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City hurricane seminar stresses preparation

By ALIYA BALAHMAR
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It's time for Sanibel homeowners to prepare for the 2007 hurricane season, and the city held a seminar last week to educate people on the best methods. Sanibel City Manager Judie Zimomra opened the first of the series of seminars at BIG ARTS by welcoming attendees, mostly seasonal residents. The seminars were scheduled earlier this year due to requests made by part-time residents to better prepare themselves for the coming hurricane season.

Speakers from the city of Sanibel and Lee County gave mini-lectures on how to prepare and what their offices and organizations can do to help Sanibel residents get ready for hurricane season.

Dave Roberts, city of Sanibel weather consultant, said last December's predictions for the coming hurricane season are above aver-

age. "They are predicting 14 [hurricanes] as a consensus this year. There is a group in Great Britain that is predicting 17," said Roberts. He added that although a December forecast does not hold much weight, it's better to be prepared than not. "All it takes is one storm to ruin our day," Roberts said. "We could have little activity, but all we need is one storm and that would cause a lot of damage."

The biggest concerns if a hurricane hits Sanibel are storm surge, wind damage, and large amounts of rainfall. Because Sanibel is a flat island, storm surge of any amount would cause problems. "The likelihood of a large storm surge here is low, but the likelihood of storm surge here is high," said Roberts.

Roberts said June and July have the least hurricane activity, while November, August, and October have a greater likelihood for storms. "The good thing for Sanibel is when it

"If we ask you to evacuate and you choose not to, you are putting your life in jeopardy. There is no nice way to say that. You are rolling the dice on your life."

— Gerald Campbell, planning chief
Lee County Emergency Operations Center

comes to the peak for hurricanes, September is the peak month," Roberts said. "September is the month you have got to keep your eye on."

Gerald Campbell, planning chief at the Lee County Emergency Operations Center, listed the key things that need to be covered in a personal hurricane preparation plan. "First, I need to know what my plan needs to accomplish: Keep me alive. The second thing, which is a little farther down the list, is that I'd like to have my stuff when I come back. Third on the list is that I'd like it to be as convenient as possible." Campbell

said residents should know what category of hurricane their houses could withstand without sustaining damage. He stressed that during any hurricane, it is best to find a safer place to stay. "There is not any such place as a safe place in a hurricane," said Campbell. "No place is absolutely safe."

He also encouraged everyone to make shelters a last resort because there is a limited amount of room at the shelters. Also, only selected shelters open during any given hurricane. There are special-needs shelters for those requiring electricity and trans-

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In the governor's mansion...



SPECIAL TO THE REPORTER

Sanibel City Councilman Jim Jennings and Mayor Mick Denham meet with Governor Crist to discuss this area's water quality problems.

Mayor encouraged by Tallahassee meetings

By EMILIE ALFINO
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Sanibel's new mayor Mick Denham went to Tallahassee for the first time last week and met with the state's top executive and legislators to garner support for the city's water-quality priorities.

Denham said the hard work of Sanibel city council members and citizens is starting to show positive results.

"For the first time, I believe the House and Senate and governor are all saying the same thing," Denham reported. "They're all supporting environmental causes relative to this estuary and to the St. Lucie."

Denham and Councilman Jim Jennings were in the state capital for the Florida League of Cities Legislative Action Days March 27 and 28, where the big topic was

the governor's pending budget proposal, which earmarks \$400 million for Everglades restoration. The funding would broaden the geographic area of the restoration plan and expand the cleanup of Lake Okeechobee to its estuaries. Members of both the House and the Senate believe it will be approved, according to Denham.

The mayor said there is cause for hope on the part of Sanibelians but cautioned that the budget reconciliation process lies ahead. "As I would have said in my business life, the deal is not done until the signature's on the purchase order," he warned. "When they compile the budget, there might be some changes. We should know in the next two weeks."

The plan defines a new area, the

See TALLAHASSEE, page 17

Sanibel says 'thanks' to Steve Brown

By EMILIE ALFINO
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With four former Sanibel mayors in the audience, city council honored long-time council member and one-time mayor Steve Brown Tuesday for more than 8 years of leadership and service.

In attendance were Marty Harritty, Louise Johnson, Wally Kain, and Jerry Meunch. Nola Theiss sent written regards, while Vice-mayor Carla Johnston sat on the other side of the dais.

"I would like to thank the citizens of Sanibel for giving me the opportunity to serve over the last 8+ years."

— Steve Brown



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Council supports Mack's water quality legislation

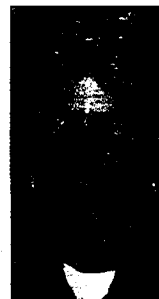
By EMILIE ALFINO
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Sanibel City Council agreed Tuesday to support legislation introduced last week by U.S. Rep. Connie Mack (R-Dist. 14) called the "Restoring the Caloosahatchee River: A Legacy for Florida" Act. City staff will draft a resolution endorsing the bill for council's consideration at its April 17 meeting.

The legislation calls for a water-quality compo-

"He's got a real uphill battle ... it's better to put our hopes on the state instead of the federal government."

— Carla Johnston
Sanibel Vice Mayor



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City hosts Easter Egg Hunt

To Go

What
City's Easter Egg Hunt

When
Saturday, April 7
8:30 a.m.

Where
Sanibel Historical
Village (next to BIG ARTS
950 Dunlop Rd.)

Information
Recreation Department
472-0345

Saturday, April 7th at 8:30 a.m., the Easter Bunny will be feted as guest of honor at the City of Sanibel's annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by Bank of the Islands. The annual Easter Egg Hunt is free and open to the entire community.

The Hunt is designed for children between the ages of 2 years old and 12 years old. The children will be divided into age-appropriate groups. Eggs will be stuffed with candy and toys. A rare few eggs will be stuffed with tickets winning a free chocolate bunny. Be sure to bring your own basket! Following the Hunt, the guest of honor a.k.a., the Easter Bunny,

will pose for individual photos with attendees.

Another annual attraction to the Egg Hunt is the coconut-sized eggs, painted and donated by Mike Alteri. These eggs will also be scattered around the Historical Village and Museum. Children who find these gargantuan eggs can turn them in to the Bank of the Islands and open up a \$10.00 savings account courtesy of the Bank.

San-Cap Audubon distributes gifts

As part of its ongoing support of local Sanibel conservation organizations and activities, San-Cap Audubon has recently distributed three gifts totaling \$2,500.

The \$1,000 proceeds of Charles LeBuff's Jan. 25 San-Cap Audubon lecture, "Sanibel: The Sanctuary Island—1880 to 1980," was presented by San-Cap Audubon President Paul Andrews to Kristie Anders, director of education for the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, as part of SCCF's recently completed fund drive. At that time, Andrews also presented a National Audubon Society Project Grant of \$500 to SCCF Ecologist/Land Manager Brad Smith to assist in the Snowy Plover Nest Monitoring Project.

Elaine Jacobson, San-Cap Audubon board member and 2007 lecture series chairperson, presented the \$1,000 proceeds of Dr. P.J. Deitschel's Feb. 8 San-Cap Audubon lecture, "A Day at C.R.O.W."—The Clinic for Rehabilitation of Wildlife, to Dr. Deitschel, who is clinic director and staff veterinarian at C.R.O.W. The gift will be used to support wildlife rehabilitation activities.

San-Cap Audubon President Paul Andrews (center) presents gifts to SCCF's Kristie Anders and Brad Smith.



Thanks from page 1

Brown was first elected to city council in 1998 and stepped down last month after deciding not to run for re-election. He served one term as mayor from December 2003 through March 2004.

"No one showed more love and concern for the future of this island than Steve Brown," Mayor Mick Denham said. "During his time on council, he was fiercely protective of this environmentally sensitive barrier island and always embraced the Sanibel Plan as the island's guiding principle."

Denham presented Brown with a Luc Century vase and a framed copy of the council's proclamation. "Steve, you have served the island well as a friend to many people and are respected by all. The council, the staff, and the citizens all thank you for your service," Denham continued. "Steve, there have been many heroes in the history of Sanibel; I believe you are one of them."

After a standing ovation, Brown took the microphone. "I'm never at a loss when I have a microphone in my hand," he joked.

"I would like to thank the citizens of Sanibel for giving me the opportunity to serve over the last 8-plus years. It's a beautiful, beautiful island, and I know we all care about it," Brown said. "Some people express it in different forms, but I'm convinced in my mind that everybody loves it."

He thanked the city staff, particularly City Manager Judie Zimomra and City Attorney Ken Cuyler "for making it so easy," and said he missed City Clerk Pamela Smith's early-morning telephone calls that kept his schedule on track and "at least pointed me in the right direction of where I was supposed to be."

"I'd also like to thank my family for letting me do this," Brown continued. "When I first retired, Lena said having me at home



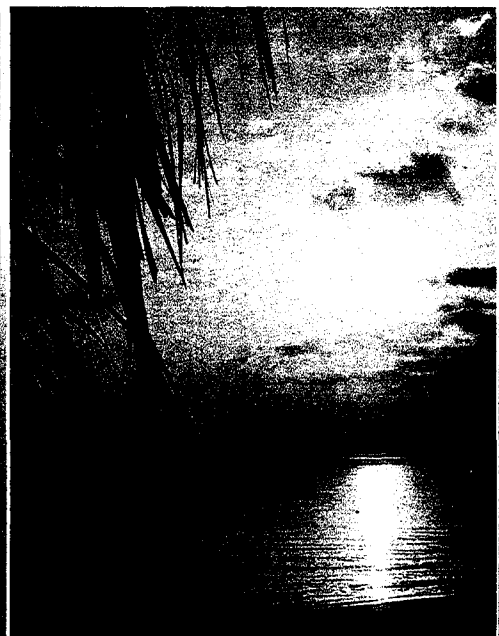
EMILIE ALFINO
Sanibel City Council honored retiring member Steve Brown Tuesday to two standing ovations.

was like having a grand piano in the kitchen and said, 'Go find something to do.' I don't think she knew this is what I had in mind."

Councilman Jim Jennings, who served with Brown the longest of any current council member, said, "Steve, you're well loved by everybody, and you're a good friend to all of us. I appreciate your mentoring and guidance on so many issues we face here. With the monumental issues we faced in the last couple of years, it's been really very important. We all owe a debt of gratitude to you."

Johnston thanked Brown for his "wonderful contributions. We really appreciate the time you spent on council. I can't imagine you're not here. Maybe we should have a sixth seat somewhere."

Brown told everyone to keep up the good work, and left to a second standing ovation.




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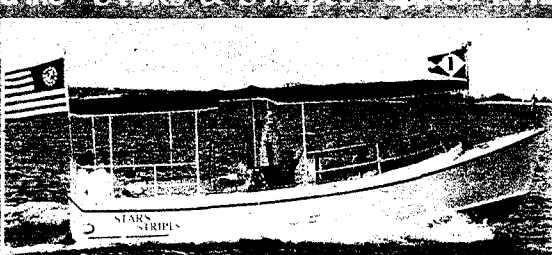
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Letters

Johnston not endorsing candidate

To the editor:

Jim Hanlon's March 29 letter to the editor endorsing a candidate in the May 1 election, brings to mind my elementary school English teacher. She warned me that writing

run-on paragraphs can alter meaning. Hanlon's run-on-paragraph could lead readers to conclude that it is I, rather than he, who endorses Kevin Ruane in the race with Karen Storjohann.

To set the record straight, I make no public endorsement. I base my choice on assessing both candidates' past interest in the policy decision making of Sanibel, and in their understanding that our economic well-being depends upon our commitment to environmental protection. I simply want at least three of the five Council Members to be committed to Keeping Sanibel Sanibel.

Former Mayor and Council Member
Carla Brooks Johnston

Ruane brings business expertise

To the editor:

There are many reasons for the Sanibel voter to feel excited if Kevin Ruane became our City Councilperson on May 1.

If you review his civic activity since he arrived on Sanibel some three years ago, it is unbelievable the amount of hours he has been willing to contribute to the many volunteer Island organizations. Just take a look at his resume and you will be very impressed.

Another reason, perhaps more subtle, is his 26 years experience in both corporate America and as an owner of an accounting firm and an equipment leasing company.

He has spent all his business life in the accounting field. We will need his accounting expertise if we are ever going to review and modify the city's approach to how we arrive at our annual budget.

Why? Although the homesteaded property owner has not seen dramatic increases in his tax bill that he received each November from Lee County, there is a concern in our tax bill. The Sanibel City budget has been increasing dramatically over the last seven years. Let me share two statistics with you:

- in year 2000 - we had 101 employees
- in year 2007 - we have 123 employees

NOTE: this represented a 22 percent increase in personnel.

- in year 2000 - salary & benefits for employees was \$5.5 million

- in year 2007 - salary & benefits for employees is \$9.2 million

NOTE: this represented a 36 percent increase.

I think we need to vote on May 1 for a councilperson who has a thorough understanding of accounting and budget preparation.

Please vote for Kevin Ruane on May 1!

Tom Gilhooley
Sanibel

Ruane can help

To the editor:

First impressions are lasting ones. The first words I heard Kevin Ruane speak were, "How can I help?" He made that statement at the Holiday Inn at Bell Tower. We were all gathered to discuss the course of action we would take to restore our island after hurricane Charley. All I can recall after hearing that statement was that guy really cares about Sanibel. I made sure we got his name and number and before you could say "we're moving back to our homes", Kevin was working side by side with all of our recovery teams. He's been involved in all facets of our community ever since. Please join with me and vote for Kevin Ruane.

Marty Harrity
Sanibel

Storjohann will protect Island

To the editor:

I am writing in support of Karen Storjohann for election to City Council on May 1, 2007. I would like to comment on two important strengths which I feel makes her eminently well qualified for this position. First, she has demonstrated a strong commitment to the Sanibel Vision Statement vis-a-vis "Sanibel is and shall remain a barrier island sanctuary, on which a diverse population lives in harmony with the island's wildlife and natural habitats". As conflicting issues arise with respect to Island capacity and development, I believe that she will be a strong defender of protecting and enhancing the City's sanctuary characteristics. Second, she already has an impressive record of attending, and participating in, City Council and Planning Commission meetings. Since this election is only for a two-year term, the winning candidate needs to be "up and running" from the onset.

John Harries
Sanibel

Storjohann capable

To the editor:

Karen Storjohann has all the right qualities to work for you on the Sanibel City Council. She is a capable and committed candidate who attends meetings of City Council and the Planning Commission so she knows the problems and successes of our city government. Karen is a supporter of Keeping Sanibel Sanibel as outlined in the Land Use Plan.

Vote at the special election on May 1 for this competent candidate.

Helen Moe
Fort Myers

Storjohann supporter of Sanibel plan

To the editor,

If islanders still value hard work, intelligence and dedication to the Sanibel Plan, Karen Storjohann is the obvious choice in the May 1 City Council election.

Karen will represent all the people of Sanibel. She will do this by basing her decisions on the bedrock of what Sanibel has been built on — the Sanibel Plan. She will be a council member who believes and abides by the collective wisdom of the citizens who have built this city over the last 30-plus years.

Karen worked her whole career as a teacher and understands the needs of children and their parents. She has been active locally in environmental causes and homeowner issues. She is an intelligent woman who understands that it is in all of our interest to protect our own nest for the sake of all who live, work and visit here.

Over the last few years, we have seen the quality of our lives adversely affected by the declining quality of our natural environment. I feel Karen can be trusted to make important decisions and serve as a partner with those on Council who are dedicated to maintaining the ideals Sanibel is built on.

This election matters because knowl-

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Ruane has ability

To the editor:

On May 1, 2007 there is an election for City Council. For the first time in many years the voters have an opportunity to bring youth and vitality to our governing body. I am referring to our own Kevin Ruane. He proved his ability to all the unit owners at Gulfside during our hurricane build-back.

His accounting and financial background enabled Gulfside to be the first condo on Sanibel to complete and process the various insurance claims. We were the first to receive insurance funds and Kevin's ability to obtain everyone's cooperation got the rebuilding effort off to a fast start. We finished ahead of schedule and the unit owners were spared the cost of assessments.

Sanibel needs a new approach to handle its many problems. Kevin Ruane has the energy and the background to find sensible solutions. Please help us elect Kevin Ruane on May 1st.

Patricia and Hardy Hewit
Sanibel

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	High	Low	Rain		High	Low	Rain
Wednesday	82	67	0.00	Sunday	81	70	0.00
Thursday	83	68	0.00	Monday	81	68	0.00
Friday	84	74	0.00	Tuesday	83	71	0.00
Saturday	81	70	0.00				

Note: Rainfall levels are recorded from the morning of the day given to the following morning.

Source: Island Water Association

Sanibel-Captiva Tides

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		Fri	Sat	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu
Tidal Range at Redfish Pass	Lo	7:14 a	7:13 a	7:11 a	7:10 a	7:09 a	7:08 a	7:07 a
	Hi	7:47 p	7:47 p	7:48 p	7:48 p	7:49 p	7:49 p	7:50 p
Redfish Pass	Lo							4:06 a
	Hi	4:49 a	5:55 a					12:06 p
	Lo	8:06 a	8:08 a	4:08 p	12:40 a	1:58 a	3:09 a	3:18 p
	Hi	2:53 p	3:27 p		5:00 p	6:13 p	7:53 p	9:33 p
Punta Rassa	Lo	10:33 p	11:30 p					
	Lo							4:01 a
	Hi							12:00 p
	Lo	8:01 a	8:03 a	4:03 p	12:35 a	1:53 a	3:04 a	3:13 p
Sanibel Light	Lo				4:54 p	6:07 p	7:47 p	9:27 p
	Lo	10:28 p	11:25 p					
	Lo						3:11 a	4:08 a
	Hi						6:58 p	11:11 a
Captiva (Outside)	Lo	8:08 a	5:00 a	3:13 p	12:42 a	2:00 a		3:20 p
	Hi	1:58 p	8:10 a		4:05 p	5:18 p		8:38 p
	Lo	10:35 p	2:32 p					
	Lo							2:52 a
	Hi	3:24 a	4:30 a					10:41 a
	Lo	6:52 a	6:54 a	2:54 p		12:44 a	1:55 a	2:04 p
	Hi	1:28 p	2:02 p		3:35 p	4:48 p	6:28 p	8:08 p
	Lo	9:19 p	10:16 p					

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portation, and an application is necessary for access to those shelters.

Campbell could not reiterate enough how important it is to find a safer place out of the hurricane's way. Even when there is no mandatory evacuation issued, it is best to head for a safer place because Sanibel is an island. "If we ask you to evacuate and you choose not to, you are putting your life in jeopardy," said Campbell. "There is no nice way to say that. You are rolling the dice on your life."

Chief Danny Duncan of the Sanibel Fire & Rescue District, explained to the attendees how important it is to evacuate when a mandatory evacuation has been issued by the county. "When you call 9-1-1, there is not going to be an ambulance or a fire truck show up at your door," said Duncan.

When the county asks the residents to

evacuate, the fire department also evacuates to Fort Myers and stays there during the storm. Once the hurricane has passed, the fire department's immediate job is to search and rescue. They systematically search each house on the island for people who chose to stay.

Greg Frith, a representative of Disaster Kleenup International, said his company thought it was ready for Hurricane Charley but found they were not as prepared as they thought. Frith explained it is not wise to follow the forecast of a hurricane's path exactly. People should always remember there is a 250-mile error margin on the map.

As a preparation measure, Frith advised people to take pictures or make a video recording of the house and everything the own, as well as keep receipts. "The insurance company will not pay for 'what-ifs,'" said

Frith. "If you can't document it, you can't prove it, then they aren't paying for it."

Frith gave the attendees hurricane preparation tips that would come in handy in case of a hurricane hitting Sanibel. Residents should make relationships with roofers, contractors, and other professionals who maintain homes. These relationships will make for a quicker and more stable repair if that becomes necessary. Computer backups are important as well. "Get a big Rubbermaid garbage can, put the computer in the garbage can, tape it up with duct tape and put it in the safest place in the house," said Frith for a way to save computers from damage during a hurricane.

There are new insurance litigation forms designed like questionnaires asking the condition and shape of a home, as well as the type of windows and doors. Residents will have their insurance credited for all hurricane preparations done to their homes.

At the end of the seminar, there was a PowerPoint presentation on hurricane hang tags. There is a limit of two residential hang

tags per household. Zone numbers have been added to the hang tags, which are pink this year, and residential wallet passes have been discontinued. A separate form is necessary to obtain commercial hang tags, which are blue. Once a hurricane occurs, the hang tags provide maximum security as well as safe access to Sanibel and Captiva.

People can apply for hang tags in person at the Sanibel Police Department between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is an application form on the city's Web site at www.mysanibel.com. It can be printed completed and faxed with the proper documentation to the Emergency Management Division of the police department at (239) 472-6555.

All speakers at the Sanibel Hurricane Preparation Seminar had a common comment they kept reiterating throughout the seminar: Prepare, prepare, prepare. "What we can do is help educate you on how you, personally, can be best prepared, but we cannot give you a personal preparation plan," said Zimomra.

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edge and experience as well as dedication to the Sanibel Vision matter. I urge you to vote for Karen on May 1.

Nola Theiss
Sanibel

Ruane has the skills

To the editor:

There is an old saying "To see what a man will do, see what he has done." In the case of Kevin Ruane his body of work as a service to the community for the past three years speaks volumes of what he will do for our city as our City Council representative. Briefly stated, Kevin was a volunteer to inspect homes and condos for damage done by Charley, served as a precinct captain to get out the vote for the charter amendments, led the effort to build a new rec center on the island, is a member of the state mandated "School Advisory Committee," was president of the School Fund and serves as coach on many children's athletic teams. This represents an impressive list for someone who has been an island resident for such a relatively short period of time.

There are additional reasons to vote for Kevin. First, he recognizes that the greatest challenge facing our island is the red drift algae defacing our beaches. He has committed to work with council, the city staff and all people and organizations that can provide useful input to develop a plan by October 1, 2007 to solve the algae problem. We need his leadership to put this plan in place.

Next, as an accountant by training, he will bring the necessary financial skills to help tighten control of the city's budget. Historically, city budgets have been developed by placing primary emphasis on new initiatives. Kevin wants to examine the total budget, including the base, by instituting a form of zero based budgeting to force the justification of all expenses.

Finally, it is time for Kevin's generation to have a representative on council that understands their needs. Kevin and his wife, Doreen, have a son in the Sanibel School and with their involvement with other parents of school age children, Kevin has first hand knowledge of the needs of our next generation, and will bring that knowledge to council when he is considering new legislation.

Please vote for Kevin Ruane and, to make it easy to vote, please call 533-8683 now for an absentee ballot. Joyce and I have been using it for the past two elections and find it much more convenient than going to the polling booths.

Curt Stendahl
Sanibel

To the editor:

Over the years I have become frustrated when candidates make promises to the voters in order to secure their vote and then fail to deliver once they are elected.

As a result of my frustration, I have altered the approach to evaluating candidates who are actively seeking my vote. I no longer listen so much to their promises but I try to research the work they do and the reputation they enjoy in their respective communities. My rationale is that if a candidate has not been involved in volunteer work to better the community in which he or she lives BEFORE he runs for office then I'd have no expectation as to his ability or willingness to represent the community once he is elected - sort of a proof of the pudding litmus test, if you will.

On May 1st we will elect a candidate to fill the vacant Council seat. We have two choices. I have just received each of their campaign letters and evaluated their contribution to Sanibel over the last few years. It was not a hard decision for me - I am voting for Kevin Ruane on May 1.

Kevin has worked very hard for our schools, serving as president of the School Fund and as a member of the Sanibel School Advisory Committee. He has coached both basketball and football teams-even serving as umpire for the baseball teams. In the community he has been the successful chair for Mayor Mick Denham when he ran for election to City Council and is president of the committee for the Recreation Center.

I believe the resumes of each candidate are in this week's Island Reporter - please check them both out!

Marcia Reilly
Sanibel

Storjohann shows dedication and gumption

To the Editor:

I am for Karen Storjohann, because for one thing, she has attended all meetings of the Sanibel City Council and Planning Commission for a number of years.

To me that means she is well-versed in the political process of our precious island.

Karen has further earned my respect because she was a former inner-city school teacher and union representative, and to me that suggests that she has the gumption to standup those who would exploit our unique resources for some personal financial benefit.

Finally, I trust Karen. I have the faith that she is comfortable saying "no." Oh, how we need that at these times around here!!!

Sidney B. Simon
Sanibel

Ruane: friendly, intelligent, energetic

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nesses throughout the United States.

I have served on many boards such as Chemical Bank Small Business Loans, Crum & Forster, Reinsurance Recoverables, Eastern Association of Equipment Leasing Brokers, National Association of Equipment Leasing Brokers, Garden State Arts Center, Sanibel School Fund, Sanibel School Advisory Committee, Sanibel Citizens for A Healthy Future, Gulf Side Place Condo, Mick Denham for City Council, and Support for Homeless Women Shelter.

My community involvement, financially and/or volunteering, consists of the following

organizations: Save The Children, American Cancer Society of America, President of the Sanibel School Fund Board, member of the Sanibel Structure Safety Inspector Team, Board Member of The Sanibel School Advisory Committee, President of the P.A.C. for Sanibel Rec Center, Certified Adult & Children CPR & AED, Kiwanis Club member, Campaign Chair and Treasurer for Mick Denham's City Council position, Children's Education Center, C.R.O.W., P.U.R.R.E., Sanibel Captiva Cares, SCCF, Sanibel Beautification, coaching basketball and football as well as umpiring baseball for Sanibel leagues.

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natural setting. We are now faced with an unprecedented threat to our vision; a threat not of our making and beyond our control to fully resolve.

The assault on the quality of waters surrounding our island is forcing our community to intercede in ways never contemplated by our founders. The red drift algae menace is not a natural result of an eco-system in balance and left alone will not resolve itself. The careless and wanton disregard of an entire region has fueled through the dumping of nutrient waste. This explosion of marine organisms that smother our shell beds and reefs, disrupt tidal ecosystems, foul beaches that nesting turtles and birds need for survival and potentially poses health threats to our citizens and visitors and our property. To manage this tragedy until broader actions to resolve the source of the problem can be taken, we must

remove this invasion of our fragile beachfront environment just as we remove invasive Melaleuca and Brazilian Pepper from our preserves. Just as we use selective and environmentally sound procedures to clear our upland and fresh water marsh areas of undesirable or overgrown species, we must find ways to remove red drift algae without doing greater damage to our shorelines, but we must act to control this problem.

I can assure you, as an elected representative, I pledge to uphold the Sanibel Vision Statement. I am convinced that we can protect our fragile environment and make real progress in assuring that the red drift algae threat and the larger water quality problems of the Gulf and estuaries be managed and ultimately corrected. This plan must be in place no later than Oct. 1, 2007. We must adopt a "can do" attitude to be certain to meet this goal.

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The South Florida Water Management District: Who is that governing board?

Three openings provide opportunity for Lee County

By **BARBARA J. COOLEY**
Special to the Island Reporter

The South Florida Water Management District governing board sets policy and directs SFWMD staff in making decisions that affect Sanibel and the quality of our estuaries and coastal waters. They make the policy that directs releases of polluted water from Lake Okeechobee into the Caloosahatchee and determine whether or not any of that polluted water will be sent through filtration marshes to clean out some of the pollutants before the water reaches our estuary.



BARBARA J. COOLEY

Although Lee County is at the end of a very long drainage area that includes the entire Kissimmee valley, Lake Okeechobee, and the Caloosahatchee basin, there is no representative from Lee County on the SFWMD governing board.

Who is on this board and how are these people appointed?

The governor of Florida appoints the members of the SFWMD governing board, and these appointments are subject to confirmation by the Florida Senate. The term of office is four years for each of the nine board members. Sixteen counties comprise the district, which covers a geographic area that is roughly one-third of the state.

The SFWMD Web site states that each member of this board must have "significant experience" in one or more of certain areas. First on the list? Agriculture. Second? The development industry. Next are local governments, government or privately owned utilities, law, and civil engineering. Finally, environmental science and hydrology are mentioned. And at the end, accounting and finance.

State law dictates that the membership of the nine-person board should include the following representatives:

- 2 from Miami-Dade County;
- 1 from Broward County;

- 1 from Palm Beach County;
- 1 from Collier, Lee, Hendry or Charlotte counties;
- 1 from Glades, Okeechobee, Highlands, Polk, Orange or Osceola counties;
- 2, appointed at large, from St. Lucie, Martin, Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade or Monroe counties; and
- 1, appointed at large from Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry, Glades, Osceola, Okeechobee, Polk, Highlands or Orange counties.

Although Lee County has the potential for having two representatives on this governing board, the reality is that we currently have none.

Three board members' terms expired in March 2007:

■ Kevin McCarty, the current chair of the SFWMD board. He is the managing director of the public finance department of Bear, Sterns and Company Inc. in Boca Raton.

■ Irela Bague, current vice-chair. She is president of Bague Group in Miami, a public relations and government affairs firm.

■ Alice Carlson of Collier County is the board member who is supposed to have been representing Lee County (as well as Hendry and Charlotte counties). She is a real estate financial consultant and president of her own company, AJC Associates Inc., in Naples. Formerly, she was a senior vice president, treasurer and chief accounting officer with WCI Communities Inc., a major developer.

In addition to the three positions open by McCarthy's, Bague's, and Carlson's expired terms, Nicolas J. Gutierrez Jr., of Miami-Dade County, is serving a term that expires in February 2008. He is an attorney with Borgognoni, Gutierrez and Arza L.L.P., a law firm. He has also served as secretary and director (nine terms) of the National Association of Sugar Mill Owners of Cuba, chairman of the Property Rights Committee of the Cuban-American Bar Association's Cuban Law Project, and secretary of the Sugar Industry of Cuba Institute.

Harkley R. Thornton's term also expires in February 2008. He is an attorney and the owner and president of Outlook Media Inc. in Orlando. He represents Glades, Highlands, Okeechobee, Orange, Osceola and Polk counties. Thornton also serves on the executive committee of the Kissimmee/Osceola Chamber of Commerce.

Malcolm "Bubba" Wade, the senior vice president for sugar

operations at the U.S. Sugar Corporation, is serving a term on the board that will not expire until March 2009. He is supposed to be representing Collier, Lee, Charlotte, Hendry, Glades, Osceola and Okeechobee counties.

Also serving until March 2009 is an agricultural engineer named Lennart Lindahl, from Palm City.

Serving until March 2010 are Michael Collins, a self-employed fishing guide from the Keys; and Miya Burt-Stewart, a public relations and business development consultant from Broward County.

Possibilities open for representation for Sanibel

The make-up of the SFWMD governing board is weak in the areas of local government, environmental science, hydro-

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City reiterates warning following brush fire

By EMILIE ALFINO
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The Sanibel Fire and Rescue District responded to a brush fire March 30 at 3600 West Gulf Drive. By the time they arrived, the fire had been extinguished and no structures were damaged.

Lee County is the second-driest county in the state of Florida at this time, behind Volusia County on the East Coast, and Assistant Fire Chief Don Frye urged Sanibelians to be extremely careful. "Cigarettes are our main concern, especially along the shared-use path that borders on the conservation properties," Frye said. "There, the native vegetation is extremely combustible at this time of year, and the wetlands are dried up."

Although the conservation land and the J.N. "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge have

fire lines cut in to help protect homes along their borders, flying embers could endanger nearby structures. Homeowners should be on guard to keep their property as safe as possible, especially wood-frame homes. "Even with vinyl siding, the siding melts from the heat generated by a wildfire," Frye warned. "Wildfires generate a tremendous amount of heat."

Frye said homeowners need to be particularly cautious in the subdivisions along West Gulf Drive and in the Rabbit Road area, Gulf Pines, Lake Murex, and East and West Rocks.

Just three days before last week's brush fire, the fire department joined with the city of Sanibel to release a warning regarding hazardous wildfire conditions on the island. That news release contains safety tips and is available on the city's Web site at www.mysanibel.com.

Hazardous wildfire conditions

The City of Sanibel's Natural Resources Department and the Sanibel Fire and Rescue District have issued a joint wildfire danger warning that the recent drought and seasonal low humidity, combined with the widespread distribution of woody debris from Hurricane's Charley and Wilma, has resulted in an increased risk of wildfire.

Residents and visitors alike are urged to be extra careful with ignition sources such as cigarette and cigar butts, matches, candles, charcoal from barbecue grills, and parking vehicles in tall dry grass. Open fires, such as campfires, the burning of debris and lighting of fireworks by the general public, continues to be prohibited on Sanibel.

Homeowners can help reduce Sanibel's wildfire risk.

Suggestions include:

- trimming dead palm fronds from trees near structures,
- trimming or mowing tall grasses near homes

■ pruning large, leafy hardwood trees overhanging roof lines or porches

■ eliminating combustible materials such as gasoline containers, firewood, and building supplies from being stored under or around the home

■ cleaning up the dead debris from hurricanes and keeping mulch and other landscaping material well watered. Pine straw and any other particularly flammable material is not recommended for use as mulch.

During the 2007 spring season, the Sanibel Island Firewise Task Force, including the City of Sanibel, the Sanibel Fire and Rescue District, the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service's J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge will conduct prescribed fires throughout the island to help preserve the natural ecology of the area and reduce the likelihood of catastrophic wildfires.

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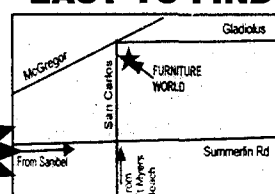
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nent to be added to the C-43 storage reservoir the South Florida Water Management District and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are constructing to store excess Lake Okeechobee water. Presently there are no plans to build a treatment area to filter water from this reservoir before it is released into the Caloosahatchee. Mack's plan would authorize the construction of conservation areas like marshes to naturally filter the water, reducing the level of nutrients eventually released river.

"The Caloosahatchee River is the lifeblood of Southwest Florida, and improving the quality of water flowing down the river is critical for the long-term health of our unique ecosystem," Mack said at a press conference Tuesday. Mack was joined by members of the Lee County Commission and the South Florida Water Management District at Centennial Park in Fort Myers to talk about the bipartisan legislation, which is co-sponsored by U.S. Reps. Mario Diaz-Balart (R-Dist. 25), Vern Buchanan (R-Dist. 13), and Tim Mahoney (D-Dist. 16).

Lee County Commissioner Tammy Hall (Dist. 4) called the legislation "fantastic" and said Mack is doing a good job bringing attention to the problem. "The fact that he is working to bring federal dollars is great," Hall said. "We may get some state dollars to contribute as well. I'm happy to see federal, state and local governments working together. I'm glad we are all on the same page."

Adding a water-quality component to the C-43 Reservoir is one of the city of Sanibel's four top priorities for improving its water quality.

"As designed, the reservoir will only store volumes of water but not treat the polluted water," the city wrote in a recent communication to citizens. "A stormwater treatment area is essential ... so that water quality improvements are made prior to any releases from the reservoir into the Caloosahatchee and the waters surrounding Sanibel."

Mayor Mick Denham, in Tallahassee last week for the Florida League of Cities Legislative Action Days, said he was unable to get any good answers on this issue from legislators he met. "Everyone said it would be done, but I didn't feel confident," Denham said. "I did bring it up to the governor." Crist was aware of the issue and wanted to know more, according to Denham. "He turned to his aide and instructed him to work with me to give him more information."

Every other reservoir in Florida has a stormwater treatment area, Denham told Crist. "This one doesn't. The concern is, why build a reservoir and put into that polluted water, and then someday put that in the Caloosahatchee River? It only makes sense that we should clean that water before it gets diverted back into the river."

Crist's response to the mayor's explanation, particu-

larly the fact that all other reservoirs in Florida are equipped with treatment areas, was that a water treatment area should be incorporated into the C-43 Reservoir.

"So without having full information, which he's requested, the governor felt we should do it. He said it makes no sense [not to], but he needs some more information," Denham concluded.

Treatment areas are simply large, well-designed filter marshes, Denham explained, and often become visitor attractions as wildlife sanctuaries for birds. "It's not a negative, but it does require the purchase of land."

Vice-mayor Carla Johnston said Mack's bill adds momentum to the water issue in Congress but "he's got a real uphill battle. He's a junior member, and the Democrats now control both houses. At a time when it's hard to get money for anything but Iraq and Katrina, it's better to put our hopes on the state instead of the federal government."

The city of Sanibel has been stressing that lands necessary to build a treatment area adjacent to the C-43 Reservoir must be acquired as soon as possible to prevent conflicting land uses from blocking the project. The city has been urging citizens to contact Gov. Charlie Crist (charlie.crist@myflorida.com), Lt. Gov. Jeff Kottkamp (jeff.kottkamp@myflorida.com), Florida Secretary of Environmental Protection Michael Sole (michael.sole@dep.state.fl.us), and SFWMD Executive Director Carol Wehle (cwehle@sfwmd.gov).



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The Island Reporter last week incorrectly listed Councilman Jim Jennings role representing Sanibel at the Southwest Florida League of Cities. Mr. Jennings is the vice-president of that organization.

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SENIOR CENTER 2401 Library Way Aerobics 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Waist Management at 12:15 thru April 27.	AUDUBON BIRD WALK San-Cap. Audubon meets at 8 a.m. at beach parking lot at end of Periwinkle Way for Sanibel Lighthouse. Non-resident pkg \$2/hr. Suggested donation: \$2. Open to the public. Call Hugh Verry at 395-3798.	PALM SUNDAY SEE ISLAND WORSHIP See next page for details on services around the islands.	SENIOR CENTER 2401 Library Way Aerobics 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Bridge 1:00 p.m.	SENIOR CENTER 2401 Library Way 472-5743 Yoga - Dr. Susan Pataky 10 a.m. for students of one or more years' expe- rience. \$13 members \$15 non-members	SENIOR CENTER 2401 Library Way 472-5743 Aerobics 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. Line Dancing 1:00 p.m. Chair Yoga 3:30 p.m. which is gentle stretching for those with limitations. Chairs used for all poses.	SENIOR CENTER 2401 Library Way 472-5743 Bridge 1 p.m. Mah Jong 12 p.m. Yoga - 10 a.m. by Dr. Susan Pataky for beginners and all lev- els \$13*members \$15 non-members
YOGA ON THE BEACH with Susan Pataky 8:15 a.m. \$10 Yoga-Power/Vinyasa - "Solar Express" Meet on the beach at Holiday Inn (Donax/Middle Gulf). Bring a large towel or a blanket		SANIBEL ROAD RUNNERS Meet 7 a.m. Sundays at The Sanibel Bean on Periwinkle Way. Rob Donovan 395-1077 or email rsdonovan@earth- link.net	SHELLCRAFTERS 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. every Monday at the Community House on Periwinkle.	PILATES MAT CLASS 4 p.m. with Holly Maiz Sanibel Fitness Center 975 Rabbit Rd. Call 898-1047	SOLAR OBSERVING Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium 3450 Ortiz Ave., Ft. Myers View the sun through a filtered telescope, weath- er permitting 11:30 a.m. \$8 adults \$5 for children 3-12 Call: 275-3435	PILATES MAT CLASS 4 p.m. with Holly Maiz 898-1047 Sanibel Fitness Center 975 Rabbit Rd.
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TOPS (TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY) meets at Zion Lutheran Church, Winkler at Gladiolus, every Friday. Weigh-in 9:30, meeting 10:30am. Call 1-800-YEA TOPS.	COMING SOON Sat. April 14 12:30 - 3:30 p.m. SKATEBOARD SPARK Come to the all new City of Sanibel Skate Park at 3840 San-Cap Rd. (Behind Sanibel School) for an inside look at the world of skate- boarding. Join staff from the city's Recreation Department and Brotherhood Skate Shop of Cape Coral for all the wheel grind- ing, ollie-twisting action your board can handle. All ages and skill levels are wel- come. Music, prizes and lunch will also be part of the afternoon. Skate Park Holiday Hours: April 9 - April 13: 2:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday, April 7: Closed Saturday, April 12: Noon to 4 p.m. For Info: 472-0345	COMING SOON Sun. April 15 RELAY FOR LIFE Survivor Reception 2 p.m. at Doc Ford's, 975 Rabbit Road. Please RSVP to Jessica Boles at 936- 1113 ext. 120 or jessica.boles@ cancer.org by April 12	COMING SOON Mon. April 16 SAN-CAP ORCHID SOCIETY SURVIVING THE So. FLORIDA SUMMER WITH ORCHIDS Orchids need help making the transition from spring to steamy summer weather. This will be the topic of the meeting of the Sanibel Captiva Orchid Society at the Sanibel Library at 1:30 p.m. Marilyn Vidussi, former owner of Marilyn's Orchids in Fort Myers with her husband, Harvey, will speak. Members are free, Guests \$2.50. The last meeting of the orchid society for the season will be Mon., May 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Library. Call Nannette Lehr 395-3327.	COMING SOON Wed. April 25 SANIBEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING 7:30 p.m. Free heavy hors d'oeuvres, cash bar followed by piano selections by Logan Sobczak. Call 472 2155 to make reservations (a count is needed) or stop by and let Gloria Baker know how many are coming.	THU. APRIL 12 SPRING HAS SPRUNG HIGH TEA LUNCHEON by the San- Cap Christian Women's Club 12 - 2 p.m. - at The Island Inn, 3111 W. Gulf Dr. Quilt Show with Martha Howard and Sanibel Quilters. Music by Teresa Shea Speaker: Rita Hinton, "In America is Everybody Insane?" Reservations required. Call 415-9510	FREAKONOMICS BY STEPHEN D. LEVITT 2 p.m. at the Sanibel Library Book Discussion Group. 'Freakonomics' argues that morality represents the way we'd like the world to work, whereas economics can show how the world really does work. Discussion leader is Duane E. Shaffer.

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	FRIDAY, 6	SATURDAY, 7	SUNDAY, 8	MONDAY, 9	TUESDAY, 10	WEDNESDAY, 11	THURSDAY, 12
JACARANDA 1223 Periwinkle Way 472-1771	Renata	Renata	Mario The Catman" Infanti	Renata 8:30 to 12:30 Jazz, dance	Eric Malibu 8:30 to 12:30 Contmp, funk, dance	Trevor 8:30 to 12:30 Reggae, dance	Renata 8:30 to 12:30 Jazz, dance
TWEEN WATERS 15951 Captiva Dr. 472-5161	405 Band	405 Band	Wem 3	Crab Races	John Salamon	John Salamon	Crab Races
RC OTTER'S 11596 Andy Rosse Ln 395-1142	Steve McDougal Chuck VanRipper	Royce Allgood Chuck VanRipper	Chuck VanRipper Pat McCune	Royce Allgood Pat McCune	Steve McDougal A.J.	Royce Allgood Chris Workman	Noble Hochmeister A.J.
KEYLINE BISTRO 11509 Andy Rosse Ln 395-4000	Noble Holchmeister Pat McCune	Chris Workman	Mark Vee Chris Workman	Chris Workman A.J.	Mark Vee Pat McCune	A.J. Steve McDougal	Bob Bowman
ELLINGTON'S JAZZ 937 East Gulf Dr 337-5299	Danny Sinoff Quartet Dan Miller -Trumpet	Danny Sinoff Quartet Dan Miller -Trumpet	Danny Sinoff Quartet Dan Miller -Trumpet	Danny Sinoff Quartet Dan Miller -Trumpet	Danny Sinoff Trio Geo. Williams on Sax	Danny Sinoff Trio	Danny Sinoff Quartet Dan Miller -Trumpet
DOLCE VITA 1224 Periwinkle Way 472-5555	Woody Brubaker Maurice Lo Monaco Oldies, jazz, opera	Joe McCormick Marvilla Marzan	Andre & Soli Oldies & Motown 7 p.m. 'til close	Joe McCormick Marvilla Marzan	Joe McCormick Marvilla Marzan	Kelly Pohler & Phil Bondi	Woody Brubaker & Skip Haynes
THE ISLAND COW Nightly 6 - 9:30 pm 2163 Periwinkle Way	Greg Watts	Diana Lynn			Diana Lynn	Jeff Key	Jeff Key
THE MUCKY DUCK 5 - 9 pm Andy Rosse Ln	John Butler	John Butler			Mark Dupuy	Keith Allen	John Butler
TRADERS Tues & Thu 8 - 11 pm 1551 Periwinkle Way					Danny Morgan & Friends		Danny Morgan & Friends
BLUE GRAFFE 2075 Periwinkle Way							Jeff Reed — 5-8 p.m. guitar & vocals



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Mon., April 9

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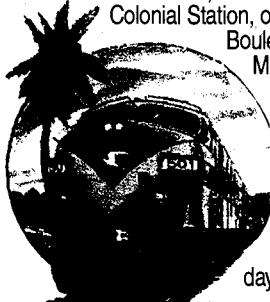


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ON EXHIBIT

SANIBEL LIBRARY showing works by Sara Hurst and Rita McLain through March 31st.

THROUGH THE MONTH

BIG ARTS - STELLA BEARWELL

a solo exhibition through April 15, 2007. She combines colors, textures and shapes, using oil, acrylic, plastic, wood, paper or materials from nature. A portion of the proceeds from the sale of her artwork donates to the New Orleans Jazz Restoration Society.

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

SCCF is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of natural resources and wildlife habitat on and around Sanibel and Captiva through: Land Acquisition, Wildlife habitat Management, Landscaping for Wildlife, Environmental Education, Marine Laboratory and Research and Sea Turtle Monitoring.

DOLPHIN & WILDLIFE CRUISES

In cooperation with Captiva Cruises, an excellent opportunity for the whole family to view wildlife in Pine Island sound. \$20/adult, \$12.50/children. Reservations call 472-5300.

OTTERS AND OTHERS:

GUIDED TRAIL WALKS - Twice daily at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Meet at SCCF's Nature Center. Docent-led walk through the interior wetlands and mis-island ridges of SCCF's Center Tract with discussion of wildlife, native habitats, natural and cultural history, and preservation efforts. \$3 entrance for adult non-members

BUTTERFLY HOUSE - Learn about the life cycle and behavior of Florida's butterflies and the plants they are dependent on. The Butterfly House is open every day with Conservation Foundation docents in the house on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. to inform you on butterfly life cycles and our Landscaping for Wildlife program.

NATURE CENTER, Nature Trails, Nature Center, Nature Shop and Bookstore open 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. \$3/adult, children free and members free.

SANIBEL SEA SCHOOL

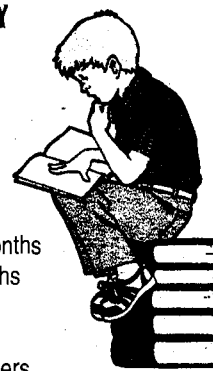
Sanibel Sea School is a non-profit foundation dedicated to marine conservation through experiential education. Its mission is to vibrantly teach children and adults about the marine ecosystem in the field with a hands-on, let's get our feet wet and see something wonderful approach.

Children's Day Classes 9 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. including lunch. You can drop off the kids and take a course

SANIBEL PUBLIC LIBRARY YOUTH PROGRAMS

Mon.	10 a.m. Bookworms	3 - 5 yr. olds
	6 p.m. Family Story Time	All ages
Tue.	2 p.m. Bookworms	3-5 yr. olds
Wed.	10 a.m. Small Wonders	Birth - 12 months
	11 a.m. Tiny Tots	12 - 24 months
Thur.	10 a.m. Terrific Twos	2 yr. olds
	3 p.m. Kid's Club	K - 2nd Graders
	4 p.m. R.E.A.D.	

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yourself or have a book, sun and tennis day.

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The Marshy Mangroves - Mangroves: why they're important, how they live, what lives on them and around them, why the mud stinks around them, why are they so important for the oceans, how to see all the creatures hiding in them.

Beach Explorations - Let's go catch some juvenile fish with a seine net on the beach and learn about the food chain. It's a great time of the year for that. Shell distribution: snail-like shells vs. clam-like shells. How are shells made, how do they live? Which ones eat plants? Which ones eat each other? What's up with algae?

Birds on the Shore and Birds in the Refuge - This time of year we're seeing all kinds of wonderful and exotic birds (White pelicans, Roseate Spoonbills, all sorts of terns and plovers and pipers). Lets learn a few birds that we can remember and look for. Let's see if we can find some feathers and identify tracks in the sand.

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FAMILY EASTER EGG HUNT AT SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

Saturday, April 7 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

The Children and Family Life Ministries at Sanibel Community Church will host their 2nd Annual Family Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 7.

Activities begin at 10am and conclude at 1pm. Come for games, fun, activities, lunch, and more as we celebrate the joy of Easter! For more information call 472-2684 and ask for Emily.

Sanibel Community Church is a multi-denominational fellowship located at 1740 Periwinkle Way (next to Jerry's Market). Worship services include Traditional Services at 8 a.m. with Communion, 10:45 a.m. with Choir and Contemporary Service with Kids' Church at 9 a.m.

ISLAND WORSHIP

BAT-YAM TEMPLE OF THE ISLANDS, Shabbat worship services will be held at the Sanibel Congregational United Church at 2050 Periwinkle Way on Sanibel every Friday evening at 8 p.m. Rabbi Murray Saltzman. Call 472-2699.

CAPTIVA CHAPEL BY THE SEA

11580 Chapin Lane, 472-1646.

Sunday Service 11 a.m.

Friday, March 30 4-5:15 p.m. Lenten Study and Discussion Series: The Power of Prayer

Sunday, April 1 11 a.m. Palm Sunday Service

Thursday, April 5 5 p.m. Maundy Thursday (The Special Holy Communion observance celebrating the original Last Supper)

Friday, April 6 12 Noon Good Friday

4 - 5:15 p.m. Final Lenten Study and Discussion Series: The Power of Prayer

Sunday, April 8 11 EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 15 11 Final Chapel Service for this Season.

You are cordially invited to come, bring your family and friends, to experience a unique worship venue—right on the beach, with seating either outdoors or inside. World-class music provided by area musicians. The Chapel Minister is The Rev. Dr. Robert R. Hansel of Hilton Head, South Carolina.

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Testimony meetings Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH, 1740 Periwinkle Way, 472-2684. Dr. Daryl Donovan, Senior Pastor; Ed VanderHey, Associate Pastor; Barb Nave, Ministry

Pastor; Tom Walsh, Youth Pastor; Emily Capan, Children's Director. Childcare available at all services. Sanibel Community Church is a Christ-centered non-denominational church.

Sanibel Community Church is accepting applicants for the LOGOS season. Your child is welcome to attend LOGOS from 3:30 to 7 p.m. every Wednesday night.

LOGOS is a fun place to meet other kids, learn Bible lessons, play games, and even eat dinner! LOGOS scholarships are still available.

Sunday worship hours:

- 8 a.m. Traditional Service with Communion
- 9 a.m. Contemporary Service with Kids' Church
- 10:45 a.m. Traditional service with full choir.

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday, April 5, at 7 p.m.

A service reflection upon the final night Jesus shared with His disciples. Concludes with the sharing in the Lord's Supper.

Tenebrae Good Friday Drama,

April 6th 8 p.m.

On that dark Friday night the followers of Jesus were confused and frightened. Come hear their testimonies as they reflect upon the events of the day of Christ's death. The service includes both drama and song point participants to the cross of Christ.

Easter Sunday, March 8, 6:30 a.m.

Sunrise Service on the Causeway. Stirring Message, Joyous Resurrection Music, Teen Challenge and a Youth Drama proclaiming the Easter message - Jesus is Alive. Opportunity for Believer's Baptism will be offered.

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Maundy Thursday: Service at 7:30 p.m.

Good Friday: Service 12 - 1 p.m.

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S. I. ISABEL CATHOLIC CHURCH, 3559 Sanibel-

Captiva Road, 472-2763. Rev. Christopher Senk. Saturday Mass: 5:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday Mass: 8 a.m., 9:30 & 11 a.m.

Maundy Thur.: Mass of Lord's Supper 5:30 p.m.

Good Friday: Veneration of the Cross 3 p.m.

Communion Service on Monday and Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. • Daily Mass: Saturday 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 8:30 a.m. Confession by appointment.

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CHURCH, 2304 Periwinkle Way, 472-2173.

Rector Donald Fishburne; Associate Rector Suzy Post. Services: Sunday at 8 & 10:30 a.m. Saturday at 5 p.m., Wednesday 9 a.m. (healing) & 6 p.m. (Evensong).

Holy Week & Palm Sunday Services

Saturday - 5 p.m. • **Sunday** - 8 & 10:30 a.m.

Monday & Tuesday - Eucharist at noon

Wednesday - Eucharist at 9 a.m. • Hymns and prayers in church at 6 p.m. followed by covered dish supper in the Parish Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday - Liturgy of the Last Supper 7 p.m.

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALISTS OF THE ISLANDS

Meet the first Sunday of each month - November - April - at 7:30 p.m. in Fellowship Hall (2nd Fl) of Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, 2050 Periwinkle Way.

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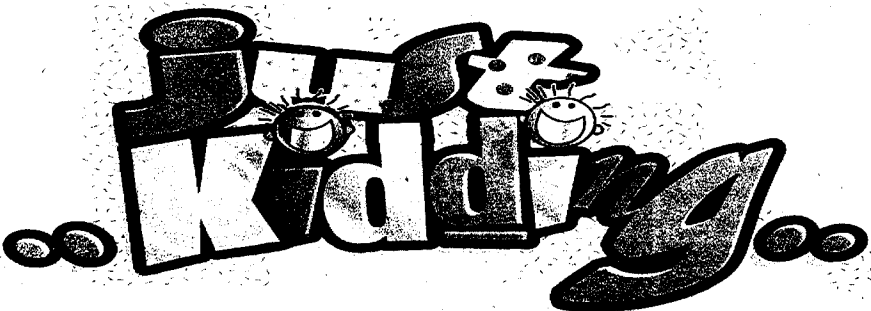
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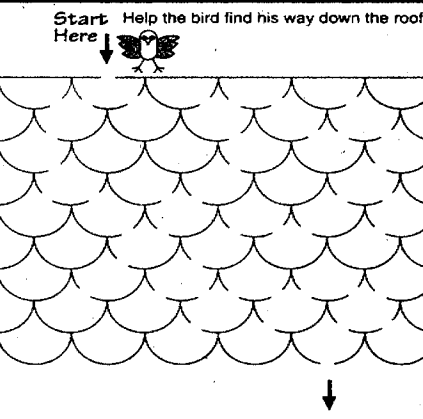
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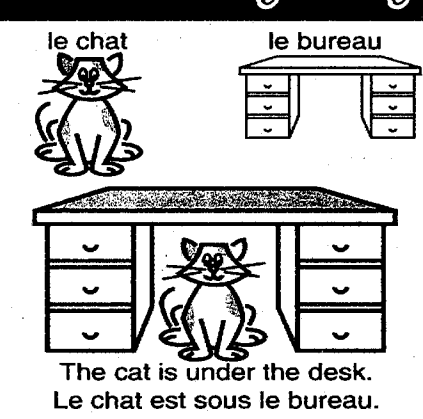
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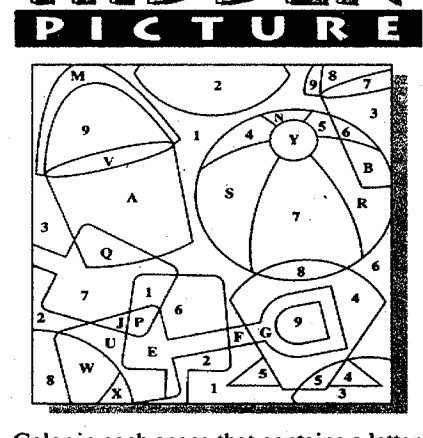
Learn Some French



SEEK AND FIND



HIDDEN PICTURE



DEFINE PASSOVER

Before you can truly understand Passover and what the holiday means to Jewish people everywhere, it might be a good idea to find out what some of the Hebrew words mean and their significance.

Passover: Originally a weeklong celebration, today Passover is an eight-day Jewish holiday in the spring. Passover commemorates when the Israelites were miraculously freed from centuries of slavery in Egypt. The name comes from the fact that the Israelites were not allowed to die. However, God "passed over" the homes of the Israelites. It is also the oldest of Jewish holidays.

Pesach (Pay-sach): Original Hebrew word for Passover. The word also refers to the lamb that was sacrificed and eaten in ancient times on the first night of Passover.

Matzah or Matzo: When the Israelites left Egypt, their dough did not have time to rise, so they could not make typical bread. Instead, they took flat, dry, unleavened cakes—"matzah." As a reminder, matzah is eaten during Passover.

Hametz or Chometz: The Hebrew word for leaven, which allows bread to rise. Before Passover is observed, anything with yeast, or any leavened items, must be carefully removed from Jewish homes. These items cannot be used or eaten during the holiday.

Seder (Say-der): During the first nights of Passover, families gather for this festive meal. The traditional ceremony is very complicated, so it is done according to a detailed order, and the Hebrew word "Seder" means "order." During a Seder, participants relive the experiences of slavery in Egypt and the happiness of being free through the use of the Haggadah. It represents a time of joy and freedom. The people around the table recline during the Seder as a symbol of freedom and ease.

Haggadah: Jews have been commanded to tell the wonderful story of how the Israelites were liberated from slavery in Egypt. The Haggadah, "telling," is the traditional text for doing just that.

Afikomen: The name of the last thing eaten—a piece of matzah—at the Seder. It is customary for the children at the Seder to steal the piece of matzah, and parents offer a gift for its return. Sometimes parents hide the Afikomen, and the child who finds it gets a reward.

Charoset: A mixture of apples and nuts that symbolizes the clay or mortar used to construct buildings for the Egyptian Pharaoh.

The Four Questions

Children play a big role in the Seder. First, God has commanded that the story of Passover be passed on; thus the children present must pass it on to their children. It is also the responsibility of the youngest child to ask four questions.

On all other nights, we can eat leavened or unleavened bread. Why do we eat only matzah at Pesach?
Matzah reminds us that when the Israelites left the slavery of Egypt, they did not have time to let the bread rise before baking.

On all other nights, we eat many kinds of vegetables and herbs. Why do we eat bitter herbs at our Seder?
Bitter herbs remind us of the bitter and cruel way the Israelites were treated when they were slaves in Egypt.

On other nights, we don't dip one food into another. During the Seder, we dip parsley in saltwater and bitter herbs in Charoset. Why do we dip our food twice tonight?
The parsley is to remind us that spring is here, and the saltwater symbolizes the tears of Jewish slaves. The bitter herbs are to remind us how hard the Jews worked in Egypt. The Charoset symbolizes the mortar or bricks used for constructing the Pharaoh's buildings.

On all other nights, we eat sitting up straight. Why do we recline tonight?
Slaves sit to eat or stand, as the Israelites did for their last meal in Egypt. We recline to be comfortable and remind us that once we were slaves but now we are free.

Understanding what the words mean should help you understand the story of Passover better and realize why it is so important to Jews. The holiday is a chance for Jewish people to celebrate freedom.

Guess who's turning another year older this week!

April 1-7

I was born on April 2, 1947, in Birmingham, AL. I am a singer whose hits include "Two More Bottles of Wine." Who am I?

Answer: Emmylou Harris

I was born on April 3, 1934, in London, England. I am an anthropologist who is known for my study of chimpanzees. Who am I?

Answer: Jane Goodall

I was born on April 4, 1928, in St. Louis, MO. I am an author whose work includes *I Know Why the Caged Bird Sings*. Who am I?

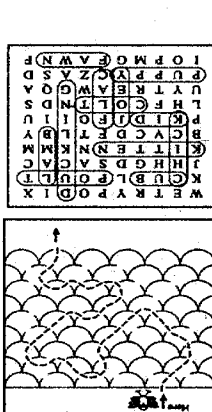
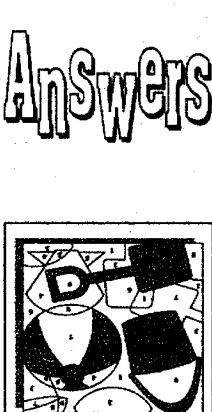
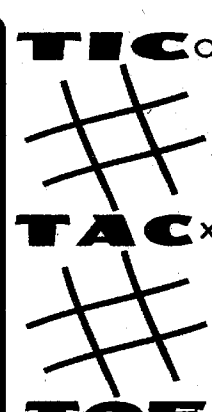
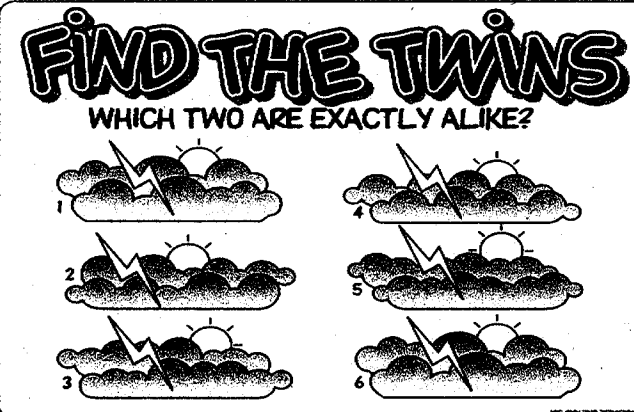
Answer: Maya Angelou

I was born on April 5, 1937, in New York, NY. I am a politician who served as Secretary of State for President George W. Bush during his first term of office. Who am I?

Answer: Colin Powell

I was born on April 6, 1947, in Bridgeport, CT. I am an actor whose work includes the role of Cliff Clavin on *Cheers*. Who am I?

Answer: John Ratzenberger



WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters in each word to spell something pertaining to Easter.

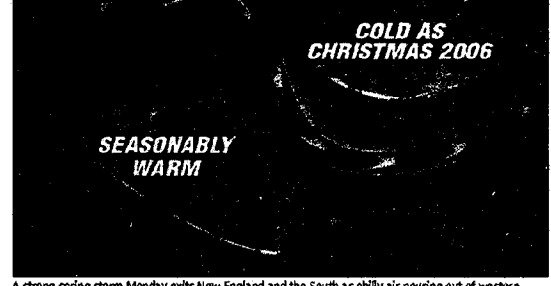
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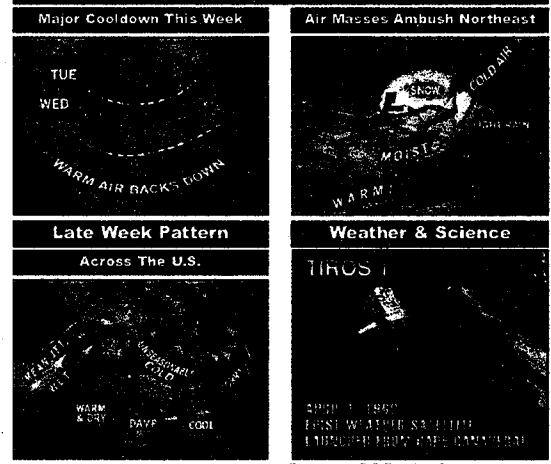
Cold Returns To The East

Easter To Feel Like Christmas



A strong spring storm Monday exits New England and the South as chilly air pouring out of western Canada begins to push across the northern tier of the nation. The cold shot could make Easter weekend as cold or colder than last Christmas. The spring storm slowly exited New England Monday after sparking a round of severe thunderstorms Sunday, which is detailed on the News Summaries page. While most of New England received rain through Monday night, the Winter Weather Center is forecasting a few inches of snow could create travel headaches tonight in northern Maine. The tail end of the storm's cold front will trigger passing showers and thunderstorms from coastal North Carolina to the northern Gulf Coast.

Early Week Highlights



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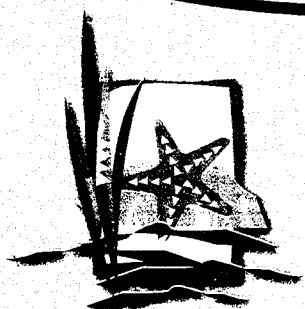
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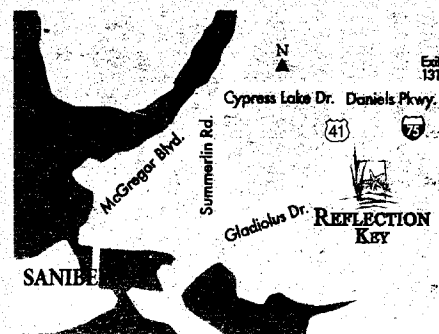
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Mystery tree with spines on the trunk is likely a kapok or silk floss

Dear Ron:

I hope you can help me identify a rather large tree with spikes that are about 1-inch long and quite thick, growing mostly on the trunk and the top of the branches. Do you know what this tree is?

— Larry



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Ron Simpson

Dear Larry:

Two likely candidates are the kapok and silk floss. They are closely related members of the Malvaceae family and very similar in many respects.

The kapok (Ceiba pentandra) is also known as silk cotton tree for the cottony floss that bursts from its pod-like fruits. The floss is used in life jackets, pillows and mattresses.

The silk floss (Chorisia speciosa) is identified by some botanists as Ceiba speciosa, which puts it in the same genus as the kapok. The silk floss has pod-like fruits with a silky floss inside that is also used in pillows and mattresses.

Both trees often have spines on their trunks, have mature heights of 50 feet or more, are native to South America, and are recommended for zones 10, 11 and protected areas of 9B. Both the kapok and silk floss lose their leaves during the dry

season and are considered to be moderately salt-tolerant.

Some differences: The silk floss has large clusters of showy, lily-like, pink blossoms and 6- to 12-inch-long pods, while the kapok has less-attractive, dirty-white to light-pink blossoms and 3- to 6-inch-long pods.

Your hummingbird may be vacationing in Mexico

Dear Ron:

I haven't seen my hummingbird now for a few weeks. Has she flown the coop until fall?

— Sue

Dear Sue:

Your hummingbird may be vacationing in Mexico or Central America, but could return to your garden in the next couple of months. The great majority of the tiny birds that visit Florida are ruby-throated hummingbirds (Archilochus colubris), which can found as far north in the warm months as southern Canada. The bumble-size hummingbird weighs only about 1/8-ounce,

with wing beats of up to 80 per second, flight speeds of up to 63 miles per hour, and heart rates of up to 1,200 per minute.

While a few hummingbirds may hang around South Florida during the winter months, most scientists believe they depart the U.S. in late fall for Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean islands. They return northward in the spring, with the males arriving first to establish territories.

Their remarkable non-stop migration across the Gulf of Mexico can take up to 20 hours, a feat enabled by a 50 percent increase in body fat before their departure. And some experts believe that hummingbirds actually put their biological time clocks on hold during flight.

You can safely trim flowers from your foxtail palm

Dear Ron:

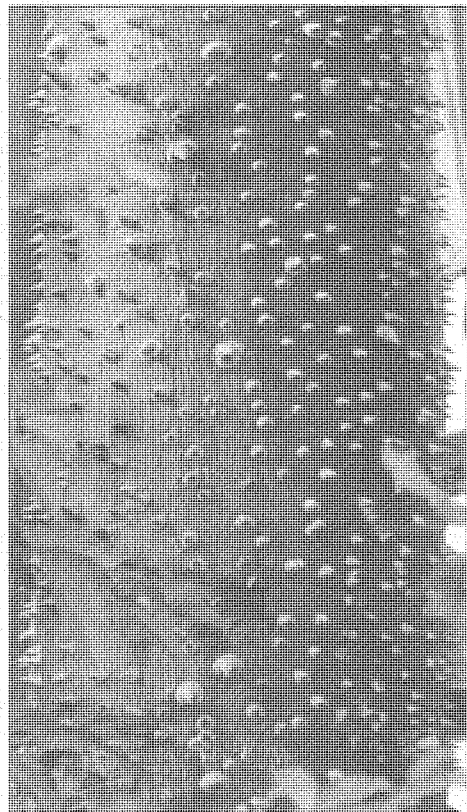
I have a beautiful foxtail palm that is beginning to flower. Will it hurt our tree if we cut off the flowers as they begin to emerge?

— Betty

Dear Betty:

You can safely trim off the flower buds on your foxtail palms, though doing so will

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Judah responds to state legislative Everglades Oversight Committee

During a recent State Legislative Everglades Oversight Committee meeting at Florida Gulf Coast University, Representative Richard Machek, D-Delray Beach blamed Lee County government for the nutrient pollution of our waterways.

Disregarding well-documented excessive releases of polluted water from Lake Okeechobee, Rep. Machek suggested that local septic tanks and discharge of treated wastewater effluent were the cause for the degradation of the Caloosahatchee River and coastal estuaries.

Interestingly, the South Florida Water Management District is also attempting to shift attention away from Lake Okeechobee as the primary source of nutrient loading and suggesting that it is local runoff that is the cause for the high concentration of phosphorous and nitrogen that is contributing to the increased frequency and duration of red tide, proliferation of red drift and blue-green algae and fish kills.

Rep. Machek accused Lee County of discharging millions of gallons of processed sewage into the river and estuaries every day and that the county needed to reduce our reliance on septic tanks.

Rep. Machek's comments were misdirected and misguided in that it is the state, not the county, that has jurisdictional oversight of septic tank permits and treated sewage discharge from wastewater treatment facilities into the river. I remain hopeful that Rep. Machek will insist that the state take a more proactive position in restricting the

issuance of septic tank permits and require wastewater reuse rather than continue to allow the direct discharge of treated wastewater effluent into our river. Local initiatives, such as Cape Coral's dual water system using reclaimed wastewater to meet irrigation needs and Lee County's continued expansion of an effective reuse program have substantially reduced point source discharge to the Caloosahatchee River.

It is important to place the issue of land-based nutrient runoff in proper perspective and a review of the Florida Department of Environmental Regulation records on Wastewater Treatment Plant discharge to the Caloosahatchee River provides an interesting contrast between local pollutant loading and discharge from Lake Okeechobee. Unlike the Everglades where phosphorous is the limiting nutrient, nitrogen is the limiting nutrient on the west coast, and is the catalyst for stimulating algae blooms. Collectively, the five wastewater treatment plants in Lee County that are permitted to discharge to the Caloosahatchee River account for approximately 270 pounds of total nitrogen per day.

In contrast, the South Florida Water Management District "Caloosahatchee River/Estuary Nutrient Issue" 2005 report, indicates that approximately 88-92 percent of total nitrogen loading into the Caloosahatchee River and our coastal estuaries is released east of the Franklin locks primarily from agricultural lands and Lake Okeechobee. In

fact, the release of total nitrogen upstream of the Franklin Locks during the wet season averages 24,000 pounds per day.

Failed voluntary best management practices intended to treat surface water runoff from agricultural lands north and west of Lake Okeechobee and decades of backpumping into the lake from the sugar cane fields to the south have resulted in a buildup and massive release of total nitrogen from Lake Okeechobee.

During the current 2007 session, the State Legislature will be working on an amendment to the Lake Okeechobee Protection Act that would establish the framework to reduce pollution flowing from the agricultural lands through the lake and into the Caloosahatchee and St. Lucie River estuaries. The plan's effectiveness is contingent upon mandatory best management practices.

Given the exceedingly high concentration of residual or legacy nitrogen in Lake Okeechobee, it is imperative that the state also focus on a storage flow way south of Lake Okeechobee in the Everglades Agricultural Area to provide for critical water storage and nutrient reduction to ensure a meaningful solution to restore our Everglades and coastal estuaries.

County Commissioner Ray Judah represents District 3 of the Lee County Board of County Commissioners.

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Northern Everglades. "This is a new term," Denham explained, "intended to encompass everything north of Lake Okeechobee, but in particular the Kissimmee River Basin." The proposed Northern Everglades Project would direct funds for the cleanup of the Kissimmee River Basin and also provide substantial additional storage both north and south of Lake Okeechobee. "The proposed law would add \$100 million more a year from the state to help clean up and divert the waters north of Lake Okeechobee," Denham stated.

State Sen. Burt Saunders (R-Dist. 37) expressed 100 percent confidence the budget would pass, according to Denham, as did State Rep. Trudi Williams (R-Dist. 75), who told him it was a "done deal."

"These are the words they actually said to me," Denham stated. "I don't want to be naïve in assuming that what everyone tells me is going to turn out to be fact, but I believe they're paying attention to us. I am optimistic but cautious. It looks promising."

Being listened to was a refreshing experience for the new mayor.

"For me, over the past couple of years I've felt people weren't really listening to our plight," Denham said. "I don't believe that to be true anymore. I believe people are listening." The mayor and Jennings spent 25 minutes with Gov. Crist, an exceptionally long meeting with the state's top executive. "He was very easy to talk with, looked you straight in the eye," Denham reported. "He understands the problems." Many of the governor's environmental priorities are the same as those of Sanibel's citizens, Denham said, and he thanked Crist.

The other 50 percent pollution

There are two basic sources for the excess nutrients poisoning the Gulf of Mexico; one is Lake Okeechobee and the water releases coming down the Caloosahatchee River. The other pollution source is "runoff" from fertilizers, sewage treatment, septic systems and stormwater drainage. The state Department of Environmental Protection estimates about half the excess nutrients or



"It is important to remember that this is a marathon, not a sprint."

— Mayor Mick Denham

pollutants poisoning the estuaries and the Gulf of Mexico come from these sources.

Denham chairs the Lower West Coast Watershed Council, a subcommittee of the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. That council is focusing on a multi-pronged effort to reduce nutrient runoff in the region's waters outside the reach of Lake Okeechobee. The subcommittee makes recommendations in the form of a resolution, which is presented to the full planning council for approval. A fertilizer resolution has already been drafted and approved, and a second addressing wastewater treatment facilities is in draft form and should be approved next month.

"This series of resolutions recommend new standards for control that will ultimately, not immediately, improve

water quality throughout the region," Denham said. "It is important to remember that this is a marathon, not a sprint. These problems we're focusing on are not going to be solved overnight."

The sewage treatment resolution will suggest significant additional controls on water releases from treatment facilities into the Caloosahatchee including major improvement in the level of nutrients.

"It's important to remember there's no one silver bullet," Denham emphasized. "It's a lot of small bullets we've got to focus on to improve the waterway."

The Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council covers six counties: Sarasota, Charlotte, Lee, Collier, Glades and Hendry. It meets once a month; the West Coast Watershed subcommittee meets twice a month.

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be of negligible assistance in promoting growth of its graceful fluffy fronds.

The best thing you can do in this regard is to feed it with a quality palm fertilizer three or four times year from March through October. Apply additional granular manganese and magnesium during every other feeding and keep it well mulched.

Interestingly, botanists didn't even know the foxtail palm (*Wodyetia bifurcata*) existed until 1983, when it was discovered in its native land of Australia, where it is now a threatened species. It wasn't until 1995 that the foxtail was introduced to the U.S., and it has quickly become one of Florida's most spectacular exotic palms.

Graceful, arching plumes of pale-green fronds — said to resemble a fox's tail — add a beautiful accent to landscapes in southernmost Florida, either planted singly or in groups of three. Another showy plus is the bounty of bright-red fruits it produces. The foxtail palm has a ringed trunk and grows quickly to about 30 feet when it is well-cared for.

It is adaptable to zones 10, 11 and southernmost 9B. and is moderately salt-tolerant.

Ron Sympton is a landscape designer and consultant. You can send e-mails to ronsympton@aol.com or write to 11691 Dawn Cowrie Drive, Fort Myers, FL 33908.

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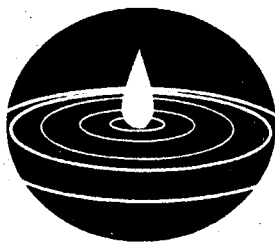
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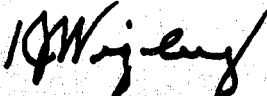
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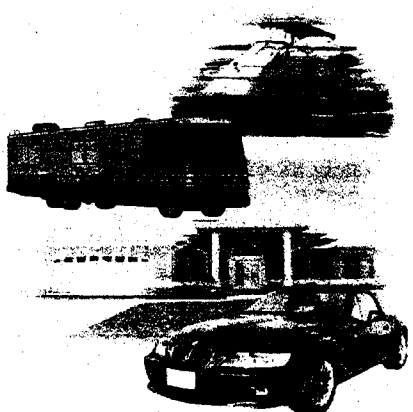
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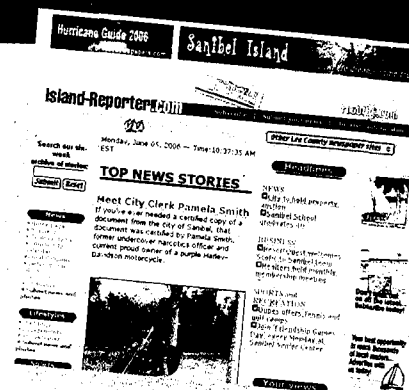
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Obituary

Nancy Palmer

Long-time Sanibel resident Nancy Palmer died at home at the age of 90 early on March 31, 2007 with her dogs and familiar faces near her. She had been suffering from Alzheimer's Disease as well as from other medical problems for many months.

She was born in Cleveland, Ohio, then moved to Ossining, N.Y. where she finished high school. Soon after, she moved to New York City, where she lived almost continuously until the 1980s.

Nancy was a photographer and became an agent for news photographers all over the world representing them to the editors of Life, Look, National Geographic, the NYTimes magazine and many others.

On a vacation trip to Florida in the late '60s, Nancy and her life partner, LeClair Bissell, found Sanibel and a small furnished house on Woodring Point. They bought it. Once retired, they spent longer and longer

periods of time in Florida until it made sense to become voting residents here. Their original home here has been replaced, but the old house traveled by barge to the Sanibel Historic Village where it remains.

Nancy was active with FISH, helped CROW develop its transportation system for injured animals, and was an enthusiastic supporter of EMILY's List and other Democratic efforts.

She is survived by David Palmer, her nephew, of Saratoga Springs, N.Y., her life partner of 48 years, LeClair Bissell.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to CROW, Post Office Box 150, Sanibel 33957 or to Planned Parenthood, 2055 Wood Street - Suite 110, Sarasota, FL 34237

There will be an informal celebration of her life at 2 p.m., Wednesday April 11, at the Unitarian Universalist Church at 13411 Shire Lane, Fort Myers. Call 561-2700 for directions.

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ogy, and Lee County representation.

This could change if Gov. Crist would appoint one or both of the following candidates who have thrown their hats into the ring.

■ Wayne Daltry, a land planner for Lee County, directs Lee County's Smart Growth initiative and has expressed an interest in being appointed to the SFWMD board. He grew up in Bradenton, Florida, and went on to earn a degree from The Citadel. Wayne has an extensive background in land planning and is extremely knowledgeable about the history and environment of South Florida. In his work for Lee County government, Wayne has been involved in the efforts to persuade the SFWMD to change its decision-making process to one that recognizes the value of the Caloosahatchee estuary and our coastal waters.

■ Local water resources consultant Greg Rawl has also indicated his interest in being appointed to represent Lee County on the SFWMD board. Mr. Rawl has more than 25 years of experience in the fields of water resources, hydrogeology and geology. He has managed projects throughout the North American continent. Mr. Rawl's experience covers large-scale analysis of surface water

and groundwater systems; and he has also served as a consultant in areas such as water supply, groundwater cleanup, remedial action plans, effluent reuse, landfills, seepage studies, watershed simulation modeling, dewatering and dredge/fill projects. In addition, he has been used as an expert witness in cases involving groundwater and surface water resources.

Sanibel City Council

City council members stressed at Tuesday's meeting that now is the time to try to influence the governor to appoint knowledgeable representatives such as Daltry and Rawl to the SFWMD board. People can e-mail the governor at Charlie.crist@myflorida.com, and copy Sen. Burt Saunders since the Florida Senate must confirm appointments to the water district board. Saunders' e-mail address is saunders.burt.web@flsenate.gov.

Barbara Joy Cooley is an editor and science writer. She currently serves as vice president of the Committee of the Islands, a registered political action committee.

Sports

Sanibel Adult Softball League: Pirates Pluck the Eagles

The Gasparilla Pirates tossed the Bailey's Eagles overboard last Wednesday night, winning 21-20 in one gale of a game. Down at one point by eight runs, the Pirates appeared to be walking the plank. But thanks to team spark plug, Kevin Duda, who "Yo, ho, ho-ed" more than a drunken parrot, the Pirates turned the game around in the next few innings to take the lead 14-11. Nevertheless, the Eagles landed on the crew's nest to come back and take the lead 20-17 in the top of the seventh. It was the Pirates who plundered the night though. With a hit that would make Black Beard look like a land-lubber, Cal Connelly of the Pirates brought in the game winning run in the bottom of the seventh making the final score to 21-20.

In the other game of the evening, the Physical Therapy of Sanibel Wrecking Crew's permit to destruction expired by game time against archrival the Doc Ford's City Slickers. Slipping ahead early in the game, The City Slicker's pitcher Lance "Hard Drive" Henninger made sure the Crew couldn't catch up. Along with Dale Gurnsey's back-to-back triples and the big batting of Rob Loflin a.k.a. "Dr. Pepper", the Slickers made the Crew fight an uphill battle all game long. Despite a few rallying innings the Crew was bulldozed over, the final score being 16-10.

Standings as of 3/28/07:

Kennedy Construction Diamond Dogs	6-1
Bailey's General Store Eagles	4-3
Doc Ford's City Slickers	4-3
Physical Therapy of Sanibel	3-4
Wrecking Crew	2-5
Gasparilla Pirates	2-6

Bailey's Eagles Donates to Littleton Elementary Beautification Day

The Bailey's softball team, the Sanibel Eagles, recently donated \$180 to the Littleton Elementary School's Beautification Day.

Beautification Day is a day set aside in May where community members and families come together to work on campus beautification projects such as plant maintenance, butterfly gardens, memorial gardens, and improvement of outside educational facilities. The Littleton Elementary School's goal is to reach \$3,000 in donations for their native landscaping project this year.

Eagles teammate and Littleton assistant principal Matt Bruner said, "If Bailey's General Store hadn't sponsored our team, this donation from our players wouldn't have been possible. I'd like to thank Sam and Francis for all they've done. Also a thank you goes out to the teammates who donated as well."

See more SPORTS on page 21

Answer me this...



Last week's question: Should public funds be used to promote tourism on sanibel?

The replies:

Yes 25%

No 75%

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2nd Mark Avedekian 56*
Hubert Whitaker

3rd Fred Brodersen 56*
Bill Jorgenson

4th Phil Pilibosian 57*
Richard Norman

5th Bob Rohl 57*
Joe Vinci

6th Felix Cucuru 57*
John Naumann

7th Mike Latranga 57*
Marv Seibold

8th Ken Grosse 58*
Tyler Ritrovito

Closest to the Pins
Dick Hopkins #6
Mike Carrigan #11

Longest Drive
Jerry Muench #3
David Trautwein #16

**The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club
Nifty Niners
Thursday, March 29
Format: Four Lady Shamble**

1st Place Janice McNeal 16
Willie Winkler
Mary Condit

2nd Place Sue Norpell 19
Phyllis Koury
Maureen O'Brien

Tied For 3rd Place
Sue Tray 20
Sue Lopez

Nancy Hopkins
Carol Curcuro

Gay Nichols
Valerie Hotchkiss
Mary Tobin
Kay Wightman

Julie O'Neill
Barb Cline
Roberta Rohl
Nina Browning

**Beachview Women's
Golf Association**

By BEA MAGGIO

On Wednesday, March 28th, the members of the Beachview Women's Golf Association invited the members of the Beachview Men's Association to join them in played a 4 person Shot Gun Scramble. It was hotly

**The Dunes Golf & Tennis Club
Women's Golf
Association
Friday March 30, 2007
Format: 2 Best Balls of 4**

1st Place Nancy Greenberg 112
Jana Stone
Kenene Weymouth
Joan Baumler

2nd Place Sonya Gans 114
Millie Ford
Ginny Grosse
Lil Gailius

3rd Place Jane Gould 115
Doris Dewitt
Annie Wainwright
Jeanne Lindman

4th Place Donna Griesbaum 116
Sally Knaub
Gussie Blue
Lee Bogan

Chip Ins Pat Wentling #13
Tanya Hochschild #8
Annie Wainwright #17

contested as less than a stroke separated first from second place.

Garnering the top honors was the team of Nancy Carlile, Marilyn Humphries, Dick Arnold and Tom Malott who posted a 41.25. Right on their heels with a score of 41.50 was the foursome of Terry Lohser, Kathy Krause, Barry Humphries and Tom Bolon who had to settle for second place.

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SANCTUARY
Absolutely gorgeous home, 4.5 bath, office/den, the gourmet kitchen, courtyard home that centers around the main house features a gourmet kitchen, formal dining room, vaulted ceiling, beautiful master suite and bath with California closets. Guest suite is very spacious with a private full bath and small kitchenette. Furnished with exceptions.
\$1,895,000



NUTMEG VILLAGE #303

Lovely 2 bedroom and 2 bath condo with terrific views of the Gulf of Mexico. Newly repainted, new master bath with Jacuzzi tub, Cherry cabinets in the kitchen, hurricane shutters on all windows, new roof, hardi-plank siding, new railings, landscaping, gazebo and just one minute to the pool or beach.

\$799,000



WATER-FRONT COTTAGE

Charming 3 BR/2 BA home situated on Sunset Bay. This ground level home has a new roof, dock with water & electricity, porch, patio and screened-in orchid room. Great views of the water and wildlife. Just a short bike or walk to the beaches of Blind Pass.

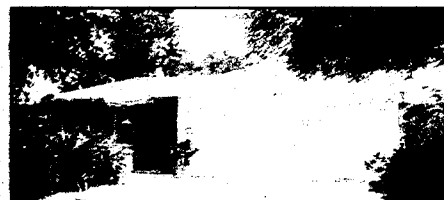
\$997,500



GUMBO LIMBO

Fantastic 3 bedroom and 3 bath Wolter Group built home on a large lot with numerous upgrades throughout. Situated on a lake with great views of the water. Featuring a spacious floor plan, screen enclosed pool, wood, tile and carpet flooring, 2-car garage and much more.

\$829,000



PEACEFUL & PRIVATE

Situated in a great location this 3 bedroom and 2 bath home has a remodeled kitchen and new interior plumbing. Features carpet and tile flooring, huge screened porch with fireplace, kitchen with breakfast bar, dining/living combination and a 2 car garage. The property is surrounded by conservation land and is just a short bike to the beach.

\$579,000



GULF-FRONT HOME

Gorgeous direct Gulf-front beach home located in the private and gated South Seas Resort. This perfect beach home has 4 BR/4 BA, new carpet, freshly painted interior and exterior, tile floors, cathedral ceilings, recessed and track lighting, screened porch, open sundeck, interior plantation shutters, electric hurricane shutters, private elevator, balconies off most rooms, private path to the beach and is sold furnished with a few exceptions.

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Word on the island

What are you doing to prepare for hurricane season?



Bill Rosemurgy
South Fort Myers

"I'll make sure the house is buttoned down. I'll take my pets and leave. I don't want to leave when roads are busy when they do tell us to evacuate."



Cliff Hall
Sanibel

"I plan on following the city's hurricane plan!"



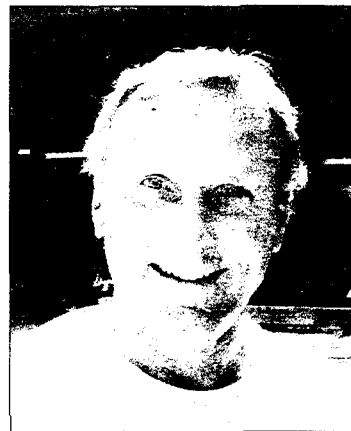
Mike Hannan
Sanibel

"Same old, same old. Get batteries and water. Listen to the radio and TV. We have a survival kit."



Barry Wixey
Sanibel

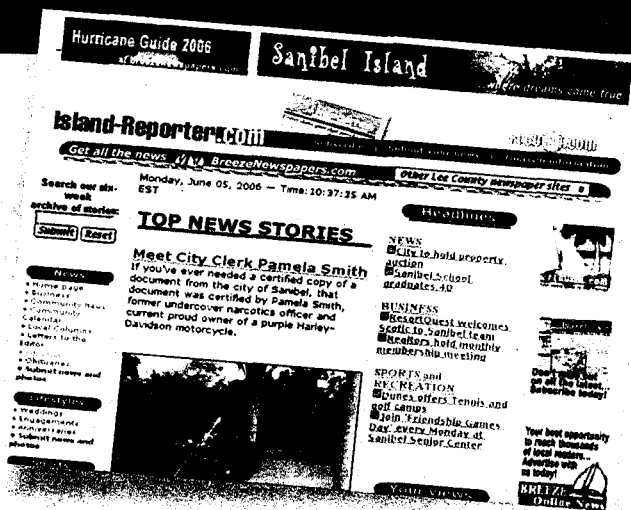
"I am getting ready to leave for the summer. I'll be putting storm shutters up."



Bob Lindman
Sanibel

"We'll fasten everything down, tie the boat to our lift, and make sure the house is secure. We'll make sure our hurricane passes are in order and pray that we have a light hurricane season!"

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Police Beat

Police Blotter

(The police blotter contains public information obtained from the Sanibel Police Department, the Lee County Sheriff's Office and the Lee County Jail booking log. Arrests made are suspicions of crime(s) committed. All persons are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.)

Reptile complaints

Sanibel police responded to six reptile calls for service this past week:

Officers responded to five alligator complaints on Durion Court, Middle Gulf Drive and West Gulf Drive this week. No other details were available.

Officers responded to Sanddollar Drive Friday after a resident spotted an iguana. No other details were provided.

Citations

Failure to move for emergency vehicle/wrecker

San-Cap Road 1

Failure to change address on drivers license

Sandcastle Road 1

Seabelt violation

Sanibel Captiva Road 1
Casa Ybel 2

Unlawful speed

Sanibel Captiva Road 4
Casa Ybel Road 1
West Gulf Drive 1

Unlawful speed - school zone

Casa Ybel 1

Equipment violation

Casa Ybel Road 1
Periwinkle Way 2

Failure to obey traffic control device

Dixie Beach 2
Sanibel-Captiva Road 10
Casa Ybel 6
West Gulf Drive 1
Periwinkle Way 2
Sand Dollar Drive 1
Algiers Lane 1
Tarpon Bay Road 1

Driving without headlights

Periwinkle Way 1

Ran stop sign

Dixie Beach 1
Sandcastle Road 1
Sanibel-Captiva Road 2
Causeway Road 1

WEATHER FORECAST FOR APRIL 7&8

SATURDAY

A.M.

P.M.



Partly cloudy and hot today with evening temps in the mid 50's.

SUNDAY

A.M.

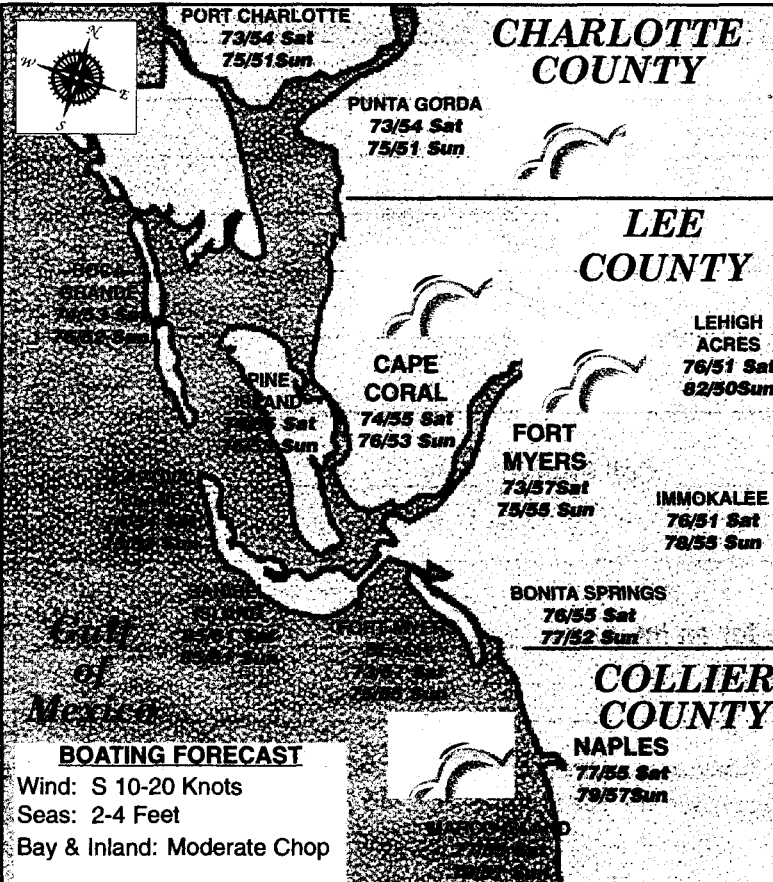
P.M.



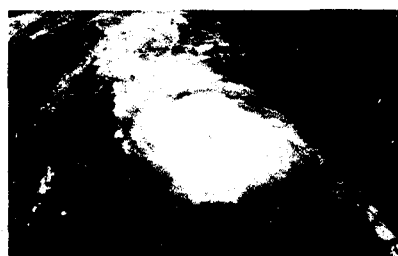
Slightly lower highs today, with evening temps remaining in the mid 50's.

WEEKEND TIDES

City	Sat. High	Sat. Low	Sun. High	Sun. Low
Cape Coral	2:20 a.m.	7:42 a.m.	2:37 a.m.	8:43 a.m.
Bridge	12:57 p.m.	8:55 p.m.	2:06 p.m.	9:34 p.m.
Captiva at	12:10 a.m.	4:26 a.m.	12:27 a.m.	5:27 a.m.
Redfish Pass	10:47 a.m.	5:39 p.m.	11:56 a.m.	6:18 p.m.
Fort Myers	3:13 a.m.	8:24 a.m.	3:30 a.m.	9:25 a.m.
	1:50 p.m.	9:37 p.m.	2:59 p.m.	10:16 p.m.
Matlacha	1:48 a.m.	7:08 a.m.	2:05 a.m.	8:09 a.m.
Pass	12:25 p.m.	8:21 p.m.	1:34 p.m.	9:00 a.m.
Pineland	12:46 a.m.	6:06 a.m.	1:03 a.m.	7:07 a.m.
	11:23 a.m.	7:19 p.m.	12:32 p.m.	7:58 p.m.
Point Ybel	9:52 a.m.	4:28 a.m.	11:01 a.m.	5:29 a.m.
	11:32 p.m.	5:41 p.m.	11:50 p.m.	6:20 p.m.
Punta Rassa	12:04 a.m.	4:21 a.m.	12:21 a.m.	5:22 a.m.
	10:41 a.m.	5:34 p.m.	11:50 a.m.	6:13 p.m.
St. James	12:35 a.m.	4:56 a.m.	12:52 a.m.	5:57 a.m.
City	11:12 a.m.	6:09 p.m.	12:21 p.m.	6:48 p.m.



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STATE FORECAST-SATURDAY

CITY	LOW/HIGH
CAPE CORAL	74/55
DAYTONA BEACH	71/49
FT. LAUDERDALE	77/62
FT. MYERS BEACH	73/57
GAINESVILLE	70/42
JACKSONVILLE	69/43
KEY WEST	79/69
KISSIMMEE	75/50
MIAMI	78/65
ORLANDO	71/49
PANAMA CITY	66/48
PENSACOLA	63/39
SARASOTA	71/53
ST. PETERSBURG	72/58
TALLAHASSEE	65/36
TAMPA	71/51
VERO BEACH	75/49
WEST PALM BEACH	75/59

SATURDAY
SUNRISE
7:20 AM

SUNDAY
SUNSET
7:44 PM



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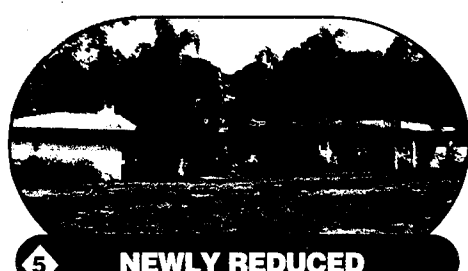
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3 LEASE OPTION AVAILABLE



4 PICTURE PERFECT HOME



5 NEWLY REDUCED



6 JUST LISTED

1. ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL

Come take a look at this 3Bd/2Ba +Den Home. Spectacular from the moment you walk in the door until you leave through the detached 25x40 Workshop Garage. Has upgraded appliances, granite counters & surround sound in great room. Master Bath has 6' whirlpool tub. Reduced to \$395,000

2. CHECK ME OUT NOW!

Beautiful 4Bd/2Ba Pool Home. The pool & spa are heated. Pool equipment stays. 18" diagonal porcelain tile laid throughout. Custom drapes & window treatments. There is a white picket fence, seawall & concrete dock. Beautiful scored scalloped concrete drive. This could be yours for only \$419,000

3. WHAT A SHOW STOPPER

This 3Bd/2Ba home is located in Historic Dean Park. Has an impressive foyer that is 9x20, split floor plan, tile fireplace and custom paint throughout. Home sits on a corner lot adorned with a beautiful ficus tree and landscaping that enhances the property exterior. You don't want to miss this one. Priced at \$529,000

4. LOCATED IN HERONS GLEN

This 2Bd/2Ba home has an open floor plan, fabulous decorating and is like new. There are upgraded glass front kitchen cabinets, the den can be 3rd BR, an extended lanai, community golf, tennis, shuffle board, heated pool & spa, fitness room, libraries, card rooms, craft rooms & large clubhouse. Asking \$274,900

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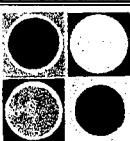
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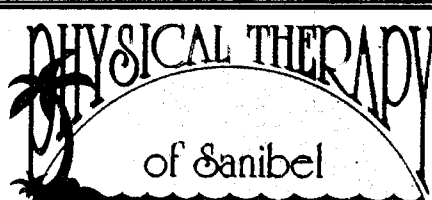
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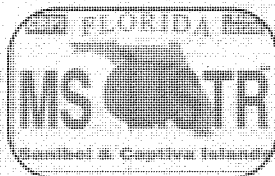
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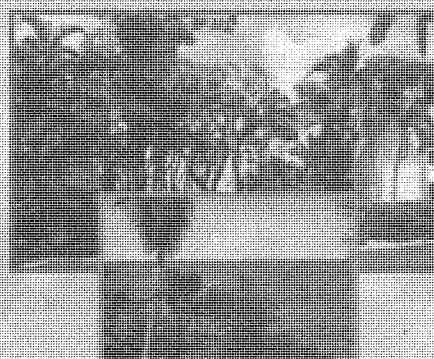
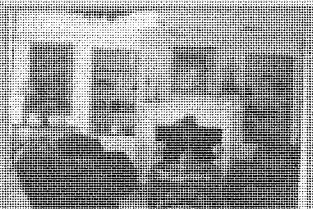
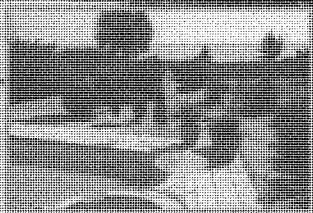
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3627 WEST GULF DRIVE

INCREDIBLE GULF FRONT HOME ... This West Gulf Drive home has 5 bedrooms, 4 baths, fireplace, elevator, large pool/spa and your own private boardwalk to the most private beach on Sanibel Island. The home was recently decorated by Robb & Stuckey. Being offered furnished. Offering Price \$5,400,000



1520 San Carlos Bay

This bayfront property is ready for your buyer to complete. Great location, great views, great neighborhood! 2 1/2 story home - renovation started but not completed. Survey available. 1600 plus sq. ft. of buildable surface left on this 110' of bayfront property. Truly an excellent opportunity for an investor or homeowner.
\$2,195,000



Casa Del Rio

MAGNIFICENT RIVERFRONT ESTATE HOME on the Caloosahatchee River in Ft. Myers' Historic McGregor neighborhood. This extraordinary home is situated on two lots with over 200' of river frontage & unbelievable views of the river. Features: pool with spa/ fountain overlooking the river, new private clay tennis court, cabana with Wet Bar, boat dock, open porch. Interior is over 5,000 square feet and has been totally remodeled with new wood & tile flooring. **\$4,395,000**

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WEST GULF DRIVE CONDO

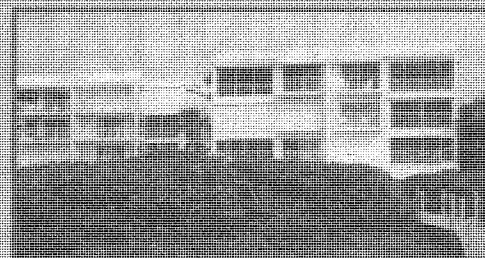
Sanibel Sunset

West Gulf Drive penthouse! 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, direct views of the Gulf, low density complex (6 units) with beautifully landscaped grounds, large glass enclosed lanai with electric storm shutters, balcony attached to master suite overlooking the gulf, exquisite kitchen with hard surface countertops & tile backsplash, 9' ceilings, plantation shutters, under building parking, pool and tennis! **\$1,990,000**

WEST GULF DRIVE CONDO

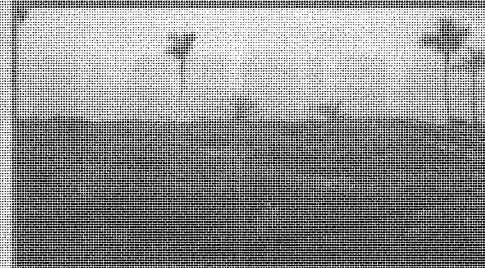
Villas of Sanibel

This condo features panoramic, unobstructed views of the Gulf, 2 Gulf front bedroom suites plus an additional bedroom and a den, glass sliders on the porch, newly remodeled master bath complete with handicap features, enclosed garage, cabana, etc. Beautiful new landscaping and new elevator!
\$1,400,000

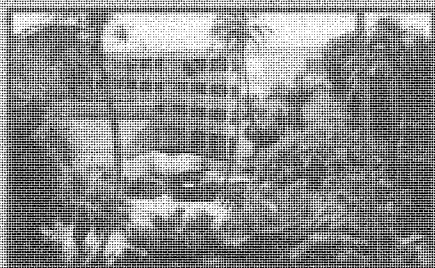


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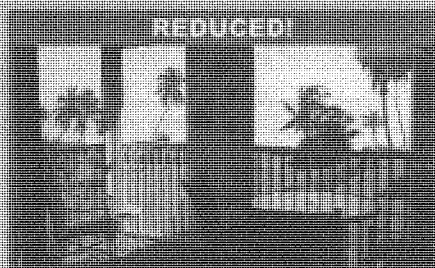
Island Beach Club P1A

West Gulf Drive, turnkey, corner unit condo. Beautiful view of pool within lock, tropical, floral landscaping. Large master suite and large laundry room. Remodeled baths, under building parking and separate storage. Being sold furnished.
\$699,000



Island Beach Club 330B

2nd floor unit just steps away from the Gulf of Mexico. 2 bedroom, 2 bath condominium would make a great second home, vacation home, or investment. Gulf views! Watch the sunsets!
\$825,000



Island Beach Club P1E

Penthouse Corner Unit with beautiful views of the beach! Kitchen features new appliances including a Kitchen Aïde surface top range. Nicely decorated. Condo features a large laundry room, large walk-in closet, wood shutters in bedrooms and bath. Island Beach Club is a very popular complex with parking under the building, large storage room, elevator, pool, and shuffleboard. Being sold furnished with a few exceptions.
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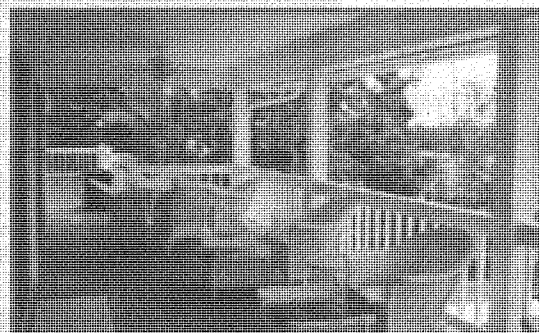
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1073 Skiff Place

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\$1,225,000

Captiva Drive

4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath home on Bonaville Channel totally & beautifully renovated by Benchmark... from interior studded walls up to the new roof, pool cage, sprinkler system, appliances, A/C & duct work, wood flooring & grove cedar wood ceiling, new landscaping and more! Deeded beach access directly across the street! Beautiful boat dock on the Channel!
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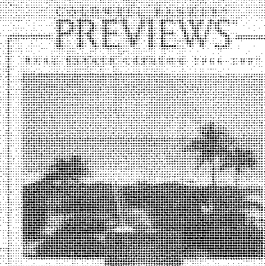
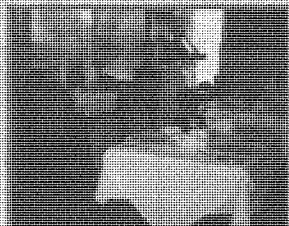
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