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Beach Renourishment Apportionment Formula Considered

George

About a year ago Sanibel City Council approved funds for two studies concerning beach renourishment. One was an Economic Apportionment Study in the Gulf Pines-Gulf Shores-West Gulf Drive area to be conducted by Economist William Stronge of Florida Atlantic University. Council also approved an addition to be done by Humiston & Moore, a coastal engineering firm, in conjunction with the economic study, to assess storm impact and storm protection benefits of renourishment in that same area. Both studies are to assist Council in making

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homes and at several lovely Sanibel locations as one part of the fundraising campaign "Turning Wood to Gold"

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At COTI Forum

Lee School Superintendent To Speak

Dr. John Sanders, Superintendent of Lee County Schools, will speak here April 18 at a Community Forum on Education sponsored by The Committee of the Islands.

The Forum is open to the public and will be held on Thursday, April 18 in the Phillips Gallery at BIG ARTS, 900

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The Board of Directors of The J. Howard Wood Theatre is sponsoring a series of specialty dinners in

No Rules, No Dues, Just Fun' for Sanibel's Scarlett O'Hatters

Camille Kucaba

Sanibel has its very own chapter of the Red Hat Society, a worldwide group of women dedicated simply to having fun

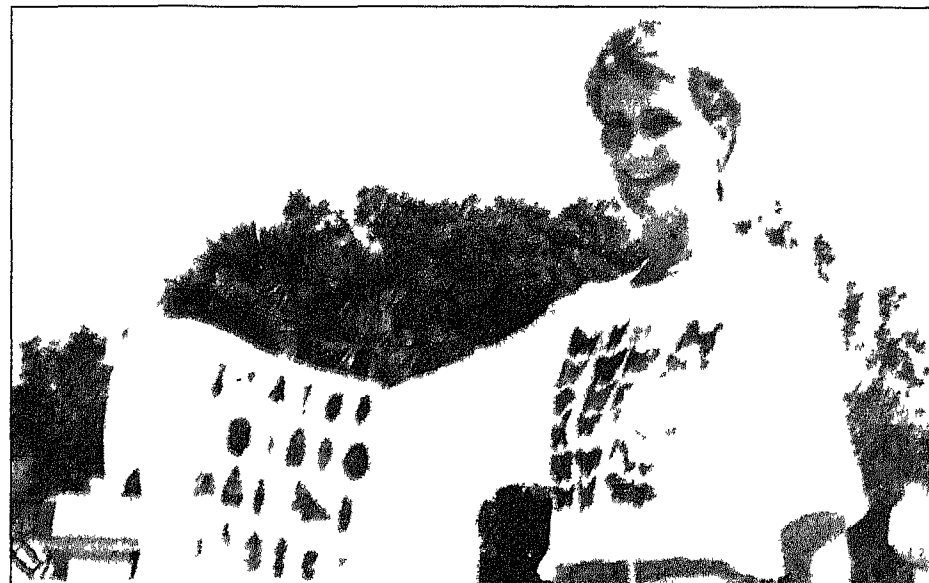
known for wearing red hats and purses, the society was started in 1998, and its purpose is "to greet middle age with verve, spirit and élan."

Composed primarily of women over 50, the society believes that "silliness is the comedy relief of life, and since we're all in it together, we might as well join red-gloved hands and go for the gusto together."

Rosalie Fairman, one of the three founders of the Sanibel chapter, says her "personal goal is to be a little bit outrageous" while having fun.

"There are no rules, no dues, no meetings - we're just having fun," according to the 12 enthusiastic members of the Sanibel Scarlett O'Hatters who met for an inaugural luncheon March 13 at Traders Cafe. Loosely organized "with a few phone calls," the Sanibel women now

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Cathy Taylor displays T-shirts featuring her Alphabetical Nature Prints, some of the items she will be exhibiting at the Lions Arts and Crafts Fair.

Lions Club Arts And Crafts Fair

One hundred and thirty-seven exhibitors will be showing their wares at the 19th Annual Arts and Crafts Fair, sponsored by the Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club, which is taking place this weekend on Friday and Saturday, March 29 and 30 at the Sanibel Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way. Exhibiting time for the Fair will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on

Friday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.

One of the featured artists in the Fair is Cathy Taylor, a resident of Sanibel, and a member of the Tower Gallery on Tarpon Bay Road. Cathy will exhibit her growing collection of Alphabetical Nature Prints. Just a short time ago the ABC collection consisted of watercolors of butterflies, shells and herbs appearing on T-shirts, prints and note cards. Shoppers at the Fair will be happily surprised to see that Cathy's creativity has expanded the collection to include palm trees, garden flowers,

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Chatting it up and definitely having fun are members of the newly-formed Sanibel Scarlett O'Hatters. Seated, from left: Kay Graves, Joan Heffye, Joan Lewis and Norma Chuback. Standing: Earlynn Mullins, Georgette Laforet, Barbara King, Loretta Kotasek and Rosalie Fairman.

Volunteer Luncheon

by Brian Johnson

The way things are going, the day may come when the volunteer corps at the "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge will reach 300 people.

Currently at 234, the volunteers gathered at the Sanibel Community House on Friday, March 22 for a luncheon. Former volunteer coordinator J.D. Bolden, down from Maryland for the lunch and Florida sunshine, helped Cindy Anderson hand out the awards to the volunteers.

Jim Sprankle, the president of the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, started his talk with a reference to Bolden. "Before I get too serious," said Sprankle, "I want to ask J.D. if he's worn the signature off his Cal Ripken baseball playing catch."

Sprankle went on to speak about his trip to Washington, D.C. with Molly Krival

and Mike Cuscaden for a conference about Friends Groups. "What was so interesting to me was that 20 percent of the work force at the refuges comes from volunteer," he said. "At 'Ding' Darling volunteers make up the equivalent of 10 full-time jobs. I think that's incredible."

As the volunteers ate the salmon and chicken provided by Mozella Jordan's new catering service, Refuge Manager Rob Jess took the floor. "This refuge is one of the chosen few to have the volunteer backbone that we do," said Jess. "It does make a difference - it really does."

Jess introduced the new members of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Stephanie Brady, Mike Brady, Kendra Willett and James Willett. Jess said they are delighted to have the new personnel, but that "Ding" Darling is still understaffed.

Jess said he is still getting about four calls per day about the bicycle policy. Members of the public want to know why they can only bike one-way on Wildlife Drive. "We've sat down twice and looked

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Father's Annual Pilgrimage



Courtesy of the J.N. "Ding" Darling Foundation

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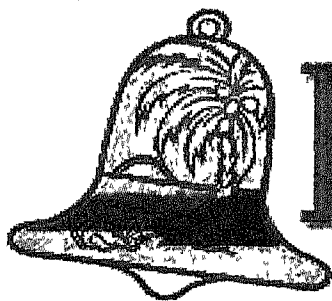
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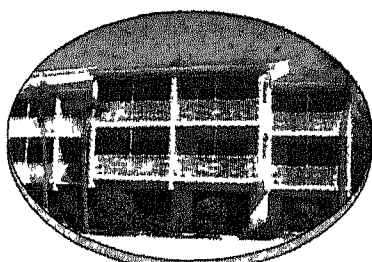


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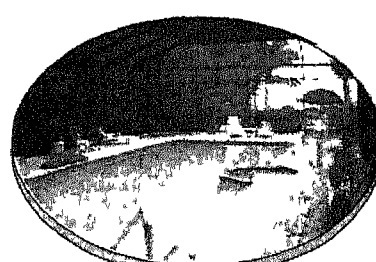
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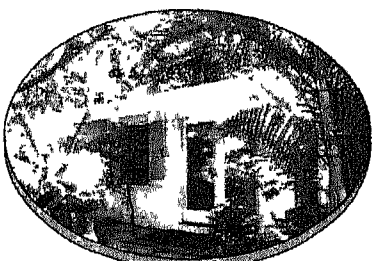
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This newly constructed home is just a masterpiece and comes fully furnished. Featuring 4 BR, 4BA, elevator, screen enclosed pool, F/P, security system and numerous porches and decks. Many quality upgrades. \$1,895,000.



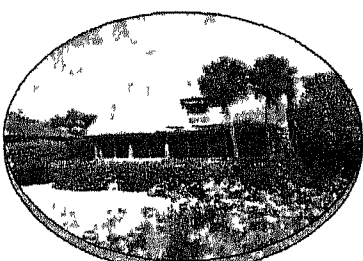
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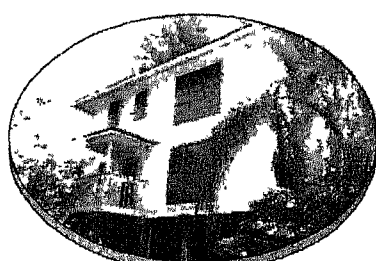
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Plans are available for expanding this 3BR, 2BA home! Wide open water views, dock and covered boat slip. Short walk to beautiful beaches and restaurants. This is a special property! Now at \$995,000.



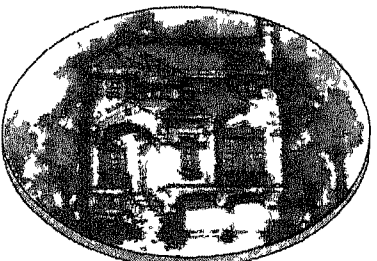
"CAPTIVA BY THE SEA"
This is a great 3BR, 2BA cottage just steps from the beach and in Captiva's "Village". Property is being offered furnished with a few personal exceptions. Open floor plan, with a living/dining combination, laundry room, and great screened in lanai. This cottage has an excellent rental potential. 2002 bank appraised at \$1,200,000. \$1,175,000.



SOUTH SEAS RESORTS
Absolutely fabulous Gulf Views from this free-standing beach home. 3BR, 3BA with loft, great room with cathedral beamed ceiling, open kitchen, huge screened porch with wet bar, sundeck, hurricane shutters, and 2 large storage rooms. \$2,300,000.



"SUNSET CAPTIVA"
Beautiful 2BR, 2.5BA in "Sunset Captiva". Home offers: Fireplace, sundeck, large screened in porch, interior storage, furnished with a few personal exceptions and new carpet upstairs 2000. Amenities include: pool, tennis courts, deeded beach access and outdoor grills. \$714,900.



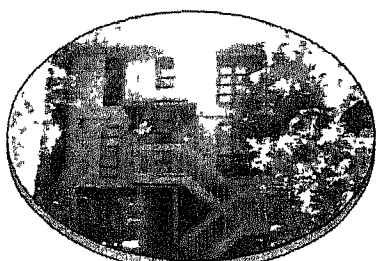
PALM AVENUE VILLA
Construction has just begun on this luxurious 4BR, 4.5BA villa, in the heart of Captiva's "Village" and only steps to the Gulf of Mexico. This 2-story, quality constructed home has custom mill work throughout, tiled roof, elevator, pool, library, numerous decks and lanais, double garage, vaulted ceilings and a detached guest suite. \$2,295,000.



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Enjoy Florida living in this beautiful and well maintained 4BR, 4BA home. Tile floors throughout upper level, great room with fireplace, screened porches, screen enclosed pool, 2 outside showers, 2 single-car garages and so much more. \$1,695,000.



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This quality-built 3BR, 2BA home was completed in 1999. Features include 2 docks, spacious great room, dining room, screened porch with expansive waterviews, fireplace, 3-car garage, open deck, lots of storage and a deeded beach access right across the street. Acre + lot. A must see!! \$2,595,000.



"NEAR BEACH/SUNSET CAPTIVA"
2BR and 2BA home located in "Sunset Captiva". Close walk to beaches, restaurants, library, and chapel. Community amenities include: pool, deeded beach access, tennis courts, outdoor grills and docks. \$825,000.



INSIDE CITY HALL

Redevelopment, Public Safety, A Happy Staff Are Top City Goals

by Camille Kucaba

City Council has established a list of priorities for 2002-03, and Sanibel citizens will have a chance to provide input on these goals at a special Town Hall meeting April 4.

A redevelopment strategy — encompassing the disproportionately large house issue, the Building and Planning Departments, the traffic study and the parks and recreation master plan currently underway, perhaps even a bike master plan — emerged as the top priority in a Council goal-setting workshop March 25.

The remaining six goals, in descending order: public safety, a competitive work force, improved communications, following the chain of command, environmental capital and land acquisition, sound financial management (tied for sixth) and, lastly, Sanibel's sewer system.

In the area of public safety, Council plans to focus on improving police radio-communications and response to calls, hurricane preparation/recovery and

implementing the management study. City Manager Judie Zimomra, who acted as facilitator during the workshop, said she hopes the police force will be back at full strength very soon. Council member Steve Brown said marine patrolling of Sanibel waters has suffered because of vacancies in the department.

Sanibel also experienced two serious bicycle accidents recently, and the City Manager said bicycle safety is among the top concerns of community groups. "The whole bike issue needs to be looked at," according to Mayor Nola Theiss, who was in favor of more education for prevention of bike accidents. Zimomra said the Parks and Recreation Steering Committee probably will request a Bike Master Plan for the island.

Development of a competitive City work force addresses morale and employee benefits and retirement packages. It dovetails with one of Council's previously stated goals: establish a positive work environment and create job satisfaction through employee evaluation programs and merit bonuses. Zimomra said "pay for performance" is high on her list of goals.

Council members agreed that improving communications between residents, businesses and government was a top priority. The City web site was included under the communications goals, and it was suggested that perhaps citizens could

apply for building permits via computer. Management of volunteers also fell into this category.

Council agreed to follow the chain of command and refrain from micro managing. So far, Zimomra said the members have been "perfect" in not interfering with day-to-day operations of the City. Sound financial management encompasses both long term reserves and funding for capital projects and overlaps into the next goal, environmental capital and land acquisition. Council plans to explore financial opportunities available for beach renourishment, the Sanibel Gardens project and alternate fuel sources.

Brown said the City should become more aggressive in acquiring lands to preserve and protect wildlife, a goal that will be referred to the Wildlife Committee for study and recommendations.

Finally, the City's sewer system, the "largest expenditure we've ever done," according to Council member Marty Harrity, should be closely monitored. This goal includes determining the City's capacity to manage expenses and the selling of effluent water. Members debated the benefits of having a separate water and sewer system and discussed the potential for consolidating the two utilities.

The Town Hall meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 4, beginning at 7 p.m.

at the Sanibel Community House. Past goals will be reviewed, the new 2002-03 goals will be presented and public comment will be heard. A brief written summary on the work of each City committee will be available.

At a special meeting prior to the workshop March 25, Council voted 5-0 to authorize the execution of an amended and restated interlocal agreement between Sanibel and Lee County governing the bridges and Causeway.

Planners Approve Woodhaven, Set Summer Schedule

by Camille Kucaba

The Planning Commission Tuesday cleared the way for a new Below Market Rate Housing project on the east side of Casa Ybel Road behind Bank of the Islands.

Commissioners unanimously approved resolutions to allow conditional use and issue a development permit for the

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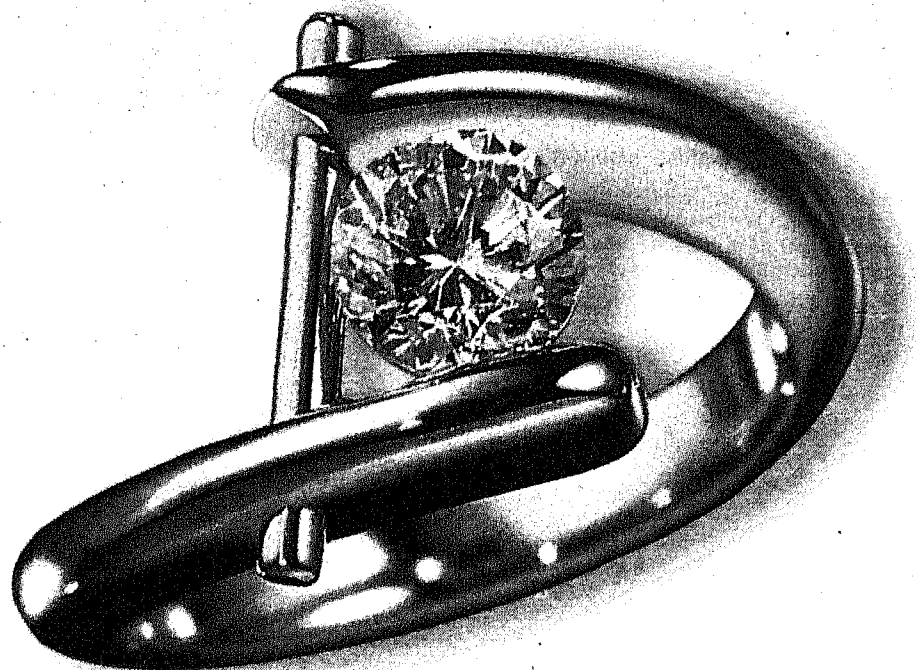


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Janet Reno To Visit Sanibel

Janet Reno, former U.S. Attorney General, will be the special guest at an informal afternoon event to be held at the Sanibel Community Center, 2173 Periwinkle Way, on Sunday, April 7, from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

"An Afternoon with Janet" is being sponsored by the Democratic Club of the Islands. Tea sandwiches, sweets, and beverages will be served. Tickets are \$15 per person (or \$10 for Democratic Club of the Islands members); mail checks to Democratic Club of the Islands, PO Box 898, Sanibel, FL 33957.

For information or reservations, contact Bob Brown at 941-395-0006 or bob-sanibel@aol.com.

About Janet Reno

For most of her life, Janet Reno has lived in a simple house on a large piece of property in the midst of Kendall, Florida. This is the home that Jane Reno, Janet's mother, built 50 years ago. The only room that is air-conditioned is the computer room. These days, Janet spends much of her time on the large porch - working, entertaining frequent visitors, and answering the phone. She is campaigning for the office of Governor of Florida.

Her red pickup truck, parked in the driveway, was her means of transportation during a recently completed 15-day tour of Florida. Everywhere she went, Floridians heard her speak about her concern for Florida's future. She wants to



Janet Reno

lead the state for the next eight years. Janet knows the state well. When she's not driving its roads, she is kayaking on its rivers, lakes, and mangrove coasts. The shrinking of the Everglades troubles her. She often speaks of her commitment to preserving the Everglades and the state's other fragile ecosystems.

Janet is a native South Floridian, her parents worked for Miami newspapers. She graduated from Coral Gables High School, Cornell University, and Harvard Law School. She was the nation's first female attorney general, and she was the longest serving attorney general since before the Civil War. During her eight years in that office, crime was dramatically reduced.

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Citizen Input Welcome At Town Hall Meeting

submitted by Nola Theiss,
Mayor, City of Sanibel

On April 4, the Sanibel City Council is sponsoring a Town Meeting. It will be held at the Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, at 7 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to get public input on City Council's proposed goals for 2002-2003. This will give us a clear idea of the community's priorities, which will help immeasurably in shaping our goals. To facilitate the dialogue, a review of last year's goals and a written summary covering the work of each City Committee: Five-Year Budget Projection Review, Historical Preservation, Marine Advisory, Parks and Recreation,

Stewardship, Traffic, Vegetation, and Wildlife will be available.

This has been a very busy year in City government. In the last 12 months, we have hired a City Manager; conducted a management assessment of the police department; are currently conducting a similar assessment of the planning and building departments; and have successfully negotiated contracts with our City employees. Also, negotiations with the County have resulted in a favorable interlocal agreement on the Causeway. And the purchase of "Pond Apple Park," formerly known as the Mariner parcel, was approved by the voters and financed in part by a Florida Community Trust grant to the City.

City Council is now taking a close look at its long range plans in the areas of Parks and Recreation, Traffic, User Fees, Disproportionate Houses and a Redevelopment Master Plan and has benefited from the input of citizens through surveys, public hearings and discussions

Also, as our City matures, we must consider the ramifications of the fact that many City employees are approaching retirement age and that a number of citizens have indicated a desire for increased City services.

These are challenging issues which must be resolved. All of them require, and have received, the cooperation and effort of City Council, City staff and citizen input. Discussions have often reflected differing but legitimate points of view. City Council is nonetheless prepared both to engage the difficult long-range issues and to deal as well with situations which require immediate attention.

Council needs and welcomes citizen participation at all levels, and we invite everyone to the Town Meeting on April 4 at 7 p.m. Come and listen to our proposed goals and share your ideas with us. This is an opportunity for all to participate in City government in a positive and open way. We hope to see you there!*

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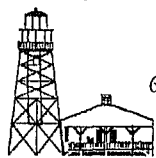
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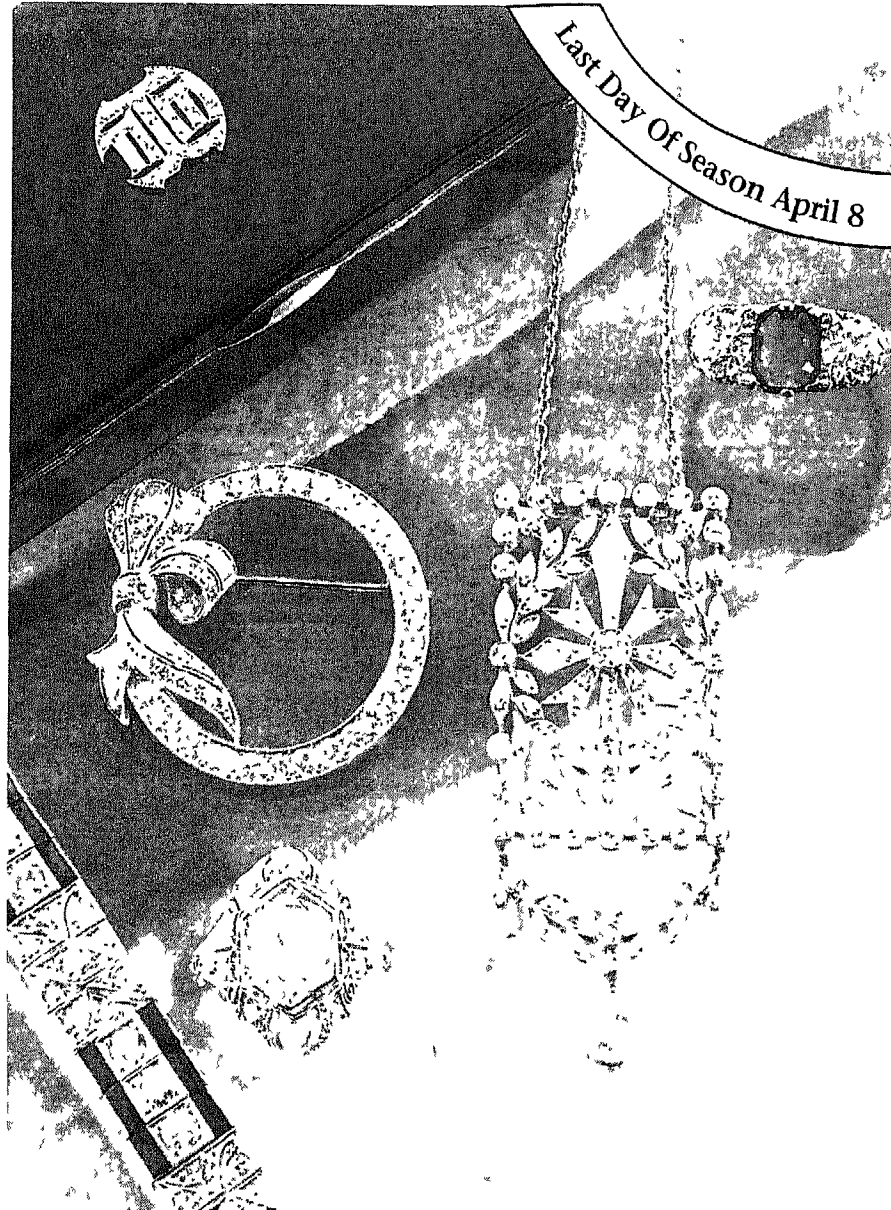
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Business Notes

by Steve Greenstein
Executive Director



With the passing of Easter, we mark the "beginning of the end" of tourist season on Sanibel and Captiva. The effects of September 11th combined with an economy slowed by

recession have made it a challenging season for many of our local businesses. While so much has changed in such a short period of time, the one thing that has remained constant, and for which we should all be proud, is the unwavering commitment of our business community to support the local charities and organizations that work to improve the quality of life on these islands.

Over the years, the generosity of our business owners and our residents has combined to protect our natural resources, fund and support the arts, provide for our children and fight to protect our health. It has created a community of common rights, common interests and common character.

Whatever the cause and wherever the event, our restaurants, grocery stores, resorts, attorneys, newspapers, realtors,

financial institutions and retailers are always there and always generous. Their participation has become an accepted fact and an accustomed way of life on Sanibel and Captiva.

While I hesitate to begin the process of individually acknowledging the generosity of each and every business, I do want to take the opportunity to recognize Bank of the Islands for both their monetary contributions and employee participation over the past year. Working to make our community a better place is nothing new for the folks at Bank of the Islands. Their tradition of giving has touched the lives of so many of us over the years, that I would venture a guess that every person reading this article has benefited in some way from their support.

Every service club, every theater, every protector of our natural resources and our wildlife, the visual arts, music, ballet, religious groups, health organizations fighting cancer, heart disease, multiple sclerosis and leukemia, our police department and the symphony are just a few of the community organizations they have helped. Their commitment to helping our children is evidenced by their support of The Sanibel School, the Children's Education Center, Little League baseball and softball, youth soccer and basketball programs, the Seahorse Festival and Sanibel Cares to benefit The Children's Hospital. Many of us have attended meetings in the Bank of the Islands community room which is available to non-profit groups, and the bank lobby often features and displays

the talent of local artists. We always see the Bank of the Islands staff together picking up litter at the Great Island Pickup and you can usually run into one or more of them at any of the golf, fishing or tennis tournaments they help sponsor throughout the year. Their help, their care, their concern and their generosity have made our lives better.

So as this difficult season comes to an end and as we look ahead to better times, I wanted to take this opportunity to say thank you to the entire business community for your continued support and generous efforts to protect the well-being of our community. And to Geoff and Robbie Roepstorff and the entire team at Bank of the Islands, thank you for being there for all of us.*

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Volunteer Luncheon

at all aspects of this issue," said Jess. "It has not been an easy decision, but we're going to adhere to this policy. Safety is most important."

The Wildlife Service is currently working on three projects to improve the refuge: 1) running a fiber optic cable to the observation tower 2) building a new handicapped-accessible tower and 3) adding a second tower.

Jess addressed law enforcement by asking volunteers not to get in over their heads. "Things can go bad in a heart-beat," he said. "I want you to be a good

set of eyes. Inform, don't enforce."

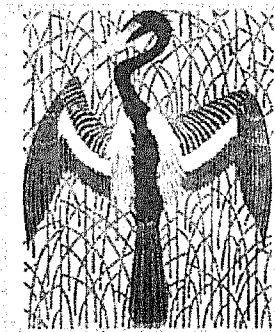
Indigo Trail will be resurfaced with a new hard-packed surface.

Cindy Anderson closed the day with some reminders: 1) Wildlife Drive is one-way for bicycles 2) parking is only on the right side of the road 3) there are no bodies of fresh water on the left side of Wildlife Drive and 4) motorcycles are permitted on Wildlife Drive.

Anderson thanked the volunteers and told them how much they have come to mean to her. "I go home and think about you," she said. "J.D. said I would start dreaming about you... The other night I had a strange dream about Ann Wollschlager!"

Bolden helped her hand out certificates and pins for the volunteers who have reached milestones in the number of hours worked. Those with the most hours received glasses engraved with wildlife by Luc Century. Jeanne Rankin and Marilyn Kloosterman were recognized for their 6,000 hours of work. Molly Krival is officially down on the books for 7,000 hours, but Anderson said that figure hardly accounts for all the hours of service turned in by her.*

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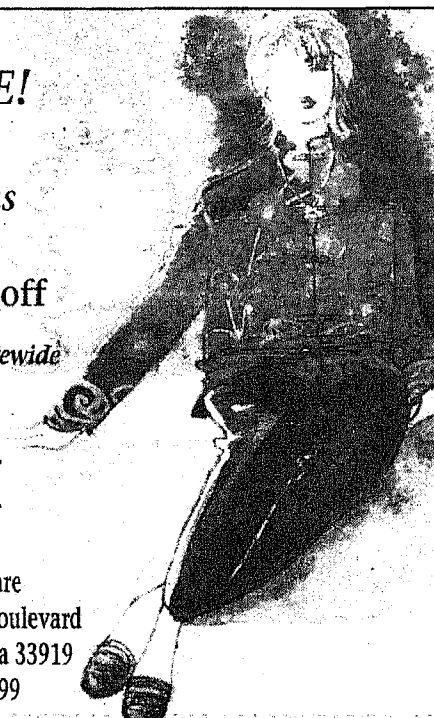
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Children who find specially marked oranges are rewarded with prizes. Ten grand prizes are awarded, two for each of five age groups. The Sun Harvest Coloring Contest winners will be announced and their prizes awarded during the festivities.

The Big Squeeze and the Easter Bunny will make appearances, and The Jukebox Hero, Chris Cammarota, will be spinning tunes. Children may have their pictures taken with the Easter Bunny.

Sun Harvest Citrus is located on Six Mile Cypress at Metro Parkway in Fort Myers. Call 768-2686 for more information.

Christian Women's Club Luncheon

The Sanibel-Captiva Christian Women's Club cordially invites all women to their luncheon featuring Gold Jewelry Making by Pilar Baker, April 11 at Sundial Beach Resort, 1451 Middle Gulf Drive, Sanibel Island, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Mary Shevlin will speak on "A Runaway." Music will be provided by a student from the Cypress Lakes Performing Arts High School.

Cost of the luncheon is \$15 inclusive. Reservations are required. For reservations call Irene Shareski at 466-5257 or Jean Wilson at 472-2017. Reservations made but not honored must be paid for.

Meeting Will Honor Volunteers

The annual Old Schoolhouse Theater Foundation will be held Sunday, April 12 at 4 p.m. at the Schoolhouse. All Foundations members are invited. In addition to election of officers and directors, the meeting will recognize friends of the Foundation who have helped during the year in a Volunteer Appreciation tribute.

Following the meeting, members are invited to an old-fashioned Schoolhouse pot luck supper. They are asked to bring a dish. Beverages will be provided. For more information on the supper, call Sheila Hoen at 472-0540.

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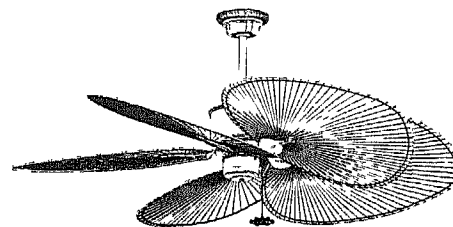
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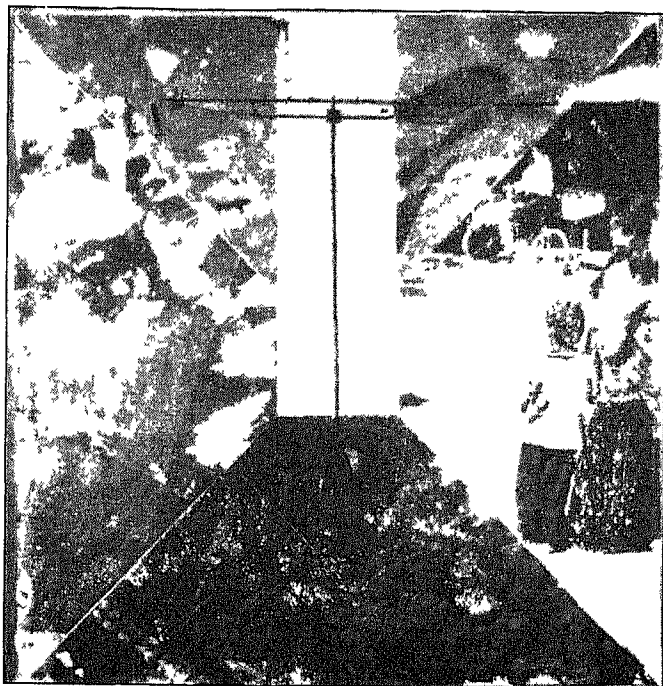


World-Renowned Artist Helping Children

On April 13 the Community Center of Sanibel will once again be transformed into a beautiful art gallery for the second annual Sanibel Cares Island Celebration of the Arts to benefit the Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. The focus of the evening will be the silent and voice auctions featuring works by some of the area's finest artists. World-renowned artist Darryl Pottorf of Captiva will be the event's featured artist.

Darryl Pottorf has been producing visually provocative forms of art for more than three decades. Pottorf was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1952, and grew up in Florida. After financing his education at Florida State University by painting and building homes and commercial properties, Darryl made Florence, Italy his home from 1976 to 1978.

In the late 70s Pottorf returned to Florida and established his studio creating art that reflected his appreciation of architecture and classical art. In the 80's he began experimenting with more minimal expressionistic paintings and by the late 90's Pottorf expanded his palette to include color. Pottorf began transferring color images onto paper mounted on poly-laminate, sometimes painting over the images with a grid of crisp lines. The images appear beneath a powdery veil



Darryl Pottorf's "Seasoned Greetings III"

that subdues color and form. The paintings have the physical attributes of oil on canvas and the surface delicacy of water-color.

The artist Robert Rauschenberg has said of Pottorf's work: "Darryl Pottorf's works are some of the most provocative visual creations on the contemporary scene. These paintings are proof and witness of change even when no one is watching. The fixed images have the

appearance of an archeological dig that seems to be uncovered within the surface."

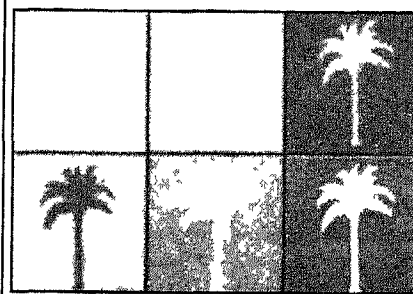
Darryl is known locally as being a generous supporter of local charities by contributing many pieces of his art. He donated an original piece from his "Seasoned Greetings" series to Sanibel Cares' First Annual Island Celebration of the Arts last year. Sanibel Cares is fortunate and extremely grateful to be the recipient again at this year's art auction where Darryl is providing another painting in the Seasoned Greetings series.

Please join Sanibel Cares for a special evening to raise funds for The Children's Hospital of Southwest Florida. There are 300 invitation-only guests expected at this year's event. Those who appreciate art, fine food and wine are sure to enjoy the evening. For more information regarding The Second Annual Island Celebration of Art, hosted by Sanibel Cares please contact Patti Chipala at 437-1748.*

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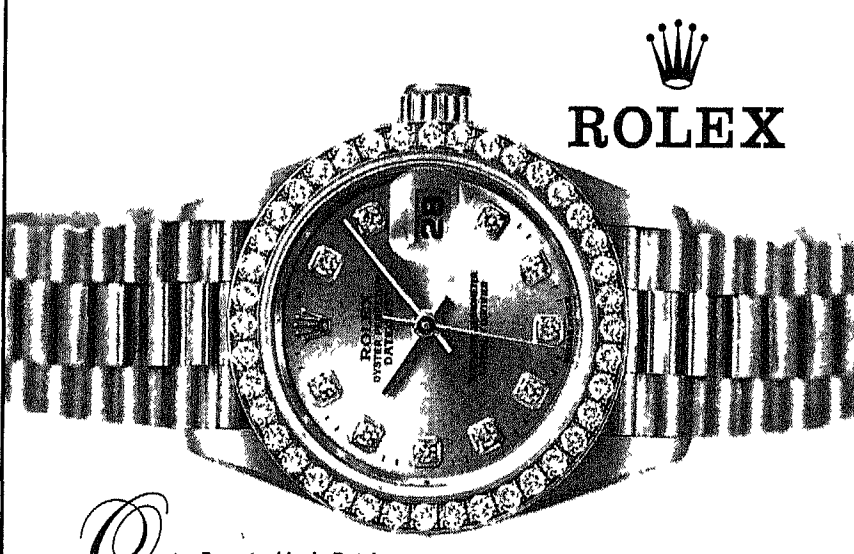
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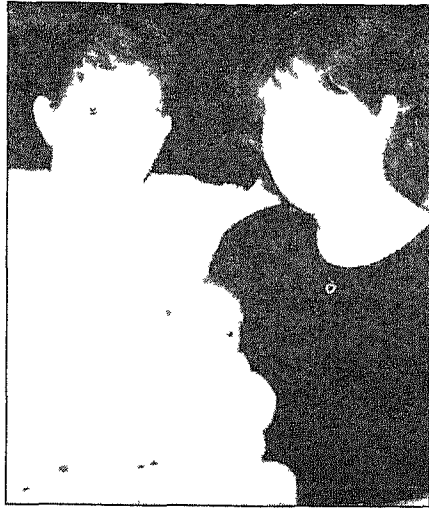
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Carolyn and Tony Weiler, Jr of Fort Myers announce with joy the birth of their son Daniel Thomas Weiler Daniel was born at the Cape Coral Hospital on Thursday, February 7, 2002 at 3 01 a m He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces and was 20 5 inches Welcome Daniel!*

Sanibel Congregational Church

Easter Week Schedule

Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ will observe Easter week with a full schedule of services Visitors are always welcomed!

- Friday March 29 Good Friday Vigil Noon to 3 p m
- Sunday March 31 Easter services at 7 45 a m , 9 a m and 11 a m

The Maundy Thursday Tenebrae service is based on an ancient Christian ritual dating back to the third and fourth centuries Tenebrae stems from the Latin word for shadows or darkness There are seven readings from the Biblical account of events preceding the crucifixion After each passage, the reader extinguishes a candle, and the sanctuary lights are dimmed After the final reading, the sanctuary is in darkness

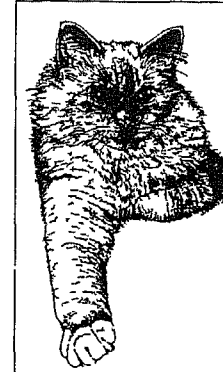
There will be six 30-minute services for the Good Friday vigil There will be music, prayer, and meditation starting at noon

Morning chapel service will be held on Easter Sunday at 7 45 a m with identical full services at 9 a m and 11 a m The chancel choir will be at both services

The Rev Dr Randall H Niehoff, Senior Minister, and the Rev Sandra R Boler, Associate Minister, will conduct the services in the sanctuary at 2050 Periwinkle Way *

Newcomers And Old-timers Luncheon

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COTI Forum

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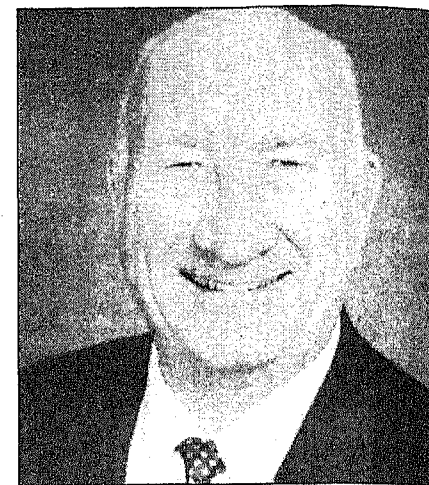
Dr. Sanders will discuss challenges and opportunities facing our schools, with special focus on topics of interest not only to parents, but to all Sanibel citizens, whose taxes fund local and area schools. Some of these topics include school choice, upgrade of Sanibel School facilities, comparison of FCAT test scores, and "best practices," a method for collecting information from other school systems, and applying those practices that help optimize school resources and quality.

The Forum will include a question and answer segment for audience questions and discussion, which will be moderated by COTI past president Armand Ball. COTI seeks to make the event one in which islanders can both receive and provide input on a full range of school issues.

John W. Sanders, Ed.D., became superintendent of Lee County schools last September. Prior to that he was superintendent of Hernando County, FL, a position he also held in school districts in Mississippi and Michigan. He has also been a school principal, teacher and coach, as well as an associate in an architectural firm that specialized in school design.

As superintendent here in Lee County, Dr. Sanders serves as chief executive officer of a PK-12 school district with 62,000 students, 8,000 employees, and a budget of \$660 million.

All are invited to the COTI Forum to

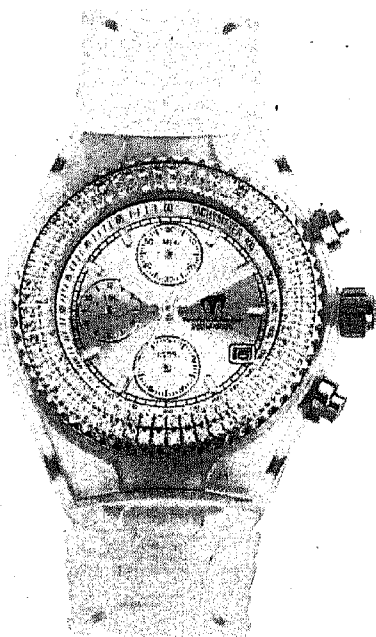


John W. Sanders

hear Dr. Sanders and to participate in the discussion that follows.

This Forum is part of COTI's ongoing effort, over a period of years, to contribute to quality education in this area. Other examples have included 1998 endorsement of school board candidates supported by Citizens for Quality Education; the COTI Board position, taken last year, urging the County to adopt impact fees to fund school construction (the fees have since been approved); and discussions begun in January of this year with County school officials and school board members on the application of a Best Practices program to optimize the use of school resources. For more information on the Forum, call COTI at 941-226-5776 or email coti@coti.org.*

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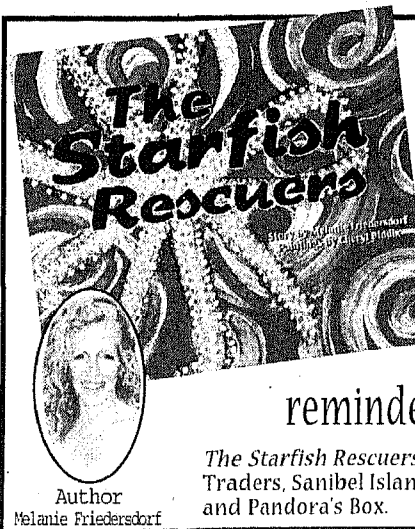
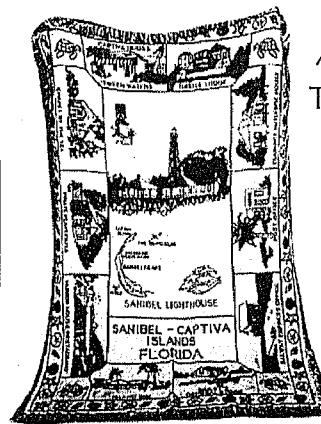
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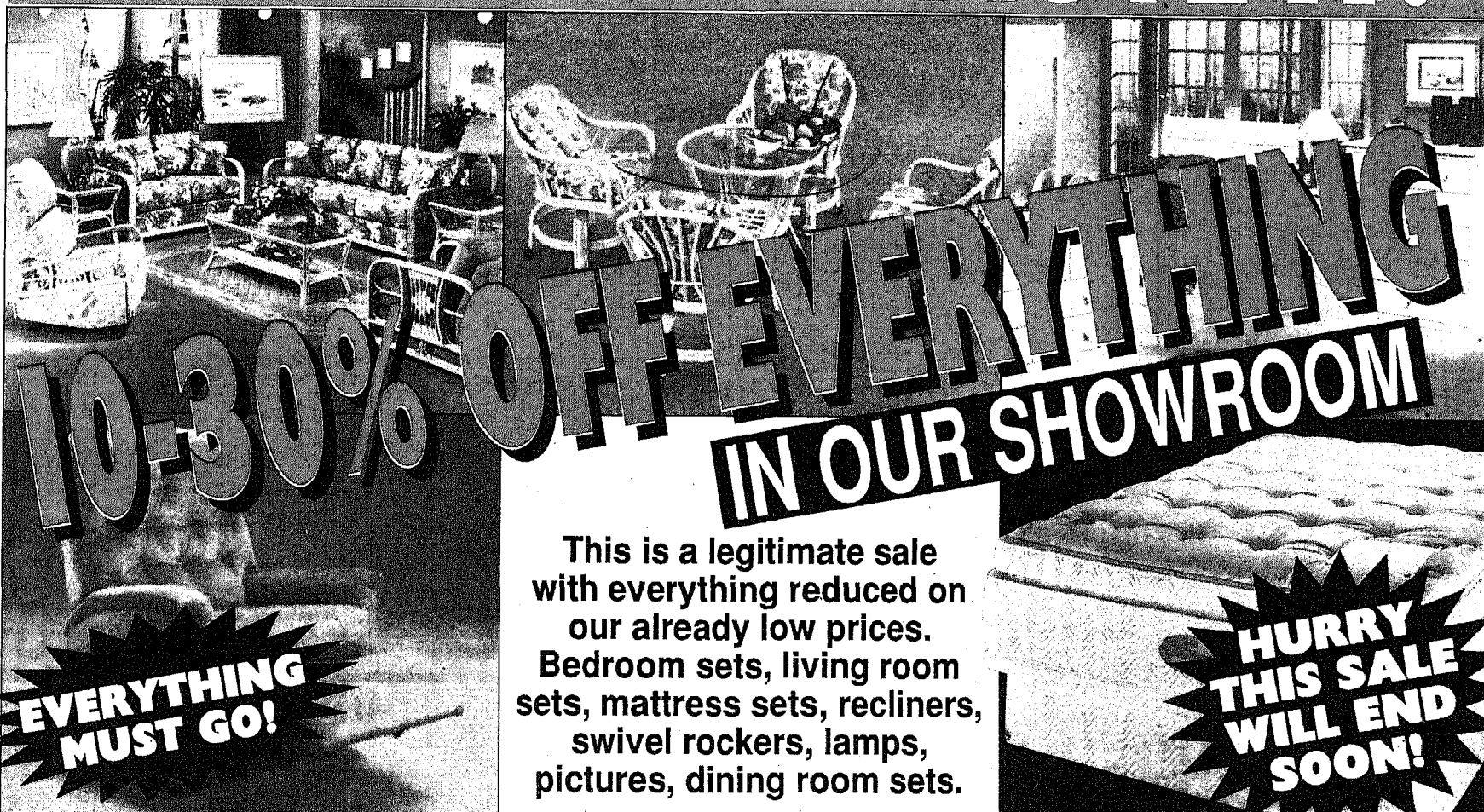
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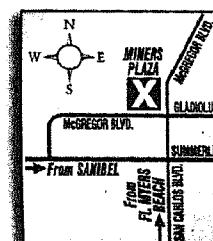
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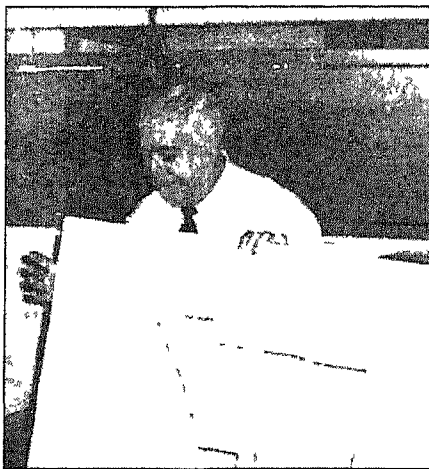
Familiar Faces

by Bob Wimbush

What with the press of the season on available newspaper space, the Kiwanis Spaghetti Dinner, and the San-Cap Review, you haven't heard much about our speakers lately, so here are pictures of two

One is fellow Kiwanian from the Edison club — Rod Shoap, our sheriff. The other is the City Manager of Bonita, Gary Price, previously a Sanibel Kiwanian.

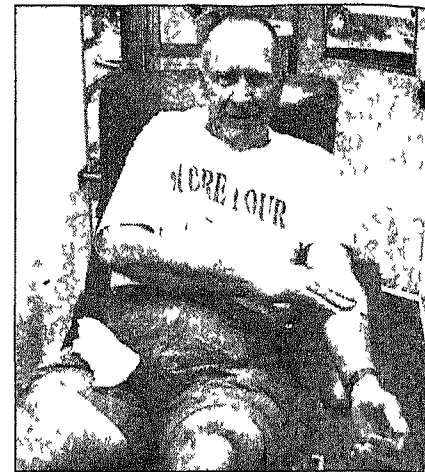
Both were here to communicate the good works they are doing, and all share the common goal of making Lee County a better, safer, more human place to live. We thank them.



Gary Price



Rod Shoap



Harry Bertossa

Kiwanis also thanks Sanibel Lions Jerry Mundt and Harry Bertossa, who are regular blood donors and Roger and Pat Schmidt of Cape Coral. "The Lions Club (of Sanibel, where Roger is a member) said you needed blood so we drove over." Pat is a first time donor. ✱



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Noon 'til Midnight, Friday, March 29
The church will be open for prayer and meditation. All are invited to stop by to spend time with the Lord in His passion. Jesus Christ and man's mortality.

Easter Sunday, March 31, 6:30 am
Sunrise Service on the Causeway. Message by Dr. Daryl Donovan. Music by the Chancel Choir with brass instruments proclaiming the Resurrection. New Testaments will be distributed for those who have a need. 8, 9, 10:30, 11 AM Services to follow. Celebrate with us the Resurrection message!

Jack Lewis Jazz



by Jack Lewis

Dear music lovers, whether you like your jazz played in an intimate atmosphere by small musical groups or the bold sounds of the Big Bands you have three treats

immediately waiting for you, Easter eve, March 30, Thursday, April 4, and Tuesday, April 9; all at 8 p.m. and all at Sanibel's BIG ARTS, Schein Hall, 900 Dunlop Road just off to the right off Periwinkle. On March 30 Dave Brubeck's son, the world-renowned Chris will entertain you with his famous Triple Play group. He's really a chip off the old block. He plays three instruments, composes and arranges music and has performed from the White House all over the world and still has time to play with his father's musical quartet. He has also starred on a number of CDs as have his sidemen. His guitarist, Joel Brown, was recently featured by the Boston Pops and is currently artist-in-residence at Skidmore College.

This group will perform not only jazz but a bit of folk, blues and a touch of the classics. Tickets are available at BIG ARTS by calling 395-0900.

Thursday, April 4, the Big Band of the late Woody Herman blows in to spread the magic and the excitement of

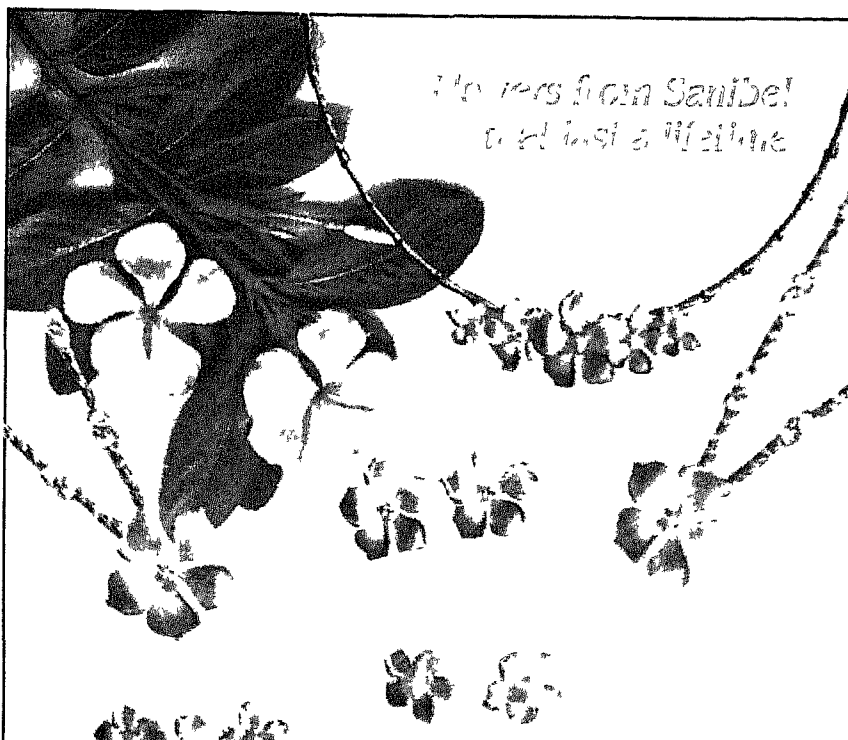
a truly Big Band. Woody Herman, in 1987, chose his long-time side man, Frank Tiberi as his music director. Frank's previous big band experience was with the Bob Chester band and Benny Goodman. He not only plays saxophone but plays all of Woody's clarinet solos. The average age in the band is about 30, but they have all handled the jazz repertoire skillfully. The Herman band has made more than 300 recordings and now CDs. In 2001 the band celebrated its 65th year. Today Woody's spirit and joie de vivre still gives the band something special to blow for. The tickets are \$30 each, available at BIG ARTS.

Tuesday, April 9, the Southwest Florida Jazz Society will bring back, by popular demand, Dave Pringle, leader and pianist, virtuoso Carl McVicker on bass, Bill Peterson, drummer and Mike Parmalee, tenor sax and the lovely, vivacious canary Toni Rae.

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MONDAY, MARCH 25

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TUESDAY, MARCH 26

8:30 AM Mass, confessions heard after Mass

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

8:30 AM Mass, confessions heard after Mass

No confessions scheduled after Wednesday

HOLY THURSDAY, MARCH 28

No morning Mass

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 PM

Eucharistic Procession followed by adoration until midnight

GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29

No morning Mass

Stations of the Cross 5:00 PM

Veneration of the Cross 6:00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30

No morning Mass

The Solemn Vigil of Easter 7:30 PM

Note: No 4:00 or 5:30 PM Mass today

EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31

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Birders At 'Ding'

World-renowned authors and birders, Don and Lillian Stokes, will give a brief presentation and sign copies of their books in the "Ding" Darling Education Center at the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge on Saturday morning, March 30, starting at 11 a.m. Their latest titles are *Stokes Beginner's Guide to Butterflies* and *Stokes Beginner's Guide to Shorebirds*.

The Stokes are widely recognized as America's foremost authorities on birds and nature. They host the PBS TV series *Stokes Birds at Home*. Their books include the best-selling *Stokes Field Guide to Birds*, the *Stokes Beginner's Guide to Birds* (Eastern and Western editions), the *Stokes Nature Guides* and the *Stokes Backyard Nature* books, many of which are available in the Education Center. Their *Guide to Bird Songs* is also available in the Education Center as well as from Time Warner AudioBooks.*

Biodiversity Day At The Children's Science Center

There may be as many as 100 million species of plants and animals on our planet. The Children's Science Center be exploring the local diversity of habitats and species outdoors

on the Spanish Moss Nature Trail. Kids will make observations and collect data, and record it all in hand-made field journals.

The program will run from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on April 13. The fee of \$5 per child (non-members) or \$2 per child (members). The cost covers materials and admission. Adults attend for free. The program is appropriate for ages six to 12. At least one parent must participate in the program with their children. Space is limited, and reservations are required. Call 997-0012 for reservations

Science Saturdays are made possible by the generous support of Neil and Jody Lacava, Paul Homes, Inc., and the News-Press.*

Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star

Star watching returns for the finale of another fun season at The Children's Science Center. With help from the SWFL Astronomical Society, the last Astronomy Night of 2002 starts at 7:30 p.m. on April 6. So come on out to view the moon, Jupiter, and the rings of Saturn. Admission is only \$2 per person, Children's Science Center members get in for free. For more information, call 997-0012.*

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Power Squadron Hears Mote Marine Scientist

On Tuesday, March 19, more than 150 members of the Sanibel-Captiva Sail & Power Squadron heard Dr. Kim Bassos-Hull of the Mote Marine Laboratory in Sarasota discuss "Documenting the Dolphins: A Five-Year Study in the Charlotte Harbor Systems." She pointed out that the dolphin population changes from summer to winter. After her slide and video presentation, she answered questions from the audience and also asked for observations and input from members to assist in the Laboratory's research.

This was the first meeting led by the newly elected bridge under Commander Bob McCormick. Ten new members were inducted into the Power Squadron. The Squadron was asked to assist in the City of Sanibel's Boater Survey being conducted by the City's Marine committee, as well as taking advantage of the radio check and vessel check offered by the Squadron.

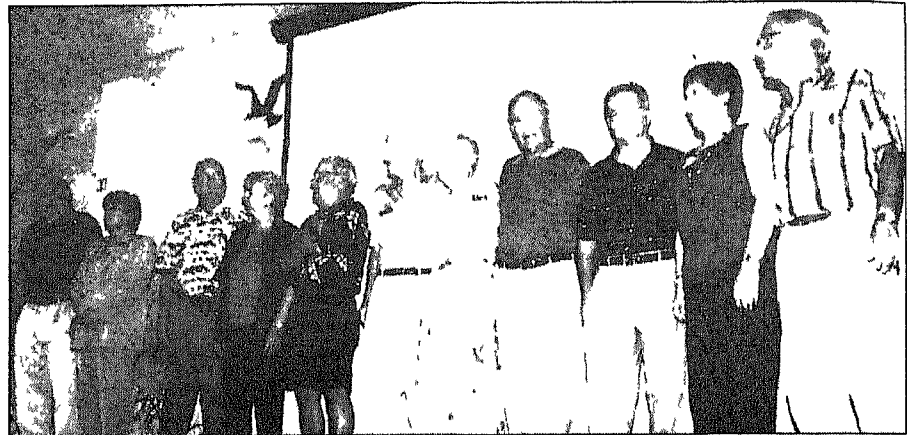
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Dr. Kim Bassos-Hull of Mote Marine Laboratory reveals highlights of a five-year dolphin study conducted in the Charlotte Harbor system.



Maryl Lucas, wife of Past Commander Bill Lucas, Marilyn McCormick, wife of current Commander Bob McCormick and Marguerite Irwin, wife of immediate Past Commander George Irwin.



New members of the Power Squadron, left to right: Richard Squitieri, Myrtilla Squitieri, William Helfers, Marilyn Helfers, Robert Groninger, Verne Frankwisch, Elizabeth Frankwisch, Thomas Fitzgerald, William Bisignani, Judy Balas and Bruce Balas.

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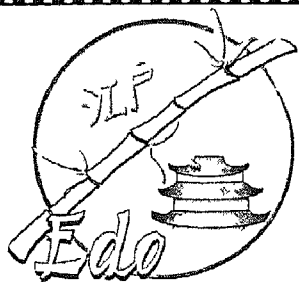
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Red Cross To Send School Chests To Afghan Children

In response to a call from President Bush for American children to support the needs of Afghanistan's children - the American Red Cross of Lee County is participating in the American Red Cross School Chest Program. President Bush has urged children across the country to work with their local Red Cross chapters to put together 2,000 school chests, full of school supplies which will be shipped by the Red Cross to schools in Afghanistan.

You can make a big difference in someone's life, President Bush said. When you help somebody in need, it makes you a better person. The President is the Honorary Chairman of the American Red Cross.

A first shipment of 1,000 school chests funded by America's Fund for Afghan Children, will be distributed in Kabul, Afghanistan, on March 23 and 24, to coincide with the first day of school for many Afghan children. The delivery will provide 40,000 Afghan children with school supplies. The second shipment of 2,000 additional school chests is planned for June.

The American Red Cross of Lee County is asking schools and community organizations to assemble School Chests

and assist in donating the funds needed to ship the chests to a central distribution point in Maryland, where they will then be sent to Afghanistan. Due to the specific nature of the items needed, we are asking for donations of only complete chests or financial donations to purchase the items needed and ship the chests. Local businesses are also invited to assemble completed chests and deliver them to the Red Cross.

Each chest contains enough school supplies for 40 children, and is assembled from a specific list of needs. The chests include paper, pencils, chalk, crayons, and even some recreational items such as jump ropes and soccer balls. A complete list can be found by visiting the American Red Cross website at www.redcross.org, or the Fund for Afghan Children website at <http://kidsfund.redcross.org>.

All interested schools or organizations are asked to call the Chapter at 278-3401 and ask for Disaster Services.

Our Chapter has been very successful in shipping nearly 2,000 pounds of donated items to our military in Afghanistan, and we will continue that effort, said Robin Wingate, Executive Director. The School Chest program is another valuable way for our children to help those in need and serve their country. We are proud to answer the call from President Bush and will do our best to make this program successful.

Financial donations to help with shipment can be sent to the American Red Cross of Lee County, 2516 Colonial Boulevard, #201, Fort Myers, Florida, 33907. Please indicate 'School Chest

Program" on your check. Credit card payments can be made by calling 278-5401. The American Red Cross is a United Way agency. ✪

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The date is Friday, May 3, beginning with a Shotgun start at 8 a.m. Registration and warm up on range at 7 a.m.

The tournament takes place at Olde Hickory Golf & Country Club - Spikeless Golf Facility, 14670 Old Hickory Boulevard, Fort Myers.

Cost of \$100 per player includes cart and greens fees, lunch, awards, hole-in-one contest, golf prizes, goody bag, on-course beverages and range balls.

Call Lynne Barrett at the Girl Scout office for registration information at 800-232-4475 ext. 231 or fax 923-5241.

All proceeds will benefit Girl Scout Camp Caloosa in Fort Myers. Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast Florida, Inc. serves over 9,300 girls in Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, Desoto, Lee, Collier and Hendry counties. ✪

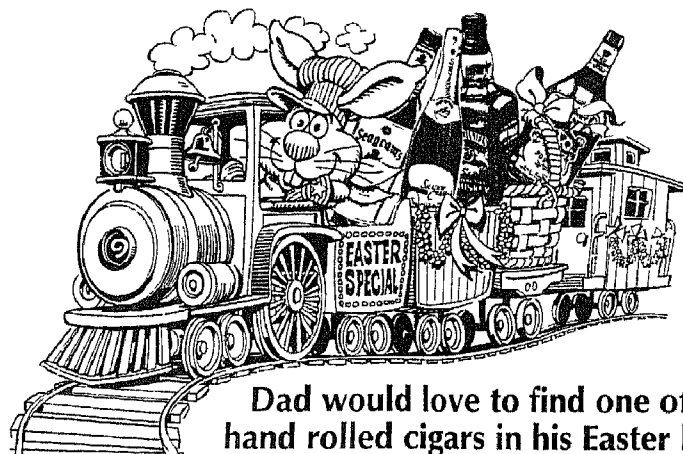


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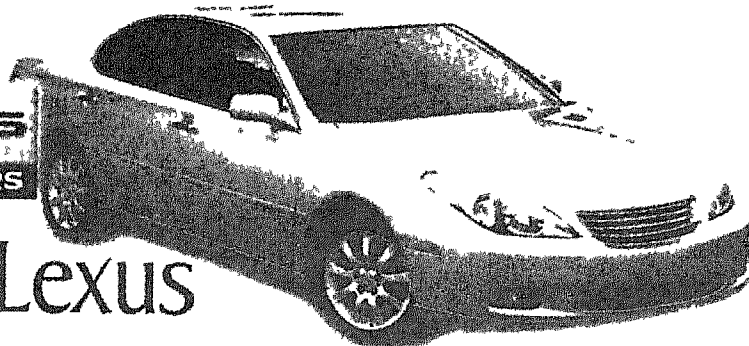
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Renourishment

decisions about the future direction that the City will take with respect to beach restoration and renourishment. Each Council member has been briefed on the contents of the draft reports and will decide at their April 2 meeting whether to accept the reports for deliberation. No decisions or actions on report recommendations are anticipated at the meeting, according to one source.

City Manager Judie Zimomra emphasized that the reports at this point are very preliminary and in draft form. "A lot of changes could be made before the report is finalized," she added.

Council deliberations will determine the future course the City will take on management of island beaches including the possibility of a long-term financial commitment to continually renourish beaches and if that decision is made, who will pay for it.

The issue of beach restoration on Sanibel began with the first project in the Gulf Pines-Gulf Shores area in 1996 when severe erosion threatened several homes. The City policy at the time was not to intervene in natural events. The City suggested that threatened homes be moved further inland away from the threatening surf. Armoring of the beach with bulkheads and sea walls was prohibited. The City permitted several homes to use sandbags as an emergency measure but the surf quickly destroyed the bags. Beachfront owners in the area turned out force at City Council meetings. The

issue spawned the Sanibel Chapter of the Florida Shore and Beach Preservation Association, a statewide organization, in a common cause effort led primarily by beachfront owners. The City ultimately approved a restoration project costing approximately \$2.4 million to be paid for by the establishment of a special taxing district that assessed beachfront owners 82 percent (approximately \$2 million). The balance came from volunteer donations, (approximately \$195,000) Lee County Tourist Development Council and the City of Sanibel. Neither Federal nor State funds was available since there were no public accesses in the project area.

Now, six years later, engineers have generally deemed the project a success. The beach remains intact with varying degrees of erosion depending on location. The project has not been tested with a hurricane, however. No major hurricanes have hit the island during that period although there has been tropical storm activity. The engineers predicted in 1996 that the project would only have a life of six to eight years and a second renourishment would be necessary. But City Council at the time cautioned residents in that area not to assume a precedent had been set to continually renourish the beach.

The current study, which addresses the benefits derived from beach renourishment, also suggests a payment formula for the cost of the new project, which, according to the report, will be approximately \$4 million. The cost of the 2003 project is higher than the 1996 project because an additional 1,300 feet of beach

along West Gulf Drive is included. The report defines a benefit of over \$17 million that accrues to various property owners island wide, including the City and the County, from a new renourishment project.

Based on those benefits, which Stronge defines as storm protection and recreation, the report assigns a dollar value to the four entities that shared in the cost of the 1996 project. (See chart) These benefits, Stronge's report says, "will show up as enhancement of property values beyond the levels they would have attained in the absence of the project." According to the report, the value of properties protected by the 1996 project was \$25 million. The value of those properties will rise to \$53.7 million in 2003 with the new project. Adding in the value of the properties along the additional 1,300 feet of beach to be renourished (\$21.8 million), the total value of properties protected rises to \$75.5 million.

The significance of the apportionment of costs rests with the change in the percentages assigned to the various paying entities from the first project. In 1996 Gulf front owners were assessed 82 percent of the total cost. Stronge's report assigns them 65 percent for the 2003 project since that is the estimated percentage of the benefit they receive from the project. Gulf front owners have lobbied the City for a fairer formula for future projects. Gulf front owners' tentative assessment for the project will total over \$2.5 million with 43 individual owner assessments ranging from \$14,000 to over \$103,000.

Off beach neighboring property owners were not included in the 1996 assessment, but in a 2003 project, 178 off beach owners in Gulf Shores, Gulf Pines and upper West Gulf Drive will be assessed slightly over five percent of the total project cost, approximately \$205,000. Assuming City Council approves the apportionment formula, individual assessments will range from \$192 to \$2,377, depending on their location.

Lee County's share jumps a whopping six fold in the 2003 project. The City's share, which includes residents outside the project area, rises slightly from a percentage standpoint from the 1996 share but doubles in actual dollars from approximately \$250,000 to over \$500,000. The City's share for 1996 shown in the chart was reduced by Tourist Development Council and voluntary contribution money. It is unlikely that voluntary contributions will be available for the 2003 project since virtually all the people who donated in 1996 will now be assessed.

Stronge could not be reached for comment, but Coastal Engineer Ken Humiston echoed Zimomra saying, "The reports are very preliminary."

Beach renourishment has become a hot topic all over the United States as coastal cities, many of whom allowed development too close to the water, are now beginning to feel the effects of rising seas from global warming. Billions of dollars are being spent on pouring millions of tons of sand pumped from off shore

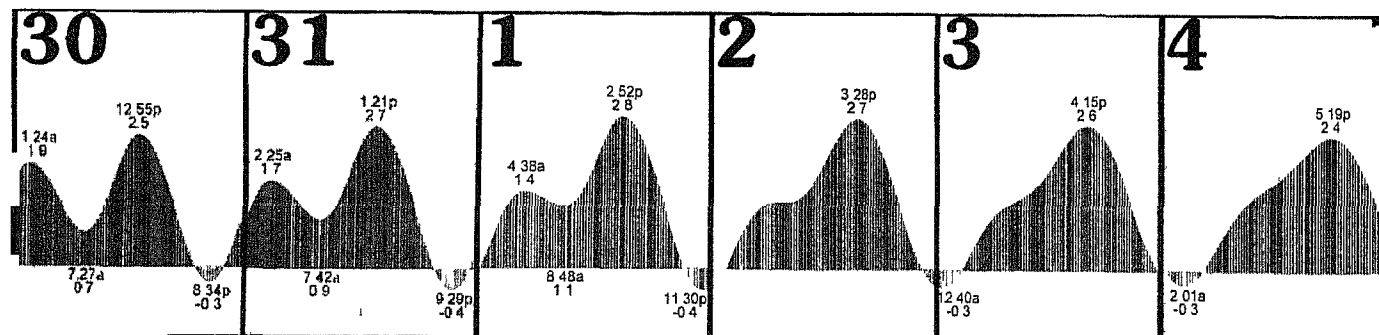
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COTI Names Laverne Phillips Citizen Of Year

by Camille Kucaba

The Committee of the Islands (COTI) held its 27th annual meeting March 22, honoring Laverne Phillips, immediate past president of BIG ARTS, as "Outstanding Citizen of the Year."

The board of directors elected Mike Gillespie president succeeding Tom Gilhooley, whose term on the board expired with last week's meeting.

COTI's general membership reelected five directors and selected four new directors to serve two-year terms through 2004. They are Gillespie, Mike Cuscaden, Debbie Friedlund, Peter Pappas and Rob Robinson, all reelected to a second term, and Jill Dillon, Wendy Humphrey, John LaGorce and Bernie Lubetkin, newly elected.

Another director, Curt Stendahl, was elected vice president; Friedlund and Robison were reelected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Laverne Phillips was singled out as "the one person most responsible for the growth and quality of the Barrier Island Group for the Arts" and presented a crystal vase inscribed with her name and designation as COTI's "Citizen of the Year."

She received the award in honor of her 18 years of "dedicated effort and leadership of the prominent cultural organization," the last 13 as president. During that

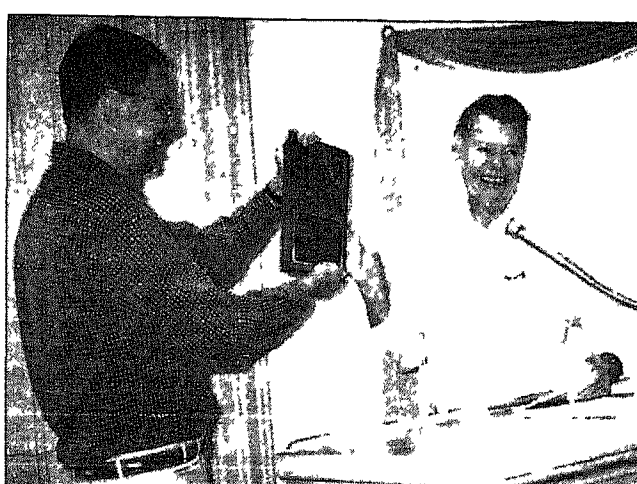


Laverne Phillips admires her COTI award as "Outstanding Citizen of the Year" as Tom Gilhooley, outgoing president, looks on.

period BIG ARTS grew into a major cultural center supported by 800 members and offering island residents a myriad of arts-related activities, dance and musical events.

Though "retired," Phillips will continue much of her work on behalf of BIG ARTS and plans to spend more time with her family of three grown children and their spouses, seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Gillespie, previously vice president of COTI, is a co-founder and past president of STOP-IT, a citizens group formed in 1996 to prevent overdevelopment and increasing traffic on the island. He also co-chaired the citizens initiative that led to Sanibel's "Forever Wild" charter amendment and presently serves on the Shared



Mike Gillespie, left, newly-elected president of COTI, awards Tom Gilhooley, outgoing president, a plaque in honor of his service.

Vision Public Information Committee.

Stendahl, now in his fourth year as a COTI director, also is on the board of the Sanibel Music Festival and has served twice on the Sanibel Five-Year Budget Projection Review Committee.

Friedlund, in her third year on the COTI board, also serves on the board of Community Housing & Resources, is corresponding secretary for the Zonta Club and a volunteer administrative assistant at CROW. Robison, a three-year COTI board member, is a past president of Kiwanis and currently serves on the Finance Committee of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation.

Jill Dillon, president of Citizens for Quality Education, is a board member of Community Housing & Resources and a volunteer at the JN "Ding" Darling

National Wildlife Refuge.

Wendy Humphrey, local realtor and former editor at two local newspapers, is a board member of BIG ARTS and administrator of the Captiva Erosion Prevention District.

John LaGorce is a member of STOP-IT and an active supporter of Sanibel cultural, historical and wildlife organizations.

Bernard Lubetkin, a former member of the

Sanibel Bridge-Causeway Study Group, twice has served on the Five-Year Budget Projection Review Committee and currently is the chair.

In introducing the guest speaker, Gillespie lauded Ken Wilkinson, Lee County Property Appraiser, for his persistence in the Save Our Homes initiative which placed a cap on yearly assessment increases "so residents are not priced out of their homes."

A resident who paid \$20,000 for a waterfront home in the 1960s or '70s could not afford to live there today if the property was valued at the going market rate, according to Wilkinson. "The lot

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Paying Entity	Benefit	Percent	2003 Cost share	1996 Cost Share
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2.) Neighboring Owners	913,575	5.2	205,451	*
3.) Sanibel residents outside project	2,265,695	12.8	505,727	434,000
4.) Lee County (tourists paying taxes on Sanibel, 8.4% & off island beach users, 8.5%)	2,986,398	16.9	\$ 667,717	*
Total	\$17,647,054	100.0	\$3,950,988	\$2,411,111

* The original City contribution of \$434,000 (18% of total cost) was partly reimbursed by a Lee County grant of \$132,000, and by a substantially smaller voluntary contribution from neighboring property owners. The final City contribution was 12.5%.

Source: Dr. William Stronge report to City of Sanibel

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Renourishment

onto beaches to stem the erosion that threatens low lying coastal areas. Controversy has surrounded the issue as opponents decry the negative environmental effects of dredging the nation's beaches. The costs of beach renourishment on a national basis have skyrocketed in recent years. According to government figures, rebuilding the nation's beaches topped \$125 million in the year 2000. Some estimates say that almost \$2 billion

has been spent in the past decade with \$5.5 billion estimated for future projects. Local governments are budgeting millions of dollars in taxpayer money to fund the local portions of these projects. Lee County alone is budgeting over \$80 million for beach projects in the next 10 years, according to Steve Boutelle, natural resource manager for the County. Federal, State and County funds normally are used only where public access is available. Critics of these projects argue that in many cases the money being spent on renourishment far exceeds the value of the structures they are protecting and equate

them with using taxpayer money to build sand castles that wash away in the first storm. Proponents answer that renourishment protects property values and maintains the recreational function of beaches that draws visitors and therefore maintains the local economy. There is little agreement by the opposing sides about the environmental effect of dredging the beaches. Both sides support their arguments with data that they claim is irrefutable.

Zimomra said the City will have about six months to debate the issue but time will be a critical factor. "If the project is

approved we can tie into the Captiva Renourishment project scheduled for late 2003, we can save \$800,000 in mobilization costs," she said.

The draft report on the Renourishment Project is on the agenda for 2 p.m. at the April 2 City Council meeting.

Next week. More about the report *
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Airport Expansion Topic Of Chamber Lunch

Susan M. Sanders, director of aviation marketing services for Lee County Port Authority will address Sanibel & Captiva Islands Chamber of Commerce members and guests at the Box Lunch on Tuesday, April 9, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Sanibel Community House. Sanders will speak about expansion progress and plans that will bring more heads to beds on the islands.

All Chamber members and guests are invited to attend the luncheon, catered by Timbers/Sanibel Grill of Sanibel, for \$10 each in advance. To reserve your box lunch, call 472-1080 extension 201, or email ava@sanibel-captiva.org. Deadline for reservations is 5 p.m. Friday, April 5. No reservations will be accepted after that time. Cost at the door for attendees without reservations is \$14 each.*



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Sanibel And Captiva Fishing

by Captain Rick Silhavy



I am pleased to report that the water temperatures in the gulf reached 74 degrees last week and that the fishing improved, as predicted. The only problem is that a cold front on Friday knocked the temp back down and

the fishing kind of shut down for a couple of days. During the few short days that it was up the fishing was terrific. We caught the king mackerel as predicted. We got some real nice ones on deadbait and trolling lures and spoons, and ballyhoo. While trolling ballyhoo 15 miles off of the island on the downrigger we had another great surprise. We caught a real nice dolphin and Harold Miller and family of Captiva had a nice Mahi-Mahi dinner that night. The dolphin might have been a fluke but the nice clean blue water that comes off of the loop current in the gulf was not. This clean blue water that moves up here from the Yucatan Peninsula can bring in every type of Pelagic into the area. King, dolphin, and even sailfish can run in this blue water on their way to the northern and central gulf where they will spend their summer and fall. It is possible that if you go out into this water far enough you might even run into a white or blue marlin or swordfish. These are the fish that we will be looking for as we work

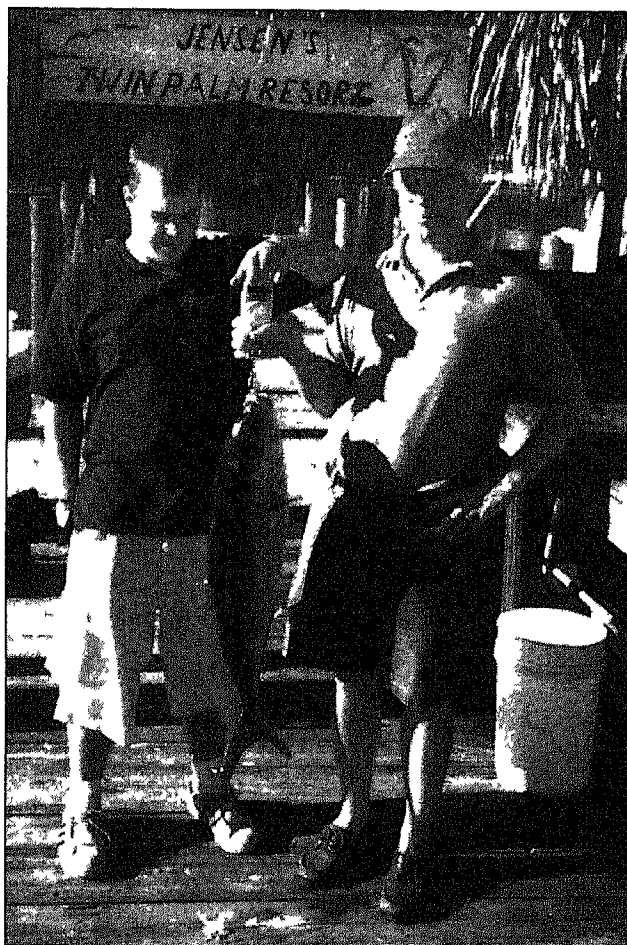
our way further and further into the central gulf to the edge of the shelf which plummets to depths of 6000 feet. That is right, six thousand feet. The edge of that shelf is about 120 miles out and is referred by us who venture out there as the edge. It is quite an adventure to go there because you never know what you may run into on one of these hunting trips.

The snook are still running on the small side, but showing up in greater numbers.

I have a good friend, Capt. Mike Malay, whose is setting up a chart divided into five mile squares starting at 75 miles out and into the middle gulf. He is setting up a website that will be used by venturous anglers to report their catches in these waters and we will get this shared information from the internet so that we can all benefit from the knowledge of each other. We are truly excited about this, because it is difficult to know who is venturing out there and what kind of fish there their adventure came up with. If you need further information about this please call me

at 472- 6089.

Inshore and Backbay: Reports are that Capt. Dave Godfrey is catch as many as 20 nice red-fish on some of his trips. Capt. Jimmy Burnsed, and his dad, Capt Jimbo Burnsed are having lots of great trips. The snook are still running on the small side, but or showing up in greater numbers. There are still some gator sized trout out there. The large shrimp that we have right now are paying off and the bait schools are getting better to net at this time. Dick, who stays at Jensen's every year and fishes on the dock every day, has caught lots of nice grouper and hit a tarpon right off of the dock last week. So as you can see the water temps have improved the fishing greatly, and some better tides should make the fishing very good in the next couple of weeks. Good Fishing!*



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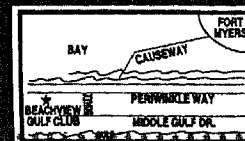
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26 The Simple Language Of Orchids

Ludisia (loo-DIS-ee-ah) discolor (Achille Richard) 'Jewel Orchid'

by Dr. Faye Laurent Granberry, Sanibel orchid hobbyist



Many orchids grow with inconspicuous leaves bereft of worthy attention until the plant bursts into bloom. Not so for the jewel orchid. The foliage reddish green, dark purple, or brown-patterned – as if an artist had painted the thin parallel line of the colorful leaves and then shadowed in

red tones with white accents – is the excitement for this lesser known orchid. The orchid is beloved foremost for its fabulous, year-round multicolored leaves. I have found several of mine with slightly different leaf color tones. Ads promoting jewel orchids many times never mention their miniature lovely whitish, one-half inch asymmetrical flowers dotted with yellow lips, borne on eight to ten inches erect or sometimes twisted, long, one inch wide stalks.

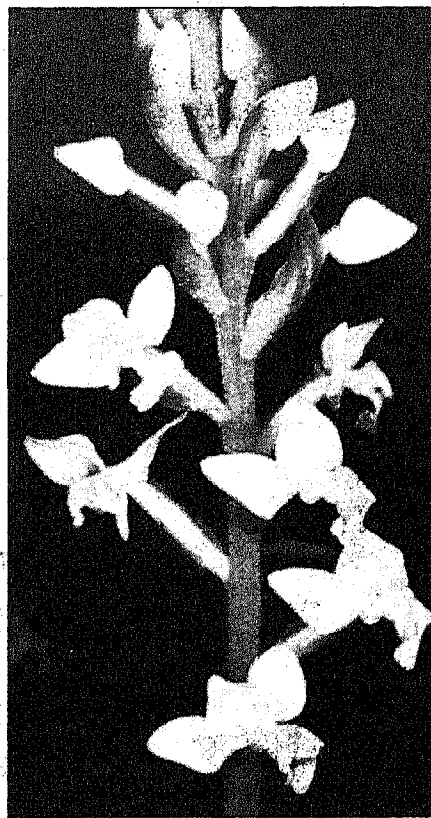
Dr. John Lindley, noted botanist, in 1826 gave it the synonym "Haemaria discolor" using the Greek word meaning "blood-red" for the undersides of the leaves. He dedicated the orchid in 1826 to the Spanish botanist Don Luis de

Terres. This is one of the more exciting things Lindley accomplished. In the times of 1800, or there-about, other orchid men were off to exciting trips, of course, rich (from inheritances) – on massive ships accompanied by, no less than full orchestras and their packs of hound dogs. These explorers always dressed in formal wear for dinner, spent their days searching – accomplished by guides – dangerous jungles for rare, exclusive orchids to add to their collections. Meantime, poor Lindley was back in his lab naming and renaming orchids and other plants.

Ludisia discolor found in India, Indonesia and the Indochinese peninsula are not always listed in orchid books. I sometimes find them under Haemaria, genera Goodyerinae. They are an Asiatic orchid for warm climates that prefers humidity to dryness. The best plants are cultivated from small offshoots. Try to find a massive old plant as this orchid is slow growing. I do not find this a difficult terrestrial orchid to grow as we appear to have the perfect setting. Most books will differ from my experiences.

I use a shallow basket or pot, filled with rich-light in texture – potting materials, humus and a few chunks of charcoal. Pot the plant with bottom leaves above the soil line. The jewel orchid, a small-medium terrestrial, has no pseudobulbs so it can not

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Red Hat Society

number 20. Fairman said interest has grown "by leaps and bounds," and a second Sanibel chapter likely will be forming.

The other two founding members of the Sanibel Scarlett O'Hatters are Georgette Laforet and Barbara King, known as the chapter's "Tara Mum" rather than by the "official" title of "Queen Mother" given to most chapter leaders.

The Red Hat Society takes its inspiration from *Warning*, a Jenny Joseph poem that includes these lines: "When I am an old woman ... I shall wear purple with a red hat which doesn't go, and doesn't suit me ... But maybe I ought to practice a little now? ..."

Members eschew rules because no one wants responsibility any longer. The refrain from the society's theme song by Mike Harline puts it rather bluntly: "All my life, I've done for you. Now it's my turn to do for me."

Underneath the frivolity, the women share a bond of affection, "forged by common life experiences and a genuine enthusiasm for wherever life takes us next."

Women under 50 also are accepted into the chapters, and it's suggested they wear pink hats and lavender outfits.

The Sanibel women are planning a tea in April. Persons wanting more information can contact Fairman at 472-3343 or King at 395-0302. The national website can be accessed at www.redhatsociety.com.

The first Red Hat Society conference is being held in Chicago next month.✱

Spring Sale At Shell Museum

The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum is welcoming springtime with a sale at its museum store. Selected items have been reduced 30 percent to 50 percent, and all profits benefit the non-profit museum.

There is no entrance fee to visit the museum store, which is open the same hours as the museum: Tuesday through Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Patricia Jones, store manager, says, "It's a wonderful opportunity to have some extra shell treasures as gifts or for yourself."

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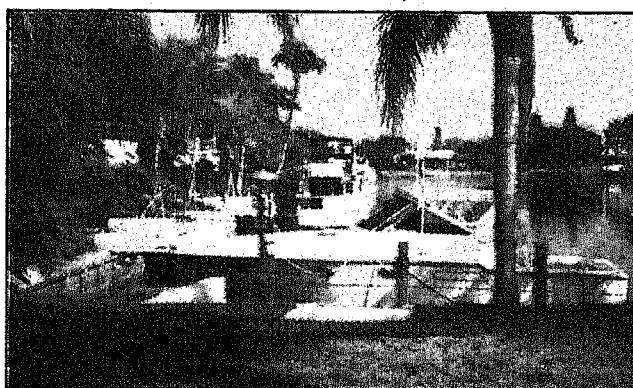
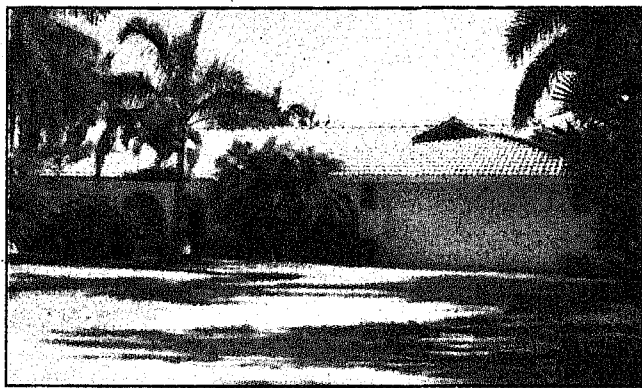
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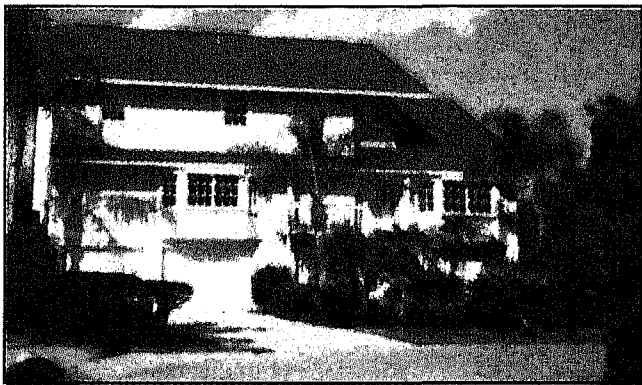
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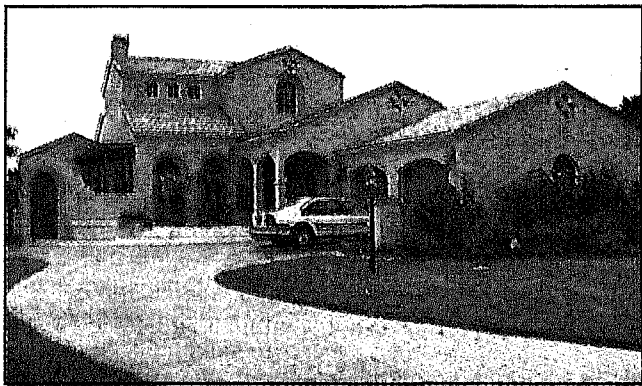
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Orchids

store water. Therefore, it must be kept moist but not soggy or it will rot. The growth habit of creeping stems on top of the soil will cause the stems to cascade over the container.

As to culture, I keep it moist, in the shade, some plants in the house, regular fertilizer 30-10-10, weekly, weakly - Dyna-Gro - one fourth strength. I repot in two years or I may just redress the top two inches with fresh material. Mine started to bloom in February and will continue to bloom through April. They do not like any temperature below the 50s. As to the light intensities - if the hand can cast a shadow - move it to lesser light

A stem broken off, can be laid horizon-

tally in a shallow container, wire bent down to hold it in place, and it will root. I place broken stems in a glass of water, keep in shade in the house, and they root and flower. I know books disagree with this method but it works for me. Again, I think our climate and conditions are perfect to grow this beautiful orchid.

The April meeting of the Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society will be held at the Sanibel Community Center on Monday April 15 at 1:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend and to display their orchids in a judged orchid show. No reservations required.

On April 12, 13, and 14 I will be at the Village in Sanibel with Harvey from Marilyn's Exotic Orchids, John Morris Road, Fort Myers and Joann Taylor of Taylor Orchids of Alva. Lectures, informa-

tion on orchids and the local Sanibel Captiva Orchid Society will be available. There will be unusual orchids for sale.

Granberry is president of the Sanibel-Captiva Orchid Society, chair of the Horticulture Society of the Islands (an affiliate of the prestigious American Horticulture Society) and first-vice-president of the Shell Island Garden Club. She is a well-known orchid hobbyist, lecturer, writer, and a 15-year certified Master Gardener. She holds a B.S. degree in horticulture and graduate degrees in psychology.*



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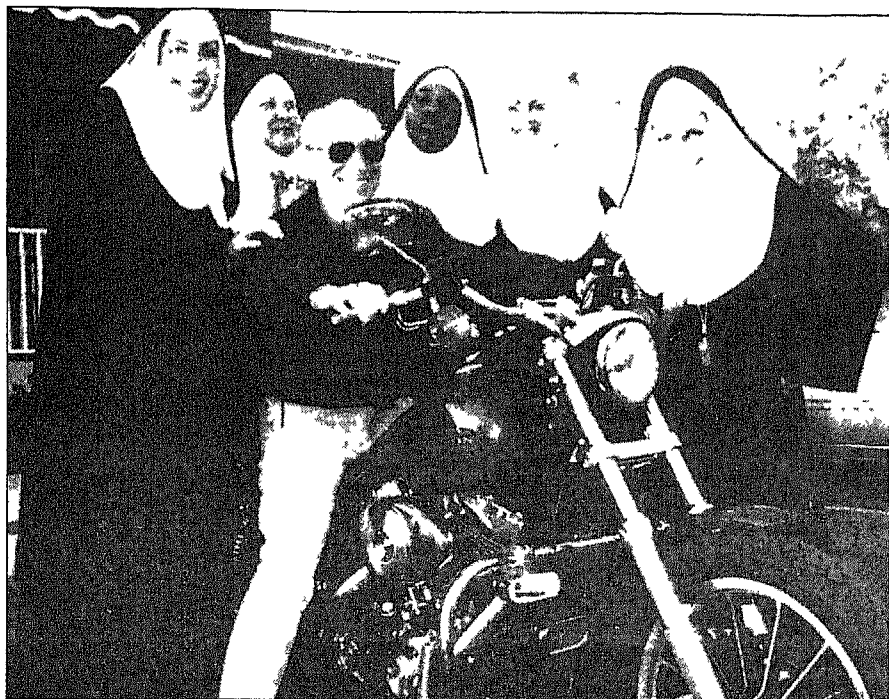
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Musical Opens At The Wood

The J. Howard Wood Theatre is pleased to present the wonderfully funny musical that has won international acclaim, *Nunsense II - The Second Coming* with book, music and lyrics by Dan Goggin which will open Thursday April 4 at 8 p.m.

With the great success from the Wood's production of *Nunsense* last season, its sequel, *Nunsense II The Second Coming* continues the adventures and hysterical antics of the Little Sisters of Hoboken who return to present another variety show to thank all the people who supported their first benefit production. This time with a talent scout in the audience, all the Sisters try their best to impress while getting into yet another predicament when the Franciscan order of nuns try to claim Sister Mary Amnesia as their own! Audience favorite, actress Carol Provonsha recreates her role as Reverend Mother to head the lunacy supported by the wonderfully talented sisters Nicole Sanders, Kelly L. Parker-Legarretta, Kimberly Martins and Jill Defina.

Director Joseph Cole Simmons returns to repeat his magic after directing the hits at the Wood last season, *Nunsense*, *Shirley Valentine*, *Lost In Yonkers*, and *Everybody Loves Opal*. Musical direction is by Broadway maestro Alki Steriopoulos and choreography by Honey Larsen. Sponsored by Tween Waters Inn, this



The Nuns are back! Left to right, Jill Defina, Carol Provonsha, Nicole Sanders, Kimberly Martins and Kelly Parker-Legarretta.

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Cost: \$25 Adults/\$15 Students (18

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Location: The J. Howard Wood Theatre, 2200 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel Island.

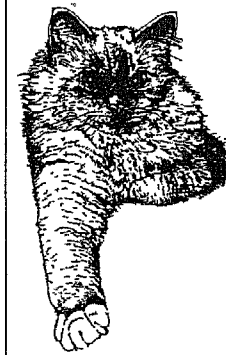
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Special Gala performance: Wednesday April 10 with dinner and bingo \$40 per person. Call the box office for details at 472-0006.*

ABWA Invites You To Nunsense II

Circle April 8 on your calendar! At 8 that evening you can enjoy the hilarious, fun-filled production of *Nunsense II* at the J. Howard Wood Theater and be contributing to a very worthwhile cause. When you buy a regularly priced ticket for \$25 for this performance, a portion of the proceeds will be donated to the scholarship fund of the Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association. This fund is currently helping 12 very deserving local girls with their college expenses.

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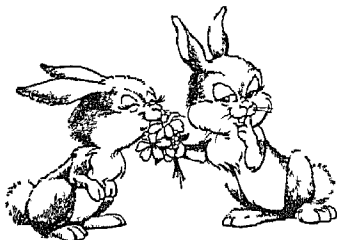
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Mann Hall Announces Big, Bold Season

Following another year of enormously successful Broadway entertainment, Mary Bense, general manager of the Barbara B. Mann Performing Arts Hall, is pleased to announce its "biggest and boldest" Broadway season to date highlighted by Elton John and Tim Rice's *Aida*, winner of four 2000 Tony Awards and a 2001 Grammy Award, plus the witty and exhilarating production of *The Full Monty*, which received 10 Tony Award nominations. Joining these shows for the 2002-2003 season is Michael Flatley's *Lord of the Dance*, *The Music Man*, *Swing*, *South Pacific* and *Saturday Night Fever*. As an added bonus to this year's incredible line-up, the blockbuster Broadway musical, *Les Miserables* will return along with a production of *Grease*. Due to the unprecedented demand, a fourth subscription series for Sunday matinees has been added to the Friday evening and Saturday matinee and evening subscription series.

"I am overwhelmed with the opportunity to present *Aida* on next year's schedule," Bense stated. "In presenting such huge hits as *Aida* and *The Full Monty*, we keep with The Mann Hall's tradition of being the first to premier blockbuster musicals such as *The Phantom of the*

Opera, *Riverdance*, *Les Miserables*, *Miss Saigon* and *Beauty and the Beast* for the Southwest Florida audiences. After winning the Horizon Council Award, the Mann Family's Star of Touring Broadway Award and the Best Performing Arts Hall from *Florida Magazine*, it was imperative to make this season an exciting and challenging one!"

Michael Flatley's *Lord of the Dance* is the international sensation that is a mesmerizing blend of traditional and modern Celtic music. It is a passionate love story that is expressed through dance numbers that transport the audience into a mystical and exhilarating world. "Our goal is to take the audience on a wondrous adventure that will ignite their minds and soul," said Flatley. In less than five years, the show has brought a staggering 50 million people worldwide to their feet. *Lord of the Dance* will be presented December 6 to 8 for five performances.

Meredith Wilson's *The Music Man* has brightened the American musical landscape from its Broadway debut in 1957 to Susan Stroman's stunning, joyous and high-stepping revival over 40 years later. *The Music Man* is a heartwarming story, infused with all new wit and energy, turbocharged dancing and infectious songs that is a delight for audiences of all ages. *The Music Man* will be presented December 28 through 30 for four performances.

From the producers that brought you *The Sound of Music* with Richard Chamberlain, *Smokey Joe's Cafe* and *Stomp*, comes *Swing*! It received six Tony Award nominations, including nominations for "Best Musical," "Best Director" and "Best Choreography." *Swing*! is a celebration of the music and dance phenomenon that swept the nation in the 30s and 40s, and is an all-singing, all-dancing evening of entertainment that features a mix of new and classic songs with over thirty tour de force dance numbers. *Swing*! also features spectacular vocal performances, while the entire show is driven by the dynamic sound of a hot neo swing band. Featuring classic swing tunes such as *Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy* and *It Don't Mean a Thing (If It Ain't Got That Swing)*, you'll be swinging in your seats January 17 to 19, 2003.

Based on the record-breaking 1997 Academy Award-nominated hit of the same name, *The Full Monty* is the raucous and heartfelt story of six unemployed steelworkers who go to great lengths to make some cash and help a friend in trouble. When a local male strip show - whose dancers venture down to their G strings - is a hit with the local women, the cash-strapped factory workers figure they can cash in big time if they go the full monty. *USA Today* proclaims *The Full Monty* "one of the most entertaining and exhilarating productions you'll ever see!" Nominated for 10 Tony Awards including "Best Musical," *The Full Monty* features a new book by Tony Award winner Terrence McNally and direction by Jack O'Brien. For a truly original musical comedy, you've gotta go for *The Full Monty* February 4 to 9, 2003 for eight performances.

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Yorker about *Aida*, Disney's newest blockbuster musical and the show that *Time Magazine* calls "Broadway's next monster hit!" Elton John and Tim Rice's *Aida* is a musical love story bursting with contemporary energy that tells of the dangerous triangle between *Aida*, a Nubian princess stolen from her country, Amneris, an Egyptian princess, and Radames, the soldier they both love. Based on Verdi's opera, *Aida* is an epic and classic tale of love, loyalty, betrayal and courage. *Aida*, winner of four 2000 Tony Awards, has a 2001 Grammy Award winning score by Elton John and Tim Rice. Elton John, in a remarkable career spanning over 30 years, is a rock superstar and one of the top selling solo artists of all time. Several years ago he collaborated with renowned lyricist Tim Rice. The result was the critically acclaimed Broadway production of *The Lion King*. *Aida* will be presented February 24 through March 3, 2003 for a limited engagement of eight performances only and is the must see show of the season!

South Pacific, the timeless Broadway musical of wartime and romance in an island paradise, marked Rodgers and Hammerstein's fourth collaboration. This landmark musical won nine 1950 Tony Awards including "Best Musical, Book and Score." It became only the second musical to win a Pulitzer Prize for drama. The unforgettable score is full of some of the most enduring standards in Broadway history such as *There's Nothing Like a Dame*, *I'm Gonna Wash That Man Right Outa My Hair*, *Bali Ha'i* and the

beloved *Some Enchanted Evening*. Countless productions around the world and a wildly successful film version have proven *South Pacific* to be a true classic. Experience it again from March 28 to 30, 2003.

Saturday Night Fever, adapted for the stage by Nan Knighton, tells the streetwise New York City story of an ambitious, talented Brooklyn kid, Tony Manero, with a burning desire to make it big in Manhattan. It is filled with an unprecedented 12 top 10 hit songs that helped launch the 1970s disco-dancing craze, including *Stayin' Alive*, *Night Fever*, *How Deep Is Your Love*, *You Should Be Dancing*, *If I Can't Have You* and *Jive Talkin'*. "A cheery pop-rocket that lights up the stage. *Night Fever* is a blast!" says *Time Magazine*. "You will be dancing in the aisles!" April 4 to 6, 2003.



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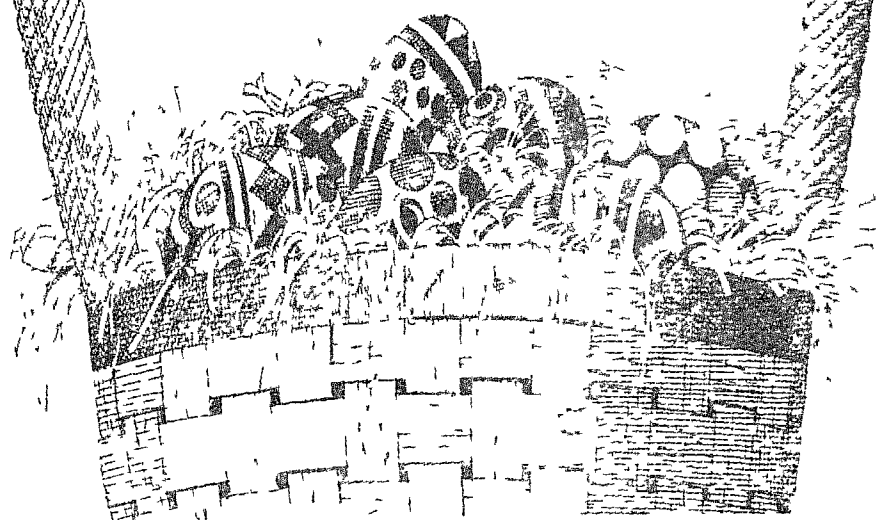
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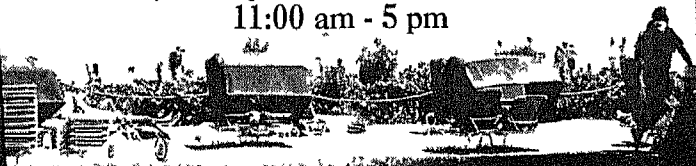
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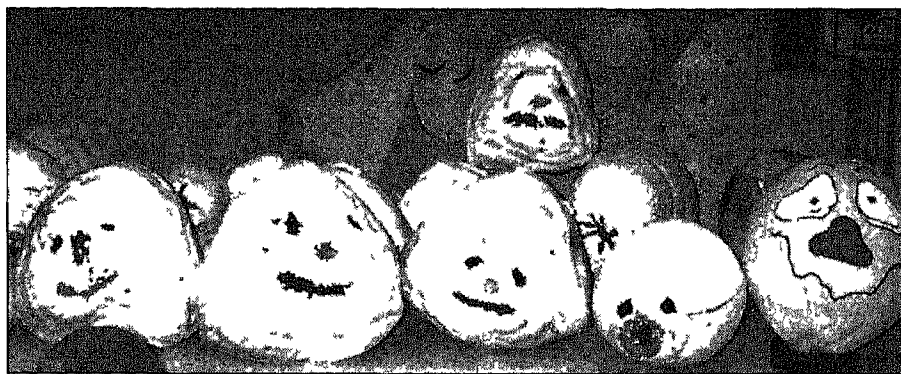


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by Brian Johnson

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Classes will focus on exploring color, light, line and space, the formal elements of painting, and ways they are used. As students learn how to look at art they will begin to look at paintings like the experts. With slides and lecture-discussions, the course will investigate how such masters as Leonardo, Michelangelo, Rembrandt and others employed the visual elements to achieve a wide variety of effects.

This course is intended to aid participants in acquiring skills to look at art with more knowledge and understanding when visiting museums and galleries and when considering the purchase of art.

The program will be held in the Sanibel Library Meeting Room on the ground floor of the Library and is free and open to the public. For further information, call the Sanibel Public Library at 472-2483.✱

Sanibel Fly Fishers To Feature Bill Pegram

The Sanibel Fly Fishers will hold their monthly meeting, Thursday, April 4 at 7 p.m. in the Sanibel Public Library, featured speaker will be Bill Pegram, onetime instructor at the Fenwick Fly Fishing School. Pegram, who for decades was an international guide and outdoor writer, will show a video about fly fishing for dorado in Mexico.

The SFF is a new, fast-growing club affiliated with the International Federation of Fly Fishers. The club is open to anglers of all ability levels and focuses on all types of fly fishing, as well as conservation, access and other issues. For more information, call Dick White at 472-4829 or Norm Zeigler at 395-9442.✱

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Celebrating The Sweetest Sounds Of Richard Rodgers

by Pamela Gilbert Wortzel

This year marks the centennial celebration of the birth of Richard Rodgers, the legendary giant of the American musical theater. Rodgers, in collaboration first with Lorenz Hart and later with Oscar Hammerstein, created the music for many of the best known and best loved hits of 20th century musical theater. His career spanned more than six decades and earned him countless accolades including numerous Oscars, Tonys, Emmys, Grammys and Pulitzers. During his remarkably prolific career he wrote more than 900 published songs and 40 Broadway musicals.

Born in New York City in 1902, he began his professional collaboration with lyricist Lorenz Hart in 1920. Together, the two produced a string of musical hits that included *On Your Toes*, *Babes In Arms* and *Pal Joey*. Hart died in 1943 and Rodgers went on to become an icon of musical theater through his long and fruitful collaboration with lyricist Oscar Hammerstein. Their 1943 hit, *Oklahoma!*, ushered in a new era in musical theater and also became the first in a series of phenomenally successful Broadway musicals which included *Carousel*, *South Pacific*, *The King and I*,



The cast of *The Sweetest Sounds of Richard Rodgers*

Flower Drum Song and *The Sound of Music*.

The sounds of Richard Rodgers, which seem to have been playing somewhere in the background of our lives as long as most of us can remember, are the basis for the latest production at Sanibel's Old Schoolhouse Theater. In a show conceived and staged by JT Smith and directed by Artie D'Alessio, the cast pays tribute to Rodgers' musical acumen with a selection of mostly well known tunes that span

the years of his collaborations with Hart and Hammerstein. Musical director and accomplished pianist Ken Jones, accompanied by the energetic Miguel Cintron on percussion, provides the musical foundation of the show.

Old Schoolhouse familiar faces Jeff March and Erik Hogan are joined on stage by newcomers Kathryn Stefanie and Samantha Rotella. Lighting and scenic designer Evan Tuttle has created a perfect background for the American-as-apple-pie

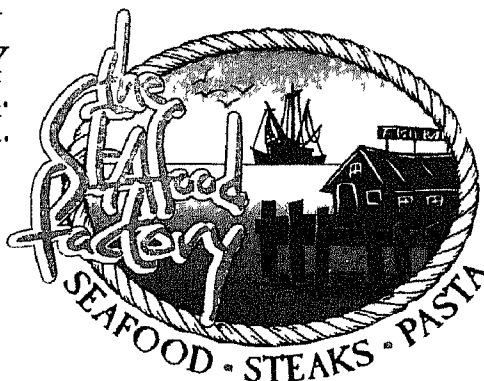
world of Rodgers' musicals. A yellow clapboard exterior of a house with blue trim, a white picket fence, flowers, and an ivy covered trellis form an idealized setting for this musical tribute. Although some of Rodgers' musicals took place in faraway lands, the dreams and aspirations of the characters always reflected a very American way of looking at the world.

From where I sat I could see the audiences' expressions of pure enjoyment as they recognized their old favorites. Spirited tunes from *Oklahoma!* included *Oh What a Beautiful Morning* and *June is Bustin' Out All Over*. *Nothing Like a Dame* from *South Pacific* is still a great tune. Sung by Hogan and March, this humorous lament by soldiers stuck on an island during the war holds up well after so many years. Other great numbers from *South Pacific* include *Wash That Man Right Out of My Hair* and *Honey Bun Don't Marry Me* from *Flower Drum Song*, featuring the four cast members, still holds up well also. Lovely romantic ballads include *Love Look Away* and *Some Enchanted Evening*.

A comical rendition of *Blue Moon* features Jeff March as an Elvis-like crooner accompanied by three "gals" in 50's garb. One of the "gals" turned out to be a bewigged and bespectacled Erik Hogan who always shines in these comic turns. Costumes by Marilyn St. John exude glamour when glamour is needed and are always appropriately goofy for the comical pieces.

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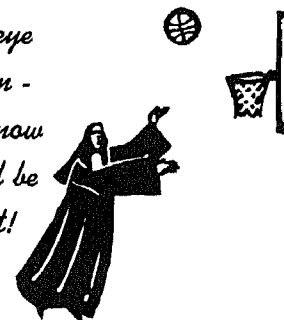
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moves on the Old Schoolhouse's tiny stage. All in all, *The Sweetest Sounds of Richard Rodgers* provides a lighthearted, fun filled evening of entertainment laced with a hearty dose of nostalgia for days gone by.

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Symphony Fundraising Breaks Records

The Symphony Society has completed the fundraising season with a record-breaking total of well over \$100,000, all of which is donated to the Southwest Florida Symphony and its programs to bring classical music to area youth.

Much of the success is due to the generosity of the people of Sanibel and visitors to the island who came by the thousands to visit the Showcase of Designers and Artists at the Naughton Home, in February — the first ever on Sanibel. With the modest admission fee and commissions from the sale of tile art work, the Symphony Society raised another record total of close to \$65,000. The Society thanks the police personnel who directed traffic in front of the home with patience and good humor, and the City officials who permitted the event during a time of year that already suffers horrendous traffic.

The businesses, particularly the Island House, were gracious and helpful, particularly providing parking areas for visitors to the home. The owner, Evelyn Stewart, and drivers of the trolley (Adventures In Paradise) were kind enough to extend their hours to accommodate the Society's needs.

Finally, the Society extends special gratitude to the Naughton family, realtor Mike McMurray, and the VIP Realty Group for their generous support of our event.

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Eric Watters & Friends will perform a musical revue to benefit Brightest Horizons Child Development Center at 7 p.m. Sunday, April 7 at the Arcade Theater, Fort Myers.

Brightest Horizons is the Harlem Heights mission program that has been providing affordable childcare for low-income families for more than two decades.

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The programs are part of Brightest Horizons Mission, Inc., which also provides emergency assistance to individuals and families in need. For information, contact Kathleen Shaddock, executive director, at 481-2100 or brightesthorizon@aol.com.

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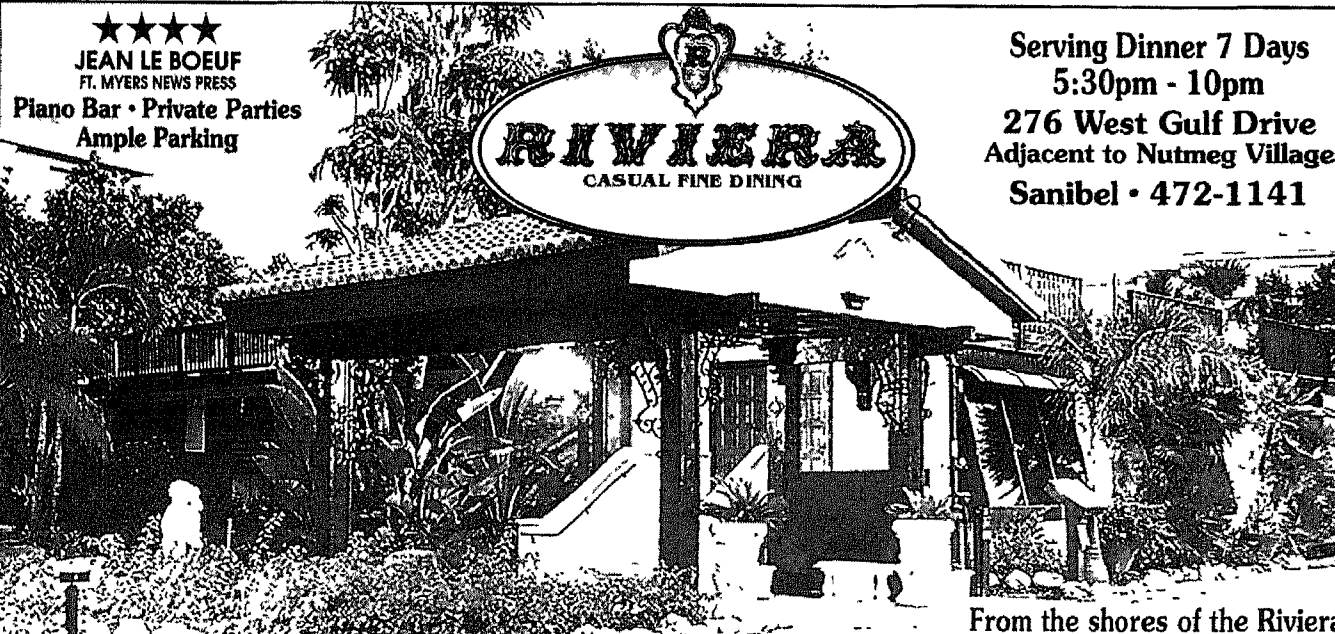
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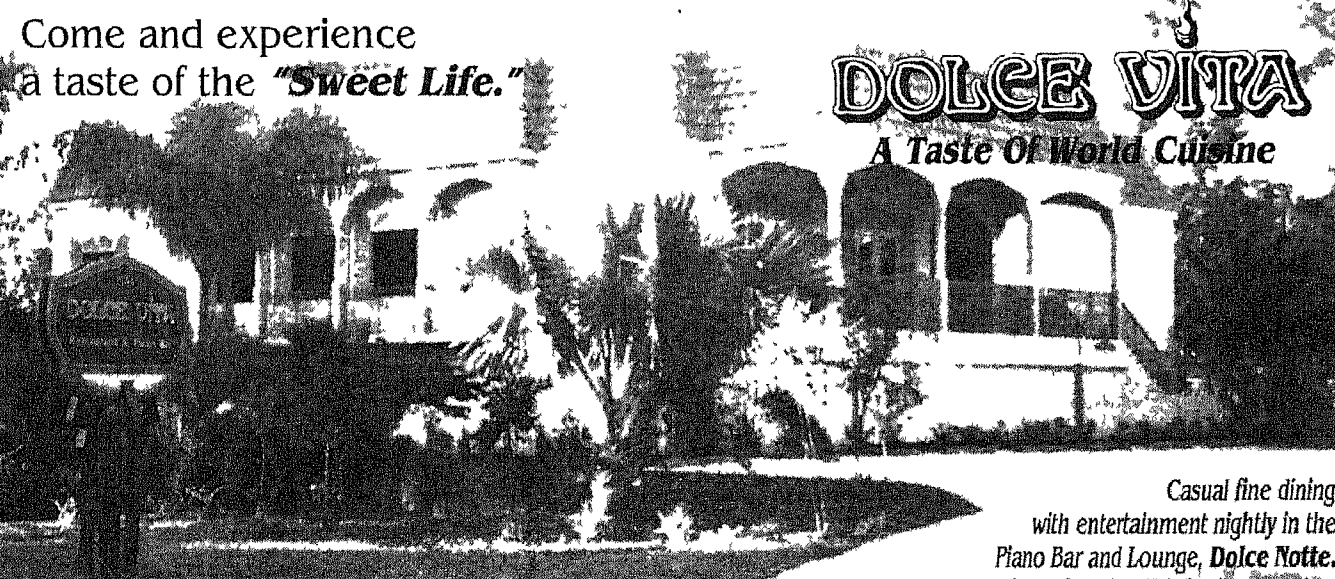
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Gardening On Sanibel



by Hulda Walters

"Most people are as happy as they make up their minds to be"

Abraham Lincoln read something rather witty today - Weeding and Garden Rule To make sure you are removing a weed and

not a valuable plant, pull on it if it comes out of the ground easily, it is a valuable plant.

One Easter as my grandchildren were searching for Easter eggs in the front yard, my daughter-in-law saw a variety of small plants in the grass and she said, "I can't believe Mother has let all these weeds grow in her yard." So she obligingly pulled them all up and showed me proudly. I said "Oh gee, those are flowers - I just let them grow where they were happy." Needless to say she does not pull up "weeds" anymore!

My friends and readers, when I sit down to write to you each week, I visualize every one of you reading with undivided interest. Oh, go on, seriously I am just flattering myself. But I do wonder if you would like a series on some of the great gardens of the world that I have visited and even some of those that I haven't.

The last gardener in that series I have

been doing that I wanted to mention is Tom Schnabel of Sanibel Landscape Company. My husband and I met him shortly after we moved here in early 1973 and had him do some planting for us. Then came a summer storm and Tom came up to replant all my uprooted trees. He has been the only one through the years to do any planting in my various yards, moving my special trees and plants to each new location as we moved around so you can see there are some years whereby I came to know him. First of all he is a rather elusive character. He means well but he likes to be taken lightly. Tom was the first landscaper to locate on this island back in 1968 and his garden expertise is hard to beat. To meet his garden esthetics or design, I challenge all comers. But as your garden columnist, I hope I am entitled to my opinion.

Last week I wrote about the not often lauded tree trimmers. I may have bruised some feelings by singling out for the number one spot, John Dickey of Dickey Brothers Tree Trimming Company. I did this not only because of his excellent work ethic but because of his long standing career on Sanibel and Captiva. Who else has been plying that trade longer?

All right, to my next honoree, Sanibel Tree Service. Everyone knows of our brave police officer Jamie Phillips who oversees this operation. What better credentials do you want for an operation that is going to give you top notch performance. But I do need to mention his helper, Bennie. This fearless young man is the "Popeye" of the tree business, and with his handsome new truck with the

extended "cherry picker" this kid cuts a mean performance. Seriously, he is the tops in his profession.

Did you get all your garden chores done? I am still working on mine and today picked up organic fertilizer and Black Cow to give the flower beds a boost. Also replanted one sad looking box with snapdragons of various colors - so gradually I am getting it all done. Happy Gardening!*

Caloosa Rare Fruit Exchange Club Meeting

The Caloosa Rare Fruit Exchange Club (CRFE) Tuesday, April 2 meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the rear "porches" at the back of Terry Park (3406 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers). This month's program speaker will be Master Gardner Terry Wolfley talking about insects and pest control, a common problem with fruits and vegetables. Meetings are open to the public and membership in the club is encouraged. The famous Rare Fruit Cookbook has been reprinted and will be available at the meeting. Call HUI Thompson 731-1430 for club info, or

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Lend Me a Tenor

Lend Me A Tenor is a door-slamming, dress-dropping farce with mistaken identities, mischievous misunderstandings and compromising positions and it's being presented by University Theatre at Florida Gulf Coast University along with the Cultural Park Theatre Company in Cape Coral. This wildly entertaining farce by Ken Ludwig, also the author of the hit *Moon Over Buffalo* will open on Friday night, March 29.

It's the biggest night in the history of the Cleveland Grand Opera Company, and world-famous Italian tenor Signor Tito Morelli will be their guest artist in "Otello," highlight of the company's most important fundraiser for the 1934 season. But Tito's troubled life, his hotheaded wife, and a "Dear John" letter mistaken as Tito's suicide note sends everybody's head swimming. If there's no Tito, the opera company will lose \$50,000 in ticket sales... They've got find the dead singer!

Meanwhile, Max (opera singer wannabe) is coerced into impersonating the Italian great to save the show. In costume, wig and make-up, he's a dead ringer for the dead singer. And then it happens. Tito Morelli wakes up from his apparent one-too-many-sedatives, refreshed and ready for the spotlight! Toss in a belligerent bellhop, a steamy soprano and a flamboyant opera director, and "Lend Me a Tenor" turns a rib-tickling romp of who kissed who into a storm of giggles and gasps.

The cast of eight is filled with FGCU's



Kelly Rivadulla as Maggie, Joey Carvera as Max and Jamie Carmichael as Saunders.

preprofessional Theatre Majors and two well-known local actors. FGCU students featured in *Lend Me A Tenor* include Joey Carver whose credits include productions of *Come Blow Your Horn* and *Little Shop of Horrors*; Kelly Rivadulla who delighted audiences in *Nunsense II*; and Jamie Carmichael fresh from a successful run of *Streetcar Named Desire* and who regularly appears in productions with the critically acclaimed Theatre Conspiracy troupe. The student cast will be joined by Martin Dale playing Tito

Morelli and Lee Myers as Julia. In addition to his extensive acting credits, Dale has been a choreographer and dance teacher for 16 years, while Myers has appeared on various Southwest Florida stages including Florida Repertory Theatre's and The J. Howard Theatre's.

The production is being directed by FGCU's Director of Theatre, Dr. Henry Diers. Diers says he's assembled one of the best casts he's ever directed, "The actors in this show

are really amazing. Of course they're very talented, but what's really admirable is that most of them are balancing school, work, and being in a major theatrical production. They're truly dedicated."

Cultural Park Theatre in Cape Coral, known architecturally as one of the finest theatres in Southwest Florida, is owned by The City of Cape Coral, seats 186 audience members and has a proscenium

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Martin Feltz as Tito and Merelli Erin Cicinelli as Marla.

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Lend Me A Tenor

style stage. Normally, the theatre plays host to its managing organization, The Cultural Park Theatre Company (formerly known as The Cape Coral Community Theatre). Founded in 1963, the troupe is the oldest in the area and the only established Community Theatre in Lee County. This season marks the first in their alliance with FGCU. Says Marilyn Grayboyes, Cultural Park's Board President, "We were very excited when FGCU approached us about creating a partnership. They have a fabulous theatre department, but no theatre at the University to perform at. Cultural Park Theatre Company is thrilled to have them aboard. They're bringing in

a whole new audience of young theatre goers."

Earlier this season FGCU debuted at Cultural Park with the hit musical-comedy Nunsense II and last month presented the Tennessee Williams classic, Streetcar Named Desire. The University is planning to present 2 productions at Cultural Park next season.

Lend Me a Tenor will be presented over two weekends: Friday, March 29 through Sunday, March 31 and Friday, April 5 through Sunday, April 7. Friday and Saturday shows are at 8 p.m. and Sunday matinees are at 3 p.m. Tickets for all shows are \$14, and seniors get in for \$12. Reserve your ticket by calling 941-772-5862. Cultural Park Theatre is located at 528 Cultural Park Theatre Boulevard in Cape Coral.✱

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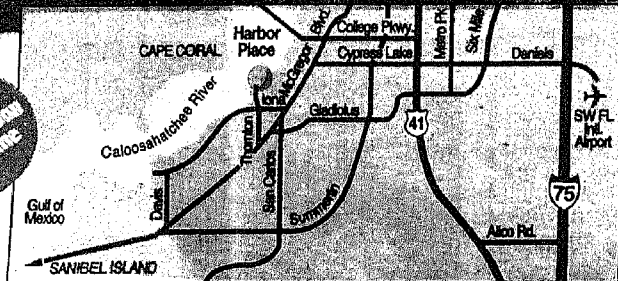
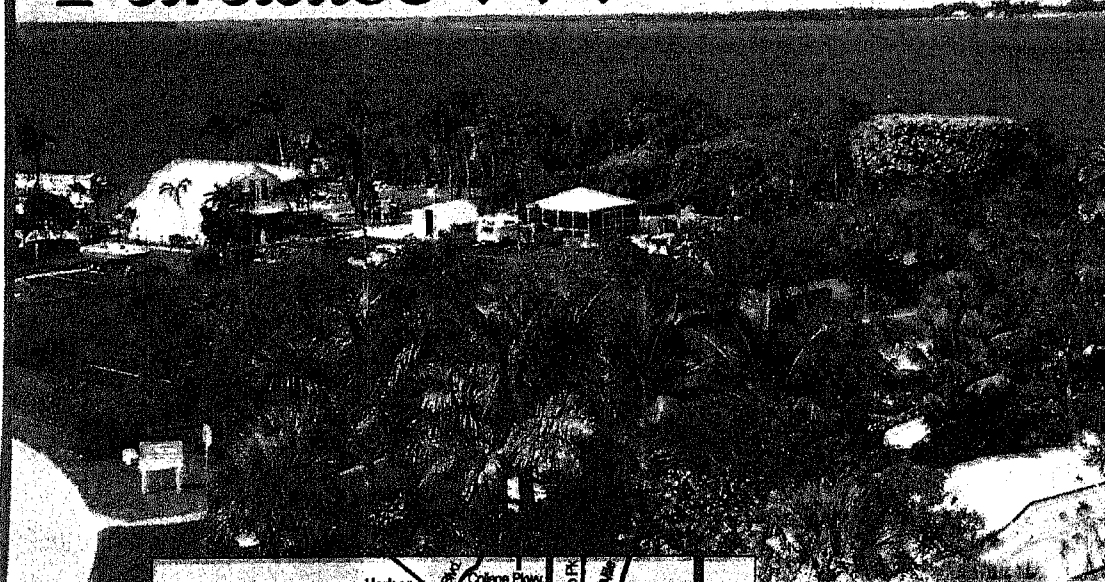
Kids Conspiracy's season finale will be the highly unusual *Eyefellgloffenhootenanniemerryberrycrunch* by James Brock: May 11 at the Foulds Theatre; and June at Riverside Community Center. This town with a very long and very funny name suddenly loses its sign and its humor. To get them back, Teena must foil the grumpy king next door and solve the unusual puzzles created by Which Witch.

The Riverside Community Center is near the intersection of Palm Beach Boulevard and Seaboard Street, 3061 East Riverside Drive in Fort Myers. The

Foulds Theatre is located at the Lee County Alliance of the Arts, 10091 McGregor Boulevard in Fort Myers. Bay Oaks Recreation Center is south of Topps Supermarket off Estero Boulevard on Fort Myers Beach; turn east on School Street then turn left and park near the Beach Pool. For information and tickets, call 936-3239. For tickets on the BIG ARTS performance only, call 395-0900.

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tenor sax, Tiberi handles Herman's solos on clarinet and takes an occasional part on flute and bassoon as well. He is a noted arranger whose orchestrations of the Coltrane compositions *Giant Steps* and *Countdown* were recorded by the Herman Orchestra in the 1970's.

Although the average age of the band members is only 28, most have a conservatory background and handle the demands of a repertoire spanning more than 50 years of jazz with ease. The Herman Orchestra celebrated its 65th Anniversary in 2001

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Library, Sun, And Poets Celebrate Poetry Month

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The Sanibel Library, the *Island Sun* and Sanibel Poets invite poetry lovers to join them in celebrating National Poetry Month on Saturday, April 6. The celebration will be held in the Sanibel Library conference room and will begin at 2 p.m. Sanibel and Southwest Florida area poets will read their poetry and a Langston Hughes poem. After the reading, the *Island Sun* will sponsor a reception in honor of the participating poets and their guests.

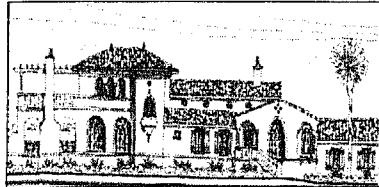
Last year, Langston Hughes was voted America's favorite poet and since this year would have been his one-hundredth birthday, centenary celebrations in his honor will be held throughout the country. Members of the public are invited to listen or participate by reading a favorite poem written by Hughes or another poet.

Admission is free. For further information, call Joseph Pacheco, 472-1280.

Poets who will participate are: Betty Anholt, Laura Barr, Jim Brock, Don Brown, Claudia Burns, Pat Deeder, Belle Deutscher, Barbara Finklestein, Elizabeth Hawkins, Marilyn Koren, Bob Maxeiner, Steve Oberbeck, Joseph Pacheco, Sidney Simon, Lana Smith, Charles Sobczak, Marianne Strickland.*

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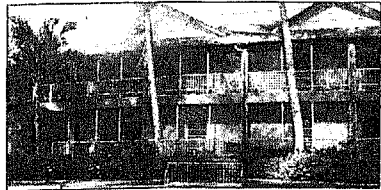


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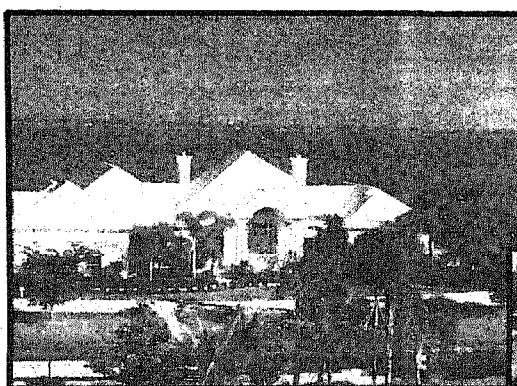
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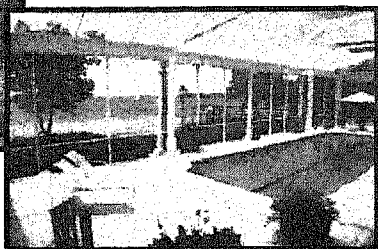


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Rauschenberg At Edison College

The Gallery of Fine Art, Edison College, is pleased to welcome back world-renowned artist Robert Rauschenberg. This exhibit, titled "Robert Rauschenberg: Recent Work" is taken from Rauschenberg's most recent series of paintings, titled *Short Stories*, which was executed between 2000 and 2002. The exhibit will open March 28 and run through April 28. The exhibit opens to the public on March 28 with a reception in the Gallery from 6 to 9 p.m. Kat Epple will perform and the docents of the Gallery will provide refreshments.

Rauschenberg, often cited as the most important artist of his generation, did more than any other artist to reach beyond contemporary thinking by challenging limits, perceptions, and every other boundary in sight. After all, this is the artist who erased a deKooning drawing, created a tire impression on paper with John Cage, worked extensively with the Merce Cunningham Dance Company, ushered in "Happenings" and "Pop Art," and influenced virtually all artistic thinking since Abstract Expressionism.

A career retrospective was organized by and displayed at the Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York and the Guggenheim Museum, Soho, in late 1997. The exhibit of more than 400 pieces showed Rauschenberg from 1948 to the present. In the 50 years of relentless pursuit of imagery,

Rauschenberg's mark of free association and experimentation is seen on painting, performance, collage, sculpture, printmaking, and photography. It was Rauschenberg's first retrospective since 1976 and one of the largest exhibitions ever held of work by a living artist. Following the New York opening the exhibit began touring with stops in Houston, Texas, as well as venues in Germany and Spain.

The exhibit at The Gallery of Fine Art, Edison College, is comprised of 15 large format pieces, measuring 85 and one half inches by 61 inches, that were completed between 2000 and 2002. The mixed media work, all on poly laminate, was executed using a pigment transfer process or vegetable dye transfer process, and also incorporates acrylic and/or graphite. The highly technical process Rauschenberg uses to create his work was developed at his Captiva studio. The process includes creating, on a film, computer-driven soluble (transferable) laser images of Rauschenberg's own photographs. Those laser images are then used by Rauschenberg in creating his paintings.

To make this exhibit more accessible to the students and faculty at Edison Community College and to the greater Fort Myers area, the normal days of operation are being extended to include Mondays.

This exhibit is the second in the series:

Cage: February 22 to March 24

Rauschenberg: March 28 to April 28

Cunningham: May 31 to July 7

For this exhibit The Gallery of Fine Art will be open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. The Gallery of Fine Art is open to the public, is handicap accessible, and with no charge. Groups of 20 or more planning to view the exhibit are asked to call for reservations.

For additional information or to schedule a group visit please call 489-9314, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.*



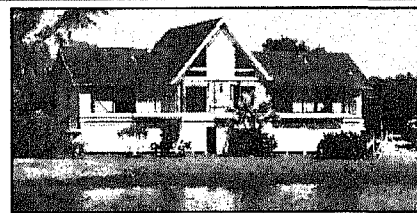
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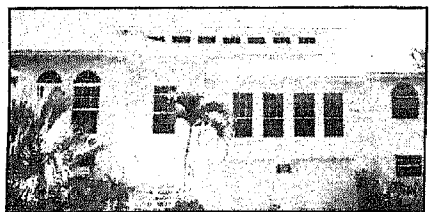
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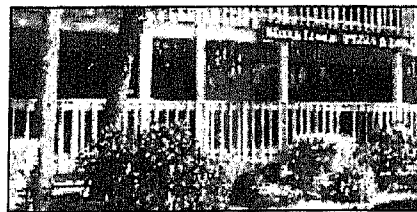
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third consecutive year the magazine has awarded top honors to the Lee Island Coast.

The results rank Lee Island Coast beaches above beaches at Outer Banks, North Carolina; the Florida Panhandle; Gulf Shores, Alabama; and Tampa Bay, Florida. The magazine reports that their readers "give highest marks" to the Lee Island Coast's beaches because they were "Won over by the sugarlike sand and warm water." Furthermore, the publication emphasizes that winning destinations were "voted into their places of honor by real families - people like you who have already checked the place off their 'some-day' list and found it everything they hoped it would be."

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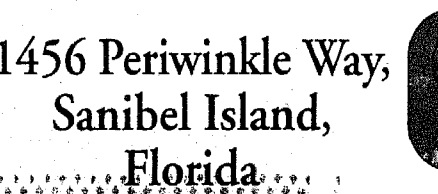


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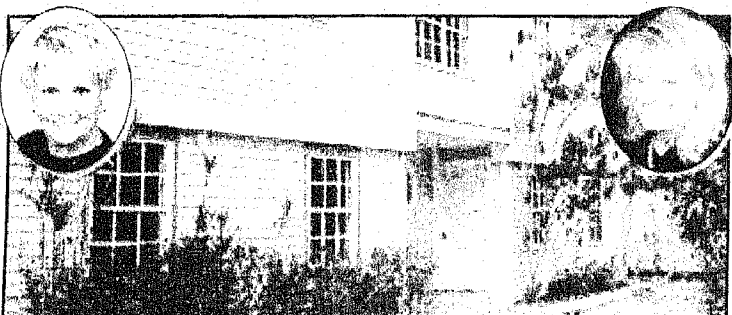
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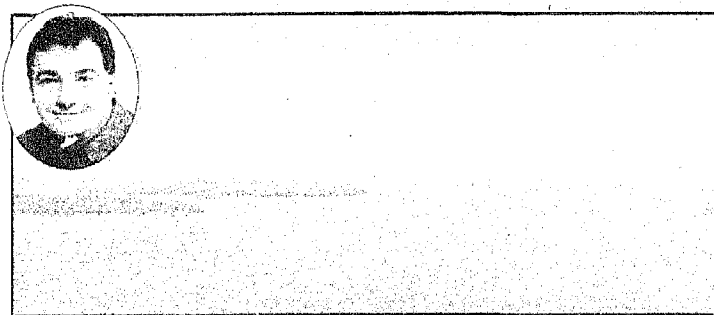
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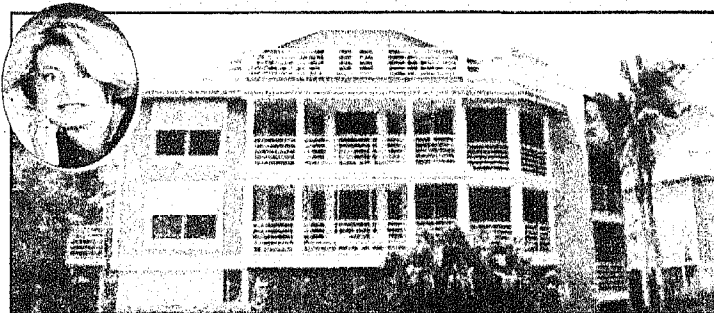
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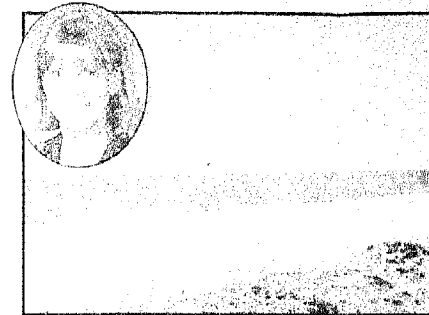
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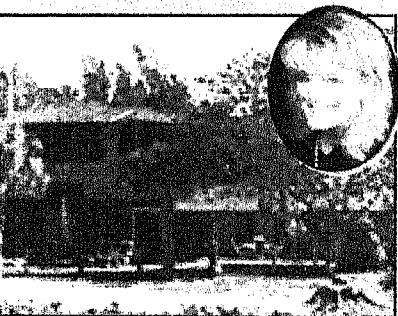
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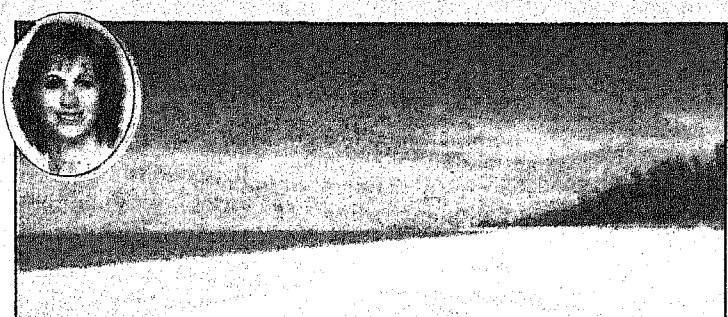
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7. TELEVISION: Who was the original TV host of "Truth or Consequences"?
8. PRESIDENTS: Which U.S. president proposed 14 Points for Peace?

ANSWERS

1. Field marshal. 2. Ecuador. 3. Louis XIII. 4. 31. 5. Rey. 6. Yellowstone. 7. Ralph Edwards. 8. Woodrow Wilson.

My Stars ★★★

ARIES (March 21 to April 19)

Put your restlessness to good use by indulging the Arian love of exploring new places and seeking new challenges. There also could be a new romance waiting to be "discovered."

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A surprise message from someone in your past could lead to a long-awaited reunion with a once-close friend. Also, look for a workplace problem to be resolved in your favor.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Your self-confidence is rising, and it should be a significant factor in helping you adjust to a new social situation, as well as adjusting to a series of changes in the workplace.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

There about could be lots of fun when someone who previously accepted your tender, loving care without

question now suggests that he or she wants to start taking care of you.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Put the lessons you learned from past disappointments to work in planning your future. The way ahead opens to opportunities "purrfectly" suited to the adventurous Lion.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) This is a good time to renew contacts with family members and/or old friends who somehow slipped off your personal viewing screen in recent years. Travel is also favored.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Most problems surrounding that recent personal situation have been resolved, and that means you should move on to other things that are important to you.

SCORPIO (October 23 to

November 21) Spend this weekend recharging your physical and spiritual energies. When you return to your

workaday world, you'll be ready to take on that new project.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Be careful how you advise a troubled friend. Even your wise counsel could be misunderstood. Better to suggest that he or she seek professional help.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Family problems once again dominate and, once again, everyone seeks your guidance in these matters. Later, you can indulge in some much-needed relaxation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Some mixed signals create confusion in the workplace. Best advice: Ask for explanations before you attempt to deal with any of these matters on your own.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A patch of roiling water in the workplace could be threatening, but stay the course and you'll soon be clear of it. Then go out and have a great time with loved ones. ✨

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• **On March 31, 1889**, the Eiffel Tower is dedicated in Paris in a ceremony presided over by Gustave Eiffel, the tower's designer, and attended by French Prime Minister Pierre Tirard.

• **On March 26, 1953**, American medical researcher Dr. Jonas Salk announces on a national radio show that he has successfully tested a vaccine against poliomyelitis, the virus that causes the crippling disease of polio. In 1952 there were 58,000 new cases reported in the United States.

• **On March 25, 1957**, France, West Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and Luxembourg sign a treaty in Rome establishing the European Economic Community, also known as the Common Market. The EEC was a major step in Europe's movement toward economic and political union.

• **On March 27, 1958**, Soviet First Secretary Nikita Khrushchev replaces Nicolay Bulganin as Soviet premier, becoming the first leader since Joseph Stalin to simultaneously hold the USSR's two top offices.

• **On March 28, 1979**, the worst accident in the history of the United States nuclear power industry begins when a pressure valve in the Unit-2 reactor at Three Mile Island fails to close. In the more than two decades since the accident, not a single new nuclear power plant has been ordered in the United States.

• **On March 30, 1981**, President Ronald Reagan is shot in the chest outside a Washington, D.C., hotel by a deranged drifter named John Hinckley Jr. The .22-caliber bullet just missed his heart. In an impressive feat for a 70-year-old man with a collapsed lung, he walked into George Washington University Hospital under his own power.

• **On March 29, 1990**, recording companies agree to put a warning label on music products that contain potentially offensive lyrics. Some companies had already started using labels to warn buyers of lyrics containing objectionable references to sex and violence. ✨

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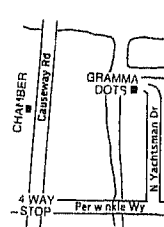


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The Manatee Murders

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Aghast at the very title of this book, *The Manatee Murders*, I leafed through it quickly, and put it in the pile marked 'truly bizarre'. But the migration of these great ugly sea-cows, just now returning to swim in our warm waters, reminded me of the book by John D. Mills. In addition, Hollie Smith, owner of the Sanibel Island Book Shop, told me that the humorous mystery focuses on some important current issues.

Some of the pleasure in the book is in reading Mills' description of favorite local haunts in Southwest Florida.

Mills dedicates his book to "the preservation of the manatee and Florida boaters." Doug Shearer, a detective with the Lee County Sheriff's Office, is awakened one morning with the news, "three beheaded manatees are floating in Pine Island Sound." Buck Williams, a commercial fisherman from Matlacha, has already been apprehended but all the police have to go on is the grisly remains of a headless manatee, a bloody chain saw and "an old, crusty fisherman

who won't say nothin'." Buck proved he has a warm heart when he tried the previous year to climb into the casket beside his dead wife, "Let me go I'm going with her." Who could be murdering these gentle creatures and what is their motive?

Mills has a gift for portraying the ironies of life, both in the interpersonal relationships of his characters and the more particular instances of the cross purposes of local factions in Southwest Florida. More dead manatees are found, one in the water near 'Ding' Darling Sanctuary and another on the dirt road in the sanctuary. Roger Bartlett, a prosecutor for the state tells Doug, "The Save Our Seacows club is having a press conference at the Punta Rassa boat ramp. I don't guess they'll miss a

chance to condemn the boaters. Mills' passages describing the inner workings of the jail and court system are so good you can almost smell the stale, dank air. His characters and their biases delineate the current war between the boaters, the manatee preservationists, the local authorities and the endlessly humorous and hapless government workers. Particularly droll is the crusade by the latter to destroy the hydrilla plants that feed the manatees. Mills makes his point through Dr. Jones, the vet, on the disagreement between boaters and preservationists and the hypocrisy

of the power companies as they pump warm water which attracts the big lazy creatures and also donate 'hundreds of thousands of dollars' to their preservation.

Some of the pleasure in the book is in reading Mills' description of favorite local haunts in Southwest Florida. The complications of Doug Shearer's love life give us a little look at the tension and quandary for him in choosing between Mary, a school teacher, and Amanda, a divorced hot number and his first love, who is living in the fast lane of Sarasota. Amanda, years before, had written him a 'dear Doug' letter in which she describes her goals in life, "I want something more than being a cop's wife in little old Fort Myers."

Mills' serio-comic riff on the retribution of the attending nurse on a judge during Lazik surgery is another example of his wry humor. Mystery, romance, humor and the very real differences in viewpoints on saving the manatees make this book both highly entertaining and informative.

Mills is a native of Fort Myers, a fisherman, and a lawyer specializing in Criminal Defense and Personal Injury law. He began his career as a prosecuting attorney for the State of Florida. His first novel, *Reasonable and Necessary*, was published in 2000.

Author John Mills will sign copies of *The Manatee Murders* at the Sanibel Island Book Shop on Wednesday, April 3 from 6:30 to 8 p.m. For more information phone 472-5223.

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Storytellers Lifetime Achievement Award

The Florida Storytelling Association (FSA) has named Bert and Noel MacCarry, of Sanibel, recipients of a special "Lifetime Achievement Award."

Known as "The Storytellers of Sanibel," the MacCarrys were honored this past Saturday night at FSA's "2002 StoryCamp" in Eustis, Florida. In presenting the award, FSA President Nancy Case, of Gainesville, said:

"The Lifetime Achievement Award was started last year to recognize outstanding contributions to storytelling over many years.

"This award may not necessarily be made every year. It is only given when there are deserving individuals who have made life-long commitments to promote the art of storytelling.

"It is the Florida Storytelling Association's highest honor, and this year we are very proud to honor FSA members Bert and Noel MacCarry."

The StoryCamp, held each year in March, includes workshops and story-concerts by storytellers from across the country. FSA's membership comprises word-weavers from throughout Florida and Georgia.

Among this year's workshop presen-

ters was author-storyteller Gerald Hausman, of Bokeelia, who led discussions on "Shaping Personal Experiences Into Mythic Stories" and "Physical Storytelling As Seen In Several Different Cultures."

Free-lance storytellers for the past 20 years of their retirement, the MacCarrys have been largely responsible for the popularity of storytelling in southwest Florida. They are co-founders of the Tamiami Tale Tellers, an area storytelling guild which holds monthly yarn-spinning swap sessions in Fort Myers.

The Sanibel duo has performed and presented workshops on the oral tradition in 16 states, in Ireland and England, for Elderhostels, libraries, schools, colleges, and community groups, and at various state festivals including the National Storytelling Festival in Jonesborough, Tennessee.*

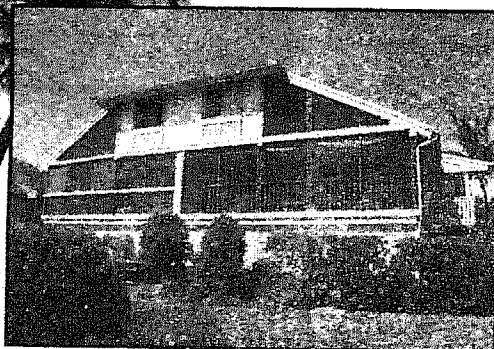
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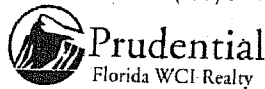
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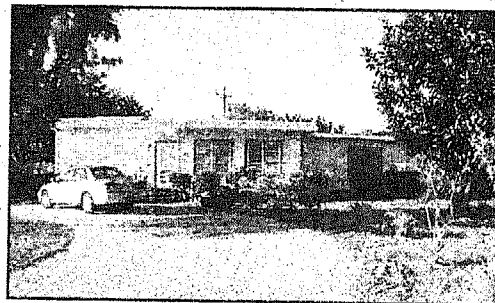
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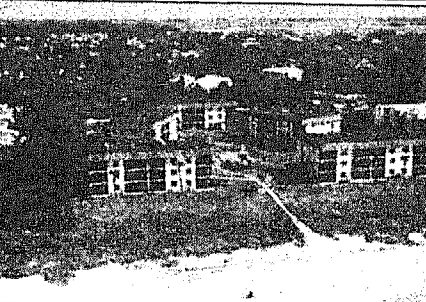
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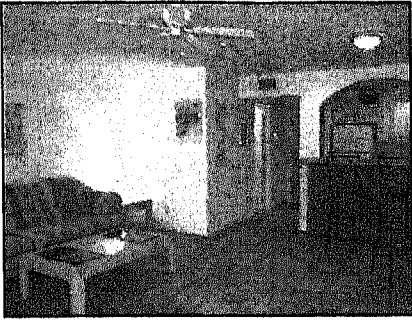
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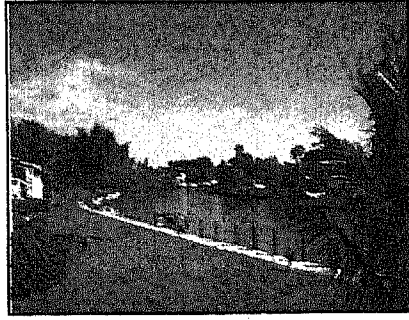


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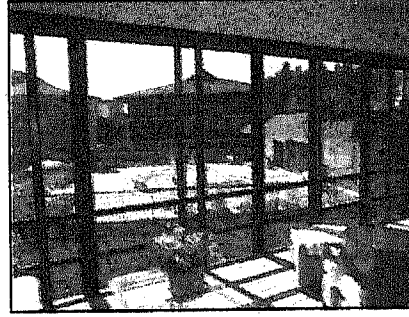
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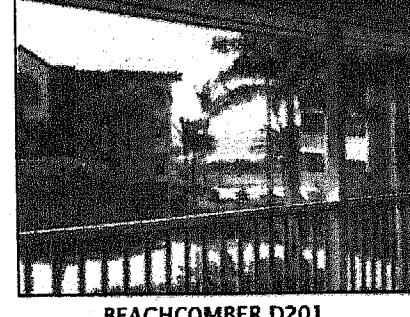
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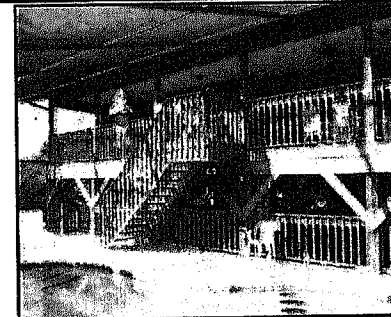
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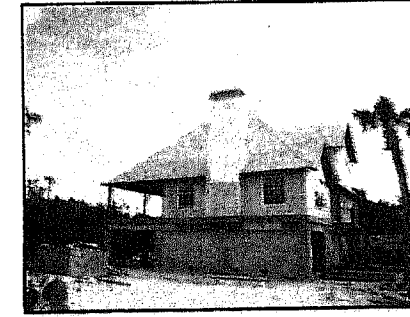
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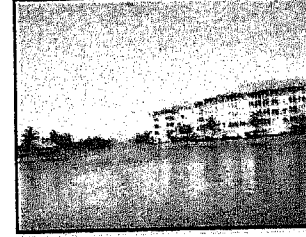


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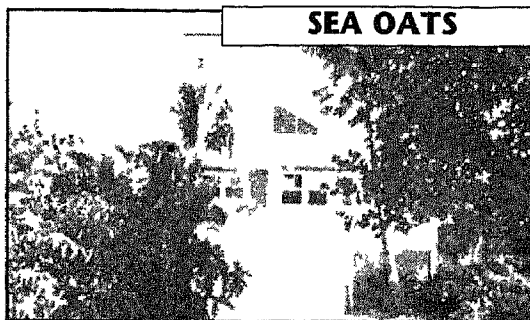
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Southwest Florida's own public radio station, WGPU-FM 90.1, will air the concerts from 8 to 10 p.m. on six consecutive Sundays, beginning March 31. Tune in on the following dates to hear this year's performances:

- March 31 - The Pacifica String Quartet
 - April 7 - Pianist Kata Skavani
 - April 14 - The Emerson String Quartet
 - April 21 - The Beaux Arts Trio
 - April 28 - Cliburn Silver Medalist, Pianist Antonio Pompa-Baldi
 - May 5 - The Artemis String Quartet
- SMF 2002, *A Season to Remember*, concludes this Saturday evening, March 23, at Sanibel Congregational Church with Tchaikovsky's *Eugene Onegin* presented by Opera Theater of Connecticut. The 2003 season will consist of eight concerts, one on each Tuesday and Saturday

evening between March 1 and 25. Among the artists lined up for 2003 are the Juillard String Quartet, the New York Chamber Soloists and Cliburn Golf Medalist Olga Kern at the piano. For more information, call Sanibel Music Festival at 336-7999 or visit www.sanibelmusicfestival.org *

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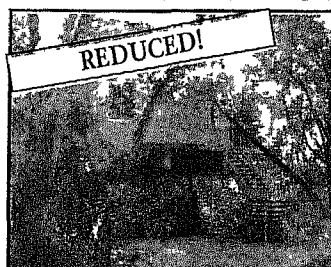
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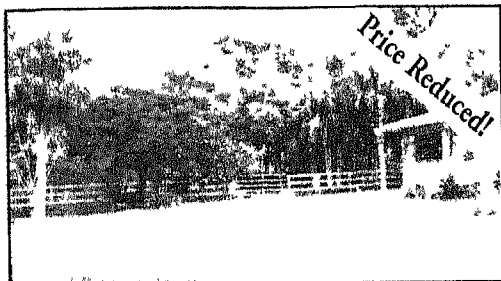
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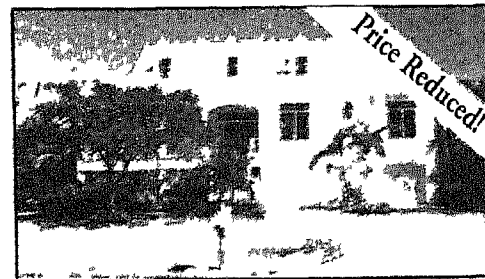
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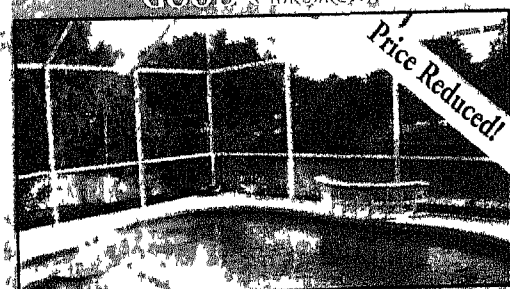
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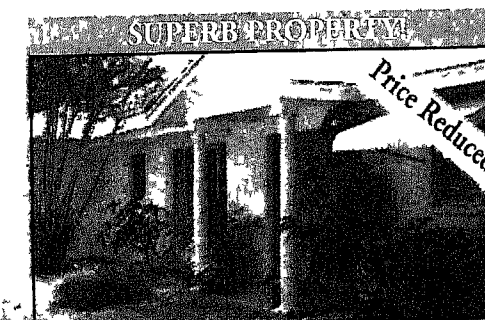
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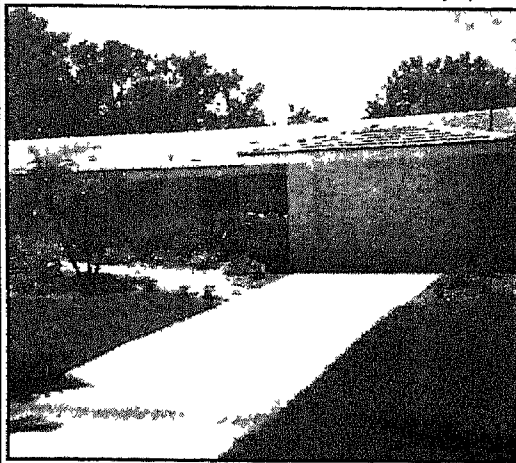
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The public is invited to hear J Robert perform from 6 to 8 p.m. on March 29 at Center Court. Beverages will be sold and served by the POLO Club and proceeds will benefit the Southwest Coast Division of the March of Dimes. Adorable "patriot" bears will be sold by March of Dimes volunteers and staff for \$5. Information will also be available about the organization's largest annual fundraiser, WalkAmerica, to be held in Lee County at Centennial Park on Saturday, April 27 at 8.30 a.m. The 5.5 mile walk from Centennial Park onto

McGregor Boulevard, is expected to draw 1,500 Lee County residents with a goal of raising \$255,000.

The mission of the March of Dimes is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality. March of Dimes researchers, volunteers, educators, outreach workers and advocates work together to give babies a fighting chance against the threats to their health: prematurity, birth defects and low birthweight. Visit their website at www.modimes.org.

Photography Contest Open To Sanibel Residents

The International Library of Photography is pleased to announce that over \$60,000 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Amateur Photography Contest. Photographers from the Sanibel area, particularly beginners, are welcome to try to win their share of over 1,300 prizes. The deadline for the contest is June 28. The contest is open to everyone and entry is free.

"Everyone has at least one memorable photo that captures a special moment in time," stated Christina Baylon, contest director. "When people learn about our free photography contest, they suddenly realize that their own favorite photos can win cash prizes, as well as gain national exposure," continued Baylon.

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Arrogant Duke Official Spurs Indiana To Victory

by Ed Frank



As the Indiana Hoosiers celebrated their stunning march to the Final Four of this weekend's NCAA basketball championship, they have much to thank Craig James.

And just who is Craig James, you ask?

Well, Craig James is the misguided Duke Associate Athletic Director.

It all began the day before Indiana's celebrated 74-73 victory over No. 1 rated Duke -- a win that was the biggest upset in this year's tournament, and one of the most amazing upsets in NCAA

history.

At a logistics meeting that day for the four participating schools in the South Regional in Lexington, Ky., James asked what time Duke would be playing on Saturday. Now remember, this was Wednesday. Duke had to face I.U. on Thursday. So certain was James that Duke would beat Indiana, he was asking questions about regional finals on Saturday.

James then went on to ask several more questions, specifically about Duke's postgame arrangements following Saturday's regional championship game.

Indiana's brilliant young coach, Mike Davis, was sitting right behind James.

"I don't know if he didn't think I was in the room or what, but I was sitting right behind him. We had a team meeting later in the day, and I told our guys that Duke has a great team, but they're unbelievably arrogant, too. When someone disrespects us, we just have to come out and fight," Davis said.

Following Indiana's regional championship victory Saturday night over Kent State, Davis presented the game ball to Indiana President Myles Brand who hired Davis 18 months ago following the ouster of Bob Knight.

Perhaps he should send a second game ball to Craig James.

The Hoosiers have a huge following here in Southwest Florida. Dozens of area sports bars were rocking with red-shirted I.U. fans last weekend, and will be again this weekend.

Maybe they too should send their "thanks" to James for his pompous remarks **Spring Training Attendance. Red Sox Set Record.**

The Boston Red Sox Spring Training home attendance this year in Fort Myers' City of Palms Park has averaged a record 7,250 fans per game, according to Ryan Richeal, Coordinator of Florida Operations. The previous record was 7,125 set last year.

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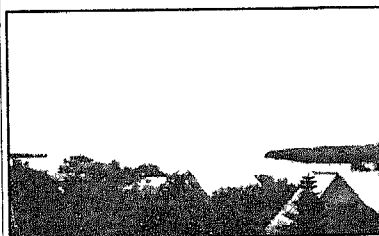
SPORTS QUIZ

1. Who was the first pitcher to record 300 career saves?
2. Name the only player since Minnie Minoso in 1980 to appear in a major-league game after getting at least one vote for the Baseball Hall of Fame?
3. What team set a college football NCAA Division I mark for fewest turnovers in a season?
4. When Golden State won the NBA title in 1975, Rick Barry was the team's leading regular-season scorer at 30.6 points a game. Who was No. 2 for the Warriors?
5. With what team did Bobby Orr finish his NHL career?
6. When was the last time boxer Roberto Duran held a major middleweight-division championship belt?
7. When was the last time before 2002 that the U.S. men's soccer team won the CONCACAF Gold Cup?

ANSWERS

1. Rollie Fingers with Milwaukee in 1982. 2. Jose Rijo pitched for the Cincinnati Reds in 2001. 3. Notre Dame had only eight turnovers in 2000. 4. Rookie Keith (later known as Jamaal) Wilkes averaged 14.2 points per game. 5. The Chicago Blackhawks in 1979. 6. Duran retired as the WBC champion in 1990. 7. The U.S. men's team last won it in 1991.

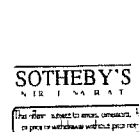
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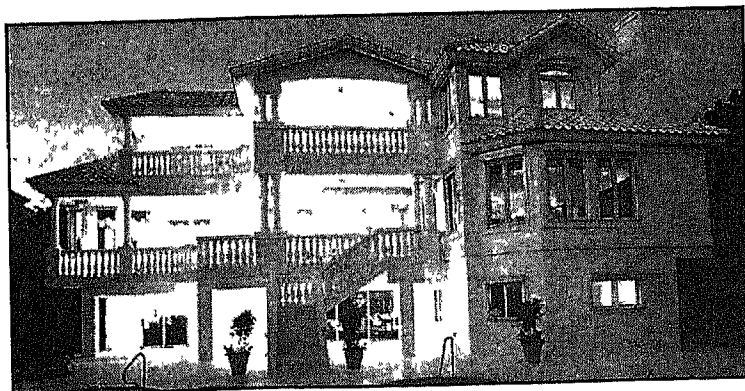
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Arrogant Duke Official

Attendance topped 8,000 for three games, including a record attendance of 8,098 on March 21, when the Red Sox defeated the St. Louis Cardinals. These attendance records are remarkable, considering that the City of Palms Park official capacity is only 6,990.

Because the Red Sox played one less home game this year than last year (15 versus 16), the total Spring Training attendance did not top the 2001 mark of 113,999.

The Minnesota Twins also enjoyed a strong following this year, averaging 5,498 fans per game for its first 16 home games in Hammond Stadium in the Lee County Sports Complex. When the final Spring Training figures are tallied, the Twins will have topped last year's total attendance of 90,255 by a wide margin.

Has Watkins Lost Interest In Buying Twins?

Reports out of the Twin Cities are that Alabama businessman Donald Watkins has shifted his attention to the pursuit of the California Angels as his attempts to buy the Twins apparently has stalled.

Watkins hopes to become the first African-American to own a major league team. 'I'd like to see him (Watkins) buy a major league franchise, for a lot of reasons,' Commissioner Bud Selig said recently. 'I think it would be good thing for baseball.'

Watkins visited the Angels recently and reportedly offered to buy the club for \$250 million.

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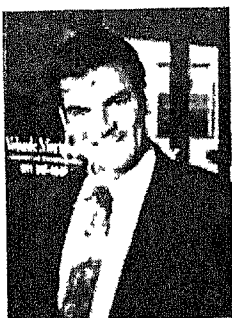
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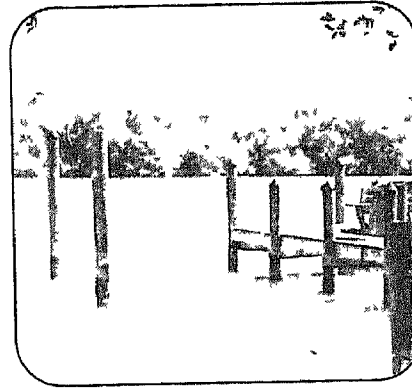
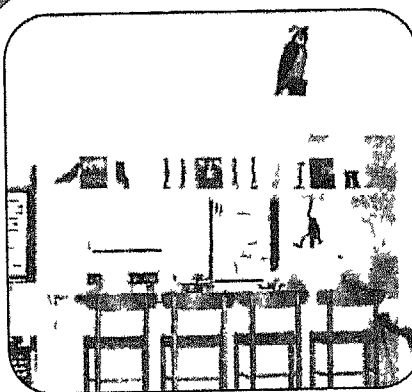
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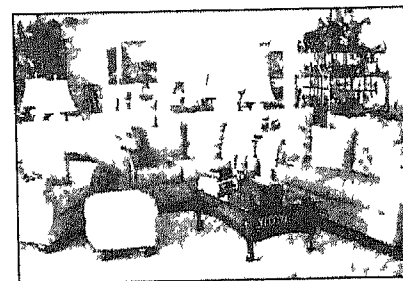
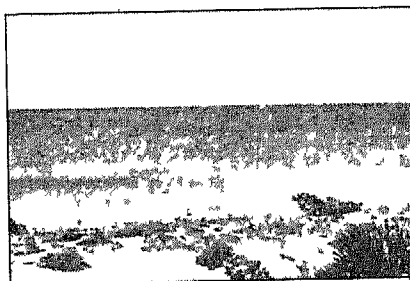
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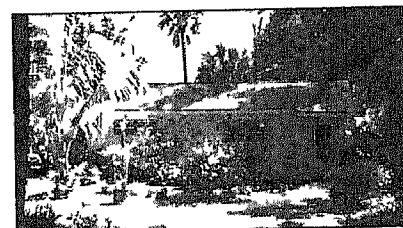
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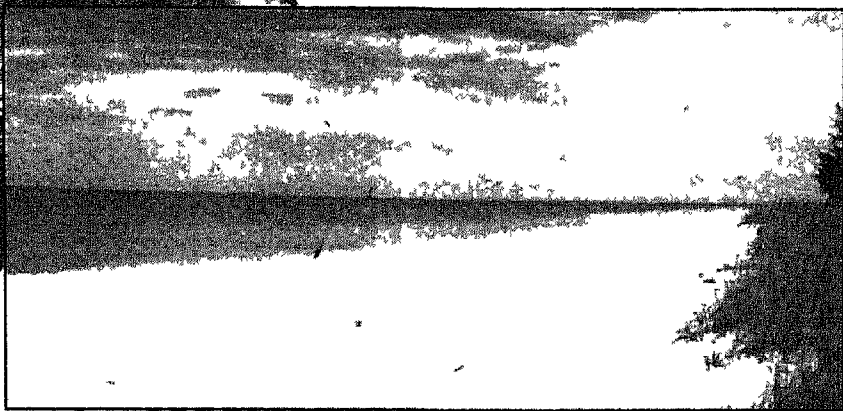
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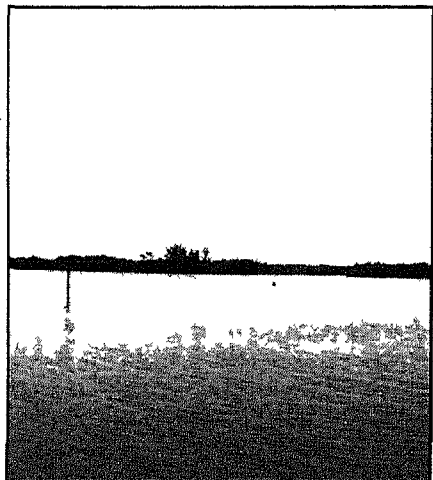


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Snowbirds Finish Season

The Sundial Snowbirds played the Dunes in their last matches of the Lee County 50+ Tennis League season with the final League standings hanging in the balance. Park Meadow, the Landings and Sundial all were in contention for the top spot going into the final week. It ended up with Park Meadow staying in first place followed by the Landings and Sundial a close third. Park Meadow took three matches from Pelican Landing and the Landings took three matches from Del Tura (including two defaults) while the Dunes managed to take two of four hard fought matches from Sundial which spelled the difference.

The results of the Sundial-Dunes matches were Fittipaldi-Rosenburg(D) def Fulkerson-Brown(S) 6-2, 6-4, Keevins-Pignotti(S) def Tzanis-Greenberg(D) 6-2, 6-2, Hams-Vazquez(D) def Streeter-Scherer(S) 2-6, 6-2, 6-2, and, Parsons-Jones(S) def Scott-Sprinkle(D) 6-4, 6-3.

It has been an increasingly competitive League as the "Baby Boomers" descend on Southwest Florida. Many of the better players also play in U.S. Tennis Association sponsored tournaments for all age groups such as the Suncoast Senior Championships which will be held April 25 to 29 in Venice. ☆

Dunes Vs. Beachview Golf



From left to right: Dick Hopkins and Skip Richards from the Dunes and Jack Tukey, Beachview

The annual Dunes vs. Beachview 36-hole tournament was completed on Tuesday, March 19 at Beachview Golf Course. The first round was played at the Dunes on Tuesday, March 13, which the 22 teams from the Dunes won the two-person scramble with a score of 39 1/2 to 26 1/2. At Beachview the results were practically reversed with the Beachview men winning with 39 points to the Dunes 27. The combined results for the event gave the Dunes a victory yet again by one point. The Beachview men were heard to give their usual refrain after lunch at the Beachview Steakhouse, "Wait 'till next year!" ☆

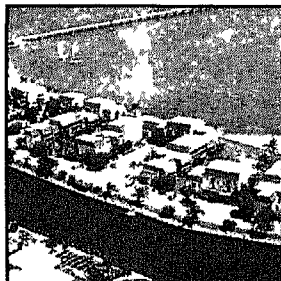


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Giants Get Off To Fast Start In Sanibel Little League

by Brian Johnson

The Giants haven't waited until the middle of the season to find their form. They started off the year with a win and have played at a high level of proficiency since then. After knocking off the Yankees this past Saturday, the Giants stood at the top of

The Giants flexed their offensive muscles against the Yankees, racking up 11 runs. Rob Ham belted two homers over the fence. The first time he forgot to touch second base and was tagged out, the second time, with Harnty and his teammates shouting from the dugout, the Giants slugger made sure to step on all four bases. Ham's teammates went running out to greet him after he touched home plate.

Ham's homerun brought in Tyler Baer and made the score 11-1. The insurance runs allowed the Giants to breathe a little easier when the Yankees rallied in their last at-bat, scoring three runs.

The Giants have gone with a four-man pitching staff this year. Scott Grazier, Joel Mitchell, Tyler Baer and Jean-Michael Ligon. In his last outing, Baer struck out seven batters in-a-row and rung up nine Ks on the game. Tyler's father, Denny Baer, has been an assistant coach for Harnty the past few years.

At the end of the game Harnty congratulated his players, and awarded the game ball to his brother, Tom, who served as an umpire in the field during the contest.

The Giants have followed directions well and kept their focus during games and practices. "It's a great bunch of kids," said Harnty. "Some of them have been playing together for a couple of years. They're an absolute pleasure to coach." ☆

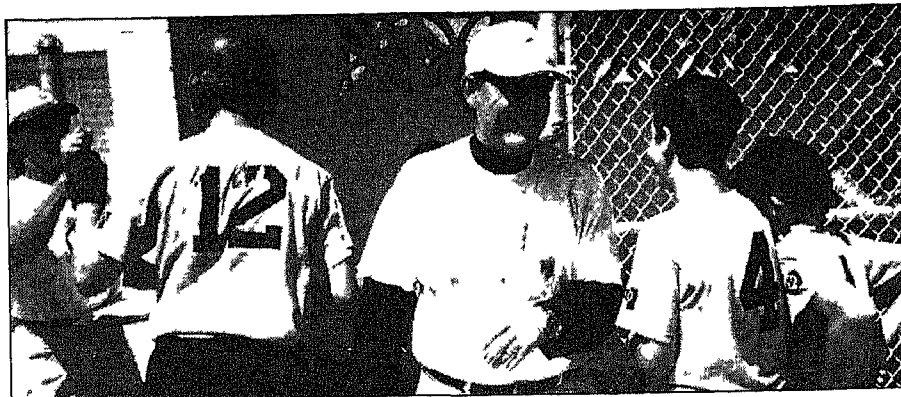
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the little league standings with a 7-0 record.

"It's great to be undefeated, but it's better to watch them play good baseball," said Giants head coach Marty Harnty.

The Giants have shown advanced skills for their age group. They have played crisp defense, handling ground balls and pop ups and throwing to the right base. They have run the bases well. The pitchers have found the strike zone.

"We have no real superstars, but everyone knows where to go," said Harnty.

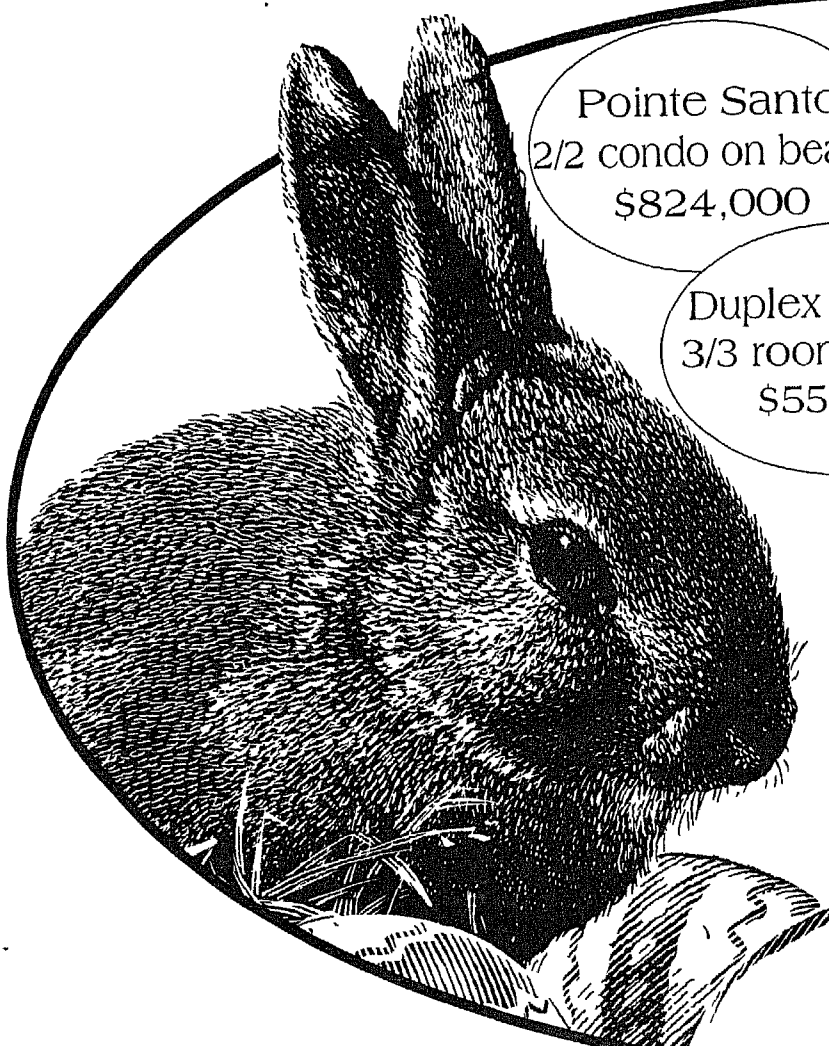


Giants coach Marty Harnty smiles after congratulating #12 Rob Ham on home run.



Giants: bottom - Charlie Cooper, Carl Von Harten, Joel Mitchell, Tyler Baer, Chris DiBiase and Scott Kosow; top - Marty Harnty, Tom Harnty, Scott Grazier, Derek Slabosz, William Gelpi, Rob Ham, Wesley Owens, Steve Harrell and Denny Baer.

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Plaque Given To Al And Betty Muench

by Brian Johnson

Jerry Muench made it through most of his talk at the plaque dedication at Periwinkle Park without shedding any tears, but near the end, when talking about his mother and father, he couldn't hold all of them back.

"I swore I wasn't going to get emotional!" Jerry said, brushing away tears.

Monday, March 25 was an emotional morning not just for Jerry, but for the whole Muench family (31 and counting) and the residents of Periwinkle Park.

As Al and Betty Muench arrived in a golf cart at the site of the plaque, they were given pink roses. "It's so wonderful I can't believe it," said Betty, as she looked around at the throng of people attending the ceremony. "It's humbling. Al is overwhelmed."

The idea for the plaque came from the residents themselves, who wanted to do something to symbolize their affection for the founders of the park. The inscription runs as follows: "This plaque is dedicated to Al and Betty Muench in honor of their pioneering spirit which created the RV Park where good friends become old friends and new friends are made."

Al and Betty sat in the shade of their



Betty and Al Muench

golf cart, beside the plaque, while Jerry addressed the crowd. More than 100 residents sat in fold-up chairs while dozens snapped photographs.

Jerry, wearing a brace around his wrist, started his talk by raising his arm and saying, "I hurt this putting the plaque in!" The crowd laughed, and he told them he really injured it playing golf.

"What I thought we would do this morning in honor of Mother and Dad is give a history of the park," Jerry continued. "In 1963 they headed south. They didn't know where they were going - somewhere in Florida - and they ended up on Sanibel. But the campground didn't take children. On the way back north my sister Missy said, 'Why don't you build a campground on Sanibel?'"

In June of 1964 Jerry and his brother Steve came down to Sanibel to help with



Jerry Muench tells the history of Periwinkle Park

the construction of the 16-acre parcel. The first thing Jerry noticed about the Island was the mosquitos. "What the heck did we get ourselves into?" he remembers saying to himself.

In the early days, said Jerry, it was his mother's resourcefulness that kept the family and the business going.

Over time - particularly during the energy crisis of the 1970s - the campground became a place for mobile homes instead of travel trailers.

The residents of Periwinkle Park paid for the plaque. The donations exceeded the cost of the plaque, and it was decided to give the surplus of \$1,228 to the Children's Education Center of the



Susan Peck, director of the Education Center, accepts a donation to the preschool. Dick and Jerry Muench in background.

Islands, where Karen Muench is a teacher and Madelyn Muench is a new student. Karen held Madelyn in her arms during the plaque dedication.

Susan Peck, the Director of the Education Center, accepted the check. "I can't think of another family on the Island that has been more supportive of our school," said Peck. "I want you to know how much we appreciate you and love you."

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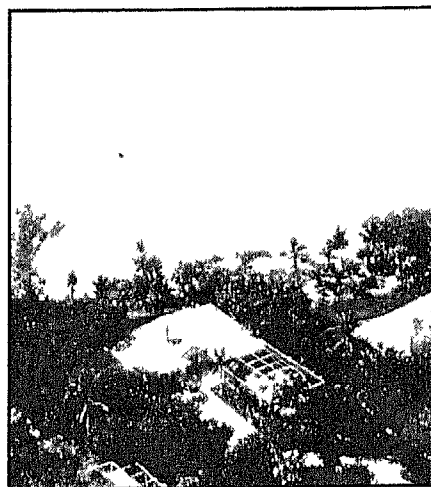


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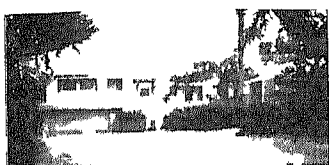
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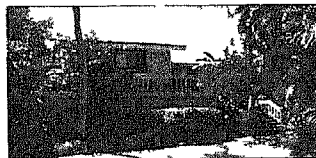
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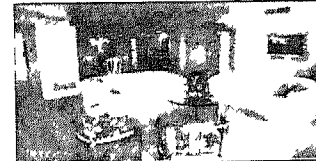
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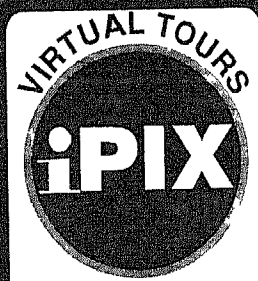


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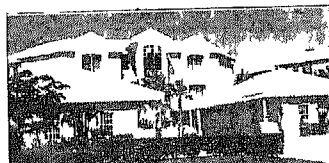


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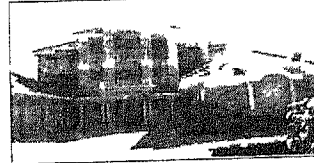
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This is not the typical tournament menu of pastries and cold cuts. South Seas Resort has prepared menus that provide the same items one would find at their top-of-the-line restaurants. Breakfast will consist of juices, tropical fruit display, cold cereals, flavored yogurts, ham and cheese omelets, cheese and sausage croissants, and of course, coffee and tea. The buffet lunches will provide choices of tossed salad with assorted toppings, fresh fruit salad, roasted breast of turkey, pot roast beef, sliced ham steaks, roasted carrots, au gratin potatoes, apple, pecan, or key lime pies, cookies, brownies and rolls! Assorted beverages will also be provided. This is a sample of the extensive menu put together by Ellis J. Etter, director of Catering and Convention Services, at South Seas Resort.

In addition, to help raise funds for the

Conservation Foundation's operating fund, South Seas Resort, in conjunction with their parent company Meristar, is also providing several vacation stays at their other top-notch resorts. These vacations will be sold as part of the silent auction, which begins at the luau at Bank of America on Friday night and continues until the awards ceremony on Sunday afternoon.

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Dunes 18-Hole Women's Golf

Friday, March 22, marked the conclusion of the Dunes Club Championship Tournament for the Dunes 18-Hole Ladies, and for the 12th year, Judy Wellons was declared Club Champion. Congratulations, Judy! For the Championship flight, this tournament was a three-day event, and Judy's three-round score was 233 (an average of 77). Runner-up in the Championship flight was Donna Griesbaum, with a three-day score of 260, and Joan Secrest was third, with a 263.

For flights B, C and D, the Championship Tournament was a two round event. In the B flight, Carolyn Jones won first place with 165 over the 2 days, Grethe Christiansen was second with 175, and Marcia Cohen was third with 179. In the C flight, Katie Reynolds was in first, with 185, closely followed by Nancy McConnell with 187 and a three-way tie for third for Betsy Cox, Nan Frymoyer, and Jan Baker, each with 189. Helen Craig won the D Flight with 201, with Mardi Glenn the runner-up with 202, and Joan Eschert in third with 204.

Over the two-week period there were 9 chip-ins, 3 by Pam Brodersen, and 1 each by Lil Gailius, Helen Craig, Barb Cassavell, Robin Cohan, Pat Sawin, and Sherrie Calvano.

Earlier in the week, on Monday, March 18, a group of four Dunes Ladies came in 4th Net at the Patty Berg Golf Classic for



Judy Wellons,
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Carolyn Jones,
winner of B Flight



Katie Reynolds,
C Flight winner

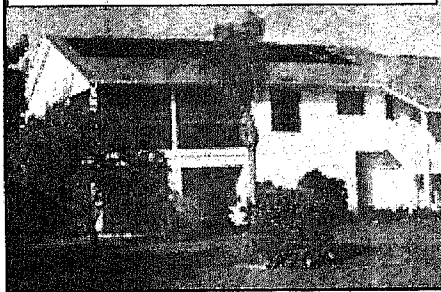


Helen Craig,
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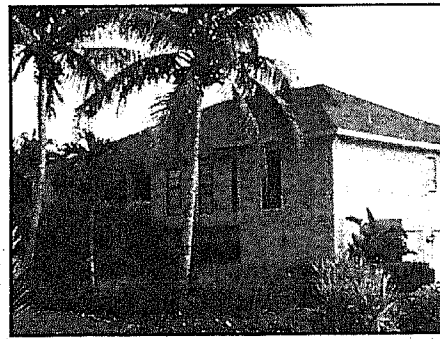
Cancer at Fiddlesticks Country Club. The four were Lil Gailius, Barbara Cassavell, Erica Amsterdam, and Becky Cirello. Lil Gailius also received an award for closest to the pin.*

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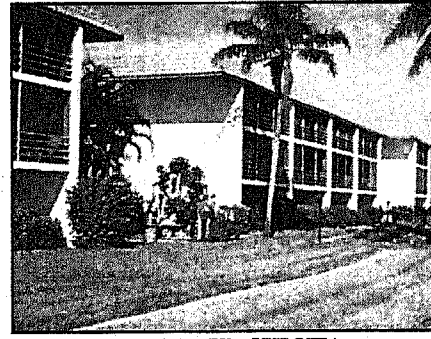
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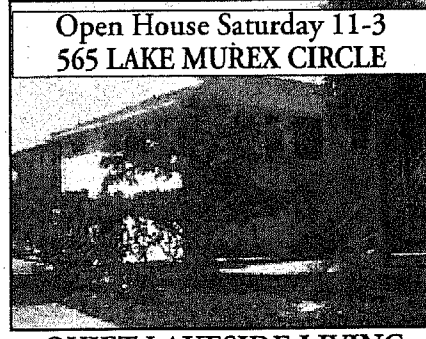
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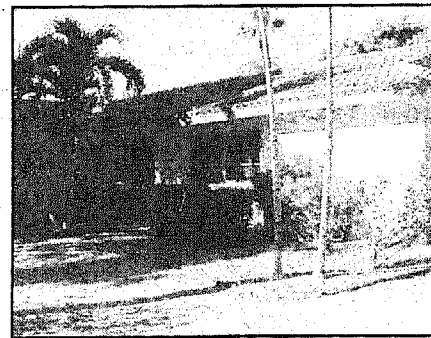


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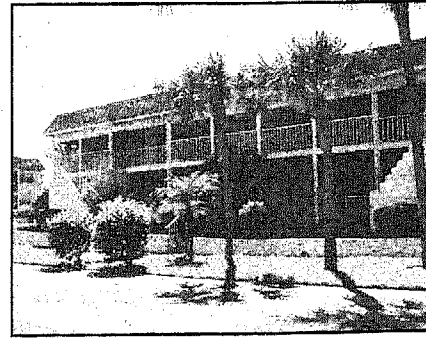
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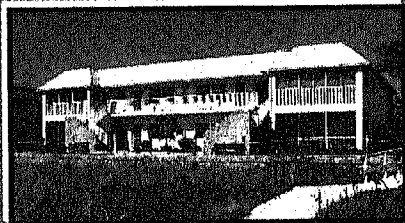
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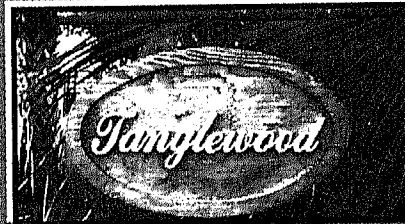
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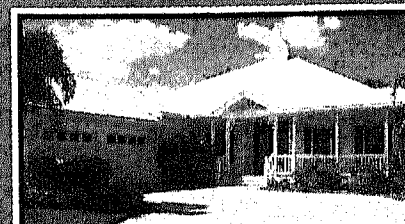
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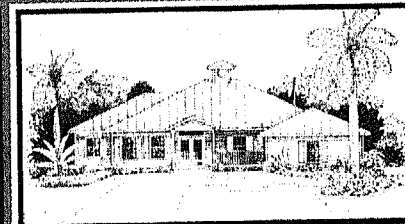
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62 Company Lights Up Arcade Stage



by DI Saggau

You don't exactly go away from Stephen Sondheim's musical *Company* humming the tunes, but that's OK. You do go away feeling exhilarated after having seen a multi-tal-

ented cast sing and dance all night long with style and flair. This was my first time seeing *Company* and what a treat! This convention-shattering musical opened on Broadway in 1970 paving the way for some of today's cutting-edge musicals. The storyline involves a bachelor named Robert (Jay Montgomery) whose 35th birthday party finds him examining the lives of all his married friends. What he sees is not always encouraging. Their relationship trials and tribulations make him wonder if marriage is for him. Maybe he's better off having affairs with the countless women who cross his path in New York City. What results is a journey involving inner conflict and growing self-awareness. You get hooked in the first act and it just gets better after that.

The set for *Company* is very stark, mostly black, except for the reverse side of the many doors that open on stage to reveal his various married friends. They are in bright shades that are color-coded to the dresses of all the wives. An interesting touch. The musical is long, over two

Cast of *Company*

hours, but it moves at a fast pace from one situation to another so you're never bored. In fact at curtain's end, you're left wanting more.

There are many standout performances: Sarah (Ann Arvia) and Harry (Tom Souhrada) had the audience howling during their Karate demonstration; Robert is exceptionally good in *Someone is Waiting*, *Marry Me a Little*, and *Side By Side* where he is joined by all the

husbands and wives in a show stopping song and dance number; Amy (Stacey Scotte) brought down the house portraying a bride who doesn't want to get married...when her fiancé (on the day of their marriage) asks "Where are my cuff links?" She replies, "On the dresser next to my suicide note"...my but she was fun to watch. The whole company in *Company* is impressive...one of the best musical casts to grace the Arcade stage...consist-

ing of three Broadway veterans, six New York actors, and five Florida Rep favorites. Producing Artistic Director Robert Cacioppo says: "Simply put, our audiences have never seen anything like it."

Company plays through April 19. For tickets call the Box Office at 332-4488. Florida Repertory Theatre is located in historic downtown Fort Myers, on Bay Street between Jackson and Hendry Streets in the Arcade.*

Movie Classics At BIG ARTS

On Saturday, April 6, the updated version of Walt Disney's animated 1940s masterpiece *Fantasia* will be shown at 7 p.m. in Schein Hall at BIG ARTS. Made in 2000, this classic film is to be enjoyed by both young and old. On Monday, April 8, *Secrets Of The Heart* the 1999 Academy Award Nomination for Best Foreign Film will be shown at 7 p.m. This is an elegant and poignant tale of the mysterious and magical adult world as seen through the eyes of a nine-year-old boy growing up in a small provincial town in 1960 Spain. The film is also about keeping secrets from children.

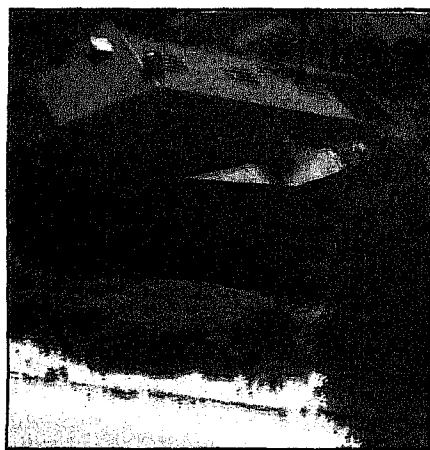
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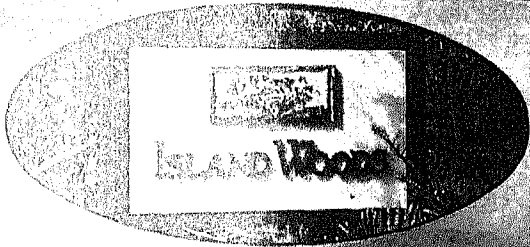
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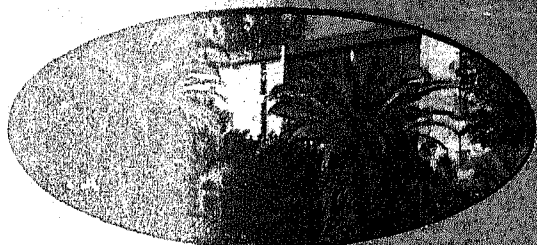
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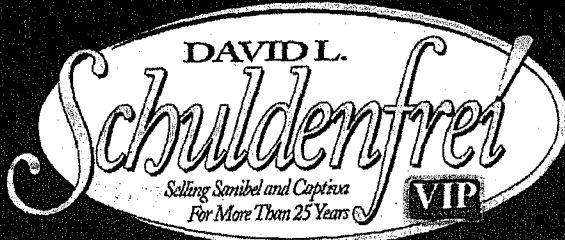


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Woodhaven Approved

increased-density multi-family units. The resolutions recommend that City Council adopt amendments to the Sanibel Code permitting the proposed 12-unit affordable housing development known as Woodhaven (at unassigned 800 Casa Ybel Road).

Commissioners closed the public hearing in the matter March 12.

Construction of Woodhaven, scheduled to begin within the year, moves the City a step closer to its goal of having 95 BMRH units in place 15 years from now when Sanibel is estimated to reach build out.

Currently there are 52 affordable housing units on the island, according to Jan Hyatt, executive director of Community Housing and Resources, Inc., the agency which administers the affordable housing program.

The 3.07-acre parcel owned by CHR was removed from the Interior Wetlands Conservation District last year to allow for increased density housing. Earlier this month City Council waived application fees for the Woodhaven project.

Woodhaven also has been referred to as "Casa Mariposa II" because it will resemble closely the Casa Mariposa development completed in mid-2000 at 2301 Periwinkle Way. That \$1.2 million affordable housing project has been cited by the State of Florida as an "excellent example of attractive, well-designed and well-maintained affordable housing," Hyatt said.

"The residents love Casa Mariposa."

She added that the Florida Housing Coalition based in Tallahassee is featuring Casa Mariposa and other Sanibel examples in a new booklet to be used statewide to combat what Hyatt called "NIMBY-ism" (not in my back yard) objections to affordable housing.

The new Woodhaven project is planned as an adult development, mostly single adults and some couples.

In one of the shortest session on record, the Planning Commission adopted its summer meeting schedule, voting to cancel one of two meetings in each of the summer months. Legislative and quasi-judicial business will be combined in one meeting on the second Tuesday of each of the four months: June 11, July 9, August 13 and September 10. A second monthly meeting may be called as necessary.

When questioned about the "light" summer agenda, Ken Pfalzer of the Planning Department said most permits are short form/staff issued and do not require Commission attention. Applicants want to receive permitting quickly and thus conform to City Codes rather than seek variances.

Most people know "variances are getting tougher and tougher" to obtain, according to Commission Vice Chair Marie Gargano.

Pfalzer said that over the summer he expects two commercial development applications to come before the Commission. "You haven't seen this in a while," he added.

A Planning Commission hearing scheduled for April 9 will determine whether the

8.61 acres composing Pond Apple Park are placed into the Environmentally Sensitive Lands Conservation District, a move which would restrict the parcels from being used for anything other than passive activities.

The former "Mariner" property was acquired by the City after voters approved the purchase in a referendum last November.

Commissioner Jack Samler cautioned against the ESL designation until Sanibel's Parks and Recreation Master Plan is complete. It could turn out the City may want to use the land for some other recreational purpose, he said.

Pfalzer also reported that his department is close to selecting a consulting firm to study the disproportionately large house issue.✱

Island Gymnasts At State Championship

Two Island gymnasts competed at the USAG Gymnastics Florida State Championship on March 16 in Tampa.

Stephanie Albert, an eighth grade student at Sanibel School, placed 1st on Vault (9.10), 3rd on Bars (9.10), 10th on the Balance Beam (8.675) and 1st on Floor (9.325). Stephanie finished 2nd all around in the age 14 division with a score of 36.20.

Willow Martell is a freshman at Fort Myers High School I.B. She placed 4th on



Stephanie Albert



Willow Martell

Vault (8.950), 3rd on Bars (9.075), 5th on the Balance Beam (8.825), and 2nd on Floor (9.150). Willow finished 3rd all around in the age 15 division with a score of 36.0.

Both girls qualified to compete in the Southeast Region 8 Championship in North Carolina in April. Stephanie and Willow train at Gymnastic World in Fort Myers.✱

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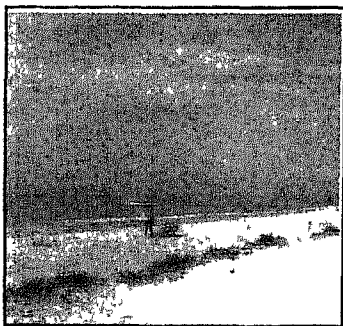
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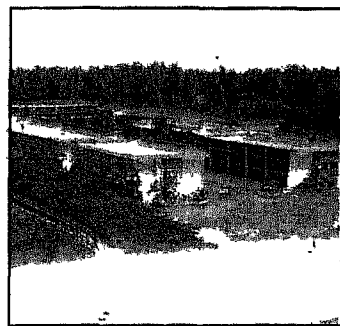
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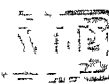


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Schreckengost Speaks At BIG ARTS

by Brian Johnson

Viktor Schreckengost, regarded as one of the giants of the age of industrial design, spoke for 90 minutes at BIG ARTS on Thursday, March 21 about his life as an artist and an inventor.

With his wife, Gene at his side, the 95-year-old icon spoke about his memories of work and travel in the United States and Europe. The audience hung on his every word, though Schreckengost kept saying, "I hope I'm not boring you."

Schreckengost designed a multitude of everyday appliances such as bicycles, flashlights, lawn chairs and dinnerware. He created the first cab-over-engine truck. He came up with new concepts for the printing press.

Schreckengost's fingerprints are all over America. The story is told that one morning when the inventor was on his way to work he counted 32 things he had designed, including a lawn mower, tractor and a light fixture. His bicycles and pedal cars gave millions of children hours of recreation.

Like Carl Jung and Pablo Picasso, Schreckengost is a marvel not only for the works done in his prime, but for his longevity. He is still inventing, creating, and designing in his 90s.

The audience warmed to him at once as he spoke with eloquence and wit. He did not get frustrated when he couldn't hear questions from the audience, but waited until his wife spoke into his ear. He kept going back to the excitement of his



Gene and Viktor Schreckengost

career. "It was fun all the time," he said.

"I just thought it was outstanding, the range of his contributions," said Andy Priem, who made the trip out to Sanibel from Fort Myers Beach. "He was very lucid in his explanations and had a good sense of humor."

His most famous work is the *Jazz Bowl*. This work was commissioned by Eleanor Roosevelt, though Schreckengost wasn't aware of the part played by the First Lady until later. When he first spoke to her on the phone, she said she wanted a bowl that was "New Yorkish." She was pleased with his production, and told him she would like a bowl for Hyde Park and

the White House.

He told a funny story applying to a school in Vienna. School officials wanted him to come to Europe for an interview, but Schreckengost told them he wouldn't pay the travel expenses unless they guaranteed him a spot. They told him to get a ticket, they would take him. When he arrived the officials told him they would charge him 25 times the regu-

lar fee.

"I said goodbye, but when they said that only came to \$72, I said, I'll stay," Schreckengost recalled.

During World War II Schreckengost served in the Navy and worked on radar equipment. He flew into France during the Battle of the Bulge, and made topographical maps of aerial photographs.

The Schreckengosts frequently winter in Sanibel. This year they came in the middle of January. The couple returned to their home in Cleveland, Ohio on Tuesday, March 26.*

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Lion's Club

bugs, wildflowers, birds and fish, and each collection is in ABC order painted with a delicate hand and a colorful brush.

What other ABC's, besides Cathy's, can viewers boggle at as they move from booth to booth at the Fair? Surprisingly, the diversity of wares from exhibitors hailing from all parts of Florida, and from as far away states as Arizona and Maine, literally range from A to Z. Here they are:

A - art wear, B - baskets and beadwork, C - canvas art, D - dolls and driftwood, E - embroidery, F - fiber art and fudge, G - glassware, H - hats, I - ink sketches, J - jewelry and junkie, K - king-ly bromeliads, L - line drawings, N - novelty art, M - mixed media creations, O - oils and more oils, P - puzzles, Q - quaint fabric puppies, R - rope furniture, S - silks and soaps, T - toiletries and toys, U - unique sea herbs, V - various vari-ables, W - wall hangings and wood turn-ings X - extraordinary graphics, Y - yummy cookbooks, Z - zesty poppy seed dressings

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Chuck Andrews

In 1991 Chuck Andrews joined RE/MAX of the Islands and since then has been one of the top agents in the RE/MAX International organization. He is a member of the RE/MAX Platinum Club and was inducted in the RE/MAX Hall of Fame in 1998.

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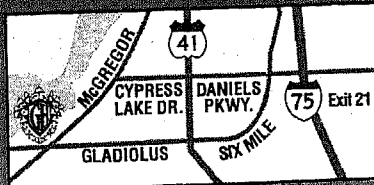
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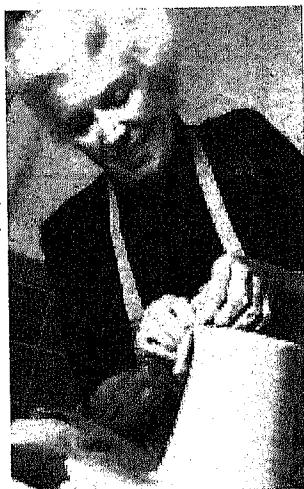
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Glass-topped dining and bistro sets, desks and accent tables, consoles, wine cabinets, lamps, clocks, boxes and other beautiful accessories ... Gail presents a touch of the exotic and a bit of the Tommy Bahama look blended with British West Indies -- definitely eclectic.

The dual grand opening runs from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Drop by for some refreshments and have a ball!

Also set aside time Monday and Tuesday, April 1 and 2, for the **Cedar Chest Fine Jewelry** world-class treasure coin show in **Tahitian Gardens**. This two-day special event features a huge array of authentic collector and shipwreck coins (over \$1 million worth!), including Atocha "pieces of eight," 1715 fleet doubloons, ancient Greek and Roman silver and gold, Dutch ducats, Portuguese reis and much more.

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Somewhere along the line I got so caught up in shopping I nearly skipped by the "beachy" stuff. Join me in savoring the moments this Easter Sunday morning as the sun rises on our island paradise -- beautiful, peaceful and oh, so magnificently magical!

Happy Easter to all! ✨
(Camille loves to hear from readers. Call her at the Island Sun office, 395-1213, or send email to IslandSunSanibel@aol.com.)

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Shell Museum

The mission of the museum is "to educate about shells and mollusks, the shell-makers, through exhibits, educational programs, library services, and publications; to further awareness of nature and the natural environment; to promote collection-based research on shells and mollusks with emphasis on southwest Florida and the Gulf of Mexico."

The museum is located at 3075 Sanibel-Captiva Road, on Sanibel. For further information about the spring sale, call the museum store at 395-2233 or 888/679-6450. The Web site is www.shellmuseum.org.

Bob Janes NAMI Meeting Speaker



Lee County Commissioner Bob Janes and NAMI Chapter President Mary Lou Weddle.

Mental Health Court was the focus of NAMI Lee County's general education meeting with Lee County Commissioner Bob Janes on March 11. Listeners gathered at St. Hilary's Episcopal Church.

NAMI Chapter President Mary Lou Weddle introduced Bob Janes who spoke about a mental health court being established in Fort Myers, referring to it as "one of my favorite areas of accomplishment." The special court procedure, presided over by a judge can involve an incarcerated individual in a treatment plan, preventing further criminal behavior. Eventually the special courts will reduce the county's jail population.

A Mental Health Court is expected to be functioning here by the end of March. A doctor, family, police or others may recommend adults who are arrested for mis-

demeanors to have a court evaluation before the case even comes to trial. According to a psychiatric team evaluation the individual may be offered an alternative of having appropriate treatment and medication in lieu of incarceration. The program is unavailable to DUI and spousal abuse offenders.

Much work is needed at the advocacy and legislative levels of government for appropriate housing and the necessary medications in order to achieve the mental health court objectives. Volunteers are being recruited by NAMI to participate in furthering the mental health court goals. ✨

Island Mural Sells

Island aerial photographer and digital artist Matt Stein recently sold a framed, 20 inch by 36 inch print of his Sanibel Airphoto Mural for \$1,100 to a Sanibel couple. The print is one of only ten original printing proofs -- five un laminated and five laminated -- which will ever be offered for sale. In beautiful blues and greens, each depicts a map-like aerial view of Sanibel, Captiva and the surrounding waters and land areas compiled from 102 aerial photographs. These include Stein's best photos from the 1990s, which took eight years to collect. The totally seamless, color-matched digital mosaic required six months to create.

This is the same image which can be seen in a mounting six feet high by 10 feet long in the conference room at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. ✨

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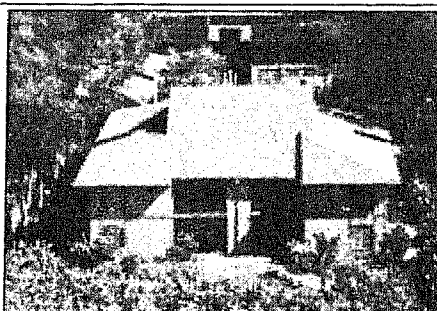
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Three Winners

by Priscilla Friedersdorf

Three of the films from last year that won the top honors at the Academy Awards this week are now at our local theatres. The male lead in *Iris*, Jim Broadbent, won the award for Best Actor. This film traces the life of writer Iris Murdoch through her early years, her courtship and marriage to writer John Bayley and then into the last stages of her life. Bayley wrote of their life together in two books, *Iris*, *A Memoir* and *Elegy for Iris*. The screenplay of the film is based on his books. The film portrays their marriage; the joining of two genuine British eccentrics. But more importantly it shows the last of their life together when Ms. Murdoch was stricken by Alzheimer's disease and was lovingly cared for by Bayley.

Actress Halle Berry won the Best Actress award for her portrayal of a young black mother whose husband has been incarcerated. Every actor in the film *Monster's Ball* deserves recognition for their exceptional performances. In



Judi Dench as writer Iris Murdoch, and Jim Broadbent is her husband, critic John Bayley in *Iris*.

spite of many sorrows in their lives, a white corrections officer, played sensitively by superb actor Billy Bob Thornton, and the young mother overcome great difficulties to reward the filmmaker with a happy ending.

In the category of best foreign films the award winner was *No Man's Land* an account of the war in Bosnia as seen from the perspective of two wounded men, a Bosnian and a Serb, isolated and trapped together in a trench in the middle of the battlefield.✱

Sanibel-Captiva After Hours



by Damon Craig

Why do they call it West Palm Beach when it's on the East Coast? Speaking of things that make you think -- April Fools Day is right around the corner, have you thought about

whom you're going to get? It doesn't seem as though people in Florida get into it the way we did in a small town. One time we borrowed a buddy's car, without his permission, while he was in class and parked it in his ex-girlfriend's driveway. Then we told his current girlfriend where it was. Boy, was that a mess. To this day I still don't think she really thought it was a joke. He forgave us soon after they broke up. Now for the fun stuff.

Friday: Jacaranda -- It's Reggae night and the feeling's right. Tropical Breeze will be playing the music that reflects their heritage. It is true Reggae, not fake funk! Happy Hour 4-7.

Saturday: McT's -- The only place on the island where you can get two-for-ones on anything you drink from 10 till close. I challenge you to find a better deal on the island!

Sunday: Key Lime Bistro -- If you happen to be out on Captiva this weekend, do your self a favor by stopping by.

It's located on Andy Rosse Lane. Great prices, (and for Captiva that's hard to be able to say) awesome food and live music while you dine!

Monday: Bungalow -- The only place on the island with both pool tables and dart boards. The food is really good and the service is great.

Tuesday: Crazy Gators -- One of the best ideas to hit the island in a long time. Dollar drafts all day, every day. See, dreams do come true.

Wednesday: Jacaranda -- If you're looking for a great place to take your hot date look no further. Get there early and have a little dinner then head over to the bar and begin your night of dancing and fun. Happy Hour 4-7.

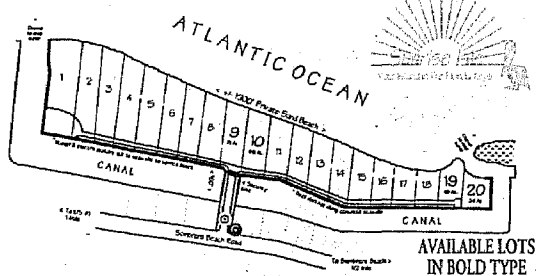
Thursday: The Hungry Heron -- I always plug the Heron on this night because it is my slowest night of the week and I like to have people to talk to. Stop by and eat dinner and I'll throw in a domestic beer or glass of house wine with your meal!

Answer to last week's clue: Rivera
This week's clue: What bar does the band Loose Change play at?

Drink of the week: Blonde Merlot, Half-white zinfandel and half merlot. Enjoy!✱

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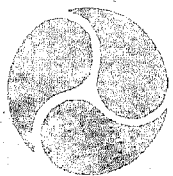
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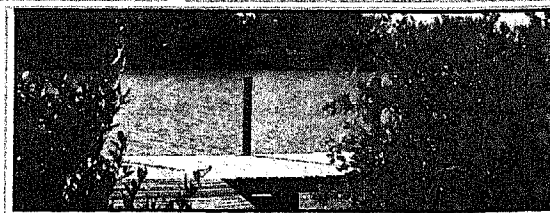
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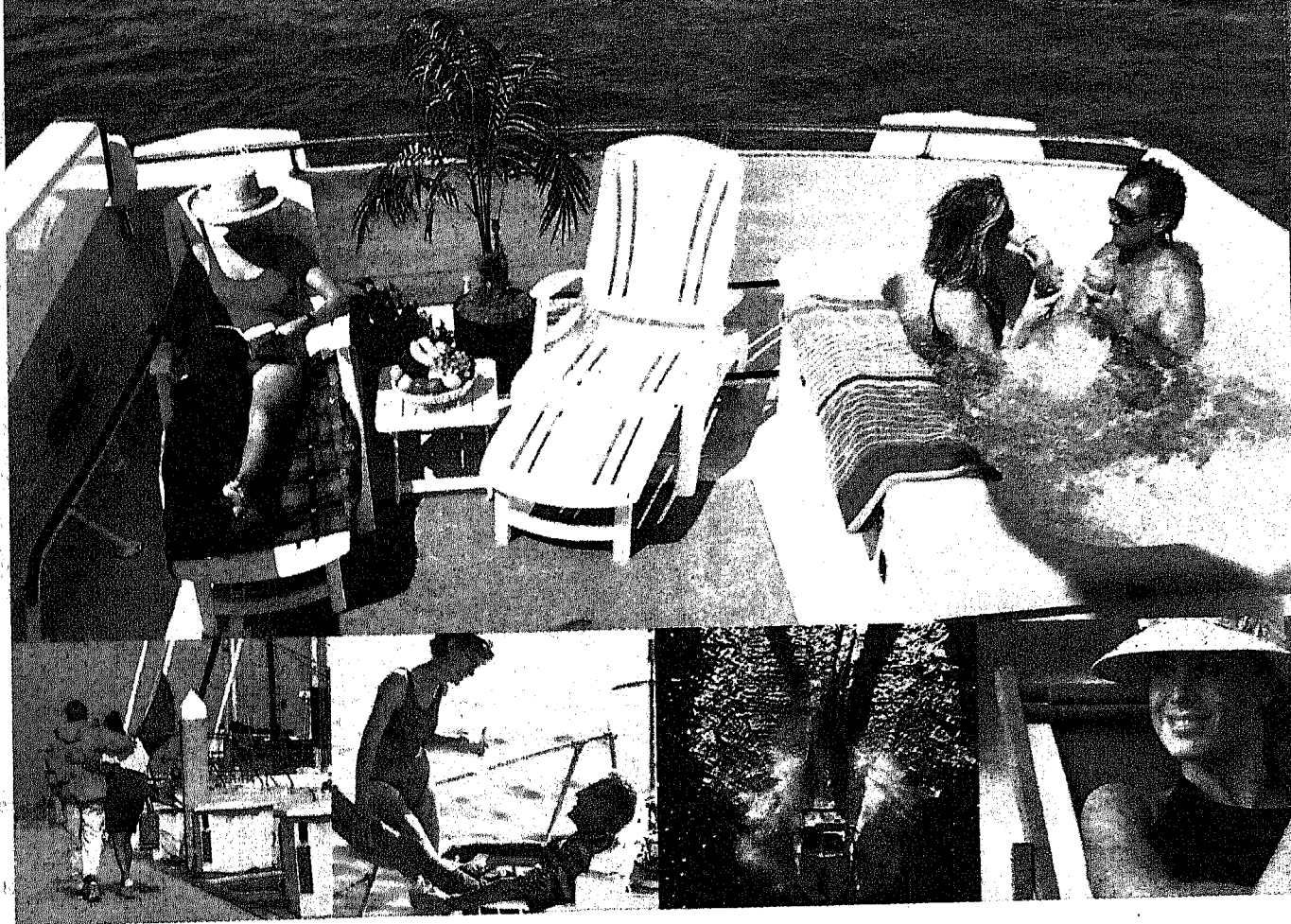
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Our Age
What's A Body To Do?
Part Two



by Priscilla
Friedersdorf

Last week's column offered some of the alternative views on Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT), this week's column is on alternative views on mammography.

Dr. Donald Berry, chairman of the department of biostatistics at M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, testified in February before a joint session of two U.S. Senate subcommittees which were investigating the conflicting recommendations on mammograms from recent studies. A *New York Times* article of February 28, indicated the subcommittees were particularly questioning experts about a Danish study which had found serious flaws in seven previous breast cancer studies which indicated that mammograms prevented breast cancer deaths starting at age 40. In his testimony, Dr. Berry was quoted as saying, "Recent scientific studies showed that the benefits of mammograms did not outweigh the risks, which include

unnecessary surgery to remove tumors that might not have threatened a woman's life."

On January 23, an independent panel of experts, called the P.D.Q. board, which writes for the National Cancer Institute's online database, seemed to agree with the findings of the Danish group in casting doubt on the validity of the prior studies. The chairman of the panel is Dr. Berry and he is outspoken about his reservations, "Screening programs bring in patients, it isn't just the mammography, but it's the biopsies, the surgeries and the like. We know that screening is exquisitely fine at finding cancers. Therefore it brings in patients and they demand treatment." He narrowed the question further, "The problem is if the women who have mammograms fare no better or do even worse because of excessive treatment than women who are not screened."

In January of 2000 the controversial report by Danish researchers was published in the British medical journal *Lancet*. According to an article this February in the *Washington Post*, the report concluded, "screening for breast cancer with mammography is unjustified." The reason the Danish researchers cited was that it does not reduce mortality in the population that is screened. In October of 2001, after considerable criticism, two Danish scientists of the Nordic Cochrane Center in Copenhagen reiterated their previous findings, "There is no reliable scientific evidence that screening for breast cancer reduces mortality."

Another study was conducted by Laura Esserman of the University of California among American and British radiologists testing each of their skills in analyzing the same mammography films. The study indicates that those physicians who see the greatest number of films each month are the most efficient in finding **actual** tumors and therefore order the **fewest** biopsies. The results showed that British physicians were the most efficient in reading the films. This could reflect on the practice of socialized medicine in Britain; they order less biopsies due to lack of financial incentives and have less fear of malpractice lawsuits.

Some in the medical community are posing hard questions about mammograms and pointing out that the risks are often not in the tests but in the treatments - chemotherapy, surgery and radiation - when malignancies are found. Gina Kolata, a science writer for the *New York Times*, wrote in an article in February entitled *The Painful Fact of Medical Uncertainty*, "But what if mammograms are picking up tumors that would never threaten a woman's life, and would otherwise never have been noticed - or treated? What if mammograms are finding tumors that could be treated just as well a few years later, forcing the woman to spend those years with the dreadful knowledge that she has breast cancer?"

Virginia L. Ernster, professor of epidemiology at the school of medicine at the University of California in a *New York Times* article, *Mammograms and*

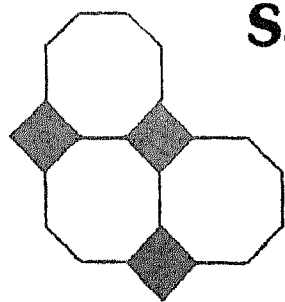
Personal Choice posed a different concern, the risks of false positives (mammograms which erroneously indicate the presence of cancer) and the potential for diagnosing and treating breast cancers with surgery or radiation which possibly "may never have progressed to become symptomatic during a patient's lifetime." In the article Ernster wrote, "Various studies find that 80 percent to 95 percent of mammographic abnormalities turn out not to be cancer that translates into hundreds of thousands going through the anxious experience of an abnormal test until the final result is known."☆☆

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Treasure Coin Show At The Cedar Chest

by Pamela Gilbert Wortzel

A fascinating collection of authentic ancient collector and shipwreck coins will be on display at the Cedar Chest on Monday, April 1 and Tuesday, April 2 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. These coins, valued at over a million dollars, will be available for sale. Included in the show are: Shipwreck Atocha "pieces of eight," 1715 Fleet "Dobloons;" Ancient Greek and Roman silver and gold; Alexander the Great, 336 to 323 B.C.; the Roman Emperors; Biblical Judean "Widow's Mites;" Dutch Ducats; Portuguese Reis and many other valuable coins.

Among the rarest of the coins are two from Fort Worth: a gold doubloon escudo from the Atocha shipwreck in 1622 and another from the Margarita. Also of interest to coin collectors and treasure aficionados is a cluster of 25 silver coins that looks as though it had just been discovered at the bottom of the sea. According to John Pollard of the Cedar Chest, it's very unusual to find this size and quality of a collection in Southwest Florida.

All coins are guaranteed to be genuine and are accompanied by a Certificate of Authenticity from the American Numismatic Association. The coins are mounted in heirloom quality mountings; some are set in 14k or 18k gold with pre-

cious stones such as diamonds and emeralds. The coins are ready to be worn as pendants, earrings, rings, bracelets and cuff links. During the two day event there will be a drawing for a free treasure coin which will be given away to the winner.

Each of the coins tells a bit of a story about a distant time in history. The silver Julius Caesar Coin, minted around 49 to 44 B.C., depicts an elephant treading on a snake. It is propaganda on Caesar's part against his enemy, Metellus Scipio, whose family sponsored coinage featuring snakes. The elephant symbolizes the power of Rome: the snake is no match for its might. On the reverse side are the articles of the Office of Pontiff Maximus, the head of the board of priests which directed the state religion laws and legislature.

Another coin with great historical significance is the gold Alexander III the Great coin. Alexander the Great, who conquered the world by age 36 (and also died at the age of 36) is believed to be the first man to put his own likeness on a coin. He was known to give these coins to generals that won battles for him. Athena, the goddess of wisdom and battle, is on the front of the coin and Nike, the goddess of victory, is pictured on the reverse side. Also included in the show is the Alexander the Great Silver Drachma, which depicts Alexander as Hercules wearing a lion skin headdress. On the reverse side is Zeus seated on his throne and holding an eagle. Alexander, who believed he was the son of Zeus, is likening himself to Hercules, the strongest man in Greek mythology.

Minted around 100 B.C. is the Roma



Sales Manager John Pollard invites you to stop and see this incredible collection of treasure coins.

silver coin which portrays the bust of Roma, the patron goddess of Rome, which dates back to pagan times. Rome still uses Roma as a symbol and her likeness is printed on modern day coins. On the reverse side is a four horse chariot with a charioteer. Another coin of interest is the Widow's Mite which dates back to biblical times. This copper coin depicts an anchor surrounded by a Hebrew inscription. The reverse side shows a star, wheel, or a form of a compass.

In addition to all the coins, the Cedar Chest carries a wide variety of fine jewelry. The oldest jewelry store on the island, it has been owned and operated by Pat

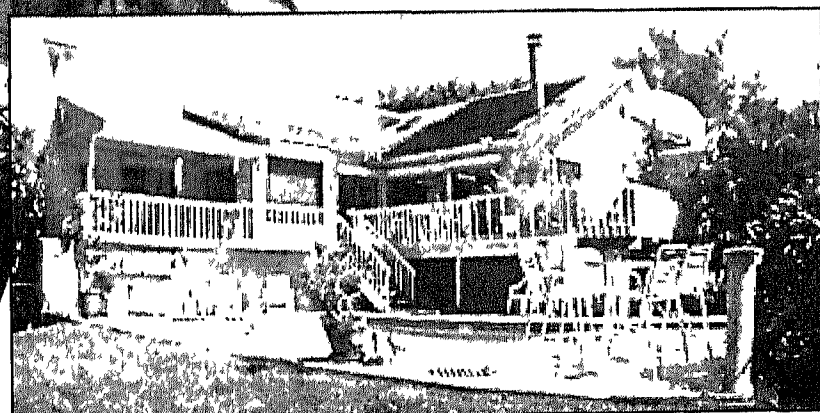
Zambuto for 27 years. "We design and make a lot of one of a kind pieces," says Zambuto. "We do a lot of custom work."

Sealife jewelry, estate jewelry, and a diamond department featuring all sizes and shapes of diamonds are among the store's offerings. One of the most popular items is the Sanibel Periwinkle necklace, an exclusive design in pink or yellow gold with diamonds. Also popular are carved colored stone pieces shaped like butterflies, mermaids, dolphins or sea shells.

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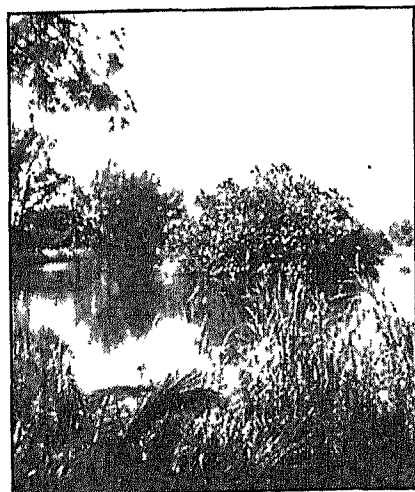


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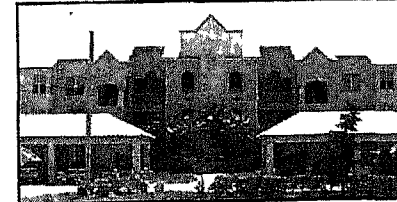
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Kristen Kirchner - McDonald Exhibition

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The opening reception will be on Sunday, March 31, from noon until 1.30 p.m. It is free and open to the public.

Viewing days are Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 10 am until noon, through Wednesday, April 24.

Kristen Kirchner-McDonald has been painting and sculpting for Island residents since 1986 when she moved to Sanibel from Louisville, Kentucky. Custom canvas floor cloths are her most visible work sold through designers from Boston to the Keys.

Trained in sculpture at the Louisville School of Art, metal and clay works are also a passion she follows between custom painting jobs. Her works have been featured in such local and national publications as *Family Circle*, *Gulf Shore Life*, *Spectator*, and *Vogue* magazine. :-



Dr. Dave

by David Hepburn, M.D.
Vancouver Island

Let me introduce you to the Canadian loonie, the other one. It is the one dollar Canadian coin that sports a picture of the Queen on one side and a loon on the flip side. One is a national figurehead while the other is a feisty old bird with a crown. Unfortunately for Canadians, our dollar is now only worth 63 cents US.

For the Salt Lake Olympics, a Canadian, Trent Evans, was asked to make really nice ice for hockey and other events. (For Canadians, ice making is basic front lawn maintenance.) Prior to the Canada-US gold medal hockey game in Salt Lake City, Mr. Evans surreptitiously buried a loonie (the coin) into center ice. He is now a national hero and the loonie is actually in the hockey hall of fame. But for the rest of us, loonies melt like worthless ice as soon as they cross over the border into the land of Lincolns. So ignoring common sense and my accountant, I slipped out of my white coat/straightjacket, and hauled my fish-belly white carcass out from under February's wet coast of British Columbia and into the sunny climes of Cocoa Beach, Florida. Within nanoseconds of arriving in Cocoa Beach I was sifting soft sand between my toes and making nifty moats around my beach castles. As I thawed out on the sunny seashore, hoping that the pelicans would be brief as they swooped overhead, I closed my eyes and tried to ignore the screams of pain from those who happened to glance in my direction. (To the E.R. doctors of Cocoa Beach I apologize for all those snow blindness victims, but I AM CANADIAN). I was as a grain of white rice in a bowl of refried beans, a Stay Puff marshmallow in a band of California Raisins, a snowball in .."Hello! Judging from that glare off your gams you must be from Canada" came a friendly greeting from a bikini-clad woman who I guesstimated to be in her 60's." Unfortunately, any youthful elasticity of her skin had been zapped out by ol' Mr. Sun's UV Ray gun. What was left instead was an unsightly mess of wrinkles and skin bleebies.

This woman suffered from tanorexia. A disorder where self-esteem depends on a suntan, tanorexia (commonly known as George Hamiltonitis) borders on the obsessive-compulsive. By being browner, tanorexics somehow feel healthier.

My first exposure to tanorexia came when I was 11 years old. Access to the home of my best friend Gary Burton was through his backyard and past his corpulent dad who seemed to be perpetually perched in a lawn chair, sunning himself like an overstuffed lizard. Mr. Burton would have been healthier had he had a touch of

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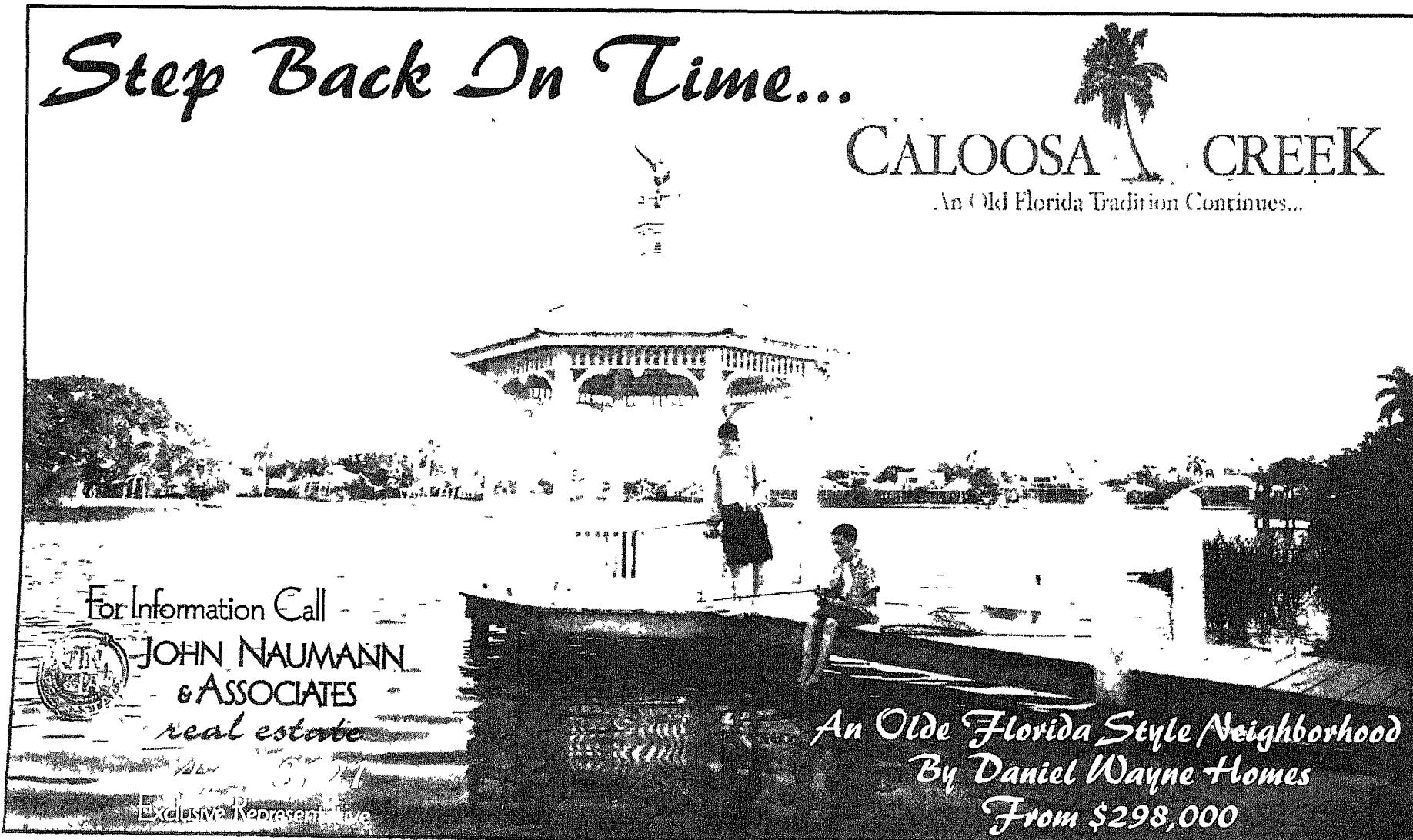
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anorexia rather than tanorexia, but there he lay, day in and day out, until he finally came to resemble a shar-pei on steroids. When I asked him why he lay in the sun all day he responded, "Because not only do I feel and look more athletic, but brown fat is healthier than white."

More than one million North Americans will get skin cancer this year! Ten thousand will die from tanorexia. Melanoma, the deadliest of the skin cancers, is the fourth commonest cancer of those aged 15-35.

Ultraviolet rays emitted by the sun include the nasty UVB and a milder UVA. Besides promoting cancer, overexposure to these rays cause the skin to wrinkle, sag, wrinkle, age prematurely, wrinkle, mottle, break out in cold sores/herpes and wrinkle.

The popularity of tanning "salons" is a good indicator of the prevalence of tanorexia. Using only UVA, the least destructive of the rays, these salons are certainly less injurious to the skin than direct exposure to the sun. But is there such a thing as a safe suntan? Tanned skin is damaged skin. In fact, browning of the skin is an attempt by the body to shield us from further ultraviolet damage. It figures that if it can collect enough melanin pigment cells together it might be able to block the dangerous UV rays from penetrating and destroying deeper layers of skin. Tanning salons should be regulated as if they were saloons. Teenagers, fair-skinned folks, those with any history of skin problems and basically those who want nice skin should never go into a tanning saloon.

But being what it is, human nature would have us sacrifice long term health for present feel good aesthetics. Tanorexics, smokers, drinkers, Snickers addicts and others who ultimately abuse their body in exchange for instant gratification may discover one day that the damage their body has incurred is irreversible. Their body turns out to be worth only a fraction of what it should be, which only goes to prove that they are...loonies *

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In

by Constance S. Clancy, Ed.D.



Q: My son recently confided to me that he is having marital difficulties. They have been married for seven years and they have three children. He feels that she is not interested in him, his business, (he is a computer programmer) or their future. I am not sure what my

role should be. He seems to want advice but I feel that perhaps I should stay out of it. My daughter-in-law and I have had some prior issues and I don't want her to think I am taking sides which I think she already does. What would you do?

A: It would not be to anyone's advantage for you to offer any advice except for them to seek some professional counseling. You obviously cannot be objective in your son's marital problems and giving him advice would only fuel the stress. I certainly would offer a listening ear, but be clear with your son that you cannot be put in the middle of their issues. Also, you are only hearing one side of the story. There are two sides and you don't know all of the facts. You can share with your son your own values and what has worked in your own marriage. Now this is not taking their problems on yourself. You can be there to love and support them both but you cannot control the outcome of their marriage.*

For additional information on counseling, consulting, seminars and engagements, please contact Dr. Constance Clancy at 472-3797, 970-376-4163, 800-908-9463 or visit her website at www.drconstance.com. E-mail: tobiasbts@aol.com.

Nursing Team One Of Best In Florida

The Emergency Department nursing team at Lee Memorial Hospital has been named third in the State of Florida, among 101 entries, in the Best Nursing Team 2002 Contest, sponsored

by the nursing publication, *Advance for Nurses*.

The teams placing first and second will be announced along with Lee Memorial Hospital's emergency department in the magazine's April 29 publication.

Judges considered awards and recognition received by the team; the initiative of the team specific to innovative programs, improved work environment, patient satisfaction, clinical outcomes and relationships with the medical staff; the adaptability of the team, how they cope with difficult times and take measures to control costs; teamwork, how they support one another and accomplish goals with the team concept; going above and beyond, how they reach out to the community and how they

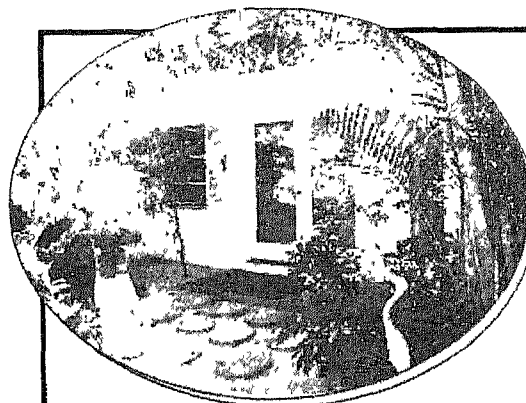
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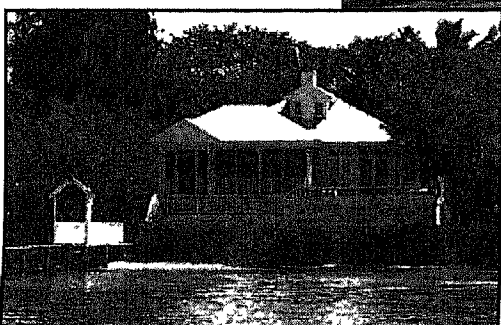


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Southwest Florida Walks To Cure Diabetes

More than 1,600 walkers representing local corporations, families, schools and organizations are expected to mobilize for the Southwest Florida Branch of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (JDRF) annual Walk to Cure Diabetes, on Saturday, May 11 at Florida Gulf Coast University from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. The goal is to raise over \$78 million nationwide for research to find a cure for diabetes and its complications.

"It's great to be working together with JDRF on such an important goal- curing a disease which kills one American every three minutes and costs our nation over \$105 billion a year in health care expenses," says Lee County Commissioner Ray Judah. "That's why we are committed to raising money for cutting edge research. By working together we can make a difference."

On a national level, Leeza Gibbons - journalist, TV host, and producer - is Honorary Chair of JDRF's Walk to Cure Diabetes. The National Chair of JDRF's Walk to Cure Diabetes is Sugar Ray Leonard, Olympic Gold Medal Winner, World Boxing Champion, and now network broadcaster. "My father has diabetes and I know the stress that it can put on a family," he said. "I'm proud to be leading the fight to find a cure."

National JDRF Walk partners are: Advance Auto parts, Discover Financial, Ford Motor Company, Marshalls, Quest Diagnostics, UBS PaineWebber, and Walgreens. Local JDRF Walk Sponsors are FedEx and Oswald, Tripp & Company, Inc.

Entire families enjoy participating in the Walk to Cure Diabetes. On-site registration begins at 8 a.m. on May 11 at the student plaza on the campus of Florida Gulf Coast University. "We are immensely appreciative of Commissioner Judah's participation," said Meredith Dulmer, special events manager for the Southwest Florida Branch of the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. "His enthusiastic commitment enables us to accelerate our research to more quickly find a cure for diabetes. Insulin is life support, not a cure."

Nationally, last year the Walks raised more than \$69 million, and this year they're expected to top \$78 million. The Southwest Florida walk to cure Diabetes is one of the many held in more than 225 cities worldwide. More than 350,000 walked to cure diabetes last year, and more than 6,000 companies participated.

JDRF, the world's leading nonprofit, nongovernmental funder of diabetes research, was founded in 1970 by the parents of children with juvenile diabetes, a disease which strikes children suddenly, makes them insulin dependent for life, and carries the constant threat of devastating complications. Since inception, JDRF has provided more than \$500 million to diabetes research worldwide. We

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Mental Health Seminar

The National Alliance for the Mentally Ill-Lee County will sponsor a seminar titled, "Coping with Mental Illness: Skills for Family Members, Caregivers and Consumers" on April 8 from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at St. Hilary's Episcopal Church, corner of Colonial and McGregor.

Char Mandile, RNC, the Medical Services Administrator of the David Lawrence Center will speak and coordinate the seminar. The event is open to the public, no registration is necessary. There is no cost to attend.

Refreshments will be served. Call the NAMI office at 278-0981 for further information.*

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dearPharmacist

by Suzy Cohen, RPh



Dear Pharmacist: I heard about a special supplement called acetyl-L-carnitine that affects memory and thinking. Could this really help?

SW Schaumburg, Illinois

Yes, acetyl-L-carnitine may enhance memory and thinking, but it also is used for weight loss, muscle aches and pain and fatigue. We'll get to that later. Because our "smart" drugs for memory problems, dementia and Alzheimer's only work short-term and have side effects, natural treatments such as acetyl-L-carnitine are becoming popular.

One important point, acetyl-L-carnitine is the activated form of L-carnitine, both of which are widely available in health food stores. But don't get confused, the "acetyl" form is considered superior because it makes more of that famous brain messenger "acetylcholine" that influences mental performance. The more acetylcholine you have, the more brain power you have and the less chance of your developing Alzheimer's disease.

Here's more food for thought. This special supplement works wonders from the neck down also. In fact, without sufficient amounts of this amino acid, the body cannot burn fat very efficiently resulting in unwanted weight gain.

Fibromyalgia and chronic fatigue syndrome sufferers use acetyl-L-carnitine to help energize the body and relieve sore achy muscles. Now this is not an all-in-one magical supplement, but it offers people another option and it is well tolerated by most.

Healthcare practitioners suggest 500mg three times a day, though some studies suggest doubling that dose might be even better. A course of 8 to 12 weeks is recommended, at which point you can lower the dose or stop it altogether. Of course, under your doctors supervision.

Other supplements touted to energize IQ and protect the brain include alpha lipoic acid, vitamin C, vitamin E, vinpocetine, ginkgo and phosphatidylserine.

Dear Pharmacist:

I am taking Flagyl (metronidazole) for an abdominal infection. There's a warning on the bottle, "Do not drink alcohol" and I'm wondering what will happen if I do?

JZ Holland, Michigan

It's never a good idea to mix alcohol with any medication, but with Flagyl, this interaction is particularly important. That's because it may cause you to spend the afternoon vomiting, projectile style for the worst case scenario. Though this reaction is infrequent, who wants to take the chance?

The interaction can also cause nausea, vomiting, headache, flushing and abdominal cramps. You'd better stay away from alcohol in any form while you are on this drug and for three days afterward. Read labels carefully and avoid even small amounts of alcohol like that found in

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Mom And Me

by Lizzie and Pryce

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Dear Mom & Me,

I recently retired after living for 30 years in a northern state. I wanted heat and sunshine, and now I have it. It is delightful!

My 82 year old mother lives in another northern state and I want her to come and join me. I think it would be good for her arthritis and I would enjoy having her live with me.

Could you give me some guidance in this area?

M in Sun City

Dear M,

Don't be surprised if your mother wants to remain where she is. Many people prefer to stay in familiar surroundings, she may enjoy the changing seasons and the compatibility of long-time friends.

And she may want to have her own space for as long as she can.

However, if your mother's health is becoming a problem she may be eager to join you. Whatever she decides to do, if

she decides to move you will be responsible for helping her to meet people of her own age for social interaction. Make inquiries about physicians in your new area to see if there is an opening and a practice willing to enroll a new older patient.

Lizzie

Dear M,

It sounds like you and your mother have a good relationship. A good relationship with a parent is wonderful and needs to be protected. Good relationships remain good over time if both individuals are allowed their own private time.

Sometimes this is difficult with a mother-daughter relationship, particularly if both live in the same home.

Also, as difficult as it may be, our parents have their own identities, full of friendships, interest and activities. It is difficult to ask a parent to leave if they are in good health.

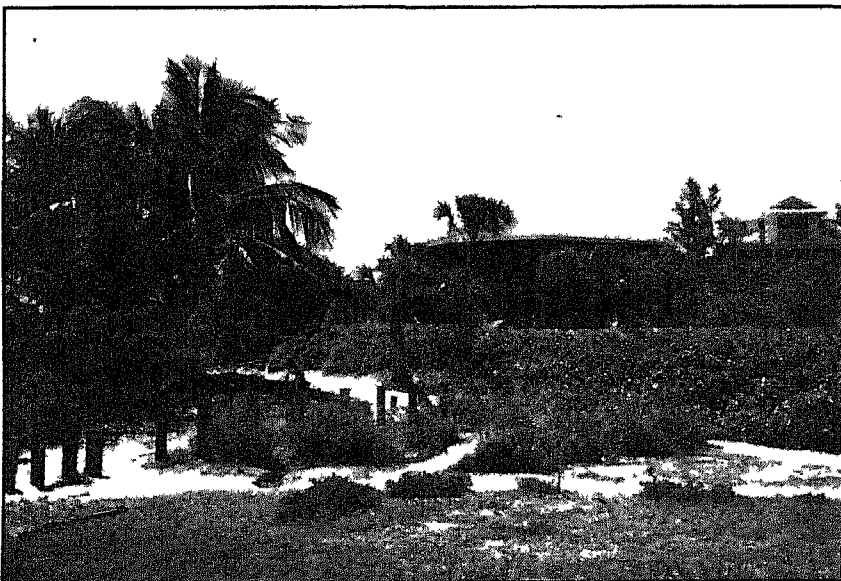
However, if you do ask your mother and she chooses to move south and live with you, try to make arrangements for her to develop her own network of friends and activities.

Please be aware that moving is a significant life change and may take time for adjustment.

Pryce

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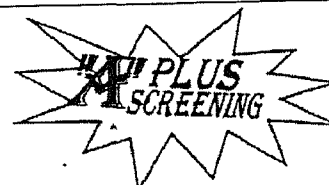
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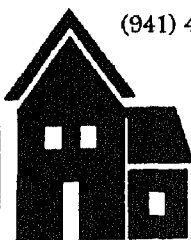
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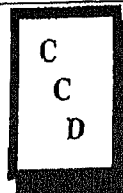
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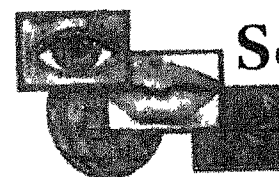
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alone would be worth \$400,000," he said.

Under the Save Our Homes law, "we can't raise the taxable value (of the home of a permanent Florida resident) more than three percent. That's \$32 billion in value in the State that can't be taxed," he noted.

Wilkinson said his office currently is working to "solve the loophole" regarding illegal land use, agriculture being one example. There are approximately 300 such parcels identified in Lee County, and when one of these is assessed a lower tax, "you pay the difference," he said. "We will get rid of the abuse."

Wilkinson also cited the fact that his office has the lowest administrative cost per parcel of any major jurisdiction in the U.S. and Canada. "Computers probably are the #1 reason we have the lowest operating cost," he said, adding: "Government can work effectively and efficiently."

Dr. John Sanders, superintendent of

Lee County schools, is scheduled to address islanders at COTI's upcoming community forum on local education. The date is Thursday, April 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the Phillips Gallery at BIG ARTS. A question and answer segment will be included.✱

How Goes It With Your Soul Book Signing

Copies of *How Goes It With Your Soul*, a collection of watercolors and inspirational quotes, will be signed by author, Patrice "Patti" C. Moore on Saturday, March 30, from 11 a.m. to noon, at Twice Is Nice, Hope Hospice's resale shop.

Moore, who co-authored the book with Peggy Dyson, is the president and founder of The Watershed Group, a hospice consulting firm in Gainesville, Florida. Known nationally for her work and dedication to the hospice movement, Moore, a nurse by profession, held a leadership role for 16

years at the Hospice of North Central Florida, and served as president of Florida Hospices and Palliative Care, Inc., from 1995 to 1997. She has also served as surveyor for the Joint Commission on Accreditation for Health Care Organizations (JCAHO).

How Goes It With Your Soul will be available for purchase at Twice Is Nice which is located in the Metropolis Center, 12951 Metro Parkway, Fort Myers. For more information on the book signing, please call Judy G. O'Donnell, Manager, Twice Is Nice, at 561-7667 ✱

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Arts

Arcade Theater	332-4488
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Gulf Coast Symphony	472-6197
Lee County Alliance of the Arts	939-2787
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Clubs & Organizations

AARP (Dorothy Shelton)	472-5517
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Island Attractions

Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum	395-2233
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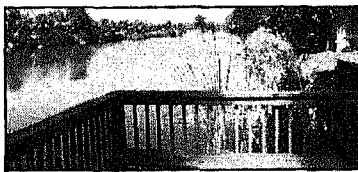
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Large one bedroom condo across from the Gulf and Golf! Beautifully modeled kitchen and bath. New Pergo and Carpet! Glass enclosed lanai. Fishing Dock, Swimming Pool and Deeded Beach Access. \$259,000.



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CYPRINA BEACH FRONT TOWN HOME. 2 or 3 BR, 2 1/2 BA. Soaring cathedral ceilings, garage, totally remodeled \$1,495,000.

SANIBEL ARMS WEST. We have the 3 best for sale beginning at \$479,000.

KELLY GREENS. Best value on private golf course \$129,600.

HOMES

CANAL FRONT AND 4 HOMES TO BEACH. Perfectly maintained & fabulous kitchen. Great views over pool to seawall canal. \$598,500.

JUST LISTED! Over 2,000 sq. ft., fireplace. Great condition. New kitchen. \$389,000.

SOUTHERN LIVING, "COUNTRY FRENCH". New ground level home - Gopher Walk. 300 ft to beach access. 4BR, 5BA. Fabulous inside & out. \$1,495,000.

SEAGULL ESTATES. 4BR with pool. 3,200 liv. sq. ft. Immaculate! \$919,000.

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GULF PEAK. Olde Florida style, designer decorated. Fully furnished. \$1,359,000.

LOTS

BEST BEACH! Chateau Sur Mer - Rue Royal - Lot #1. We believe good Gulf view could happen here! \$649,000.

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GREAT GULF VIEWS!

Weekly Rentals in this newly decorated 2 bedroom, 2 bath condominium apartment. New white kitchen, ceramic tile flooring, screened porch overlooking the park-like grounds, swimming pool and Gulf of Mexico! \$559,000.

**NEAR BEACH
LAKEFRONT**

Special peaceful tropical setting in a personable Island home sited on two buildable lots. 3 bedrooms, 3 baths plus office/den, caged, heated swimming pool, double car garage. All this and one half block from the Gulf of Mexico! \$697,000.

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BY OWNER

Lovely Home.

Delightful Beach Neighborhood. Best Buy On Sanibel. 2,270 sq. ft. bit. 1973. 3/3 with separate guest suite, private double lot, solar heated pool & hot water, hurricane shutters, mature royal palms, mango, orange, grapefruit, lemon, keylime. Wildlife pond. Quiet west end across from Ding Darling. Tile throughout home, updated Corian kitchen, floorplan opens to lanai. \$449,000. Drive by 1429 Jamaica. Call for appointment. 941-395-2457.

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Free up to the minute report showing the 10 best buys on Pine Island! Free recorded message. 1-800-298-0457, ID #103. 941-282-5200. Sellstate Realty Network - Pine Island.

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FREE FIVE BEDROOM HOUSE!!! Yes, it's the Island Sun so it has to be true. You can get this five bedroom house free when you purchase the fabulous lot it sits on. The lot is 125 of frontage on charming Cardium Street, and 150 deep. It is located in the D-2 (upland wetlands) eco-zone and should allow coverages of up to 4,687 sq. ft., ample room for your island home. In the meanwhile you can rent out the cottage while you meet with your architect. Priced to sell at \$319,555. Call for a no obligation data package - 472-0491.

PRICE REDUCTION!!! The owners of this fabulous 4 bedroom, 3 bath canal front home in Shell Harbor are getting serious about selling. They've reduced the asking price by \$30,000 and want offers. This house has a pool, seawall, fully enclosed lower level, dumbwaiter, three car garage and an East End location. Now asking \$849,555 so call me today at 472-0491 or toll free at 877-472-8900.

NEW SANIBEL HOME FOR \$357,555!!! I just listed this unbelievable value. Still under construction, this three bedroom, two bath home is located on the western end of Sanibel. It is within walking distance of the beach, has a laundry room, vaulted ceilings and a large back porch. This is a rare find at an incredible price, seller wants this house sold and has priced it accordingly. Call Charlie at 472-0491 for a package.

HERE IS A BEACH LOVERS HIDEAWAY. A large 100x200 homesite located along Bowman's Beach Road on Sanibel. A set of house plans and a short stroll to catch a sunset and you're there. Asking \$197,555. Call me for a complete package on this great lot.

IT'S BEEN A GREAT DAY. Lunch at Cabbage Key, a long, leisurely boat ride back to our dock, then grilled grouper for dinner on the Jennaire. It's been great seeing the kids again, and with four bedrooms, there's room enough to spare. I'm glad we bought the house. Shell Harbor location, asking \$879,555. Call for details.

THIS WAS THE HOUSE WE WERE WAITING FOR. It has a distinctly European feel to it and the tropical landscaping really makes it feel secluded. Private. The lot is large but manageable. The oak floors and the high ceilings complement each other. And the garage gives him the workshop he always wanted. Just listed, off the beaten track, 3/3 asking \$439,000.

WHAT A RARE FIND. nearly half an acre abutting a two-acre wildlife preserve. Private, cleared, and ready for our house plans. Not the fanciest neighborhood on the Island, but one of the most genuine. Fabulous homesite, data package available, asking \$185,000. Just listed and won't last.

HERE IT IS, JUST WHAT YOU WANTED. As if it were designed by an artist, maybe a painter, or a writer. Two lots combined overlooking a ten-acre lake. On a peninsula, at the end of a quiet street. Views, city sewer, data package available, unique homesite for \$189,555. Dreamers welcome.

S-2/8-BM-TFN

LEXINGTON COUNTRY CLUB. Lakeview 2BR, 2BA condo, 1,375 sq. ft. under air. Upgrades and extras, \$159,900. 941-433-9180 or 941-849-0383.

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**OPEN HOUSE
SATURDAY,
NOON - 4 P.M.**

FOR SALE BY OWNER. Customized Dunes Home!!! 3 bedroom, 2 updated bathrooms, living room, family room, tile kitchen & dining area along with a counter eating area, 2nd floor utility & pantry room. Large screened in pool & Jacuzzi area. Fenced in side yard and extra large two car garage, concrete drive. Tropical landscaping & automated sprinklers. A Must See!!! \$609,000. Open House, Sunday 12-4. 395-3629. RS-2/15-MC-3/29

POSSIBLE 100% FINANCING. Desperate, make offer! Reduced \$20,000 more! One of a kind duplex, 2050 Sunrise Circle. 2/2 and 1/1 furnished. \$428K. 561-414-7355. www.stayonsanibel.com. Open House on April 7 & 8, 10 am - 2 pm. 3/22-B-3/29

BUSINESS FOR SALE

PERSONABLE EVERGLADES TOUR COMPANY. Reliable van, established 800 number and website, 10,000 brochures. Owner relocation. Best offer over \$29,900. See www.fossilexpeditions.com/sale.htm or call 941-368-3252. RS-12/14-V-4/5

LOT FOR SALE

**GULF VIEW ESTATE
HOMESITES**

Build your luxury home and see a bit of the Gulf. Call Brokers/Consultants of Sanibel at 472-2255 or 800-553-2246 out-of-state. S-3/22-B-TFN

**ONE-PLUS ACRE LOT
ON DEAD-END STREET**

One lot from Gulf 15,000 sf. buildable footprint, cleared, ready now. Very private, abuts SCCF land. Call 472-8679. S-3/15-PP-3/29

VERY RARE 3-UNIT residential site. \$299,000. Call Brokers/Consultants of Sanibel, 472-2255 or 800-553-2246 out-of-state. S-3/29-B-TFN

COMMERCIAL SPACE

FOR LEASE

Tahitian Gardens Shopping Center Space Available Call 1-877-561-0726. RS-1/25-BM-TFN

**FOR LEASE
ISLANDER SHOPPING
CENTER**

850 sq. ft. retail/office. 1,700 sq. ft. retail/office. Call 472-7741. RS-3/9-CC-3/29

BOATS - CANOES - KAYAKS

MAKO 24.8 1987

Walk around with cuddy cabin. 1999 - 225 Evinrude Outboard. 75 Hrs. Great boat. Phone 466-7775 ask for Scott. Evenings call 454-1473, ask for Ken. RS-1/11-NC-TFN

BOATS - CANOES - KAYAKS

9 ZODIAC INFLATABLE BOAT w/ 2HP Honda 4-stroke outboard. Boat still under warranty. Practically new, hardly used. Paid \$1,800, sell \$1,200 OBO. Call 472-4844. RS-3/15-V-3/29

SALE ON SELECTED KAYAKS, sailboats & Accessories. Dealers for many brands. Best selection to choose from! Capliva Kayak Co. 395-2925. RS-2/1-BM-TFN

COVERED STORAGE with private boat ramp available on Sanibel. \$150 per mo. Call 941-218-8878. S-1/18-BM-TFN

ANTIQUES FOR SALE

WANTED

Modern designer furniture 1950s - 1970s. Herman Miller, Knoll, Dunbar, Widdicomb, Paul McCobb, Eames, Etc. Call Rich 567-1798. RS-3/15-CC-4/5

MISC. FOR SALE

NEW ORTHOPEDIC BED. Queen size, pillow top mattress set - still in plastic. Can deliver. \$150. Ph: 850-1753. RS-3/22-V-3/29

COLT GOVERNMENT MODEL MK IV SERIES 70 customized \$629, Walther PPK stainless new in box \$475, Combat Commander customized \$570, several others 395-3747. S-3/29-B-3/29

FURNITURE FOR SALE

COMPLETELY FURNISHED 1 & 2 BDRM COTTAGES. Prefer to sell as package. To view go to www.stayonsanibel.com and call 461-414-7355. Open house April 7 & 8, 10 am - 2 pm. S-3/29-B-TFN

AUTOS FOR SALE

HONDA ACCORD 87, 121K miles, runs great, 4 new tires, new front brakes, \$2,200 OBO. 994-9000. S-3/29-B-3/29

GARAGE SALE

GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 8 a.m. earliest. 9393 Kava Ct., in Gumbo Limbo, corner of Serenity Lane and Kava. Pictures, silk plants, ceramics, carpets, push lawn mower and much more! S-3/29-V-3/29

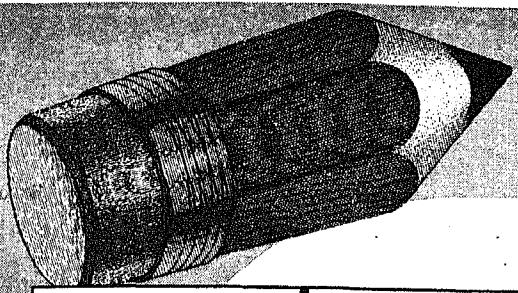
PETS LOST & FOUND

LOST CAT, orange male, large and friendly. East end of Island. Call 472-4410 or 277-0058. S-3/22-NC-TFN

LOST & FOUND

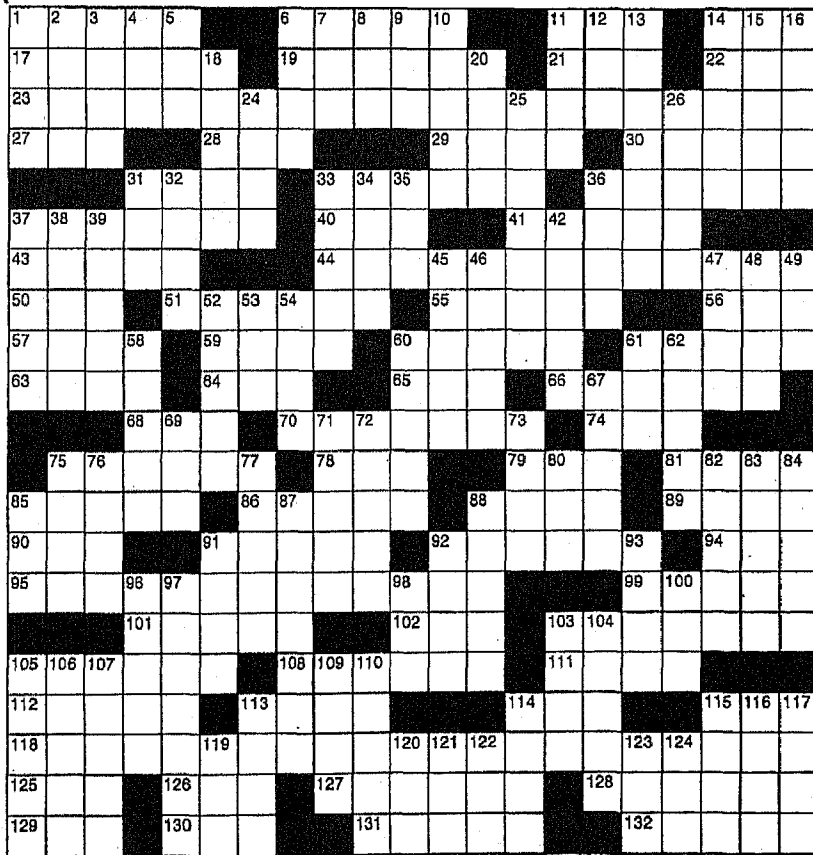
LOST ON CAPTIVA - Custom wedding set, sentimental value. Stone & yellow gold band. Internationally registered GIA. REWARD - any information please call 239-454-1278 or 719-684-9700. S-3/29-NC-3/29

TIME TO SAY
GOOD BUY!
SEE YOU
NEXT WEEK

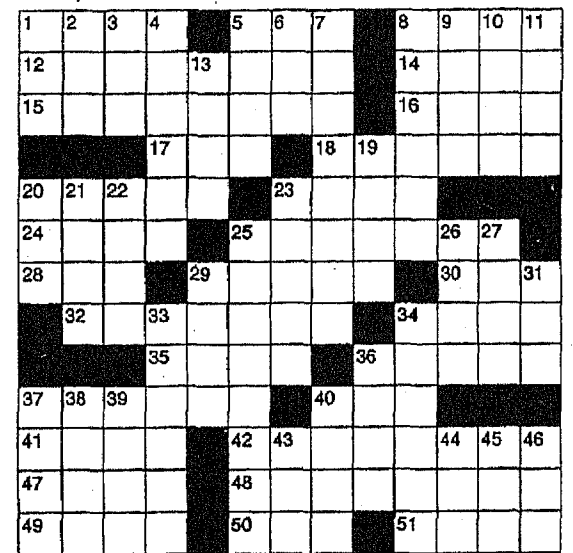


BEACH CHAIR PASTIME

- ACROSS**
- 1 Guru
6 Outfielder Tony
11 Bother segments
14 Cen.
17 Regret
19 Bother
21 Lennon's widow
22 Velvet finish
23 Start of a remark
27 Cozy room
28 — Canals
29 "Heavens to Betsy!"
30 Cowboy star Lash
31 Spotted rodent
33 Deteriorate
36 More like a peacock
37 Lancelot's son
40 Fruity beverage
41 Newsstand
43 Castle or Dunne
44 Part 2 of remark
50 Rock band's stint
51 Composer Gustav
55 Russell of "A Beautiful Mind"
56 Cohen or Wallach
- 57 Balloon material?
59 "New Look" designer
60 — cog (blunder)
61 Swash-buckling novelist
63 Man, for one
64 Gil's address
65 Exactly
66 Kevin of "SNL"
68 Service member?
70 Admin-istered anesthesia
74 Pangolin's morsel
75 Cavern
78 White House spokesman
79 "— Doll" ('84 hit)
81 Harvest
85 Still's partner
86 Carl of "Cosmos"
88 Cruise
89 "The Egg —" ('47 film)
90 Symbol of sturdiness
91 Tiny insectivore
92 Cut and dried?
- 94 Deli delicacy
95 Part 3 of remark
99 Game name
101 Kidney-related
102 Corn portion
103 Ridiculous
105 Bloom or Danes
108 Hut
111 Oxidize
112 Boring tool
113 Zest
114 38 Down's symbol
115 Author Umberto
118 End of remark
125 Compass pt.
126 Subway unit
127 Disturbed the peace?
128 Singer Dion
129 Shorten a slat
130 Conceit
131 African antelope
132 Improve
- DOWN**
- 1 Runners carry it
2 Breaker
3 Sherman Hemsley sitcom
4 "Mal de —"
5 Caravan-sary
6 '70 Crosby; Stills, Nash & Young hit
7 Fond du —, WI
8 Fury
9 Large tub
10 McCourt's "Angela's —"
11 "Hopalong Cassidy" star
12 Important numero
13 Type of stew
14 Long for
15 Variety show
16 Villain's look
18 Puccini heroine
20 Aromatic plant
24 Warty one
25 Summer wear
26 Terse verse
31 Word form for "all"
32 "Excuse me"
33 Moist the marigolds
34 Fragrance
35 Mil. unit
36 Viva —
37 Tenor Beniamino
38 Zodiac sign
39 Sanctioned
42 Dubuque denizen
45 Renown
46 Overused
47 San —, Italy
48 Tribe
49 — nibs
52 Roll with the punches
53 With it
54 "Gigi" author
58 Furnishings
60 "Don Giovanni" setting
61 Rowan or Rather
62 Marine leader?
67 Bald bird
69 Actress Hagen
71 — beaver
72 Texas talk
73 Cart
75 Equipment
76 Autumn implement
77 Actor Milo
80 Distress
82 Zhou —
83 Doll up
84 Elf
85 Janitor's item
87 Salt-water lake
88 It may be tall
91 "Auld Lang —"
92 ER excla-mation
93 Emcee's site
96 Took a shot at
97 O'Hara's "From the —"
98 Itch
100 Big bang letters
103 — League
104 Poisonous plant
105 Java joints
106 Verdi's "— Miller"
107 Ford's predecessor
109 "— Off to Larry" ('61 tune)
110 Skirt shape
113 Cipher
114 Funnymen
115 Perry's victory site
116 Neighbor of Mass.
117 Had bills
119 Droop
120 Cambodia's Lon —
121 La-la lead-in
122 Coop critter
123 Muddling mark
124 Alphabet sequence



- 1 Tea time
5 Norm (Abbr.)
8 Lovers' quarrel
12 Not so good
14 Mexican money
15 Newfoundland air base
16 Choir member
17 LPs' successors
18 Cold breakfast
20 Two-faced doorkeeper
23 Model Macpherson
24 Garfield's pal
25 Prolific whodunit author John
28 Prohibit
29 TV's O'Brien
30 Used a shovel
32 Skin pigment
34 Pop
35 Initial chip
36 Outlaw Jesse
37 Greeter's gesture
40 Silent
41 Finished
42 Saskatchewan city
47 Skeletal portion
48 Jut
49 Ugly duckling, eventually
50 X rating?
51 On in years



- DOWN**
- 1 Trifling amount
2 Lennon's lady
3 Venusian vessel?
4 Save
5 Some of the kin
6 One-customer link
7 One way to take out stains
8 Shows leniency
9 Soccer star
10 Hammett
- pooch
11 Implement
13 Cincinnati team
19 Verve
20 Chore
21 First man
22 Just shy of
50-Across
23 "Sesame Street" Muppet
25 Scorn
26 Gulf of Aqaba kingdom
27 Year-end period
29 Lacks the skill
31 Antacid target
33 Bacall or Hutton
34 Funt's concealed item
36 Equitable
37 Weeps
38 Acknowledge
39 Musical Horne
40 Wolfman's concern
43 Raw rock
44 Moonshine holder
45 Citric quaff
46 Become one

REMOVE THE MAGIC MAZE • A NEW WORD

I A X V S Q N G N I T S A O B
K I F D A S X Y V T Q O M J H
F C A Y W U E T R P Y N L D Y
J H F D D E T S I X E B E S Z
M X V T R Q O R S M L S S K I
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Z R S L A U G H T E R L I Y W
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V U S R Q I B Y O N M K C J M

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions - forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Blessed	Existed	Mistress	Slaughter
Blossom	Fossil	Parsley	Stresses
Classy	Grassy	Prosper	Thirsty
Cosmic	Insert	Sexists	

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Today's Challenge

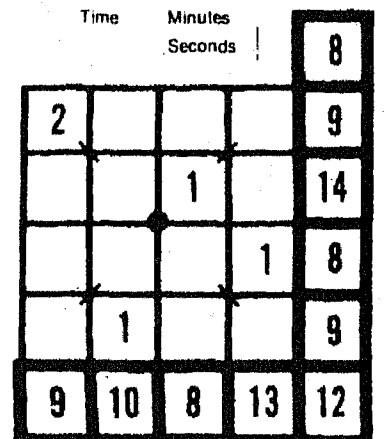
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Your Working

Time Minutes

Seconds



Puzzle Answers On Page 82



Direct Gulf Front

New Listing!

- 2/3 bedroom over 1,400 sq ft under air
- Guaranteed income
- Fully furnished
- Large screen porch
- \$875,000 (101932)

Robin Humphrey • 472-5187 x218



Gulf View One Bedroom

New Listing!

- Totally updated
- Screened balcony
- True 1-bedroom, living & dining room
- Guaranteed income
- \$489,000 (101934)

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Verandahs And Mint?

Price Reduced!

- Olde Florida style and charm Built in 1997
- 3/2 5 hardwood floors, plantation shutters, fireplace
- Expanded model on estate size lot
- Close to the islands! Great style!
- \$439,000 (101101)

Marlene Donaldson • 472-5187 x242



Direct Access!

Price Reduced!

- Minutes out to the bay!
- 3 bedroom, 3 bath - possible 4 bedroom too!
- Updated kitchen, nice screened lanai!
- Heated pool, boat dock, fully furnished!
- \$499,000 (010375)

Jim Hall • 472-5187 x215



Close To The Beach

- Split floor plan with family room
- Expansive lake views
- Michigan Homes Brighton Mark I
- Remodeled & "neat as a pin"
- \$624,900 (101150)

Susan Andrews • 472-5187 x251



Calling All Sailors!

- 50 foot dock with boat lift
- On Sanibel's best deep water canal
- Impeccably maintained 3BR/2BA home
- Completely remodeled with oak floors
- \$1,089,000 (100968)

James or Penny Hetmanek • 472-5187 x219/202



Sunset Bay!

- Incredible Bay views from this island cottage
- Deeded beach access directly across the street
- 3 boat docks, resort housing allows nightly rentals
- A great value
- \$995,000 (101185)

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Breathtaking Views

Price Reduced!

- Gulf front 3 bedroom, 2 bath, corner
- Recently remodeled kitchen & baths
- Excellent weekly rental - grossing \$60,000
- Furnished
- \$1,650,000 (101699)

David Schuldenfrei • 472-5187 x227



Room To View

Price Reduced!

- A lushly landscaped lagoon with wildlife too!
- Near, near pristine beach ground level!
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, dining/living room!
- Screen enclosed pool in 2000!
- Only \$529,000 (101571)

Jim Hall • 472-5187 x215



Panoramic Lake/Golf Views!

Price Reduced!

- True 3 bedroom, 2 5 bath town home
- New everything- Totally redone
- Large deck area/ Very spacious
- Nicest "Dunes" town home-period
- \$429,000 (101531)

Mike McMurray • 472-5187 x250



Room With A View

Price Reduced!

- Fabulous direct Gulf view
- Steps down to the beach
- 2nd story Sundial unit
- New carpet & tile throughout
- \$870,000 (101175)

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Don't Miss This!

- 2 bedroom, 2 bath condo in Gulf front complex!
- Weekly rentals = excellent income!
- Ground floor - walk out to pool, garden area!
- 2 screened porches, nicely furnished!
- \$509,000 (001241)

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Captains Walk D-3

Price Reduced!

- Mexican tile, new cabinets & countertops
- Recessed lighting, new fans & faucets
- 1 bedroom condo with canal access
- Partially furnished
- \$172,900 (100889)

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Lot Listings

Estate-Sized

- 2 lots combined into 1!
- River views over the marina!
- Low, low homeowner fee of \$46/mo!
- Includes pool, tennis, park, marina!
- \$239,000! (010200)

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Shell Harbor

- Seawalled canal w/patio dock
- Water views facing southeast
- Almost 300' on Limpet Drive
- No bridges to bay
- \$780,000 (000085)

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