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SHELLFISHING CLOSED

The State Division of Health has closed all waters in Lee, Charlotte and Collier Counties to shellfishing while possibilities of red tide poisoning are studied. At least two cases of sickness have been attributed to poisoned clams gathered in the area.

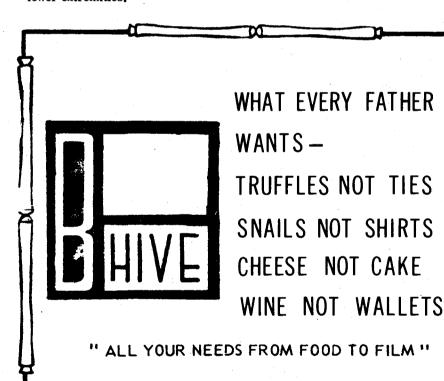
Vernon Keyes, shellfish consultant for the State, sent orders from Jacksonville to close the waters for shellfishing to D.L. Smith, Lee County Director of Sanitation. The orders were issued after the discovery of a fish kill between Venice and northern Collier County, thought to be caused by the red tide algae.

Shellfish samples indicated the presence of red tide organisms by laboratory tests. and the prohibition applies to both commercial and NON-COMMERCIAL gathering of oysters, clams, mussels and scallops. (In other words, if you're planning an oyster cookout or a clam stew, DON'T!)

Six Lee County shellfish areas were closed last year and have not been reopened, but A.H. Bradley of the Pine Island Fish Company said the directive will not affect Lee County immediately, since the oyster season closed May 1 and will not reopen until Sept. 1.

Mr. Bradley was speaking of the commercial market, however, and remarked that the 24th fatality on Lee County roads since January 1. the directive "may affect a small number of persons digging clams for their own con-

Dr. Charles Bradley, Collier County Health Director, reported two persons were treated for shellfish poisoning after eating clams gathered in waters near Marco Island. The sickness affects the neurological system and results in numbness and tingling in the lower extremities.



HELMETLESS CYCLIST KILLED

George A. Evans, 16, of 5711 Lauder Street, Fort Myers Beach, died Saturday afternoon following a motorcycle accident Friday at 9:30 p.m. on Wulfert Road on Sanibel. Deputy Lou Secary, who investigated the accident, said Evans evidently was traveling at a high rate of speed, missed a curve and was thrown from his motorcycle for a distance of 20 feet, he hit a tree and fractured his skull. Evans was not wearing a crash helmet, which is required by state law.

He had been riding with friends, and decided to go off for a short ride by himself. When he did not return within a half hour, his friends started to look for him, and final-

ly found him by tracing the cycle's tracks north on Wulfert Road.

The Sanibel Rescue Squad took Evans to Lee Memorial Hospital, which transferred him to the Naples Hospital for brain surgery, but the boy died before the operation. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Evans. Sr., of the Beach. Harvey Funeral Home is in charge of the funeral arrangements, which will take place where young Evans was born, Media, Pennsylvania.

This was the third serious motocycle accident on Sanibel in the past month, and is

The Sanibel Rescue Squad wishes to stress the seriousness of these accidents. In the three involving motorcycles during the last 30 days, the rescue squad had to take one boy to the hospital so that he would not lose his foot, and in another, Southern Ambulance could not be reached because the telephones were not working, which meant the squad had to take the boy all the way in town, which left the islands unprotected for an hour.

Rescue personnel cannot stress the seriousness of these accidents enough. It is illegal for a motorcyclist not to wear a helmet, and all due care (EXTRA care) should be maintained by all motorcyclists to prevent further loss of life on the islands, or anywhere else. While over 95% of all motorcycle fatalities are NOT caused by the cycleist, serious injury or death is final, no matter where the blame lies. Cycle riders, for ther own protection, can never be careless, and actually have to be MORE careful other

BUDGET ESTABLISHED

In a review of the County budget by Commissioners on Thursday, the money allotted for Turner Beach park was increased from \$1,500 to \$3,500. Chairman Bruce Scott stated that he will appoint a committee shortly for the redevelopment of Turner Beach as a park and recreation area.

At the same time, Sanibel Causeway expenses were approved from a current budgeted expense of \$209,359 to \$275,633. Harry Elliott, toll facilities manager for the causeway indicated that most of the increase is needed for an insurance reserve system, appearing on the books in the amount of \$41,429, which must be listed and kept on the books though not necessarily used. It could be used as it was in the past year for insured repairs, while awaiting settlement.

SUBDIVISION APPROVED

Zoning Approval to begin development of a new subdivision on a 200 acre tract at the North end of Sanibel was given by the County Commission last Tuesday, to Nationwide Realty Corp. of Miami.

The developers plan to start building streets and the initial preparation of 291 single family home sites, a one and a half acre business district, and a condominium apartment complex of 141 units. They plan to seek permits along the Pine Island Sound portion of the property and to obtain permission to fill parts of the land. The Commission granted the necessary zoning classifications despite an appeal from the Sanibel-Captiva Planning Board, Inc.

The Board had requested the delay through former circuit court judge Archie

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RECEIVED A.B.

Among those graduating this year, is Bob Dormer, who received an A.B. degree in Psychology from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Bob made the Dean's List and was elected to the Student Legislature as the representative of off-campus students. He received the highest grade ever given a student in his course on criminal psychology and was an active member of ECOS, a nation-wide student conservation organization.

He performed in the cast of George Bernard Shaw's "Anthony and Cleopatra" which was presented to the Student Body at the end of the school year. Bob hopes to be admitted to Law School in the fall at either the University of Florida or Stetson. Otherwise, his plans include a job in Washington, D.C. with the U.S. Dept. of Public Health or at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. At the present time, he is working in Chapel Hill but will leave there in August for a Maine vacation with his family.

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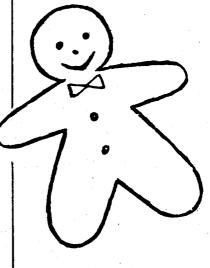
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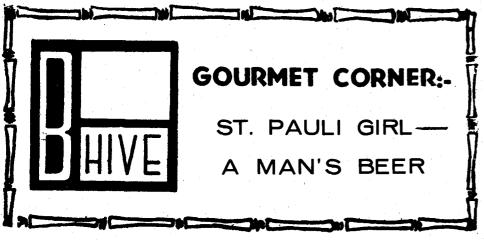
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Priscilla Murphy reports the following sale: From James Spivey, Trustee, to George Hermann from Bryn Mawr, Pa., a lot in Upper Captiva Shores.

SANIBEL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Dr. Robert Wallace, speech therapist for the Lee County Schools, gave the children of Sanibel Elementary School a glimpse of the greatest show on earth that thrilled their mothers and fathers not so many years ago.

He displayed books, posters from foreign countries and slides telling the history of the Big Top from the time of the very first American circus (1 lone lion) in the days of George Washington to the present time. He played authentic circus music, bands and calliope which were used to lure crowds to see the show after the morning Circus Parade.

NATURE CONSERVANCY MET ON SANIBEL

The executive committee of the Board of Directors of the Florida Chapter of The Nature Conservancy met on Sanibel Saturday, June 5. A matter of concern to Sanibel, the preservation of the Woodmere Preserve now owned by Mr. & Mrs. Willis Combs was a major item on the agenda of the state organization.

A party honoring the president-elect, Dr. Robert Knight of Miami was held Friday evening at the Combs residence, which was turned over to the Conservancy group for the weekend by the owners. Retiring president of the organization is Mrs. Joseph Niswonger of Lakeland.

SANIBEL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Hi kids, another summer reading program is about to start. Thursday mornings at 10 the reading and story telling hour will start on June 24 and will continue for five sessions, all to be held at the Library.

All children are invited; readers, beginners and pre-school. This interesting program will be handled by Mrs. Sylvia Strong and Mrs. Betty Zajicek. Be sure to Mom put this on her calendar for you. See you there!

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION

Mr. Robert L. Barber, director of the J. N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, has been named to fill the unexpired portion of the term of Tom Wood on the board of directors of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, Mrs. George Winterbotham, Chairman, has announced on behalf of the board. Tom resigned last fall prior to his retirement from the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and as Director of the Darling Refuge.

Mr. Vernon MacKenzie, president of the Sanibel-Captiva Planning Board, and Mrs. Leigh Bair, have been added to the Advisory Board of the Foundation, Mrs. Winterbotham also announced.

Mrs. Bair, in addition to serving as Advisory Director, is the first chairman of the Membership and Fund Raising Committee. Although total membership of the Foundation exceeds 1,000 indivisuals, and more than half a million dollars has been raised in gifts of cash, boats and equipment, and land, the Foundation has never had an organized membership or fund raising campaign, not even a committee designated for that purpose.

Major thrust of the membership and fund raising campaign will come during the winter season of 1971-72. But Mrs. Bair plans to have her committee start work immediately on bringing all Island residents into the organization.

FAREWELL LUNCHEON

Members of the Ladies Guild of the Sanibel Community Church held a luncheon on June 2 in honor of three members who are leaving Sanibel to make their homes elsewhere. The honored guests were Mrs. Cecil Hudson, moving to Shell Point village, Mrs. Harry Romine, moving to Oklahoma City, and Mrs. William Uhe, moving to Shell Point Village.

The three ladies have been valuable members, not only of the Church and Guild, but also of the community.

Mrs. Hudson has been a gracious hostess on many occasions for the guild and a loyal worker at their annual Christmas Bazaar.

Mrs. Romine has taught Sunday School and been a volunteer worker in the library

for many years. Mrs. Uhe is "the Orchid Lady" who has shared her beautiful plants to grace the altar of the Community Church and has also been a willing helper for projects at the church. She and her husband will continue with their projects at the church. at the church. She and her husband will continue with their mutual hobby of growing orchids in a newly erected greenhouse a t Shell Point,

Both the Uhes and the Hudsons look forward to visits from their Sanibel friends. Mrs. Romine will continue her volunteer work at the library in her retirement home in Oklahoma City. Wouldn't Jo love to see some of you in Oklahoma City!

SUBDIVISION APPROVED

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M. Odom, who urged the commissioners to delay taking action, until the results of an island-wide survey he recommended last April are known, Nationwide Realty Corporation's Attorney Ron Smawley said it would take a minimum of 12 months to get the necessary approvals for bulkheads and landfills from the various departments in Tallahassee. He specualted that after this approval another two or three years would be necessary to complete the development, which would include streets, water and sewage plants, plus parks and boat docks. The 18 month progress report requirement will not prevent Nationwide from starting work on single family residences of 20,000 sq.ft. and the planned business area.

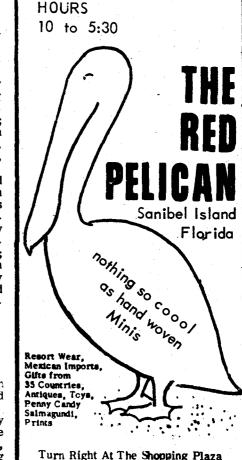
William Vines, planning consultant hired by Nationwide from Naples, stated that a realignment of Wulfert Road is planned by the developers, together with new intersections ar the Sanibel-Captiva Road and the Ding Darling Sanctuary Road. When

development is completed there are to be two families per acre. In April, the commissioners appointed Walter Shirey and James Sweeney to a planning board which included members of the Island Planning Board, real estate developers and County professional planning agents to work on the completion of the survey, in 18 months.

THE COLONY GUESTS

Guests enjoying The Colony are Dr. & Mrs. G. K. Carpenter, Jr., and family from Nashville, Tenn.; the Fred C. Hobson family from Charlotte, N.C.; Mr. & Mrs. Chris J. Stolfa and family from Independence Months Inham Proceedings dependence, Mo.; the John Brooks family and Mr. & Mrs. Don Bramble and family of Lakeland, Fla.; Mr. & Mrs. R. J. Burgess and family of Jacksonville, Fla.; the Larry P. Gatewood and family from Irvington, Ky.; and Mr. & Mrs. Don C. Swartzendruber and family of Oak Ridge,

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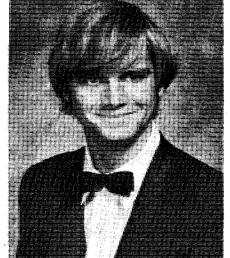
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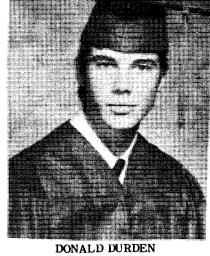
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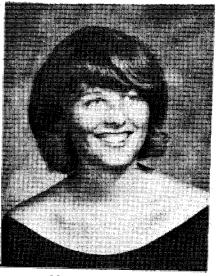


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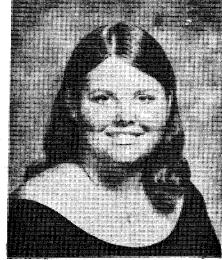




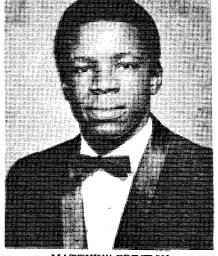
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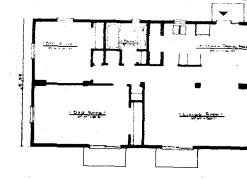


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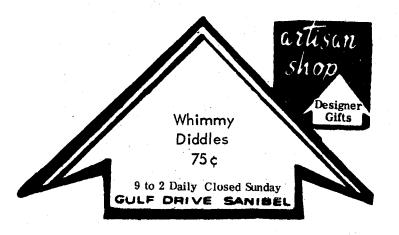
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/s/ Terence G. O'Brien St. Paul, Minn.

TO THE ISLANDER:

As an island resident and part-time naturalist, I am deeply disturbed by the continuous and persistent efforts being made to bulldoze and strip away one of our island's finest treasures --- Woodmere Preserve.

As many of us know, Mr. & Mrs. Combs have devoted much of their time and evergy to establishing and maintaining this natural sanctuary at their own expense and at no profit to themselves. They have succeeded in conserving one of the few places where most of our native plant species are found, including over 80 plants, many of which are rare.

This writer cannot imagine Sanibel Island without Woodmere Preserve. Indeed, it is unthinkable. A public outcry is needed to save this preserve. I would urge anyone who is concerned about our Island's natural heritage and beauty to make themselves heard.

Another access road must be found to serve the lands being developed. Woodmere must also be preserved. If not, Sanibel Island will lose another of its few remaining jewels.

/s/ Donald Foscue Modrall

LEGION INSTALLATION SET

The American Legion Post 123 has scheduled its installation of Officers for June 22 at 7:30 p.m. Louise Phillips, 8th District Legion Commander will conduct the installation with her team of district installing officers at the Legion Home. Acovered dish dinner for members is scheduled to precede the installation ceremonies.



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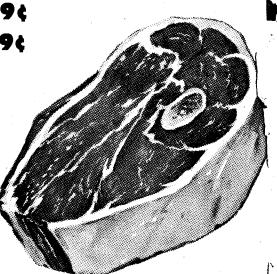
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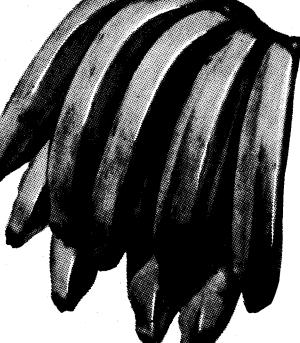
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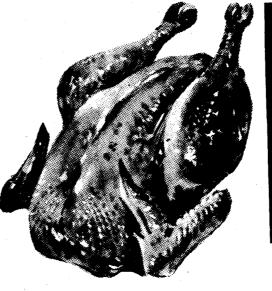
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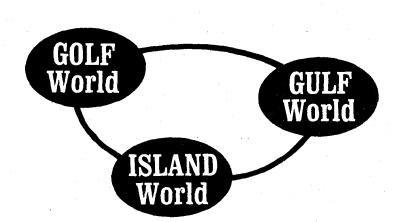
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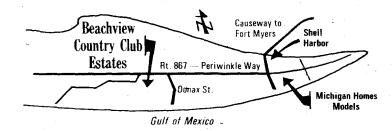
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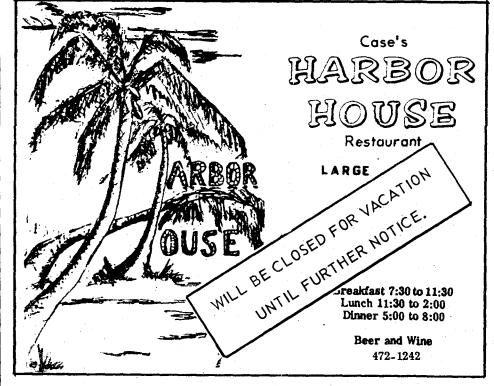
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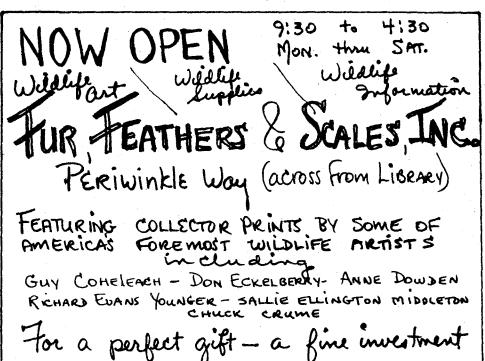
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He also told us that almost unintentionally he was able to shoot in the big city a lot of pictures that will allow him to complete at least two new "photo-verse" stories. He has already finished the first, entitled "The other Conev." which includes no less than 70 slides capturing unusual aspects of this "seventh heaven of the poor," deserted by the usual crowds on a bleak, stormy day. The other feature, to be called, "Herc -- and There," alternates and opposes in striking contrast views and typical facets of life on our islands and in New York.

As usual, during the summer, Mario wil concentrate on preparing new features for the coming 1971-72 season. However, after his recent return here he has already conducted two programs in Fort Myers, one for the Phi Delta Kappa Chapter of Southwest Florida, and the other for the Florida Chapter of the American Institute of Architects. In the near future he will also hold some private previews of his 'vintage 1971' compositions, and in August do a program for the Girl Scout Convention at Casa Ybel. Between shows and picture shooting, Mario is looking foward with keen anticipation to a few week-long fishing expeditions in the Gulf of Mexico on the commercial boat, 'Harbor Queen,' not to mention frequent trips aboard his favorite party boat, the 'Blue Heron.'

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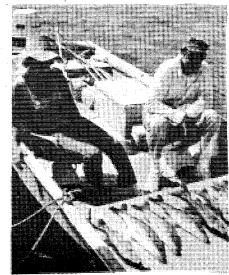
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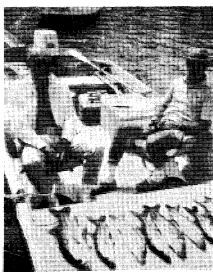
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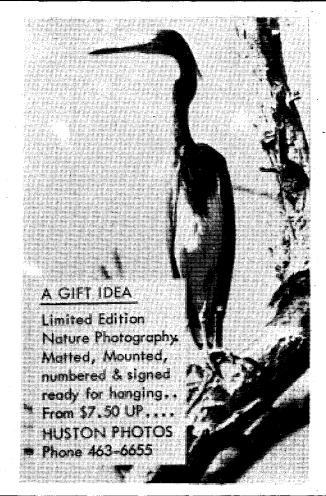


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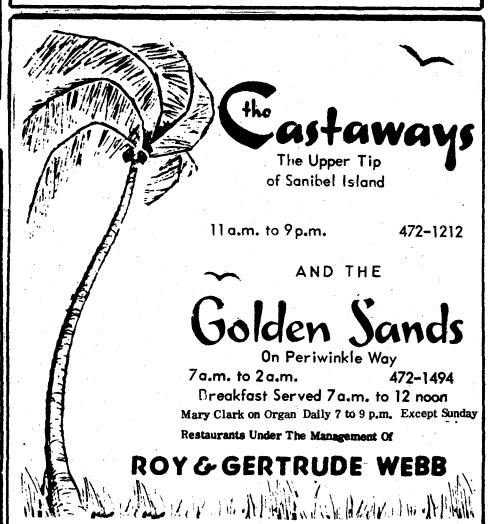
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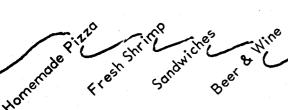
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