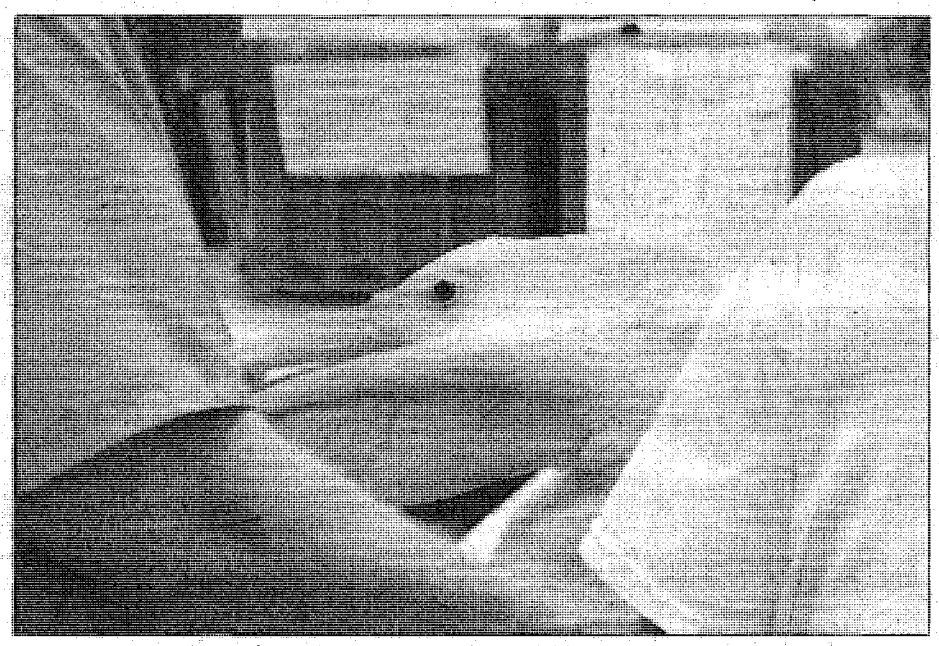
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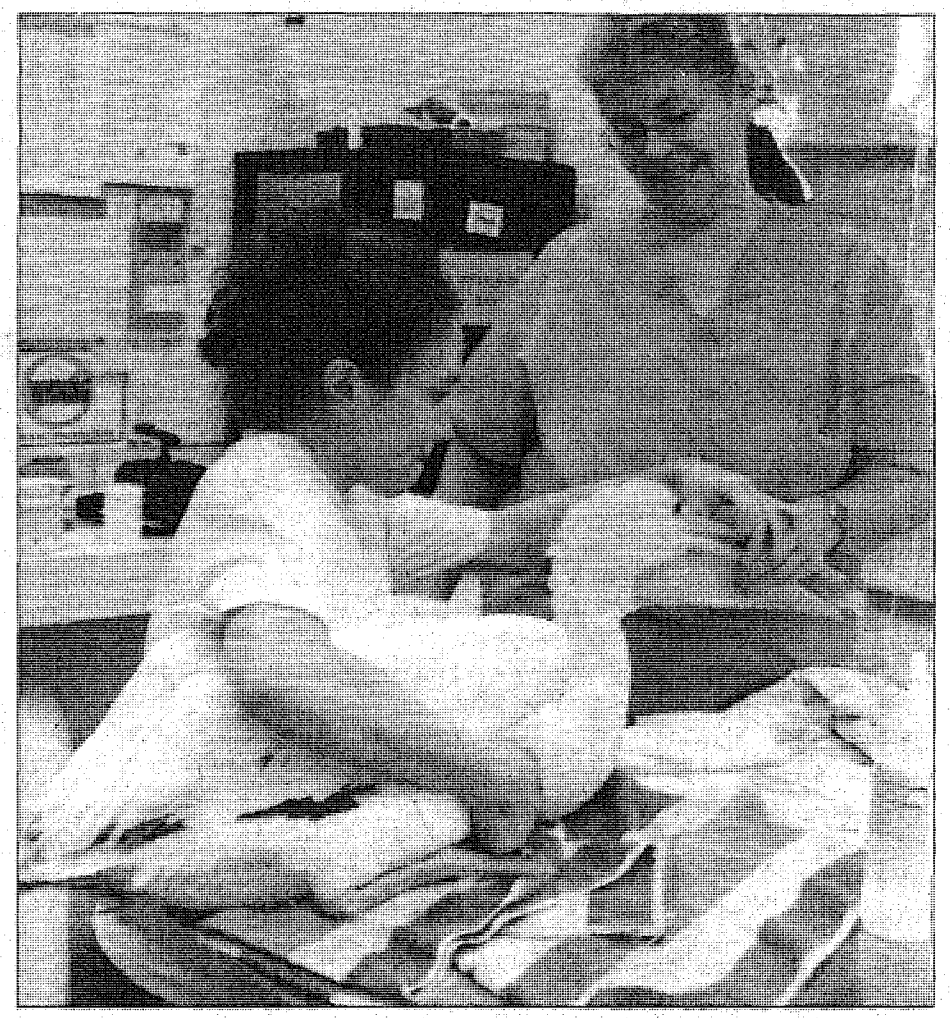
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CROW Case Of The Week: White Pelicans



White pelican



Pam Cruz holds pelican secure as Robyn Johnson handles beak

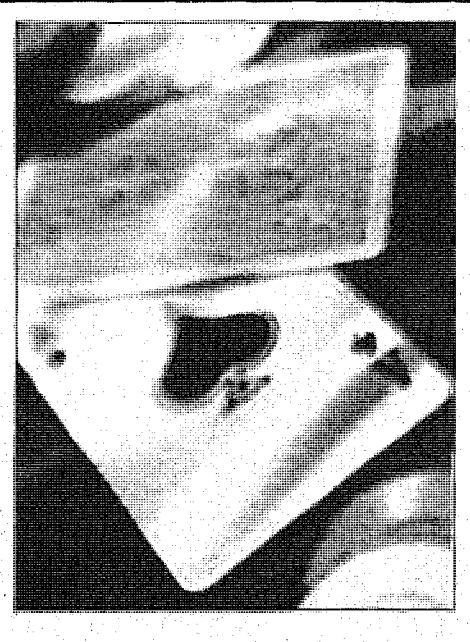
by Brian Johnson

Probably not since Charley, the desert tortoise who was flown to Chico, California on a private jet so he could live in an arid climate, has there been such a good wildlife rehab story involving air travel.

On January 11 CROW Veterinarian Dr. PJ Deitschel and three of her staff members went to Southwest Florida International Airport to receive four large crates containing white pelicans. The birds had been stranded on the ice in Minnesota, and rescued in the middle of December by retired Veterinarian Kent Brunell.

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Last Chance For Texas Hold-Em



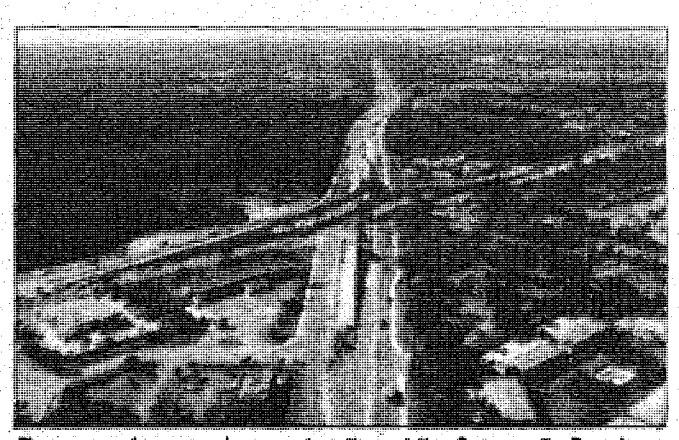
The Sanibel-Captiva Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is hosting a Texas Hold-Em tournament on Saturday, January 20 at the Sanibel Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way. Registration begins at 5 p.m. and play begins at 6. The entry fee is $100 per player and includes food and two beverages. First, second and third place prizes will be awarded at estimated values of $1,000, $500 and $250 respectively.

Seating is limited and only 80 players will be allowed. In the event of an absent player, that seat will be sold to the next available person; sorry no refunds. Walk-ins are welcome.

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Summerlin Road Landscaping To Be Themed To Beaches

by Jim George



The queue jump under construction at the Summerlin Road and Gladiolis Drive intersection

photos by Jim Anderson/Joannair, Inc.

Lee County DOT is planning to give motorists an introduction to the beaches with plantings that will transition from an urban look further east on Summerlin Road to more beach-oriented plantings closer to the Sanibel Causeway.

The county is spending millions of dollars landscaping many of the new roads going in all over the county. They recently announced

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Rotary Club Arts & Crafts Fair

The Rotary Club of Sanibel-Captiva will hold its 24th annual Arts & Crafts Fair the weekend of February 17 and 18. This two-day art fair is now an island tradition.

Over 100 artists and crafts people will be displaying their work, selected from hundreds applying to be part of this long-running event. Sculpture, pottery, jewelry, photography, and fine arts paintings are just a part of what will be offered for sale. There will be food and refreshments.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Sanibel Community Center, 2173 Periwinkle Way.



The throng at last year's show

Proceeds from the Sanibel Arts & Crafts Fair are used to meet community needs, to fund local scholarships, and for human service needs worldwide. The Rotary Club's Polio Plus program has been successful in its effort to eradicate polio around the world, and was selected to receive the Gates Global Health Award from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation in 2002. Scholarships are an important part of The Rotary Club heritage. Ambassadorial Scholarships provide grants to deserving students studying in foreign countries.

Since 1983, the Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club has distributed nearly $500,000 to people, organizations, and student scholarships. Locally, Rotary projects include the county-wide Dictionary Project, which supplies every 3rd grade student in Lee County with their own dictionary. The Rotary-sponsored Nigerian Wells Project provides drinking water to parched areas of Nigeria. The Shelter Box project will focus on providing necessary supplies to areas affected by disaster or warfare. The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club is a major contributor to The Sanibel School, and provides funds for the Lee County Children's Cancer Ward and CROW. It also oversees two endowed university scholarships.

For information on the Sanibel Island Arts & Crafts Fair, call 239-810-9333.

The Sanibel-Captiva Rotary Club meets every Friday at 7:30 a.m. at the Beachview Golf & Tennis Club.☼

Island Seniors This Week

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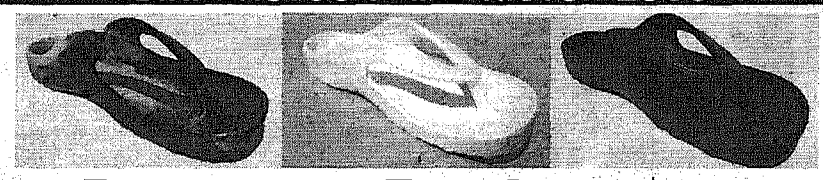
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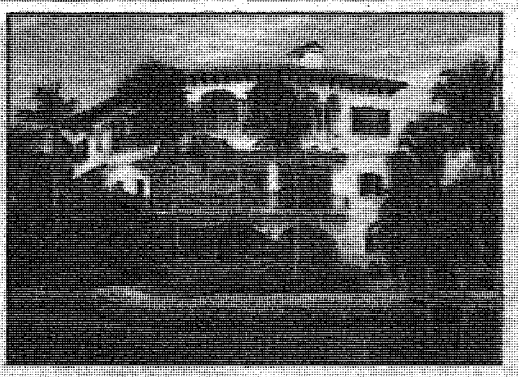
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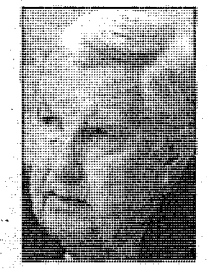
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Sanibel Resident Named Counsel To The President

by Max Friedersdorf



Fred F. Fielding

Fred F. Fielding, a 25-year part-time resident of Sanibel, has been named White House counsel to President George W. Bush.

Fielding, 67, replaces Harriet Miers, one-time choice for a Supreme Court vacancy before her nomination was withdrawn.

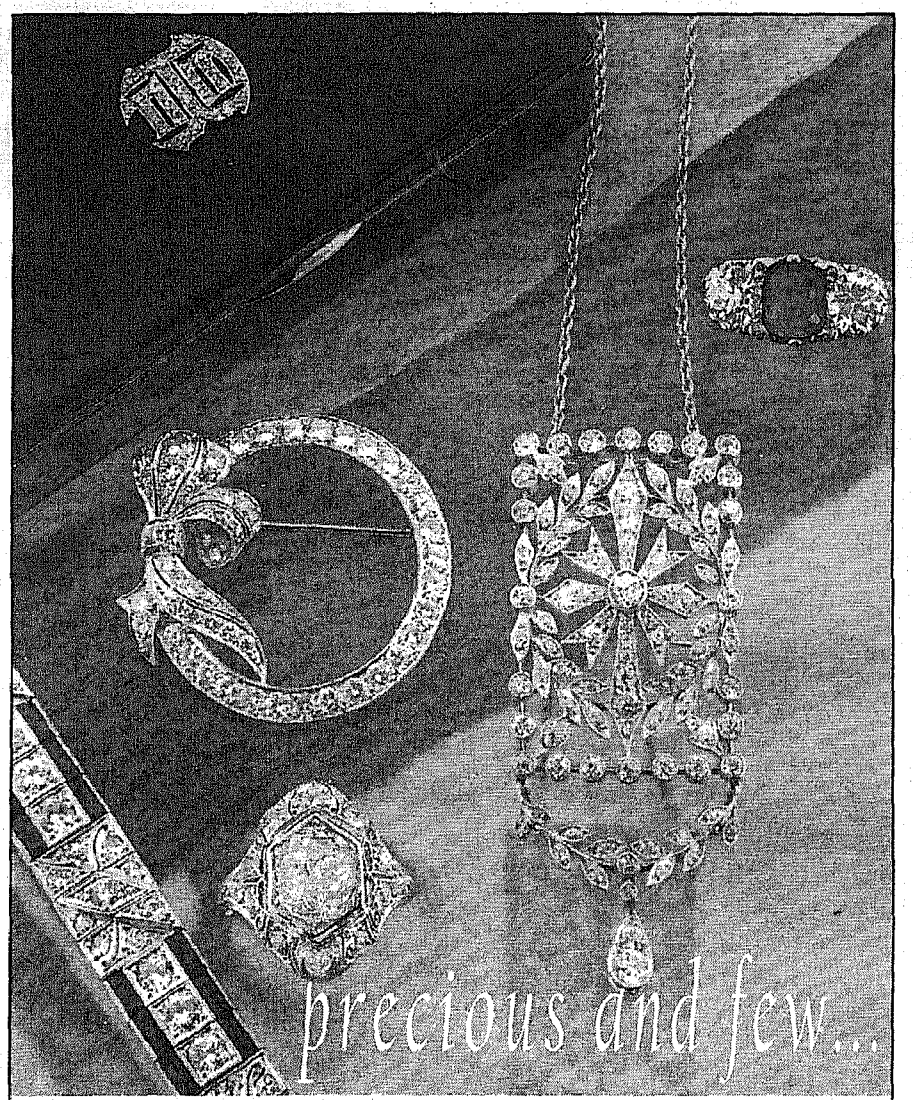
An attorney with the firm, Wiley, Rein & Fielding, the new counsel, and his wife, Maria, have lived in three separate homes on Sanibel over the years, visiting the island as often as possible when their busy Washington D.C. schedule permits.

Fielding has a long and distinguished career in public service. He was deputy White House counsel during the Nixon administration, and was White House counsel to President Reagan from 1981 to 1986.

The Washington attorney also served on the prestigious 9-11 Commission that investigated the attacks on the Twin Towers and Pentagon. In 2000, Fielding served as the White House interim counsel, vetting new appointees for the Bush administration.

Experienced and widely respected, Fielding has drawn endorsement from Capitol Hill and the private sector in Washington.

"Fred Fielding's been in the White House before and he understands how the place works, which is very important," according to Leonard A. Leo, executive vice president of the Federalist Society, who informally advises the White House on legal matters. "He understands how the Hill works, which is important. And he has widespread respect from all points of the spectrum."☆



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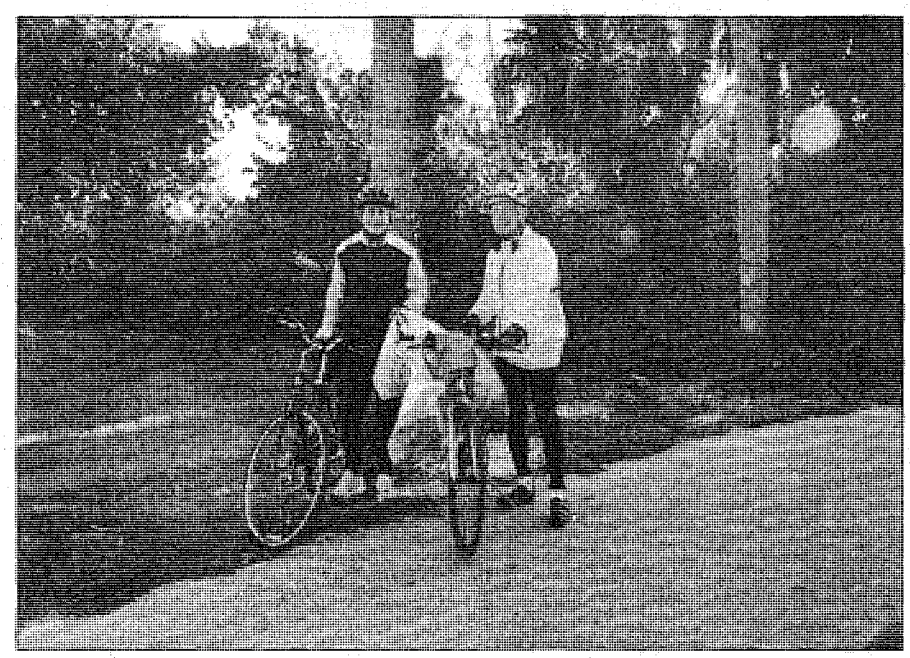
Annual Path Clean-up Day Bags A Record Amount Of Trash

If you notice the island looking cleaner than usual this month, there's a good reason. You can thank the volunteers who participated in Sanibel's annual Path Clean-up Day, held this year on Thursday, January 11. This year's event participants collected a record amount of trash and recyclables from the island's shared-use path system.

The event, sponsored by the Sanibel Bicycle Club, is held in January each year. Clean-up crews are staffed by Bike Club members and other Sanibel residents and visitors concerned with keeping the island's path-sides clean of litter. This year the clean-up crew numbered 50 volunteers, who scoured the 23 miles of paths and adjacent greenways all around the island bagging trash and recyclable items and stacking it for pickup. Volunteers from the clean-up crew also covered Wildlife Drive in the Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge. The staff of Billy's Rentals provided logistical support for the effort, picking up the bagged material with their truck and delivering it to the disposal site. Billy's also provided refreshments for volunteers at the conclusion of the clean-up.



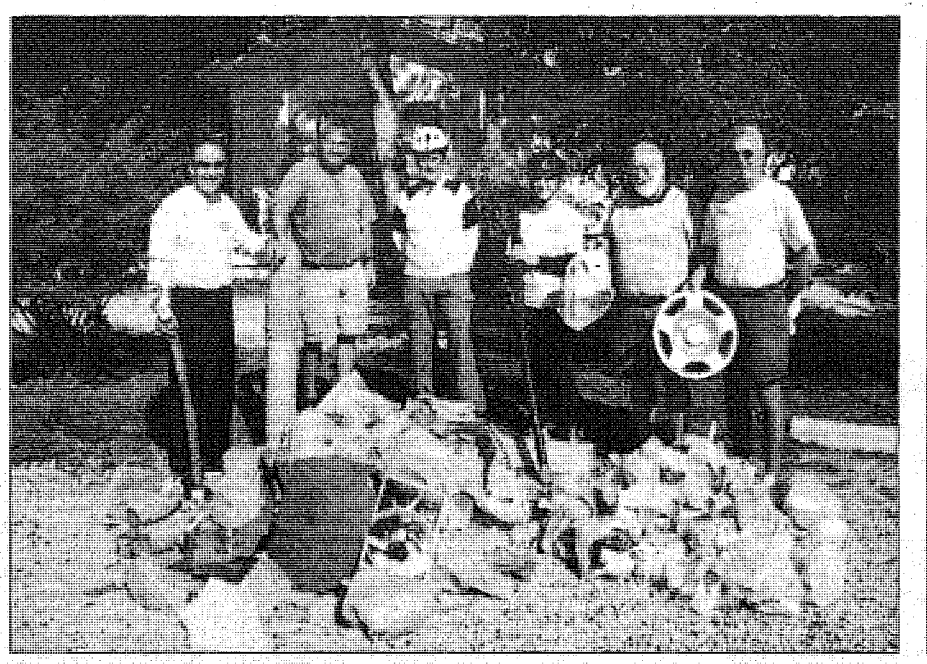
Karen and Barbara Bolt clear the path on San-Cap Road



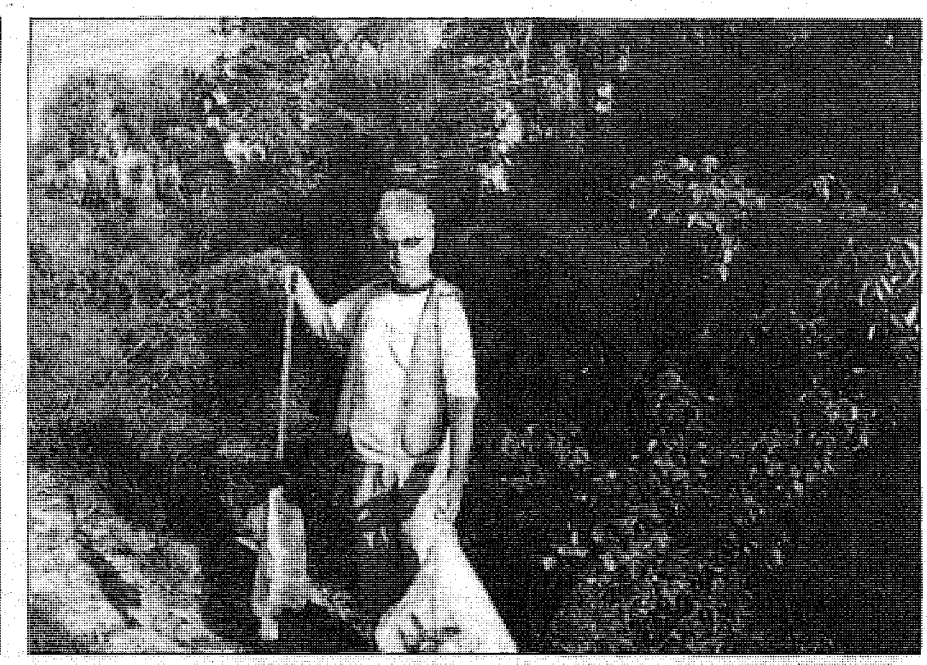
Lois and Ted Gasteyer found lots to pick up in their section of the Path Clean-up.

This year a record number of 110 bags of trash and recyclables were collected which represented well over 200 pounds of litter.

Items found along the paths ranged from the commonplace to the strange. The most numerous items were food wrappers, grocery bags, newspapers, bottles, cans and the ubiquitous cigarette butts found in abundance along Periwinkle Way. Also found were various pieces of building material like roof shingles, aluminum siding and plastic pipe. Some of the unusual items encountered this year were a full gallon can of paint thinner, an auto floor mat, a hub cap, a black rotary-dial telephone and the car-



Path Clean-up volunteers pose with some of the material cleared. Pictured from left to right are: Carmen Senese; Billy Kirkland of Billy's Rentals; Murray Smith; Katie Senese; Duff Chambers, visiting Sanibel from South Dakota; and Path Clean-up Day organizer George Sousa



It helps to have the right tool - Harvey Sugerman poses with one of his finds along the path

cass of a baby raccoon.

George Sousa, past president of the Sanibel Bicycle Club organized this year's Path Clean-up Day, assisted by team leaders Doug Dietrich, Bob Lynd, Charlie Emerson and Tom Sharbaugh. Said Sousa, "Fortunately, we had a terrific day for the event which made it fun to be out there, even though there was more material to be picked up than in previous years. The Sanibel Bicycle Club is happy to sponsor this community service in support of the path system, which is one of the island's great assets. I'd like to thank everyone who worked on the clean-up and also the businesses that supported the effort, in particular Billy's Rentals. This year we were delighted to have almost a dozen volunteers come out who are not bike club members, but just interested citizens and island visitors who are fans of the path system."

The Sanibel Bicycle club was founded in 1994 and currently has about 300 members. The Club's mission is threefold: to expand the experience and enjoyment of island biking, to provide a congenial social environment for bicycling enthusiasts, and to advocate for improving bicycling safety and infrastructure. Further information about the club's activities and membership can be found at www.sanibelbicycleclub.org.✡

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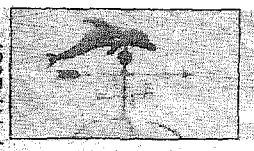
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INSIDE CITY HALL

New Commercial Codes Already Making Waves

by Anne Mitchell

Some business owners are already confronting the consequences of proposed commercial zoning changes the city council is making, including efforts to curb chain stores on the island.

Three attorneys attended Tuesday's city council hearing to look out for the interests of their clients.

C&C Partnership, owners of the Forever Green shopping center, have a national apparel chain wanting to rent two units that have been vacant for two years, according to their attorney, Steve Hartsell.

But the city's 2,000-square foot limit on retail space has nixed the deal. Hartsell told the council Tuesday that if the city doesn't eliminate the limit, it could "have the effect of dooming the very shopping centers you want to be successful," he said. Hartsell, accompanied by Joe Cimato, one of the partners, said the two units total 2,300 square feet.

He did not name the national retailer but said it "would complement Eileen Fisher," a high-end women's clothing store in the same center.

There is no outright ban on so-called formula retail or chain stores, but the draft ordinance includes stringent rules regarding size, design, setbacks and other measures for all stores.

It would also, if Vice Mayor Mick Denham has his way, put a 76,000-square-foot island-wide cap on formula retail — equal to what exists today in 23 chain retail establishments that occupy 14 percent of all retail on Sanibel.

Another businessman, Larry Thompson is also worried about what the changes will do to his shopping center near Blind Pass that includes a convenience store and the Lazy Flamingo restaurant.

Thompson, present at Tuesday's meeting with his attorney Jerry Stern, wants to retain the right to convert the property to single family homes with a Gulf view. But the changes to the land development code would designate his center as "neighborhood commercial." This is designed to provide resident-oriented services and keep traffic off the roads.

It does allow for a mix of residential uses in these areas, but restricts them to 1,250 square feet as part of a development — not what Thompson has in mind.

Thompson doesn't want to be part of a neighborhood commercial district. Stern says the city is "trying to force a square block in a round hole." Stern said with the economics of Sanibel he's not sure any business can survive as a neighborhood business.

"Larry's parcel is significantly different from the others because it is right across from the water," he said.

One of Sanibel's largest shopping center owners, RLR Investments, is also watching the progress of the new commercial zoning ordinance.

RLR's attorney Beverly Grady said it "behooves the council to make sure that the shopping centers are successful as a positive thing for the town."

Council continued the debate to its February 20 meeting at 9:30 a.m.☆

Council Calls Emergency Meeting On Segways

by Anne Mitchell

In an 11th hour decision, and after Billy Kirkland and his attorney had left the council chamber, Sanibel City Council on Tuesday put the Segway safety issue on the agenda for a special meeting on Monday.

At that time they could ban the personal transporters from Sanibel's streets.

It was after 7:30 p.m. on a day with a long agenda before a weary council concluded its Segway discussion. There were many members of the public — pro and con — in the council chamber.

As it stood then, Councilman Steve Brown had sought to call an "emergency" council meeting in an effort to get the Kirklands's Segways off the paths without waiting two weeks for a new ordinance to be drafted and be placed on the next council agenda. His motion failed to get a second.

But after the discussion ended, resident David Berger raised the safety issue once more and council agreed to include it on Monday's special meeting agenda.

City Attorney Ken Cuyler said Wednesday that the city charter allows the council to forego the usual public notice procedures to discuss an emergency ordinance.

Berger and others argued that the motorized transporters are dangerous given the narrowness and congestion on Sanibel's bike and pedestrian paths.

Earlier, the Sanibel City Council had voted 4-1 to discontinue Segway tours on the island, accepting that the tours would keep running until council could meet to pass a new ordinance or amend the existing one.

At least two council members, Tom Rothman and Mick Denham, seemed to have some doubts about pulling the permit and a third, Jim Jennings, was against it.

Even Brown, who brought the Segway issue before the council, said he was torn on how to handle the situation. It was his motion to discontinue the tours and have "a cooling off period... and get a better idea of what we can do with the shared use path.

Rothman said he was seconding Brown's motion because it meant "that we would have another chance at this" at the next meeting.

Denham said, "I am still struggling with any notion that we should abandon the tour idea. I am, however, very concerned about the amount of space on the (bike) paths."

In November, the planning commission gave Kirkland another 18-month conditional use permit to operate the tours under a long list of city-imposed conditions. He is not allowed to rent Segways for individual use on Sanibel. Kirkland has been running the guided tours on a trial basis since May 2005.

However, the commission first deadlocked 3-3 on the issue and then later, with all members present, voted 4-3 to allow the tours to continue. The commission was not charged with considering the safety issue — only whether Kirkland had abided with the conditions of the permit.

Several members faulted him for not complied with the accident reporting requirements and cited a case where Nicole Horton, an 11-year-old girl fell off a Segway last year and knocked out two front teeth.

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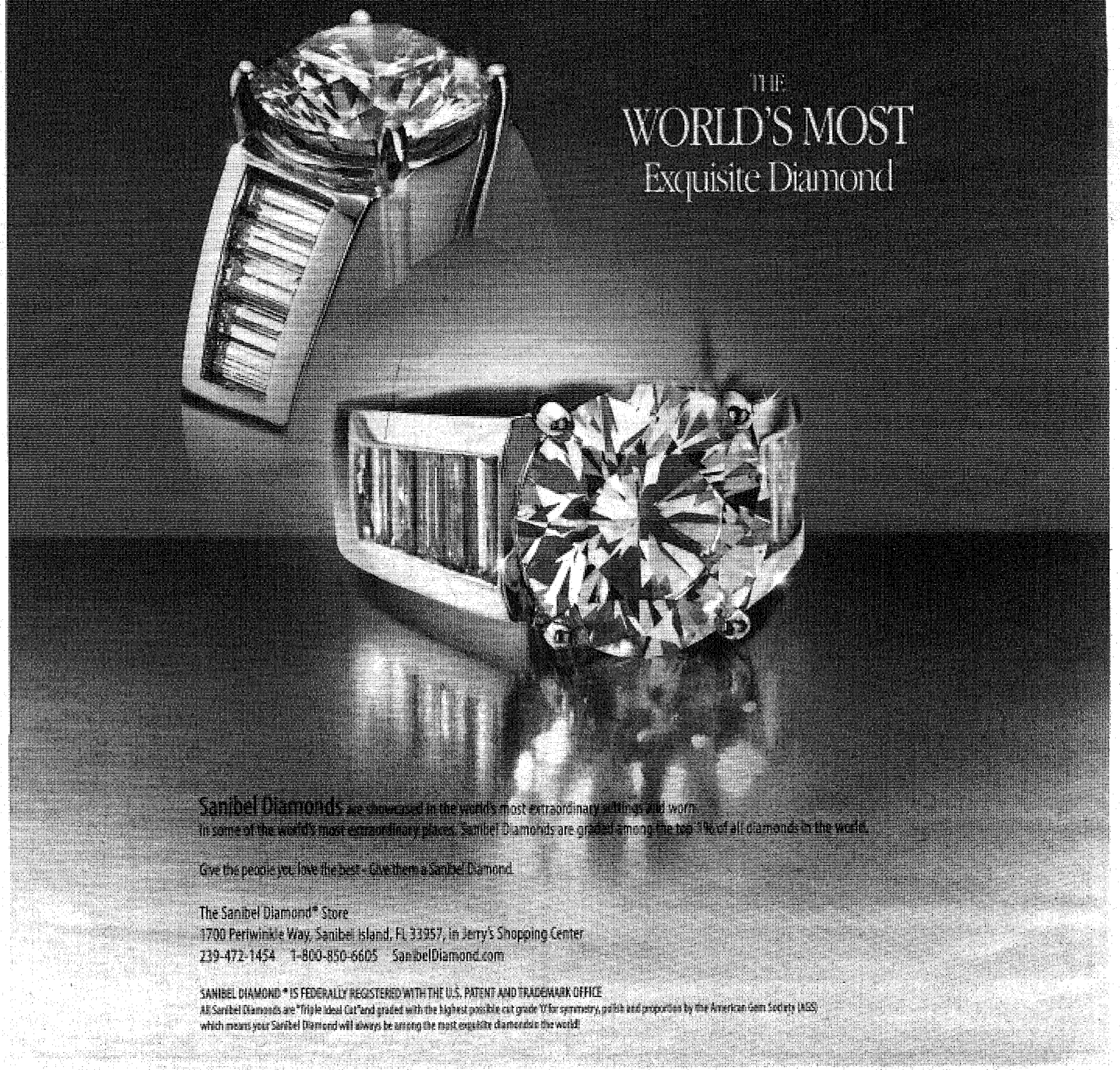
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Third Graders Learn About Trees



Richard Finkel, environmental educator of SCCF, along with Third Grade students in Ronce Atkinson's class holding up leaves of trees they identified in SCCF's Pick Preserve

Sanibel School's third grade students, who are preparing for an Arbor Day celebration, learned about the trees of Sanibel by walking through the nature trail of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation's Pick Preserve with SCCF educator Richard Finkel.

Students identified the trees along the trail and recorded their observations that will be used for creative writing pieces during their Arbor Day Celebration. SCCF's Pick Preserve is located across the street from The Sanibel School and is used by SCCF and the school for environmental learning opportunities.✲

Sanibel School Fund Car Raffle

The Sanibel School Fund is kicking off its eighth annual car raffle. The prizes will be a choice of ownership of a new 2007 Mazda Miata convertible or a three-year lease on a 2007 Lexus GS from Scanlon Lexus of Fort Myers.

If the raffle winner is not in need of a new auto, then he/she would be entitled to a $20,000 cash award. In addition. the second prize winner receives $2,000 and the third prize winner receives $1,000.

The proceeds of the raffle will provide 100 percent of the funding for a Spanish language enrichment program teaching position for the school staf that is not funded by the Lee County School Board. It will also provide additional funds for the enhancement of the arts, computer, music and physical education programs at the school.

Only 2000 tickets will be sold at $50 each. They will be available at: Bank of the Islands, Bailey's General Store, Century 21 Realty, Congress Jewelers, Doc Fords, The Island Cow, Lazy Flamingo, Lucky Dog Boutique, Sunglasses International, the Sanibel Bookstore, and The Sanibel Captiva Community Bank on Sanibel, and at YOLO Watersports on Captiva or contact any Sanibel School Fund board member.

The winners will be announced at the Seahorse Festival on Sunday, March 18. You do not have to be present to win.✲

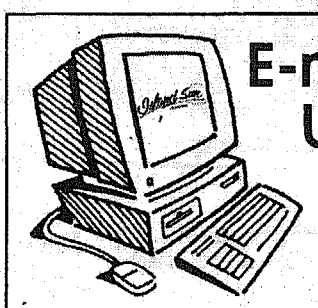
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A group of amateur botanists who enjoy finding and identifying native plants on Sanibel meets every Monday morning on the porch of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation (SCCF), at 8:45 a.m.

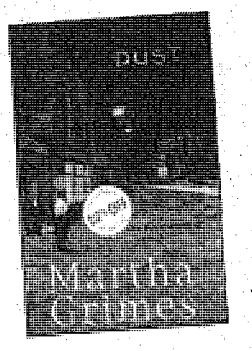
Their walks, lasting for two hours, are guided by a leader with a plant list. The walks are free but donations for SCCF are welcome

For information, call Candice Ethridge at 395-9498, Betty Eertmoed at 395-9240 or Elaine Jacobson at 395-1878.

On January 22, the group will walk the Johnston Preserv. These 80 acres, not open to the public, are a restored upland habitat. with plants that tortoises like to eat.✲

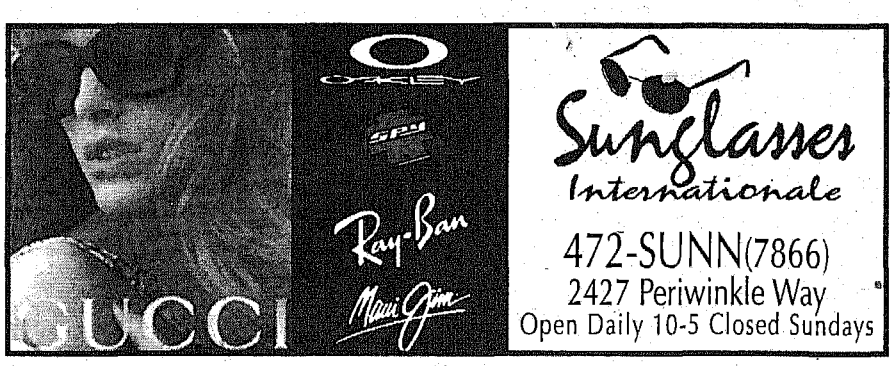

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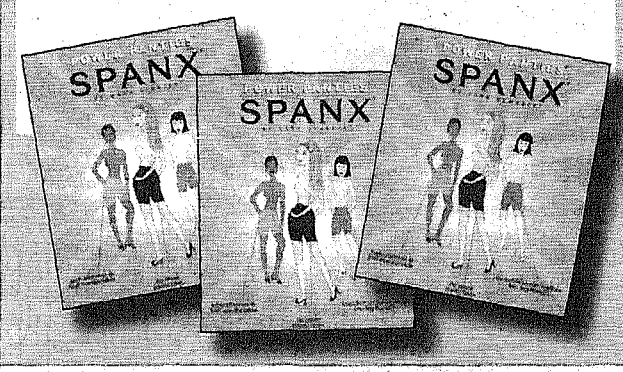
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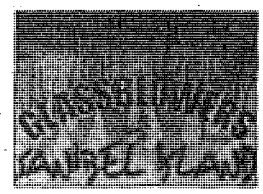
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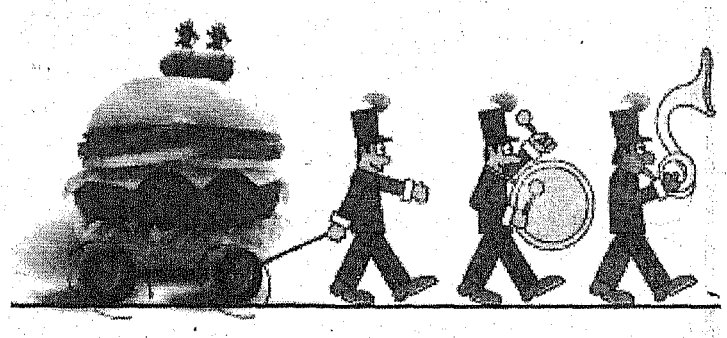
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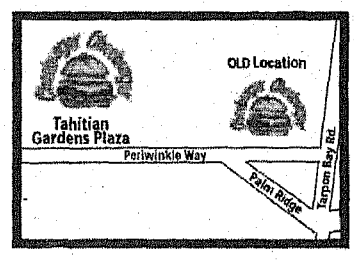
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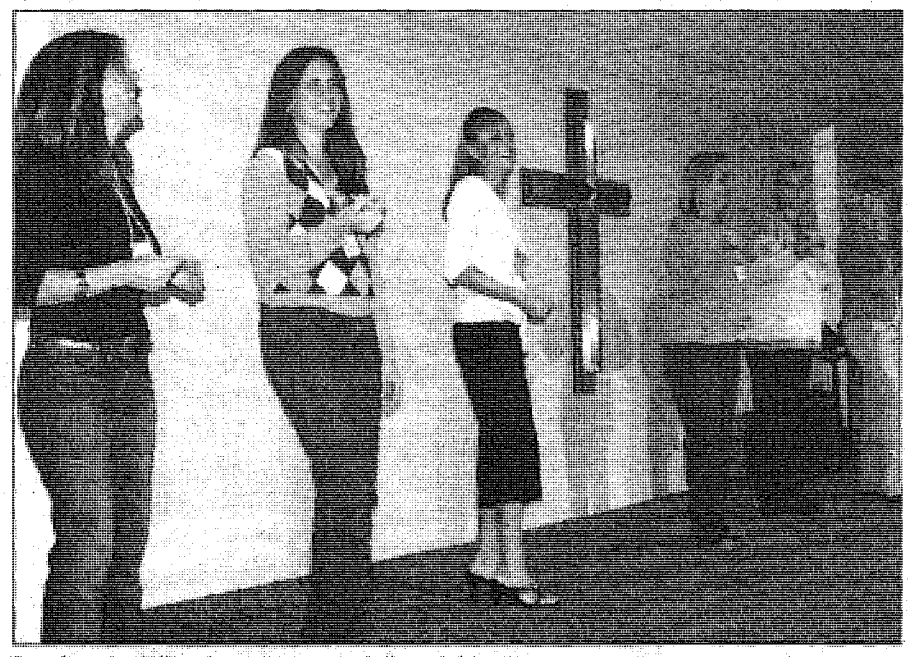


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Teacher Appreciation Night



Teachers took the stage on appreciation night



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"She is here; my teacher is here!" There were squeals of delight from the students lined up at the door as the teachers arrived at Sanibel Community Church for LOGOS Teacher Appreciation Night. "Please, sit by me" was the chorus as they were ushered to their dinner tables for a yummy dinner prepared by parent and grandparent volunteers.

Twenty teachers from The Sanibel School, Summit Christian School and home schools were treated to dinner, a chance to be introduced on stage by their students and a blessed song by the kids complete with flags.

Some brave teachers were then called to the stage where they were taught dance steps by Dinner Dean Cindy Sitton to a song about Noah. Laughter and applause filled the room as the children watched their teachers perform!! Smiles and words of appreciation were seen and heard as the teachers departed with their baskets filled with gifts. It was a great night at LOGOS. Teachers: "We love and appreciate you. Thank you for all you do for our kids."

The LOGOS program at Sanibel Community Church for students kindergarten through 5th grade is held each Wednesday from 3:30 to 7 p.m. For information or to register your child call 472-2684 ext. 18.

The multi-denominational Community Church is located at 1740 Periwinkle Way, next to Jerry's market.☆

Historical Village Antique Car Show Update

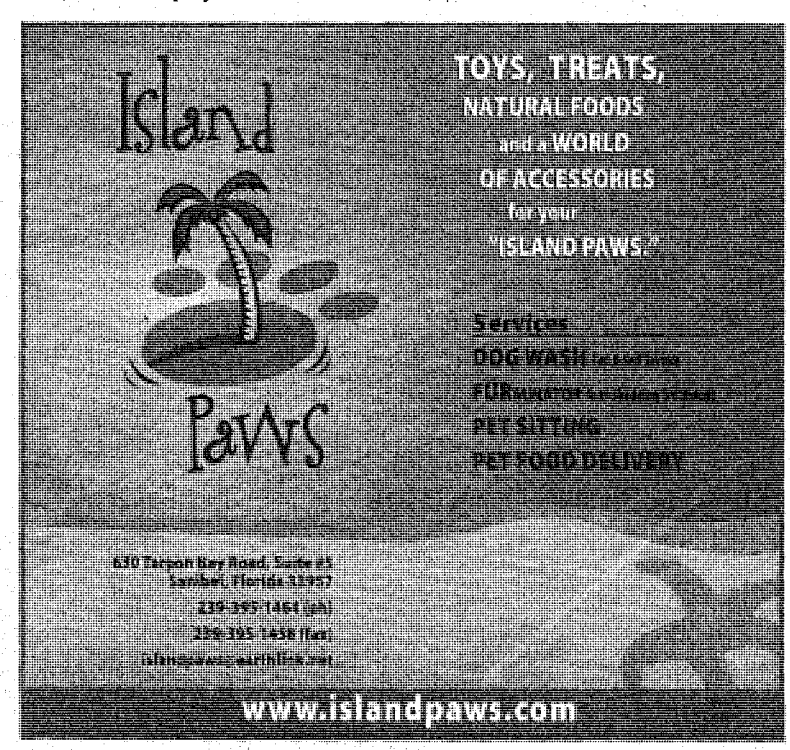
by Jeri Magg

The Rolls-Royce Silver Ghost disappears from show. Because of circumstances beyond our control this car will not be part of the January 20 event.

However 20 other cars, dating back to the early 1920s, will be displayed. One that is sure to interest all car enthusiasts is a 1931 DeSoto convertible. This 75-year-old car was built in this country and exported to Belgium. Bought as a restoration project by an island resident 30 years ago, the little roadster now meanders along the quiet roads of the island.

The Antique Car Show will be held on the grounds of the Sanibel Historical Village and Museum, 950 Dunlop Road from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. There is a $10 admission charge. For information go to www.sanibelmuseum.org or call 472-4648.☆





ENGAGEMENT



Zachary Gagnon and Emily Hammond

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Willis Hammond, Jr. of Fort Myers are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Emily Lucille Hammond of St. Petersburg, Florida, to Zachary Dennis Gagnon of St. Petersburg.

Hammond graduated from the Calvert School and the Friends School, both in Baltimore, Maryland. She is a graduate of Eckerd College in St. Petersburg, where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in human development with a minor in French. She works as a sales assistant for Lazzara Yachts in Tampa. She is the granddaughter of Mr. Charles Willis Hammond, of Towson, Maryland and the late Mrs. Edna Sue Hendry Hammond and the late Mr. and Mrs. James Edward Behrens of Baltimore, Maryland. Her family roots run deep in Lee and Hendry counties. She is a sixth generation member of the Hendry family. Her great-great grandfather, William Marion Hendry, along with his brother, Captain Francis Hendry, were officers of the Confederate Army, defending Fort Myers during the Civil War. Her great grandfather, Henry Asbury Hendry, was one of Fort Myers' earliest mayors, the first clerk of the circuit court in Lee County, and built the first cement sidewalks in Fort Myers.

Gagnon is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Paul Gagnon of Stratham, New Hampshire. He is the grandson of Mrs. Chresoula Kounelas and the late Mr. Anthony Kounelas of Manchester, New Hampshire and the late Mr. and Mrs. Louis Paul Gagnon of Auburn, Maine.

He graduated from St. Thomas Aquinas in Dover, New Hampshire and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Eckerd College, St. Petersburg, in environmental policy. Gagnon works for U.S. Biosystems as a manager of its Brandon, Florida, office.

The couple will be married on June 2 at Mirror Lakes Lyceum old downtown St. Petersburg.☆

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A pot luck is held at a member's home on the third Sunday of each month.
For more information call 395-3112 or email uuislands@comcast.net.☆

Womens Guild Meeting

St. Isabel's Church Womens Guild will hold its monthly meeting on January 22, in St. Isabel's Social Hall.

The event will begin with light refreshments at noon, then at 1 p.m. Demaris Peters Pike will present her program, Women of Note – Hildegard of Bingen: A Feather on the Breath of God.

This program is to be a fundraiser for St. Isabel's Church building fund. A $15 donation is requested.

All members of the guild as well as the general public are invited.

For more information call Carol Buckley, 395-9250.☆

Winter Women's Retreat

Journaling as Personal/Spiritual Growth and Enrichment is the theme for the annual Winter Women's Retreat sponsored by Sanibel Congregation Women in Mission to be held at the Our Lady of Perpetual Help retreat center near Venice, Florida on January 30 through February 1.

Janeen Carrel, PhD, retired clinical psychologist who also holds a graduate degree in theology, is the retreat facilitator. Dr. Carrel uses many different directed writing exercises as doors to self-understanding through the tapping of the unconscious. Dr. Carrel says she finds "the results of directed writing insightful, clarifying, solution-making, surprising, dynamic, and joy-filled."

Reverend Sandra Boler, D. Min, associate minister at Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ, describes the retreat center, owned and operated by the Catholic Diocese of Venice, as "clean and comfortable, the food is outstanding and the natural setting is beautiful." For information or to register contact the church office 472-0497 by Monday, January 22.☆

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Social Justice, Peace and Poverty. Judaism, Christianity and Islam in Dialogue.

Two open series on moral and ethical issues: Next events are at 7 p.m. Monday, January 22 and February 5

January 22 - Peace, poverty, and justice issues. The Rev. Dr. Bernice Powell Jackson is President of the North American Region of the World Council of Churches

February 5 - Rabbi Murray Saltzman, The Rev. Walter Schuman and Karen Ural open a dialogue among the great faiths of Judaism, Christianity and Islam.

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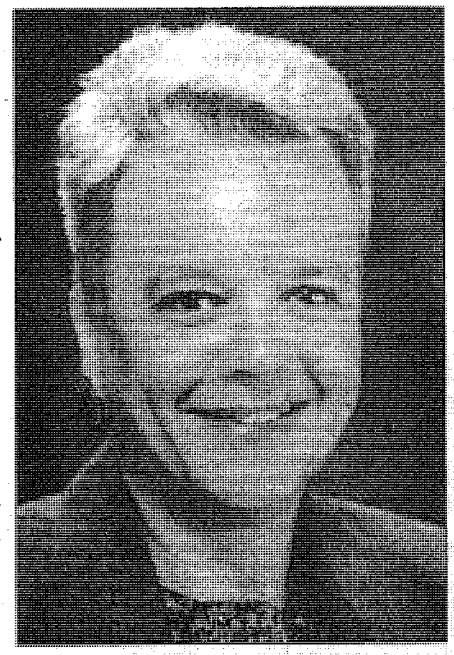
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Reverend To Speak On Sanibel



The Reverend Dr. Bernice Powell-Jackson

The Reverend Dr. Bernice Powell-Jackson, president of the North American Region of the World Council of Churches, speaks at 7 p.m. Monday, January 22 at Saint Michael and All Angels Church, the Episcopal church on Sanibel Island. She addresses critical issues of peace, poverty and social justice.

At the open community lecture she speaks on, "How do we, as people of faith, deal with issues of war and peace, and poverty in the midst of affluence? How do we reconcile the 47 million Americans who have no health insurance with the healing work of Jesus or the increasing lack of affordable housing across the nation with Jesus' message in Matthew 25? How do we work for true security? As people of God, we can work for a different kind of world for our children and grandchildren. Together we will look at the intersection of faith and action. Together we will examine how our faith requires us to work for moral values which can change our broken world."

Powell-Jackson also will address the open Sunday Forum at Saint Michael's on January 21 from 9:10 to 10:10 a.m.

She served formerly as the executive minister for Justice and Witness Ministries of the United Church of Christ and as one of the five officers of the denomination. Justice and Witness Ministries is one of four covenanted ministries of the United Church of Christ and is mandated to work on a wide range of justice issues confronting the church and the world.

She has been an activist on behalf of human and civil rights, women's rights and an advocate for peace with justice around the world for more than three decades. Powell-Jackson also formerly served as the executive director of the United Church of Christ Commission for Racial Justice and prior to that as the executive associate to the president of the 1.4 million-member denomination. She has extensive experience in the non-profit and government worlds, having served for three years as the director of the Bishop Tutu Southern African Refugee Scholarship Fund, where she also was the Archbishop's representative in the U.S. She was also on the staff of New York Governor Hugh Carey and on the communications staff of the National Urban League.

Next in the Community Lecture Series: Monday, February 5, at 7 p.m., Judaism, Christianity, and Islam in Dialogue. It is the objective of that evening's program to examine the roots of conflict and rage and explore the paths that could lead to mutual respect and compassion in the future. Presented by Rabbi Murray Saltzman, The Reverend Walter Schuman (ELCA) and Karen Ural. Moderator is David Bath.✡

OBITUARY

D. PATRICK 'PAT' WELSH

D Patrick 'Pat' Welsh of Sanibel, Florida passed away on December 11, 2006. He was 81 and a 14 year resident of Sanibel retiring there after a long real estate career in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. Pat will always be remembered for his wonderful sense of humor. He dearly loved teaching and playing tennis with his children and grandchildren.

He is survived by his loving wife of 18 years Mary R. Welsh, of Sanibel, Florida; his 5 children; Doug Welsh (Vivian) of Naples, Florida; Win Welsh of St Croix, US Virgin Islands; David Welsh of Swarthmore, Pa; Andy Welsh of Concord, Pa; Jeff Welsh of Media, Pa; Sisters, Peggy Sinclair (Andrew) of Bermuda; Deborah Welsh of Cheyney, Pa; Step children, Beth Gosling (Greg) of Bermuda; Mike Rhodes of Alabama; his eleven grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Those that knew him cared deeply and had great respect for him.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, January 29, 2007 at 2 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Church, 1740 Periwinkle Drive, Sanibel, Florida. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to: Hope Hospice at Shell Point Retirement Community, 15000 Shell Point Boulevard, Ft Myers, Florida, 33908-1637.✡

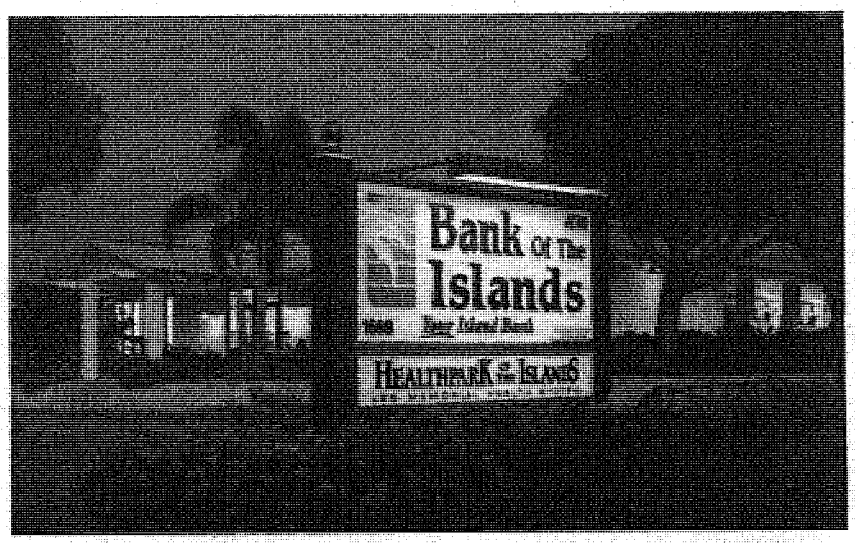
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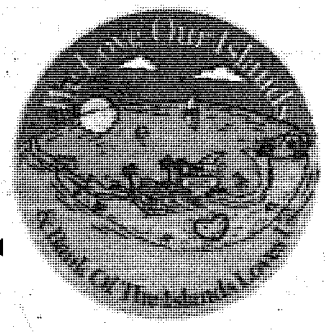
A celebration of the life of Claudia Ann Debien will be held at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, January 29 at Chapel by the Sea on Captiva Island. In lieu of flowers, donation may be sent to The Salvation Army, 10291 McGregor Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33919.

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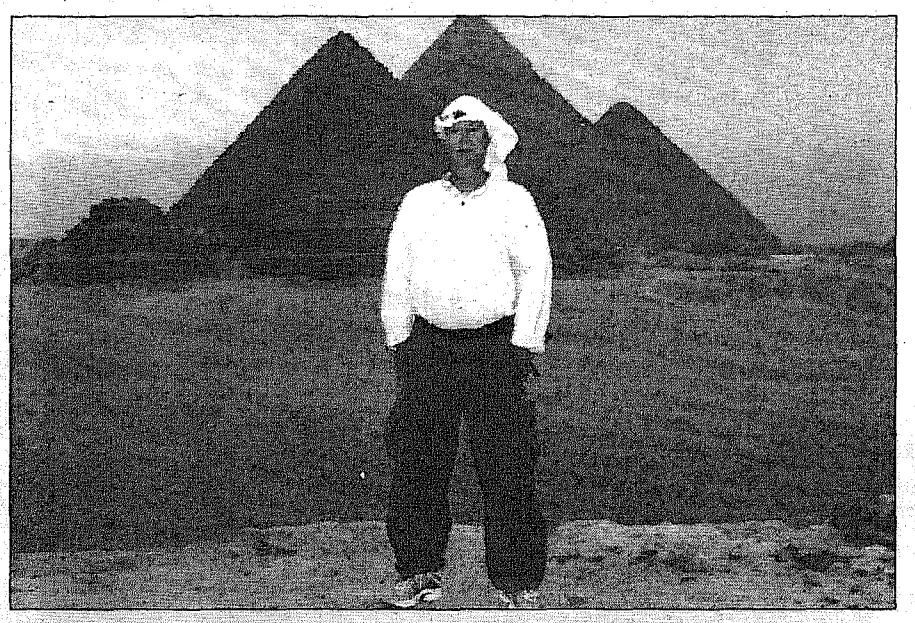
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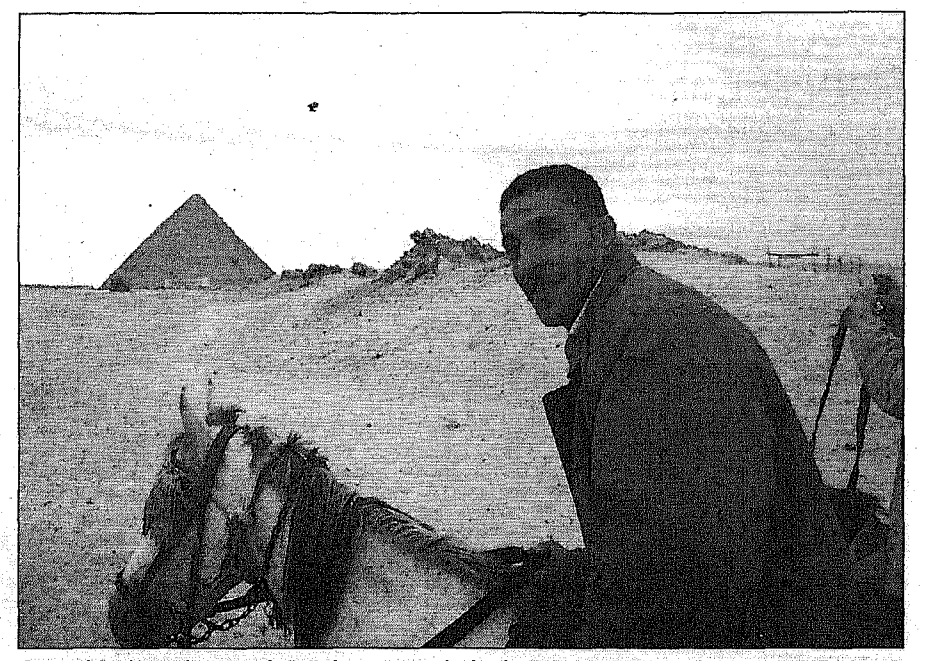
I can't believe I let them do this to me

by Scott Martell

Yesterday, Saturday, I slept all day – a week of travel followed by a busy week working finally caught up to me. Then, just now, I turned on the water and we have water pressure, after several days without! I'm not sure what is normal any more, but God willing we're heading in that direction!

I wanted to let you all know I'm back safe and sound and ready to write up some "news!"

Bad weather caused me to miss my flight in New York City. There was no one at the Egypt Air desk, we were so late. So, I took a room at the Airport Holiday Inn and called Egypt Air the following morning, Tuesday. "Our next flight to Addis Ababa is Friday, sir," the woman said. "Well, you must get me out of here," I requested, begged, cried, cajoled... As it turned out, the flight I missed was repeated that night, Tuesday,



Our guide, Hussein, was definitely a rogue, but a humorous one

but there would indeed be no connection to Ethiopia until Friday night. I knew I'd rather stay in Cairo than New York, so I booked the flight.

Lo and behold, at the hotel I ran into another aid worker from Ethiopia whom I had met on the flight home to the USA before Christmas. She, too, had missed the Egypt Air flight. At JFK we met another woman, an Ethiopian, who had spent the night in Dulles airport, stranded due to weather. In the waiting room we came across a fourth, a young Canadian woman working in Ethiopian development, also trying to get "home" to Addis.

So, at least we had each other through these "trials" of unexpected travel.

Tuesday night and much of Wednesday was spent in the plane, flying direct to Cairo. Thursday, we had the chance to explore Cairo by tourist taxi.

I am going to give Cairo another chance, now that I'm a little less naïve. But our Thursday touring day was the most I've ever felt ripped off and abused, commercially, in my life. Oh well, live and learn. I did ride a horse for the first time as an adult, through the pyramids. Our guide, Hussein, was a con artist extraordinaire; but he was also humorous and knew when to back off. So, despite it all, I had a good time.

Egypt Air kept our luggage (and passports!) since we were "in transit." Despite three days to get our luggage into the Ethiopian-bound aircraft, it didn't happen, and three of us had "lost" bags. A week later I have one, but one is still missing. But enough of that, I am home and thus blessed!

With no sleep and with the same clothes I'd been wearing for four days, in Addis I had a wonderful breakfast with my bosses Marta and Deme, and two leaders from a team of Taylor University students heading to Yetebon. Then, I immediately headed out with Haile for Yetebon.

The big news from the beaming Haile, a handsome, mid-20's hip kind of guy, was that he was getting married within the month. He'd had a child out of wedlock and we'd all been praying things would work out with him and the beautiful young country girl. Today, he sports a big engagement ring and an even bigger smile, as does his fiancé.

The other news I learned immediately was that Aschellew's mother had died. Aschellew is one of the three "athletic team" members from our compound and I feel very close to all three. They travel to run serious races and also study diligently to get better than passing marks in our school. Aschellew's mother had been sick a long time and it wasn't uncommon to see him carrying her from place to place, including church.

While I was gone, life certainly didn't stand still... I had to wonder what else had happened that I had missed.

It's hard to describe how it is coming into the compound after being away... the kids jump all over you, with hugs and kisses. It touches you deeply. Later, I went to the dining hall to listen to them practice Amharic Christmas carols they were to perform the next day, Sunday, which was the day Ethiopians celebrate Christmas (January 7). So, I got to celebrate two Christmases, with my two families. God is awesome!

The first week back has been a blur ... I've started some projects I'm excited about, both in my Christian walk and in my Project Mercy teaching. I'm hopeful to start taking distance learning courses for an eventual doctorate in Christian counseling. I'm not sure where that will go but it has been in my heart for a long time. In Cairo, unwinding with one of my new special friends, we began talking of the possible need for counseling aid workers in Africa. God only knows; I'm comfortable he'll reveal what he wants me to do, when he wants me to do it. God bless you all. Scott.☆

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Segways

Her mother, Diane Horton, was at Tuesday's meeting to ask council to ban the Segways. "She never should have been on a Segway in the first place. She didn't meet the (age and weight) requirements," she said.

Some islanders spoke up in favor of the Segways.

"The thing that scares me most on our sidewalks are the bikes," said John Carney. "They drive too fast."

"A lot of this is fear-based," said Rusty Farst. "I think this warrants another year of testing."

Kirkland said he's now "better at what we're doing than 18 months ago." He added, "The Segway is by far the safest piece of equipment I have had" in more than 30 years in the rental business.

Ric Base, executive director of the Sanibel and Captiva Chamber of Commerce, said, "We are talking about restriction of business."

Base said he narrowly avoided hitting a little girl on a bicycle who swerved in front of his car. "Do we stop that? On the other coast there has been a lot of undertow. Do we ban swimming?"

The city provided documentation and correspondence more than an inch thick about Segways. A city survey of other municipalities showed that they are permitted in Mount Dora, St. Petersburg, Miami Beach and St. Augustine and prohibited in Key West. In several other places surveyed, there were no specific regulations.

"None of the... cities reported any problems with Segways," according to the survey.

The new or amended Segway ordinance will have two hearings before the council before it can be passed.☼

No Way For Weigh Station, Or Is There?

by Anne Mitchell

When the new Sanibel Causeway is complete, Sanibel can probably say goodbye to its weigh station on one of the causeway islands.

The Lee County Commission has said it doesn't want the facility on what will be a recreational area.

on the $800,000 a year it nets from overweight trucks coming onto island roads, but as yet doesn't have a location to relocate the weigh station. Sanibel has "critical" need of the money to maintain and repair island roads, said Vice Mayor Mick Denham.

On Tuesday, the city council asked staff to look at new technologies such as a Weigh in Motion device set into the pavement that would eliminate the need for a weigh station.

Council stopped short of asking Vanasse Daylor, landscape architects and planners, to come up with a plan to relocate the weigh station until council knows for sure that the county won't bend. Some council members appeared to think the county commission will reconsider.

Mayor Carla Johnston said at this point "it's a political decision" and only if the county won't agree to keep the weigh station on the causeway "will we move to looking at on-island locations," Johnston said. She doesn't want to use "environmentally sensitive land" on Sanibel.

In other action, the council told staff to draft a letter asking to have input in the county's "value pricing study" which could reduce bridge tolls for drivers crossing the Sanibel Causeway at non-peak times.

The city council is worried that such a plan would further reduce the share of tolls it receives from the county and increase traffic to the island.☼

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This is the first time Rotary has ever asked a speaker to make a return engagement to our podium within a matter of only a few months. Our speaker had an important topic that all club members should be aware and concerned about and an encore presentation was planned so that our club members, who had not returned for the season, would get this information.

Our speaker, Mike Valiquette, from PURRE water coalition came prepared this time with a new slide show and some new information regarding the organization's plan for lobbying efforts in Tallahassee and Washington, DC.

First off, PURRE's slide show will get your attention right away. Pictured are



Mike Valiquette

vivid examples of the state of our troubled waters and beaches. Beaches covered with red algae, canals stagnated with blue/green algae, dead fish floating in the surf, and piles of muck abounding on the beaches. The reason why this is happening, many people have ideas, but there isn't one totally definitive answer. Longtime resident Ralph Woodring had an article recently in the newspapers regarding his experiences and observations of our surrounding waters and the unhealthy state they are currently in. Scientific studies support the need to take action now. PURRE has joined with organizations all over Florida and other states to form a water coalition dedicated to stopping the contamination of our estuaries and bays. PURRE promotes awareness to, not only the general public, but also brings support information to our public officials and government agencies.

Mike has led the way on this one, along with the other founding members of this organization. Taking time out from their personal life, taking time away from their businesses, and dedicating themselves to the number one concern for the future of our surrounding waters. Mike is walking the walk and asks only that we join him. Educate yourself by going to the PURRE Web site www.purre.org, become a PURRE member, become a PURRE volunteer, or make a financial donation to PURRE (a continuing lobbying effort in Tallahassee and Washington, DC, takes a great deal of money and some major recent contributions have been earmarked for that activity and additional monies will always be needed until this problem is corrected).

If you would like additional information regarding Rotary or would like to attend one of our 7 a.m. Friday morning meetings at the Beachview Steakhouse, Par View Drirve, Sanibel; just call Shirley Jewell at 395-1099.✲

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Those Who Oppose Pines Have Their Rights Too

by Anne Mitchell

The draft ordinance that sets rules for removing Australian pines that could damage public infrastructure — while preserving the rights of private property owners to keep them — runs to 13 pages.

After giving the ordinance a second reading Tuesday, Sanibel City Council decided it needed to examine some of the prolific research that's available on these exotic trees before making a decision. It will be on the council agenda January 30 at 9:30 a.m.

While recognizing the rights of pine lovers to keep their trees, they must also recognize the rights of those who feel threatened by them and don't want them seeding on their land.

Periwinkle Park resident Harry VanDeVelde told council that a neighbor's pines are leaning towards his home "in addition to the crap the comes down from these pines and the bullets that hit the roof."

He said, "We have approached the city, the power company and the neighbor and he won't do anything."

Councilman Tom Rothman wants them labeled as an invasive plant in Sanibel's land development code, along with others such as melaleuca and Brazilian pepper.

Rothman flipped through page after page of "sound science" that he said indicates the bad aspects of pines such as their invasive nature, allergic properties and damage to the environment.

He said, "The rest of the island all have to live with the problems they create. What we should be doing is make a decision that is best for all citizens. I don't care if you grow hibiscus because it doesn't cause problems for other people."

John Veenschoten, longtime island resident, said he was "dumbfounded" that council had gone against the advice of its natural resources director, its own vegetation committee, the refuge manager and Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation in allowing pines to remain.

Back in November, Friends of the Pines won the right to keep pines on private property.✲

Hazardous Waste Collection Day

On Saturday, January 27, the City of Sanibel will be hosting a household hazardous waste collection day from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the public works complex, 750 Dunlop Road.

The materials that will be collected include automotive fluids, cleansers, fertilizers, fungicides, herbicides and pesticides, paint (latex or oil), paint remover, paint thinner, pool chemicals, solvents, wood preservatives and electronics.

The items that will not be collected that day include automotive batteries, biological infectious waste, empty paint cans, explosives, fire extinguishers, propane tanks, radioactive waste, and smoke detectors.

Improper disposal of oil-based paints, mineral sprits, pool chemicals, pesticides and other home chemicals can pollute our sensitive Sanibel environment. Sanibel's wetlands would be especially vulnerable if a hurricane related storm surge hit the island.

The city's contractor will dispose of or recycle home chemicals safely and free of charge for Sanibel residents. All products should be brought in their original containers and labeled. Containers should be transported with lids on tight, and leaky containers should be packed in a larger container along with an absorbent material such as newspaper. All containers should be kept in sturdy boxes and kept away from passengers. To package and transport chemicals safely, do not mix chemical together.

Latex paints can be disposed of with your regular garbage as long as the paint is completely dried out. To speed up the drying process, add an absorbent such as sand, kitty litter, or crumbled newspaper that completely absorbs all liquid.

Sanibel residents are urged to properly dispose of your household and hazardous waste before hurricane season begins. For questions or more information, please call the public works department at 472-6397.✲

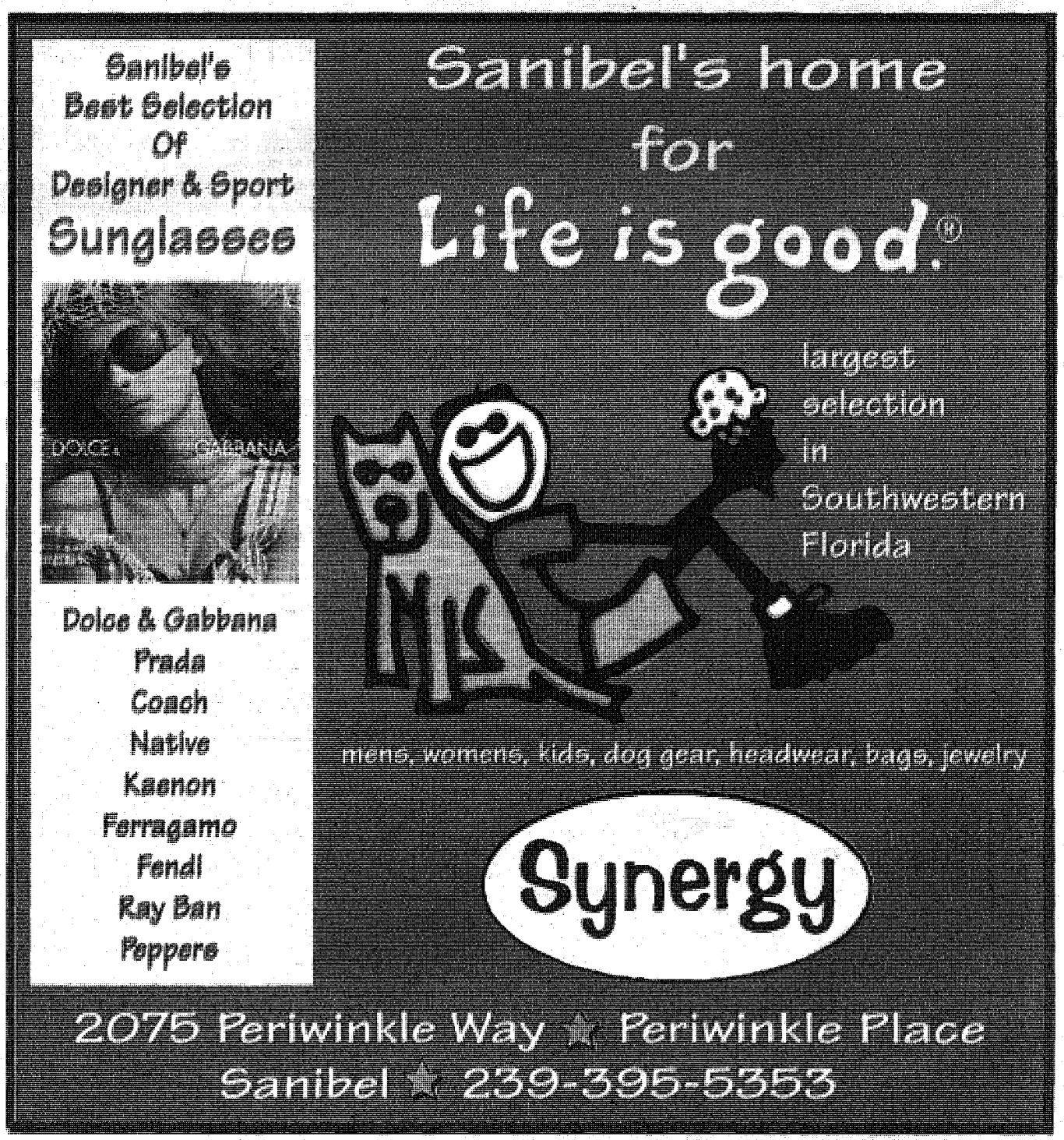
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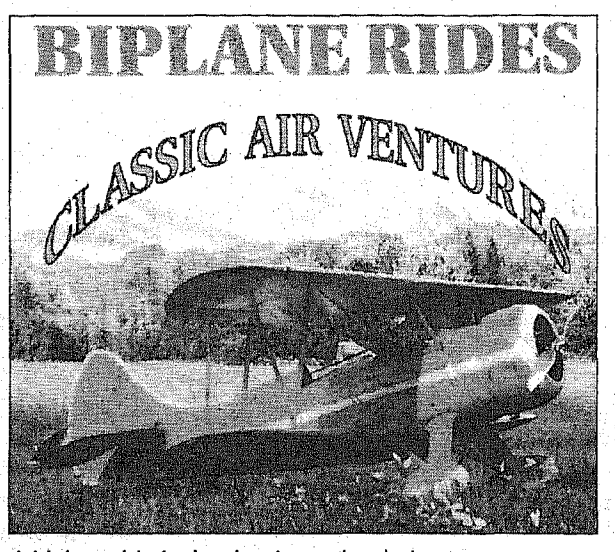




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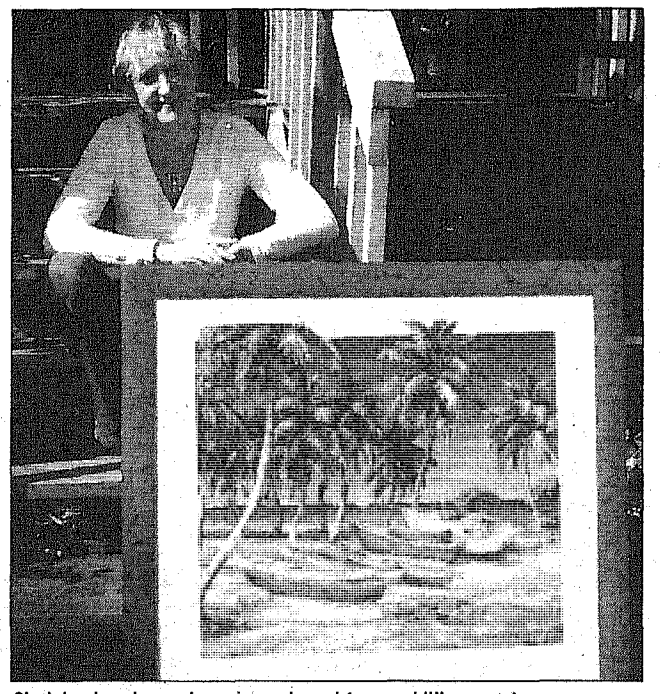
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have allowed Zonta to put together an eclectic selection so that there really is something for everyone. Tickets are $10 each and are now available on the island at Island Nutrition (1633 Periwinkle, next to Bank of the Islands) or from your friendly neighborhood Zontian. Just off-island, tickets are for sale at Island Framing (16731 McGregor). Also, on the day of the Peek at the Unique (March 10) only, tickets will be on sale at The Schoolhouse Theater.

Local artist, Luc Century, has offered an etched glass ice bucket and two wine glasses. Century has been etching glass, stone, bricks and other surfaces for many years. At an early age he was washing windows and when he saw his face in the reflection, he knew that he wanted to put images on glass. The rest, as they say, is history. He works in his home based studio where he had a foot of water after Hurricane Charley. Fortunately his delicate glass art was not damaged. His work can be seen locally at the Sanibel Library, the Shell Museum, donor walls at JN "Ding" Darling and Hope Hospice, the Science Center at FGCU, and a bit further afield at the Florida Museum of Natural History in Gainesville and beyond. You can purchase his etched glass work at the "Ding" Darling gift shop, SCCF, The Shell Museum and Valhalla in Periwinkle Place shopping center. The donated ice bucket and glasses are valued at $350.


Sissi Janku shows her signed and framed lithograph

Sanibel painter Sissi Janku has donated a limited edition, signed framed lithograph called *Remember the Islands*. Janku wanted to be an artist from as early as she can remember. Through moves from Germany where she grew up to Hawaii, California and then Florida, she has seen her artwork evolve from tropical designs – to European architecture – back to tropical themes. Now she finds her work tending toward the abstract with women playing a more prominent part. "(I am) finally at a time, place and mind where I feel free enough to experiment with these personalities. It's so important to refresh myself constantly," said Janku. She works with a palette knife with oil on canvas. She paints in her living room here on Sanibel with muted natural light pouring in through the trees. She sells both the originals and reproduced lithographs which are printed in layers by a specialized photographer. Her work is shown here on the islands at Seaweed Gallery, and in Matlacha, Key West and Orlando. She said she was very pleased to be asked to support Zonta's work. The donated lithograph is valued at $650. Visit her on the Web at www.sissijanku.com.

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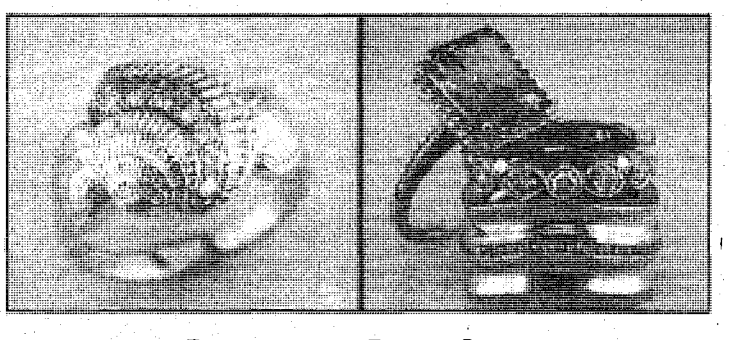
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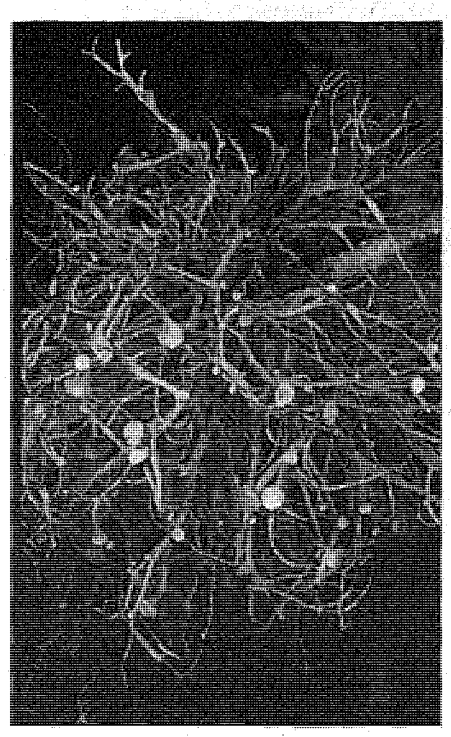
To round out the raffle prize offerings, there is a shopping spree at a variety of local businesses, and a Head-to-Toe Health & Beauty package.

The Chance at the Unique began two years ago as an addition to the wildly popular tour of islands homes, the Peek at The Unique, when three Zontians, Dee Congress, Peggy Newell and Denise McEnroe offered a beautiful pendant, a handmade quilt and a gorgeous painting to be raffled. The next year saw another gift by Congress Jewelers and additions by The Island Weaver, Maria Wohr, Chicos, Adventures in Paradise, and Sanibel Day Spa. Each year, excitement builds until the drawing just after the last bus pulls into The Schoolhouse at the end of the tour on March 10, at 6 p.m. Last year one of the winners had purchased her raffle tickets just five minutes before the drawing.

The ticket line for the always sold-out Peek at the Unique does not open until February 15. Watch for the phone line number in this paper. All donations made to the Six Chances at the Unique and the Peek at the Unique as well as sponsorships of the house tour are tax deductible. Proceeds benefit the Zonta Foundation of Southwest Florida and the charities it supports to improve the status of women in Lee County and around the world.

The Zonta Club of Sanibel-Captiva is a service organization of professional women working together to provide hands-on assistance, advocacy, and funds to strengthen women's lives on the islands, in Lee County, and around the world through Zonta International. Additional information about Zonta is available at www.zontasancap.com.☆

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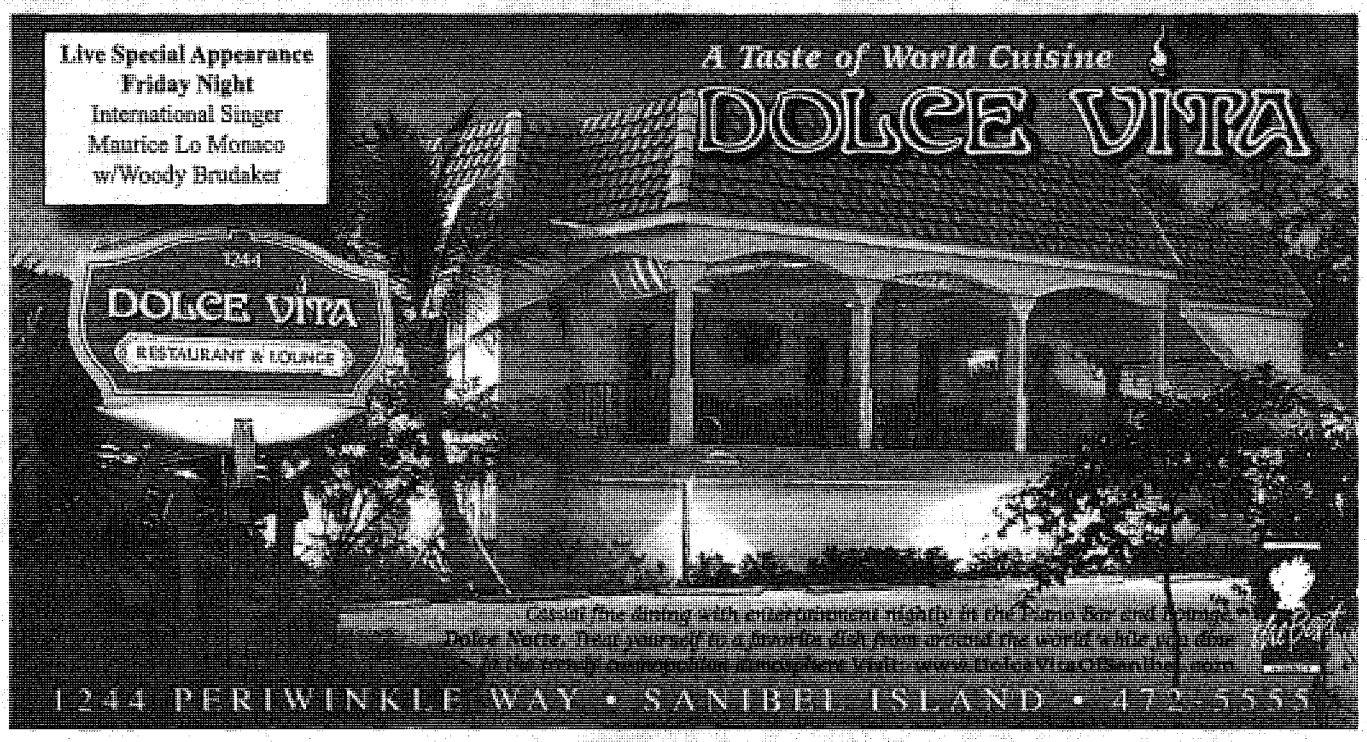
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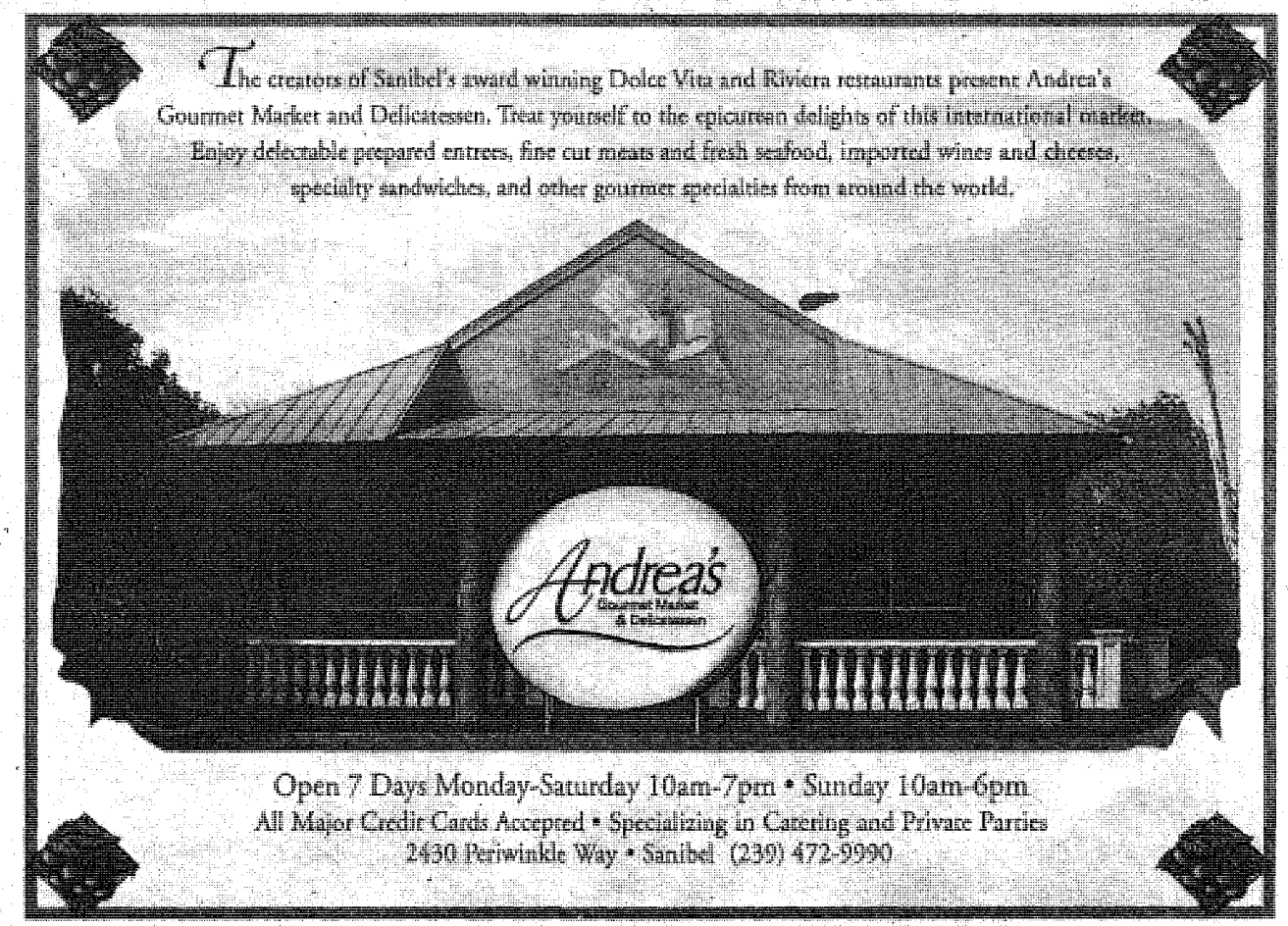
Learn to identify the lichens in your back yard. Gerald Wheeler, PhD, research botanist for the Bell Museum of Natural History at the University of Minnesota, will provide a hands on introduction to Macro Lichens of Sanibel on January 25, at 2 p.m. at The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation auditorium.

All are welcome to attend. A hand lens or magnifying glass will be helpful.

SCCF members may attend free of charge. A $5 fee will be collected from non-members.☆

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Summerlin Road Landscaping



Site of the new overpass at the intersection of Summerlin Road and San Carlos Boulevard — photo by Jim Anderson and Joannat, Inc.

$2 million for just U.S. Highway 41 and Treeline Road projects.

The Summerlin Road widening project is another of their major road projects this year. Crews have been busy on both the widening project and the flyovers scheduled for both San Carlos Boulevard and Gladiolus Drive.

According to Paul Wingard, deputy director of transportation for Lee County DOT, the Summerlin Road project is actually two projects. "The dividing line is Pine Ridge Road (just east of San Carlos Boulevard) so the landscaping from the Sanibel side of the causeway all the way to Pine Ridge Road will be included in the causeway project," Wingard said. "From Pine Ridge Road east to Gladiolus Drive is the widening project and landscaping for that is designed and paid for separately," he added.

Wingard went on to say that the landscaping from Gladiolus to Pine Ridge will have a "more urban" look to it but from that point on it will transition to pick up more of a beach theme.

"We want the approach to the causeway to reflect a beach experience which will get stronger as a visitor crosses the causeway to the islands. We'll probably be using more palms and trees of different varieties further east on Summerlin and then transition to plants that reflect the beach theme as you get closer to the causeway," He said.

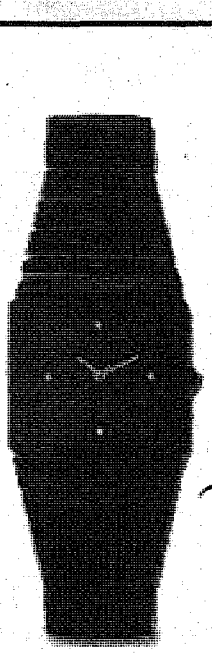
The median will be irrigated all the way to the causeway with bubblers and drip irrigation, Wingard said. "We've learned that during exceptionally dry and hot weather, even xeriscaped median landscaping will die. Bubblers and drip irrigation are low water usage methods and they'll be there if we need them."

Amy Davies, manager of public works operations for the DOT, said a budget has not yet been established for landscaping the causeway project but the Summerlin widening project has a $1.5 million budget.

"Until we get actual estimates we won't know how much we'll have to spend on it," she said. Davies also said that the money from the causeway financing only covers landscaping to about 500 feet east of the tollgate. Anything from that point would have to come from the general fund. She said that they won't have a landscape budget for the causeway project for another three months

Project Engineer Mike Rigsby, who has responsibility for the Summerlin widening project, said that the section of Summerlin Road between Gladiolus and Pine Ridge will have "no frills" landscaping, what he referred to as "core level" plantings. "We'll be using indigenous plants but there won't be any enhancements," he said.

The $40 million widening project is expected to be completed before summer. The flyover at Gladiolus will be open in March and the San Carlos flyover in May.☼



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Classes are being held on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:45 p.m., in the meeting room at the Sanibel Captiva Community Bank, 2475 Library Way. The class fee is $9 ($5 students) and refreshments are served. You can attend every week or just drop in as your schedule allows. This is an introductory level class and everyone is welcome. For more information call JoAnn at 567-9739, or just show up.☼

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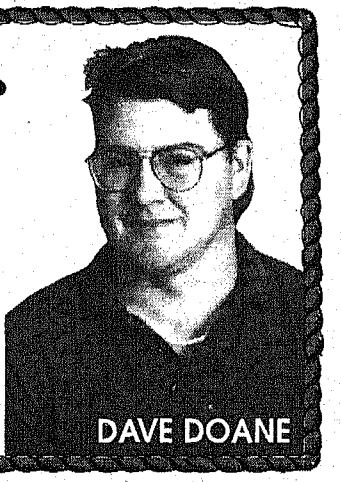
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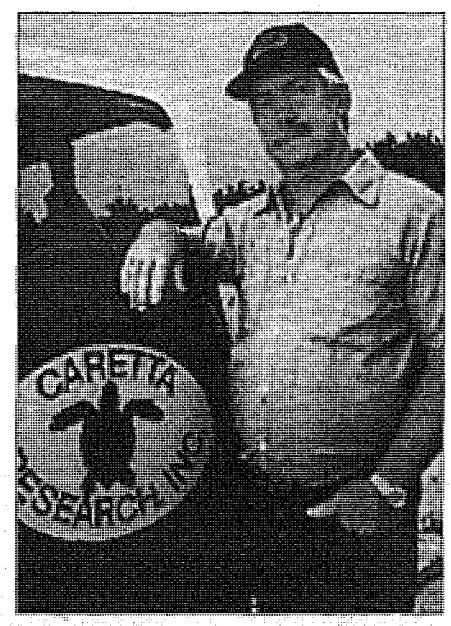
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Charles LeBuff Returning

On Thursday evening, January 25, at the new start time of 7:30 p.m., the Sanibel Captiva Audubon Society will host a lecture presented by longtime Sanibel resident and author Charles Lebuff. The program, entitled Sanibel, the Sanctuary Island-1880 to 1980, will feature LeBuff's astute recollections of a variety of historical and wildlife oriented subjects from Sanibel's colorful past.

LeBuff has been a resident of Lee County since 1952. He lived permanently on Sanibel Island with his Bonita Springs-born wife, Jean, for over 47 years. During his time on Sanibel he completed a 32-year career as a wildlife technician with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at "Ding" Darling Wildlife Refuge, retiring in 1990. During his federal tenure he and his family lived at the Sanibel Lighthouse for nearly 22 years. He was the last lighthouse resident to work on the still functioning 120-year-old historic landmark as an assistant lighthouse keeper. In 1968, as an avocation he formed a loggerhead sea turtle conservation organization known as Caretta Research. By mid 1970 this organization included all loggerhead turtle nesting beaches along the Florida Gulf Coast. Today's successful sea turtle conservation efforts in the region evolved from LeBuff's pioneering work.

LeBuff was president of the San-Cap Audubon from 1961 to 1963 and was elected as a charter member of the



Charles LeBuff

Sanibel City Council where he served as a councilman from 1974 to 1980. He is a consultant and is widely published in the sea turtle field and is also the author of four books. The most recent of these are *Sanybel Light* and *The Calusan*. The latter, published in January 2004, is an intriguing historical novel in which Pine Island Sound, San Carlos Bay, Punta Rassa cowboys and Calusa Indians play an integral role. *The Calusan* will be available for purchase following the presentation as well as a CD and video entitled *Sanybel Before the Causeway*."

The San-Cap Audubon Society is donating all of the proceeds from LeBuff's presentation to the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation in support of its current fund drive. SCCF is raising these funds for two immediate opportunities – the purchase of the very last significant portion of undeveloped frontage along the Sanibel River and the procurement of sensors to support water quality improvement efforts.

This is the fourth of 10 2007 San-Cap Audubon programs held on Thursday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House, 2173 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel. Parking is available at the Community House and across the street at The Schoolhouse Theater parking area. A $4 donation is appreciated. For information call Elaine Jacobson at 395-1878 or go to Audubon's Web site at www.sancapaudubon.org.☼

Caloosahatchee Riverboat Cruises

The Caloosahatchee River Citizens Association/Riverwatch and the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation are launching their next Sunday afternoon riverboat cruise from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. February 4. to explore the historic oxbows of the Old Caloosahatchee.

The cruise leaves the WP Franklin Lock and Dam Park, off SR 80 in Olga. Advance reservations and ticket purchase are required. Cost is $30 per person. Checks must be received in advance. Mail payment to CRCA, c/o Manatee World, 5605 Palm Beach Boulevard, Fort Myers, FL 33905. To reserve a spot call 693-1434.

This is an opportunity to learn about the Caloosahatchee and its colorful history under the expert guidance of Rae Ann Wessel, scientist, conservationist and river advocate.

Riverwatch is a non-profit organization dedicated to the protection of the Caloosahatchee River and its watershed, through education and promotion of responsible use and enjoyment by all people. For information, view the Riverwatch Web site at www.crca.caloosahatchee.org.

The Caloosahatchee was named the #7 Most Endangered River for 2006 by American Rivers due to water quality concerns.

The Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the preservation of natural resources and wildlife habitat on and around the Sanibel/Captiva barrier islands. For information, see their Web site at www.sccf.org.☼

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Red Mangrove A Live-Bearing Tree



by J. Bruce Neill, PhD

I last talked about the importance of mangroves as providers of energy to marine food webs. Today, I want to look in a little more detail at the biology of one of our mangrove species, the red mangrove.

Mangroves are an interesting group of trees. There are about 40 species of mangroves world-wide; they are restricted to tropical and sub-tropical regions, and they are not closely related to one another. What binds them is the shared ability to thrive in similar environmental conditions, namely coastal intertidal zones. And, they are extremely important components of these ecosystems.

On Sanibel, there are four species of mangrove trees. They are the red mangrove, black mangrove, white mangrove and the buttonwood. Yes, those very common and somewhat upland buttonwood trees are often considered to be mangroves.

Today, I want to focus on the red mangrove (*Rhizophra mangle*). It is perhaps the most easily noticed, and distinguished of the mangroves on Sanibel. They are easily identified by the presence of long prop roots which originate high up on the trunk of the tree. They usually are the most seaward mangrove, and their bark is typically reddish in color. Adjacent to the water, they are usually the prominent mangrove species and become less dominant as they mix with black and white mangrove trees moving inland.

Their roots are very distinctive and very functional. They provide the tree support and anchor it in mud that has very little, or no oxygen. The roots also provide a complex structural habitat which houses numerous plant and animal species.

But the point that I want to make today is about the reproduction of red mangroves. They do something very uncommon in the plant world – they exhibit vivipary. One of many great biological terms, vivipary is a condition whereby an (usually female) organism produces live offspring. So, red mangroves produce live offspring! They flower, usually in the late spring, having small pale-yellow flowers. They are thought to be self- or wind-pollinated, and produce a small fruit. The fruit is a leathery, rust-brown berry.

This is where things get interesting. Most fruits contain seeds that drop from the parent tree and are dormant for some period of time; eventually these seeds germinate, becoming a young plant.

On red mangroves, one of the seeds in the fruit germinates and the roots of the developing plant begin to elongate while the fruit is still attached to the parent plant. The seedling continues to elongate until it is between six and 12 inches long and is called a propagule. At that point it drops off the parent plant and can quickly root if it lands in an appropriate place. If not, the propagule can float, tip-up, root-down for up to a year in a dormant state before washing ashore and rooting.

So, the next time you find one of those mangrove "beans" washed ashore, remember that it is a seedling, birthed live from a parent somewhere along a coast, and, maybe, just maybe, on a distant shore (perhaps Africa) that seedling has been afloat for a year, crossed an ocean, and is yet to be touched by human hands.

As Sanibelites, we owe it ourselves to go the ocean often and, there, discover the new treasures left by the last tide.

Dr. Neill is the executive director of the Sanibel Sea School, a Sanibel non-profit foundation promoting marine conservation through experiential education. Visit Sanibelseaschool.org.☆

Refuge Hosts Fakahatchee Strand Biologist

Mike Owen, lead biologist for Fakahatchee Strand Preserve State Park, will make a special guest appearance on Thursday, January 25, at 1 p.m. in the Education Center at Sanibel's JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge.

Owen will talk about the preserve's famous wild orchid populations in conjunction with this year's Sanibel Reads program. It revolves around the nonfiction book *The Orchid Thief*, which is partially set at Fakahatchee Preserve, known as the "Amazon of North America" for its remarkable flora and fauna – 44 species of native orchids, 14 native bromeliads, royal palms, bald cypress, Florida panthers, black bears, and more.

Admission is free to the event, which is sponsored by the "Ding" Darling Wildlife Society, the refuge's non-profit "friends" organization, as part of its 12-week Thursday Afternoon Lecture Series.

Through March, the 1 p.m. lectures will feature authors and personalities such as Don and Lillian Stokes, birding experts, and Dr. Aaron Adams, author of *Fisherman's Coast*. Future events scheduled are listed below:

February 1, Len Messineo, Photographing Florida and Its Birds

February 8, Richard Crossley, The Shorebird Guide

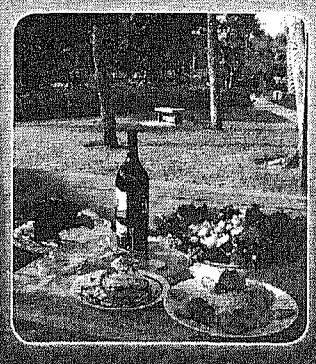
February 15, Don and Lillian Stokes, Birding with Spotting Scopes

February 22, Lang Elliot, The Songs of Insects

March 1, Dr. Aaron Adams, Fisherman's Coast

March 8, Rob Jess, The State of the Refuge

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Plant Smart: Morning Glory

by Gerri Reaves

Beach morning glory (*Ipomoea imperati*) is an incredibly resilient vine that will endure wind, salt spray, and the hottest sun. It is highly drought tolerant and will not need irrigation once established in the landscape.

It is one of several morning-glories found in Florida.

Native to coastal sand dunes above the high-water line, it must have full sun and good drainage. Like its relative railroad vine, beach morning glory aids in the prevention of beach erosion.

Sprawling and non-climbing, the fast-growing beach morning glory can reach 50 feet in length.

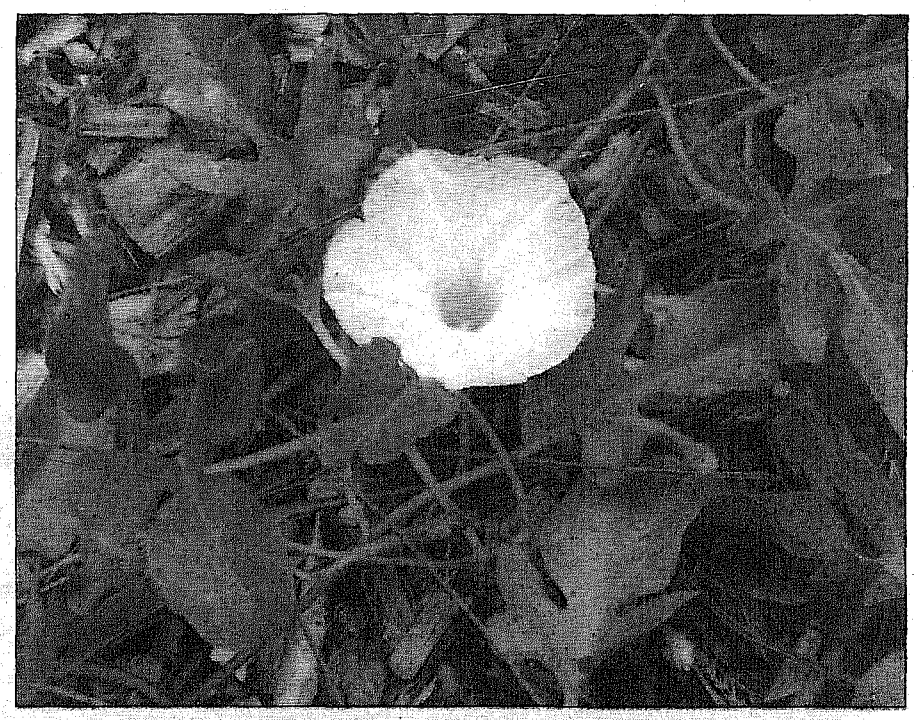
It can form a ground cover of about six inches high, even in landscapes that are too sandy or nutrient-poor to support grass.

This groundcover is also a good choice for gardeners who want to minimize the square footage of high-maintenance grass.

As beach morning glory travels, nodes form roots that stabilize the soil. The vine can even grow on slopes where other plants cannot thrive.



The varying leaf shapes of beach morning glory



Beach morning glory's funnel-shaped brilliant white flower

The funnel-shaped flowers have five lobes and measure up to two inches in both length and width. The brilliant white flowers with yellow centers bloom most of the year, except in winter.

The dark-green, thick leathery leaves vary in formation, from rounded to lobed.

Beach morning glory produces brown half-inch pods containing four seeds.

Propagate beach morning glory with scarified seeds, cuttings, or by division. You can also cultivate an easy-care potted plant with rooted cuttings.

Sources: 2bnthewild.com and *Native Florida Plants* by Robert G. Haehle and Joan Brookwell.

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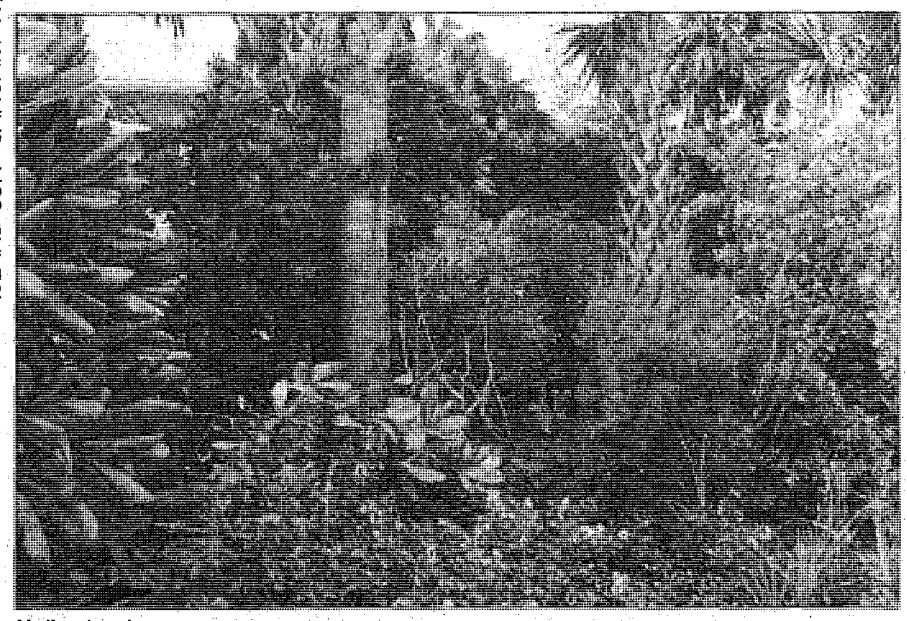
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Native Landscaping And Garden Tour



Native landscape

Thinking of adding more native plants to your landscape to attract birds and butterflies? You are invited to a Designing a Native Landscape class at the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation on Wednesday, January 24 from 10 a.m. to noon. The cost of the class is $5 but is free for foundation members. Call 472-2329 for reservations.

Would you like to see how other people landscape for wildlife with Florida's native plants? Join the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation on Friday, January 26 for a Native Garden Tour. Get some native ideas for your own landscape. Meet at the foundation at 10 a.m. Call the Conservation Foundation at 472-2329 for reservations. The cost is free to foundation members and $5 for non-members. Ask for Dee for more information.✲

Plant A Tree On Arbor Day

Arbor Day in Florida is Friday, January 19, so celebrate by planting your favorite tree. However, there are things to consider before planting. According to the International Society of Arboriculture (ISA) choosing the right tree is the first step.

Because most trees have the potential to outlive the people who planted them, the impact of this decision is long-term. Tree selection should be based on these criteria: the location in which it is to be planted, the correct species for the environment (resilience, hardiness, purpose), and long term maintenance needs.

A local nursery or tree farm should be able to assist in discovering the best tree based on these guidelines.

Before deciding what tree to plant, consider the following questions:

1. Why is the tree being planted?

Do you want the tree to provide shade, fruit or seasonal color, or act as a windbreak or screen? Maybe serve more than one function?

2. What is the size and location of the planting site?

Does the space lend itself to a large, medium or small tree? Are there overhead or below ground wires or utilities in the vicinity? Do you need to consider clearance for sidewalks, patios, or driveways? Are there other trees in the area?

3. What conditions exist?

Is the soil deep, fertile, and well drained, or is it shallow, compacted, and infertile? How much sunlight is available? When is the best time to plant for your region based on weather conditions?

4. What type of maintenance are you willing to provide?

Do you have time to water, fertilize, and prune the newly planted tree until it is established, or will you be relying on your garden or tree service for assistance?

Homeowners who have difficulty answering any of these questions should contact an ISA-certified arborist in their local area for assistance. The arborist will help you to plant the right tree in the right place.

To learn more about tree planting and tree care or to find a certified arborist visit http://www.treesaregood.org..✲

Village Shops Orchid Show

The Village Shops will host an orchid show on January 19, 20 and 21.

Marilyn's Orchids of Fort Myers will have a wide selection of orchids available at various prices. Representatives will be on hand to answer questions on orchids to be repotted

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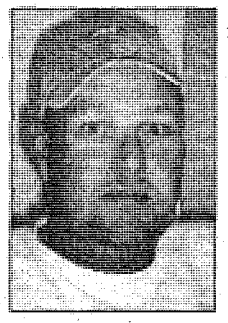
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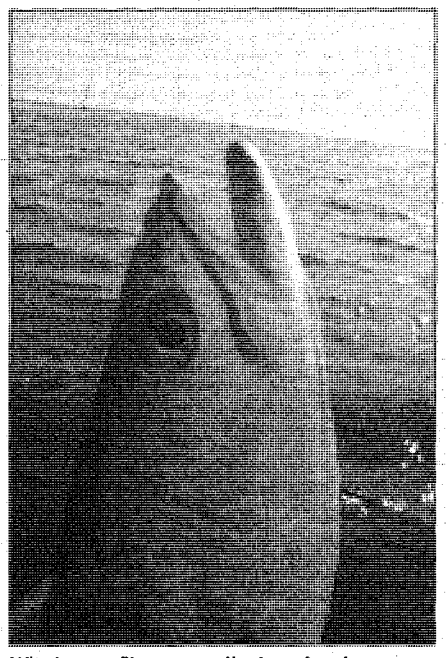


by Capt. Matt Mitchell

Despite windy and colder days most of the week, fishing was good. A few rough wet rides across and around the bay paid off with snook, redfish, trout and sheepshead all feeding well.

Finding good tide movement and deeper water sheltered from the wind was the key to getting on a good bite. Shorelines and creeks with drop-offs and channels from four to six feet seemed to hold the majority of fish caught.

The snook bite was even hot at times despite the colder temperatures. Some spots produced as many as 10 snook with most fish in the 20- to 24-inch range We did manage a few bigger fish to 30 inches all taken on either live shrimp or plastic shrimp jigs bounced really slow across the bottom. A few bigger snook were hooked and lost because we were not able to turn them away from the trees on the light tackle live shrimp rigs. This week was the best week of catch and release snook fishing I have had in more than a month.



What a profile - a spotted seatrout

This time of year you will find lots of species of fish mixed together in the same deeper places. One fishing hole might even produce a slam (trout, snook and redfish) without changing techinique.

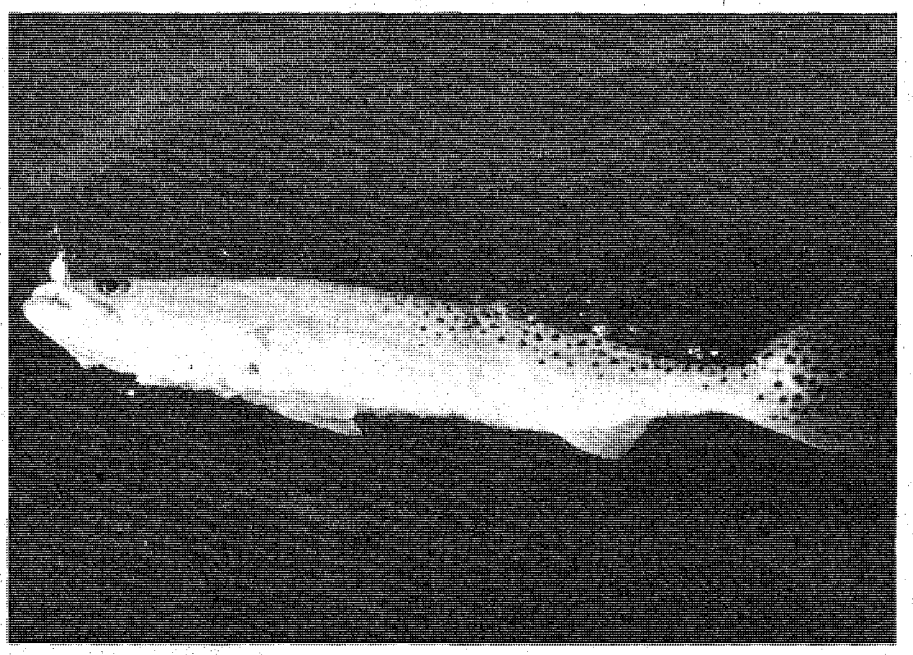
Throwing live shrimp, you never know what the next bite will bring. The smallest little bite which you think is a small sheepshead or snapper picking at and stealing your shrimp might turn out to be that big snook or redfish.

These bigger gamefish feed slower as the water cools. Try letting the bait sit still, giving it a short hop across the bottom once in a while just to make sure it's not hung up. Once you feel a hit or bite wait until the fish finally comes tight on the line. Often the fish will bump the bait multiple times before finally swimming off with it. Avoid the big swing and a miss strike; a little twitch and lift of the rod tip will do the trick. Once the fish starts to run then set the hook a few times with a

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Send Us Your Fish Tales

The *Island Sun* would like to hear from anglers about their catches. Send us details including tackle, bait and weather conditions, date of catch, species and weight, and include photographs with identification. Drop them at the *Island Sun*, 1640 Periwinkle Way, Suite 2, Sanibel, or email to islandsuncity@aol.com; or call Anne Mitchell at 395-1213.



A spotted seatrout is brought to the boat

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Gator Tales

Florida's history of gators and humans is closely intertwined. Learn about these fascinating creatures and what we must do to ensure our safety and their survival on the islands.

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Island-Style Art Auction

Island-style home and garden art generously donated by local artists will be up for auction on February 6 to benefit the intern program of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation. The festivities begin at 5:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House. An open bar and substantial hors d'oeuvres buffet are included in the $20 per person admission price. Get a sneak preview of the items to be sold beginning January 23 at event sponsor Bank of the Islands.

Tuesday, Feb. 6 - 5:30 p.m.

***** Reservations required for some programs. For information or to register, please call the Foundation at 472-2329.***

Also at the Foundation this week:

BIRDING AT THE PRESERVES - Fridays at 8 a.m. - Join experienced birders on weekly outings to SCCF preserves.

BUTTERFLY HOUSE TOURS - Tuesdays at 10 a.m. - Learn about the life cycle and behavior of butterflies.

GUIDED TRAIL WALKS - Mon - Fri at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. - Tour the interior wetlands and mid-island ridges of Sanibel.

TURTLE TRACKS - Thursdays at 9 a.m. - Learn about the sea turtles that nest on our beaches.

WEEDS AND SEEDS - Mondays at 8:45 a.m. - Explore the islands with a group of amateur botanists.

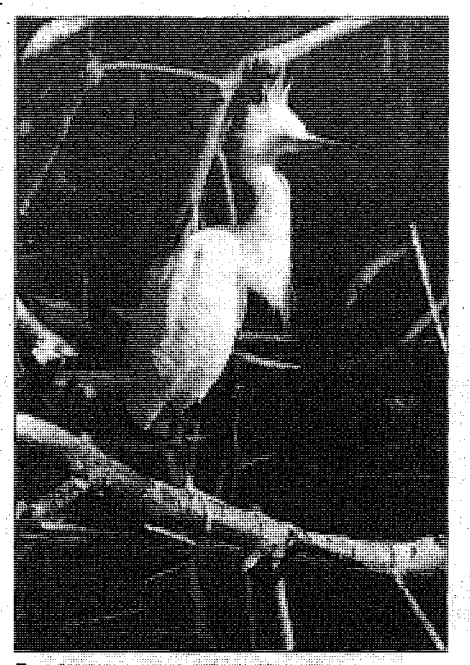
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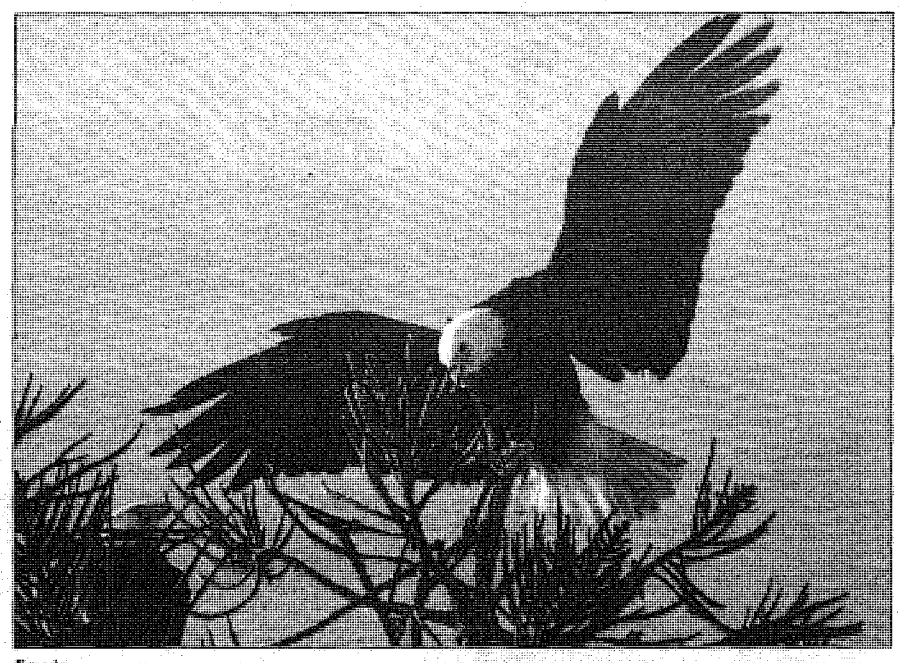
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With time and patience Rich captures many unique moments in her exciting photographs. Be a privileged guest at the mating rituals of a pair of yellow crowned night herons. Then experience the thrill of the hunt as a red-shouldered hawk captures a mangrove snake. Get glimpses of eagles, pig frogs, egrets, alligators and Sanibel's only crocodile going about their daily business in the refuge.

For additional insights and information on the photos, meet photographer Sallie Rich, 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, February 4 in the auditorium.

For information, call JN "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge at 472-1100 or email srichphotos@aol.com.☼

Beautiful Birds Of Bunche Beach

Experience the Beautiful Birds of Bunche Beach with a bird patrol guide Monday, February 19, from 8 a.m to 10 a.m.

Meeting place is the parking lot at Bunche Beach (one of the best birding sites in Lee County), in South Fort Myers, off Summerlin Road. Drive south on John Morris Road until it deadends.

This event is free and provided in cooperation with Lee County Parks & Recreation.

Bring binoculars, sun protection, shoes that can get wet and a bottle of drinking water.☼

Turtle Tracks

The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation is sponsoring Turtle Tracks at the Nature Center at 9 a.m. on Thursday mornings. This interpretive program delves into the life cycle of the sea turtles that nest on the beaches. Participants start at the turtle exhibit and marine touch tank to learn about the life cycle of the loggerhead and then go to a beach site to discuss their nesting habitat and other fascinating marine life. Cost for this program is $5 for adults and free for children; a beach parking fee of $2 per car is necessary at the beach site. The Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation monitors the sea turtle nests on Sanibel and Captiva. If you have questions about the Turtle Tracks program or the sea turtle research program, call the Conservation Foundation's Nature Center at 472-2329.☼

Audubon Bird Walk

All birders are welcome to take part in the Audubon bird walk on January 20 in the Bailey Tract. Meet at 8 a.m in the Bailey Tract parking lot on Tarpon Bay Road. Parking is free. The suggested donation is $2. Call Hugh Verry at 395-3798 for details.☼

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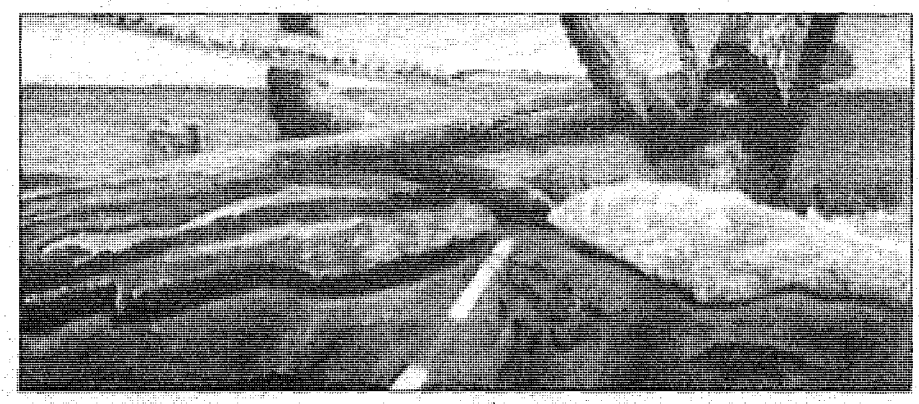
Figurative Exhibit At BIG ARTS



Mark Anderson's *So Clear A Life*



Larry Forgard's *Love Lost at Sunset*



Geoff Hamel's *Let Me Know*



Carl Schwartz with one of his works

The invitational BIG ARTS visual arts exhibit, Working in the Figurative Tradition, will showcase work by Geoff Hamel, Larry Forgard, Mark Anderson, and Carl Schwartz from February 3 through 27 in Phillips Gallery. All are university faculty from the greater Fort Myers area. An artists' reception and fashion show featuring Arlene Richards' Wearable Fabric Art will be held Saturday, February 10 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel.

Geoffrey Hamel's representational work in oil and colored pencil will add breadth, brevity, scope, and integrity to the show. Hamel is an adjunct professor of art at Edison College.

Larry Forgard, a painter and sculptor, uses images that reflect both the figure and its surroundings and incorporate a

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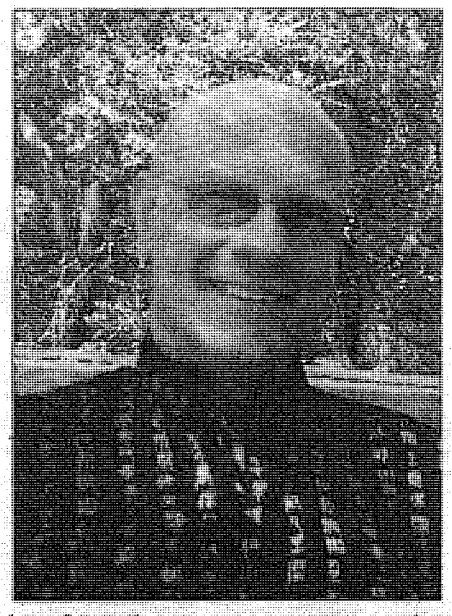
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Exhibit



Larry Forgard

feeling of motion and time. Forgard is a figure-drawing instructor at the Ringling School of Art and Design.

Mark Anderson is a sculptor whose work combines intense realism with rigorous formal design. His sculptures are simple formal arrangements of two elements that interact and generate meaning. Anderson is interim chair of the Fine Arts Department, Ringling School of Art and Design.

Carl Schwartz is a realist, whose works show the influence of abstract expressionism and cubism. Schwartz has taught at both Edison College and at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Gallery hours are 1 to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday. For information about this show, upcoming events at BIG ARTS, to purchase tickets, or to sign up for workshops, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., call 395-0900, email info@bigarts.org, or log on to www.bigarts.org.✡

BIG ARTS Juried Theme Show Award Winners

At a well-attended evening reception in Phillips Gallery Saturday, January 6, the BIG ARTS Juried Theme Show *As I See It* opened with resplendent art from Southwest Florida's finest artists. Electra Stamelos, who served as juror, noted that the theme "provoked many interesting viewpoints, as well it should; some obvious, some not. Some works are included because of unusual shapes, color combinations or uniqueness of expression, or abstract qualities."

The First Place Award of $800 was presented to Janet Mach Dutton for *Kissimmee Stop*; Second Place Award of $400 was given to Carolyn Johns for *All That Glitters*; Third Place Award of $200 went to Lee Ackert for *Fossils and Roots III*.



Award Winners L/R: Patricia St. Cyr, Rita Mach Skoczen, Carolyn Johns, Anne Kittel, Janet Mach Dutton, Lynn Berreitter, Lee Ackert, and Peg Cullen. Anita Putnam and Kathy Ross were unavailable for photo.

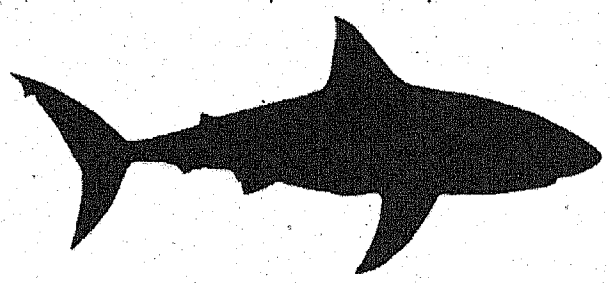
Ms. Stamelos "felt that certain pieces warranted special recognition and accordingly requested these works of art be identified with a Juror's Merit Award." Recipients of that Award were:

Lynn Berreitter, *Incoming Ibis*; Peg Cullen, *The Martyr*; Anne Kittel, *Rouge et Noir*; Anita Putnam, *Stripes*; Kathy Ross, *The Myth to Live By* and *Los Gatos*; Rita Mach Skoczen, *Controls*; and Patricia St. Cyr, *Rapunzel's Tower*.

The exhibit showcases mixed media, painting, sculpture, print-making and photography and is well worth a visit and will be at Phillips Gallery at BIG ARTS until January 31.

Gallery hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. For information about this show, upcoming events at BIG ARTS, to purchase tickets, or to sign up for workshops, stop by BIG ARTS, 900 Dunlop Road, Sanibel, call 395-0900, email info@bigarts.org, or log on to www.bigarts.org.✡

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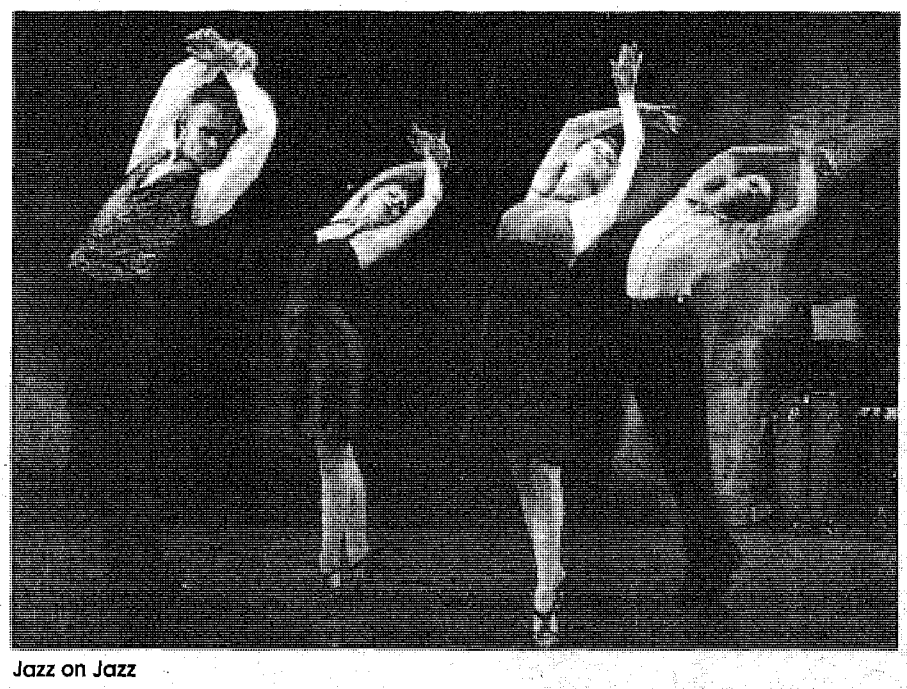
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This concert is sponsored by The Ferguson Foundation.

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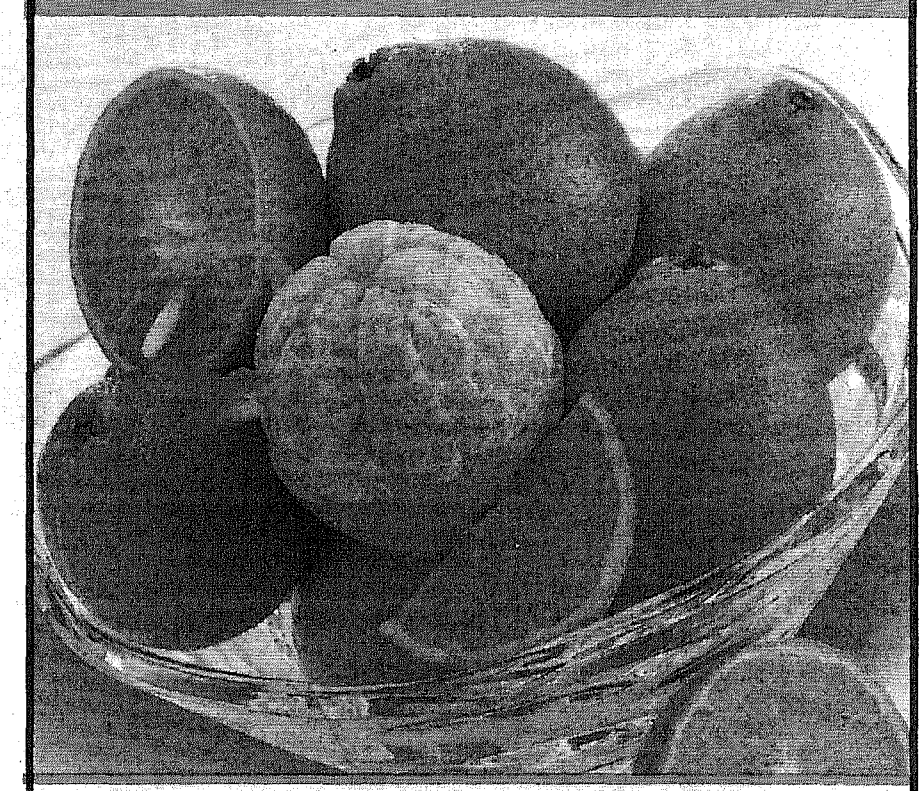
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The Prestigious Takacs Quartet at BIG ARTS

The Takacs Quartet, recognized as one of the world's premiere string quartets, will perform at BIG ARTS on Thursday, January 25, at 8 p.m. The program will include string quartets by Brahms' *Op.51 No.2;* Shostakovich's *No 11;* and Beethoven's *Op.132.*

Now entering its 31st season, the Takacs Quartet has performed repertoire ranging from Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert to Bartok, Britten, Dutilleux, Janacek and Shen in virtually every music capital in North America, Europe, Australia and Japan, as well as a long list of prestigious festivals around the world.

The quartet first received international attention in 1977, winning First Prize and the Critics Prize at the International String Quartet Competition in Evian, France. They have gone on to be winners in many other international venues.

The ensemble is known for its award-winning recordings on the Decca label, including most recently its recording of the complete Beethoven Quartet Cycle which has been awarded a Grammy, two Gramophone Awards, the BBC Music Disc of the Year Award (late quartets), the Classical Brits Award for Ensemble Album of the year (late quartets, the Classical Brits Award for Ensemble Album of the Year, (late quartets) and three Japan Record Academy Chamber Music Awards. Of their performances and recordings the *Cleveland Plain Dealer* wrote "The Takacs might play this repertoire better than any quartet of the past or present." The Takacs Quartet is based in Boulder, Colorado where it has been in residence at the University of Colorado since 1983.



Takacs Quartet

This concert is sponsored by Pat and Calvin Linnemann.

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Lisa Gould puts finishing touches on her original artwork for the surprise mural

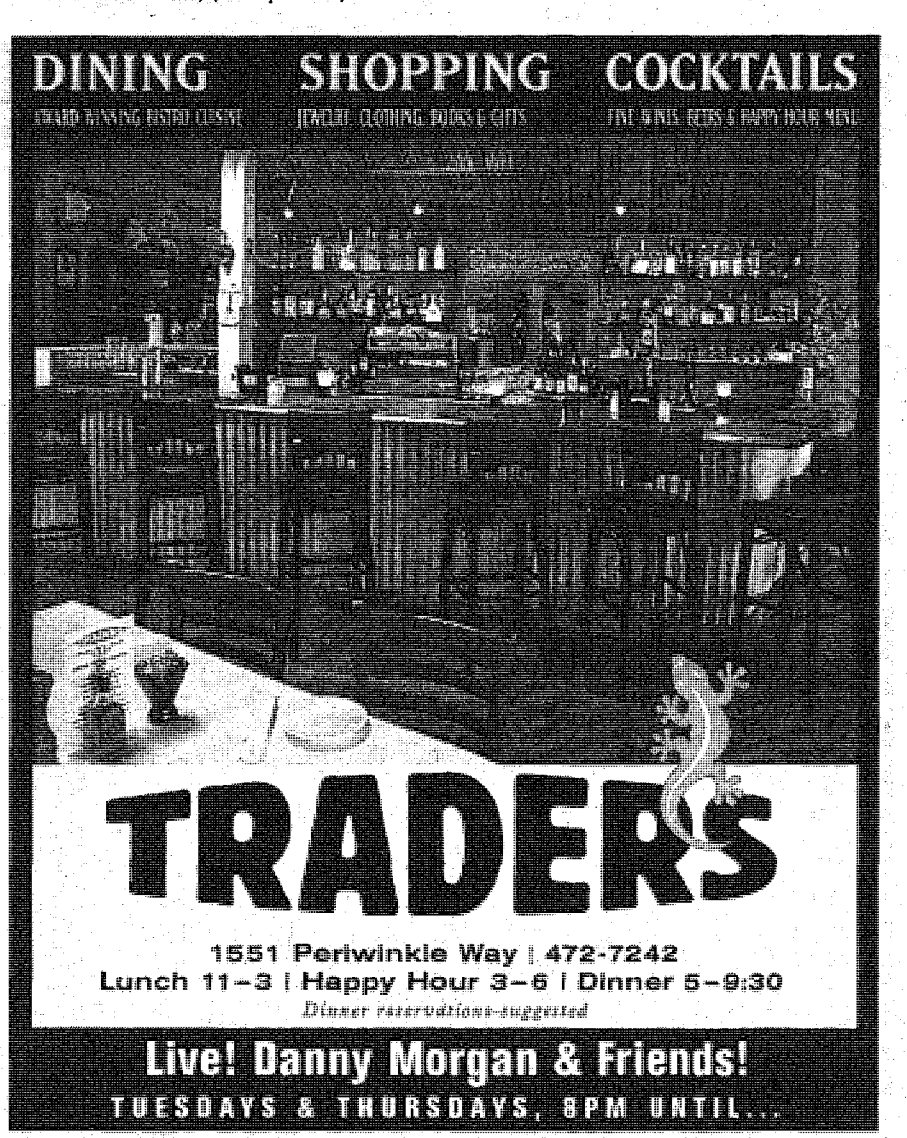
Join BIG ARTS February 3 when ABBA Mania takes the stage – the quartet with live band, backup singers, lights and costumes, recreating the original Abba sound in Schein Hall. Following the concert, join friends and neighbors under the Big Top in the Club Big Disco for libations, a buffet supper catered by the Jacaranda and dancing to the hits of the '70s spun by DJ Bob.

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Live On The Islands

Next Friday, January 26, Sam Bailey will auction off a football autographed by Jason Taylor, Miami Dolphins #99 defensive end, who won the Player of the Year Award.

The bidding will begin at 6 p.m. at **Gasparilla's Grill,** Sanibel.

This ball has been provided by Coach John Gamble, team development for the Dolphins, who has fished Sanibel's waterways for years. Sandy Kostick of IDEAS Event Planning has in turn donated the football to support PURRE (People United to Restore Our Rivers and Estuaries).

Bailey, co-owner of Bailey's General Store, said the community should support PURRE. "This is a very serious problem with the water and it affects every one of us."

The Crow's Nest at 'Tween Waters Inn, Captiva, will feature live entertainment by Vintage Vinyl tonight and Saturday. On Tuesday and Wednesday, John Salamon does the honors. Crab racing will take place on Monday and Thursday.

Eric Malibu of the Reggae Allstars plays Thursdays at the **Blue Giraffe** restaurant in Periwinkle Place, Sanibel. The music begins at 5 p.m. on the boardwalk and 7 p.m. inside the restaurant.

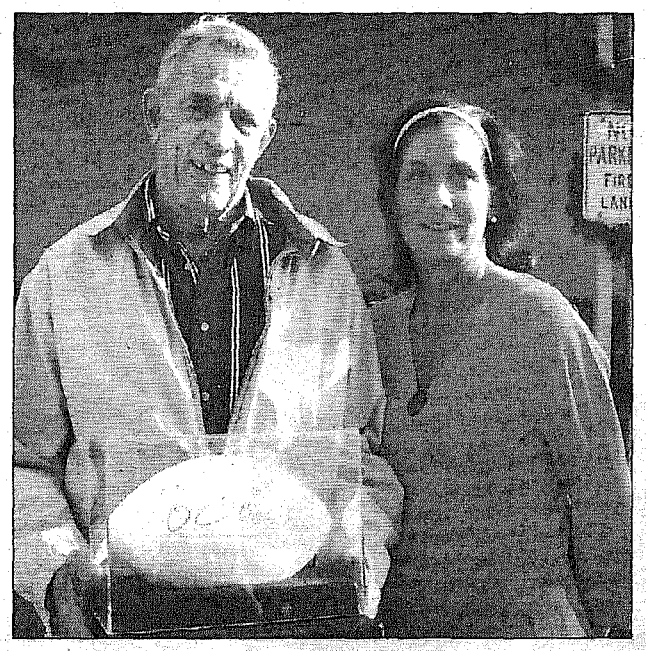
American Legion Post 123 on Sanibel offers live entertainment featuring different bands and musicians every Sunday beginning at 6 p.m. The American Legion is at 4249 Sanibel-Captiva Road.

Dolce Vita Restaurant & Lounge has entertainment seven nights a week for dancing and listening. The restaurant is at 1244 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel.

There's live jazz seven nights a week at at **Ellington's,** 937 East Gulf Drive.

The Jacaranda has entertainment nightly in the Jac Bar.

The Mucky Duck restaurant on Captiva has music nightly on the patio.



Sam Bailey and Sandy Kostick with the signed Miami Dolphins football to be auctioned off

La Brasserie restaurant just off-island at Gulf Points Square, 15660 San Carlos Boulevard, Fort Myers, has entertainment every Tuesday.

ENTERTAINMENT ROUNDUP: *Restaurants and bars, please fax or email Anne Mitchell with your entertainment schedule for the coming week at 395-2299 or islandsuncity@aol.com.*☆

Ribbons Return

by Jane Vos Hogg

This past weekend Park Carvers of Sanibel took more than a dozen ribbons at the Southwest Florida Wood Carving and Turning Exposition held each January in Fort Myers.

One delighted winner noted their mentions far exceeded their usual high numbers.

Some of the entries have joined the carving show presently on display at the Sanibel Public Library. The larger pieces, obviously too big for the traditional cases, have been installed on the second floor balcony. Included in this group are several past as well as present winning artists.

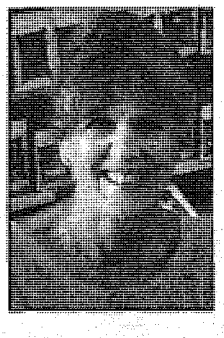
The current display, which continues until February 1st. will have a number of demonstrations and talks integrated into the presentation. As scheduling is finalized events will be listed on the Library's lobby bulletin board.☆

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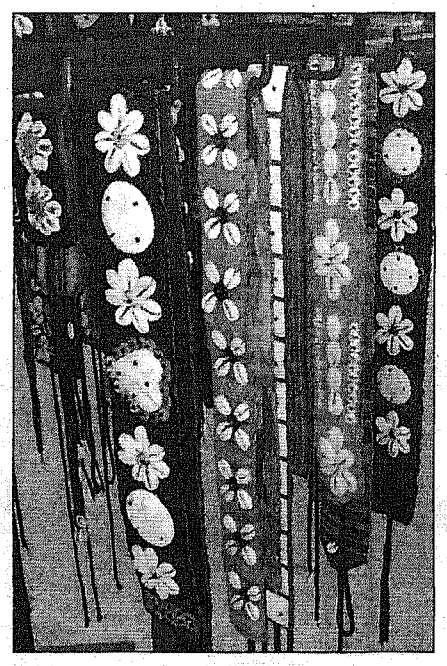
by Anne Mitchell

She Sells Sea Shells is celebrating its 30th anniversary by giving customers a 30 percent discount off any single item. The offer is good at the two Sanibel stores, 1157 Periwinkle Way and 2422 Periwinkle Way.

The store will also donate 30 percent of its January sales to PURRE (People United to Restore our Rivers and Estuaries), a locally-based group.

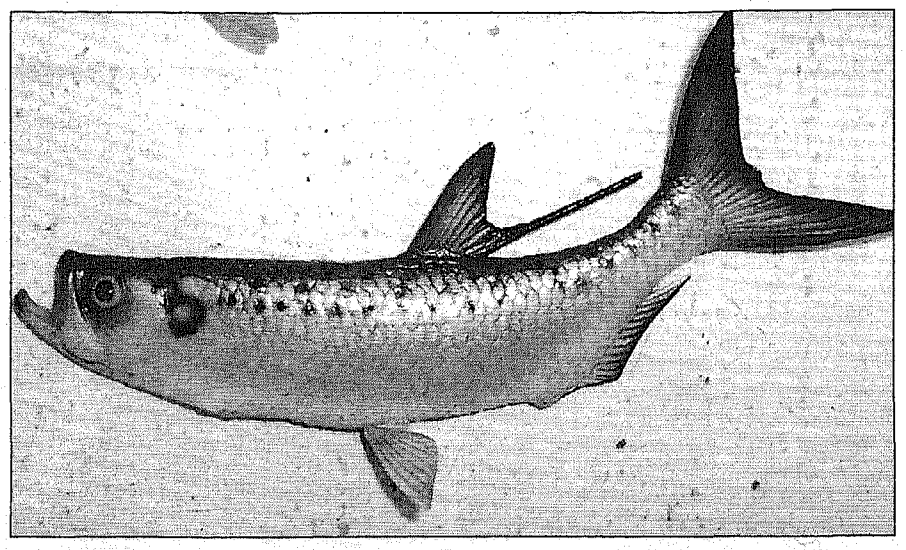
There's much more than seashells about this store, though it is brimming with mollusks of every shape and color from Sanibel and worldwide.

The glass paperweights in the shape of starfish, sand dollars and other shells at just $3 each make great souvenirs and keepsakes.



Shell belts hand made in Bali

Here are some of the items that caught my eye as I browsed the store this week: shell belts hand-made in Bali, $30; acrylic stands for displaying shells, plates, tiles or whatever, for about $4; magnifying shell boxes, $1 to $3; seashell lamp finials, $10; simple necklaces and bracelets made of strung shells, $2 each; bunches of shell flowers, $16; and some great looking refrigerator magnets that are excellent depictions of local fish species, including the tarpon, $4.



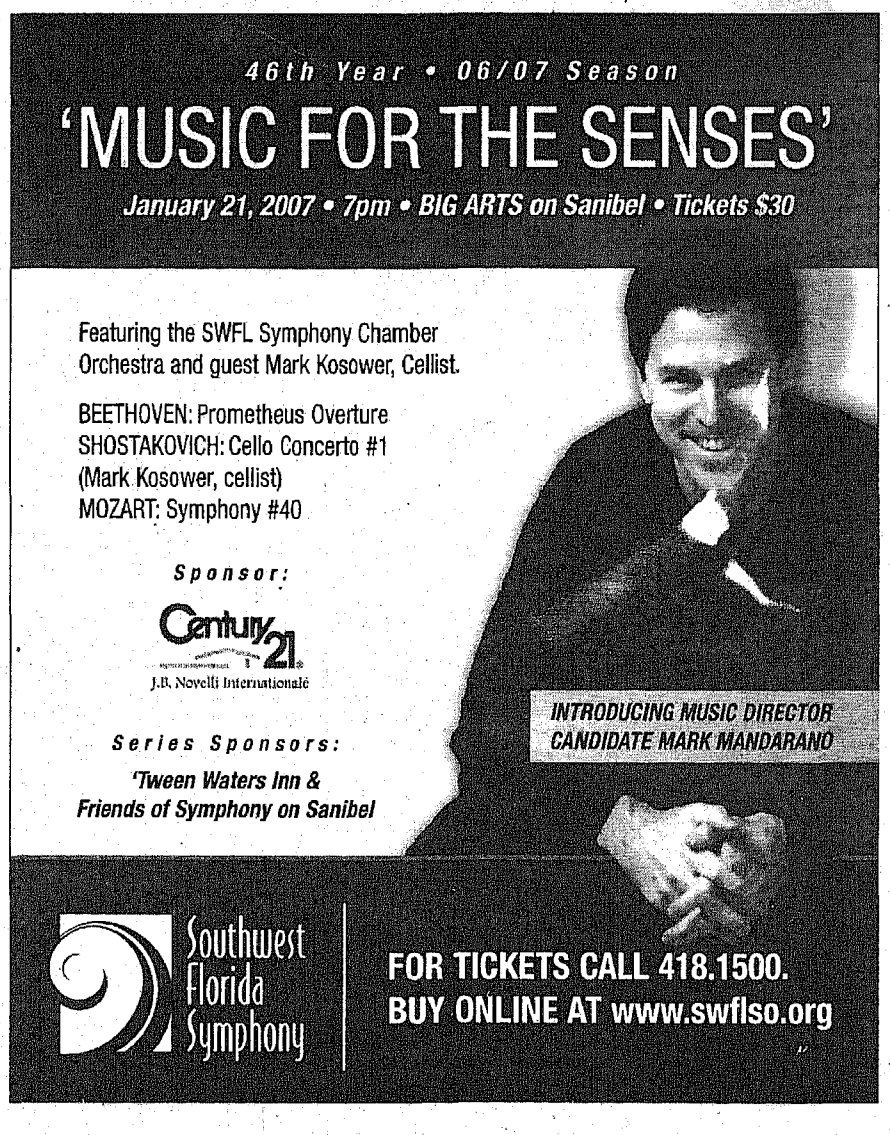
Tarpon refrigerator magnet from She Sells Sea Shells



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You'll also find lots of goofy seashell critters and characters, including some doing the Sanibel Stoop, playing Bingo, fishing and skateboarding. Christmas tree decorations, made by She Sells Sea Shells' own crafters, are sold year round.

The Loretta Paganini School of Cooking is celebrating its 10th year of holding winter cooking classes on Sanibel with A Tropical Cooking Extravaganza at The Jacaranda restaurant Monday, January 29 through Saturday, February 3.

Loretta Paganini will be traveling here from Cleveland, along with Scottish Chef Neil MacKenzie. She says MacKenzie is a favorite with Sanibel audiences.

Also joining her this year will be Italian Chef Roberto Dal Seno. According to Paganini, Dal Seno, 36, is "a new sensation in Italy" and he will bring his fresh take on Italian favorites to America. He is flying in from Italy for the classes.

Paganini said this will be the first time she has held the six-day event at the Jacaranda and she's looking forward to having classes out on the patio and grilling outdoors.

She operates cooking schools in northeast Ohio, one offering professional culinary and pastry training, and one for amateurs who want to learn to cook. She also has a student-run restaurant in Ohio. In addition, Paganini has a cooking school in Italy, near Portofino. She also takes food-lovers on gastronomic tours around France and italy.

The six Sanibel classes are titled The Best of Italy, Fish Ahoy, Tuscan Food & Wines, Sparkling Brunch, Party Appetizers, and Hot off the Grill. The



Loretta Paganini, who is offering cooking classes on Sanibel

cost is $79 per class or $450 for the series. For reservations, call 1-888-748-4063 or log onto www.LPSCinc.com.

Her new cookbook, Our Thyme on the Island: Cooking with Friends on Sanibel, is now available. She said it contains a lot of seafood recipes and dishes contributed by people here who have taken her classes.

Free craft classes continue at **Three Crafty Ladies** on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m. The January 23 class is Rubber Stamping for Everyone, and on January 25, it's Soy Fusion, making paper and fabric from soy silk.

Three Crafty Ladies is at 1620 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel.

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A Special Afternoon Of Music

by Priscilla Friedersdorf

In a musical tribute to a very special ecumenical spirit, two congregations, the Congregational Church and Temple Bat Yam; will join together for a concert on Sunday, January 21, at 4 p.m. at the Sanibel Congregational United Church of Christ.

Lorraine Murphy-Renfroe, soprano, and Douglas Renfroe, bass-baritone, have chosen a variety of music that will appeal to both congregations and other guests. The couple has performed together and separately in many impressive venues: Carnegie Hall, Lincoln Center, Washington Opera, Boston Symphony and the White House, among them. They have performed with Placido Domingo, Beverly Sills, Anna Moffo and Dave Brubeck.

The program will include a reprise of their success at an Israeli performance with Tel Aviv Opera with a medley from *Fiddler On The Roof* in addition to other classical and popular selections.

Each of the Renfroes is respected individually and together for musical excellence which melds the elegance of her lyric soprano with the richness of his bass baritone to present a blend that captures the hearts of their audiences. Among their recordings are Haydn's *Lord Nelson Mass* in Austria and

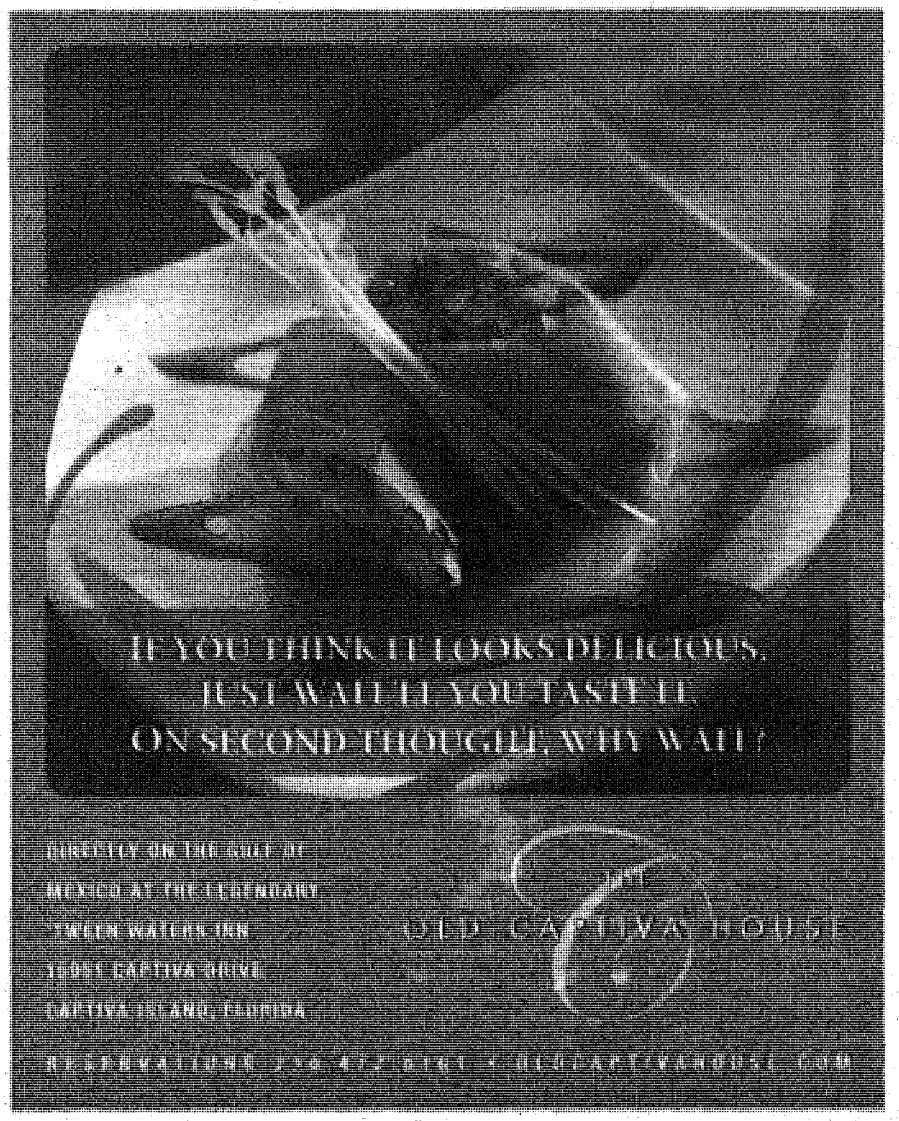


Lorraine Murphy-Renfroe, soprano, and Douglas Renfroe, bass-baritone

Ashira 1'Adonai which includes many religious songs including *The Lord is my Shepherd*, *When You Believe* from *Prince of Egypt* and *Shabbat Shalom*. In this last recording their individual voices are at their most superb in two separate vocal arrangements; Douglas' baritone as he sings *Avinu Malkeinu* and the crystal clarity of Lorraine's exquisite soprano voice and careful phrasing in *The Lord is my Shepherd*.

The Renfroes will be accompanied by renowned organist Robert Reeves.

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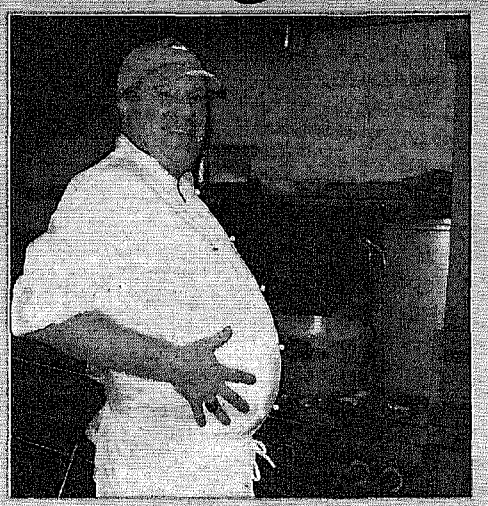
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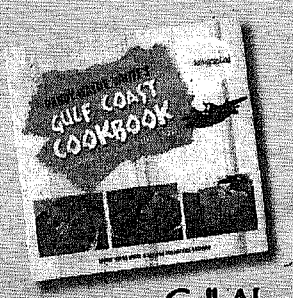
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Iraqi Speaker Questions New Troop Surge

by Max Friedersdorf

Kanan Makiya, an Iraqi intellectual and supporter of the U.S. invasion, questions whether the new troop surge in Iraq can turn around the deteriorating situation.

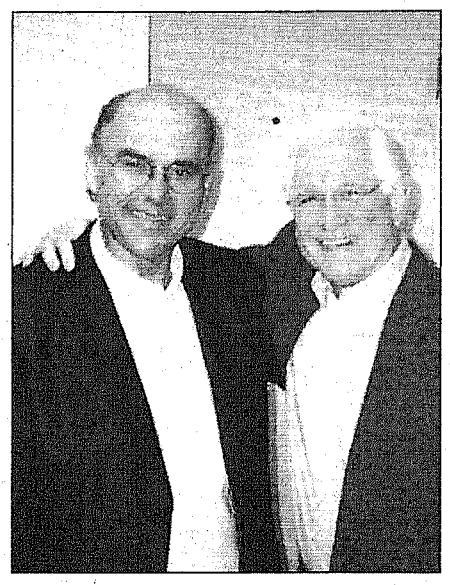
Speaking before a capacity audience at Schein Hall on January 10, Makiya answered "no" when asked a question from the audience if the new American troop commitment could change the situation.

"It might slightly improve the situation in Baghdad, but the president probably thinks the 20,000 number is a figure the public will support, Makiya added.

Makiya's appearance coincidentally occurred on the same evening as the troop announcement, and inaugurated the highly popular 2007 season of the FORUM lecture series of BIG ARTS. This is the fifth season of the series and all nine lectures are sold out.

In his opening remarks, Makiya was highly critical of the manner of the recent execution of Iraq's former leader, Saddam Hussein.

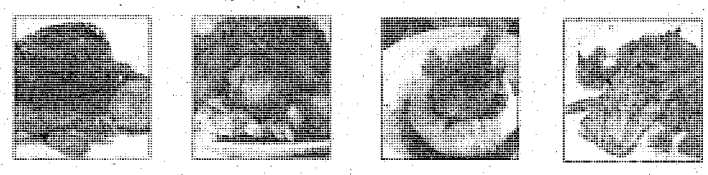
Makiya said the execution was mismanaged, rushed and left taste of retribution and revenge because the present Iraqi Prime Minister Maliki was a member of the organization that attempted the unsuccessful assassination of Saddam.



Iraqi Kanan Makiya (left) addressed the FORUM at BIG ARTS on January 10. Moderator for the event was Dick Wright, FORUM chair.

Despite the execution flaws, Mikiya added, "it was the fairest trial in the region in four decades where no Arab ruler has previously been held accountable; justice was done."

Makiya said that the Shiite majority "had yet to create a strong leadership. They are the majority in government, and are not shouldering the responsibility well. Only the Shiites are in a position to provide this leadership, and have a historical responsibility at this time of transition."


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"Although I am a strong advocate of the American project in Iraq, things have obviously not worked out as I hoped, to put it mildly," Makiya added.

Makiya described the American effort as "a noble venture, badly planned and poorly executed."

"...success is a case of American will. The U.S. has not had enough forces in Iraq for a nation building effort. A force of 130,000 is inadequate for a country of 25 million. It was the strategic error of this war; the will may no longer be there. The U.S. has not really tried," Makiya commented.

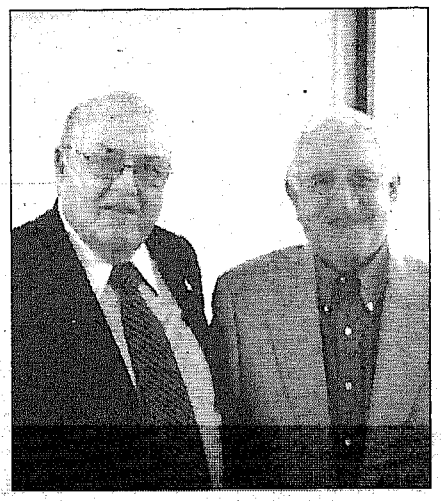
In response to a question, Makiya said the lack of will on the part of the Iraqi people was due to the poor security.

"Looting was widespread; the U.S. Army let that happen. 'This lack of security by the U.S. since its occupation has forced the Iraqis to form their own primal forms of association to secure themselves," Makiya explained.

"Let there be no doubt that the biggest beneficiary of defeat in Iraq will be Iran. The consequences are enormous," Makiya added.

Makiya described himself as a liberal and member of the majority Shiite religious faction. He was born and raised in Iraq. A consultant to the Iraqi Interim Congress, Makiya is presently a professor at Brandeis University.

Makiya was introduced by FORUM chair Dick Wright, and honored together with his wife at a reception following the lecture in Phillips Gallery.☆



Former Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird (left) addressed the FORUM at BIG ARTS on January 14. He was introduced by Dick Wright, FORUM chair.

Laird Urges Firm Policy In Iraq War

by Max Friedersdorf

Former Defense Secretary Melvin R. Laird urged a firm commitment by the Iraqi government in support of the American military effort "or we should not send another soldier."

Laird, speaking before another capacity audience at the FORUM of BIG ARTS in Schein Hall, declared that Iraqi Prime Minister Maliki "is not fulfilling his promise" by supporting the Shiite militiamen.

During his address on January 14, Laird, who served as defense secretary under President Nixon during five years of the Vietnam War, said "You have to tell them (Iraq) that it is more than holding an election and drafting a constitution; this is too big an issue as far as this country is concerned."

In his well-received remarks, the former nine-term congressman from Wisconsin, expressed opposition to engaging in pre-emptive wars.

Laird listed three critieria for a successful foreign policy: maintain a strong economy and military; cultivate your friends and live up to your bi-lateral and multi-lateral treaty agreements, and always show a willingness to negotiate with your adversaries. "If you do this, you will have nothing to fear."

Laird also opposes an immediate withdrawal from Iraq because it would cause "panic in Syria, Jordan and Israel. Iran would put out its tentacles; they have the money and the capability, and are supporting the insurgency."

Laird is currently senior counselor for National and International Affairs for the Reader's Digest Association, and resides in Fort Myers.

He described similarities and differences in Vietnam and Iraq. One of the differences, Laird explained, is that Vietnam had a long nationalistic history and the north and south are now getting along well.

During the question and answer session Laird voiced criticism of Colin Powell, former secretary of state. "We went into Iraq without much support. Powell thought it was wrong but he didn't stand up to the president."

The speaker's topic for the evening was restoring civility to government, and as an example, Laird cited former President Ford as one who believed and practiced civility and cooperation.

In response to another question, Laird recommended that campaign contributions to congressmen and senators should be limited to the district and state of the candidates.

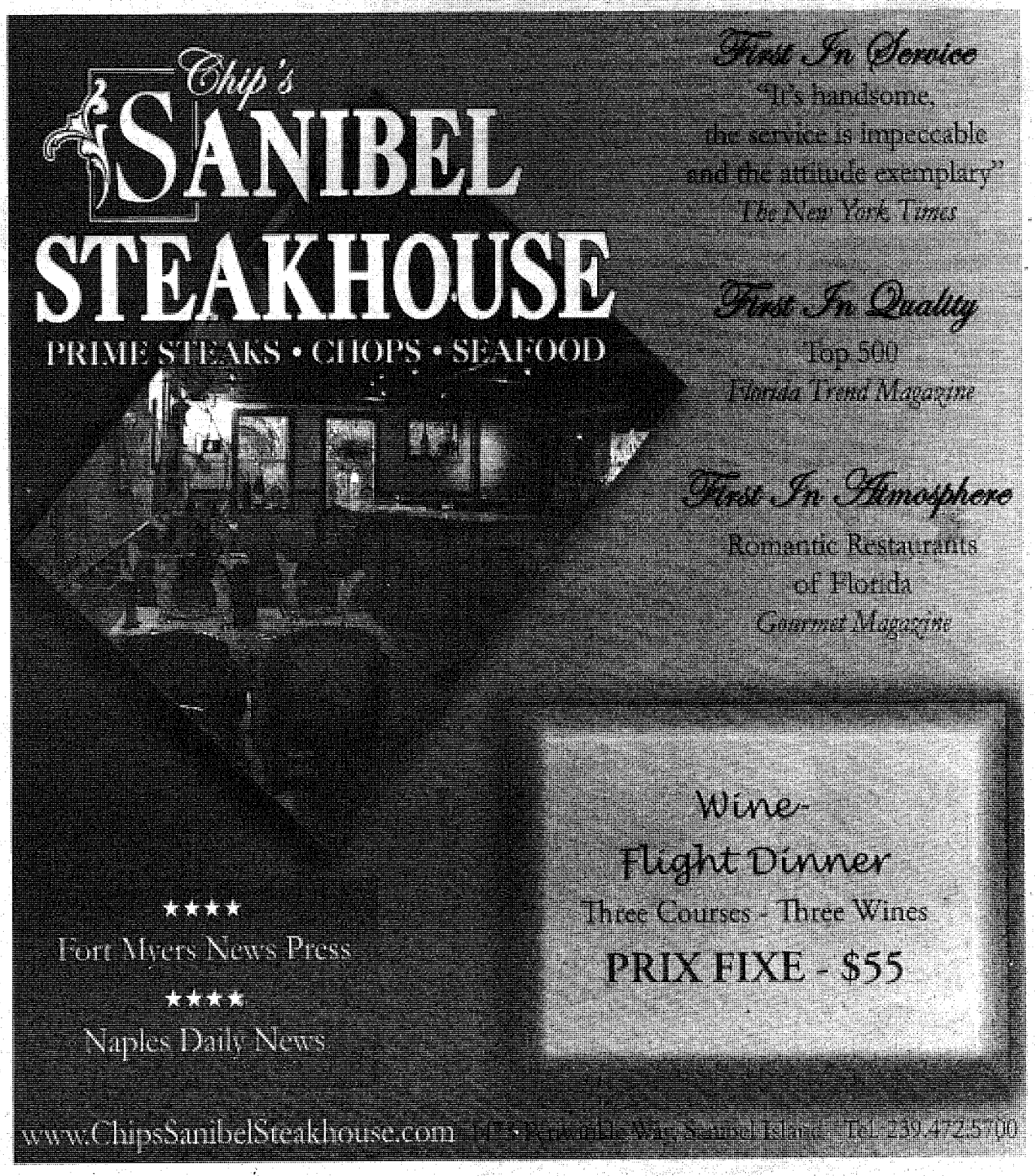
On the question of term limits, Laird said he is opposed because he doesn't believe states or districts should be limited in who they elect. "The only qualification should be citizenship," he added.

Laird was asked how he would rate former Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld, and answered by acknowledging his long friendship with Rumsfeld and his wife. "Jerry Ford and I campaigned for him when he first ran. He was a very bright and very good young congressman," Laird commented.

Asked about posthumous comments by President Ford critical of President Carter, Laird, who served 18 years in Congress with Ford, observed "he changed his mind radically and they became good friends. Carter was a lousy president, but became a fine past president," Laird added.

Laird was introduced by FORUM chair Dick Wright and honored at a reception on the porch.

The next FORUM lecture will be on Friday, January 26, at 5 p.m., featuring the Egyptian Ambassador to the U.S., Nabil Fahmy who will speak on Egypt's Role in the Middle East.☆

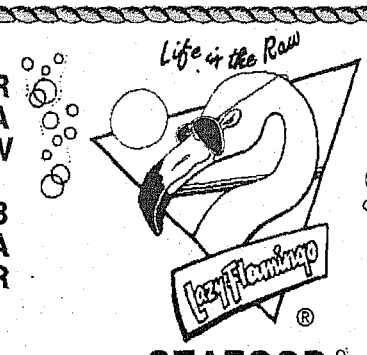


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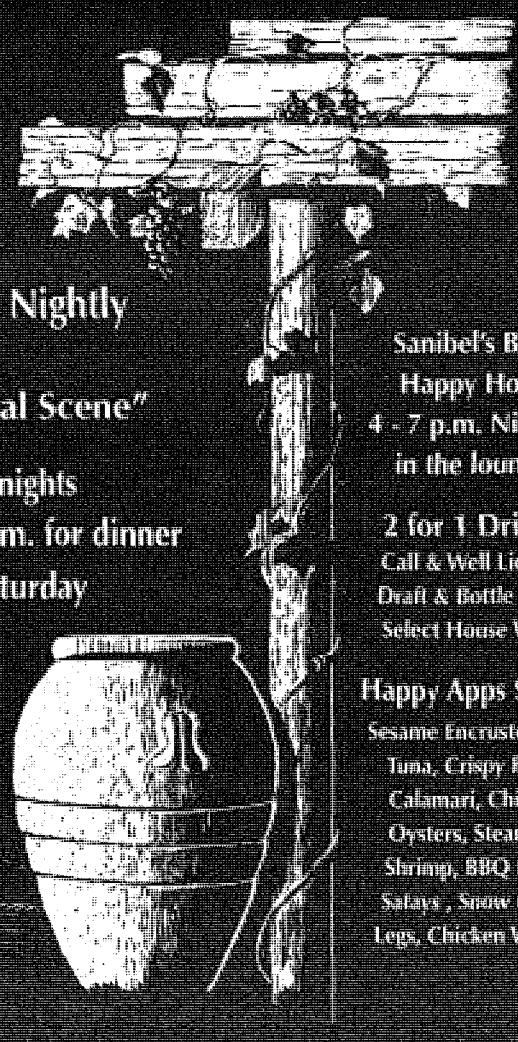
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The Southwest Florida Symphony Youth Orchestra is hosting a Masterclass with 18-year-old violinist Caitlin Tully for all orchestra students in Lee and surrounding counties. The class will take place Saturday, February 3 from 10:15 to 11:30 a.m. at Cypress Lake High Center for the Arts Orchestra classroom in Fort Myers.

Tully will perform with the Southwest Florida Symphony February 2 and 3 at First Assembly Ministries in Fort Myers at 8 p.m. This is an opportunity for students to meet, greet and learn from Tully's experiences as a concert violinist.

Caitlin Tully made her debut with the Vancouver Symphony at the age of ten. Upon hearing her, Yehudi Menuhin said, "She plays with more integrity and maturity than any young violinist I have ever heard!" Tully has performed with major symphonies across North America and has won numerous national and international awards. She is coached by Itzhak Perlman and Jan Sloman.

For more information call Michael Simpson 9 a.m. through 3 p.m., Monday through Friday at 481-2233. For concert tickets, call the symphony box office at 418-1500.

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Caitlin Tully

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A Special Afternoon

Reeves is minister of music at St. Boniface Church in Sarasota. He has appeared as soloist with the Chicago Symphony Chorus and Orchestra, the San Francisco Symphony Chorus and the Illinois Chamber Orchestra. Dr. Reeves was formerly professor of organ, music literature and harpsichord in the School of Music at Northern Illinois University.

Everyone is invited to attend. There is no advance admission or tickets required but donations will be accepted.

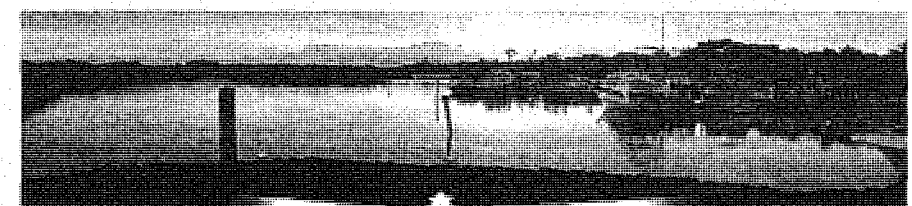
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Eric Pfeifer is a full-time island resident and a Broker-Associate with the VIP Realty Group. In 2005, he won VIP Realty Group's Top Producer Award for all agents in Southwest Florida. Eric is a graduate of Vanderbilt University and also holds licenses in Civil Engineering and Building Construction.

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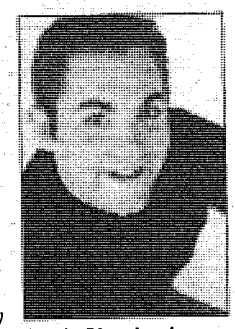
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Mark Ciemiewicz

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Director Seth Reines says, "The most difficult challenge of *My Fair Lady* is the dialect. When you cast them you know if they can sing, but you can't really know the one thing that's the most important part of the show. Can they do the dialect? And most of the cast has to flip-flop from one accent to the other."

Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre has hired Marc Ciemiewicz to be the dialect coach for the production of *My Fair Lady*. Ciemiewicz, who taught accents and dialects at San Diego State University, said, "The vowels used in standard English are completely different than Cockney and it's tough to know when to say something with a soft sound or a hard sound." He urged the actors to read the shampoo bottle in the two accents while they are taking their shower, read newspapers, and talk to their fellow actors in Cockney and standard. "It takes repetition for it to sink in," he says.

Although the entire cast has worked very hard to perfect their accents, Reines says with a laugh, "I suspect if the actors were totally accurate in their Cockney accents, the audience wouldn't be able to understand them."

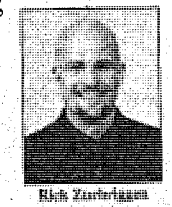
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'Mainely' Romance At Theatre Conspiracy



by DI Saggau

Apparently the way people approach romance in Maine, is different from Florida. That's what makes *Almost, Maine* so enjoyable to see. Almost is the name of the town (actually it's not quite a town) where couples bump into each another in the town bar, a skating rink, laundry room and other locales. In some cases love blooms and in others it breaks apart.

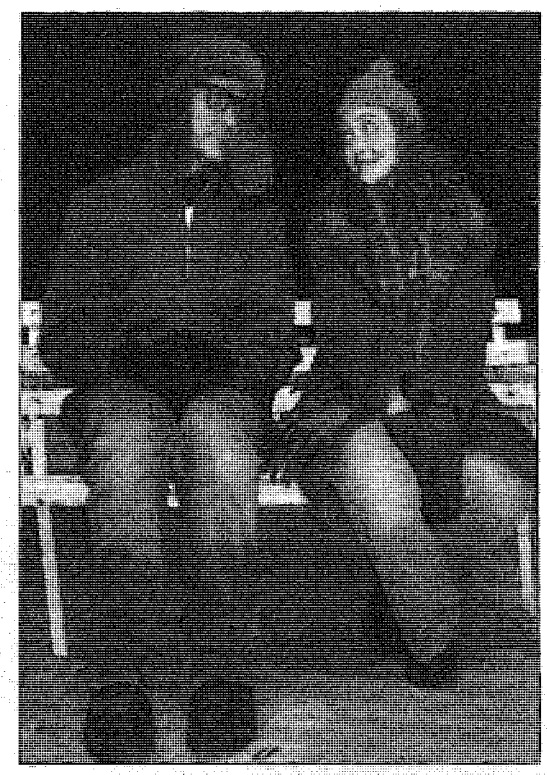
The stage is a lonely landscape of huge snow drifts amid a starry night that plays heavily into the feel of the show. The Northern Lights weave their magic spell throughout. Outdoor scenes find the characters bundled up in warm and somewhat tacky winter apparel. Their hats alone deserve a prize.

Four actors play the roles of 19 diverse characters. I was really impressed by the talent I saw on stage. Rachael Endrizzi, Michael Dunsworth, Annie Wagner and Jessie St. Louis are the stars of this interesting and unique comedy by John Cariani. There are eight scenarios, loosely linked, where couples bare their souls.

In one, a broken heart is nursed back to health and in another, a married couple faces the questionable future of their union. My favorite scene involved Michael Dunsworth as a lovelorn soul with a misspelled tattoo on his wrist. Running into his old girlfriend, played by Rachael Endrizzi, doesn't turn out as he'd like. Dunsworth's facial expressions were marvelous and the feel good ending to the scene was perfect.

One scene deals with a couple meeting in the laundry room of their apartment where she innocently whacks him on the back of the head with an ironing board. It does't hurt because he can't feel pain. As weird as it may sound it was a delightful theatrical experience. In an episode titled *They Fell* two men remind us briefly of *Brokeback Mountain* but in Maine it's *Hedgehog Mountain*. Another theme deals with what happens to love, where does it go? I never saw so much love piled up on one stage. Be sure to pay attention to the lyrics of the carefully selected songs that are heard in between the various settings.

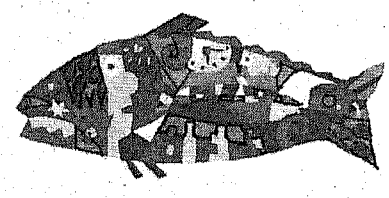
This is a very clever show with wonderful actors and enchanting story lines.



Michael Dunsworth and Rachael Endrizzi are star-crossed lovers

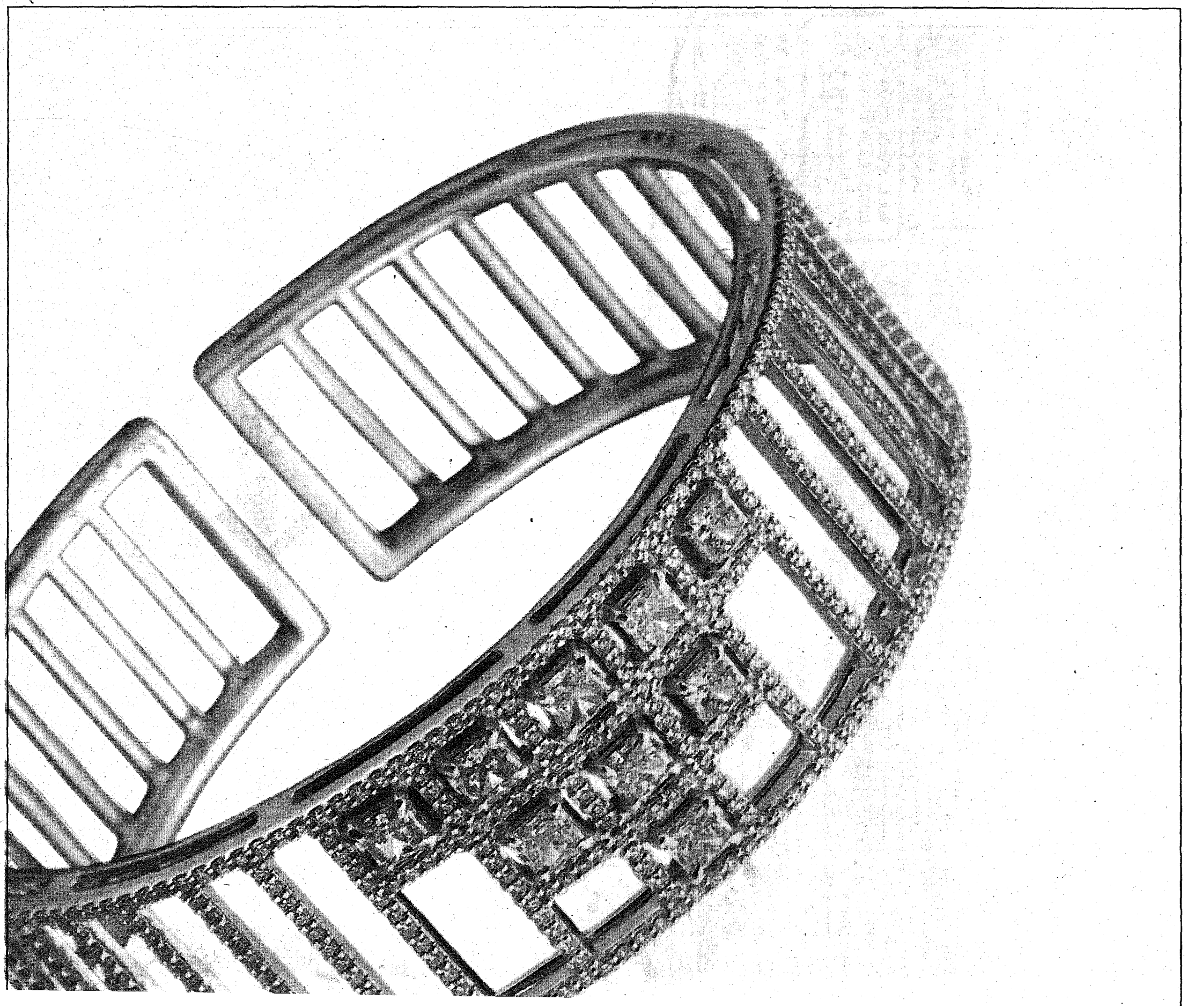
Bill Taylor did a great job directing this hilarious, witty, off-Broadway hit. I strongly recommend you make reservations to take in *Almost, Maine*.

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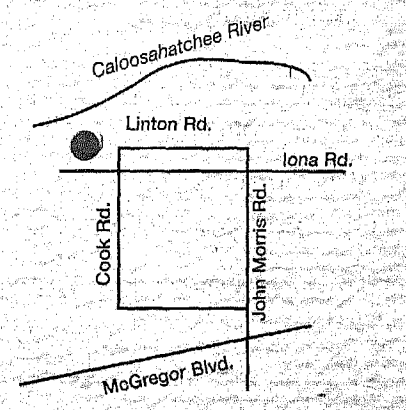
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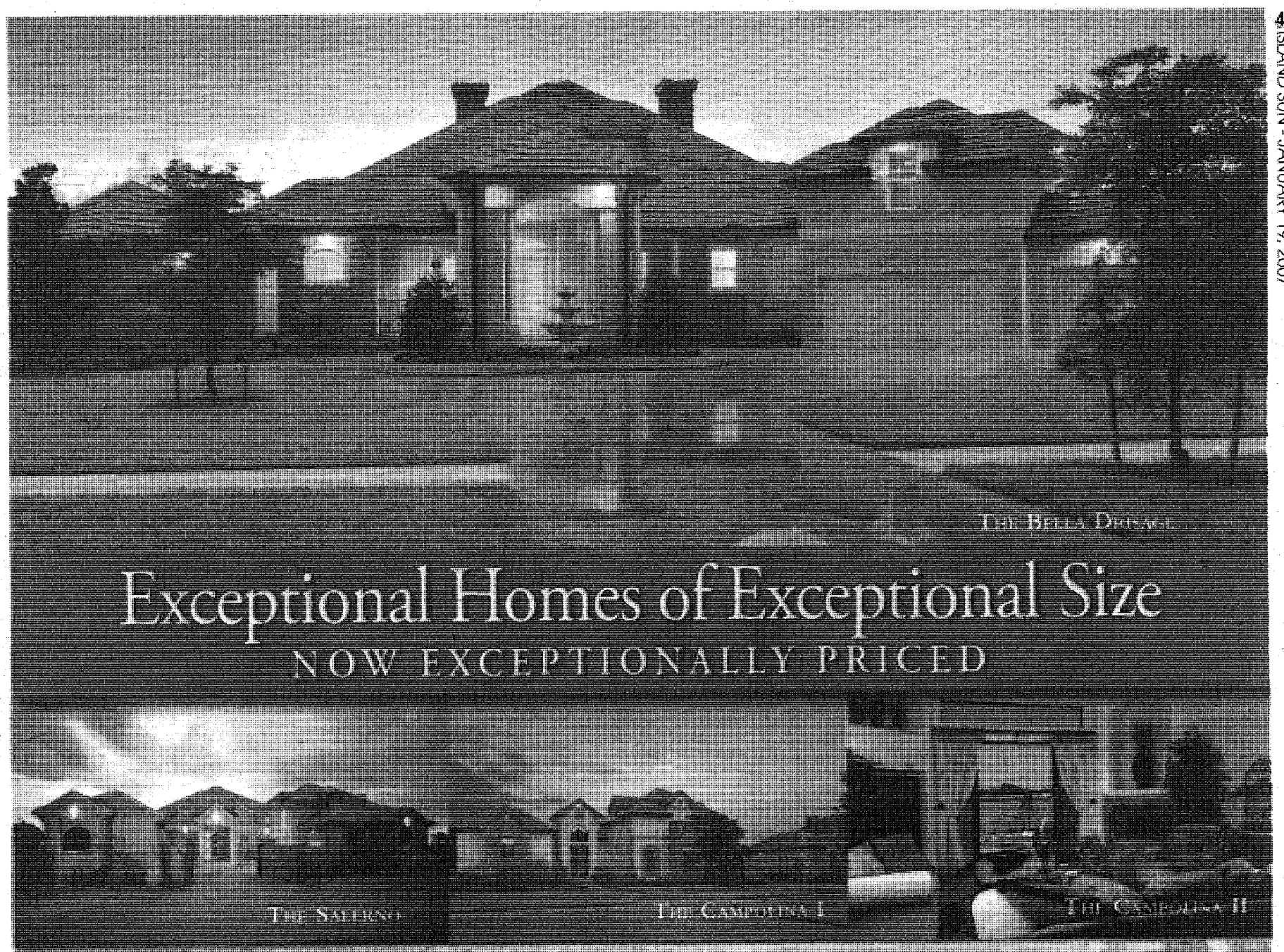
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's time to prove to your detractors that you're way ahead of them when it comes to getting things done. So, be sure to avoid surprise distractions and complete that project as soon as possible.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful not to waste your precious energy on frivolous matters that don't advance your goals. Stay focused. There'll be time enough for fun and games after you reach your objective.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You've done well on your own. But now could be a good time to consider advice from confidantes, as long as you continue to let your own instincts be your primary guide.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A belated New Year's "gift" could create a problem if you feel unwilling or unable to adjust your plans to accommodate the new development. Check all options before deciding.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) There's a possibility that you could be goaded into making a statement you might regret. It's important to try to stay cool no matter how heated the conversation gets.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A recent sad experience can become a valuable lesson. Examine it well and take what you've learned to help you make that important upcoming decision.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Lingering problems in a personal or professional partnership still need to be resolved so you can move on. Insist on more cooperation from everyone.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) That recent problem that made you feel emotionally trapped and physically exhausted is gone. Don't dwell on it. Instead, make new plans and set new goals.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your creative talents combine with a strong domestic aspect, which means you can start on those home-improvement projects you've been planning for a long time.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) It's a good time to anticipate a change in the near future. This could mean taking on a new career, going off to a new city or moving into a new home.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Soon, you should be learning more about the motives of those who continue to pressure you into making a decision you're still not sure about. Use this information wisely.

BORN THIS WEEK: The flow of your generosity seems to have no limit. But you're smart enough to know when it's time to cap it.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

• On Jan. 24, 1907, Florida engineer Glenn Curtiss sets an unofficial land-speed record on a self-built V-8 motorcycle: 136.29 mph. In 1911, Curtiss built and demonstrated the world's first seaplane for the U.S. Navy.

• On Jan. 28, 1917, American forces are recalled from Mexico after nearly 11 months of fruitless searching for Mexican revolutionary Pancho Villa, who was accused of killing 17 Americans. In 1920, the Mexican government pardoned Villa.

• On Jan. 23, 1922, at Toronto General Hospital, 14-year-old Canadian Leonard Thompson improves dramatically after becoming the first person to receive an insulin injection as treatment for diabetes.

• On Jan. 26, 1934, producer Samuel Goldwyn buys the film rights to "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" by L. Frank Baum. The film was released in 1939.

• On Jan. 22, 1950, Tucker auto builder Preston Tucker is cleared of all 31 counts of fraud that had been brought against him. But it was too little, too late -- the Tucker automobile was history. Many believe that the legal actions against Tucker were sponsored by the Big Three U.S. automakers, who feared his competition.

• On Jan. 25, 1960, the National Association of Broadcasters proposes that disc jockeys accepting payment from record labels for broadcasting particular songs (a practice known as "payola") be charged a $500 fine and spend a year in prison. The end result was approval of an amendment to the Communications Act of 1934 outlawing pay-for-play.

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Lion's Golf Tournament Best Yet



Men's First Place Team: Dan Whewell, John McCloud, Bill Feorsaela, and Michael Frye

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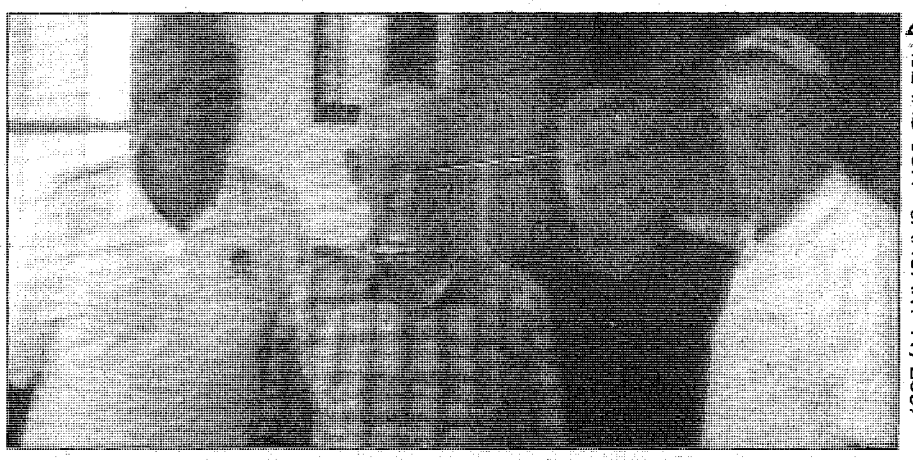
Over $11,000 was raised through greens fees, a multitude of Mulligans, generous hole sponsors, and a silent auction and raffle for prizes donated by local businesses. The Lions will use this money to fund local charities.

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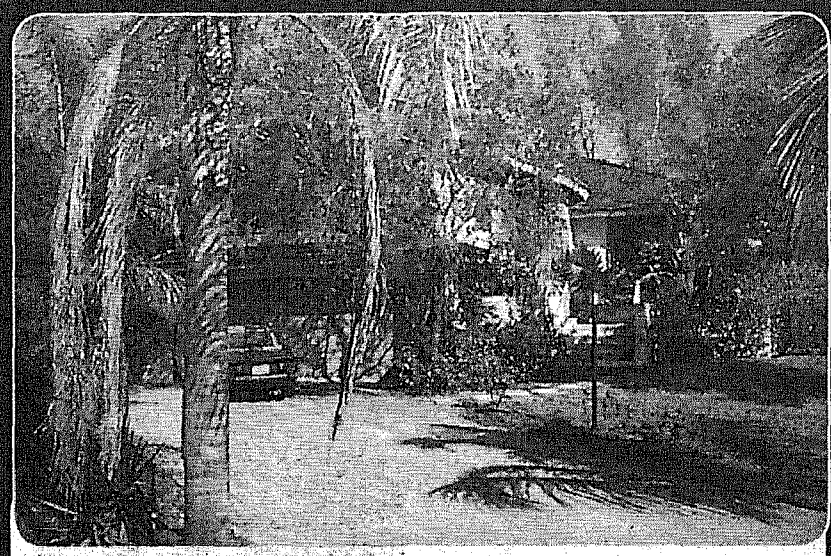


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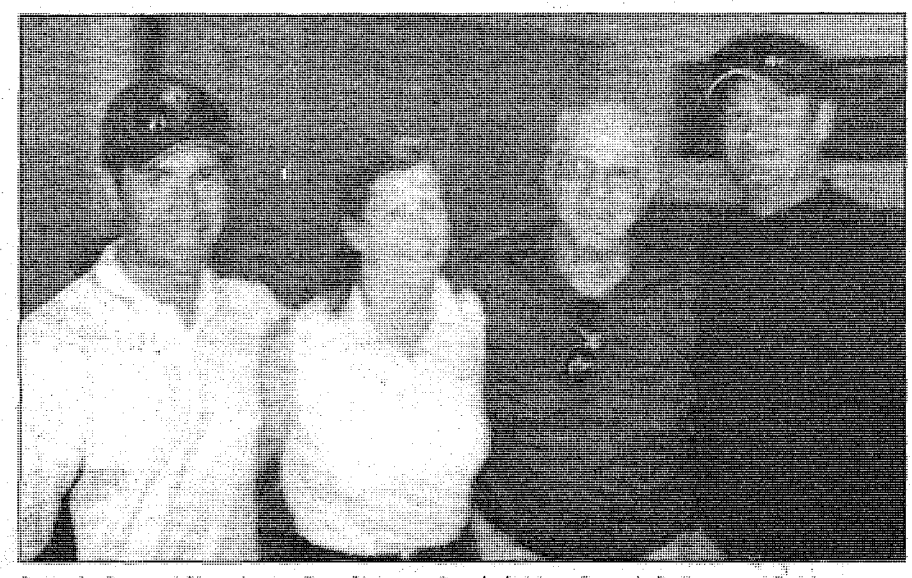


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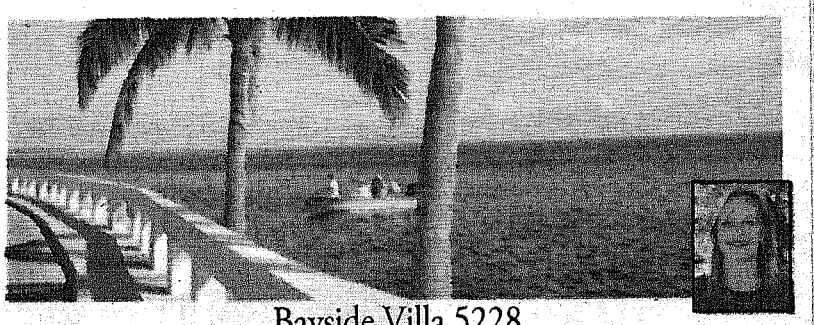
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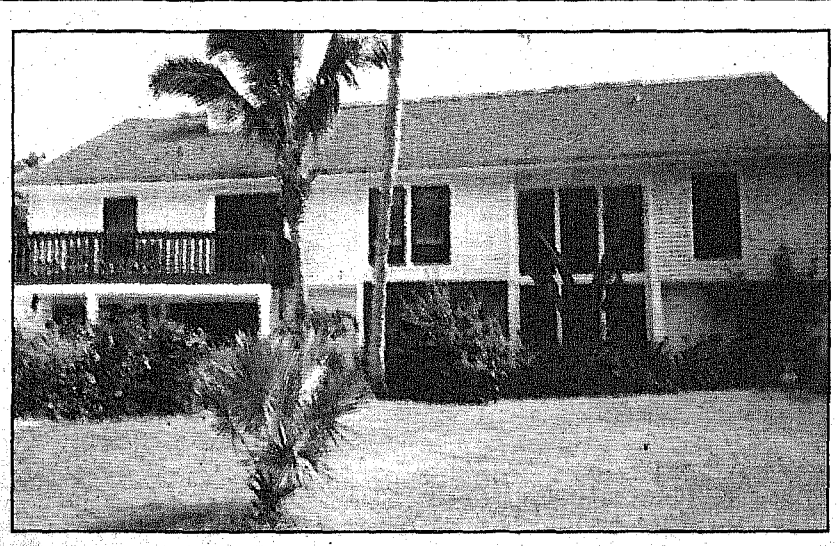
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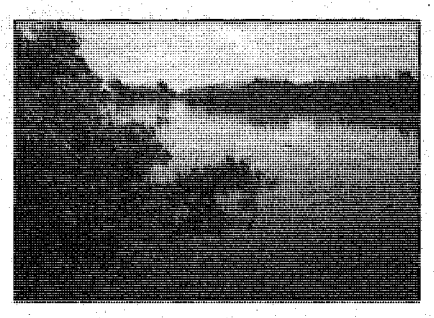
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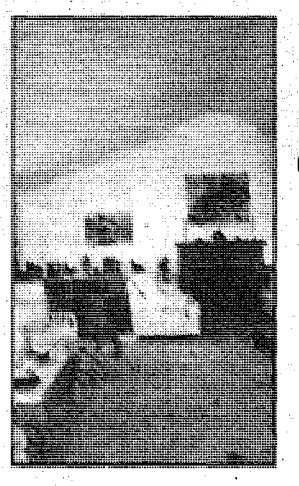


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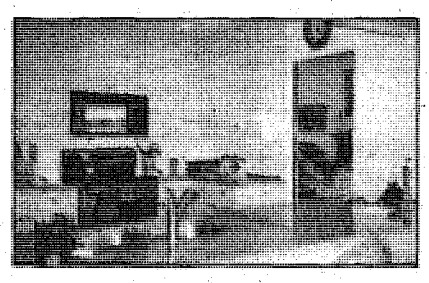


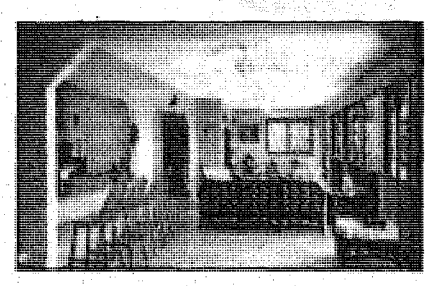
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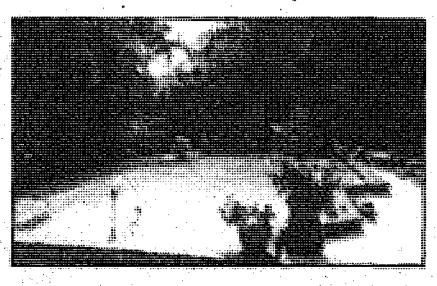


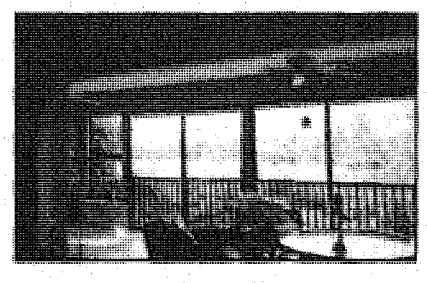
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Beachview Men's Golf Association

by Ed O'Neil

A two-man scramble can be a wondrous thing for golfers of all skill levels. It involves both players hitting, then choosing the best positioned ball after each shot.

For high handicap players it involves second shots from places they've seldom seen, with clubs they rarely unlimber. Good golfers are happy if they get a partner who hits a good chip and a good putt occasionally.

There were lots of both when Beachview Men's Golf league got together January 12.

Rene Lohser teamed with Roger Triftshauser to win the event with a net 50.4 way under par 71.

As usual a traffic jam ensued behind them with Barry Humphries and Dick Waterhouse nosing out Bill Steil and Ralph Barton after each team netted scores of 52.6.

A two-man better ball on Jan. 9 preceded the social highlight of Beachview's season. Ralph Barton with the assistance of the very popular blind draw won, with a 29 for nine holes.

Jerry Kohmescher and Bob Mooney took second place after a three-team dead heat at 30 strokes. Guy Tober and Dave Wisely wound up third in the playoff, leaving Rich Rompala and Jerry Mader with only pleasant memories.

That evening, Murray Flood, Beachview's owner, ignited another of his spectacular member appreciation parties at Beachview Steakhouse.

The members wined and dined on a dazzling assortment of appetizers, entrees and desserts that Manager Carrie Lambert and Chef Mike Price kept flowing from the kitchen.☼

Humane Society Walk For The Animals

The Gulf Coast Humane Society will be hosting its annual Walk for the Animals on Saturday, January 20, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Lee County Sports Complex located on Six Mile Cypress Parkway in Fort Myers. Walk with or without your dog, "rent" one of the dogs to walk with, or just bring the whole family for a fun-filled morning.

There will be complimentary refreshments for all walkers, dog training, low-cost microchipping, and a variety of exciting vendors will be on-site for your shopping pleasure.

Registration is $10 and covers you and your dog. Additional dogs may be registered for $5 each. Online registration is strongly encouraged: www.gulfcoast-humanesociety.org. Online registration closes Friday, January 19. Walkers who raise $150 or more will earn a free commemorative T-shirt.

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What a Kick; It's Likely To Decide Sunday's Championship Games



by Ed Frank

You can write a thousand stories of intrigue, heroes, drama, and most of all about field goal kickers whose skill and mighty legs kicked their teams into this Sunday's NFL conference championship games.

And it's a good bet, or more likely good kicks, that will ticket two of these teams to Miami February 4 for Super Bowl XL1.

Field goals, one in overtime and one in the last 70 seconds of regulation play, decided three of last weekend's four divisional games.

In the swirling mid-January winds of Chicago's Soldier Field, Bears' kicker Robbie Gould booted a 49-yard field goal in overtime to give Chicago a 27-24 win over Seattle.

Just three hours later, rookie placekicker Stephen Gostkowski knocked in a 31-yarder with 1:10 left to give his New England Patriots a 24-21 victory over favored San Diego at San Diego. That kick could kick Charger coach Marty Schottenheimer out of his job despite the Charger's league-best 14-2 regular season record.

And then there are the Indianapolis Colts whose 15-6 triumph last Saturday over Baltimore in Baltimore was all the result of five for five field goal kicking by Adam Vinatieri, the former kicker for the Patriots who now face the Colts Sunday in Indianapolis.

Only last Saturday's 27-24 victory by the comeback team of the year, the New Orleans Saints, over Philadelphia was not decided by a field goal.

Let's look at some of the other storybook sagas leading into Sunday's conference championship games:

First there's Bears quarterback Rex Grossman, the former Florida star, whose good Rex, bad Rex performances nevertheless has guided the Bears to a 14-3 season record. It was a clutch Rex show last Sunday (21 of 38 passing for 282 yards) as he directed his team to their first playoff victory since 1994.

When the Saints go marching in Soldier Field this Sunday, their underdog role will have millions pulling for them after reversing a 3-13 homeless record a year ago into an 11-6 record this season.

Nomads last season as the result of the Katrina-scarred Louisiana Superdome, the Saints, under first-year coach Sean Payton, have the league's best offense with a poised and accurate quarterback in Drew Brees. It will be the Saints first conference title game in their 40-year history.

The second game Sunday, the Colts versus the Patriots in Indianapolis, is a match up between two teams that seem to play each other at least once a month. The story angles are endless:

With three Super Bowl Championships in the last five years, the Patriots ousted the Colts 24-14 in the AFC title game in 2004, and thumped them again the next year 20-3 year in a divisional playoff. But both of those games were in Foxborough, Massachusetts.

This year, however, the Colts defeated New England 27-20 in Foxborough. And the Colts will have home field advantage Sunday. The last Super Bowl appearance for the Colts was 1970 in Super Bowl V when they defeated Dallas 16-13 as the then Baltimore Colts.

Colts coach Tony Dungy and Bears Coach Lovie would be the first black coaches to reach the Super Bowl if their teams advance Sunday.

Since 2000, when Bill Belichick became the Patriots coach, the team is 12-1 in the playoffs; the same as his All-Pro quarterback Tom Brady.

Payton Manning, the Colts qb has a 5-6-playoff record.

The tales of intrigue could go on and on. Anyway you look at it, the two games Sunday should be classics.

Everblades Enter All-Star Break With League's Most Wins

Despite their first defeat of 2007 last weekend, the Florida Everblades entered this week's All-Star break in first place in the ECHL South Division with a 24-11-0 season record, the most wins in the 25-team ECHL.

The South Carolina Stingrays snapped the Everblades five-game home winning streak last Saturday with a 5-3 come-from-behind victory before a near sell-out crowd of 6,433 at Germain Arena.

It was not only the Everblades first defeat of the year, but it was the first time the local team has lost all season when leading after two periods. The Everblades are 15-1 with second period leads.

Rookie goalie David Shantz is the only Everblades player to be named ECHL's American Conference All-Star team. The game was played Wednesday in Boise, Idaho.

The team returns to action this weekend on the road with a pair of games at Gwinnett.

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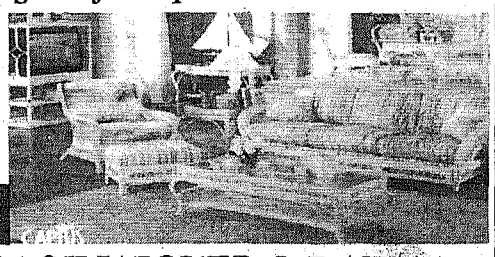
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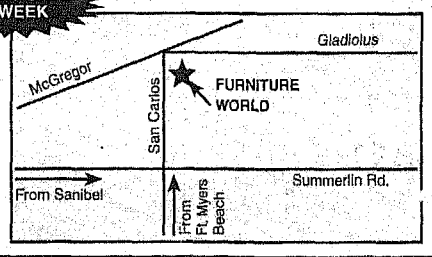
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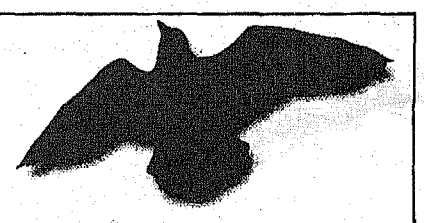


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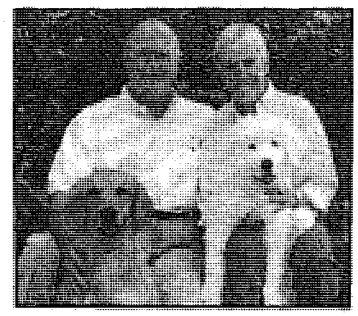


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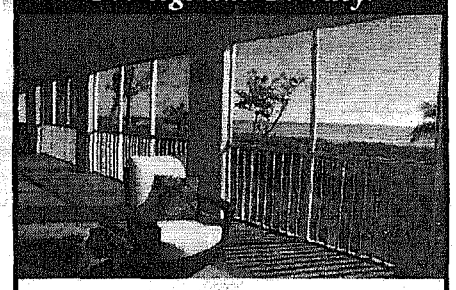
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Julie O'Neill		89
Sue Lopez		
Maureen O'Brien		
Jeanne Mallon		
Second		
Sue Tray		90
Joan Dyke		
Marge York		
Willie Winkler		
Third		
Jeannie Lindman		92
Joan Kelly		
Val Hotchkiss		
Gwen Trautwein		
Chip Ins		
Jeannie Lindman		
Gay Nichols☆		

Dunes Women's Golf Association

The Dunes Women's Golf Association played a game of Odd Holes Only on December 29.

Results:

Flight 1		
1st	Joyce Timberlake	25
2nd	Grethe Christensen	26
3rd	Pat Sawin	29
	Max Everhart	
Flight 2		
1st	Rosemary Ryan	20
2nd	Marcia Cohen	21
	Mardi Glenn	21
Chip Ins		
	Betsy Cox	
	Linda Kramer	
	Mardi Glenn☆	

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Dunes Women's Tennis



The Dunes 3.5 ladies tennis team has regained its first place position in Lee County women's tennis league. Front row, from left, Judy Glaser, Gloria Martinez, Judy Lane, Gayle Pence, and Anita Fayart; back row, Jodi Cort, Debbie Staley, Donna O'Brien, Liz Kindt and Lynn Klann. Not shown are Ginny Egensteiner, Anna Bralove and Libby Evans.

Dunes Men's Golf Association

The Dunes Men's Golf Association played a game of two-man scramble on January 11.

Results:

Flight A		
1st	John Griesbaum	62
	Rocky Cantalupo	
2nd	Bob Rohl	62
	Al Lane	
3rd	Terry Finzen	65
	Max Everhart	
Flight B		
1st	Bill Glenn	61
	Ken Grosse	
2nd	Bob Kent	61
	Bill Hotchkiss	
3rd	Peter Cline	61
	Dick McNeill	
Flight C		
1st	Michael Funk	63
	Bill Swain	
2nd	Jeff Burns	65
	Howard Dwyer	
3rd	Bruce Sprinkle	65
	Marv Seibold	
Flight D		
1st	Fred Nordstrom	62
	Bob Lindman	
2nd	Fred Gobel	66
	Dave Jones	
3rd	Peter Perkins	68
	Philip Pilibosian☆	

Dunes Women's Golf Association

Better Ball Partners was the January 12 game of the day, the qualifying round for the DWGA Memorial Tournament. This event consists of four rounds, starting with the 16 qualifying twosomes. All matches must be played on or before February 23.

Winners:

First place: Helen Seibold and Sherrie Calvano, 57;

Second place: Sally Knaub and Adrienne Cross, 59;

Third place (tie): Mary Ann Parmelee and Bridget Funk, and Cantor Eagleson and Marge Moretzsohn, 60;

Fifth place (tie): Betsy Cox and Joan Kent and Ann Kuehnle and Ann Levinsohn, 61;

Seventh place:Judy Wellons and Sherry Hughes, 62;

Eighth place: Donna Griesbaum and Jodi Cothran, 63;

Ninth place (tie): Karen Hendricks and Ginny Grosse and Sue Richard and Nan Frymoyer 64.

Chip-ins: Betsy Cox, 2, and Margaret Dwyer, 1.☆



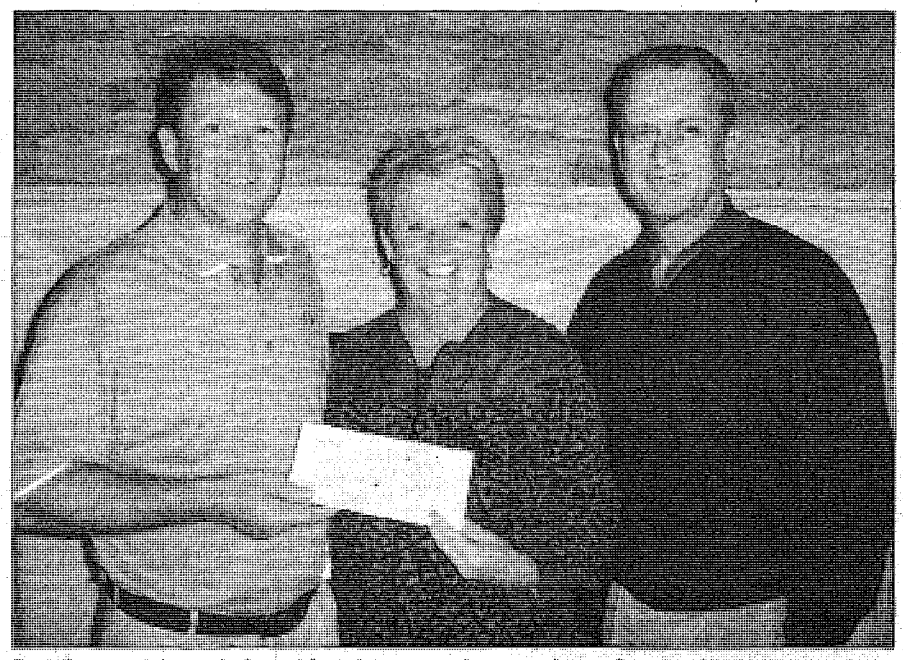
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Sponsorships Continue For Community Golf Challenge

With just two weeks left before this year's Community Golf Challenge, sponsorship support has exceeded $40,000 – on target to exceed last year's tournament total.

"We believe that the strong support is due to the fact that the Community Foundation designated the funds to the PURRE water coalition," commented tournament co-chair, Terry Igo. Igo is pleased with the early results but he hopes for a few more sponsorships. "These funds are going toward a great cause that affects us all in one way or other. Our water quality issues must be addressed with the local and state officials – and PURRE is doing just that."

John and Donna Schubert, Sanctuary members and Captiva residents, provided a Diamond Sponsorship for this year's tournament. "We moved here to Southwest Florida for the pristine beauty that surrounds us. When we see and hear all that is happening in Pine Island Sound from the water releases - it really concerns us," said John Schubert, who is also a member of the Community Foundation of Sanibel and Captiva. "The board recognizes that this is a pressing issue. PURRE has made great progress and is continuing to apply pressure – but it takes money to make this happen."



Terry Igo, event co-chair and Sanctuary member, receives a Diamond Sponsor check from Donna and John Schubert, Sanctuary members

PURRE was organized in December 2005 following massive releases of polluted freshwater from Lake Okeechobee. Over the past years, the estuary and waters that surround the islands have been, and are being, contaminated. PURRE has been instrumental in raising awareness and educating the public to the growing problems facing our waterways. They have been successful in bringing individuals, non-profits, businesses, and area municipalities together to raise the water quality issue with various government agencies throughout Florida.

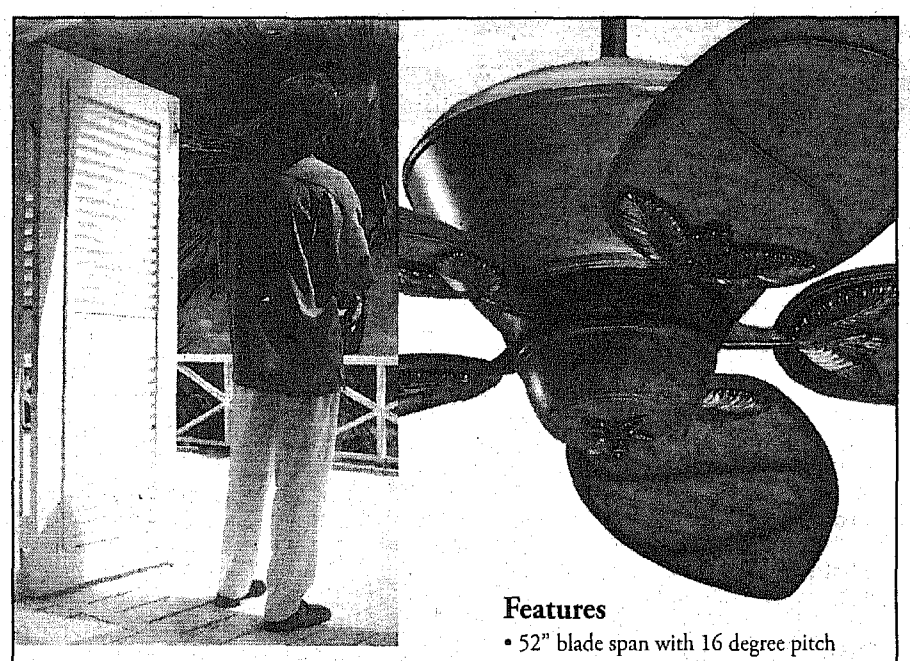
PURRE has already made some important progress. Among their early accomplishments has been getting the US Army Corps of Engineers to reassess their Tentatively Selected Plan (TSP) for Lake Okeechobee releases, taking into consideration the impacts to the rivers and estuaries.

The real success of the event will come as a result of sponsorships (Diamond Sponsor, $5,000; Platinum Sponsor, $2,500; and Gold Sponsor, $1,500). Sponsorships include several benefits, including four player spots in the event, special donor recognition, and additional rounds of golf and dining at the Sanctuary Golf Club. The individual entry fee is $250 and hole sponsors are $150.

The Sanctuary Community Golf Challenge will be held on January 27. Space is limited and available on a first-come basis. Brunch will be served at 10:30 a.m. followed by a 12:30 p.m. shotgun start. The format will be a four-person scramble; the day will conclude with drinks and hors d'oeuvres topped by a chance to win big in the unique helicopter drop.

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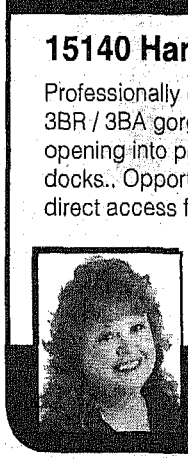
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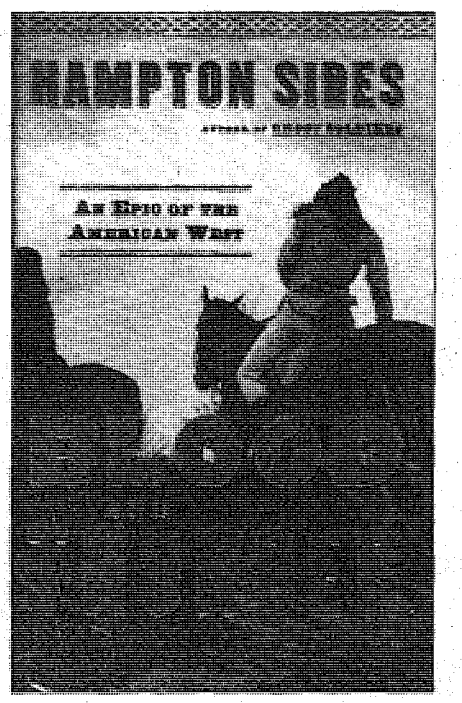
Rich in detail, historically informative and hugely entertaining, *Blood And Thunder, An Epic Of The American West*, by Hampton Sides, is a classic retelling of the bloody settlement of the American Southwest.

A native of Memphis, Sides, now living in Santa Fe, devoted four years of research to his book.

The settlement of the Southwest was basically a struggle between the ever-increasing tide of white, Anglo Saxon American settlers from the east, encroaching irresistibly on lands occupied by the native Indian tribes of Apaches, Comanches, Navajo, Kiowas, Cheyenne and Utes.

Sides focuses primarily on the Navajos, the largest tribe in the Southwest, occupying much of present-day New Mexico and Arizona.

"If the cast of American leaders had been kaleidoscopic, the main themes were hammered out with an almost monotonous consistency. The Navajos must stop roaming and become sedentary, full-time farmers, working private plots of individually owned land. They



must become town-dwellers, and preferably Christians, hewing to clear national boundaries. They must select a single chief to speak for all the Navajo people and answer for all their crimes. In short, the Dine (the People) must cease being what they were – an amorphous concatenation of semi-nomadic bands – and become a single political entity. Over time, the tone with which the American commanders issued their demands became ever more shrill: The Navajos must do all these things, or face extinction," Sides writes.

Intertwined with the fate of the Navajo, is the legendary explorer and Indian fighter, Kit Carson. Apprenticed at age 14 to a harness maker in Missouri, the restive Carson ran away and signed on with a caravan heading west on the Santa Fe Trail, and never looked back.

A trapper, hunter, mountain man, Indian scout, explorer, military officer and husband to a Navajo beauty, Carson settled in Taos, New Mexico before he volunteered as a Union officer to fight the advancing Confederate invaders from Texas during the Civil War.

In 1864, the military decided that the 12,000 Navajos were becoming such a problem (and, perhaps there was gold to be discovered on their land) that they all should be removed to a"hell-hole" in eastern New Mexico, called Bosque Redondo.

Bosque Redondo (Round Forest) was located 400 miles from the Navajo homeland, along the Pecos River near the New Mexico-Texas boundary.

Because of his military background and experience with the Navajo, Kit Carson, promoted to colonel, was detailed to "escort" the Navajo to their new home on the Pecos.

What became known to the Navajo as "The Long Walk" became a death march with one out of three Navajo dying before their ordeal was over.

The Pecos was alkaline and frightful to drink, and the land poor farming country. After several years at Bosque Redondo the Navajo were dying out and in danger of going extinct.

"It was not that Carson disagreed with the basic outlines of Indian policy. On the contrary, during his tenure as an agent for the Utes, Carson had increasingly come to see the wisdom of establishing reservations for Native American tribes – physical separation, he felt, was necessary for the Indians own good;" Sides explains.

"Carson believed that most of the Indian troubles in the West were caused, as he once flatly put it, 'by aggressions on the part of whites,'" Sides continues.

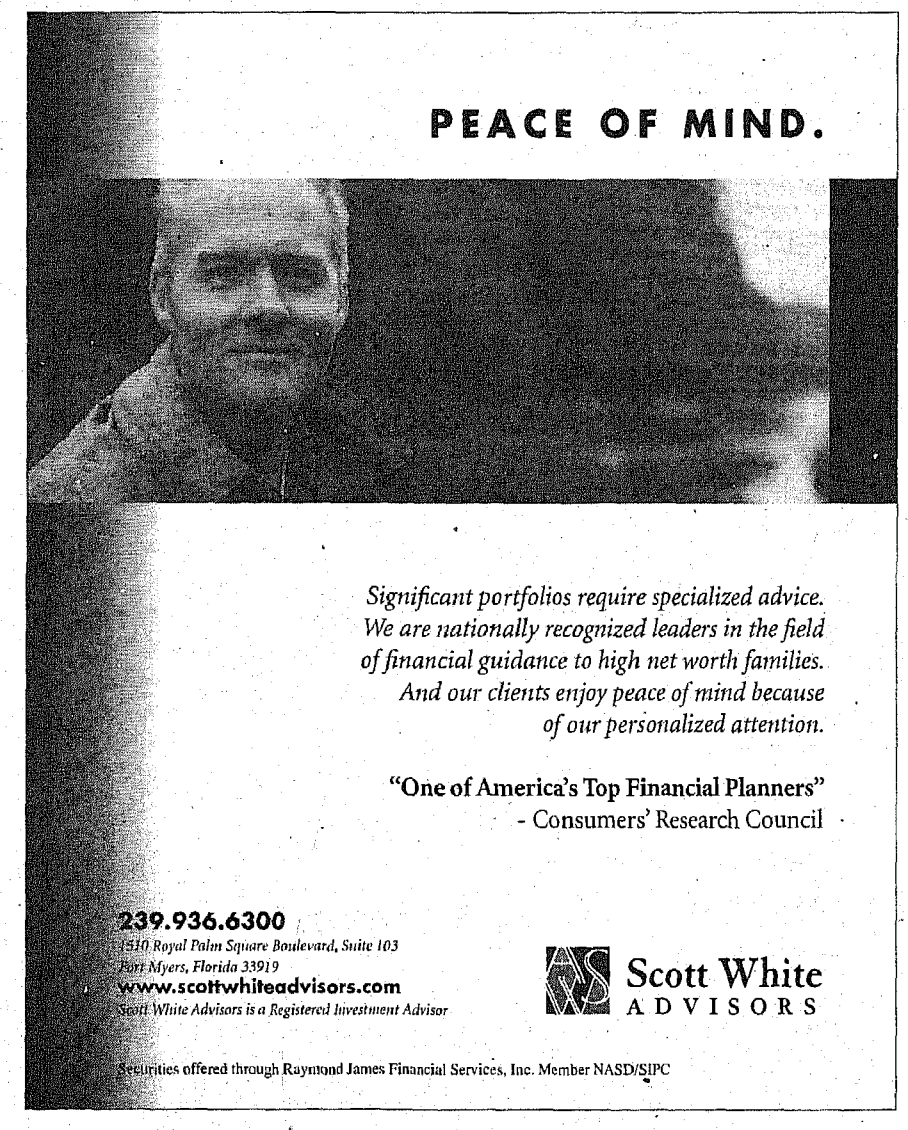
"At the same time, Carson believed there was no stopping the tide of Anglo-American immigration. Whites were here now — it was simply an irreversible fact. And their presence put the traditional life of all the Western Indians in jeopardy. Native Americans would have to change, he believed, or they would die out. Predicted Carson, 'If permitted to remain as they are, before many years they will be utterly extinct,'" Sides adds.

By the end of the Civil War, officials in Santa Fe and Washington were beginning to view the experiment of penning the Navajos up at Bosque Redondo as a tragic, and extremely costly mistake. A scurvy outbreak, measles, floods, Comanche raids, escapes, crop failures and polluted water made life miserable for the Navajo who had not made the slightest progress toward self sufficiency.

Five days after Kit Carson died of an aneurysm, on May 28, 1868, General William Tecumseh Sherman arrived at Bosque Redondo on a fact finding mission. After impassioned pleas by the Navajo and exercising his authority, Sherman decided the Indians could return to their homeland, "and you must not fight anymore. The Army will do the fighting. You must live in peace."

In yet another mass exodus, this one voluntary and joyful, the entire Navajo Nation began marching the 400 miles home. "When they reached the Rio Grande and saw Blue Bead Mountain for the first time, the Navajos fell to their knees and wept," Sides concludes.

Blood And Thunder, An Epic Of The American West, by Hampton Sides. Published by Doubleday, 2006. Hardback, 460 pages, 31 photos, $26.95. Available in the new book section of the Sanibel Public Library and all fine Sanibel bookstores.☆



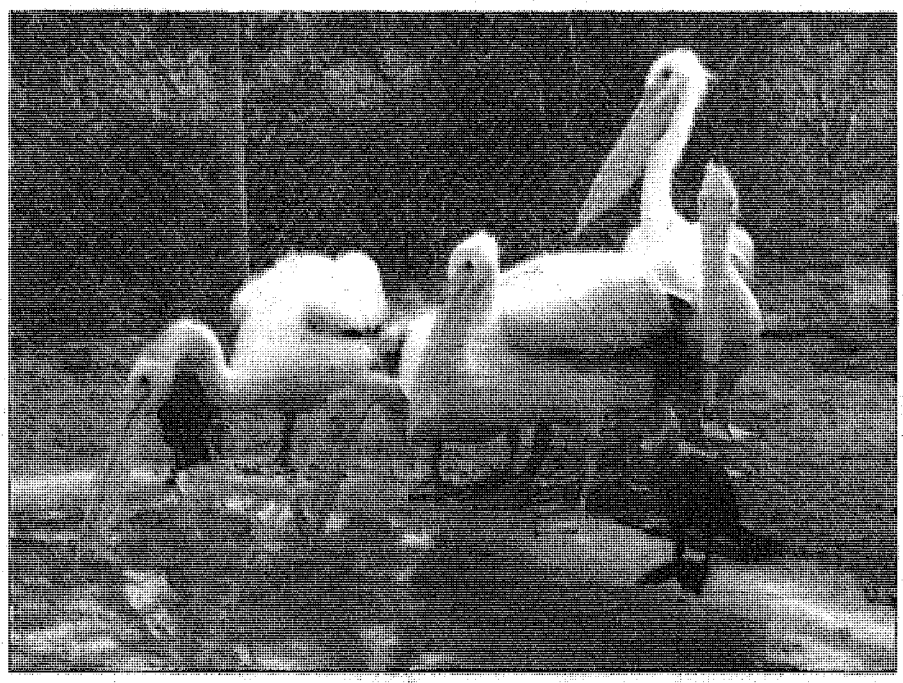
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CROW Case Of The Week: White Pelicans

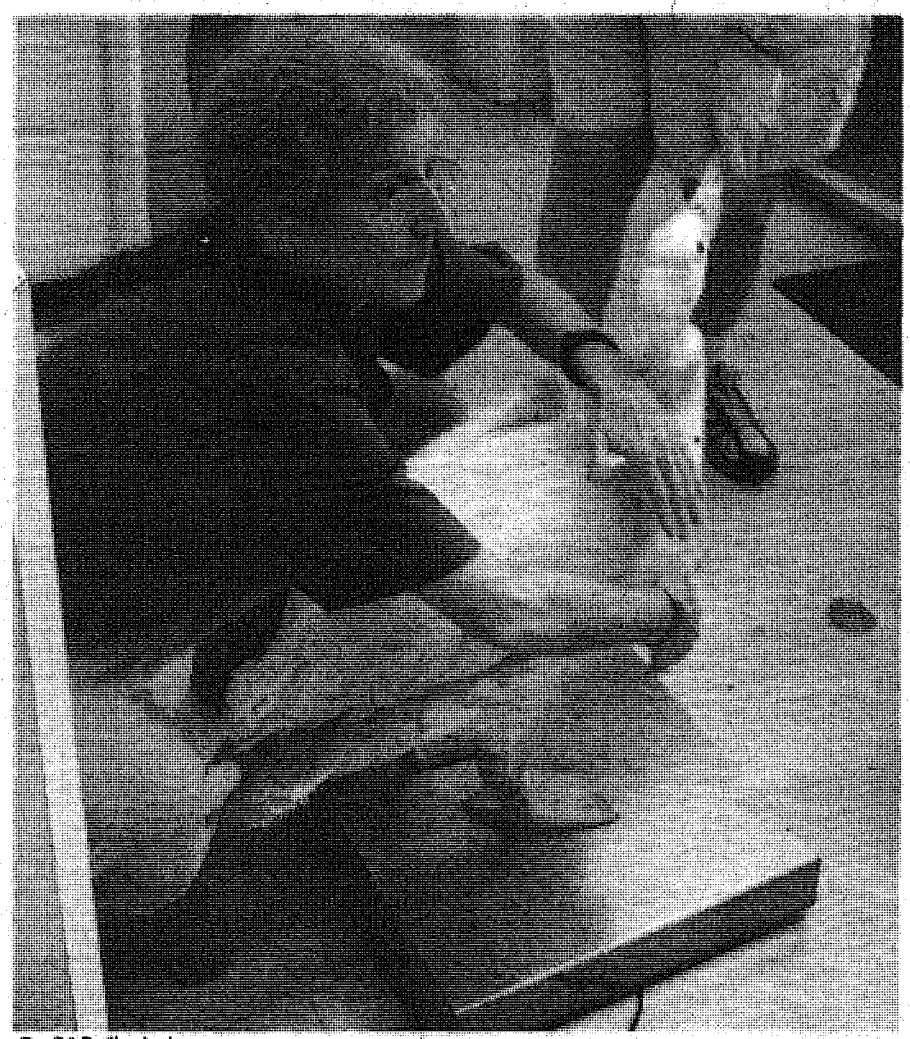


Enjoying the pool in the pelican compound

"They got separated from a flock of about 800 white pelicans who were flying south," said Deitschel. "They were found, believe it or not, on Pelican Lake. It was freezing over, and they were running out of a food source. The birds were emaciated when Brunell found them."

The giant white birds were taken to the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Minnesota, where they were treated by Dr. Karen Shenoy, twice an extern here at CROW. King subsequently sent an email to Deitschel asking if CROW could take the white pelicans once they had been stabilized. In the meantime, a Minnesota newspaper, the *Star-Tribune*, picked up the story and published a feature article about the rescue.

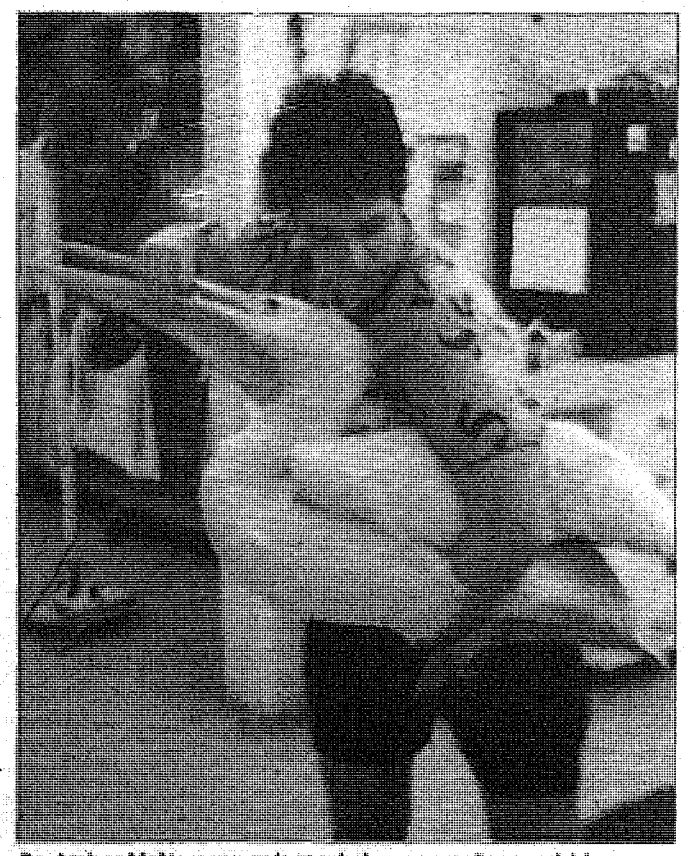
Deitschel phoned the federal regional office in Atlanta, Georgia to get permission.



Dr. PJ Deitschel

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service gave her the green light, but told her she would also have to submit a request to the state of Florida. Deitschel called a government agency in Tallahassee, and was at first told the white pelicans were not native and could not be accepted from Minnesota. She countered by pointing out that these were migratory birds who come to Sanibel Island on an annual basis. The representative she spoke to said she would get back to her.

The following day Deitschel received a message on the CROW answering machine with permission from the state, and later received permission from Rob Jess, the manager of "Ding" Darling, to use the refuge as an eventual release site.



Dr. Amber McNamara gets ready to carry pelican outside

Having cleared all the bureaucratic hurdles, Deitschel emailed Shenoy and told her CROW would take them. Northwest Airlines charged a discount rate and flew them down to Florida on the 11th. Of the 12 white pelicans found on the ice, three had died, three were non-releasable and three remained in Minnesota for further care.

The anticipation had been building at CROW for their arrival, and there was an excited mood in the clinic as they brought in the carriers. The drive from the airport had been easy. Getting the agitated pelicans out of their carriers, onto the scale, and then up on the examining table turned into a full-blown athletic contest requiring all of the agility and coordination of the staff members.

"White pelicans are strong," said Deitschel. "And can you imagine how they felt being left on the ice, going to an indoor rehab center in Minnesota, and then flying in an airplane to Florida? We had to work as a team to handle them."

It took the combined efforts of Deitschel, Dr. Amber McNamara, Robyn Johnson, Chastity Ann Turner (Cat), and extern Pam Cruz to weigh, examine and treat the powerful birds. "All of them had foot issues, cracking in the webbing and some bumblefoot," said Deitschel. "They had been inside in cement enclosures on a hard concrete substrate for a month. We are very fortunate here to have access to outdoor cages year round. We put bovidern, which is used for chapped udders, on their feet – it works well for skin problems."

The birds were of varying size and in fair body condition. There were some issues with their feathers, but no fractures or major injuries. The rehab center in Minnesota had done a fine job treating their frostbite and bruising and bringing them back from the brink of starvation. What they needed now was a warm place to spend the winter and get their strength back.

After the foot treatments the pelicans were carried, one by one, in the arms of the staff to an outdoor compound with two platforms and a pool. Deitschel was curious to see how they would interact with the brown pelicans, the cormorants and the single white pelican already there.

"I thought it was really quite spectacular the way they all got along, especially the cormorant who stood right in the middle of them for the first hour," she said.

You could practically feel how happy the white pelicans were to be in a tropical climate, surrounded by palm trees and a warm breeze. Cat threw them fish from a bucket, and they hungrily ate them out of the pool. The birds spent the rest of the evening eating and preening and getting to know their cagemates.

Deitschel expects to release the pelicans into "Ding" Darling this weekend or the following week. CROW may receive the remaining three pelicans from Minnesota in the coming days.

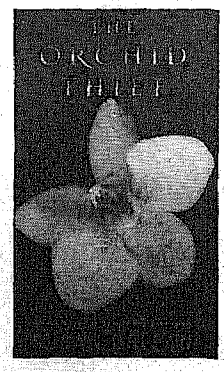
"It's quite the story," she said.

CROW hopes a donor will step foward to sponsor the pelicans visit to Sanibel. The clinic is providing them with approximately 25 pounds of fish per day.

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CROW is a non-profit wildlife hospital providing veterinary care for native and migratory wildlife from Lee County and along the Gulf Coast of Florida. The hospital accepts patients seven days a week from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mail donations to PO Box 150, Sanibel, FL 33957.

Library Discussion Group Presents *The Orchid Thief*



In cooperation with the annual Sanibel Reads program, a special book discussion will be held on Wednesday, January 24 at the Sanibel Public Library. Readers will be gathering to discuss *The Orchid Thief* by Susan Orlean. The 2 p.m. meeting is free and open to the public. Barbara Dunkle and Judy Davis, from the Sanibel Reads committee, will serve as co-leaders for the discussion.

The Orchid Thief centers on south Florida and John Laroche, a charismatic schemer once convicted of attempting to take endangered orchids from the Fakahatchee swamp. Laroche, a horticultural consultant who once ran an extensive nursery for the Seminole tribe, dreams of making a fortune for the Seminoles and himself by cloning the rare ghost orchid *Polyrrhiza lindenii*. Filled with Palm Beach socialites, Native Americans, English peers, smugglers, and naturalists as improbably colorful as the tropical blossoms that inspire them, the true story is a lyrical, funny, addictively entertaining read that set off one of the oddest legal controversies in recent memory.

The Sanibel Reads program of the Sanibel Public Library annually designates one adult book and one children's book for the entire community to read. Traditionally, the books are related specifically with Sanibel or with Florida in general. Community groups work in coordination with the committee to sponsor author visits, and programs and events concerning the books.

The discussion begins promptly at 2 p.m. in the library ground floor meeting room across from the elevator. Reference materials relating to the book, its plot, the author, and potential questions for discussion, are available at the library desk. It is preferable to come having read the book to be able to join in the lively discussion. If you have questions, call the library at 472-2483.✲

Scholarship Essay Contest

The Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors Communication and Public Relations Committee announced that the Florida Association of Realtors (FAR) is proud to sponsor its seventh annual Scholarship/Essay Contest for High School Seniors who reside in Florida. Seniors who plan on continuing their education at a college, university, technical school, or some other institution of higher learning are eligible. (Children of licensed real estate practitioners are not eligible, nor are children whose parents or guardians are employed by any local Realtor board/associations or by FAR.) The first-place winning entry in each of FAR's 13 Regional Districts will receive a $5,000 scholarship; the second-place winner will receive a $1,500 scholarship award; and third-place winners will each receive a $500 scholarship award. Add this to the three $5,000 state-level awards for a total of $106,000 in scholarship funding awarded by FAR.

The Sanibel & Captiva Islands Realtors Association encourages as many seniors as possible to participate. Each year FAR sends copies of the application kits to senior high school guidance offices throughout the state. Over 2,000 have gone out this year. The material also can be downloaded on the FloridaRealtors.org website. Posters will be going up this week locally. Entries must be postmarked on or before March 2.✲

Youth Programs At The Library

There are several youth programs available at the Sanibel Library. Mondays: 10 a.m. Bookworms, three- to five-year-olds; 3 p.m. 6th graders and up; 6 p.m. Family Story Time, all ages.

Tuesdays: 2 p.m. Bookworms; 3 p.m. 3rd to 5th graders.

Wednesdays: 10 a.m. Small Wonders, birth to 12 months; 11 a.m. Tiny Tots, 12 to 24 months.

Thursdays: 10 a.m. Terrific Twos, two-year-olds; 3 p.m. K to 2nd graders Kids' Club; 4 p.m. READ (call to schedule a time to read to the dogs).

The library is at 770 Dunlop Road. For information, call Ms Barb at 472-2483.✲

Book Signing And Cat Adoption

Author Carlene Fredericka Brennen will sign copies of her book, *Hemingway's Cats An Illustrated Biography* Thursday, January 18, at 6:30 p.m. at the Sanibel Public Library, 770 Dunlop Road, Sanibel.

Sheila Kuykendall of Wishbone Animal Rescue will have cats and kittens with wonderful personalities available for adoption. Brennen owns three rescued cats.

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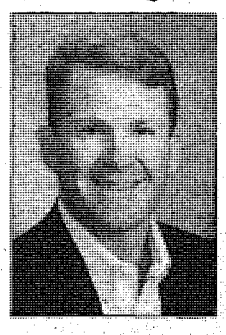
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Marketwatch
Trading Stocks vs. Investing in Companies



by Terry M. Igo, Trust Officer/Portfolio Advisor, on Sanibel Island

Recently a woman in her 80s asked me to review her trust portfolio regarding her equity performance. She has been with her current manager for 10 years and was curious about her holdings and current asset allocation. In particular, she was puzzled after her accountant pointed out her realized short-term gain of $95,000 for 2006,and the tax implications that accompany it.

In examining her statement, she had $1 million in stocks and approximately $1 million in bonds. The bond holdings looked solid but the equity positions showed that her portfolio has characteristics that did not fit her investment profile. First, none of the stocks had acquisition dates older than two years. For 2006, the $95,000 in realized short-term gain was generated on $1 million of the equity portion of the portfolio. She confirmed that the broker "buys and sells all the time." Her realized long-term gains were minimal. In addition, her unrealized long-term gains were only $60,000.

For clarification, realized gains (or losses) are generated only when you sell a stock or a bond. Your gain (or loss), whether it is realized or unrealized, is the difference between your cost basis (what you paid) and the current market value. There are no tax consequences to unrealized gains until you actually sell that particular position. Further, any holding over 12 months is considered a long-term gain, subject to a 15 percent tax. Selling a holding held less than 12 months (short term gain) will be taxed at a higher rate – your ordinary income tax rate.

Most investors, approaching or now enjoying their retirement years, tend to have the following profile: They want to keep their principal in tact and they are dependent on a particular rate of return for their lifestyle needs. They are willing to give up aggressive returns for portfolio stability. Most likely, they have purchased good companies over the years and held them for the long-term appreciation. Cash distributions from these positions are mostly at a 15 percent tax rate because they are generally long-term holdings. They want to keep portfolio turnover at a minimum, thus avoiding short-term gains at ordinary income tax rates.

Most successful investors will tell you that investing in great companies over the long term (and keeping turnover low) will provide superior returns. Constantly "trading stocks" rather than "owning companies" is a very difficult way to manage a successful portfolio, not to mention the potential negative tax issues.

If you have questions regarding the market, the economy, or particular investments, please feel free to email Terry Igo at tigo@sancaptrustco.com.☆

Realtors Installation And Awards Banquet



Immediate Past President Art Corace, 2007 President Ray Ochester, Secretary Margie Davison, and Treasurer Robin Humphrey just installed at the 2007 Installation and Awards Banquet

The Sanibel & Captiva Islands Association of Realtors, Inc. held its Installation and Awards Banquet at Ellington's Jazz Bar & Restaurant January 6.

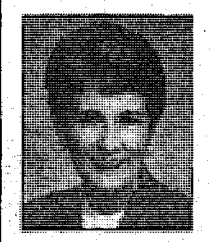
Florida Association of Realtors 2006 District V Vice President Betty Jean Christensen installed incoming President Ray Ochester (Coldwell Banker Previews International), President-Elect Diane Stocks (Realty Partners Network), Treasurer Robin Humphrey (VIP Realty Group), Secretary Margie Davison (Realty Partners Network), Immediate Past President Art Corace (RE/MAX of the Islands), and Directors Jay Branyon (VIP Realty Group), Jim Hall (VIP Realty Group), Susan Roscia (RE/MAX of the Islands), and Glen Simmons (Realty Partners Network).

Individuals deserving special recognition for their outstanding achievements and service to both the Association of Realtors and to the community received awards at the banquet. These awards and the recipients include: Realtor of the Year: Robin Humphrey (VIP Realty Group); Community Service Award: Ada Shissler (VIP Realty Group); Outstanding Service Award: David Schuldenfrei (VIP Realty Group); Affiliate of the Year (tie): Tim Murty (Murty and Monk PA) and Barrier Island Title Services, and Support Person of the Year: Melanie Beck (VIP Realty Group).

Thirty realtors received Honor Society Awards in recognition of their community service activities and professionalism through education, participation and service.☆

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Presented By
Margie Davison

INSURANCE CONSIDERATIONS FOR LUXURY HOMES

When you own a property that is valued in the millions, insurance risk management reaches a whole new level. The typical policy coverage is not sufficient to guarantee peace of mind for those with larger estates, multiple properties, yachts, classic automobiles and valuable collections of jewelry, art and antiques.

High-end homeowners want extended property and liability options that are not provided with most "brand name" insurance policies. Many owners of trophy homes need individually tailored plans that will cover expenses associated with identify theft, background screening of household employees and security system planning and updates. Expensive home furnishings, jewelry and art collections must be meticulously accounted for in the detailed documentation of the contents of each home. Affluent homeowners may want to select from a broad schedule of deductibles based on the calculated risk for each property. Above all, the range of client services offered by the insurance company should ensure that each homeowner feels utterly confident in both the level of insurance protection and the management of the policy.

Ask your real estate agent about insurance carriers that specialize in the luxury marketplace.

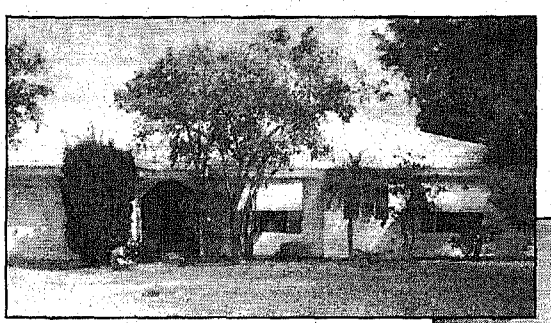
Margie specializes in Sanibel, Captiva and Ft. Myers real estate. She was named Realtor of the Year by Sanibel and Captiva Association of Realtors in 2000 and 2002. Her new book "How To Make Your Realtor Get You The Best Deal-South Florida Edition" is a must read if you are thinking of buying or selling. Call Margie at Realty Partners Network, 239-395-1160 or e-mail her at Margie@MargieDavison.com.

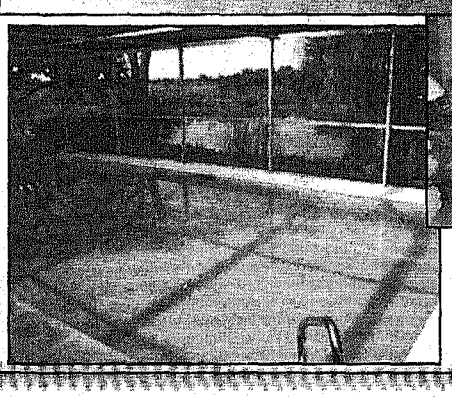
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744 Durion Ct. $745,000

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Insurance Tip: Legislative Issues



by Marge Meek

With the state legislature in session about our insurance rates, customers are asking great questions in trying to better understand this complex subject. One line we all see on our policies is the cost of reinsurance and it is an important part of what is being looked at for change going forward. Our insurance companies buy reinsurance from other companies to manage their exposure to catastrophic losses. This is a major factor that drives the price consumers pay for property insurance. A state/federal program limiting this exposure when payouts exceed a specific threshold would enable companies to make more insurance available at a lower cost. So watch the progress of reinsurance change in the current session and make your feelings known to your state legislators.

The other question concerns the catastrophic fund or Cat Fund and what it does with the money you pay into it. The Cat Fund was created by the Florida Legislature after Hurricane Andrew in the early '90s. When Florida policyholders depleted the surpluses accumulated by major insurance companies and Citizens during the 12 years since Andrew, the insurance community was able to pay all of its claims because of the Cat Fund, something no other state is positioned to do, if it faces similar circumstances. However, the Cat Fund is facing a cash deficit for the first time that is estimated at $1.425 billion. Steps are underway to relieve that situation.

When you ask the question on why has my insurance premium increased so much, remember that in 2004 Florida was the first state to face four major hurricane landfalls in a single season since Texas in 1886. One out of every five homes in the state sustained damage during a six week period in 2004. During the 2004-05 timeframe, Florida's private insurance carriers handled nearly $39 billion in insured losses from eight hurricanes.

The industry staggered, but it survived. You are able to buy insurance, you are well covered and the legislature is working on financial relief. Keep the pressure on the state legislature and be optimistic that better days are ahead.

Marge Meek is a local Sanibel-Captiva insurance agent, who can be reached at mmeek@rosierinsurance.com.☼

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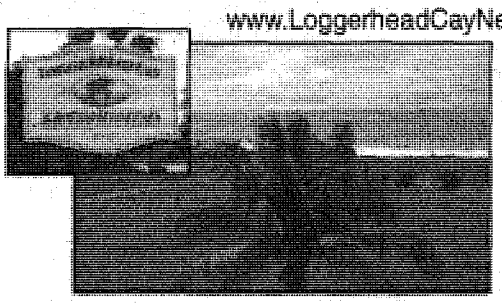
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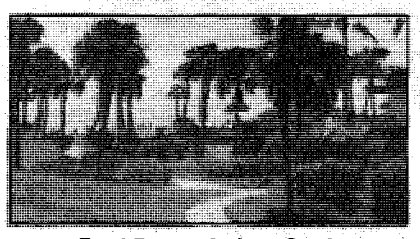
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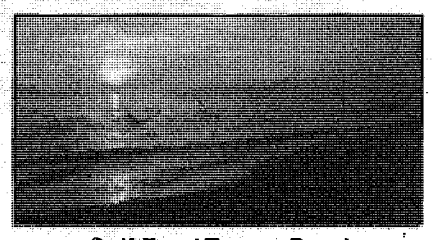
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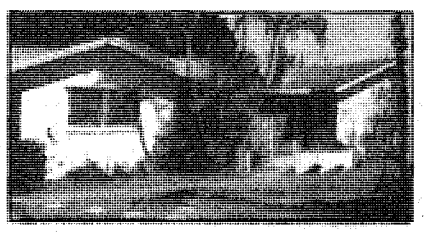
Unit # 302 - $699,000
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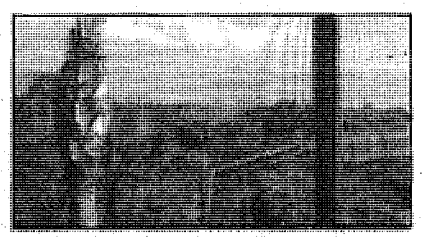
Best Buy at Pointe Santo
2 bedrooms, 2 baths
Gulf views from lanai
Excellent rental unit
$765,000



Gulf Front Tarpon Beach
2 bedroom, 2 bathrooms
Recently remodeled
Established, excellent rental
$950,000



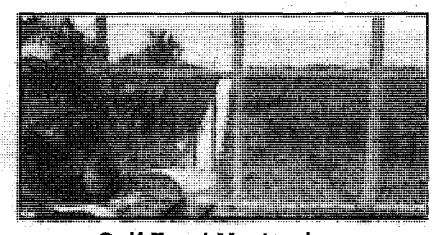
Seconds from the Sand
3 bedroom, 3 bath
Located on Sanibel's East End
Just seconds from shells, sand & surf
$1,195,000



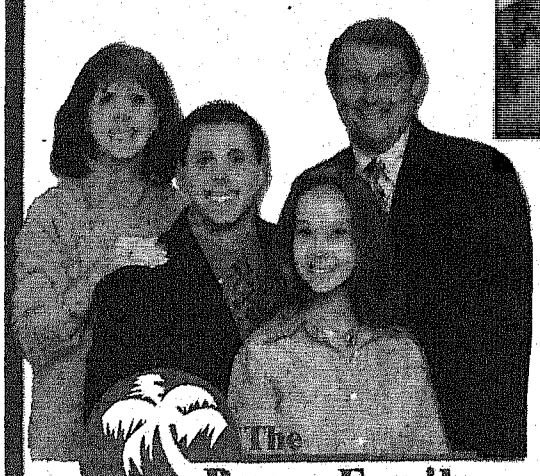
Gulf Front on the East End
2 bedrooms, 2 baths + den
Breathtaking views of the Gulf
Convenient, ground floor cabana
$1,120,000



Unparalleled Tropical Views
2 bedrooms, 2 baths
Views of Gulf and tropical lagoon
Excellent income through weekly rentals
$799,000

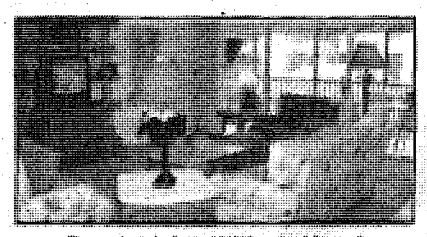


Gulf Front Masterpiece
180-degree views of the Gulf
3 bedrooms plus den and 3 baths
Spacious 2,700 sqft of luxury
$2,335,000





Boaters Delight
3 bedrooms, 2 baths with pool
Direct access canal with dock
Views of Bay from 3rd level
$1,695,000



Beach Living Without Hassle
Spacious 3 bedroom, 2 bath
Low density, west end community
Gulf views
$915,000



Deep Water Dreaming
Deep water, direct access canal
Ground level pool home
Includes 1987 Mercedes convertible
$1,695,000

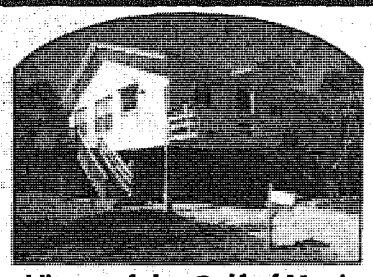
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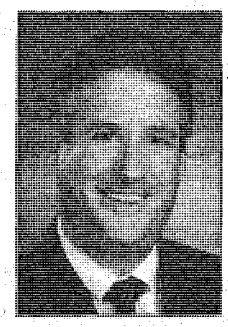
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Gator Tales From Glendale

by Craig R. Hersch, Florida Bar Board Certified Wills, Trusts & Estates Attorney; CPA



I apologize for missing last week's column. For those of you who are regular readers you know that I am a huge Gator fan, so I am going to take only one column to vary from my normal estate planning talk and gloat a bit.

Very happy but bleary eyed from a cross country tour including two airlines (U.S. Airways and Delta) and four airports (Phoenix, El Paso, Atlanta and Fort Myers) I finally arrived home late last Tuesday the day after the game.

For those of you who are Ohio State Buckeyes, I will say that many were very cordial in defeat. The section that I was sitting in had a mix of the scarlet and grey with the orange and blue. For the most part, we were all well behaved and considerate of one another. I did see one drunken young man with an OSU jersey on who tried to pick a fight with an elderly Gator fan, but other OSU fans jumped on him until security arrived. I'm as big of a college football fan as any, but don't understand how someone can take it to such an extreme as to want to pick a fight, especially with someone old enough to be your grandfather. But there are people like that everywhere.

Because Ohio State had a three-week head start knowing that they were in the national title game before the Gators were invited, the stadium was easily 70 percent Buckeyes. Having grown up in the Midwest (my parents are alumni of Indiana University) I was familiar with the "OH"…. "IO!" chants radiating throughout the stadium. Not to be outdone, the Gator contingent replied with our chomp and "Go Gators!" cries. I will say the OSU fans acted before the game as if the game was going to be a foregone conclusion. All the talking heads on ESPN obviously got to them.

You all know the rest of the story. Having followed this Gator team throughout the year, I had a very strong feeling that our defense would keep us close. Not one Gator fan, though, suspected that our offense would post its best performance of the year against a very talented #1 ranked team.

Halftime for the OSU fans must have been miserable. Gators, giddy with a 34-14 lead at the half, high fived each other (even total strangers with orange and blue on) when traveling up the aisle for a beer, to go to the restroom or to get a hot dog. Chants of "It's great to be a Florida Gator" started and didn't stop during the whole halftime break. I have never seen anything like that, even at the SEC Championship game in Atlanta.

So all in all, Gators are proud to have the reigning college football and basketball champions. A far cry from when I was at UF, where our cheer was usually "wait til next year!"

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Texas Hold-em

A practice session will be held on Thursday, January 18, 6 p.m., at Bank of the Islands.

Special thanks to the Lazy Flamingo, Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille and The Mucky Duck for their contributions to the event.

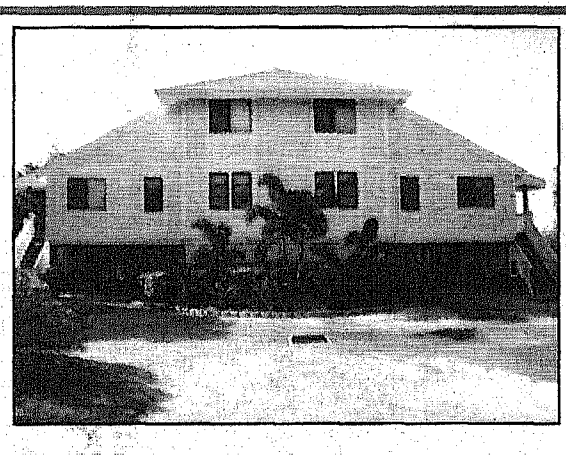
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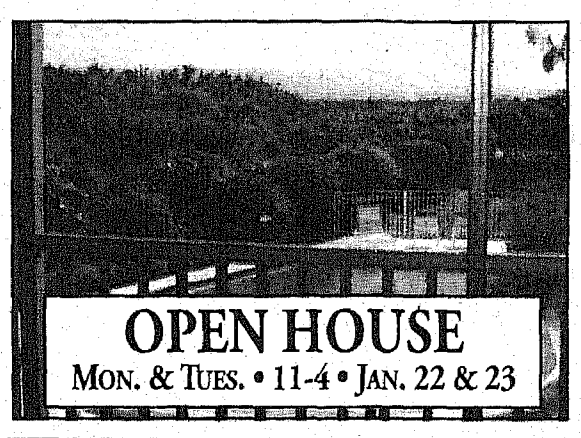
SIGNAL INN #5

Quietly tucked away on Olde Middle Gulf Dr., a low density beach front complex features pool, sauna, spa, racquetball court and wonderful water views. This 2/1.5 floor plan offers great rental history of $55K plus, on-site rentals and management. Wireless internet access in unit.
$779 THOUSAND



THE DUNES

18th fairway at the Dunes! This well maintained 3/2.5 plus office unfurnished duplex features expansive water and golf course views. Short walk to golf clubhouse, tennis and community pool. Great family neighborhood!
$560 THOUSAND



EAST END

Snug Harbor low-density intimate condominium complex features spacious 2/2 plus Den floor plan totally renovated 2005. Well maintained condo offers amenity package and water views. Pool-side cabana overlooks sub-tropical landscaped grounds with covered parking and elevator. Close to Sanibel Marina and island bike paths.
$1.099 MILLION FURNISHED



SMALL RESORT

Sunshine Island Inn is a family owned and operated accredited "Superior Small Lodge" located in Olde Town Sanibel. This east end canal front property features access to marina and San Carlos Bay with oversized heated pool, and deeded beach access only steps away. Truly charming, nightly rentals!
$1.990 MILLION



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Lake View

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- 3 bedroom, 2 bath home
- Very near the beach
- Heated pool and spa
- Immaculate, needs no work
- $785,000 (2700026)

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Awesome Location

NEW LISTING

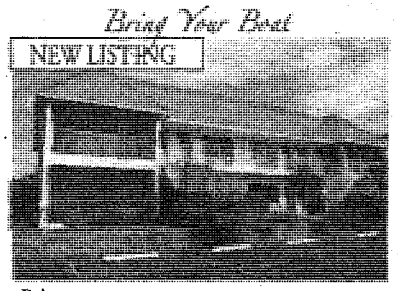


- 3 bedroom, 2 bath ground level home
- Large master suite with walk-in closet
- Large screened pool with shower
- New hurricane code windows
- $769,000 (2700047)

McMurray/Stone 472-5187 x 250/268

Bring Your Boat

NEW LISTING



- Bring your pet
- 1 bedroom, 1 bath condo on canal
- Across the street from the beach
- Pool and on-site rental management
- $407,000 (2700064)

Lynda Traverso 472-5187 x 226

Large Corner Unit

NEW LISTING

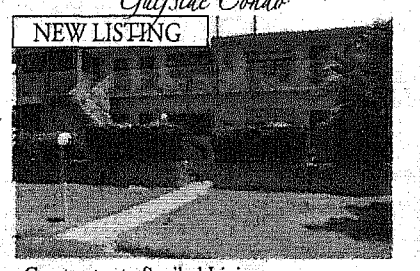


- 2 bedroom,2 bath with lanai
- Updated kitchen and baths
- Canal with dock
- Pet friendly
- $395,000 (2700061)

Linda Gornick 472-5187 x261

Gulfside Condo

NEW LISTING



- Great entry to Sanibel Living
- 1 bedroom, 1 bath
- Furnished with Florida colors
- Weekly rentals
- Boat dock
- $429,000 (2700065)

Lynda Traverso 472-5187 x 209

Perfect Island Home

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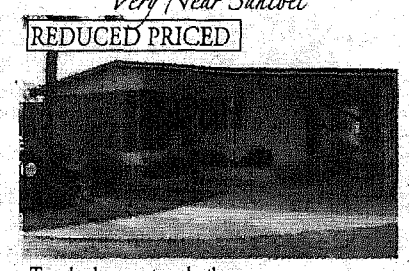


- Over 1.25 next to private beach access
- 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, raised pool
- Recently remodeled by Benchmark
- Extremely private surroundings
- $1,295,000 (2601727)

McMurray-Nette 472-5187 x 250/266

Very Near Sanibel

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- Two bedroom, two bath
- Large living room and Florida room
- Situated on corner lot
- Fully furnished and ready to go
- $135,000 (2600756)

Lisette Hitt 472-5187 x 205

Direct Access Canal

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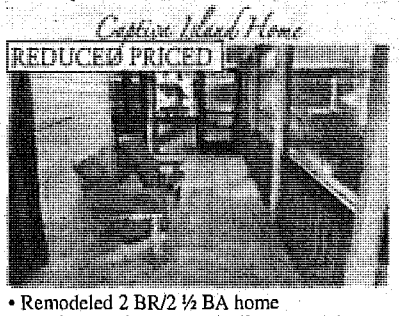


- 3 bedroom 2 bath Olde Florida style home
- Nice canal views and just minutes to the Bay
- Screen enclosed pool and hot tub
- Upgraded kitchen, cathedral ceilings
- $1,195,000 (2601480)

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Captiva Island Home

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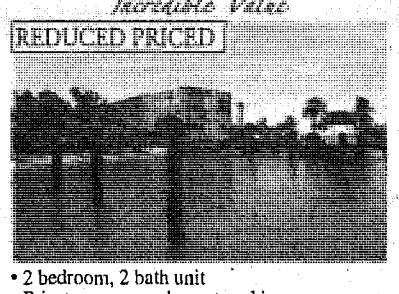


- Remodeled 2 BR/2 ½ BA home
- Deeded beach access steps from your door
- Boat docks, tennis, and pool
- Walk to shops and restaurants
- $1,049,000 (2601383)

Mike McMurray 239-472-5187 x 250

Incredible Value

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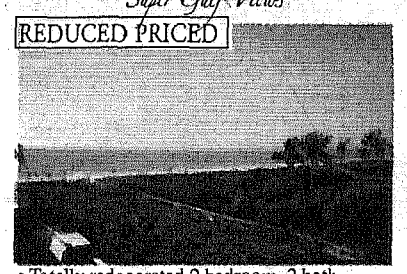


- 2 bedroom, 2 bath unit
- Private garage and guest parking
- Fishing pier and boat dock
- Fully furnished, bay views
- $449,000 (2601249)

Jim Hall 472-5187 x 215

Super Gulf Views

REDUCED PRICED



- Totally redecorated 2 bedroom, 2 bath
- Top floor corner with excellent Gulf views
- Superior weekly rental unit
- Huge garage and storage locker
- $799,000 (2600696)

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Palm Isle- Deep Water Access

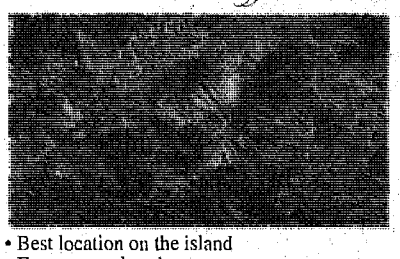
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- Best location with preserve view
- Dock and lift
- Gated community
- Quick gulf access
- $599,000 in Ft. Myers (2601556)

Debra Hobbs 472-5187 x 213

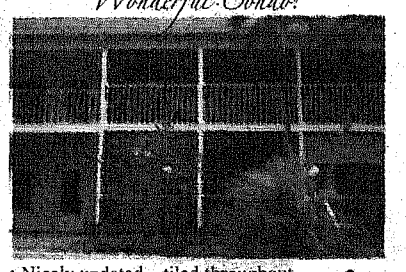
Value You Can Afford



- Best location on the island
- Footsteps to beach access
- 4 bedroom suites plus studio
- Built in 1996
- $750,000 (2602062)

Deborah Hobbs – 565-0549

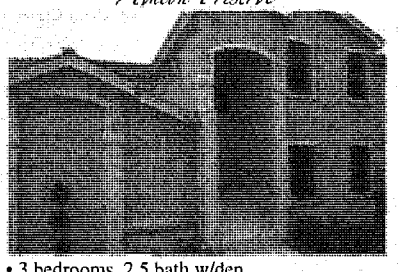
Wonderful Condo!



- Nicely updated – tiled throughout
- 2 bedroom, 2 bath – washer and dryer
- Peek at Gulf, rated #1
- Sanibel Arms West, new pavers & landscaping
- $639,000 (441839)

Gaeta/Zlatkin Team 472-5187 231/296

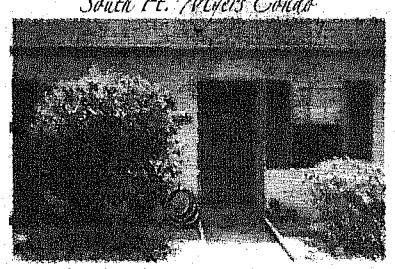
Avalon Preserve



- 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bath w/den
- Open kitchen and 27' long lanai
- Has great privacy from the 2nd floor
- Great location in South Ft. Myers
- $410,000 (2601933)

Larry Hahn 472-5187 x 283

South Ft. Myers Condo



- Location, location, location
- Great neighborhood
- Excellent condition
- 2 bedroom, 2 bath
- $184,000 (2601244)

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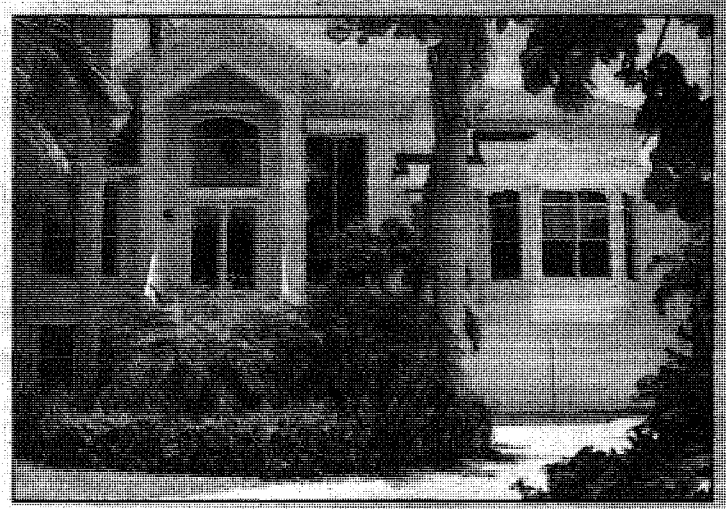
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International Real Estate



by JB Novelli

Market Correction Over

After all the talk about a "cost correction" in the real estate market, the latest sales data shows a small, but unmistakable, uptick in activity and declining unsold inventories.

The National Association of Realtors reported existing-home sales were up in November – the second consecutive month of modest increases after the cyclical low in September. The Commerce Department just reported sales of new houses rose 3.4 percent over the prior month, while builders' unsold inventories dropped to their lowest level since last February.

Both of these statements suggest that the market correction has just about run its course. On the bright side, moderate price cuts eventually stimulate buyers, especially those who had been sitting on the sidelines.

Smart shoppers should realize that the market is changing and our buying season is here; making lowball offers on already marked-down properties isn't a winning strategy. Buyers that are serious should be prepared to pay a price that may not be as low as they had hoped.

Shoppers also need to understand that today's prevailing mortgage rates are less than a percentage point above 40-year lows. They won't be around indefinitely, so now is the time to move on a fairly priced property.

The Internet remains a valuable tool – for both buyers and sellers. Not only is it vital to selling and buying a home, it is a fantastic source of information and can by used to gain more knowledge.

One word of caution – the necessity of an experienced, knowledgeable real estate agent in the current market conditions is essential. After all, it is their job to remain informed and on top of current conditions.

As for the market on the islands, most realtors agree this season will generate a tremendous amount of activity.

JB Novelli, president of Century 21 JB Novelli internationale, is a licensed real estate broker of 40 years in New York and on Sanibel. She owns five franchises in Southwest Florida.☼

Big Brothers Big Sisters Names New Board Chair

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Florida (BBBS-SWFL) CEO Diane Connell announced that Ray Pierce has been named the new chair of the board of directors. Pierce, a resident of Bonita Springs, previously served as a member on the board for three years.

"I joined the BBBS movement for two reasons. First, I respected the people that were involved in the leadership of the organization. Second, I feel strongly that our future as a country is directly related to the education and contribution of our youth. The outcomes of BBBS cannot be questioned. I wanted to be part of continuing the fine results already demonstrated by BBBS," said Pierce.

Pierce graduated from the University of Dayton in 1965. He spent 37 years with the J C Penney Co. He directed the men's business for JC Penney as president and then went on to direct their private brand development, international sourcing, and quality assurance division. He retired in 2001 as senior vice president.

Pierce has served in many other community service organizations, including president of the board of directors of Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Dallas, Texas, Rotary Club of Minneapolis, and Habitat for Humanity.

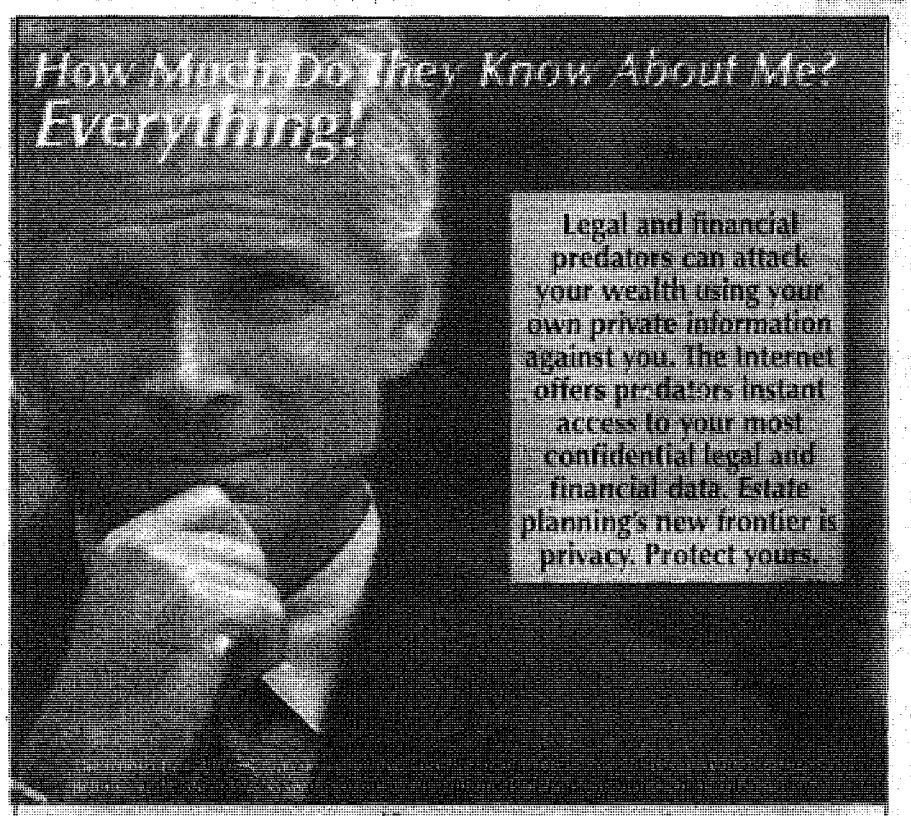
As chair of the board for BBBS-SWFL, his duties will include supervising and establishing goals for the CEO. He will also be responsible for conducting the performance review evaluation of the CEO. In addition, he will represent the agency in the community at various forums, venues and meetings.

BBBS-SWFL serves children in Lee, Collier, Hendry and Glades counties, and currently has more than 400 mentoring matches, including both Bigs In Schools program matches at 16 local schools and community-based program matches. Nearly one-hundred additional children are waiting to be matched.

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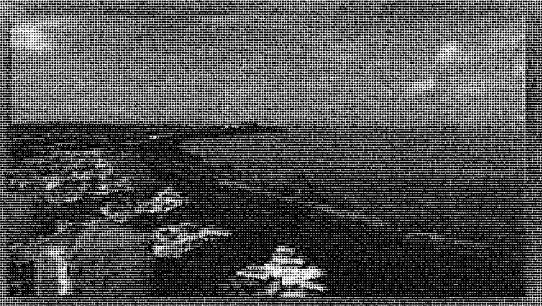
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Seal Love Letters With A Kiss

by Ken Rufo, Postmaster Sanibel

Hershey's Kisses are an enduring symbol of love, affection and sharing, recognized the world over for their distinct shape, classic foil and unmistakable plume.

The With Love and Kisses 39-cent 2007 commemorative postage stamp reinforces the passion and emotional connection consumers have with the Hershey's Kisses brand. What a great way to help celebrate the 100th anniversary of Hershey's Kisses.

The U.S. Postal Service, on January 13, issued the With Love and Kisses special stamp in one design in a pressure-sensitive adhesive convertible booklet of 20. The first-day issuance was held in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Three hundred million stamps have been printed.

The stamp, designed by Derry Noyes of Washington, DC, evokes images of sweet and ardent affection and features a silver Hershey's Kisses chocolate on a deep red background. The shape of the Kisses chocolate mirrors the form of the passionate red heart that rises behind it. Written on the heart is "Love," while "Kisses" appears on the plume that extends from the top of the chocolate treat.

The unmistakable shape of Hershey's Kisses chocolates has not changed since the Hershey Company introduced this milk-chocolate candy to the nation in



1907. Wrapped by hand until the process was automated in 1921, Kisses chocolates have been available year round for 100 years with only one exception. Production ceased from 1942 to 1949, when silver foil was rationed as a result of the war effort. Kisses chocolates wrapped in red and silver foil were introduced in 1986 in honor of Valentine's Day.

Customers have 30 days to obtain the first day of issue postmark by mail. They may purchase new stamps at their local post office, contract postal unit, by telephone at 800-STAMP-24, and the Postal Store Web site at www.usps.com/shop. To obtain the first day of issue postmark, customers must affix the stamps to envelopes of their choice, address the envelopes (to themselves or others), and place them in a larger envelope addressed to: With Love and Kisses Stamp, Postmaster, First Day of Issue Cancellation, 50 N. Linden Road, Hershey, PA 17033-9998. After applying the first day of issue postmark, the postal service will return the envelope through the mail. There is no charge for the postmark. All orders must be postmarked by March 13.

Stamp Fulfillment Services also offers first day covers for new stamp issues and postal service stationery items postmarked with the official first day of issue cancellation. Each item has an individual catalog number and is offered in the quarterly *USA Philatelic* catalog. Customers may request a free catalog by calling 800-STAMP-24 or writing to: Information Fulfillment, Dept. 6270, U.S. Postal Service, PO Box 219014, Kansas City, MO 64121-9014.

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Bronson Touts Alternative Fuels

Florida has the capability of producing more alternative fuels than anywhere else in the country, Florida Agriculture and Consumer Services Commissioner Charles H. Bronson told state legislators.

Appearing before a joint meeting of the House Agribusiness and House Energy Committees, Bronson said the state's abundant sunshine, ample rainfall and year-round growing season puts Florida ahead of every state in the country in its potential to produce ethanol and bio-diesel crops.

"You today are in a position of putting Florida ahead of the pack," Bronson said. "It will be a Florida that looks much different than it does today."

What are needed are tax incentives or some form of financial assistance that the state can provide to encourage growers to produce alternative energy crops and processors to locate facilities in Florida to convert the crops to fuel, Bronson said.

Bronson is a member of the steering committee of "25x25" – a national bipartisan organization whose goal is to see U.S. agriculture produce 25 percent of the nation's energy needs by the year 2025. He has launched the state's "Farm to Fuel" program, which encompasses efforts under way in Florida to see that goal realized.

In his presentation to legislators today, Bronson pointed out that if the "Farm to Fuel" initiative is successful in Florida,

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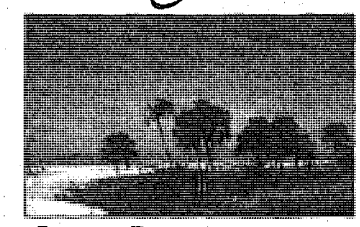
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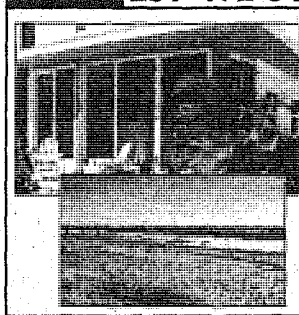
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Versatile Stripes



by Cindy Malszycki

Stripes are one of the most versatile decorating tools available. They can make a room look bigger or wider, more serene or louder. But, as with everything in life, too much of a good thing can sometimes be a bad thing. So here are a few helpful hints for your "striping" considerations:

• Watch out for wide stripes with dark or bright colors. They tend to be overpowering. Use them in small quantities, where they can still be an attention getter, but the room won't be overpowered.

• Keep in mind that the larger the room, the wider the stripe can be. Too small a stripe in a large living room could possibly get lost among the rest of your design.

• A narrow vertical stripe works well in smaller rooms, particularly those with low ceilings – they will make your room appear larger by drawing the eye upward.

Stripes are truly the "great mixer." They are fantastic when coordinated with other patterns such as florals and plaids.

If you want to create your own combinations, don't be afraid of the possibilities. Just remember when mixing stripes with other patterns, be sure to find a common element – which will most often be color.

Cindy Malszycki is an interior decorator on Sanibel.☆

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Alternative Fuels

it would not only lessen the state and nation's dependency on foreign oil but would keep green space in Florida by giving farmers yet another crop to produce and a way to make a profit.

In recent years, urban encroachment on rural areas has triggered large losses of farm land and in the process contributed to congestion and the lack of green or open space.

"If you want to keep green space in Florida without the state having to buy every single acre and taking it off the tax rolls, give farmers another crop to make a profit on," Bronson said.

The Commissioner told legislators that unlike the Midwest, where corn is the primary alternative energy crop, research done at the University of Florida has concluded that by using certain bacteria, virtually any type of bio-mass can be broken down to fuel. That would include wood, forestry debris, plant stalks and even livestock waste in addition to conventional crops.

"The opportunities in Florida are going to shock you," Bronson said.☆

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Golden Apple Teacher Finalists

Thirty-one Lee County District public school teachers were named finalists in the 20th annual Golden Apple Teacher Recognition Program. During the next five weeks these teachers will be observed and interviewed as part of the ongoing selection process, by this year's Golden Apple Selection Committee. The committee is made up of 12 Lee County business and community leaders.

The 31 teachers were selected from a field of 328 applicants who applied for this year's award. Six will be selected to receive the prestigious award presented during a surprise classroom visit in March. Those chosen will exemplify outstanding performance in the classroom, demonstrating imagination, commitment, communication skills and personal concern for the needs of students. They will be "representatives of outstanding teaching" in Lee County public schools.

The six Golden Apple recipients will be honored at a dinner on Friday, March 30, at the Harborside Event Center, Fort Myers.

The program, featuring all Lee County public school teachers, will be aired live on several local television channels from 8 to 9 p.m. with no commercial breaks. In addition to recognition at the dinner, each recipient will receive a $3,000 cash award, the prestigious "golden apple", a golden apple lapel pin (design donated by Jack Franklin, formerly of Fishel & Dowdy Jewelers), leather portfolio, membership in the Academy of Teachers, the on-going activity of the Golden Apple Program and an invitation to attend the Collegium for the Advancement of Teaching. The schools of the six Golden Apple teachers will each receive a $1,000 cash award.

The nationally emulated Golden Apple Program was the first major project founded and developed by The Foundation for Lee County Public Schools.☆

Sanibel Wellness

Sanibel Wellness will be holding yoga classes at both the Sanibel Community Center and BIG Arts this season, The schedule is as follows:

Wednesdays 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. and 9 to 10 a.m. with Barbara Cline at the Sanibel Community House; Thursdays at 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. with Murari Brian Healy and Barbara Cline at the Sanibel Community House and Saturdays at 9:30 to 10:50 a.m. with Murari Brian Healy at BIG Arts in the Phillips Arts Gallery. In addition to the yoga classes, Marcia Wagner will be offering Basic Pilates Plus on Thursdays at 8 to 9 a.m. at the Sanibel Community House. All classes are mixed level and open to beginners. Yoga classes are $20 each with props or $18 each if you bring your own. Packages of five yoga classes are $75.

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Seniors Coping With Life Series

For the fourth year, the Senior Center is offering a series of lectures named Coping with Life. The goal is to offer forums that will enhance the quality of life, whether it be medical education, learning a new activity or expanding your social life with laughter.

The Island Seniors Program is operated by the City of Sanibel Recreation Department and is a life enrichment program for people over the age of 50. The lectures are free and open to the public; advance registration is required due to limited space.

All lectures are on Friday at 1:30 p.m. at the Senior Center at 2401 Library Way, phone 472-5743.

January 26: Understanding Depression will be presented by Dottie Hummell, RN, BA. This informative session will be of interest to both patients and family members.

February 2: The Bailey-Matthews Shell Museum will be presented by Barbara Knapp, director of public relations of the museum. She will share information about themuseum and the benefits of becoming a docent. Volunteering makes you feel good.

February 9: Help for Hearing Loss will be presented by Leslie Neal, PhD, audiologist at the Audiology Center. What are the latest advancements in hearing aids? And did you know, the sooner you start wearing a hearing device when you notice hearing loss, the better off you will be.

February 16: Living with Parkinson's Disease will be of interest to patients and their care-givers. It is presented by Jeanne Sauy of the Lee Memorial Parkinson's Association. In addition there will be live entertainment presented by a Broadway star and producer.✲

Study And Discussion On The Topic Of Wellness

Does the new year find you in a state of frantic activity – a sense of being fragmented – tossed every which way by demands that threaten to pull you apart? Are you conscious of a gnawing disease that prevents you from feeling like a whole person? Are you longing for a sense of personal and relational calm in which you feel "at one" with yourself and your neighbor?

For the first time, Captiva's Chapel by the Sea will be offering a four-Friday afternoon study and discussion series this winter that is parallel to its long-standing spring-time Lenten study/discussion programs. The sessions will be held beginning at 4 p.m. on four consecutive Friday afternoons for an hour-and-a-half each at the chapel. All are welcome. The dates are January 19, January 26, February 2, and February 9. The Chapel Minister, the Reverend Dr. Robert R. Hansel, will be designing and coordinating this educational program which is open to the public, without charge or registration. A number of guest presenters will offer introductory ideas that will lead into a period of shared questions and conversations. Interaction and dialogue will be encouraged, aimed at discovering practical "things that work."

The overall theme is Wellness: The unity of mind, body, and spirit. Participants will hear presentations and be provided with resources aimed at helping to understand that our lives are intended to be an integrated whole. Our sense of unity or "wellness" proceeds from the positive interaction of all aspects of our being. The resultant sense of health, harmony, and happiness is precisely what every religious faith seeks to instill. This program will introduce integrating concepts that cut across those negative intellectual, cultural, and religious boundaries and borders that have divided, pointing instead to some ideas and beliefs that are able to unify individuals and groups.

Session I: Mental Wellness: The Mind, its capacities for truth or illusion, Friday, January 19 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Session II: Social Wellness: Finding harmony among family, friends, community, and the peoples of the world, Friday, January 26 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Session III: Physical Wellness: The body, its health and fitness, Friday, February 2 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Session IV: Spiritual Wellness: Our place in the unity of all things, Friday, February 9 from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Come be a part of something that can stimulate and inspire you to find a more fulfilling and satisfying way of living your life... the kind of life that your Creator intended.✲

Got A Problem? Dr. Connie Is In

by Constance Clancy

Q: Who is more likely to abuse substances, males or females?

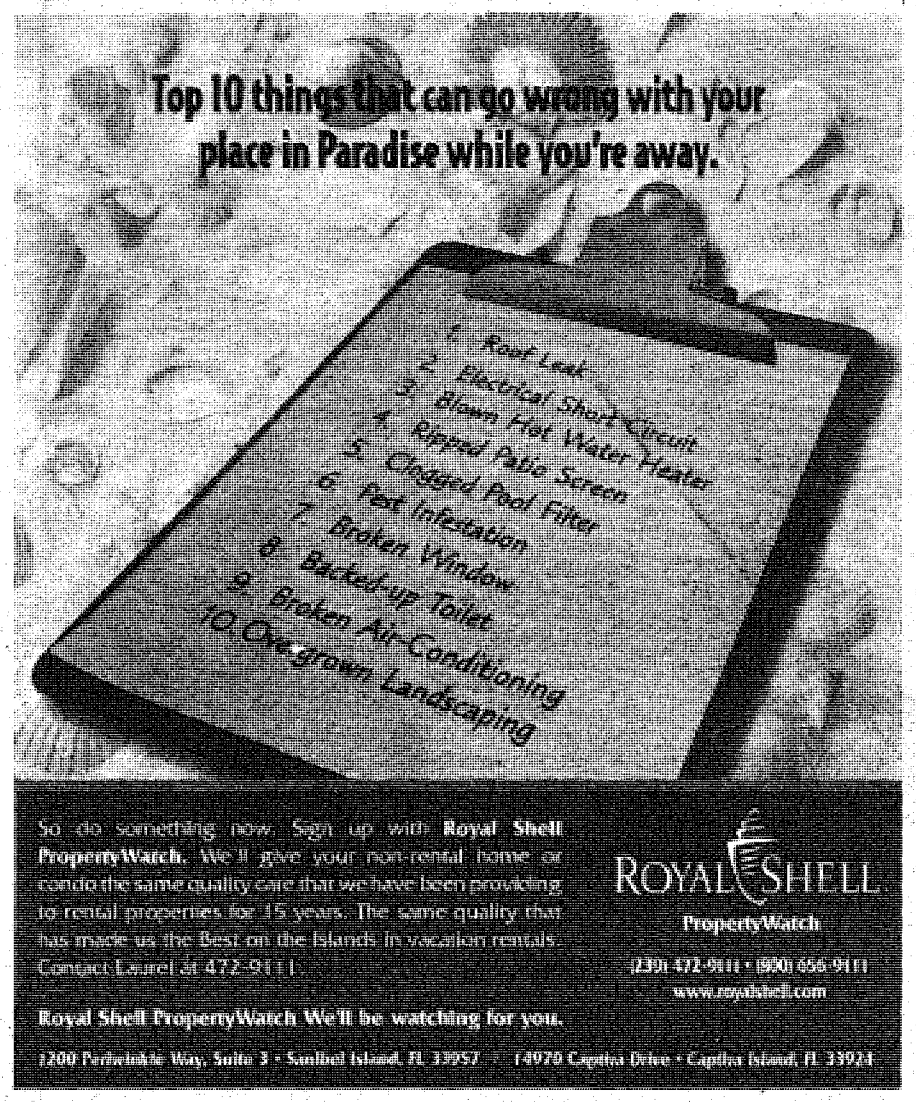


A: It's a startling fact that girls and young women are more likely than boys and young men to abuse substances in order to lose weight, relieve stress or boredom, improve mood, self-medicate to increase confidence or lift depression. Likewise, older women are more likely than older men to self-medicate with prescription drugs in order to cope with loneliness, financial insecurity, or the loss of a spouse.

It is also more likely for women then men to say their substance abuse followed a crisis such as a divorce, miscarriage, unemployment, or the empty nest syndrome where all of the children have departed from the home.

It's important to know the risk factors and life experiences that can precipitate substance abuse.

Dr. Clancy is a licensed mental health therapist, certified hypnotherapist, life coach, author and public speaker. You may email Dr. Connie at Connie@drconstance.us.✲



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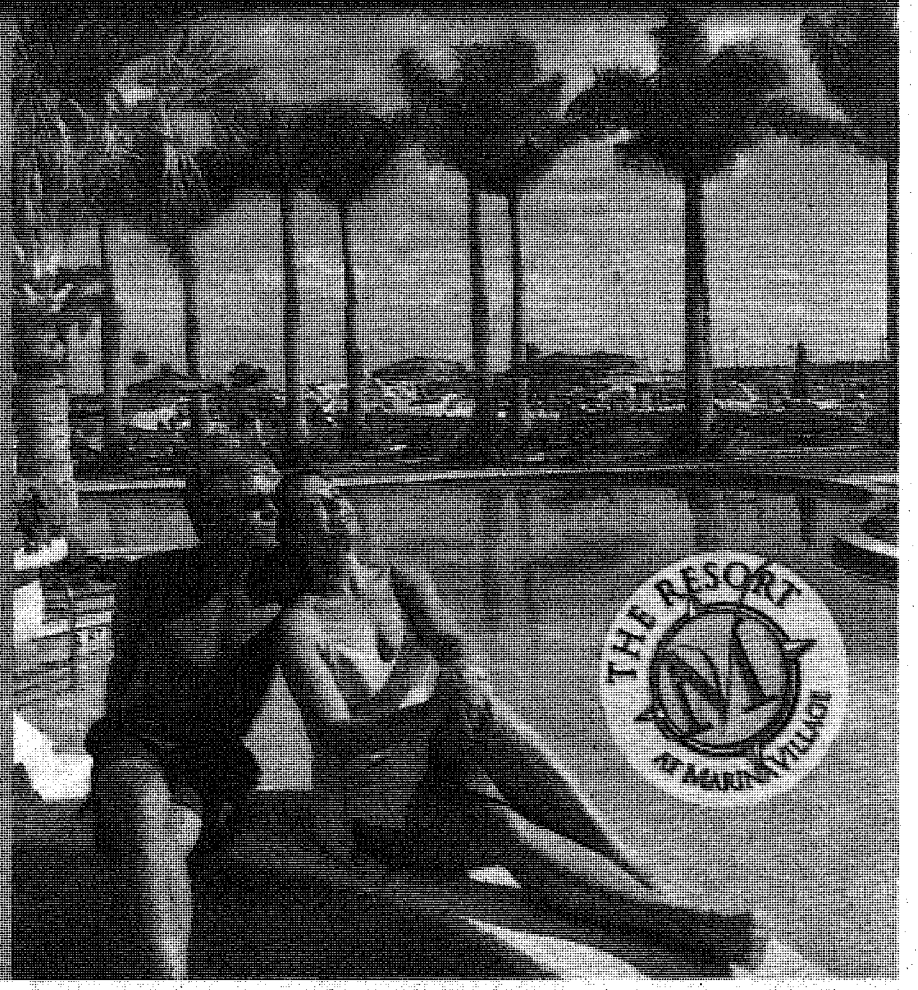
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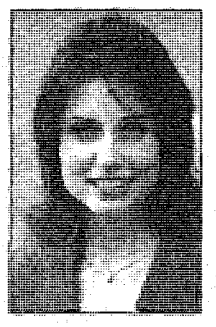
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dearRPharmacist

by Suzy Cohen, RPh



Dear Pharmacist: I have been taking a multivitamin because senior citizens need more vitamin B12 than younger people. I heard that I should take B12 separately, because the multivitamin doesn't contain enough. I find that hard to believe – the amount of B12 meets USRDA standards.

- E.T., Schenectady, N.Y.

B12, also called cobalamin, is safe even at very high doses. Did you know it contains the mineral cobalt?

You can get B12 from your diet by eating fish, dairy products, eggs, beef, pork and organ meats such as liver. Vegetarians will need supplementation to stay healthy. The USRDA (recommended daily allowance) isn't enough to advance optimal health or replenish you if you are deficient.

Seniors don't absorb B12 from their GI tract as well as younger folks do. A B12 deficiency may cause fatigue, pale skin, diarrhea, weight loss, numbness or tingling in the hands and feet, loss of balance, confusion, memory loss, sores in the mouth, depression and mood swings.

The scary part is that a B12 deficiency can "look" like any number of psychiatric and neurological conditions, so it's important to rule out a deficiency before you wind up on all sorts of drugs or have multiple surgeries.

Also, B12 is important in preventing heart disease, because it (along with folic acid) helps reduce inflammatory chemicals like homocysteine. See why I like it so much?

Your physician's office can run a blood test to determine deficiency, but blood levels of B12 don't always reflect the levels of B12 in your nerve tissue.

The type of B12 matters and, yes, taking it separately in larger doses is better. The amount contained in multivitamins is too low to protect you from heart disease and way too low if you have central nervous system damage of any sort. It's your nerve nutrient. Let's talk about that, since some of my readers are in disabling pain.

If you have multiple sclerosis, spinal cord lesions, peripheral neuropathy, trigeminal neuralgia, ALS, Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, muscular dystrophy or any condition that causes aberrant nerve misfiring or demyelination (unraveling) of the nerve sheath, these conditions may be improved by injecting a special, active form of B12 called methylcobalamin. (You should take approximately 5,000 mcg daily for a week and then once weekly for a few weeks.)

Methylcobalamin helps insulate damaged nerve fibers and regenerate healthier neurons. Any physician can call a compounding pharmacy to order it. It's different from the cyanocobalamin vials you get by prescription from pharmacies. That type doesn't work as well for brain or spinal-cord problems.

Please be aware that whenever you take B12 in high dosages, you should take a full range of B-complex vitamins to maintain balance. Anyone with nerve damage should also consider DHA (essential fatty acids) to nourish and protect against more nerve damage.

If you take antibiotics, metformin for diabetes, seizure medications like phenytoin or Phenobarbital, or pretty much any acid-reducer or ulcer medication, you could become deficient in B12.

DID YOU KNOW?

You can buy potent oral and sublingual forms of methylcobalamin at most health-food stores and pharmacies, as well as online.

This information is not intended to treat, cure or diagnose your condition. Suzy Cohen is a registered pharmacist. To contact her, visit www.dearpharmacist.com.☼

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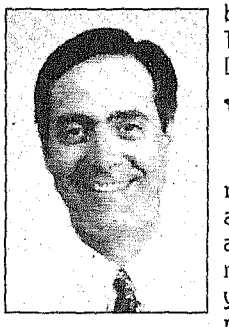
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by Dr. Michael Tolisano, BA, MA, DC, Chiropractor

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Pinworms v. Bees



by Dr. Dave Hepburn

Q. How can I tell if my six-year old son has pinworms? He gets very itchy in the rectal area.

Kathleen S., Kamloops

These wee white wigglers infest 10 percent of all kids and while not harmful in any way. They can create an annoying anal itch that can lead to some less-than-socially-acceptable (unless you're out fishing with your Dad) attempts to rect-ify the itch.

At night, the female pinworm leaves her happy colonic home, pops out the anus, takes a few fresh breaths and lays a few eggs. This creates the annoying nocturnal itch that causes Junior to fidget while trying to fall asleep. This also proves my defense that it is not always the male who is a pain in that part of the anatomy.

To prove the presence of pinworms, wait until the patient/victim falls asleep. Equip yourself with a flashlight, Scotch tape and preferably Ralph from CSI. (Is there a future 3M ad here?) If you shine your light and catch her wide-eyed in your beam then you've made the diagnosis. Do not shoot; this is an illegal hunting method.

While this may not be the most dignified thing you've ever done, hey, how many of you actually voted for Paul Martin. If you see no worm or anything else that ruins your evening, then place the tape on the anal area, thus removing the microscopic eggs. This again is best done while Junior sleeps, otherwise he is quite apt to run screaming to child protection services each time you reach for Scotch tape. He could very well go catatonic when his schoolteacher takes Scotch tape out of her desk.

Place the tape on a slide and then take the tape to your doctor (well after lunch please). To avoid pinworm eggs, scrub your hands and fingernails (eggs love to get in here) before eating, discourage nail biting and thumb sucking and keep fingernails short. My own mother used to clip my nails so short that my cuticles disappeared, but we saved on Scotch tape.

Q. I am allergic to bees. How can I tell if I've been stung by a bee or a wasp?

Sterling L., Surrey BC

When Betty Bee sets her stinger deep into your skin she forgets she has a barb attached to her stinger that prevents her from pulling it out of her victim. When she attempts to fly away, the barbed stinger is anchored so solidly to the stingee that it tears Betty Bee's belly, eviscerating and mortally wounding her. This is why if you listen closely while being stung you will hear "BzzzzOHCRAPbzzz." Too bad bee, or not to bee.

Wasps on the other hand have no barbs and enjoy stinging you several times.

If stung, carefully scrape off the stinger with a knife or credit card (cost of stingerless sting: priceless.) Throw some meat tenderizer and some ice on it. You might also use baking soda and yes, even an aluminum-based deodorant (for perspiration-free bites).

If a serious allergic reaction occurs it will likely do so within 20 minutes. Eyes and skin will itch, followed by vomiting, shortness of breath and that nagging little death side-effect. A localized swelling at the site of a sting does not mean allergy. But if each sting leads to more intense local reactions, allergies may develop. An Anakit must be kept nearby in bee season.

Dr. Dave Hepburn is a BC physician and guest speaker. email questions to drdave@png.canwest.com.☆

Mom And Me





by Lizzie and Pryce

Lizzie and Pryce answer your questions and give advice about aging concerns from a two-generational perspective. A mother and daughter team, Lizzie is a retired RN and health educator, and Pryce is a licensed psychotherapist in private practice who specializes in the care of elders and people with chronic illnesses.

Dear Mom & Me,

I am very concerned about my 47-year-old daughter. She is very depressed and extremely upset because she has recently been told that she is almost three months pregnant.

Her three children are away at college and they know nothing about this family event. Her husband, who is a very busy attorney, is very enthusiastic and looking forward to this little bundle.

What can I do to help her and what advice do you have to help me?

Madeline

Dear Madeline,

I am sorry to hear your daughter is having a difficult time. I am sure you feel helpless as well. My advice is to emotionally support your daughter but not get involved. The pregnancy is between husband and wife, not between husband, wife and mother-in-law. You may or may not agree with their choice but it is not your choice. Support whatever their choice is as a family.

Pryce

Dear Madeline,

Once a mother always a mother. Until we pass, most mothers are concerned about their children even if they are in their nineties and their children in their sixties and seventies.

We are told that we must let them make their own decisions but at times it is extremely difficult to sit back and keep our mouths shut.

I have heard some mothers say, "My tongue bleeds after I visit one of my children's homes. But in the final tally she and her husband must make the final decision.

Lizzie

Lizzie and Pryce's email address is momandmeaging@hotmail.com.☆

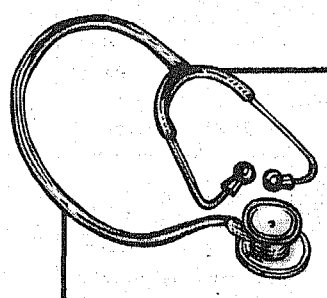
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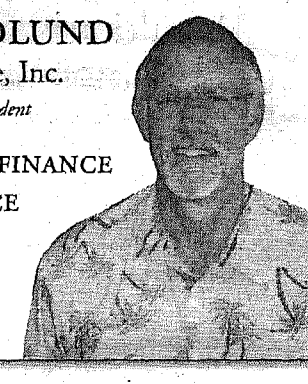
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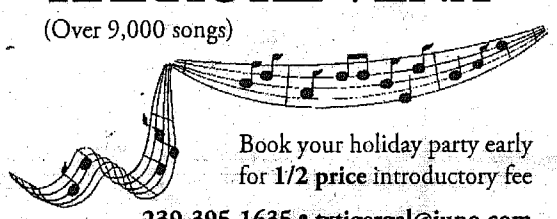
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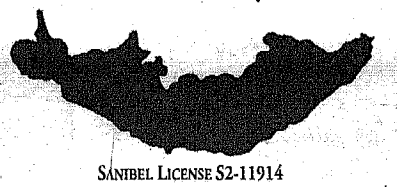
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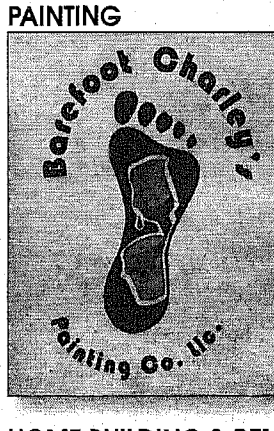
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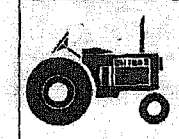
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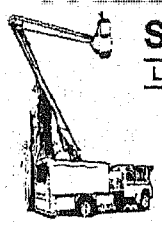


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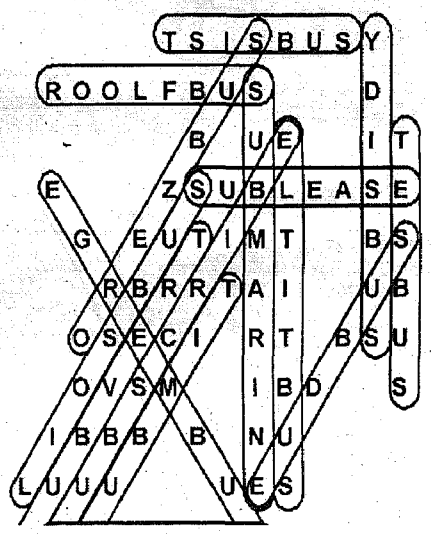
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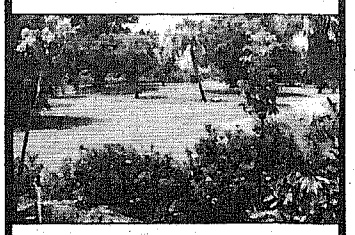
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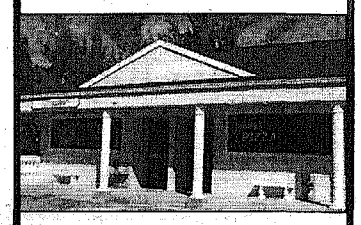
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SPORTS QUIZ

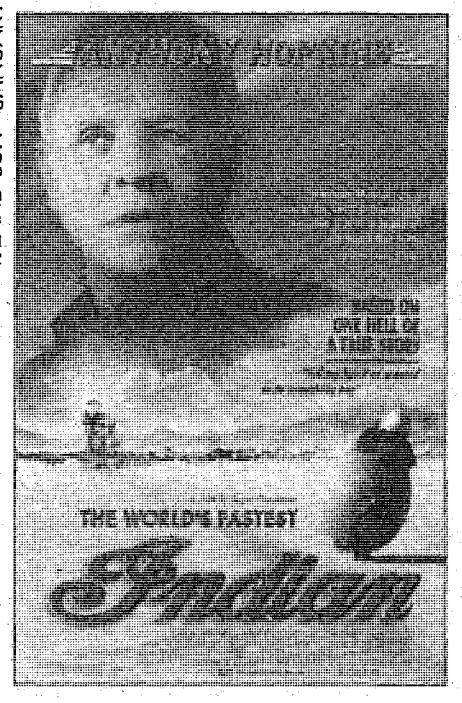
1. Only three Pittsburgh Pirates have had seasons of .300 or better average, 30 or more home runs and 20 or more stolen bases. Name two of them.
2. In 1966, the Oakland Athletics chose Reggie Jackson No. 2 overall in the major-league amateur draft. Who went No. 1 that year?
3. Name the first quarterback in Division I-A college football to complete more than 70 percent of his passes in two consecutive seasons.
4. For how many teams did forward Bernard King average at least 20 points a game for a season?
5. Which was the only NHL team to have missed the playoffs for six consecutive seasons (not counting the lockout season of 2004-05) entering the 2006-07 campaign?
6. Name the two heavyweight boxers who fought both Muhammad Ali and Mike Tyson.
7. Who was the first African-American male bowler to win a PBA event?

ANSWERS

1. Barry Bonds (1990, '92), Dave Parker (1978) and Jason Bay (2005). 2. The New York Mets chose catcher Steve Chilcott. 3. Toledo's Bruce Gradkowski in 2003 and 2004. 4. Four teams -- New Jersey, Golden State, New York and Washington. 5. The Atlanta Thrashers. 6. Trevor Berbick and Larry Holmes. 7. George Branham won the Brunswick Memorial World Open in 1986.

Monday Night Movie

The World"s Fastest Indian



by Priscilla Friedersdorf

The film for Monday night, January 22, might be sub-titled, "Sir Anthony Hopkins with bugs in his teeth."

This film from New Zealand, *The World's Fastest Indian*, continues the Film Society's presentations of exceptional foreign films. It is based on the true story of a mechanic, Burt Munro, who has spent a lifetime perfecting his classic Indian motorcycle. He lives in the small New Zealand town of Invercargill but his ambition is to clock his bike at the Bonnevile Salt Flats in Utah.



Hopkins on the road

Munro's quest to set a world speed record is legendary within the motorcycle community to this day. A third of the film was shot in his hometown and Ivercargill, New Zealand was chosen as the place to have the movie's world premiere.

Hopkins captures the irrepressible spirit of the older man as he sets out on a limited budget to follow his dream. His energy, determination and enthusiasm for the project infects those he encounters along the way.

Hopkins, who usually exhibits a certain arrogance in many of his roles, has captured perfectly this aging mechanic; a shy, awkward man from a remote area of the world who often must trust himself to the kindness of the strangers he meets on this journey toward his goal.

The supporting cast assembled by writer/director Roger Donaldson is also outstanding.

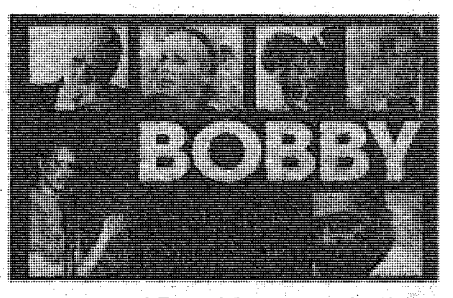
The film will be shown at 7 p.m. on Monday evening, January 22, in Schein Hall at BIG ARTS. Tickets are $5 and are available in advance or just prior to the film at the box office. Refreshments will be served and there will be a brief discussion on the porch adjacent to the auditorium following the film.

For information call BIG ARTS at 395-0900.✲

Island Cinema

BOBBY

by Priscilla Friedersdorf



The Island Cinema in cooperation with the BIG ARTS Film Society will feature *BOBBY*, one of the films considered a contender for an Academy Award this year. The film will be shown on January 24, at 4 p.m. at the Island Cinema and tickets are $5.50.

One reviewer described *BOBBY* as probably "the best political drama, fiction or otherwise, in recent memory."

The film, directed by Emilio Estevez, examines the reactions of some two dozen individuals who are in the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles on June 4, 1968, for the last speech by Robert Kennedy before his assassination. Lindsay Lohan is cast as a young peacenik, Ashton Kutcher as a LSD dealer, Anthony Hopkins as a shuffling retiree, Christian Slater as a racist kitchen manager, and Demi Moore as a drunken lounge singer. Kennedy himself is seen only in newsreel footage.

The '60s issues of racism, war and moral disintegration are noted and comparisons made in their similarities to today's political climate.

Tickets for the film can be obtained in advance at the BIG ARTS box office or at the Island Cinema immediately before the showing. These special events are often sold out so advance tickets are recommended. For information telephone BIG ARTS at 395-0900.✲

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Hot Fishing On Cold Days

light strike. If you do miss the bite with this technique, the bait will still be close enough for the fish to find and bite again.

Most of the redfish taken this week hit the bait five or six times before finally deciding to swim off with it. It feels like the redfish are turning the live shrimp around before taking it down and swimming off. Be patient and let them eat it. Once the drag of the reel starts screaming off line is usually a good to time to set the hook.

Some areas that have been good fishing for me this week were the dead end canals and creeks (Jungle Cut) in and around Cherry Estates in St. James City. Fish the mangrove side of the canal and fish around bigger boats that look like they have not moved in a while. Lots of bottom growth is a sure sign the boat has not moved.

• The Gault Island channel just north of St. James City on the lower tides was a good bet with lots of action. Fish the cuts and two docks on the north side of Gault where the water moves fastest.

• The "Ding" Darling Refuge seems to be getting a little better with the outside creek mouths being pretty productive.

• The ouside points and deeper holes of Chadwick's Bayou on Captiva held some snook and lots of rat reds on the higher incoming tide.

• Safety Harbor on North Captiva is crystal clear and holding lots of fish. The north side docks in there on the incoming tide were good for lots of little gag grouper and jacks.

• If you're looking for big sheepshead, the docks on the south side of Captiva pass are loaded with some up around five pounds. Anchor up close and fish straight down the pilings with a small hook baited with shrimp and just enough weight to get it close to the bottom.

With my job as a fishing guide, I do not get to pick and choose the perfect weather days to get out and fish. Clients often only have one chance to fish during their stay. With the right equipment, being out in cold and windy conditions is not usually a bad thing though. These rough, windy and cold days mean fewer boats on the water and less people fishing.

Bring the right gear to stay warm and dry. Suit up in waterproofs or rain gear for any windy wet runs across the bay. Once you get wet on a cold day it can be unpleasant and almost impossible to get dry; this can really spoil your day on the water.

Besides my Gortex rain gear, I also wear waterproof boots, gloves and a warm hat. No matter where you're from, 50 degrees at 40 mph is cold in an open boat. Dress in layers. It's better to bring too many warm clothes than not enough; as it warms up peel off a layer of clothing at a time. Learn areas where you can get out of the cold wind and still catch fish.

One of the great things about Pine Island Sound is that there are so many small islands, sheltered bays and creeks that there is usually somewhere warm and dry to hide and have a good day fishing. Don't let the cold and wind of a Southwest Florida winter keep you off the water.

Capt. Matt Mitchell moved to Sanibel in 1980 and has fished local waters for 25 years. He now lives in St. James City and has worked as a back country fishing guide for the last eight years. If you have comments or questions email captmattmitchell@aol.com.✲

March Of Dimes Grants Awarded

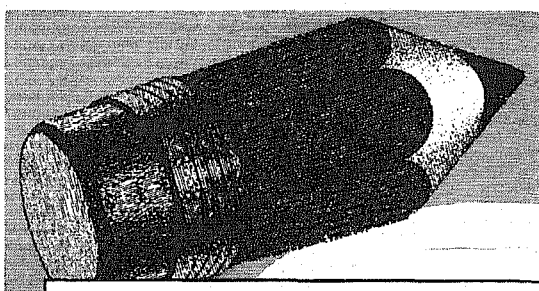
The Southwest Coast Division of the March of Dimes has awarded 2007 grants that will provide high quality prenatal education for area pregnant women," said Wendy Wilderman, March of Dimes program services committee chair. "These grants are one way the March of Dimes carries out its mission of preventing premature birth, birth defects and infant mortality."

"We are grateful that our successful fundraising efforts, such as WalkAmerica, Bikers for Babies, and Signature Chefs Auction, make it possible for us to support new efforts to help more babies to be born healthy in Lee, Collier, Hendry, and Glades Counties," Wilderman said.

Agencies that received March of Dimes 2007 grant awards include: (1) Pan America Alliance $9,000, to provide free prenatal education and support for pregnant, Spanish-speaking women residing in Lehigh Acres and eastern Lee County. (2) Abuse Counseling & Treatment (ACT) $6,500, to provide screening, education, counseling and referral services to abused pregnant women. (3) Collier County Health Department, $4,000, to educate women on the importance of good health habits before becoming pregnant. Two organizations received a total of $3,000 in Community Awards. Lee County Health Department and Collier County Health Department will use the funds to purchase pregnancy education literature and videos.

March of Dimes also awarded $293,000 in grant funds for projects across the state that address matemal/infant health needs..All organizations in Lee, Collier, Hendry or Glades Counties that work in the maternal/infant health field may apply for both state and local grants. For more information contact Tricia Christian at 433-3463.

The March of Dimes is a national voluntary health agency whose mission is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects, premature birth and infant mortality. Founded in 1938, the March of Dimes funds programs of research, community services, education, and advocacy to save babies. In 2003, it launched a campaign to address the increasing rate of premature birth. For more information, visit the March of Dimes Web site at marchofdimes.com or its Spanish Web site at nacersano.org. For information on the annual March of Dimes WalkAmerica, visit the Web site at walkamerica.org.✲

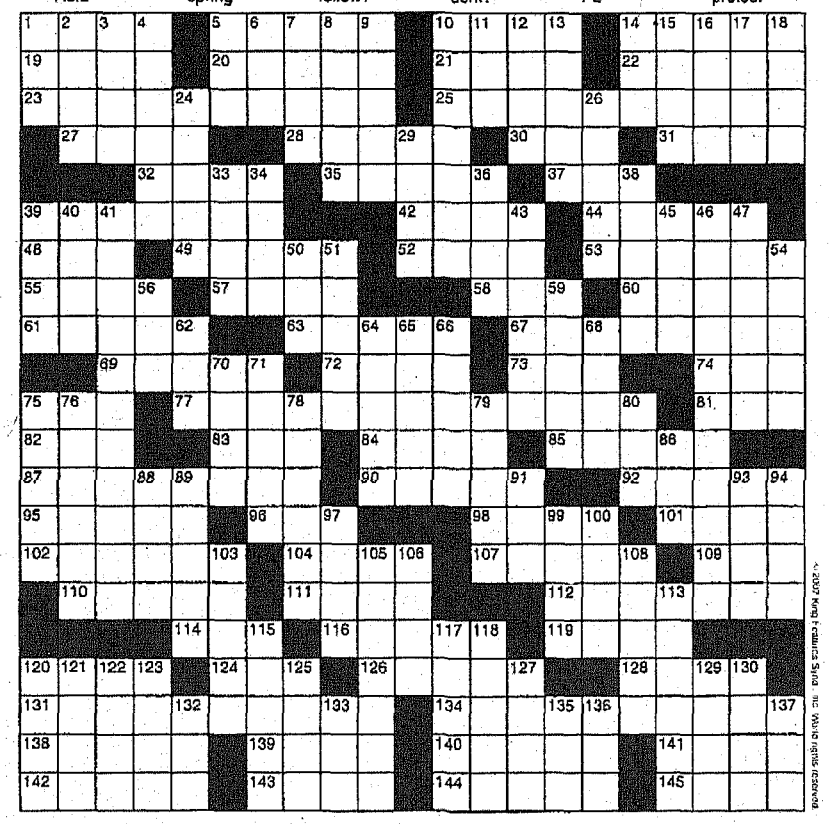


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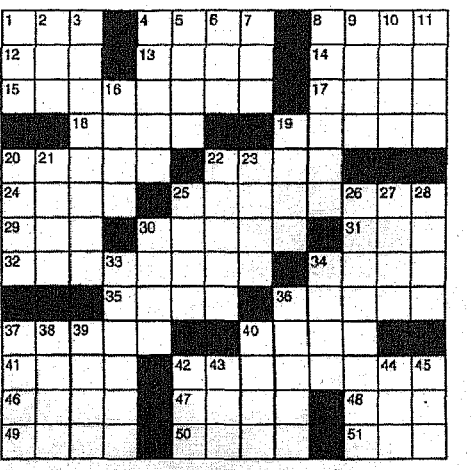
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15 Grad
16 — *novel*
17 Eban of Israel
18 Disturbance
24 Ashcan artist John
26 Too heavy
29 Puncheons
33 Rod's companion
34 Designer Fiorucci
36 Freighter front
38 Al — (cooking term)
39 It comes before kappa
40 Practice punching
41 Reckless
43 Foreign correspondent?
45 "Petits —"
46 Kind of confection
47 Blazing
50 Youth org.
51 "Siddhartha" author
54 Soprano Traubel
56 Presidential nickname
59 Ridges
62 Ooh's partner
64 Military unit
65 Selling point
66 Hearth hardware
68 Forgo the fudge
70 San —, Italy
71 Consternation
75 Inner circle
76 Journalist Fallaci
78 Shock
79 Author Jong
80 Prison pariah
86 Taxing org.
88 Withered
89 Act like an egret
91 Norm
93 D-Day site
94 ". . . my banjo on my —"
97 Mount —, FL
99 Schubert song
100 Carson's successor
103 Haggard
105 Connecticut town
106 Extinct bird
108 "The Bristol —" ('61 hit)
113 Christmas decoration
115 Criminal caper
117 Director Lubitsch
118 Dais *covering*
120 Way off base?
121 Lassie's father
122 Jack of "Rio Lobo"
123 Choir member
125 Poet Wilcox
127 Give off
129 Hook's mate
130 Steinbeck character
132 Craving
133 Drink like a dachshund
135 Street salutation
136 Hither and —
137 Puppy protest



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King Crossword



ACROSS
1 Highlander's hat
4 Strikebreaker
8 Moistens
12 Epoch
13 Ice-cream *holder*
14 Idle or Ambler
15 Tenet
17 Wee bit
18 Horseshoe site
19 Bad lighting?
20 Gather greedily
22 Hourglass fill
24 *Sea eagle*
25 "Ragtime" author
29 Island souvenir
30 Nasal passage
31 Biblical verb ending
32 Paper
34 London gallery
35 "You Go - Head"
36 Archer's missile
37 Gesturer's "dunno"
40 What some men are made of
41 Go sightseeing
42 Shipbuilders' place
46 Neat as -
47 October gem
48 Carnival city
49 Desires
50 Set component
51 Insecticide

DOWN
1 Slight bit
2 Past
3 Grease monkey
4 Seafood selection
5 Hairdo
6 Landers or Coulter
7 Spelling contest
8 Nut
9 Piccadilly statue
10 One of the Jackson 5
11 Read bar codes
16 Moved quickly
19 Picnic invaders
20 Maintained
21 Sandwich treat
22 Chastity's dad
23 - above the rest
25 "Carpe -"
26 Aft
27 Preminger of Hollywood
28 "It's hot in here!"
30 Urban blight
33 180's
34 Helen's home
36 Bracelet site
37 Remain
38 Bill Clinton's hometown
39 Destruction
40 Con job
42 Mutt
43 - -Locka, Fla.
44 Disencumber
45 Morse E

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Z X V G T E U T I M T R S B S
Q O M K R B R R T A I I U U B
H F D O S E C I B R T Z B S U
Y W V O V S M T R I B D W Q S
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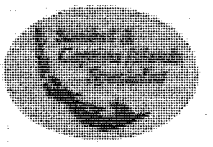
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Sublease
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Steps to gulf $999,000 furnished



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Amenities Communities



Island Woods lot $389,000

Gumbo Limbo Delights

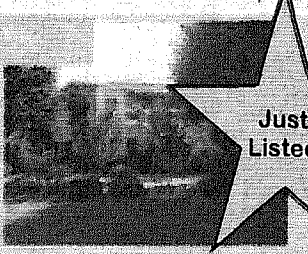


Just Listed

Lakeview w/pool $629,000 furnished



Tropical lakefront 3 bedrm $599,000



Just Listed

Large high 3+bedrm w/pool $799,000



Long Acre Lake 3 bedrm $949,000

Income Producers - All Fully Furnished



End 1 bedrm at Colony $319,900



Updated 2 bedrm w/Peek $664,000



Long View to Beach $699,900



Gulf-front Oceans Reach $799,000

Near-Beach The Rocks



Waterfront 2 bedrm $574,000

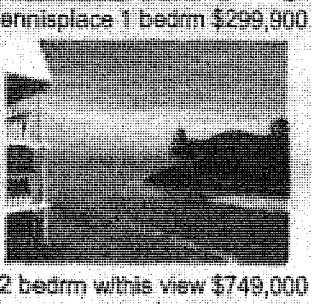


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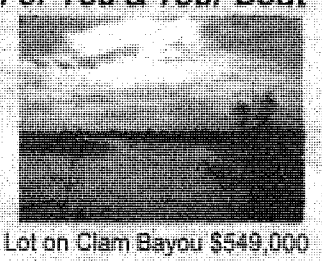
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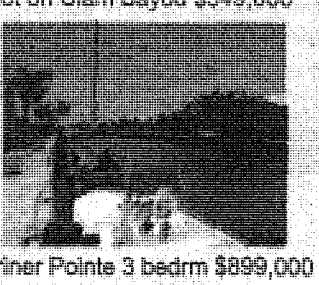
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2 bedrm w/this view $749,000



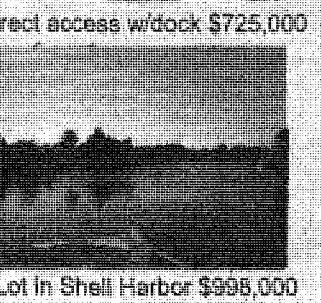
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Mariner Pointe 3 bedrm $899,000



Direct access w/dock $725,000

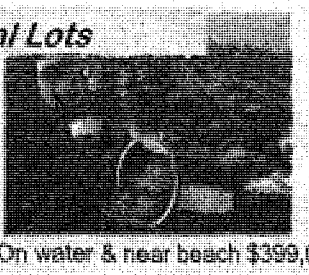


Lot in Shell Harbor $995,000

Residential Lots



Double-sized parcel $299,900



On water & near beach $399,000

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