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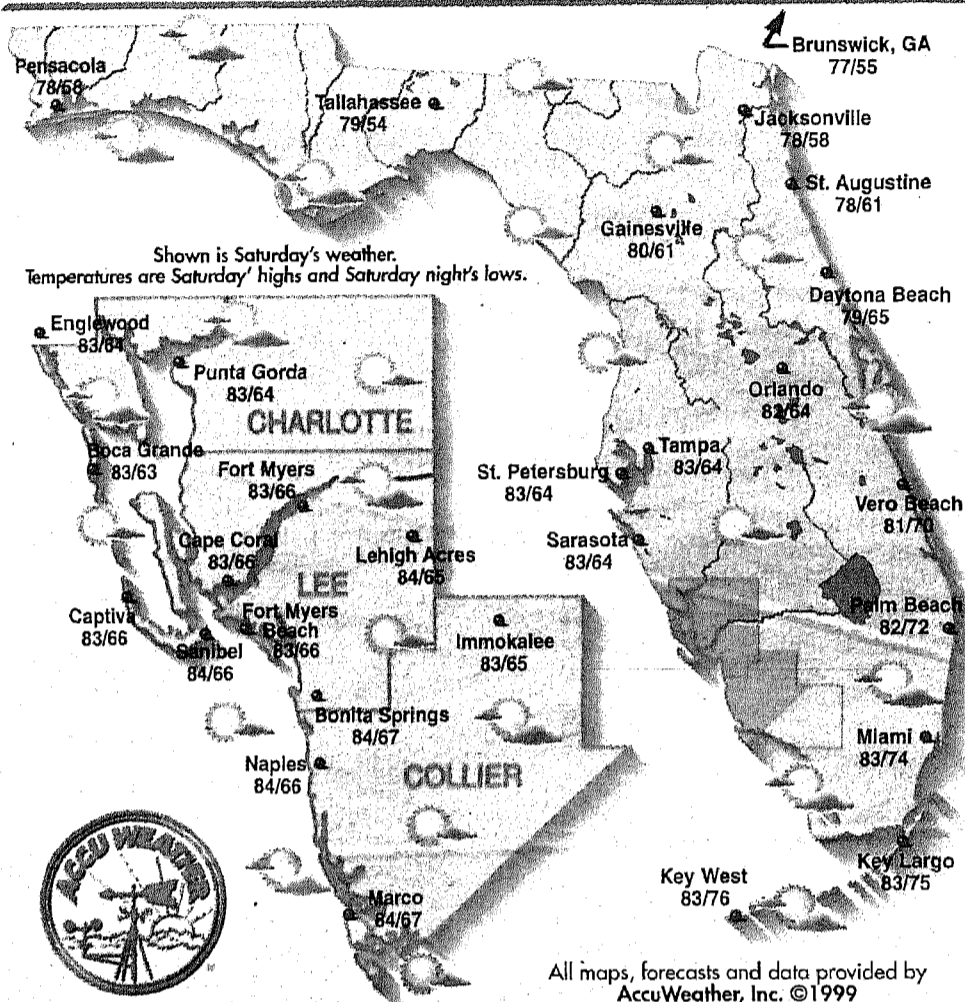
Halloween is becoming a bigger challenge each year — from clever costumes to carved pumpkins. Upping the ante this year were Matt Asen and the Timbers gang with a pumpkin-carving contest. Winners were picked from the patch last night and are on display at the Timbers. For more Halloween fun see page 3.

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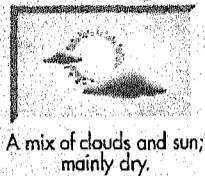
Regional Forecast



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Charlotte, Collier, and Lee Counties

Sunday



A mix of clouds and sun;
mainly dry.

County	High
Charlotte	82 to 86
Collier	83 to 87
Lee	83 to 87

Sunday Night



Clear to partly cloudy.

County	Low
Charlotte	64 to 68
Collier	64 to 68
Lee	64 to 68

Tides

	Sat. High	Sat. Low	Sun. High	Sun. Low
Cape Coral	6:51 a.m.	1:03 a.m.	7:05 a.m.	2:20 a.m.
Bridge	11:25 p.m.	4:06 p.m.	11:24 p.m.	4:18 p.m.
Captiva	4:41 a.m.	12:50 p.m.	4:55 a.m.	1:02 p.m.
Redfish Pass	9:15 p.m.	11:04 p.m.	9:14 p.m.	—
Fort Myers	7:44 a.m.	1:45 a.m.	12:18 a.m.	3:02 a.m.
	—	4:48 p.m.	7:58 a.m.	5:00 p.m.
Mallorca	6:19 a.m.	12:29 a.m.	6:33 a.m.	1:46 a.m.
Pass	10:53 p.m.	3:32 p.m.	10:52 p.m.	3:44 p.m.
Pineland	5:17 a.m.	2:30 p.m.	5:31 a.m.	12:44 a.m.
	9:51 p.m.	—	9:50 p.m.	2:42 p.m.
Point Ybel	3:46 a.m.	12:52 p.m.	4:00 a.m.	1:04 p.m.
	8:20 p.m.	11:06 p.m.	8:19 p.m.	—
Punta Rassa	4:35 a.m.	12:45 p.m.	4:49 a.m.	12:57 p.m.
	9:09 p.m.	10:59 p.m.	9:08 p.m.	2:08 p.m.
St. James	5:06 a.m.	1:20 p.m.	5:20 a.m.	1:32 p.m.
City	9:40 p.m.	11:34 p.m.	9:39 p.m.	—

Beach and Marine

Beach Forecast for Saturday:

Cape Coral: Partly sunny and pleasantly warm. Winds northeast at 8-16 knots. Wave heights 1-2 feet.

Ft. Myers Beach: Breezy and warm with a mix of sunshine and clouds. Winds northeast at 9-18 knots. Waves 1-3 feet.

Sanibel: A mixture of clouds and sunshine, breezy and warm. Winds northeast at 10-18 knots. Waves 2-3 feet.

Offshore Forecast for Saturday:

Charlotte Harbor: Breezy with some sunshine. Winds northeast at 10-20 knots. Waves 2-3 feet.

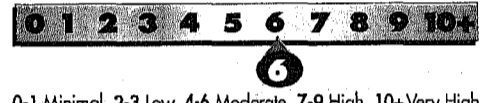
Gasparilla Sound: Partly sunny and breezy. Winds northeast at 10-20 knots. Waves 2-3 feet.

Pine Island Sound: A mixture of sunshine and clouds; breezy. Winds northeast at 10-20 knots. Waves 2-3 feet.

Estero Bay: Partly to mostly sunny at times. Winds northeast at 8-16 knots. Waves 1-3 feet.

UV Index

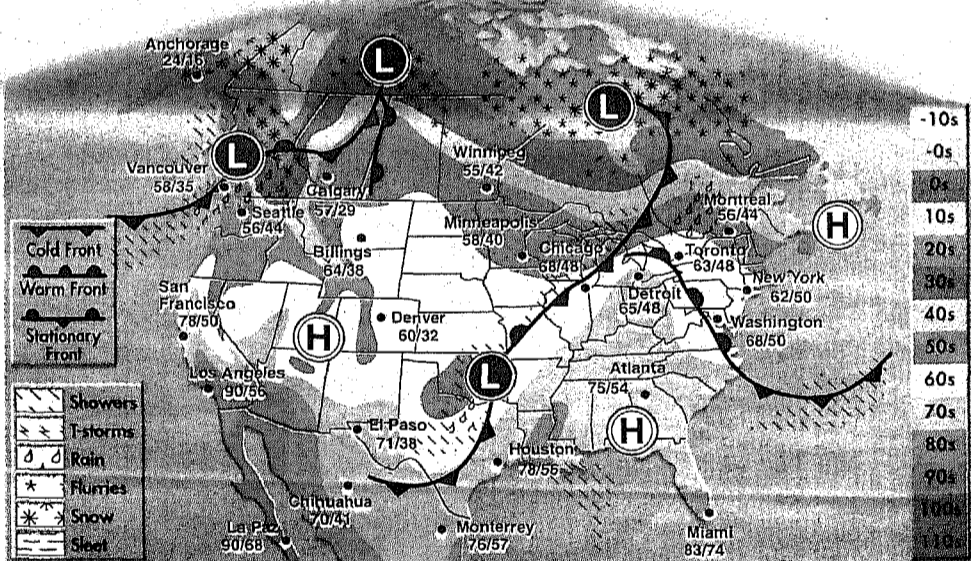
Values are Saturday's highest exposure to the sun's ultraviolet rays.



0-1 Minimal, 2-3 Low, 4-6 Moderate, 7-9 High, 10+ Very High

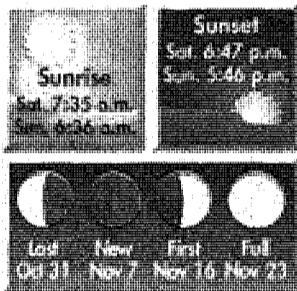
Saturday's National Forecast

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day. Forecast high/low temperatures are given for selected cities.



National Summary: A potent upper-level storm system will bring rain to portions of the Plains today. High pressure anchored over New England will provide ample sunshine for the Eastern Seaboard. Showers will affect western Washington and Oregon. Dry weather will be the rule for the Southwest with high pressure providing sunshine and a warm afternoon.

Sun and Moon

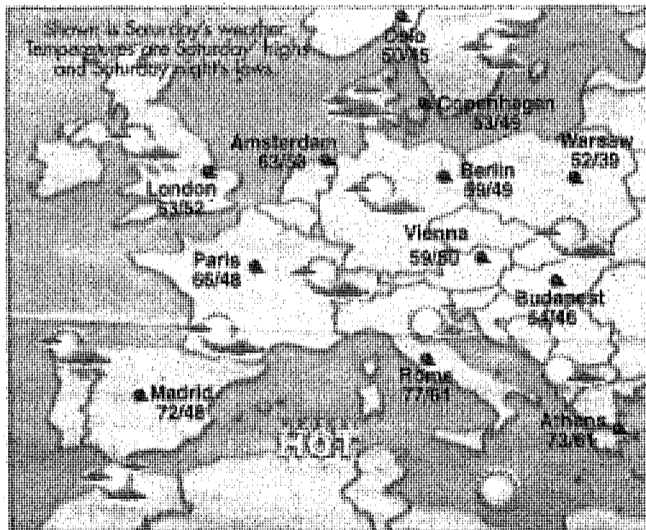


Weather Trivia

Q: What eastern city with a scary name gets a lot of snow during winter?

A: Erie, Pennsylvania

European Forecast



Florida Cities

City	Saturday Hi Lo W	Sunday Hi Lo W
Cape Coral	83 66 pc	85 68 r
Daytona Beach	79 65 pc	80 65 pc
Fort Lauderdale	84 73 c	86 73 r
Ft. Myers Beach	83 66 pc	85 68 r
Gainesville	80 61 pc	80 62 pc
Jacksonville	78 58 pc	77 58 pc
Key West	83 76 t	84 77 sh
Kissimmee	80 63 pc	80 64 pc
Miami	83 74 c	85 74 r
Orlando	82 64 pc	81 65 pc
Panama City	76 58 c	76 57 r
Pensacola	78 58 c	76 57 r
Sarasota	83 64 s	83 65 pc
St. Petersburg	83 64 s	83 64 pc
Tallahassee	79 54 s	80 55 s
Tampa	83 64 s	83 64 pc
Vero Beach	81 70 c	83 70 c
Palm Beach	82 72 c	84 72 c

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, r-rain, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

World Cities

City	Saturday Hi Lo W	Sunday Hi Lo W
Acapulco	91 75 pc	91 75 sh
Athens	73 61 s	75 61 pc
Berlin	59 49 pc	60 51 sh
Bridgetown	87 78 sh	87 78 pc
Buenos Aires	77 60 pc	80 62 pc
Calgary	57 29 pc	43 14 pc
Cancon	84 73 pc	86 74 sh
Caracas	89 77 pc	89 77 pc
Edmonton	50 26 pc	36 15 pc
Fort-de-France	89 77 c	89 76 pc
Frankfurt	53 44 pc	56 47 sh
George Town	89 77 pc	89 76 pc
Hamburg	61 51 pc	59 50 sh
Hamilton, Ber.	80 69 pc	75 66 pc
Havana	85 74 pc	86 74 pc
Hong Kong	83 71 c	85 71 pc
Kingston, Jam.	91 78 pc	92 78 pc
London	63 52 sh	57 50 sh
Mexico City	70 49 pc	69 48 pc
Montreal	56 44 s	61 46 s
Moscow	38 23 pc	34 27 s
Munich	66 46 c	58 44 pc
Nassau	87 75 c	88 74 pc
Nice	74 60 c	70 53 sh
Ottawa	59 45 pc	63 46 s
Panama	87 75 pc	88 75 pc
Paris	66 48 sh	63 44 pc
Port-au-Prince	92 75 pc	92 74 pc
Quebec	51 41 s	56 42 s
Rio de Janeiro	74 61 pc	70 59 pc
Rome	77 61 pc	76 58 pc
Saint-Barthelemy	89 82 pc	90 81 pc
St. John	88 76 pc	89 76 pc
Saint-Martin	55 31 c	53 29 pc
San Juan	90 77 pc	90 77 pc
Sao Paulo, Brazil	71 58 pc	70 57 pc
Santo Domingo	88 75 pc	89 74 pc
Sydney	75 67 c	78 65 sh
Tokyo	67 57 pc	66 56 pc
Toronto	63 48 pc	65 48 s
Vancouver	58 35 sh	42 34 pc
Veracruz	84 72 pc	84 72 pc

National Cities

City	Saturday Hi Lo W	Sunday Hi Lo W
Albany, NY	58 40 s	64 43 pc
Albuquerque	62 36 pc	66 38 s
Anchorage	24 16 sn	26 15 sn
Aspen	50 26 s	58 29 s
Atlanta	75 54 s	73 52 pc
Atlantic City	65 43 s	68 48 s
Baltimore	66 48 s	70 48 s
Birmingham	76 51 pc	75 50 sh
Boise	60 39 pc	60 32 s
Boston	56 46 s	66 49 s
Buffalo	64 46 pc	64 46 pc
Charleston, SC	76 55 pc	78 55 sh
Charleston, WV	76 50 s	72 48 s
Charlotte	75 50 s	75 50 sh
Cheyenne	58 38 s	68 36 s
Chicago	68 48 pc	66 44 pc
Cincinnati	74 52 pc	70 46 pc
Cleveland	72 50 pc	68 48 pc
Columbus, OH	74 50 s	69 45 pc
Dallas	66 50 r	68 52 sh
Denver	60 32 s	68 36 s
Des Moines	61 43 sh	67 45 s
Detroit	65 48 sh	65 46 pc
Fargo	56 38 s	62 32 s
Helena	62 34 pc	59 29 pc
Honolulu	85 70 pc	84 70 pc
Houston	78 56 r	76 52 sh
Indianapolis	70 48 pc	69 43 s
Kansas City, MO	62 44 sh	66 48 s
Knoxville	72 46 s	72 48 s
Lake Placid, NY	52 37 s	57 40 sh
Las Vegas	75 46 s	79 50 s
Little Rock	76 52 r	70 50 sh
Los Angeles	90 56 s	90 56 s
Louisville	74 63 s	72 50 s
Memphis	73 55 pc	73 52 c
Milwaukee	66 48 c	63 48 pc
Minneapolis	58 40 sh	62 40 s
Myrtle Beach	74 53 pc	75 55 s
Nashville	74 54 s	73 49 s
New Orleans	78 59 c	76 55 r
New York	62 50 s	68 50 s
Norfolk	70 52 pc	72 54 s
Oklahoma City	59 43 r	68 49 pc
Omaha	60 42 pc	68 42 s
Philadelphia	64 48 s	70 48 s
Phoenix	88 58 s	90 62 s
Pittsburgh	71 48 s	68 47 pc
Portland, ME	58 37 s	60 43 pc
Portland, OR	59 44 sh	57 41 sh
Raleigh	74 50 s	74 50 sh
St. Louis	68 52 pc	70 51 s
Salt Lake City	60 38 s	63 37 s
San Antonio	74 55 r	73 54 r
San Diego	79 54 s	79 55 s
San Francisco	78 50 s	80 50 s
Santa Fe	55 30 s	61 33 s
Seattle	56 44 r	54 42 pc
Syracuse	64 44 s	68 48 pc
Toledo	68 45 pc	67 45 pc
Traverse City	65 45 c	60 45 sh
Tucson	85 50 s	87 53 s
Washington, DC	68 50 s	72 50 s

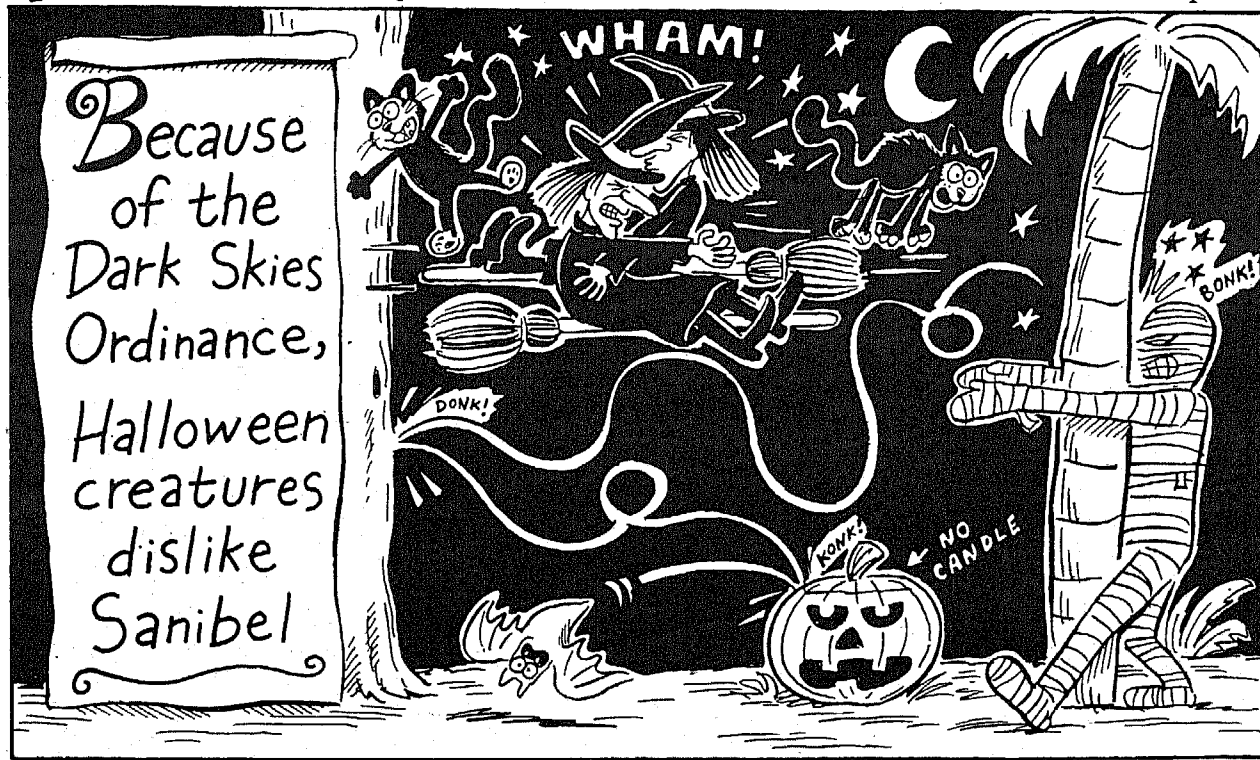
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Happy Halloween

"TOO MUCH SUN"

By Dave & Lee Horton of Sanibel Print & Graphics



Get back to Halloween basics: fantasy, food, foolishness

By Gwenda Hiatt-Clements
Staff Writer

Halloween used to be simple. Buy a pumpkin at the local store (or swipe one from the pumpkin patch — not that this is acceptable behavior), carve triangles for eyes and a goofy grin or a sinister snarl for a mouth, stick a candle in it and you're done. Go to the closet, pull out a flannel shirt, stuff in hay, put on a straw hat and you're a scarecrow.

Not today. With Martha Stewart building entire villages of masterfully carved pumpkins and over 500 sites on the Internet that give ideas for costumes, Halloween has become a creative challenge. And islanders are up to meeting that challenge.

For the eighth year Tween Waters Inn is hosting its annual tent party with a costume contest that gives winners \$500 in prizes. Last year's winner came as a Tiki bar — she was the bartender inside a hut complete with a serving counter and thatched roof. Others got together and created characters from hit movies such as last year's "Titanic."

One of the regular creative costumers is Tweenie's Crow's Nest bartender Chip Fowler. His costume interpretations follow the popular play-on-words trend. Fowler draws from the local scene with winning ideas such as his Red Tide when he dressed in all red with dead fish and netting glued to his body. Last year he pinned white caps all over his clothes, painted waves on his face and became White Caps.

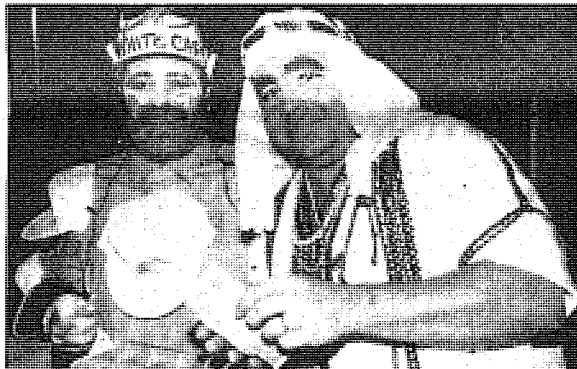
Talking with local 20 and 30-somethings and a visit to the Internet yielded several other popular word-play costumes. To be a Freudian Slip wear a black slip and pin on appropriate psychological lingo. Be e-mail by dressing as a male and putting an "E" on your chest. Or just put an "E" on if you're already male. An Identity Crisis can wear uniform clothing and put "Hello, My name

is ..." tags with different names all over his or her body. A Serial Killer can hang on little boxes of cereal that have been killed by small guns and knives. Be a French Kiss by wrapping yourself in foil to resemble a Hershey's Kiss and add a French beret. And for the final twist on an old favorite, be a Sandwich by dressing as a witch and adorning your costume with bags of sand.

After you've come up with the perfect costume and are up for the next Halloween challenge, get out that pumpkin and start carving. This year Matt Asen at The Timbers fueled the Halloween fires with a pumpkin carving contest. Patrons picked up pumpkins this week that were judged last night. Gift certificates to Asen's restaurants were awarded to the best pumpkins — on display at the Timbers. If your pumpkin is still uncarved, visit www.jack-o-lantern.com or www.thepumpkinfarm.com for patterns and instructions. At some Internet sites you can even virtually carve your own pumpkin.

But creative challenge and competition aside, leave Halloween to the kids and they get back to the basics — trick or treating. Kids' costumes lean more toward the traditional. According to surveys in parenting magazines this year's hot costumes include anything Austin Powers, characters from Star Wars, Pokemon characters, super heroes, wrestlers and mythical characters, athletes and the standard witches, princesses, devils and angels.

Gumbo Limbo resident Mary Ann Moore, mom to Robert and Spencer said, her youngest is opting for Star Wars this year and she is getting ready for the



Photo/Special to the Islander.

Chip Fowler and Jim Swann show Halloween isn't just for kids. Both are regulars at the annual Tween Waters Halloween party.

onslaught of trick or treaters that hit her neighborhood. Moms and dads load their cars with kids from around the island to knock on doors in Gumbo Limbo and other island neighborhoods.

Moore said, "It seems like we get about 100 kids. We get so many here because there are already a lot of families here and then the kids who don't live here come because they can visit several houses in one area. The same thing happens at the Dunes. Plus, we give out really cool candy."

All the parties and plans are in place. There's something for the adults, something for the kids. And if you are still Halloween challenged — not able to think of anything terribly creative for venturing out tomorrow night — here's an idea. Do as Ralph Waldo Emerson said, "Simplify, simplify, simplify." Dress in black; be a shadow. Dress in white; be a cloud. Dress in blue; be the sky or the sea. Or just be yourself. Sometimes that's scary enough.

Halloween Happenings

Tonight

Haunted Sanibel Library: Fun begins at 6:30 p.m. The evening will include witches and goblins greeting guests and the tale of "Tallypo." Kids and parents will sing Halloween carols and enjoy the Halloween Tonight Show with host Jack O'Lantern and guests the Spice Ghouls. Call 472-2483.

BIG Arts: The "Little Monster Tales!" sponsored by the Lazy Flamingo, Macintosh Book Shop and Lads and Lassies performance is today at 4 p.m. in Schein Hall at BIG Arts. Cost is \$3, adults free. Call 395-0900.

Haunted Walk: The Annual WINK Haunted Walk will take place from 7 - 10 p.m. at the Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium. Admission is \$5. A Halloween Laser Light Show will be shown in the Planetarium for \$1. The walk will also take place Saturday night. Call 275-3435.

Saturday

Fall Festivities: Tenants of Periwinkle Place will host Fall Festivities with trick or treating for youngsters from 1 - 5 p.m.

Heron Halloween Party: During the day the Hungry Heron restaurant on Palm Ridge Road will offer specials for kids under 10 and give out free Halloween Goody Bags and prizes for best costumes.

Fright Night: The Sanibel Community Association will host kids from kindergarten - 4th grade from 6 - 8 p.m. The youngsters will have a chance to show off costumes and enjoy treats. Parents should accompany children and a suggested donation is \$2 per child. A concession stand with hotdogs, snacks and sodas will be available for purchase.

After Fright Night: From 8:30 - 11:30 p.m. the Junior Optimist Club will take over the Community House for a Halloween party. Admission at the door is \$2 for kids grades five - eight. Junior Optimist members are free.

Halloween Hayride Spook Trail: South Seas Resort Recreation Department's Halloween event at Chadwick's Square from 6 - 8 p.m. on Captiva is open to the public. Activities include scary face painting, a haunted hayride, games and trick or treating. Call 472-5111, ext. 3441.

Tween Waters Inn Tent Party: The eighth annual bash is from 8 p.m. - 1 a.m. with non-stop music and a costume contest with \$500 in prizes. There is a \$7 cover charge. Call 472-5161.

Gilligan's Halloween Happenings: Festivities include a DJ and Karaoke, games, prizes, weird drinks and spooky appetizers such as freaky fingers, mummy toes and howlin' hummus. The celebration continues to 1 a.m.

Chadwick's Halloween Feast: A Taste of Captiva buffet with a Halloween twist offers those who come in costume a \$5 discount off the \$24.95 buffet price. Costume prizes will also be awarded and include a stay at South Seas; dinner for two and brunch at Chadwick's.

For Halloween safety tips see page 5.

Islander

s-p-o-o-k-s

By Berdenna Thompson
Scary story contest winner

The howling wind whipped the trees, casting shapeless dancing shadows over the ground. Strong gusts burst open the double doors of the darkened school gym, and the old leather basketball dribbled crazily over the



Thompson

floor hitting the corner wall. After being used in many home-town games the leather finally cracked open. Popper, a round puff of air, squeezed out. He had been inside that ball for years.

He'd heard his team, the Ghost Pluggers who always dressed in white, talk about the old Victorian haunted house down the street. Many times, at this lonely secluded house, mysterious colors flashed behind the windows; creaking, groaning worn timbers strained in strong winds, and eerie sobbing wails came from crumbling chimneys.

The players, especially Billy J. and Miracle Mile, didn't believe in ghosts and probably wouldn't be frightened if they saw one. This bothered Popper. He knew there were ghosts and, in fact, wanted to be one.

He swooshed over to the haunted house to see for himself. Inside the house he felt the presence of something else. Out from behind the squeaking door came Spooker the ghost. Popper gave a big shriek and zipped-zagged down to the floor. There beside him was a seven-foot airy, shimmering ghost, a good size for a basketball player, Popper thought. Looking up at Spooker, he said, "I'm Popper. Could you use an extra ghost?"

Spooker said, "We're rather crowded but you could be a ghost or better yet a floating pumpkin."

"What's a floating pumpkin?" asked Popper.

"Before Halloween, at the invisible hour, clocks stop ticking and all the carved pumpkin faces gather in the sky for their Pumpkin Parade," said Spooker. "What a display, thousands of them floating by, amusing themselves, looking at each other's funny-lighted orange faces. They jabber with comic laughter and echo low rumbles throughout the night sky. When the parade is over, it's back to where they came from. But for now, let's go upstairs and get you a ghost pillow case. All we have left are extra-large king sizes."

As Popper put on the pillow case, Spooker sang his favorite song with his chilling quivering voice:

*Spooks go through the windows
Spooks go through the doors
Spooks go through the curtains
and even through the floors
He'll pull the covers over his head
Wiggle down in his long, long bed
Thinking the spooks will look for
someone else instead
We'll blow behind the ears*

*and even up his nose
Pour water down his belly button
and tickle his funny toes*

The pillow case was too long for Popper. He looked like a little tennis ball dragging a big white sheet. Ready to go spooking, he floated over to the school gym. Billy J. and Miracle Mile were practicing for the next game. Suddenly the lights went out. Billy J. said, "There's an electrical outage."

Popper whispered, "Let's go spook them."

Spooker grabbed a ball and started to shoot baskets. The flicking street lights and falling leaves hitting windows of the school gym made shadows on the court's backboard. Spooker hit one basket after another. Billy J. said, "Miracle Mile, are you throwing those balls?"

Miracle Mile said, "No, and I don't see anyone else unless it's a ghost. I think the ball has gone daffy. Let's get out of here!"

Spooker and Popper were amused to have scared them away. Popper said, "Now toss me into the basket. I'm used to it." Spooker gave a good heave but Popper's pillow case tangled in the basket. Finally, pulling and tugging, he got loose.

Popper looked over in the corner and saw his old leather ball crumpled on the floor. He decided to be a basketball again rather than floating around in a big, long, floppy pillow case. He squeezed back into the leather-covered ball, and Spooker sealed the crack.

Popper thought, "I can be a floating pumpkin anytime if Spooker paints a Halloween face on me."

As Spooker was leaving, he dribbled the old leather ball across the floor near the double doors and arched a perfect long shot.

Happy again, Popper's giggles echoed around the hollow gym as he bounced into the dark corner waiting for the next basketball game.

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Halloween tips from SPD

Halloween will be celebrated Oct. 30 and all Sanibel Police Department patrol cars will have candy to give out. The following are safety tips from SPD. Call 472-3111 with any questions.

Dress children safely

■ Costumes should be flame-retardant so little ones aren't in danger near burning jack-o-lanterns and other fire hazards.

■ Keep costumes short to prevent trips or falls.

■ Try make-up instead of a mask — masks can be hot and uncomfortable and can obstruct a child's vision which can be dangerous when crossing streets and going up or down stairs.

■ Make sure children wear light colors or put reflective tape on costumes.

■ Trick-or-treaters should always be in groups so they aren't tempting targets for real-life goblins. Parents should accompany young children.

Safe trick-or-treating

■ Make sure older kids trick-or-treat with friends. Map out a safe route so you will know where they will be, and tell them to stop only at familiar homes where the outside lights are on.

■ Trick-or-treat while it is still light out. If it's dark, make sure someone has a flashlight and only pick well-lighted streets.



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Last year's Islander Halloween cover model, Baby Lee Horton, sucks on his pacifier so as not to eat his candy before he gets home and examines it in a well-lighted area.

■ Make sure children know not to enter strange houses or strangers' cars.

Tips for treats

■ Children need to know not to eat their treats until they get home. One way to keep trick-or-treaters from digging in while they are still out is to feed them a meal or a snack beforehand.

■ Check out all treats at home in a well-lighted place.

■ Eat only unopened candies and other treats that are in original wrappers. Don't forget to inspect fruit and homemade goodies for anything suspicious. By all means, try not to let them eat everything all at once, or they'll be feeling pretty ghoulish.

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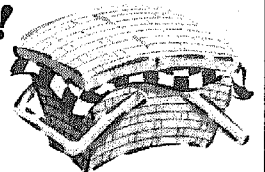
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- ★ Quiche of the Day with fruit

Tuesday

- ★ Chicken Salad with fruit
- ★ Meatloaf with potato
- ★ Four Cheese Baked Ziti with garlic bread

Wednesday

- ★ Bratwurst with Sauerkraut and potato salad
- ★ Homemade Taco ★ Roast Beef with spaetzle

Thursday

- ★ Monte Cristo with fruit ★ Sirloin Tips over rice
- ★ Gourmet Pizza of the Day

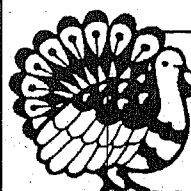
Friday

- ★ Tuna Melt with fruit ★ Chicken Marsala with spaghetti
- ★ Corned Beef on Rye with potato

Saturday

- ★ Loin of Pork with Apple Sauce and potato
- ★ Lasagna with garlic bread ★ Shrimp over Rice with a Cheddar sauce

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Bah humbug? I don't think so

Bah humbug! Was the response I got from staff writer Gwenda Hiatt-Clements when I told her that Halloween is my favorite day of the year. Why? she asked. It's just an excuse for children to beg for free stuff and for adults to get dressed up, get drunk and pretend they're someone else.

And there are those who say that Halloween is the devil's day. That its origin came from witchcraft and demonic things.

Well, Bah humbug, right back at ya, Gwenda, and you other Halloween nay sayers. I don't know how Halloween originated. I didn't do the research on why we dress up, why we ask for candy or why even have the day in the first place. Maybe Halloween did originate in a black cauldron mixture of bat's breath and turkey beaks. Maybe it was the idea of a devil. I don't care. I love Halloween anyway. I love Halloween because it's fun. Because it's the one day of the year that we have an excuse to dress up in ludicrous costumes and to let our hidden creativity flow. Halloween is an escape from the world we live in every day and an invitation to the world of pretend — a world many of us haven't visited since childhood. Since we played "cops and robbers" or made believe we were the teacher

What I'm Saying



Jennifer Workman

of our Teddy bears. When I was a kid, I loved make believe. I would hide in my room for hours being a teacher. I pretended to be Mrs. Rhodes, my third grade teacher at Sanibel (when it was) Elementary School. I had a chip board set up as my disciplinary system and I think my mother still has books on her shelves with the names of my "students" inscribed in my seven-year-old scrawl. And while I relished the time I played pretend in my room, I truly enjoyed the time I could play pretend with the rest of the world on Halloween. I could dress up and be a princess and I could be a fairy, a cat or a Barbie. And, yes, I could even be a witch. And I'm sure I was a mean, bratty, pouting witch who would love to cast spells on anyone who got in my way. I loved picking a costume. Thinking of a costume. Making a costume and being a costume. I loved ringing the doorbell of Sanibel homes and saying, "Trick or treat." I loved getting the comments of the kind folks who opened their doors. "Oh, what are you?" they would ask. "You make a wonderful witch!" they exclaimed and, of course, they were right. "What a beautiful princess you are!" they said. Who wouldn't want to be called a beautiful princess?

As I got older I left my secret world of pretend behind, but I still dressed up for Halloween day at school. I wore a poodle skirt one year and everyone called me Peggy Sue. If I wouldn't have felt a fool, I would have been a princess then too in hopes that someone would say, "What a beautiful princess you are!" Or a witch in hopes that the not-so-nice side of me would have an excuse to be revealed. "You make a wonderful witch!" I would have loved to hear my friends say.

In college Halloween only got better and gradually I became so involved in the real world that Halloween was the only time I really remembered how to use my imagination. The parties were grand and the costumes so clever. I wore my best costumes in college and enjoyed the long hours my friends and I would spend coming up with them. The year I wore all black I was a shadow, I was a Freudian slip and I was Pippy Longstocking with my hair (longer then) braided and sticking straight out from my hair.

And even today, I look forward to going to the Tween Waters party and coming up with something fun to be. Last year I was a devil in a blue dress and another year I was a shooting star. I never expect to win. I know my ideas aren't that original (especially after reading Gwenda's story on page 3) and I know I can't keep up with the likes of a tiki hut. But, it's not about winning. And it's not about begging for candy or demonic things. It's about pretending. And I

find, that the older I get, the more I long for Halloween. The more I want a day where I don't have to be the every-day me, but instead a more clever, more daring, more outlandish version of me.

Happy Halloween everybody — even you nay sayers — what beautiful princesses (and princes) you make.

Jennifer Workman is the managing editor of the Islander and she wants to know what you're saying. Call her at 472-5185.

Breeze wins awards

The Breeze Corporation won 32 awards in the Free Community Papers of Florida 1999 Annual Awards for Excellence contest. The Islander won nine awards in editorial, photography and advertising and the Shopper's Guide received a print advertising award.

Winners were Hilary Hemingway, first place for personal column; Scott Martell, third place best editorial; Carlene Brennen, first place best original color photography; Jennifer Workman, second place best original color photography; Scott Martell, second place best original black/white photography; Jennifer Workman, third place best original black/white photography; Susie Lehman, third place sales kit/media package; Susie Lehman, first place classified promotion; Susie Lehman, third place out of home media. And, Rebecca Mynter, second place print advertising, Shopper's Guide.



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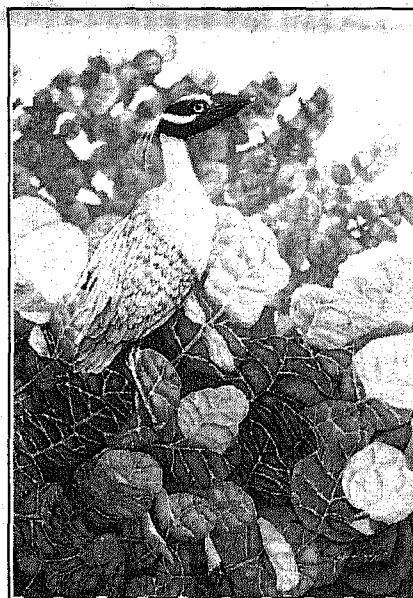
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COMMUNITY

Ready, set, celebrate

By Jean Downes
Special to the Islander

The kick-off of Sanibel's 25th birthday celebration is next Friday in the City Hall courtyard. That is the actual date when islanders went to the polls and voted to incorporate and thus effectively steer their own "ship of state."

Friday morning's salute to cityhood features Trimble McCullough's Dixieland Band, voting booths for a mock election, patriotic pens and replica campaign buttons reading "I Believe in SANIBEL TOMORROW" all courtesy of the Democratic Club of the Islands.

Charlotte Heimann, a member of the original Charter Committee, will re-cap why the move was necessary and Mayor Bob Janes will read a proclamation commemorating the event.

To top off the morning event the volunteer group planning the entire celebration will present the City a glass sculpture created by Luc century as a gift from today's citizens. Refreshments will follow.

That same evening at 7 p.m. the focus moves to Schein Hall at BIG Arts.

William B. Roberts who was a familiar figure on Sanibel during the formative years will discuss the growing pains that led to our Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Bill Roberts has a long list of credits and is a planner with Wallace, Roberts and Todd, the Philadelphia firm he co-founded in 1963. He has continued his association with Sanibel from time to time as need for his environmental planning skills has arisen.



Photo/Jean Downes

Democratic Club co-chairs, Phyllis Bogen and Jay Halcrow, confer on plans for sponsorship of the 25th anniversary kick off Nov. 5.

Sharing the podium is Lee County's "Mr. Environment," William Hammond. An entertaining speaker whose sense of humor brings clarity to serious subjects, Hammond has a doctorate in education, teaches ecology and environmental studies at Florida Gulf Coast University and has recently retired from two terms with the South Florida Water Management board.

According to Keith Trowbridge, chairman of the two events, refreshments after a question and answer period include a birthday cake.

The Democratic Club, sponsor of the morning activity, is co-chaired by Phyllis Bogen and Jay Halcrow. The 25th Anniversary Committee consists of Stan Kucaba, chairman; Grover Arp, Jody Brown, Jean Downes, Steve Greenstein, Marty Harrity, Bill Hillebrandt and Helene Phillips as well as Trowbridge.

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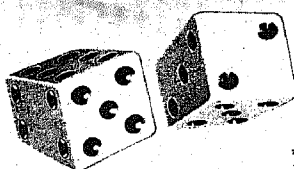
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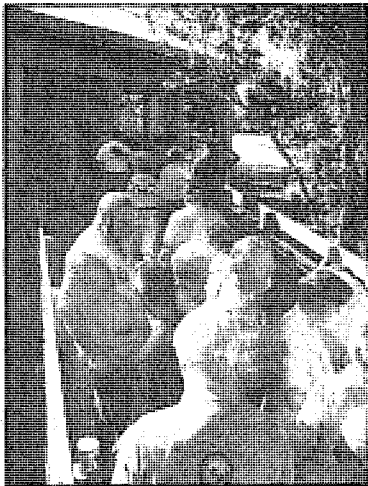
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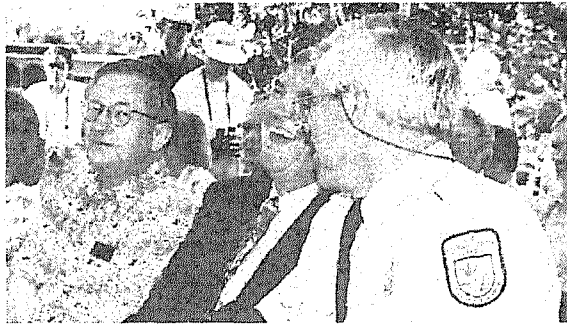
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A Darling day for a dedication



ABOVE: The first visitors walk up the ramp to the new "Ding" Darling visitor's center after the dedication ceremony Saturday.



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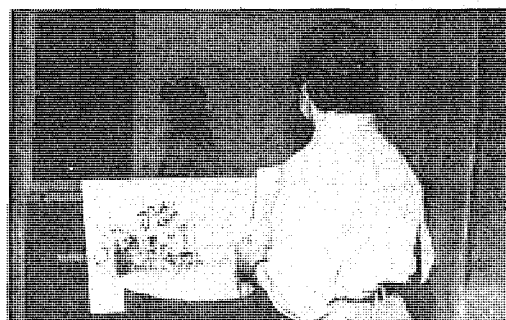
AT LEFT: Sanibel Mayor Bob Janes, Sanibel Congregational Church's Rev. Ran Niehoff and Refuge Manager Lou Hinds share a laugh Saturday during the dedication of the new visitor's center at the J. N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

BELOW LEFT: Photographer Clyde Butcher talks to Carla Kappmeyer, the public outreach coordinator for the Charlotte Harbor Aquatic and State Buffer Preserves, for which Butcher has done work.

AT RIGHT: Lee Anderson, Calusa Nature Center and Planetarium volunteer, holds an Everglades Rat Snake on her arm in one of the exhibits.

BELOW: Jane Roberts reads about "Ding" Darling's Studio exhibit.

BELOW RIGHT: Aimie Olson finishes up a face painting on Kelly Charles, 11. Kelly placed second in Saturday's cartoon contest.



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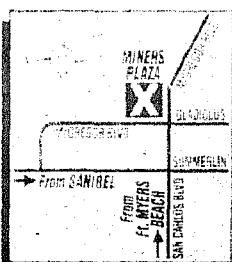
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- Bill Hammond, Environmentalist and Professor at FGCU
- Refreshments

Contact Chamber of Commerce for seating tickets

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Happenings

Liberty open house

Liberty Financial Associates, Inc. is having an open house today from 10 a.m. - 7 p.m. and tomorrow from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. that will include a showing of works by award winning artist Ann Bischoff who is affiliated with the Hirdie Girdie Gallery on Sanibel. Refreshments will be served.

Liberty Financial, a full-service financial planning company is located at 2407 Periwinkle Way, #7 — across from SunBank.

Library news

Kathleen Teaze, formerly of Rye, N.H. where she was Library Director, is the new reference librarian at the Sanibel Library.

Sanibel's library director Patricia Allen was named President of the Southwest Florida Library Network Oct. 7. The network promotes library and information services and coordinates resource sharing and information exchange among libraries in Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hendry and Lee Counties.

Oktoberfest

'Tween Waters Inn will roll out the barrel Nov. 3 for their 17th annual Oktoberfest. The resort moved the fest into November five years ago in anticipation of being the last Oktoberfest of the millennium. The event will be certified by the Guinness people for their Millennium Edition. Fun, food and good spirit will be had by all in a tented biergarten nightly from 6 p.m. - midnight Nov. 6. Entertainment will be provided by The Stratton Mountain Boys from Austria, Richard Brandl master yodeler from Germany, and The Dady Brothers from Ireland via Rochester, N.Y.

Cost is \$6 with a portion of the proceeds going to the United Way.

Moms' group

An island mom is looking for other moms with infants to meet in the morning two or three times a week to give both children and moms a chance to socialize. Call Dawn at 395-1152.

Entertainment books

The Sanibel-Captiva chapter of the American Business Women's Association is selling Entertainment Books as the first fund-raising event for the 1999-2000 season. Many Sanibel and Captiva restaurants are participating. The books can be purchased for \$30 at the Chamber of Commerce, Island Graphics Printing, Three Crafty Ladies, or from any ABWA member. For free delivery of your Entertainment Books on Sanibel call Lisa Cochrane at 472-8875. The book is good through November 2000.

Nutrition classes

Sanibel Community Association and Dr. Terry Baldwin will be offering a seven part nutrition series "Nutrition for All Seasons of Life" Monday nights through November. The seminars which run from 7 - 8 p.m. are intended to educate the general public to one's nutritional needs throughout a lifetime. The next class, "Teen Nutrition" is Nov. 1. Other classes are "Nutrition for the Active Adult" Nov. 8, "Women's Nutritional Needs" Nov. 15 and "Nutrition After Fifty" Nov. 22. Cost of each seminar is \$5 for SCA members and \$7 for non-members.

Magician at library

The Sanibel Public Library has always been a magical place, but Nov. 1 it will be doubly so. Magician Ron Tebo will be at the library at 6 p.m. to entertain children ages 3 and up. The performance is approximately 45 minutes long and he uses children from the audience to help him perform different feats. The program, in the children's area at the library, is free and open to the public.

Plant clinic

Garden experts of Sanibel will conduct a free plant clinic chaired by noted garden expert and published gardening author Kay Cude Nov. 2 at 10 a.m. at the Sanibel Library. The clinic is sponsored by the University of Florida Master Gardening Extension Service on Palm Beach Boulevard in Fort Myers. The purpose of the clinic is to correctly inform local plant growers of the how and why of growing plants on Sanibel. Local plant experts of Sanibel to participate will be Mary Ann Linton and Master Gardeners F a y e Granberry and Vince Hanlon. The public is invited to attend and bring their plant problems for discussion. No reservations or fee required. Call 472-6940.

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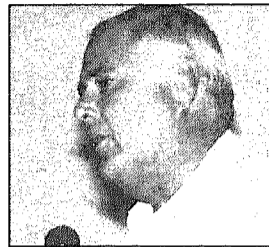
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LEFT: Speaker Captain Jack Brady.
RIGHT: Helen Craig, Alan Boers and Bob Healey

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Power squadron

The Sanibel-Captiva Power and Sailing Squadron had their monthly meeting Oct. 19 at Sanibel Community Center with guest speaker Captain Jack Brady of Brady and Associates Yacht Sales, Inc. Brady gave an informative talk on the ins and outs of buying or selling your boat. At the meeting, Bob McCormick stressed the Boat Smart course the mornings of Nov. 13 and 20. The course will suffice for decreased boat insurance by some companies and answer the criteria for minors' boat licenses. Contact Bill Kyle at 278-4226 or Bob Modys at 472-0156.

Beachcombers

The Beachcombers, a friendship group for singles in the Sanibel-Captiva-Fort Myers area, is planning a "Back-to-School" night Nov. 2 for members and visitors alike. The group will meet at Sanibel Congregational Church in Heron Hall at 6 p.m. There will be a brief talk, "School Books & Rare Books," by member Debby Dearborn. Dinner will follow this social hour at La Vigna Italian Restaurant & Grille at 7:15 p.m.

The Beachcombers is an ecumenical singles club open to all churches and all ages. The group meets on the first Tuesday of every month. Members pay \$5 for each meeting. Dues are waived for your first visit. Call 590-0147.

New-old lunch

The once a month luncheon to meet and greet new and old friends will be Nov. 3 at 11:30 a.m. at Sundial in the Terrace room. The menu is Gulfstream cooler, chef salad, grouper sandwich, grilled chicken sandwich and grilled burger. The cost for lunch is \$12 and soda, tea and coffee are included. Wine is extra and paid for separately. The luncheon is open to everyone, an island tradition where folks new to the island can meet folks who have lived here a while. Guest speaker Pamela Wortzel will demonstrate Yoga and explain its beneficial effect on health. Call Bettie Cattell for reservations with menu choice and names of attendants at 472-9332.

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Book discussion

The Captiva Memorial Library is having a book discussion at 2 p.m. Nov. 4. The group will talk about what books were read over the summer and books that will be discussed in future months. The program is free and open to the public. Because seating is limited, registration is preferred. Call 472-2133.

Bailey tells stories

Sam Bailey will be the featured teller at "First Friday Stories for Grownups" at the Sanibel Public Library Nov. 5 at 2 p.m. This will kick-off the library's participation in Sanibel's Anniversary Celebration with more storytelling the week of Nov. 15. Bailey will tell stories of growing up on Sanibel, the development of the City, and take questions from the audience. The program is free and open to the public. Call 472-2483.

Weight Watchers

For the convenience of Sanibel and Captiva residents, Weight Watchers is planning to resume meetings on Sanibel for the 1999-2000 winter season. Anyone interested should come to the Blue room upstairs in the BIG Arts building at noon Nov. 5. Weight-loss and -management meetings led by Sanibel resident Claudia Burns will begin the following week.

CROW training

The annual CROW volunteer workshop

and training session is Nov. 6 from 9:30 a.m. - noon on CROW grounds. The session begins with registration and continental breakfast. There will be break out sessions to learn more about the role of the volunteer in daily operations, safe capture techniques of injured birds, safe transport of injured animals and the new "Driver of the Day" program. There is also a cage cleaning and maintenance standards session. Anyone interested in volunteering is welcome and encouraged to attend. If you plan to attend RSVP to CROW by Nov. 1 at Box 150, Sanibel 33957 or call 472-3644.

DG meets

The first meeting of the local Delta Gamma group is Nov. 6 from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Punta Gorda Isles Yacht Club. The speaker will be Teri Karp, the director of the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation. She will speak on "Putting a Local Face on Diabetes." Call 495-3703. The group will also make a holiday project.

ABWA Casino Night

The ABWA 8th Annual Casino Night will be Nov. 12 at 6 p.m. at Sundial. The event raises money for ABWA Education Funds. Tickets are \$23 presale and \$28 at the door. Donations include entrance to gaming plus \$5 fun money, pasta buffet and cash bar, door prizes, raffles, auction and silent auction. The prizes are donated by local merchants. Tickets are available at Three Crafty Ladies, 472-2893; Tom Louwers' Office, 472-5152; Pinnacle Mortgage, 472-8400; from ABWA members and at the door.

Tower Gallery

The Tower Gallery will have a millennium celebration of art called "Windows to the Past, Doorways to the Future" Nov. 27 from 5 - 9 p.m. The open house will feature the works of 20 talented local artists including paintings, ceramics, basketry, handmade furniture, stained glass, photography, jewelry, mixed media and prints. There will be a kick-off of a raffle that will continue throughout the month of November of donated works by exhibiting artists to benefit Habitat for Humanity of Lee County. Call 472-4557.

Catalogs at library

The Sanibel Public Library has mail order catalogs available to help make holiday shopping a more serene experience. From FAO Schwartz to Land's End there is something for everyone. The catalogs can be found on the Index Table in the Reference area. Come in, relax and do your holiday shopping.

Shellcrafters

The Sanibel Shellcrafters are back and will meet every Monday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Association. Everyone is welcome to observe and participate. There is no charge for instruction or necessary materials. All crafts made benefit the Community Association.

The Shellcrafters can always use your surplus shells. Shells can be dropped off at the SCA office Monday - Friday from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. or a pick-up can be arranged by calling Wanda Will at 472-8059.

Senior Calendar

Nov. 9 and 11: AARP 55 Alive class from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Prepayment of \$8 is required. Make checks out to AARP.

Nov. 12: First AARP meeting of the season. The October meeting was cancelled.

Nov. 16: Women's Financial Information Program at 9 a.m. at Terry Park.

Nov. 17: As part of the city's anniversary celebration, the Seniors' gardens will be dedicated and Milt Schiffman's memory will be honored with a reception and entertainment to follow.

Nov. 20: Island Seniors bazaar featuring crafts, treasures and baked goods. Tables are rented by members of the Island Seniors for \$15 and by non-members \$20. If you would like a table call Pat Poshek at 472-8078 or Hazel Amon at 437-3339. Other bazaars are Jan. 15 and Mar. 18.

Also in November: The Mac Users will resume their monthly meetings. They meet the second Wednesday at 3 p.m. in the Computer Lab.

Computer classes

November starts a new session for computer classes at the Senior Center. Classes will be in a new and permanent computer lab setting. There are only five seniors per class to allow for individual attention. An introduction to computers and the Windows Operating system, Microsoft Works, Use of the Internet, Quicken and Desktop Publishing are the standard classes.

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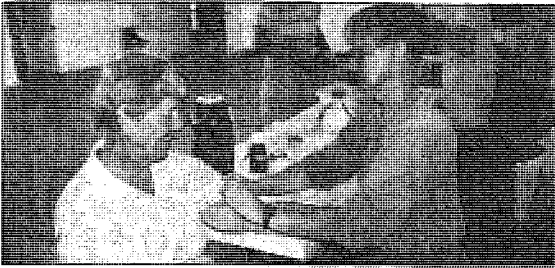
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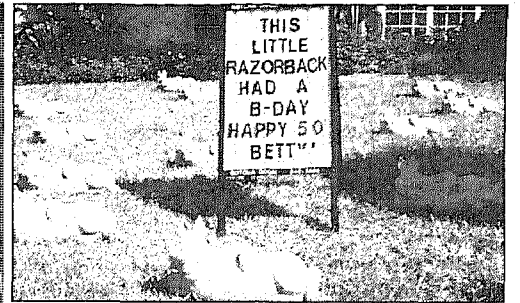
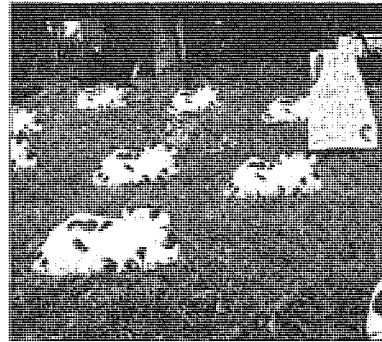
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Shoo the Flu! Jackie Vaughn, senior community health nurse with the Lee County Health Department, gives Evelyn Spencer her flu shot. The Health Department gave free shots to islanders Tuesday at the Sanibel Community House. Flu shots will also be given Nov. 12 at Bailey's Center.

AT RIGHT: Artist Audrey Hostetter works on the finishing touches of the historic renovations to the Sanibel Community Association by painting faux bricks on the fireplaces.



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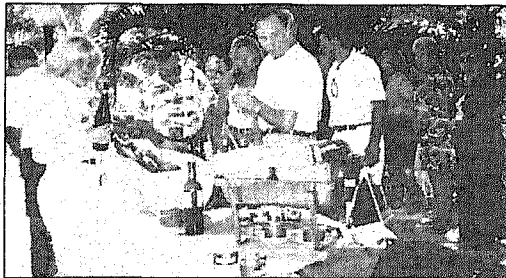


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Down on the birthday farms:

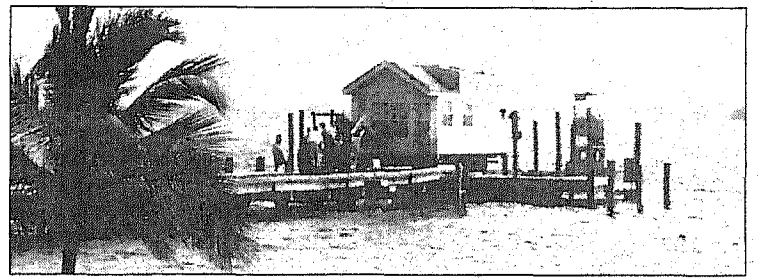
Farm friends paid a visit to two islanders celebrating their 50th birthdays this week. Sandy Brown, who works at the Timbers, was treated to a "Holy Cow, You're 50" sign and a yard full of reclining cows. Betty Reynolds came home from Arkansas to a yard full of pigs in honor of her being a "Razorback."

Chamber Day on Useppa Island

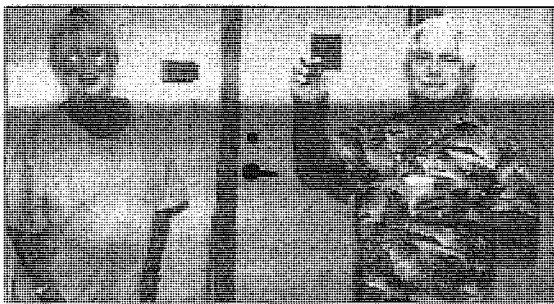


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ABOVE: Last Friday members of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce were invited to Useppa Island for a fun day. Guests took complimentary boat rides to the island where they were offered a barbecue lunch, games, kayak trips and other activities.



ABOVE: This mobile home, one of three being brought to Useppa for employee housing, arrives to the Useppa Island dock by barge last week during the Chamber's fun day activities.



Photo/Jennifer Workman

ABOVE: Charles LeBuff displays his thank you gifts from Jay Halcrow. The gifts were to thank him for his speaking at Thursday night's meeting of the Sanibel Democratic Club.

One of Sanibel's first city council members, Charles LeBuff answered questions about the days of incorporation as the guest speaker at the Sanibel Democratic Club meeting.

As a council member LeBuff said he is most proud of sticking with it for six years and the "don't feed the alligators" ordinance. He said he misses the days when respected residents were fondly called "uncle" by members of the community. "We should be calling Francis Bailey, Uncle Francis. He's been here so long and done so much for the community and we don't call him Uncle Francis. I'll try to remember to do that," he said.

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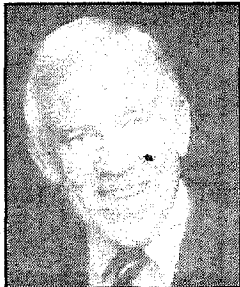


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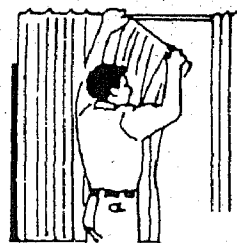
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Churches

'Be wary' says church

The parish business manager of St. Isabel's Catholic Church, Marla Sigo, reported last week that the church has received several phone calls that she believes to be scams. Sigo said she wanted other churches and members of the community to be aware of the calls.

The callers, said Sigo, speak in a frail-sounding voice and claim to live on Sanibel, but give a non-existent Sanibel address. They relay a hardship story about the inability to pay their rent and request that the church send a specific monetary amount to an out of area address usually in the Bradenton and St. Petersburg area, said Sigo who added that St. Isabel's received three calls between October and April last year and has received one this year.

Sigo said she notified the police but was told no crime had occurred. Sanibel Police Department Deputy Chief Jack Primm explained that if the caller promised, but did not produce, something in return for the money it would be a crime, but otherwise it's considered making a charitable donation. However, Sigo is angered by the calls because she said it is not fair to the truly needy. "Let's get money to the people who really need it," said Sigo who added that St. Isabel's will no longer offer financial assistance without first making a home visit.

Congregational services

Beginning Nov. 7 and continuing through April, Sanibel Congregational

United Church of Christ will conduct three worship services each Sunday — morning chapel at 7:45 a.m. and full worship service at 9 and 11 a.m. The church is at 2050 Periwinkle Way, across from Periwinkle Place Shopping Center. Dr. Randall H. Niehoff is pastor and Rev. Sandra R. Boler is the associate pastor. Call 472-0497.

Women's Club

The Sanibel-Captiva Christian Women's Club cordially invites all women to their luncheon Nov. 11 at the Sundial Beach Resort from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. A "County Fair" will be featured, which will include a silent auction. Dortha Hansen will present "A Country Serenade" and Kim Derix will bring "Bushels of Good Advice." Cost of the luncheon is \$12.50 inclusive. Call Doloris Bandy at 466-6753 or Irene Shareski at 466-5257 by Nov. 8. Reservations not honored must be paid for.

Unitarian services

The Unitarian-Universalist Society of the Islands is resuming services Nov. 7 through April. Services are the first Sunday of each month at the Sanibel Congregational Church in the fellowship hall at 7:30 p.m. There are also monthly potluck dinners the last Sunday of each month at member's houses. Dr. Wayne Robison is the minister. Call 472-4855.

Church of Christ

The First Church of Christ Scientist reading room hours are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 10 a.m. - noon.

Obituaries

Jean Shepherd

Remembered by many for his classic "A Christmas Story," master storyteller Jean Shepherd, 78, of Sanibel died early Saturday, Oct. 16 of natural causes at Lee Memorial Hospital.

Although he led a very private life after retiring to Sanibel, he had talked last Christmas to a WBBH, Channel 2 reporter about his surprise at the enduring popularity of the story of Ralph Parker and his desire for a Red Rider BB gun. Shepherd had narrated the 1983 film which was based on one of his short stories.

His voice was familiar to those on the east coast who listened to him for 21 years on WOR-AM in New York City. Working without script he would tell stories from memories of growing up in Hammond, Ind. The humorous tales of Ralph, his alter-ego, and his family and neighbors like the hill-billy Bumpuses later became part of Shepherd's published short story collection, "Wanda Hickey's Night of Golden Memories and Other Disasters." Shepherd also wrote "In God We Trust" and his writings appeared in publications from *The New York Times* to *National Lampoon*. PBS produced several of Shepherd's stories for his syndicated programs, "Jean Shepherd's America" and "Shepherd's Pie."

Shepherd's storytelling, laced with sharp humor and insightful observations of Midwestern life in the 1950s, was compared by critics to Mark Twain's. High school American literature anthologies included works by Shepherd, many which recounted the traumas of adolescence.

Shepherd was born July 21, 1921 in Hammond, Ind., and began his radio career at age 16. He served in World War II and worked radio in Cincinnati and Philadelphia before going to WOR.

According to his long-time friend and business advisor Irwin Zwilling, in recent years Shepherd stayed out of the public eye. Most on Sanibel were not aware of his living here or his accomplishments. He became even more reclusive after his third wife, Leigh, died in 1998 after 21 years of marriage. The couple had no children and there are no survivors.

A Sanibel cab driver, who used to pick up Shepherd and his wife and who visited Shepherd after she discovered that Leigh had died, said Shepherd told her he felt many on the island didn't understand and appreciate his sharp sense of humor.

Zwilling said that although Shepherd left New York he remained a New Yorker at heart and requested visitors to the island bring bagels or a pastrami sandwich from the Carnegie Deli to him.

There are no public funeral arrangements, but Zwilling said a New York "memorial celebration" is planned.

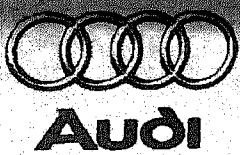
James J. Kelly

James J. Kelly, 84, husband of Esther Palmore Kelly, died Tuesday, Oct. 5 at HealthPark in Fort Myers after a short illness.

Formerly of Chadds Ford, Penn., Kelly had been a resident of Periwinkle Park on Sanibel since 1981. He was retired from Westinghouse Electric where he had been a master mechanic working on Turbine engines for 37 years.

Besides his wife of 62 years, he is survived by two sons, James Jr. and Daniel; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren, a sister and two brothers all from the suburban Philadelphia area.

Arrangements are private and being handled by Horizon Funeral Home in Fort Myers.



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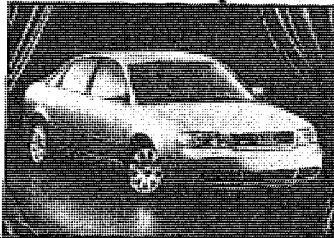
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Our Town

SCHOOL Sanibel School

■ Congratulations to Citizens of the Week — Elizabeth Sitton, Collin Harlow, Maria Cruz, Evan Hahn, Samantha Martinez, William Dupont, Katherine Herman, Johnathon Cain, Jean-Michael Ligon, Kylie Schlegel, Austin Drum-Williams and Max Fitz.

■ Salvation Army Food Drive — Sanibel School collected a total of 1,450 cans of food with the help of this year's Captain Can, Billy Dakos. Laurie Sander's second grade class contributed the greatest number of cans at 180. Cathy Zocki's kindergarten class came in second with 169 cans and Barbara Simmons' kindergarten class donated 144 cans.

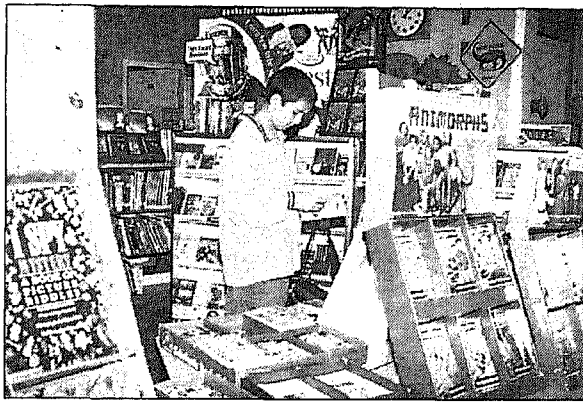
■ PTA meeting — The next PTA meeting is scheduled for Nov. 2 at 9:15 a.m. in the school's multi-purpose room.

■ PTA thank you — The PTA would like to thank some hard-working parents and businesses for their recent help:

— Brad Gleason and his helpers for taking down and putting back up the sixth grade tent three times in preparation for hurricanes that were headed our way.

— the Island House, the Dunes, Floral Artistry and Brenda Harrity for organizing the recent teacher breakfast at the school to show appreciation to our teachers for their efforts in achieving the Florida School Recognition Award.

— to all parents and students who helped make the Sally Foster fund raiser such a success this year. We posted about \$24,000 in sales. The school will receive half of that. Special thanks to Jan Alvarez and Charlotte



Photo/Michael Pistella

Sanibel School sixth-grader Lars Bredahl takes a look at a book during this week's Scholastic Book Fair in the school's media center.

Harlow for the hours and effort they put into coordinating the fund raiser.

— to membership chairs Chelle Koster Walton and Ginny Papanicolas for the fine job they did in making this the best-ever membership year for the Sanibel PTA.

— Karen Cooper for the work she has done in organizing the Boxtops for Education drive. Karen placed containers at the two island grocery stores to collect the boxtops.

— to Lisa Bilske and Photo Express for contributing cameras to each of our classrooms so that teachers are able to take pictures for the yearbook.

— to all school volunteers who have helped get this year off to a great start.

■ Cartoon Winners — Sanibel School students Tina Bilske and Lindsay Phillips, grade five students; Lars Bredahl and Bobby Deforest, sixth grade students, have their winning entries in the J.N. "Ding"

Darling cartoon contest on display at the refuge's new Center for Education.

■ Native plant gardening on the school grounds is a new project begun by a group of fifth grade students. Crystal Robinson, Seth Freeman, Jordan Hodge, Abby Traucht, Rob Ham, Caitlyn Hamilton, Daniel Scott and Keith Bickett are working on this project with the help of Diane Bickett. The students are assessing micro-habits, developing plant lists and planting natives along with discussing project management and teamwork. The group is asking for donations of native plants. They can be transplants from your gardens or purchased plants. Tuesday, Nov. 2 is drop off day. Call Keith or Diane Bickett at 472-4170.

■ The Sanibel School Website to check on homework, school activities, and/or to correspond with teachers is <http://sites.netscape.net/thesanibelschool/homepage>.

Sanibel School Fund

Two area shops — The Cheshire Cat and Lads and Lassies — have teamed with the Sanibel School Fund to raise funds for students at the Sanibel School. Twenty percent of sales made at each shop Nov. 1 - 21 will be donated to the Sanibel School Fund. Customers just need to mention the special offer when making their purchases.

The Sanibel School Fund is a private foundation organized by community members and parents last year to supplement the limited budget the Sanibel School receives from the Lee County School District. Money raised by the foundation flows directly to the school for use in the continued enhancement of the education of island children.

The Cheshire Cat toy store is located in Tahitian Gardens on Sanibel and the Bell Tower in Fort Myers. Lads and Lassies children's clothing shop is located in Periwinkle

Place on Sanibel.

Children's Center

The Children's Education Center of the Islands is hosting its first fund raiser of the year — the Glow and Grow raffle. Tickets are \$100 each with only 200 being sold. Four prizes will be awarded — two \$5,000 cash prizes and signed and framed posters by Darryl Pottorf and Robert Rauschenberg. The drawing will be Luminary Night in Periwinkle Place at 7:15 p.m. and ticket holders do not have to be present to win.

If you would like to purchase a ticket, call 472-4538 between 9:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

National Dean's list

Four Sanibel students who are continuing their education — Susan Anderson, Annalee Layton, Faye Matthews and Jason Papanicolas — have made the National Dean's List. Published by Educational Communications, Inc. the list is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving college students. Students selected are in the upper 10 percent of their class, on their school's dean's list or have earned a comparable honor. Listed students are eligible for \$50,000 in scholarship awards funded by the publisher.

Music at school

The Palm Beach Opera Company will present Giovanni Pergolesi's one act opera "The Perfect Lady" at the Sanibel School Nov. 5. Part of Sanibel Music Festival's outreach program, teachers are provided with training packets that include information on opera history, etiquette, music and story.

While not open to the public, the student's parents are invited. The Bank of the Islands is sponsoring the outreach program.

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Volunteer power raises curtains at Pirate Playhouse



Photo/Jennifer Workman

LEFT: Last Sunday the CurtainRaisers, the Pirate Playhouse's volunteer group, met for a wine and cheese party to welcome in the new season. At right, "Volunteer Extrodanair" and 15-year Playhouse volunteer Chace Sherman poses with actress Amanda Parke, Eve in "Adam and Eve," in front of the newly-relocated beverage kiosk in the theater lobby.



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LEFT: Marsha Schmitz found a junonia while walking along the beach between the lighthouse and Sandalfoot Condominium earlier this month.

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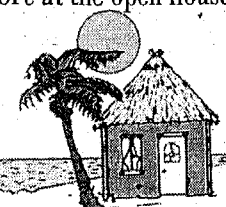
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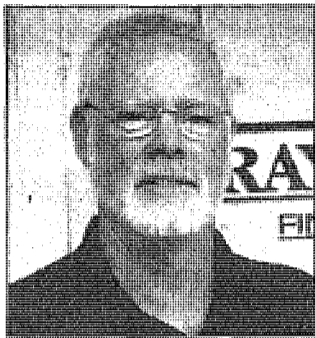
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Road to successful investing

The road to successful investing is paved differently for each investor. One investor's road to success may be the high road while another's may be the low road. But common to both investors are basic principles that are true to form no matter which road an investor finds himself taking. Below is a listing of some of these basic principles that may lead an individual along the road to successful investing.

■ Formalize your goals. As with the achievement of any goal, commitment to the goal is half the battle. Formalize your commitment to attaining your goals by writing

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ing them down, both short-term and long-term. Follow your progress by updating them at least annually. How else will you know if you are actually going to attain your goals?

■ Invest as early as possible. Procrastination is an investor's worst enemy. Though there is no perfect or ideal time to start investing now may be the best time of all.

■ Invest in what you understand. If you do not understand how an investment works you will not fully understand the risks associated with that investment. Is it really worth placing your hard-earned money in this type of investment? No.

■ Consider the impact of inflation and taxes. Inflation and taxes erode an

investor's purchasing power. The consideration of investments that minimize the impact of these two forces may be key in meeting your goals.

■ Your portfolio is for you and you alone. The design and formulation of your portfolio is based on your goals, time horizon and risk tolerance. Understand that what may work for your friend, cousin, or co-worker may not work for you because one size does not fit all.

■ A basket of eggs is better than just one. Diversification of your investment assets may bring the positive benefits of reduced risk and stable returns to your investment portfolio basket. Mutual funds are a cost efficient way to invest while at the same time reaping the benefits of diversification.

■ Use time, not timing when investing. Trying to correctly time the ups and downs of the market is a risky, if not impossible, task. Most investors will fare far better by keeping their investment assets in the market the entire time. It is time in the market,

not timing the market.

■ The old team player may be better than a young hotshot. Try to avoid the temptation of investing in the new "hotshot" investment that may lose its luster quickly. Seek investments with solid track records that will benefit you more over the long run.

■ Know when to cut your losses. Many investors do not know when to get out of an investment. If your investment selection is heading south and most likely won't return to previous form, face the music and consider getting out before your lumps get too big.

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Business briefs

Gerasin high scorer

Cathy Gerasin, a Realtor with VIP Realty Group, graduated from the Florida Realtor Institute Sept. 17 earning her Graduate Realtor Institute designation. Gerasin received the highest score on the exam. She is now working on earning her Certified Residential Specialist degree. Cathy is a consistent member of VIP's Executive Club and was the 1998 Rookie of the Year.

Mr. Lister again

Tracy Walters has once again received top honors as the John Naumann & Associates listing associate of the month for September.

Caretta top producer

Glenn Carretta received honors as the John Naumann & Associates top sales associate for the month of September.

Doerr joins bank

Leo Doerr, a 35-year veteran of the Lee County banking community, has joined Bank of the Islands as Senior Vice President and Advisory Board member. "I'm excited to have someone of Leo's caliber come

work with us," said Craig Albert, Bank of the Islands office president. "I've known Leo my entire banking career, and he will be a great asset for our bank and community."

New sales manager

Rob Langenstein, director of sales and marketing at South Seas Resort, recently announced the addition of Debra A. Joseph as sales manager for the mid-Atlantic region.

A 15-year hospitality veteran, Joseph was most recently national sales manager at PGA National Resort & Spa in Palm Beach Gardens. She has also spent over a decade with Omni Hotels in Norfolk, Va. and Washington, D.C.

Clifford joins RE/MAX

RE/MAX of the Islands has announced that Marsha Clifford has joined the firm. Clifford moved to Sanibel in 1974 and began her career in real estate in 1978 with Priscilla Murphy Realty. Marsha and her husband Bryce McNamara, own Tin Can Alley located on Library Way on Sanibel.

New Congress store

Congress Jewelers recently announced the

ground breaking for its store in Bonita Springs. Projected completion is spring 2000. This will be the second and largest location for the family-owned and operated retail jeweler. Congress Jewelers' new store will be a 10,000 square-foot, facility within The Prado at Spring Creek.

Page Field improves

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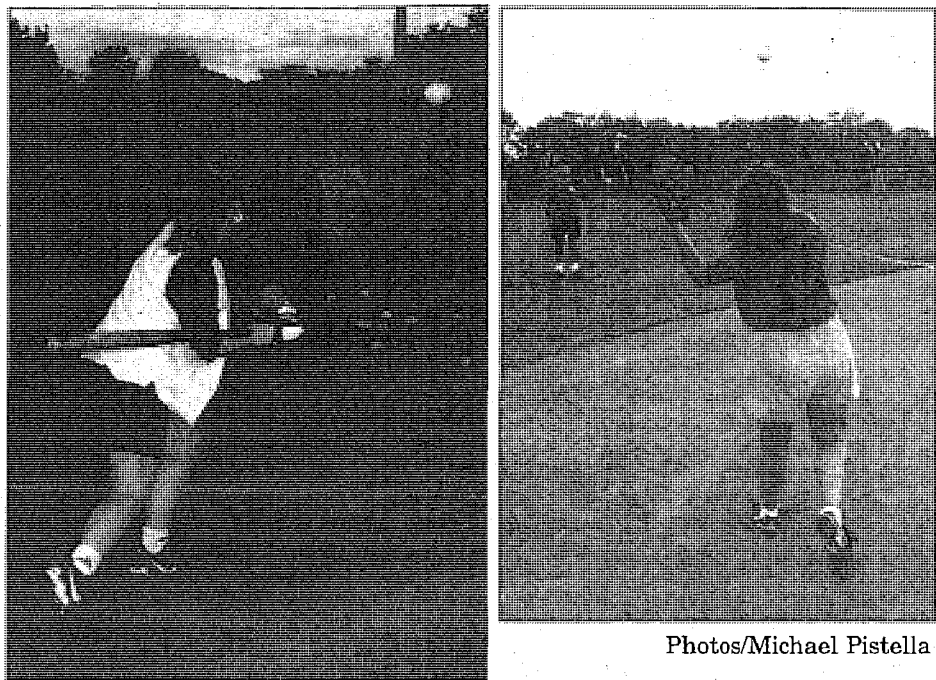
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Playing ball



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ABOVE LEFT: Nichole Niedermeyer takes some BP (batting practice) from Brandon Hall. The two are teammates on the Friday's Jewelry/Captiva team in the Sanibel Recreation Center Softball League.

ABOVE RIGHT: Kim Sutherland warms up before the game with Sanibel Grill teammate Tommy Lang.

Sports briefs

Tennis tournament

The Sanibel Recreation Department Adult Tennis Program participants will have a Tennis Ball & Tournament Nov. 19 at 6 p.m.

The round-robin tournament will take place at the public tennis courts next to the Sanibel School on San-Cap Road. It is open to the public, with a tax-deductible entry fee of \$20 per player. Non-participants may observe and enjoy the festivities for \$10 per person.

All proceeds from the "black tie" event will go toward scholarships for Summer Rec - the Sanibel Recreation Department's summer program for children.

Tournament competitors and observers are asked to dress in formal, quasi-formal, or island-elegant attire, to wear tennis shoes, and to bring an hors d'oeuvre, salad, entree, or dessert for the potluck supper following the round-robin.

Top-scoring participants will receive unique trophies. Best-dressed, worst-dressed and lowest-scoring participants will receive one-of-a-kind prizes. Music and dancing will follow the tournament (no high-heeled tennis shoes, please).

For more information, contact Claudia Burns by e-mail at cshellart@aol.com; phone or mail before Nov. 1 at 414-964-8270, 4465 North Murray Ave., Milwaukee, WI 53211 or after Nov. 1 at 472-2682, 629-H Nerita St., Sanibel, FL 33957.

Lee County Inline

Lee County Inline has recently started Tuesday night skates at 6 p.m. The group meets at the Bingo Hall at Miners Corner.

The rest of the schedule for October is:

■ Oct. 31 — meet at parking lot number two at Florida Gulf Coast University at 8:30 a.m. and roll out at 9 a.m.

■ Nov. 7 — meet at Zoe's on Old McGregor near John Morris Road at 8:30 a.m. and roll out at 9 a.m.

These skates are for adults who like to skate, socialize and have fun. There is no age limit, but skaters should be able to keep up a moderate pace, stop and negotiate curbs and obstacles. Safety gear is recommended and used by the best skaters. All players are responsible for their own safety. Be aware, skate with care. Beginners are welcome and skating with experienced skaters is an excellent way to improve.

Basketball sign-ups

Youth basketball registration has begun for boys and girls at the City of Sanibel Recreation Center. The cost is \$20 and sign-up forms can be picked up at the Sanibel School or the Rec Center. The cut off date is Nov. 12. Also, those interested in volunteer coaching and/or officiating should contact Tony at the Rec Center at 472-0345.

Business

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Exxon self-serve fueling facility. Providing pilots with the same convenience and economy enjoyed by automobile drivers, the facility accepts credit cards for the purchase of low-lead aviation fuel for piston engines. The new fueling facility is located at the southeast corner of the airfield, behind the aviation center.

Workshop for women

The hosts and presenters of the workshop "What do you need to know about investing for today's needs and tomorrow's?" are Lee Ann Conger, financial consultant for A.G. Edwards & Sons and Mary V. Palumbo, attorney at law. The collaborative mission between Conger and Palumbo

is "To empower women with foundational knowledge in the areas of finance and estate planning."

The workshop will be at The Helm Club at The Landings in Fort Myers. There are two sessions available. The first is Nov. 10 from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. A light supper will be served.

The other session is Nov. 11 from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided.

While this is a free workshop, organizers ask that a voluntary donation of \$10 be directed toward either Habitat for Humanity, The Women's Build or the Women's Resource Center of Lee County. Call to reserve your seating at 275-4466.

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Eagle tournament soars

Clinic for the Rehabilitation of Wildlife's (CROW) 3rd Annual "Swing Fore An Eagle" golf tournament last Sunday at the Dunes Golf and Tennis Club yielded an estimated \$4 to \$5,000. CROW event organizers said they wished to thank the 73 golfers, 31 hole sponsors, numerous prize donors and The Dunes staff who helped make this year's fund raiser the most successful ever.

Hole sponsors included Bank of the Islands, Ann Arnoff, Bill and Jean Black, Bill and Jan Brodbeck, Steve Brown, Jim and Eileen Courtney, Ginny Fleming, Steve and Mandy Greenstein, Ann Martin, First Community Bank of Southwest Florida, Bailey's General Store, Barrier Island Title, Carlton-Naumann Homes, Congress Jewelers, Coral Veterinary Clinic, Eye Centers of Florida, Island Designs, Jerry's of Sanibel, John Naumann & Associates, Kiwanis Club, Old Schoolhouse Theater, Priscilla Murphy Realty, Sunshine Care, SunTrust, The Ad Agency, The Island Book Nook, The Island Cinema, The Island House Restaurant, Timothy Murty, Esq., West Wind

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First place team winners this year were Chuck Andrews, Dave Taylor, Rick Krichbaum and Steve Potts for the low gross score of 54 and Lee Horton, Dave Horton, Andy Welsh, and Sean Iannelli with a low net score of 44.



AT LEFT: Bobby Hodosky walks away with a prize for men's long drive.

ABOVE: CROW operations manager Anita Pinder, Swing Fore an Eagle golfer Lena Brown and CROW veterinarian P.J. Deitschel enjoy the cool October day before the tournament start.

ABOVE RIGHT: Local television personalities Craig Wolf and Kellie Burns with Wolf's wife Julene and Chris Nealon. Julene and Nealon are partners in the Ad Agency which does the publicity for the tournament.

RIGHT: Sanibel City Manager Ed Sealoover readies his clubs for tournament play. His team won the tournament's second low net award.

Photos/Jennifer Workman

Time to fall back!
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one hour this Sunday.

McCullough, Stokes featured at yacht club

Artist Marty Stokes talks about one of his works with Tower Gallery president Shirley Vale at the artists' reception for his show at the Captiva Island Yacht Club. His work is on display and for sale along with the work of island photographer Charlie McCullough until Nov. 8.



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Island photographer Charlie McCullough talks with Sanibel City Councilmember Bill Hildebrandt and wife Tina at the reception.



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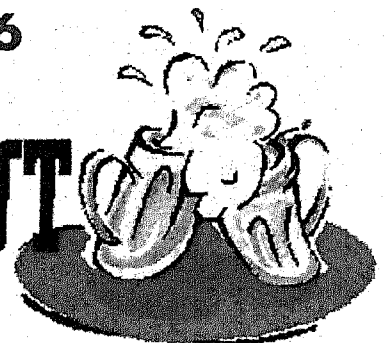
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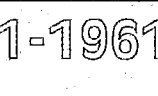
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The hawks are coming

Saturday morning we stood on the cross dike at the wildlife refuge watching a feeding frenzy. Great, snowy, and reddish egrets snatched up fish with great success. Ibis and woodstorks probed the mud below the shallow waters finding ample rewards for their efforts. It was a glorious sight and a beautiful morning. Suddenly, a passing shadow put the birds on full alert. I looked up to see two sharp-shinned hawks soaring overhead. They reminded me that it is time to start watching for yearly hawk migrations.

This was the first morning we were free to look for hawks. The best place on Sanibel to watch their migration is at the lighthouse. Hawks seem to follow the shorelines and funnel through at the east end of the island on their way further south. Since hawk watching can not be done in a hurry, we took water and a snack along with bird books and binoculars. Before we turned onto Periwinkle Way I knew it was going to be a splendid morning. Three red-shouldered hawks flew low overhead. One settled on a telephone pole. The breast was heavily streaked with brown and that told us it was an immature bird. The other two were adults with rich cinnamon breasts and reddish

Bird Diary



Bev Postmus

shoulders. The two adults dive-bombed the immature as if to drive it away. Perhaps they are getting ready to nest again and want the immature to know it's time to be on its own.

We met our friend Kathy and bird-watched as we walked toward the lighthouse. Palm warblers, gnatcatchers, and a magnolia warbler were feeding in the shrubs along the path. We just settled down against the fence near the lighthouse when we were joined by another birding friend, Wes. It is always good to have others watching as hawks are fast fliers and observations must be made quickly in order to identify them.

It was still early. The turkey vultures had just started riding the thermals. A couple of ospreys circled, flew out over the gulf, and returned to hover overhead in the brisk east wind. We shared hawk stories while we waited. Suddenly conversation stopped and four pairs of eyes focused on a small, dark form coming over the Australian pines and into our clear patch of blue sky.

"Narrow wings."

"Dark tail. Light face."

"I can see black sideburns."

There is no doubt that our first sighting was an American kestrel, the smallest member of the falcon family. We observed a line of translucent spots (windows) along the

trailing edge of the wings. We used a book to confirm that this is a characteristic of male kestrels. I had no doubt that we'd see more before the morning was over as this is the most common of the falcons. In two hours we counted 71 kestrels, many flying in groups of seven to ten birds. Those that appear larger than others usually have lightly barred brown wings and reddish-brown streaking on the breast — they are females. We were impressed with how diagnostic their slender, tapering wings are. Someone asked about the kestrel that for several years has been reported near Casa Ybel. No one has seen it yet this season.

Two sharp-shinned hawks entered our sky-space. They soared overhead and just over the gulf one of them circled, giving us a marvelous view before it continued on its way. I asked what clues the others used to identify this hawk.

"Long, straight tail. Flap, flap, flap, glide pattern" Kathy said.

"Short, broad, rounded wings" said Wes.



Phot/Claire Postmus

ABOVE: A resident red-shouldered hawk.

"The short neck and small head that hardly extends beyond the wrists of the wings," Clair contributed. I recorded species and number in my notebook. After two hours, the sharp-shinned hawk count was 66 birds.

Kathy ran back to put more money in the parking meter and on her way back found a merlin sharing a tree with a grackle. We hurried along the sandy path to share her find.

Activity picked up after 10 a.m. In the next hour we sighted, confirmed, enjoyed, and recorded kestrels and sharpies, two Cooper's hawks, three merlins, and five peregrine falcons.

Cooper's and Sharp-shinned hawks are very similar. Both have broad, short, rounded, brown and white checkered wings. Both have long, straight tails and brown barring on the chest. After viewing a large number of sharpies, we were amazed at how quickly we could identify the Cooper's hawk. It was noticeably bigger than the sharpies and the wings appeared lighter in color and wider. In the few seconds they were close enough to see well, it was hard to observe that the tail of the Cooper's hawk is rounded while the sharpie's is straight.

All the while we were sighting kestrels, sharp-shinned, and Cooper's, the merlin was catapulating overhead chasing crows, sharpies, and flocks of swallows and warblers. We gasped at the speed of the medi-

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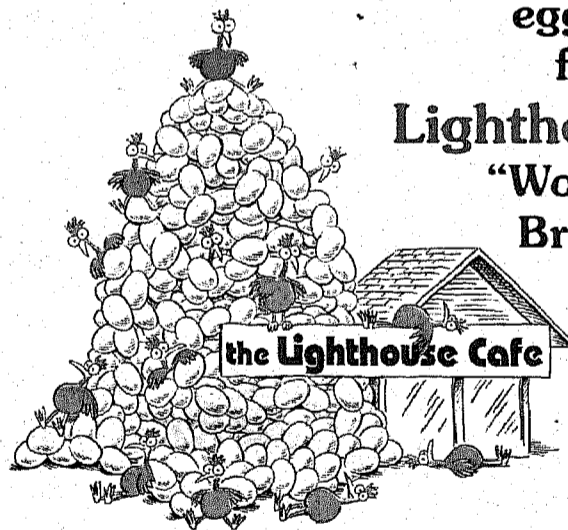


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Well, actually jack crevalle were never designed to jump out of the water, but to illustrate how intense this annual movement of bait is, here's a flying-fish story.

Just before Hurricane Irene brushed the islands, there were a couple of days when the winds were strong out of the east and northeast, which makes for pond calm beach waters along Captiva, North Captiva and Cayo

Shelling and fishing the islands



Capt. Mike Fuery

Costa Islands.

When this happens, schools of small herring of various kinds will come into shallow inches of water along the beaches. The waters turn very clear under steady, strong easterlies, so when the baitfish come close to shore, so did ladyfish, jacks, Spanish Mackerel, sharks and a few others kinds of predatory fish.

I had the boat anchored in just a foot of water in the middle of Cayo Costa Island and was preparing to do the end-of-the-season beach snook fishing. Most of the snook have left the beaches for their journey to creeks and rivers which feed into

the estuaries, but it was worth a try.

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Environmental Impacts

Pepper picker-upper

As an incentive for property owners located within Zone 2 to remove remaining Brazilian pepper, the City of Sanibel has contracted with the island's waste removal company, BFI, to conduct a curbside Brazilian pepper pick-up day Nov. 19. Zone 2 is from Causeway Blvd and Lindgren Blvd. on the east side to Dixie Beach Blvd. along Periwinkle Way to Casa Ybel Road along the western side of the Beachview Golf Course to the beach between Clamshell Condo, which is not included, and Sandollar Condo, which is included.

The service is provided free to properties within Zone 2 only and all Brazilian pepper debris must be placed curbside Nov. 18. Pepper debris need not be bundled; however, only Brazilian pepper will be picked up and all piles must be placed such that overhanging vegetation or power lines do not obstruct them. Piles containing trash or vegetative debris other than Brazilian pepper will not be picked up. If sufficient pepper is placed curbside, an extra day of pick up will take place Nov. 20. However, pepper placed curbside after Nov. 18 will not be picked up.

City Natural Resources Director Rob Loflin said the City of Sanibel has continued the implementation of the Brazilian Pepper Eradication Program designed to remove Brazilian pepper from the entire island using a phased approach by 2010. He explained the phases or "Zones" are not necessarily addressed geographically, however, the first two zones are located at the

east end of Sanibel. Zone 1 is currently in the maintenance stage and a second mapping project of Zone 2 has been completed and residents who have Brazilian pepper on their property have received a letter from the city strongly encouraging its removal before an ordinance is passed making removal mandatory in this zone. The ordinance is anticipated for January 2000. Loflin said Sanibel's native plants and wildlife are already benefiting from the Zone 2 property owners who have already removed the Brazilian pepper from their property.

Loflin added that taking Brazilian pepper off Sanibel and keeping it off will require the help of everyone in the community.

Frannie celebration

The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is hosting a party Nov. 20 from 3 - 5 p.m. to celebrate the acquisition of the former Trost Tract at the corner of Tarpon Bay and West Gulf Drive. The tract has been dedicated as Frannie's Preserve in memory of the wife of the largest contributor to the land purchase. Frannie's Preserve comprises 167 undeveloped acres of wildlife habitat bordering the Sanibel River. There will be a variety of demonstration projects and educational exhibits as well as food and fun at the event. John Morley and Bailey's have contributed food including hot dogs, hamburgers, kielbasa, baked beans, chips, fruit, cake, water and sodas.

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Focusing on butterfly wings

I slipped my subject on a petri dish and slid it carefully under the lens of the dissecting scope. Unlike a microscope, this scope allows the option for viewing larger things externally. After adjusting the light source to illuminate the stage from above rather than from below, I finetuned the adjustment knob to clarify the image. Was I gazing at an exquisite wedding gown from a Manhattan bridal salon? No, I was looking at the underside of the wing of a white peacock butterfly. Here was that electrifying first glimpse of the bride in her resplendent finery; I was utterly captivated.

What I was seeing was the glorious culmination of the intricacies of metamorphosis: the graduation through four completely separate stages, a life cycle that confounds both science and spirit, the unfolding of a mystery of the fragile and tenacious consummate beauty of the butterfly.

Her beginning had been a tiny egg about the size of a pinprick. That tiny speck contained all the genetic material that would

Connecting with nature



Dee Fulk

program each stage of a very precise and complicated process from embryo, to larva, then on to pupa and finally the mature butterfly. Hormones and glandular secretions had orchestrated each stage. Her elaborate and luxurious wings had been shaped, structured and everted all within a three-day period. What makes butterfly wings so different from other insect's wings is that they are covered in scales. At first the wings are transparent membranes, but specialized wing cells manufacture scales. And, would you believe that each little scale is attached to the wing by a tiny ball-and-socket type hinge? Gradually

as the scales form, they stretch and flatten and then differentiate into their final function. All of this takes place inside the chrysalis. Some scales have pigment that is made from chemicals within the insect's body and are then transported in the blood. Other scales are structural and act like prisms. Their refracted light produce an array of minuscule jewels with psychedelic hues whereas some scales are both structural and pigmented. The scales do not grow at

the same time nor do they grow at the same rate. They accept pigment at a certain time in their maturation; maturation varies with different scales. But, by great artistry the butterfly lays down the mosaic of its wings in only about three days.

Jo Brewer in *Butterflies* said, "It is a humbling experience to look through a microscope at a section of wing no larger than a modern contact lens and, looking, to contemplate the very fact of life itself — how it is capable of working out with such precision the formula for anything so beautiful as a butterfly." Peering back into the scope my eyes moved from one portion of the wing to another as I slid the dish around under the lens. I stopped at one of the larger wing spots only 2 mm. wide. It was very dark — almost black — made up of countless numbers of scales. Scattered over its surface were flecks of iridescent salmon, lime green, shocking pink, sea blue and gold. Surrounding the dark spot was a halo of light yellow scales also decorated with salmon colored gems. What a rich tapestry of color cascading down to the border of her chapel train. At its edge delicate scallops of color softly accented its borders. I shook my head in wonder.

If you've never seen this before, you must. Be on the lookout for a little butterfly that has died. Handle it very carefully so you do not disturb the scales. Place it on a flat surface. If you have access to a dissecting scope your views will be larger and clearer, but, if you don't, get a magnifying glass with the greatest possible magnification. Another possibility is to use binoculars — by looking into the other end, they can be used as a magnifier. Place the butterfly in broad sunlight so that you will have full spectrum light, zero in as close as you can, gradually turn the plate or dish so the sun's rays hit the wing surface at different angles. If you wear glasses, focusing may be easier without them. Move carefully all around and over the wings on both sides. You will discover countless surprises in the sophistication of so elegant an insect. Surprises we often miss as we flutter by our butterflies.

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Dracula: a little bite of humor

By Jill Goodman
Staff Writer

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This is a hilarious parody on the familiar story of the rich Transylvanian Count Dracula, a suave, sexy, hunk who is also a suave, sexy, vampire. Erick Scharf sweeps on stage in his glorious red-lined cape in the finest of bat-like guises. He has his fancy and fangs set on wooing and winning the spun sugar, cotton candy (even to the pale

pink gown) Mina, played by Minta Fairchild Mullins.

Invited to the home and sanatorium run by Mina's father, Dr. Sam Seward, (Dave Yudowitz) the Count charms the Dr.'s wife Sophie (Leni Manno) and house guest, a hot southern belle, Bubu, (Heather Stuart). Kia Glover is the maid, Nelly, who takes the nutty antics of the family in deadpan stride, allowing for some great, dry one-line responses. Sporting a pretty good German accent, John Vessels plays Dr. Van Helsing who is hot on the trail of the evil Count Dracula, and hopes to head him off before he plies his dastardly evils on the sweet Mina.

Schoolhouse favorite, the versatile Clement Valentine, outdoes himself as Boris Renfield, an inmate of the sanatorium. Since he keeps escaping from his cell and Sophie needs to balance the dinner table, he is invited to dinner — even though he prefers

insects. As if his culinary preferences weren't crazy enough, Renfield bursts into a frenetic song and dance routine whenever a state is named. These episodes including the entire cast, spills over into the aisles — all to the intense delight of the audience.

Smith has included some clever special effects and a lot of zany props, adding to the wacky scenario. Expect fine singing from the cast with a few numbers that are outstanding.

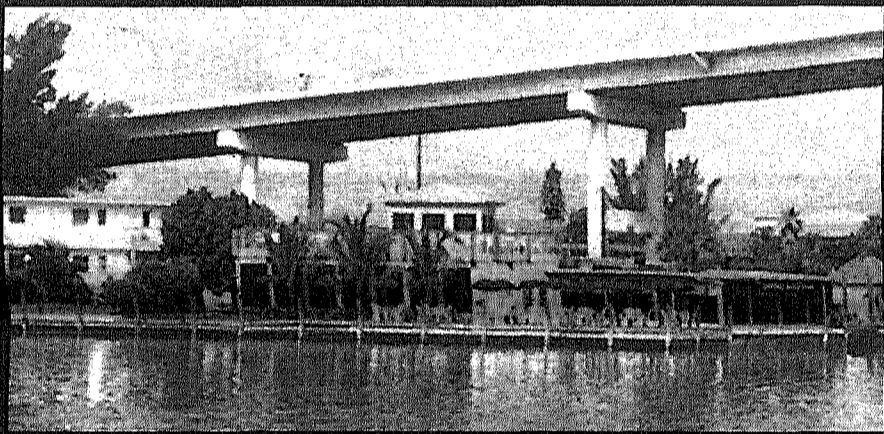
Victor Legareta's sets work very well and Valentine did double duty designing the lighting. The clever sound effects are done by Scott Nielson and Marilyn St. John worked magic with the costuming. Miguel Cintron, stage manager, even has a walk on.

Yes, J. T., Your audience left with big grins on their collective faces.

"Dracula" at the Old Schoolhouse Theater will run through Nov. 27 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$24. And, there will be a special Halloween matinee tomorrow at 2 p.m. Call 472-6862 for reservations.



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Florida Rep play 'serves' up laughs

By Jill Goodman
Staff Writer

The Florida Repertory Theatre opened its second season with "Room Service" a rip roaring, screwball comedy by John Murray and Allen Boretz.

In welcoming the "first night" crowd, Producing Artistic Director Robert Cacioppo expressed his appreciation for their support. He further stated that subscriptions for this season have surpassed all expectations with 3,400 sold thus far.

Cacioppo also thanked audience member, Mayor Bruce Grady for the support from the City of Fort Myers and said that the continued support of the arts downtown will help develop the historic area.

In an interview earlier, Cacioppo said that he selected "Room Service" to open the season because it is a light-hearted comedy, similar to "Noises Off," the smash opener last year.

"Room Service" is about the perils of getting a show on Broadway. It's the American version of our production of "Noises Off."

Cacioppo pointed out that a comedy is much harder to do than a drama. "It's often misunderstood that a comedy is easy and drama hard. The opposite is true. Comedy needs precise timing," he said.

Based on the 1937 play done by the Marx Brothers, "Room Service" has all the split second slapstick timing that made them

famous.

The story takes place in the hotel room of a flat broke producer Gordon Miller, played by Gordon McConnell, who conjures up every imaginable scam to find money to fund his play.

Miller's brother in law, Joseph Gribble, (played by Scott Bennett) is the hotel manager who is in a growing panic over the ever increasing and unpaid hotel bill.

When the hotel's top executive, Gregory Wagner, played by Michael O. Smith, finds out about the deadbeat theater people staying in the hotel, he demands that Miller and his huge cast be evicted.

We see Miller and Harry Bunion (Joseph Perra) the play's director, spring into a routine that's evidently familiar to them — they put on as many of their clothes as they can, preparing to sneak out of the hotel and skip out on the bill. Maintaining a running dialogue as they climbed into numerous trousers and shirts, McConnell and Perra brought the audience to tears.

The fun doesn't stop there. The entire play is a progression of goofy, spoofy events.

Rep favorite Niels Miller, in dual roles of Simon Jenkins the "angel" with the money for the play and Senator Blake, who owns the hotel, performs his famous "walk" to the utter delight of his fans.

Newcomer to the Rep, Jason O'Neal plays the baffled young playwright Leo Davis, with a fresh-from-the-farm naiveté.

Robert Grossman plays Sasha Smirnoff,



Photo/Special to the Islander

A triumphant moment in "Room Service" — Florida Repertory Theater's opening play with cast members Gordon McConnell, Joe Perra, Michael O. Smith and Scott Bennett.

a waiter and erstwhile actor, Travis Kelly plays Faker Englund, Stephanie Davis plays Christine Marlowe, Melissa Powell plays Hilda Manney, Bert Michaels plays Timothy Hogarth, Carrie Lund plays Dr. Glass and fourteen year-old Daniel Benzing plays the bank messenger.

The twists and turns of total and very funny confusion escalate during the three acts of the play, building to a madcap crescendo. Somehow everything turns out just fine.

"I directed this show 22 years ago, when

I was 12," quipped Cacioppo, adding that it was written during the depression, "when America needed a good laugh."

The Florida Repertory Theater is in Fort Myers at the Arcade Theater on Bay Street between Jackson and Hendry Streets. Limited free parking is just across the street.

The show runs Tuesday — Saturday through Nov. 14, with Matinees Wednesday and Sunday at 2 p.m.

Tickets are \$22 for center seats and \$18 for side seats. Call 332-4488.

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■ Current Events, Nov. 3, Wednesdays, 10 a.m. - noon. \$4

Gift from the sea

Ann Morrow Lindbergh wrote the classic *A Gift from the Sea* during a visit to Captiva in 1955. Her musings and gentle thoughts are as poignant today as they were over 40 years ago.

Charles and Ann Morrow Lindbergh's daughter Reeve will read from her mother's work and add her own thoughts and memories at the Captiva Island Inn next week.

All proceeds from the reading will go toward the endowment of the Uncommon Friends Chair in Ethics in honor of Lindbergh's friends, Jim and Ellie Newton at Florida Gulf Coast University School of Business.

The event is scheduled for 6 p.m. Nov. 3, at the Captiva Island Inn, 11509 Andy Rosse Lane. Tickets are \$25 and include delectables from more than 10 of Captiva's restaurants. Reservations are recommended. Call 463-7845.

Dinner and theater

The Sanibel Community Association and the Pirate Playhouse are your hosts for a pre-theater dinner and show Nov. 4.

The complimentary dinner, catered by Fresh Ideas, will be served at SCA, after which diners will cross the street to the playhouse to see Tennessee Williams' "Glass Menagerie."

The cash bar opens at 5:30 p.m., followed by a hot and cold buffet. The show starts at 8 p.m. Show and dinner are \$25. Seating is limited, reservations a must. Call 472-2155.

Family fun

The Fantasy Theatre Factory's performance of "Little Monster Tales!" at BIG Arts is just in time for Halloween. This event is sponsored by the Lazy Flamingo, Macintosh Book Shop and Lads and Lassies. The performance is tonight at 4

p.m. in Schein Hall at BIG Arts. Cost is \$3, adults free. Call 395-0900.

Pilates studio opens

Sean Gallagher, owner of Pilates, Inc. will open his physical therapy studio and training center Saturday in the Old America Center in Fort Myers. An open house will be from 1 - 5 p.m. tomorrow and Gallagher will sign his book at Barnes and Noble from 5 - 7 p.m. tonight. Call 274-571.

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Tickets are now on sale for the Kenny Rogers Concert Dec. 1 at the TECO Arena (formerly the Everblades Arena) box office and all Ticketmaster locations. Tickets are \$35 and \$22.50. To charge by phone call (941) 334-3309.

Jumping jacks

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While getting out some tackle I looked over the side to see thousands of silvery shiners glinting in the sun as they passed. Down the beach, in that flat calm beach water, I could count several nervous schools of bait flipping at the surface.

And behind me I could hear some commotion. I looked to see a lot of fish feeding in perhaps six inches of water. Then the first school of jacks moved in. There were enough jacks in the first school to form what looked like a large black ball. As the ball moved quickly toward the beach it trapped the shiners against shore.

The tight jack school suddenly blew apart and it was every fish for itself as they streaked at the shiners. The water was churned white for a few seconds, then died down. Then the second wave of jacks crashed in. And that's where I learned that jacks don't make good airplanes.

As quickly as you could imagine, three jacks of about 18 inches jumped out of the water and landed solidly on the wet beach. Down about 100 feet, two more jacks jumped ashore. Meantime, the jack school in the water was gobbling shiners as fast as possible.

I felt for sure the stranded fish would flop back into the water, but those leaps from the saltwater put them up too far.

A guy down the beach saw what was happening and gently pushed one fish into the water and it was gone. I got to the three embarrassed jacks next to my boat and picked them up one-by-one and returned

them. The fifth one down the beach, flopped back in on its own. Not a bad jump for a fish that isn't supposed to jump.

Several of our local fish are famous for their jumping ability and add greatly to the thrill of getting one on the line. Of course, the fabled tarpon is king of this area for coming out of the water, whether hooked or not.

This is the time of year when large schools of colorful Spanish mackerel follow the schools of bait. They are famous jumpers, coming out like a ground-to-ground gold and blue missile. Ladyfish often jump when hooked, but don't come out of the water much if not on a line. They will slash the surface, just as bluefish, jacks and mackerel will do.

Mullet are always jumping out of the water, but they usually come back down in the water. However, once or twice a year I will come down to my guide boat in the morning to find a perfect mullet specimen, stiff as a fillet knife, lying dead on my deck.

Streamlined fish seem to love jumping out of the water. Take any of the big billfish for example. The only improbable jumper is the pompano. It's got a body shape more like a dinner plate than a torpedo, but it often comes jumping and skipping over the surface to get away from a speeding boat.

Good fishing and shelling this week and look out for those flying jacks.

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Love hurts, especially when you use a fork

When I was young it was understood on prime time sitcoms on TV that when Daddy came home from a hard day at the office, all the kids would run out to greet him, hysterically bleating, "Daddy! Daddy! Daddy!" and waiting for him to lift them up, tousle their hair, give them two or three wise words of encouragement, and then lead the whole family in for a wholesome and solid meal of 1960s starch and fat.

And if any of us actual Daddys can be really honest this close to a major election, we will admit that this was one reason we wanted to become actual Daddys. We wanted to hear smaller and better-behaved versions of ourselves yodeling "Daddy!" at us with the same kind of urgent and pathetic hunger. In our fantasies they would run out to meet us, pause, and look up at us with great big moist eyes, and we would pick them up and walk into the house with them, talking about how much they missed us.

It's a beautiful picture. But like a lot of beautiful pictures, it does not really have a whole lot to do with things as they truly are. It may just be that things have changed since the days when Danny Thomas was on the air. And it may also be, as a series of bruised and badly frightened baby sitters

Fatherhood



Jeffrey P. Lindsay

claims, that my kids are a little out of the ordinary. Maybe I should sit them down and make them watch a few dozen episodes of "Father Knows Best." If nothing else, the propaganda value of the title would be a big help.

But whatever the case, my kids do not greet me with moist eyes and soft words. Oh, they greet me, all right. But I have begun to be afraid of walking in the door of my own house. Not because I know they won't come to me with enthusiasm; but because I know

they will, and their version of a loving welcome will have me in a wheel chair if I am not careful.

When I open the front door, it's like ringing a dinner bell at the zoo. My kids come at me like they are the lions and I am fresh meat. And sadly, this deprives me of the chance to pick them up gently, give them two or three soft and wise words, and stroll in for dinner. Because it is hard to stroll anywhere when you are lying on the floor with two kids jumping on your ribs and your leg is bent all the way over the wrong way.

When T.L. Bear was smaller, it was cute and fun to see her barreling full speed at me and launching herself into the air for me to catch her. Now that she's bigger, it's like a blind side blitz by the Pittsburgh Steelers.

And if I should be quick enough or lucky enough to dodge Bear's flying tackle, it will only be to find Pookie lunging at my leg and yanking it out of its socket with her Anaconda death grip. And generally speaking, I end up sitting down very hard and twisting my back out of whack.

This may not seem like much to complain about. After all, here are two loving kids who are really glad to see me. And it also makes my heart proud to see how healthy and strong they are. But it seems like the stronger and healthier they get, the weaker and more banged-up I get.

All this came to a head recently when I came home from a long trip out into the yard to walk the dog. Unfortunately, I timed my return badly and there was a commercial on for something they didn't want, so they actually saw me come in the door.

"Daddy," Bear yelled, jumping off the couch and charging at me in a dead run.

"Zoom! Eeeek!" screeched Pookie. And she rocketed straight into the air, coming down on the back of the couch, launching off into space and bouncing once on the foot stool and once on the dining table before breaking the sound barrier and roaring twice around the house and then clamping onto my leg so hard my knee rattled loose and slid into my shoe. And just as I struggled back into a more or less upright position, Bear hit me like a freight train, burying her head into the pit of my stomach and driving, just exactly the way I was taught to do when I played middle linebacker in school.

At moments like this I truly regret the

wonderful new tile floor we had put in recently. If I had been in charge of the remodeling, we would have had the floors re-done in foam rubber, or maybe even trampoline. That way I could bounce right back up, like Pookie bouncing off the foot stool. And then I could laugh along with my kids as I was hammered into the floor. And they do laugh. It is a basic rule of fatherhood that any pain that happens to Dad is funny.

I can be bleeding from a major artery, as happened the time a few years ago when I was trying to teach Pookie how to use a fork and she just missed the plate, by no more than the width of my hand, and in fact stuck me in the width of my hand. And as the world grew dim and hazy and I staggered back with a fork sticking out of my hand, I heard a chorus of delighted laughter. Of course, I did what any Dad would do in these circumstances. I screamed in pain and called my wife for sympathy.

"You're over-reacting," she told me. "Pookie loves you so much!"

I don't remember that Danny Thomas ever had to put up with this. If he got hurt, he would choke on his coffee and make his eyes bulge out. And his wife and kids would comfort him. I never really believed the tender scenes I saw on "Father Knows Best" or Danny Thomas, so why do I resent it when my kids don't behave like his imaginary kids?

I love my kids. And I know they love me. But at the risk of sounding like a bad country song, does love really have to hurt so much?

Bird diary

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um-sized falcon. When it soared it was hard to keep it in binocular view. In the course of the morning we sighted two other merlins.

Seeing peregrine falcons is always a thrill. Perhaps it is because we know these birds came so close to extinction. Perhaps it is because they are just so handsome. The peregrines are much larger than the other two falcon species we had been watching all morning. Four of the peregrines that flew over were pale both under the wings and on the body. One was close enough for us to see the gray barring on the breast. The fifth one was quite dark both on body and under wings. Its size, pale neck and head, and distinct sideburn confirmed our identification.

We checked a book to learn that the falcon was an immature.

The temperature was rising, our water was gone, and the number of hawks was tapering off. We decided to leave, but not before we rechecked our count. It's hard to believe our tally showed 147 hawks (five different species) in just a two hour period.

As we biked home, we talked about why hawk identification is so hard. As with songbirds or shorebirds or anything else, really knowing the species comes with frequent exposure to them. That's why it's easy to identify ospreys, red-shouldered hawks, kestrels, and even bald eagles. We see them frequently. That's why I feel somewhat

comfortable identifying sharp-shinned hawks. We used to go to Duluth in September to watch the migration of thousands of them along the shores of Lake Superior. But for the rest, I record what I see

and hope a picture will match up. Fortunately one can enjoy the fierce beauty of these birds of prey without having to put a label on them.



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Baseball and Beyond

It's that time of the year when baseball, our national pastime, seems to be on everybody's mind. So I thought we'd have some fun as we play with words from the world of baseball and beyond. Are you ready to get up at bat with the challenges that follow?

#1: The Baseball Diamond — Five words can be placed in the baseball diamond appearing below. They lie hidden in the blanks of the clues provided. Note: the clues are randomly listed. However, since you've been provided with one letter for each of the solution words, you should have no problem placing them in the Diamond. Try not to strike out with this one.

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Clues

1. Lineup of nine ____?
2. Baseball ____, a card game.
3. Ball ____?
4. Wearing Yankee pin ____?
5. A tie score of (homo?)phone).

#2: What does baseball have in common with?

Example: What might an engagement ring and a baseball field share in common? (a diamond)

1. What does a man on base and a narrow floor covering have in common?
2. When can a player up at bat be like a substitute teacher?
3. How are red edible leafstalks and a squabble on the baseball diamond alike?
4. When is a baseball player in the outfield the same as an individual who is out of contact with reality?
5. How is a home run and the author of *The Illiad* alike?
6. What do second base and the state of Pennsylvania share in common?
7. How is a batter with a count of two strikes and no balls like a person in debt?
8. Why is a quick review or summary of

Playful Words



Vince Faraone

something the same as a base runner caught between two bases by two fielders?

9. The world of fashion and baseball share a common word when a particular style or a batter is retired. What's the word?

10. It's most common meaning is the lowest or bottom part. But, in baseball it's only one of four corners. What's the word?

11. Some cars and some hitters in baseball share a common word. What is it?

12. The following all share one word in common: bases, gun, and question. What's the word?

#3: Play Ball — You'll be surprised to find out how many expressions we have in English that contain the word BALL and not all of them come from our national sport. Here's a challenge I've devised to get you all balled up.

Each of the questions appearing below must be answered with a word or expression containing the word BALL.

Example: What BALL tells you "It's your turn?" (the ball's in your court)

1. What's the BALL nobody wants to be behind?
2. What BALL is a means of predicting the future?
3. What's one BALL you can write with?
4. What BALL expresses a completely altered situation?
5. What's one BALL you can drink?
6. What BALL in baseball is the opposite of the expression above?
7. What BALL is a burden or restraint, like a marriage for some?
8. What BALL can you see with?
9. What BALL is a form of ostracism?
10. What's one BALL that's a roughly accurate approximation?
11. What BALL loves to indulge in clichés and sentimentality?

12. What BALL is an utterly, confused and muddled situation?

13. What BALL is an exceptionally energetic or ambitious person?

14. What BALL means "the whole enchilada?"

15. What BALL is a dressy outfit?

16. What BALL might be found in a tool box?

17. What BALL must you be "on" to be alert, efficient or effective?

18. What BALL is a missile you might find in a classroom?

19. What BALL tells you to have a very

good time?

20. What's the BALL that asks for your cooperation?

21. What's one BALL that reminds you to pay attention?

22. What BALL is the informal name of a plant and its flower?

23. What BALL asks you to assume responsibility?

24. What BALL directs you to initiate an operation or project?

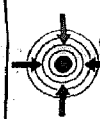
25. What BALL is an illegal pitch, and the answer to #18 above?

Solutions

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Businesses hit

During the early morning hours of Oct. 20 three island businesses were burglarized: Valhalla in Periwinkle Place Shops, Surfside T-Shirts in Palm Ridge Shops and Island Treasures in Tahitian Gardens Shopping Center. Unknown perpetrator(s) used a large brick to shatter the glass of all the front doors to gain entry. Once inside, the burglar went to the cash registers and removed any cash left in the drawers. Cash registers were either removed from the shop or pried open inside the store. Merchandise and/or cash estimated at \$11,445 was stolen. Jewelry in the amount of \$1,119 has been recovered.

Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Sanibel Police Department at 472-3111 and contact either Detective Scott Ashby or Detective Kurt Schulte.

In relation to the Oct. 20 burglaries, the Sanibel Police Department has asked for citizen help in identifying a suspicious individual who was seen by numerous individuals during the afternoon hours in the area of Periwinkle Place Shopping Center and Tahitian Gardens Shopping Center Oct. 19.

The white male is described as 5' 10" to 6' tall, in his early 20s, wearing dark shorts and no shirt. He has numerous tattoos on his arms and right side of his neck. His hair is short on top and bleached blond. The sides and back of his hair are cut short and are dark in color.

The subject is wanted for questioning in regard to burglaries in the area. Anyone with information may remain anonymous by calling Detective Scott Ashby at the Sanibel Police Department 472-3111. You may be eligible for a reward based on your information.

Crime prevention tip

Sanibel Police Chief Lew Phillips offered the following tip:

Something that is locked up will always be pried open by someone who wants to see what is inside. Always leave your cash register drawers open at the end of the day, especially if your register can be seen through a display window. If the perpetrator sees your register or cash drawer is open and empty there will be no need to pry into it and possibly destroy your register. This, of course, does not guarantee that your business will not be broken in to, but if it is just cash they are looking for, better to replace a broken window than a window and a cash register. Do not become victims; never leave cash in your register over night.

Child drowns

Just after noon Monday Sanibel Police received an emergency call of a drowning of a two-year-old boy at Casa Ybel Resort spa located at 2255 West Gulf Drive.

Officers responded along with Medics and the Sanibel Fire Department rescue personnel. CPR was administered at the scene then the victim William Harris was transported to HealthPark. The child was pronounced dead at the hospital. The Lee County Medical Examiner officially ruled the death a drowning based on autopsy results. The Harris family was vacationing from England.

City news

Reding for Mayor

Vice Mayor Andrew Reding has written to fellow councilmembers requesting them to consider him for Mayor when the position opens Dec. 7. Reding submitted the memo to City Attorney Bob Pritt before he sent it to council and placed it in the public reading file.

Commission attorney leaves post

Beverly Grady of Roetzel Andress did not renew her contract she has held for 14 years as planning commission attorney. Grady said "now is the appropriate time for our firm to conclude its representation of the Planning Commission." Grady had no other comment.

Need a house?

There is a house dating back to the 1920's on Periwinkle Way that features old-Florida style attributes and was built by the same carpenter who built the original Bailey's store.

The City purchased the property two years ago and voted last month to bulldoze it. Building Official Jim Lutz said the house is tenable but needs renovations. City Manager Ed Sealover said that after Mayor Bob Janes asked him to explore alternatives to razing the house. He offered it to several island organizations, but no one wanted it. Sealover is waiting on a second demolition estimate and then will refer the matter to city council. Meanwhile, Sealover said that anyone interested in the house is welcome to contact his office.

Next week's meeting

Highlights of next Tuesday's City Council meeting include:

■ The first reading of an ordinance dealing with prohibiting the operation of personal watercraft within 300 feet of Sanibel shores. No public comment is taken during first readings.

■ The second reading and public hearing dealing with placement of telecommunications towers and adoption of a master plan is on the morning's agenda. Council will also review a recommendation by the appointed citizen's wastewater committee that deals with selecting between a one treatment plant and a two treatment plant option.

■ Chelsea Gristead, Sanibel School second grade student, reading her essay on the City's 25th Anniversary.

Other Sanibel School students will be reading their essays at city meetings on the following dates: Kaitlin Radigan, a kindergarten student, and Gabe Alvarez, first grade student, Nov. 5; Page DeVere, a third grader, Nov. 16 and Kory Phillips, a fourth grade student, Dec. 7.

See this week's Island Reporter for more detail on these and other news stories.

back page news

Village gears up for opening

By Jean Downes
Special to the *Islander*

Sanibel's Historical Village and Museum will open its doors for the 1999-2000 season Nov. 3 with fresh exhibits in all its buildings and will honor the City's 25th anniversary of incorporation.

Milbrey Rushworth, who creates displays as part of her volunteer work, calls the theme "They Made the Difference," a nod of recognition to those who worked for Sanibel's achievement of home rule.

Rushworth is singularly equipped for the job; much research can be done in her own

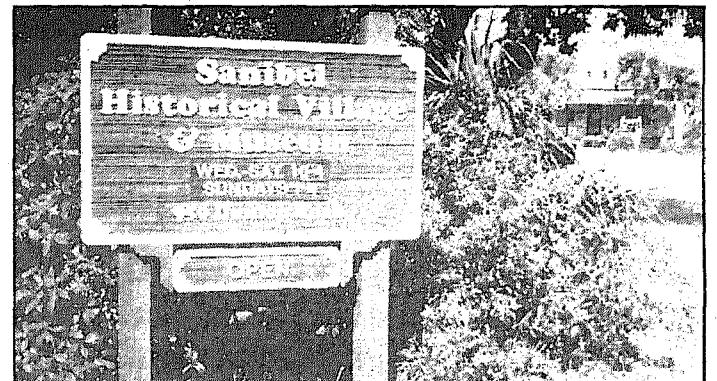
memory banks. In addition to spending part of her childhood and youth on Sanibel, by the time incorporation became an issue in the early 1970s she and her husband Jack were managing Island Inn Resort and raising three children on the island.

The first major event of the season, the annual Antique Toy Show, will take over the village Dec. 1, according to Betty Fisher. She stresses that tickets for the holiday raffle go on sale immediately upon opening next Wednesday.

"The prizes are a wreath, a tree skirt and a wooden angel-for-all-seasons," said Fisher. "Truly nice prizes — each custom

made for us — and the drawing will be Dec. 12 in plenty of time for winners to use them in their own holiday decorating."

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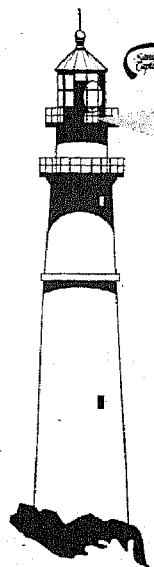
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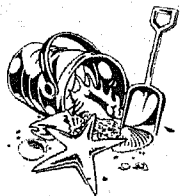
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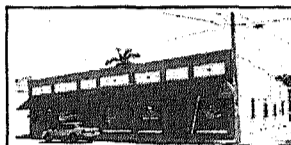
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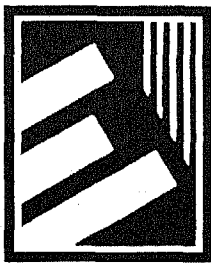


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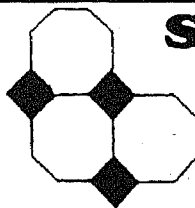
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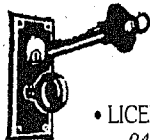
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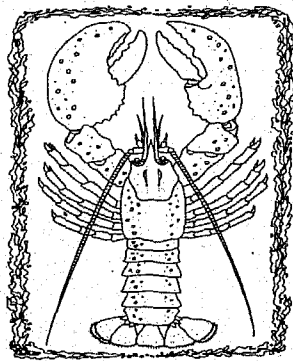
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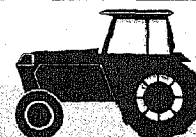


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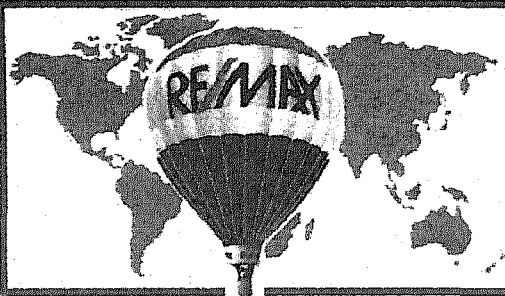
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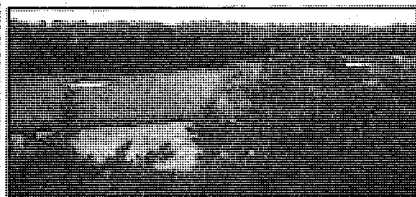


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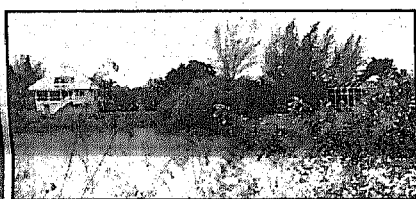
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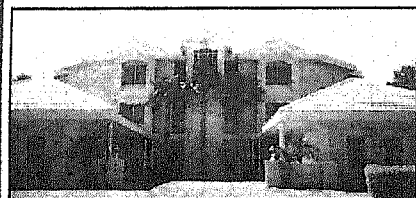
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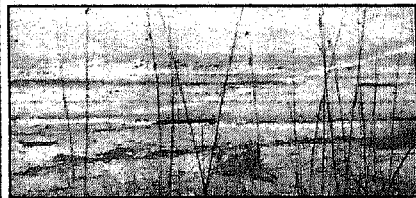
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- 3BR - 1.5 Bath
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- Natural Wood Floors
- Won't Last - \$259,000

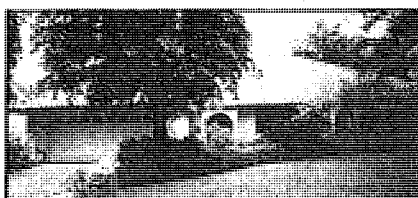
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- Tile floors, Family room
- Pool & Spa, screened
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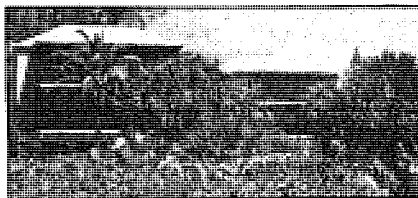
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