBS	Movie: The Good, the Bad and the Ugly				Movie: ★★ For a Few Dollars More (1:50)				Movie: Hang 'Em High (4:40)			
⑩ PBS	Issues	Crossroad	EastEnders	EastEnders (1:40)		EastEnders	Quest: Soulmates (S)			Quest: Ecstasy (S)		
⑪ SHOW	Movie		Movie: Summer's End (1:05) (cc) (S)				Movie: Manhattan Murder Mystery (2:45)			Movie: Modern Girls		
⑫ HBO	Movie		Movie: ★★ Sphere (cc) (S)				Pet Practitioners		Movie: ★★ Anaconda (cc) (S)		Movie	
⑬ DISN	Otter	Otter		Movie			Jackson	Forward	Sitters	Torkel.	Bug Juice (5:05) (cc)	
⑭ TMC	Movie: Rose Tattoo (11:30)				Movie: ★★ Places in the Heart (S)				Movie: ★★ Stalag 17 (3:25) (cc)		Movie	
⑮ FAM	Movie: ★★ Bushwhacked (1995, Comedy)				Shirley	Eerie	Addams	Mork	Mr. Bean	Addams	Show Me	Show Me
⑯ CNN	CNN Late Edition (cc)				Matters	World Report (cc)			Health	World B't	CNN Sun.	Jesse
⑰ USA	Movie: First Blood		Movie: ★★ The Demolitionist (S)				Movie: ★★ Barb Wire (cc) (S)				Movie: Witness (cc)	
⑱ LIFE	Movie				Movie							
⑲ ESPN	SportsCtr.		Auto Racing NASCAR TranSouth Financial 400. From Darlington, S.C. (Live) (cc)						Horse		Golf (Live)	
㉑ TNT	Heat of the Night		Movie: ★★ Punchline (1988, Comedy-drama)				Movie: ★★ The Money Pit				Movie	
㉒ AMC	Movie		Movie: ★★ Gypsy (1982, Musical) (Rosalind Russell)				Movie: ★★ December Bride				Roman.	Elegance
㉓ NASH	Garage	Trucks!	Car	Classic	Horse.	Mechanic	Motor Madness		Garage	Trucks!	Mechanic	Big Bass
㉔ A&E	Mysteries of Bible		Movie: ★★ No Place to Hide				Movie: ★★ Kluge (1971, Suspense) (Jane Fonda)				Horn	
㉕ NICK	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.	Thorn.
㉖ TRAV	Amazing Destination		Romantic	Intimate	Intimate	Eur. Inns	Traveler	Vacations	Adventure	Pathfind	Outdoor	Days
㉗ NOST	Crafts	Crafts	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Cookin'		Movie: ★★ Call the Macnabore					

SUNDAY PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Movie: *** Passenger 57 (cc) (S)				Movie: Under Siege 2: Dark Territory (cc)				News	Sports
③ PBS	Emotional	Business	Bob Hope		Andrew Lloyd Webber 50th Birthday: Great Performances						Religion	Living
④ FOX	News (cc)	Seinfeld	World's Funniest		Simpsons '70s		The X-Files (cc) (S)	News (cc)	Coach		ER Last Call (cc) (S)	
⑤ CBS	College Basketball		60 Minutes (cc) (S)		Touched by Angel		Movie: ** Grumpy Old Men (cc) (S)				News (cc)	M*A*S*H
⑥ WNPL	Stargate SG-1 (cc)		7th Heaven (cc)		Sister	Smart	Zoe	Unhappily	The X-Files (cc) (S)		NYPD Blue (cc) (S)	
⑦ ABC	News	News (cc)	Barbara Walters		Oscar	The 71st Annual Academy Awards Performers	Aerosmith (cc) (S)					News (cc)
⑧ WGN	7th Heaven (cc)		Academy Awards		Sister	Smart	Zoe	Unhappily	News (cc)	Replay	Coach	NightMan
⑨ TBS	Movie		Movie: * Stone Cold (1991, Action)				Movie: * Marked for Death (1990, Action)				Movie	
⑩ PBS	How to Get What You Really Want				How to Live Forever, With Gary Null (cc)				Get Healthy Now! With Gary Null (cc) (S)			
⑪ SHOW	Movie: ** For Love or Money (8:15) (cc)				Movie: ** Mimic (1997, Horror) (cc) (S)				Movie: Gridlock'd (cc)			Movie
⑫ HBO	Movie		Movie: My Fellow Americans (7:15) (cc)				The Sopranos (cc)		Movie: * Sphere (cc) (S)			
⑬ DISN	Wild!	Forward	Mokomba	Muppets	Dinosaurs	Growing			Movie: ** A Gooly Movie (cc) (S)			
⑭ TMC	Movie: Extreme Measures			Movie: ** Bean (cc) (S)			Movie: Saturday Night Fever (cc)					
⑮ FAM	Movie				Movie: ** Earthquake in New York (S)				Movie: Columbo: Grand Deceptions			
⑯ CNN	WorldView	Moneyw'k	Academy Awards		Cold War Gorbachev		Postscript	World	NewsStand: Time		Sports	NBA
⑰ USA	Movie: Witness		WWF Sun. Heat		Pacific Blue (cc) (S)		Silk Stalkings (cc)		La Femme Nikita		The Net (cc) (S)	
⑱ LIFE	Movie: ** Seduced By Madness: The Diane Borchardt Story (1996, Miniseries)								Intimate Portrait (cc)		Any Day Now	
⑲ ESPN	Golf (5) (Live)		SportsCenter (cc)		NHL Hockey Los Angeles Kings at Phoenix Coyotes. (Live)						SportsCenter (cc)	
⑳ TNT	Movie: ** Nothing in Common (5:30)				Movie: *** The War Wagon				Movie: * The Way West (10:15)			
㉑ AMC	Blacklist: Hollywood on Trial		Screen		Movie: ** Firecracker (1968, Western)				Movie: Man in the Gray Flannel Suit			
㉒ NASH	Legends	One/Cast	Outdoor	Bass	In-Fish	Outdoor	Champ. Bull Riding		Fishing	Fishin'	Waltrip's Racers	
㉓ A&E	The Unexplained		Ancient Mysteries		Biography		Hitman Hart: Wrestling With Shadows				America's Castles	
㉔ NICK	Shelby	Kenan	Brother	All That	Animorph	News	Hap Days	Laverne	Jeff'sons	Jeff'sons	Jeff'sons	Jeff'sons
㉕ TRAV	Car.	Kiss	Island	Adventure	Lonely Planet		The Trailblazers		Amazing Destination		Lonely Planet	
㉖ NOST	Ballroom Dancesport	Cafe DuA	Cafe DuA	Garrison's Gorillas			Combat The Letter.		12 O'Clock High		From the Archives	

DAYTIME MORNING

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News		Today				Sally Jessy Raphael		Jerry Springer		Ricki Lake	
③ PBS	Body	Homestr.	Arthur	Rogers	Barney	Teletub.	Sesame Street		Various	Various	Various	Various
④ FOX	Business	Dennis	Magic	Magic	Spider	Hercules	Roseanne	Grace ...	Montel Williams		Maury	
⑤ CBS	News		News		This Morning		Rosie O'Donnell		Donny & Marie		The Price Is Right	
⑥ WNPL	RoboCop	Beast	Pokemon	Hercules	T. Avery	DuckTale	Copeland	Paid Prg.	Forgive or Forget		Judge	Judge
⑦ ABC	News		Good Morning America				Regis & Kathie Lee		Jenny Jones		The View	
⑧ WGN	Various	Word	Various	Copeland	Toon	Animan.	Pinky	Histerial	Bat/Super	Bat/Super	Griffith	Griffith
⑨ TBS	Coach	3's Co.	By/Bell	By/Bell	Hillbillies	Hillbillies	Little House/Prairie		Little House/Prairie		Griffith	Griffith
⑩ WPBT	Business	Rogers	Sesame Street		Barney	Arthur	Sesame Street		Barney	Arthur	Couch	Noddy
⑪ SHOW	Movies & Specials				Movies & Specials				Movies & Specials			
⑫ HBO	Movies & Specials		Various	Babar					Movies & Specials			Movies
⑬ DISN	Mickey	Chip/Dale	Aladdin	Pumbaa	Goof Tr'p	101	Sing	Winnie	Bear	Out/Box	Madeline	Katie
⑭ TMC	Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials									
⑮ FAM	J. Meyer	Various	Pee Wee	Dogs	Bad Dog	Bobby's	Mork	Knock	The 700 Club		Kangaroo	Shining
⑯ CNN	Business Day		Early Edition				Morning News				Company	
⑰ USA	Bloomberg Information Television				Maj. Dad	Ned	Foxworthy	So Right	The Truth	Boston	Wings	Wings
⑱ LIFE	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Fil/Lite	Workout	Designing	Designing	Katie	Attitudes	Party of Five		Chicago Hope	
⑲ ESPN	SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
㉑ NASH	Off the Air				Country	Woman			Crook & Chase		Dallas	
㉒ TNT	Charlie's Angels		CHiPs		CHiPs		The Client		Heat of the Night		Movies & Specials	
㉓ AMC	Movies & Specials				Movies & Specials						Movies & Specials	
㉔ A&E	Sea Tales		Various Programs		Various Programs				The Equalizer		Murder, She Wrote	
㉕ NICK	News	Gadget	Toon	Rocko's	Brown	Rugrats	Kipper	Blue's	Lit. Bear	Franklin	Gullah	R. Scarry
㉖ TRAV	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Travel	Travel	INNtimate	INNtimate	America	Myster.
㉗ NOST	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	Paid Prg.	More Money/Dolans		Streets of S.F.	

DAYTIME AFTERNOON

	12:00	12:30	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	5:30
② NBC	News		Sunset Beach		Another World		Days of Our Lives		Howie Mandel		News	News
③ PBS	Painting	Painting	Various	Various	Creatures	Reading	Teletub.	Barney	Zoom	Wishbone	Arthur	Capitol
④ FOX	The People's Court		Matlock		Match	Doug	Rangers	Knights	Montel Williams		Simpsons	Home
⑤ CBS	News	Young & Restless		The Bold	As the World Turns		Guiding Light		Oprah Winfrey		News	News
⑥ WNPL	Paid Prg.	Real TV	The 700 Club		Toon	Animan.	Pinky	Histerial	Bat/Super	Bat/Super	Sister	Nanny
⑦ ABC	Martha	Port Ch.	All My Children		One Life to Live		General Hospital		Judge	Judge	Roseanne Show	
⑧ WGN	Matlock		News		Empty	Empty	Coach	Coach	Webster	Charles	By/Bell	Blossom
⑨ TBS	Matlock		Hunter		Movies & Specials				Mama's	Mama's	Full H'se	Full H'se
⑩ WPBT	Zoboom	Reading	Various Programs								Capitol	News
⑪ SHOW	Movies & Specials				Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials			
⑫ HBO	Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials				Various	Movies	Movies & Specials			
⑬ DISN	Mermald	Winnie	Bear	Animals	101	Goof Tr'p	Pumbaa	Aladdin	Off Wall	Mad Libs	Dinosaurs	Growing
⑭ TMC	Movies & Specials											
⑮ FAM	Dino	Mumfie	Bobby's	Dennis	Casper	Ghost.	Tenko	Eek!	Monster	Walter	Jerry	Pee Wee
⑯ CNN	Newsday	Burden	CNN Today			Showbiz	TalkBack Live		CNN Tod.	Burden	Inside Politics	
⑰ USA	Videos	Videos	Movies & Specials				Silk Stalkings		Baywatch		Saved	USA High
⑱ LIFE	Unsolved Mysteries		Movies & Specials				Intimate Portrait		Designing	Designing	Golden	Golden
⑲ ESPN	SportsCenter		Tennis				Sports	Sports	Sports & Specials		Sports	Sports
㉑ NASH	Creative Living		The Waltons		Studio	Woman	Crook & Chase		Club Dance		Dukes of Hazzard	
㉒ TNT	Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials				Kung Fu: Legend		Babylon 5		L.A. Heat	
㉓ AMC	Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials				Movies & Specials		Movies & Specials			
㉔ A&E	Northern Exposure		Law & Order		Various Programs				The Equalizer		Murder, She Wrote	
㉕ NICK	Lit. Bear	Blue's	Franklin	Kipper	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	Various	CatDog	Figure
㉖ TRAV	Getaway	Getaway	Getaway	Getaway	Getaway	Getaway	Lonely Planet		Various Programs		Amazing Destination	
㉗ NOST	Rockford Files		Love Boat		Movies & Specials				Bull/Bear		More Money/Dolans	

MONDAY PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy!	Susan	Caroline	Law & Order (cc)		Dateline NBC (cc)		News	Tonight
③ PBS	The NewsHour		The NewsHour		Antiques Roadshow		Amer. Experience		Exodus 1947 (cc)		Charlie Rose (cc)	
④ FOX	News (cc)	Fraser	Friends	Seinfeld	The Road to Fame		Ally McBeal (cc) (S)		News (cc)		Love Ch.	Heart
⑤ CBS	News	News	Edison	EXTRA	Millennial Mark		Raymond	Becker	L.A. Doctors (cc) (S)		News	Late Sh.
⑥ WNPL	Mad Ab't	Cops (cc)	Star Trek: Next		7th Heaven (cc)		Rescue 77 (cc) (S)		Star Trek: Next		Cheers	N'Radio
⑦ ABC	News (cc)	News	ET	Hollyw'd	20/20 (cc)		Movie: John Sandford's Mind Prey (cc)				News (cc)	Nightline
⑧ WGN	Full H'se	Full H'se	Matters	Matters	7th Heaven (cc)		Rescue 77 (cc) (S)		News (cc) (S)		MacGyver (S)	
⑨ TBS	Matters		Roseanne	Roseanne	NBA Basketball Atlanta Hawks at New York Knicks.				In NBA		Movie: Noises Off	
⑩ PBS	The NewsHour		Business	May/Dec	Suze Orman: The Courage to Be Rich				Favorites (S)			
⑪ SHOW	Movie	Movie: 3 Ninjas Knuckle Up			Movie: ** Gully as Sin (cc) (S)				Movie: ** The Gingerbread Man (S)			
⑫ HBO	Movie		Movie: The Man Who Knew Too Little				The Sopranos (cc)		REAL Sports		Movie: Lansky (cc)	
⑬ DISN	Growing	Brotherly	So Weird	Movie: Kid in Aladdin's Palace			Movie: Adventures in Dinosaur City (9:05)				Disney Presents	
⑭ TMC	Movie		Movie: *** The Package (7:10) (S)				Movie: Casualties (S)					
⑮ FAM	Addams	Addams	Show Me		Life		Lance Burton		Lance Burton		The 700 Club (cc)	
⑯ CNN	WorldView	Moneyline		Crossfire	The World Today		Larry King Live (cc)		NewsStand: Time		Sports	Money
⑰ USA	Hercules: Journeys		Warrior Princess		Walker, Tex. Ranger		WWF RAW (cc)		WWF War Zone (cc)		N.Y. Undercover	
⑱ LIFE	Ellen (cc)	Ellen (cc)	Party of Five (cc)		Weddings		Movie: ** Death of a Cheerleader				Attitudes	Golden
⑲ ESPN	Up Close	SportsCtr.	Women's College Basketball		(Live)		Women's College Basketball (Live)				SportsCenter (cc)	
㉑ TNT	Due South (cc) (S)		ER (cc) (S)		WCW Monday Nitro Live! Miss Elizabeth; Bull Bagwell. (cc)						Mortal Kombat	
㉒ AMC	Movie: ** Helen of Troy				Movie: Strange Love of Martha Ivers				Movie: ** Three Violent People			
㉓ NASH	Dallas (cc) (S)		The Waltons (cc) (S)		Ricky Van Shelton		Prime Time Country		Oak Ridge Boys		Dallas (cc) (S)	
㉔ A&E	Northern Exposure		Law & Order (cc)		Biography		Investigative Rpts.		Poirot (cc)		Law & Order (cc)	
㉕ NICK	All That	A. Mack	Doug (cc)	Rugrats	Arnold!	CatDog	Brady	Wonder	Jeff'sons	Laverne	Lucy	Bewitch
㉖ TRAV	Walker	Adventure	Adventure Bound		Lonely Planet Nepal.		Best Beaches		Amazing Destination		Lonely Planet Nepal	
㉗ NOST	Bk Shop	Great	Love Boat		Cafe DuA	About	Rockford Files (cc)		Streets of S.F.		Combat The Letter	

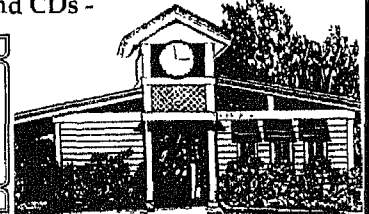
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Manatees for Easter

Move over chicks and bunnies! This year, why not make room for a manatee in your child's Easter basket? Adopting a manatee is a great way to introduce children to the environment and a real "hands-on" way to get to know animals. Proceeds from Save the Manatee Club's Adopt-A-Manatee program go toward conservation programs to protect endangered manatees and their habitat.

For \$20 annually, "parents" of adopted manatees receive an adoption certificate, a photo of "their" manatee, the manatee's biography, and a 28-page membership handbook with educational information about manatees. Some school classes can adopt for a discounted rate of \$10 a year.

For more information, call the Matland-based Save the Manatee Club at (800) 432-5646

Walk to cure Diabetes

The Juvenile Diabetes Foundation is planning its second annual Walk to Cure Diabetes at 9 a.m. Saturday, March 27, at Lakes Park. Co-sponsors are the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida and the Nemours Children's Clinic and this year's goal is 1,000 walkers raising more than \$100,000. Last year, more than 275 walkers raised \$40,000 for diabetes research and education.

To kick off the walk, the JDF is the recipient charity for Friday Fest in the courtyard of the Bell Tower from 6-8 p.m. Friday, March 26.

For more information or to offer your help, call Teri Karp at (941) 948-4488.

Tea at the Ritz

The JDF is also planning a second fund raiser for the newly formed Naples/Southwest Florida chapter, "High Tea at the Ritz with Katherine Hepburn," as portrayed by local dramatist Rusty Brown. It's planned from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 21, at the Ritz Carlton in Naples.

Tickets are \$50 each and tables of 10 can be reserved. For information or reservations, call Karp at (941) 948-4488.

Volunteer with Guardian

The Guardian At Litem program needs volunteers to represent the best interests of abused, abandoned and neglected children. No special experience is required; common sense, good judgment and a commitment to helping a child are needed most.

The next training session will be from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. March 19 and 26 at the Lee County Justice Center. Volunteers must attend both sessions.

For information or reservations, call Marilyn Dufat at 335-2146.

TUESDAY PRIME TIME

	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy!	Frasier	Lateline	Just/Me	W&G	Dateline NBC (cc)	News	Tonight	
③ PBS	The NewsHour	The NewsHour	The NewsHour	Nova (cc) (S)	Frontline (cc) (S)	Black and White	Charlie Rose (cc)					
④ FOX	News (cc)	Frasier	Friends	Seinfeld	King/Will	The PJs	Kids Outtakes	News (cc)	Love Cn	Heart		
⑤ CBS	News	News	Edition	EXTRA	JAG (cc) (S) R	Movie: *** Only You (cc) (S)						
⑥ WNPL	Mad Ab't	Cops (cc)	Star Trek: Next	Buffy, Vampire Slay	Rescue 77 (cc) (S)	Star Trek: Next	Cheers	N'Radio				
⑦ ABC	News (cc)	News	ET	Hollyw'd	Home	Hughleys	Spin City	Sports	Strange World (cc)	News (cc)	Nightline	
⑧ WGN	Full H'se	Full H'se	Matters	Matters	Buffy, Vampire Slay	Rescue 77 (cc) (S)	Movie: * The Punisher (10/10)					
⑨ TBS	Matters	Matters	Roseanne	Roseanne	Movie: *** 48 HRS (1982, Action)	Great Performances (9/45) (cc)						
⑩ PBS	The NewsHour	Business	Thin Blue	Andrea Bocelli: A Night in Tuscany (S)								
⑪ SHOW	Movie: So I Married an Axe Murderer			Movie: Child's Play 2 (cc)		Movie: Campfire Tales						
⑫ HBO	Movie	Movie: ** Fathers' Day (7/15) (cc) (S)			Movie: Earthly Possessions (cc)							
⑬ DISN	Growing	Brotherly	Movie: Sleeping Beauty (cc)									
⑭ TMC	Movie: ** Easy Money (6/05) (S)											
⑮ FAM	Addams	Addams	Show Me	Show Me	Life	Movie: *** Starship Troopers (cc) (S)						
⑯ CNN	W'rdView	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today	Larry King Live (cc)	People Profiles	Sports	Money				
⑰ USA	Hercules: Journeys	Warrior Princess	Walker, Tex	Ranger	Movie: ** Renegades (cc) (S)							
⑱ LIFE	Ellen (cc)	Ellen (cc)	Party of Five (cc)	Chicago Hope (cc)	Any Day Now	Intimate Portrait (cc)						
⑲ ESPN	Up Close	SportsCtr	College Basketball From New York (Live)			College Basketball NIT Tournament Second Semifinal						
⑳ TNT	Due South (cc) (S)	ER (cc) (S)			NBA Basketball Miami Heat at Utah Jazz (Live) (cc)							
㉑ AMC	Movie	Movie: ** Big Jim McLain										
㉒ NASH	Dallas (cc) (S)	The Waltons (cc) (S)	Life of Ray Stevens	Prime Time Country	Road to Stardom	Dallas (cc) (S)						
㉓ A&E	Northern Exposure	Law & Order (cc)	Biography	Inside Story	Inspector Morse	Law & Order (cc)						
㉔ NICK	All That	A. Mack	Doug (cc)	Rugrats	Thorn	Skeeter	Brady	Wonder	Jeff'sons	Laverne	Lucy	Bewitch
㉕ TRAV	Walker	Adventure	Adventure Bound	Lonely Planet	Ultimate Lifeguard	Amazing Destination	Lonely Planet					
㉖ NOST	Bk Shop	Cafe DuA	Ballroom Dancesport	T. Orlando	Rockford Files (cc)	Streets of SF	12 O'Clock High					

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	6:00	6:30	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
② NBC	News	News	Wheel	Jeopardy!	Dateline NBC (cc)	Amazing Videos	Law & Order (cc)	News	Tonight			
③ PBS	The NewsHour	The NewsHour	The NewsHour	Live From Lincoln Center Host Beverly Sills (S)								
④ FOX	News (cc)	Frasier	Friends	Seinfeld	Movie: ** The Mask (cc) (S)							
⑤ CBS	News	News	Edition	EXTRA	Payne	Nanny	60 Minutes II (cc)	Chicago Hope (cc)	News	Love Cn	Heart	
⑥ WNPL	Mad Ab't	Cops (cc)	Star Trek: Next	Dawson's Creek (cc)	Charmed (cc) (S) R	Star Trek: Next	Cheers	N'Radio				
⑦ ABC	News (cc)	News	Track	Hollyw'd	Dharma	It's like	Carey	Norm	20/20 (cc)	News (cc)	Nightline	
⑧ WGN	Full H'se	Full H'se	Matters	Matters	Dawson's Creek (cc)	Charmed (cc) (S) R	Movie: *** Rio Lobo (1970, Western)					
⑨ TBS	Matters	Matters	Roseanne	Roseanne	National Geographic Explorer (cc)							
⑩ PBS	The NewsHour	Business	Murder	Movie: *** 12 Angry Men								
⑪ SHOW	Movie	Movie			Movie: ** Screem 2 (cc) (S)							
⑫ HBO	Movie: ** Masterminds (6/15) (cc) (S)				Movie: White Men Can't Jump (cc)							
⑬ DISN	Growing	Brotherly	Movie									
⑭ TMC	Movie: Gorky Park (5/10)				Movie: ** Funny Farm (8/35) (cc)							
⑮ FAM	Addams	Addams	Show Me	Show Me	Life	Life	Secrets of Magic	Houdini, His Secrets	The 700 Club (cc)			
⑯ CNN	W'rdView	Moneyline	Crossfire	The World Today	Larry King Live (cc)	NewsStand	Fortune	Sports	Money			
⑰ USA	Hercules: Journeys	Warrior Princess	Walker, Tex	Ranger	Movie: My Stepmom, My Lover (cc)							
⑱ LIFE	Weddings	Party of Five (cc)	Chicago Hope (cc)		Movie: ** Criminal Behavior							
⑲ ESPN	Up Close	SportsCenter	High-School Basketball		High-School Basketball From Ames Iowa							
⑳ TNT	Movie: Due South	ER Last Call (cc) (S)			Movie: * Chasers (1994, Comedy drama)							
㉑ AMC	Movie: Bend of the River (6/15) (cc)				Movie: *** North to Alaska							
㉒ NASH	Dallas (cc) (S)	The Waltons (cc) (S)	Gospel Greats	Prime Time Country	Crook/Chase Tonight	Dallas (cc) (S)						
㉓ A&E	Northern Exposure	Law & Order (cc)	Biography	American Justice	Inspector Morse	Law & Order (cc)						
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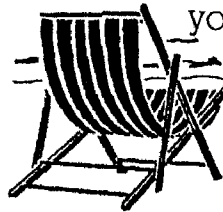
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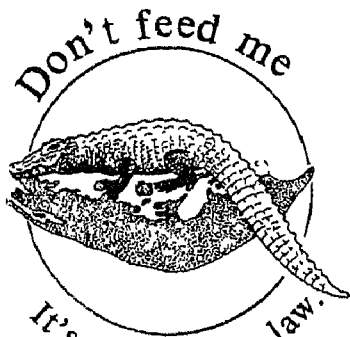
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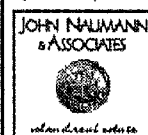
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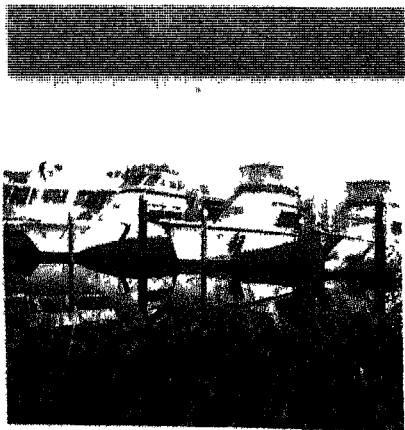
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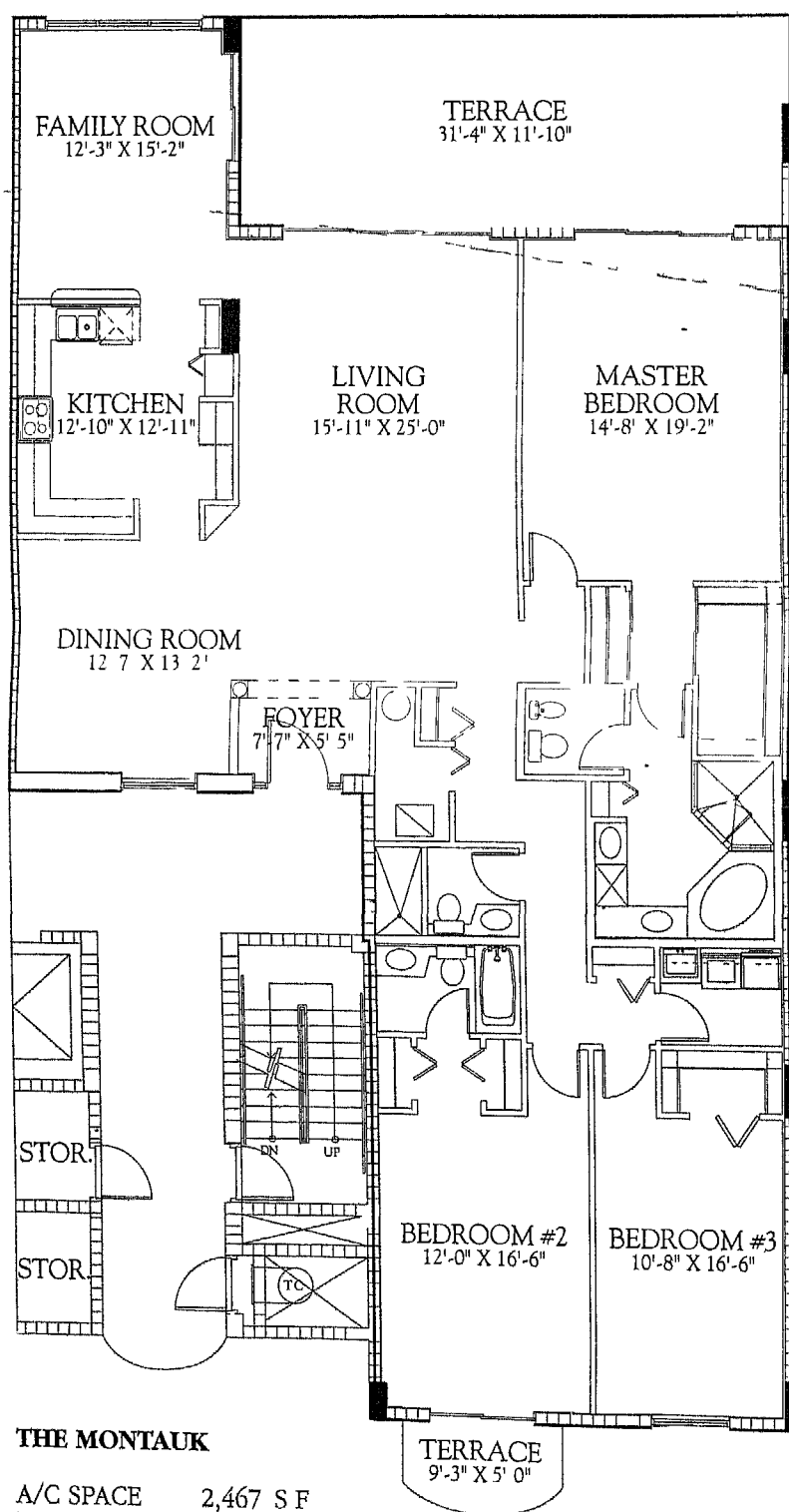
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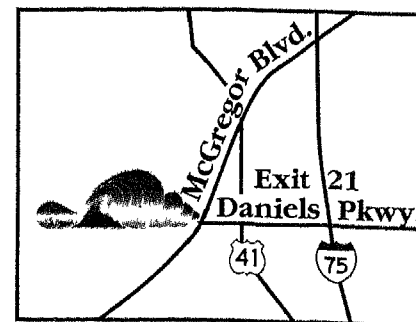
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