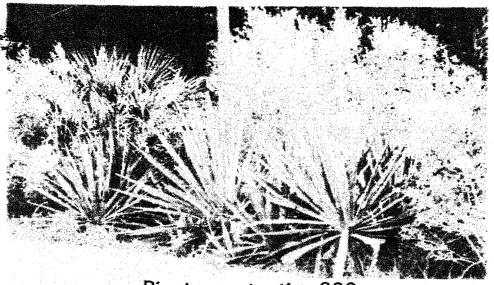
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Pirate protection???

'Tis rumoured that these spikey Spanish bayonets were first brought to our tropical Islands by pirates, who planted them around their camp grounds to protect them from unwanted visitors. Admittedly, it would be romantic if we could prove the captive women on Captiva brought them ashore for their protection—but we doubt if the ladies arrived in much more than their shifts, let alone with Spanish bayonets. Well, it makes a good story, anyway:

Community association lacks quorum; elections delayed

The annual election of the new Board of Directors of the Sanibel Community Association, originally scheduled for April 1, had to be postponed until May 6 because a quorum was not present. While 45 members showed up for the combined dinner meeting and annual election, 50 were needed for a prum. There was also a legal technicality in that the list of candidates is supposed to be posted 30 days in advance of the elec-

Burglary bolixed by beer boozers

It's bad for business to mention the name of an establishment which has been robbed (or almost robbed, in this case) since it may give someone an idea they might not have had before.

Therefore, this shall be the nameless report of a beautifully bumbled break-in.

Seems that one night this past week, one, possibly three (but most likely, no more than three) men decided to while away the night hours by putting in their hands at a bit of safe cracking.

Using crowbars, chisels, hammers and other assorted hand tools, they tackled a safe in a well established Island shop. They succeeded in tearing off (and tearing in half, in the process) the outer door of the big safe, and somehow or other pried off the facing of a smaller safe, but they never got any further than that.

They also, during the evening, consumed six six-pacs of imported beer, which was the only thing they got away with.

"You know, if they hadn't drank all that beer." the ISLANDER was told, "they just might have finished up the job. The first man on the scene at 7 a.m. discovered the damage—and about a half inch of cold beer left in one of the bottles. Another hour or so, or two or three six-pacs less, they just might have done it."

As of press time, the culprit(s) had not been apprehended.

tions, and since the list was given to the Island Reporter for publication in their March 7 issue, five days were lacking, too.

That really sounds like new math—5 people plus 5 days equals a 30 day delay.

"We just didn't read the by-laws closely enough." Dr. John Willard told the ISLANDER this week. "We didn't realize that the date of publication wasn't in time."

The previous published list of candidates recommended for the new board are Don Bissell. Iva Lee (Cookie) Dugger, Jean Hass. H. Stanley Johnson. Jr., William Krueger, Arthur Orloff, Barbara Rusch, Fred Valtin, Richard Wilson. Judy Workman and Dwane White, who has since been asked to be removed from the slate.

"The by-laws do provide that the board can appoint a new nominee in the event of a resignation," Dr. Willard said. "So there doesn't have to be a 30 day notice on the replacement, who hasn't been chosen yet. Of course, nominations will be be accepted from the floor the night of the meeting, also,"

All of the candidates recommended by the board are presently serving on the board with the exceptions of Krueger, Orloff, Valtin and Wilson.

When the new board members are elected, they in turn, will elect a president, vice president, secretary and a treasurer.

"We're going to have a pretty interesting program that evening." Dr. William said. "Leonard Stokes, who was a member of the Sing Along with Mitch (Miller) group will be our entertainer. Not only does he sing, but he tells some pretty good stories, too."

The dinner meeting will be held at 6:30 Tuesday, May 6, at the Sanibel Community House, followed by the business meeting and elections around 7:30, and Mr. Stokes will start between 8 and 8:30. The public is invited

Oh—in case you're wondering—the Community Association did go ahead and have its monthly dinner on April 1. All that wonderful food didn't go to waste (went to waist, perhaps?)—they just couldn't hold the elections.

\$87,000 pledged to city by Monday

When the City of Sanibel's finance committee met Monday afternoon at 1 p.m. at city hall. Sanibel citizens and friends had already pledged \$87,000 to help the city through its financial difficulties.

The money trouble started last week when Walter Condon, a Naples attorney, filed a quo warranto proceeding (in effect, making the city prove it is actually a city) which gave the fledging community ten days to prove why a writ should not be filed.

Judge John Shearer set a hearing for tomorrow (Friday) starting at 10 a.m.

What Condon's suit did, in effect, was cancel the promised loan of \$250,000 to the new city from the Sanibel-Captiva Bank of the Islands, which on the advice of counsel, said it would not be able to make the funds available. Last Friday, a "Pledge to the City of Sanibel" was published in the Island Reporter, and given publicity in both that publication and the Fort Myers News Press. You will find an amended copy of that pledge in the lower right hand corner of this

Chamber open nights

Mitch Austin is now manning the Chamber of Commerce office on the Causeway entrance road from 5 to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sundays.

This allows the Chamber to be open seven days a week (Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. instead of the former closing of time of 5 p.m. weekdays and not being open at all on Sundays) which is a very good thing for both the Islands and their visitors.

The extra hours are being subsidized by the members of the newly formed Motel Association who are also members of the Chamber of Commerce, according to Charles Holland, president of the Sanibel Captiva Chamber. page for your clipping and mailing convenience.)

And, as was reported at Monday afternoon's emergency finance committee meeting, private citizens had already pledged \$87,000 four of them pledging amounts of \$10,000 each.

On a motion from finance committee member John Cook, seconded by Jib Robson, committee chairman, the committee decided to thank the banks "with no hard feelings," the one on Sanibel and the Lee County Bank in Fort Myers, which had offered a possibility of lending the funds. But it agreed to inform the banks that the city would proceed to finance itself with private citizen pledges.

After a detailed discussion as to whether the interest rate should be set at 5 per cent as published earlier, $(5)_2$ per cent or seven per cent and whether or not pledges would be accepted in multiples of less than \$1,000 each, it was decided to put the interest rate at $5)_2$ per cent, payable annually, and to keep the amounts pledged at \$1,000 or multiples of \$1,000.

"This isn't to say that people who can't afford to pledge \$1,000 will be shut out." Robson pointed out. "It's just that I don't think it will look good for the city to be asking for donations, and since it was recommended that the amount be \$1,000. I will agree to that."

It was stressed during the meeting that any and all monies pledged are a full Federal tax exemption to anyone doing the pledging.

The coupon in the lower right of this page is approved by the finance committee. But it had not, by the ISLANDER's deadline, been approved by the City Council. However, it's still perfectly legal and will help finance the city, which may now be involved in costly litigation for many months—a cost far above the amount of \$250,000 originally

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Mrs. Fred Becker, Crestwood, Kentucky: "Oh, I discovered it so long ago you wouldn't believe it. That was forty-five years ago. I came along with some friends. Later I married the friend and we've come every winter since."



Billie Sly, Yorktown, Virginia: "I read about them in the New York Times about fifteen years ago and I've been coming down here ever since."

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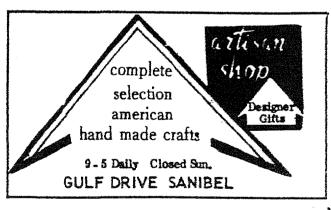
Captain Harry S. Trenery, Sanibel: "We came here twenty-three years ago from Ruskin, Florida. We came down on my boat and docked on Turner's Beach. We stayed two days and I told my wife, 'Someday we're going to live on Sanibel.' Now you couldn't get us off of the Island."



Mrs. James Kraemer, Sanibel: "We first came in 1968. We had friends over in Hollywood who were shellers and they kept talking about Sanibel. So one year we brought the kids down and came every year since and finally moved here."



Mrs. McFeggan, Chicago: "I just drove out here. Some friends who live here told us about it."



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Meet

Georgie Mankin

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Georgie was born in Dayton, Ohio, but her periodic trips to Sanibel made her move here three years ago a realization of a longhoped for dream. She has four children, 18, 17, Hand II (three boys and a girl).

She is now teaching part time in the Lee County School system, and is enrolled as a full time night student at the Fort Myers branch of the University of South Florida, working towards a reading specialist degree.

She has attended Capital University in Columbus, Ohio, Miami University in Oxisad, Ohio, and Florida International University. Her hobbies include ail painting, refinishing antiques, and reading for pleasure. And, she's a lovely lady to chat so give her a ring with your news,

around town . . .

"Take me to your leader, tourist!"

It all happened one evening last week, in the vacant lot next to the Island Cinemaseveral people who were entering the theatre were amazed to see two four foot nigh, metalic-clothed spacemen walking out of the wooded area next to the field. At first, the observers suspected a trick and started to follow the spacemen into the woods-but then, one spaceman turned and made an unusual reverberating sound—the pursuers stopped and ran back to report the incident to the local police.

In the meantime, the space creatures, who were equally frightened, made a mad dash to the laundromat to disrobe. The laundromat was closed—and two earthlings, dressed in six rolls of Reynolds wrap, were trapped. It was a cute prank-but, hey kids, did you know that earth police have the federal right to shoot at creatures of extraterrestial origin?

Ricky Stokes is back on Sanibel after being hospitalized in Miami for injuries attained in a motorcycle accident. Good to have you back, Rick.

Col. and Mrs. Ed Reed, of Sunset South, recently enjoyed the company of both of Mrs. Reed's brothers. Navy Capt. (Ret.) Lorin Hay and his wife Vinnie, of Virginia Beach, and Navy Captain James Hay and his wife Ruth, of Potomac, Md., joined the Reeds for the Easter holidays. This is the first time in six years that this military family has been able to gather together.

Mr. J. Norman Miller Jr. of Merchantville, N.J., found a golden olive on the beach Friday, while staying at The Colony. He says it is one of the most precious finds of his shell collection.

Francis Legel has just returned to Sanibel, after an enjoyable trip to North Carolina.

Congratulations are in order for Don and Gail Montgomery, whose little son, Adam, was christened on Sunday at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church.

Word has it that most of the fishing visitors on the Islands are catching an abundance of trout, but that's about it-no long fish stories (or tales) to be found this

Staying at the Island Inn this week are guests Mr. and Mrs. George Goldfrank of Putney, Vt., Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Sullivan of Westport, Conn.; Mr. and Mrs. George Caile of Skokie, Ill., Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Morse of Indianapolis, Ind., Mrs. Edgar Strause and her family of Columbus, Ohio, and Mr. and Mrs. B. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. B. Sullivan. Mr. and Mrs. P. Wright, all of Placida, Fla

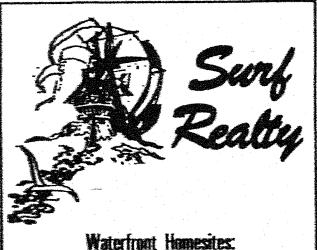
Other Florida based guests include Mr and Mrs. G. Ellis of Miami, Col. and Mrs. Edward Larson of Deltona, Mr. and Mrs. Hazen R. Ames of Naples, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Boyd of New Port Richey, and Mr. by georgie mankin

and Mrs. K. W. Tracey and Mr. and Mrs. Shafer, all of DeBary.

Guests also include Mr. and Mrs. L. McCormick, Jr. of Manchester Center, Vt., Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Bennett of Stowe, Vt., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Robens of Cincinnati, Ohio, Mrs. Wilson Routt and sister of Nicholasville, Ky., Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Orndorff of Mattoon, Ill. and Mr. and Mrs. George C. Power of St. Paul, Minn.

The Colony's out of state guests this week include: Mr. and Mrs. Don Stevenson of Circleville, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. George McNeil of Harrington Park, N.J.; Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Garrigued of White Plains, N.Y.; Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Franzen of Des Plaines, III.; Dr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Warren and Family of Appleton, Wisc.; Mr. and Mrs. James B. O'Meara of Burnsville, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. A. Schroeder of Sewickley, Pa.; Mr. David Enlow and family of Lexington, Ky.; Mr. C. M. Hembree and family of Lexington, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Sam Hodges also of Lexington, Ky.; Dr. and Mrs. Gary Porier and family of Lexington, Ky.; Mr. Stan Marcum and family of Lexington, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Psimer and family also of Lexington, Ky.; Mr. and Mrs. Gregor; Vincent of Brampton, Ontario; Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Wells of Glencoe, Ill.

The Colony's Florida guests this week include Dr. Harry G. Hockett and family of Cooper City; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Vander Slik of Clearwater; Misses Iva Cotton and Marie Leahy of Ft. Lauderdale; Mr. and Mrs. John B. O'Malley of Miami.



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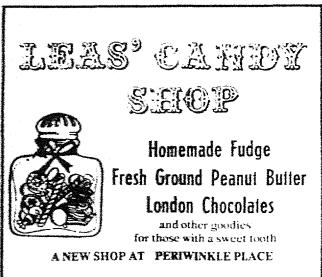
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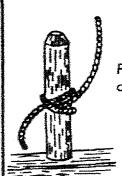
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Sanibel-Captiva elementary school news . . .

Schedule nearing normal

Since last week's ISLANDER deadline. the Lee County School Board has given permission to the 12 of 19 upper island children involved in Cub Scouts or Little League to remain in their classrooms for an extra half hour until the regular dismissal time of 4:00 p.m., according to Mrs. Shirley Watson, principal of the Sanibel Captiva Elementary School.

Tom Lane, director of transportation for the school board, has announced that as soon as an Island resident can be found to drive a second bus on the elementary school route, another bus will be provided, so that the children's and teacher's schedules can return to what is more or less normal.

The driver has to be an Island resident because of the financial inability of the school system to fuel up a bus in Fort Myers

and send it to the Islands every day for what will be an exclusive on-island bus route. Once a local driver is found, the school bus will remain on the Islands.

We implied in last week's ISLANDER that it was Mrs. Watson who said that some of the children, before the new scheduling, had to ride the bus for "as long as two hours" in some instances.

"What I said was that it took the school bus two hours to run the length of the Islands." Mrs. Watson said Sunday. "I did not say that any children were on the bus for the full two hours." The ISLANDER apologizes and stands corrected. Some of the children were on the school bus for one full hour (or poerhaps a few minutes longer) but not for two full hours.

The 5th graders at Sanibel-Captiva Elementary School have been experimenting with Haiku, a Japanese verse form which utilizes a 5-7-5 syllable rhythm in three lines. Following are a few exam-

Woodpeckers peck holes In trees to protect their young From their enemies. by Mike Nichols

A palm tree has fronds, Some roaches live in the bark, The kinds are many. by Karyn Dutton

The wind in autumn Blows over the countryside Then goes out to sea. by Eric Swats

The wind was blowing, And the grass was cool and nice But the trees were down. by Molly Creagh

The trees have green leaves That will turn brown and drop off To die in autumn.

by Laura Mankin.

Last Friday, William Damroth, noted Island photographer, donated a collection of photographic prints of African wildlife to the Sanibel Elementary School for their vertical file. (A vertical file is one which is cross indexed, and is composed of mostly visual teaching and research aids.)

Mrs. Shirley Watson, principal, said that Mr. Damroth commented "There are so many talented people on the Islands who have so much to offer our school students." He hoped that perhaps his donation would be one of many to follow by other island residents whose "expertise can enrich the students."

Mr. Damroth is also going to compose a wall long photographic mural of local flora and fauna, as he feels that there is so much beauty outside, some of it should be reflected in classroom and wall displays, and that photography is the most effective way to bring it into the schools.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the ISLANDER:

The annual meeting of the Sanibel Community Association could not be held as planned on Tuesday, April 1, for two reasons. No. 1, there were not enough members present for a quorum, and No. 2, a 30 day notice of the meeting was not given, hence I read these suggestions for the group who attended.

A. It is very necessary for us to have a small directory the same as the Captiva Civic Association and all other clubs, etc., listing President, Board Members, and the Association Members. No need to give addresses unless they care to.

B. The trophys for the Shell Fair are out of keeping with the dignity of the affair. They look like prizes for motor cycle racing. It would be more appropriate to give lovely prize shells which would fit in with every

C. There are too many entries for one exhibitor. The current Shell Fair had exhibits numbering 25 or more for one Exhibitor. Personally I think the limit should be three.

-s-Ruth Hunter

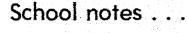
The following letter was given to the ISLANDER for publication: To the Sanibel City Council:

The enclosed pledge speaks my faith in the City of Sanibel.

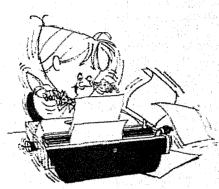
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-s-Mario Hutton



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Serious problems solved by streetcars!??!

While the ISLANDER is well aware there are many serious problems in the world today, let alone on Sanibel and Captiva Islands, a chance overheard conversation led to a theory which could, in effect, create a world wide solution for at least two problems. (If Professor Umpelmeyer is still out there, we surely would appreciate his comments.)

Anyhow, there has been talk lately, in both scientific and popular news magazines, about the dangers of the breakdown of the ozone (O3) layer around the earth which protects the world's inhabitants from deadly azdiation from the sun. It is currently believed that the gas from spray can oducts is doing the damage, and that if we continue to use spray can products, the protective ozone layer will be desimated

within a period of 30 or so years, bringing theoretical death to all of earth's inhabitants (unless a bomb does it first).

There has also been much written about polution controls, car emmissions, energy crunches, the wastefulness of private transportation, the costliness of private transportation and the possibility of running out of fuel to continue to run private transportation at all-which leads certain thinkers to the conclusion that a mass transit system will have to be worked out for the country as soon as possible-and possibly as soon as within the next decade.

Well, here's a way to save two birds with one stone! A mass transit system which utilizes trolley run street cars!

And what, you say, does this have to do with spray cans? We're glad you asked. You see, ozone is created in two ways-one, by

lightning striking the earth or an earth bound object through humid air (which breaks the H2O down into O3 and something else we're not prepared to go into. because we forgot to ask) or-are you ready,-by electrical corona discharges, which are made by every trolley each time it hits a joint in the power wire.

(The word trolley, by the way, is a vulgarization of the word "troller" which was originally a four-wheeled cart which "trolled" down street car power source wires. When some bright lad finally figured out a way to conduct the needed electricity through one wire rather than two, the circular shaped electrical contact on the pole from wire to street car was then called a "trolley" which eventually, in turn, led a lot of people to believe that the street car itself was, indeed, a trolley, as in Toonerville. But, we digress.)

For those of you who know James Pen Pickens, you may have already guessed that that's where the ISLANDER overheard the conversation, and we then decided to take an active part in the discussion.

"Actually, it's not such a hair brained proposal as it may seem," Jim told us. "A few years ago. I sat down and figured out a way to run a street car mass transit system-it would start around The Colony. come up through Captain's Walk, run down the right side of Periwinkle (we don't want to interfere with the bike path on the other side, of course) loop at Tarpon Bay Road along Island Inn Road, then along Gulf Drive and circle back along Casa Ybel to the

"And if the government wanted to run a spur from, say, Gulf Drive along Rabbit Road to the Sanctuary, well, they could. The problem there might be adequate parking

"New Orleans has a street car system which has just been made into a National Historical Monument, and San Francisco. Boston, Toronto, Philadelphia and Yakima, Washington, are all in the process of expanding their existing street car systems, not only as tourist attractions, but also as a workable mass transit system.

"Getting back to Sanibel, that proposed track layout would cover the major motel areas, shopping areas and recreation areas and would provide transportation for about 80 percent of Sanibel's residents and visitors."

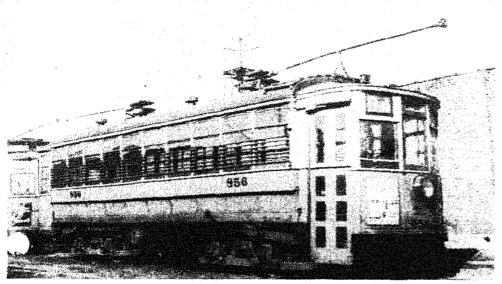
Jim admits the major problem would probably be obtaining the right of way. "There are lots of people, thousands of them, who are street car and light rail road buffs," he said. "I'm pretty sure that if the right of way problem was cleared, financing would be no problem at all. They'd be simply delighted to be able to contribute to a working street car system.

"The cars are available from South America and Portugal, which is where we sold all our old street cars when The National Cities Transit Company started moving into the street car systems. National Cities Transit was formed by General Motors, a national tire company and a petroleum company, to gain control of the street car systems with the idea of substituting diesel busses for street cars. They started moving in the 1930's, were stopped by World War II, and finished up their work in the post war years. Since then, it has been found out that diesel bus systems just won't do the job.

"They (the busses) wear out at least three times as fast, the fuel is more expensive and the tires are more expensive, not to mention the polution problems generated by busses."

These old street cars cost about \$16,000 each (postage paid) by the time they arrive back in the USA, and the Boeing Company is currently manufacturing light rail road vehicles for San Francisco and Boston.

Anyhow, it's a thought. Sanibel could have a mass transit system (with Island decorated street cars, of course) which would be a tourist attraction, clear the roads of many cars, lower local polution, cost less per person than present car transportation—and, every time the trolley hit a joint in the power wire, create ozone. So, spray on, MacDuff (but only from a street car with a trolley!)



This street car is of the 1890's vintage, and was still going strong in St. Louis in the early 1940's. For trivia buffs, the street car itself is not a trolley—the trolley is the round electrical contact at the end of the trolley pole which conducted electricity from the power source (the wire) to the street car's engine.





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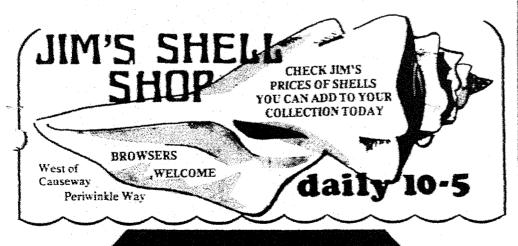
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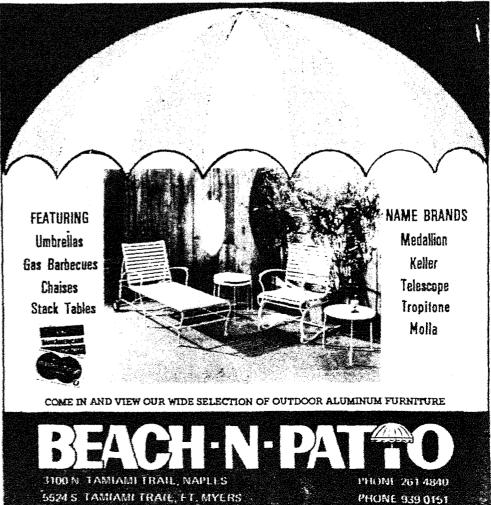
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KIWANIS CLUB meets each Wednesday morning at 8:00 a.m. at Scotty's Pub on Periwinkle Way.

FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS hold their regular meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the new Firehouse on Palm Ridge Road. The public is invited to attend

AL ANON - First and third Friday of each month, 8:00 p.m. at St. Michael's and All Angels Church.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - open meeting. St. Michael's and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way, Friday nights, 8:00 p.m. For information call 472-2150.

LADIES GUILD of the Sanibel Community Church meets at 1:30 every third Thursday of the month. For Details, phone 472-2425.

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AMERICAN LEGION POST No. 123 - American Legion Home, second Tuesday of the month, 8 p.m.

SANIBEL PLANNING COMMISSION, officially established by the Sanibel City Council on February 25, 1975, will hold regular meetings every Monday at 9:30 a.m., at Sanibel City Hall. The Public is invited to attend.

ISLAND DUPLICATE BRIDGE GAME - Sanibel Community House, Fridays 7:30 p.m. Director Joe Winterrowd. Phone 472-1829

FIRE DEPARTMENT meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday at 7:30, Palm Ridge Road Firehouse.

BINGO MUREX - American Legion Home, Wednesdays 8 p.m. - no minors.

BOY SCOUT TROOP No. 88 meets at 7:30 p.m. Tuesdays at the school.

LIONS CLUB of Sanibel-Captiva meets at 6:30 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at Island Beach Club.

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA CONSERVATION FOUNDATION Board of Directors meets the second Tuesday of each month at 3:30 p.m.

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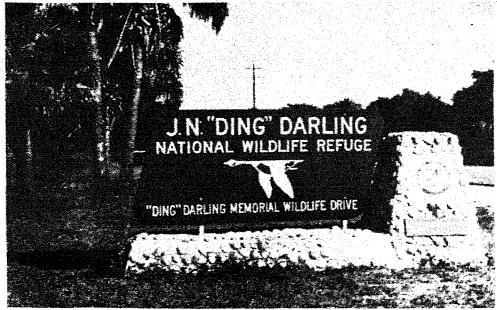
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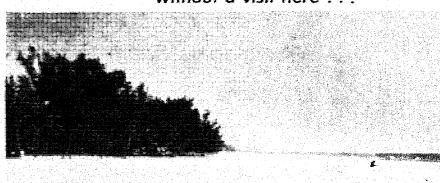
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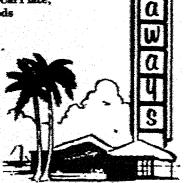
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Island gardening hints

Carissa grandiflora is a native of South Africa where it is grown primarily for its edible berry-like fruits. However, here in Florida it is used mainly as an ornamental plant. It is capable of attaining a height of 18 feet and falls in the class of a tall shrub. By pruning the plant to one or two trunks, it may be shaped into a small tree.

The foliage is dark green and leathery and the branches heavily armed with two pointed spines. This means plants must be handled with care to avoid serious scratches. Foliage and twigs produce a white milky sap when bruised.

Fragrant flowers are produced singly, are white in color, waxy, and about two inches across. They are generally produced in the spring but a few may be found at all times during the year. Fruit is also found throughout the year in various stages of maturity. The berry-like, egg-shaped fruit is bright red and about two inches long. This sub-acid fruit may be eaten fresh, used in salads or used for jelly. The flavor is somewhat like raspberries.

Natal plums grow well in a wide range of soil types. But improved soils are more favorable for good growth. Sandy soils can be improved by adding organic materials such as sludge, tankage, peat moss, leaf mold, etc. These materials should be worked into the soil prior to planting.

Uses

Carissas are very desirable for planting in coastal areas as they are quite tolerant of salt sprays. Strong winds combined with salt sprays may cause some leaf scorch but the plant seems to recover from this problem in a short period of time. The plant will also tolerate temperatures several degrees below freezing. Should cold injury occur, the plant will recuperate rapidly. Areas relatively protected from cold should be selected when planting if least injury is to

be expected. Carissas are very effective as impenetrable hedges, for foundation and border plantings. They will stand severe pruning if needed to shape the plant. The dwarf forms are very satisfactory for foundation plantings beneath windows, for planter boxes, near walks, or wherever a low growing plant is required. Dwarf forms have smaller leaves, fewer spines, fewer flowers and fruit and produce low compact plants that seldom attain a height over three or four feet.

Fertilizing

Several applications of a complete fertilizer each year will be sufficient. A 6-6-6 or similar analysis fertilizer may be used. The higher the natural organic nitrogen content of the mix, the more desirable.

Propagation

Carissas are propagated by seed, which take about two weeks to germinate. The young seedlings then grow rather slowly.

Layering the branches near the ground is a very satisfactory method of propagation. A fairly large plant can be produced in a short time by layering. Carissas can also be started from 4 to 6 inch tip cuttings.

Other Varieties

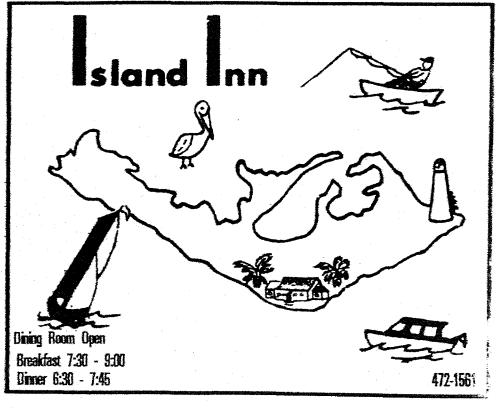
Some dwarf carissa clones include: Boxwood Beauty, Bonsai, Dainty Princess, Linki, Seminole Queen, C Edulis, C. Green Carpet, Tutlei, Minima, and others. Clones must be started from cuttings or layering.

Problems

GALLS: A corky growth that appears on twigs or stems causing growth above to gradually starve and die. Wood should be cut back several inches below the gall. In some cases, the plant must be destroyed.

SCALES: Sucking insects that attack foliage and young twigs. They may be controlled with sprays of Ethion-oil or Malathion-oil.







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There has been much success for those fishing at the end of Dixie Beach Blvd. Many trout have been taken along with some redfish while wading almost waist deep in the water. Both trout and redfish are very tasty on the dinner table.

Are you by chance wondering if you'll be able to identify a redfish if you happen to hook into one? The first feature to look for is a black spot at the base of the tail. Also known as a channel bass, this fish has a copperish-red back and grey iridescent sides. A redfish will put up a good fight on

light tackle. Bottom fishing is recommended using live "educated" shrimp.

Many anglers have been having luck surf fishing off the Gulf beaches hooking into many whiting. You'll know a whiting by the single barble at the point of the lower jaw. Their color is grey-silver above, shading into lighter below with a white belly. These fish are plentiful in the surf and are easily taken with live educated shrimp. The whiting is also good to eat.

The new rage on Sanibel and Captiva, as far as live bait is concerned, is sea worms. Sea worms are also known to northerners as "'blood worms." They, too, are educated just like our shrimp. Look in the Islander next week for tips on using educated sea worms.

Enough talking about the finny fellows we all long to hook; let's get out there and do some serious catching!

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Annual chamber meeting

The annual Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce meeting will be held Tuesday, April 15, for the election of new officers.

'We've been sending out reminders for months in the regular Chamber bulletins," said Charles Holland, president of the Chamber, "but we do want to remind everyone to be there.

"At this Tuesday's (this past Tuesday, when you read this in the ISLANDER) board of director's meeting, we'll be picking a slate of candidates for the following week's election meeting.

"Also, at this week's board meeting, we'd really like to get our (the present board's) proposal approved for landscaping and lighting around the new sign, and also get approval on the proposed changes in and on the Chamber of Commerce building," he

We're sure you've noticed the new sign (duly approved by Dave Bretzke, city manager) which tells island visitors that this is the place to get island information.

The present board proposals for changing the Chamber building itself are 1) placing a mansard on three sides of the roof of the building so that it will be more in keeping with the "Island Look," and 2) re-arranging the interior to provide more office space and, in general, use the interior space more efficiently for both the chamber staff and island visitors.

P.E.O. notes

final Reciprocity courtesy of the season was held Saturday at the Pelican Hotel. Chapter CO, with Esther and Anne Reasoner as hostesses, entertained some 90 Lee County and visiting P.E.O.'s at a ten o'clock coffee. This annual affair (this was the tenth) attracts members from as far away as Maine and is one of the best attended of the Reciprocity events.

The hostesses were assisted by Mrs. J.A. McIntosh. Mrs Havenhill and Mrs. E.A. Wood, members of Chapter CO's reciprocity committee.

On Wednesday, members of Chapter CO met at the home of Mrs. Wayne Cooper on Sanibel where Mrs. presented a Cooper program entitled "Water Colors by Kay" wherein she told of her use of art as an expression of her talents. and, of course, displayed her charming paintings. Mrs. Robert Chaplin was cohostess

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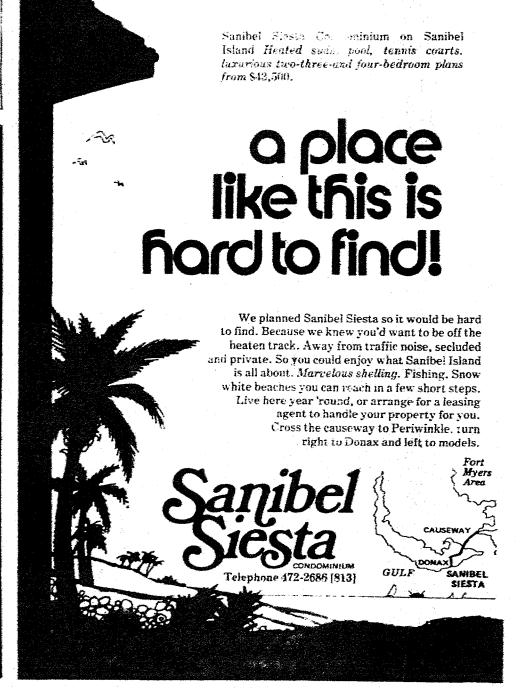
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Lions annual cleanup

The Sanibel-Captiva Lions Club will hold its twice yearly cleanup of roadsides on the islands Saturday, April 19.

"We'll get our groups together, start at Bailey's for the Sanibel cleanup, then pick up cans, garbage, debris, whatever, along the roads and take it to a central collection point," Publicity Chairman Frank Stolz said.

The Captiva cleanup will start at the Captiva Community Center, he added.

Time for the beginning of the cleanup will be announced in next week's ISLANDER.

Stolz said anyone is urged to participate, and that island Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts have already volunteered.



Stateside

Dear Rep. Nuckolls,

Could you tell me what agency I should contact for assistance with rental and food money for my daughter and her children whose husband and father apparently moved out and left them?

Fort Myers

Mark Geisler, Director of the Division of Family Services has provided us with information outlining the areas in which their agency may be of assistance.

The Division of Family Services is a state agency within the Dept. of Health and Rehabilitative Services. Its primary responsibilities are the determination of Aid to Families with Dependent Children (public assistance or "welfare") and the Food Stamp Program.

To qualify to public assistance, it is

necessary that an application be completed and returned to either the Assistance payments office or the Food Stamp Office, and required receipts accompany the application.

The AFCD program was established to enable every child who might be deprived of support from one or both parents, the possibility of having a stable home environment through direct financial assistance. A family who qualifies is also entitled to medicaid benefits, and would automatically be considered for Food Stamps. The state provides additional funds for foster care and room and board with personal care for recipients of Supplemental Security Income.

The state does not offer a general assistance program in which entire families would qualify for public assistance. Persons in need of such help are usually referred to

Your questions answered by Representative Paul Nuckolls

County Welfare offices or other private agencies in the community, depending an the nature of their situation.

The Food Stamp program is administered by the D.F.S. of Florida. The purpose is to provide a means where families or individuals of low income can receive adequate nourishment. One does not have to receive public assistance to be eligible for Food Stamps.

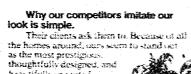
Anyone interested in applying for one of these programs or has any questions about them could contact D.F.S., 1943 Fowler St., Ft. Myers, phone number 332-0212.

In Charlotte County, the Assistance Payments office is at D.F.S., 514 East Grace St., Punta Gorda, phone number 639-2130. Charlotte County's Food Stamp office is at 544 N. Tamiami Dr. NW, Port Charlotte,

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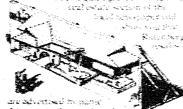
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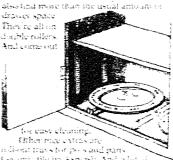
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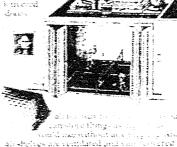
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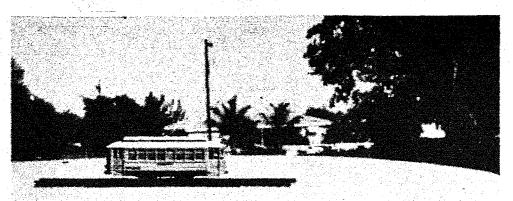
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I hope this information is of some help to you in determining which agency could give you some assistance with daughter's problems.

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Late Flash! Jim Pickens got word Monday morning that three more cities besides those already mentioned had decided to start or expand their street car systems for tourist and transit reasons. They are Portland, Oregon, Detroit, and Austin, Texas. Detroit and Austin alone plan to refurbish or buy at least 14 cars between them, either new or from Portugal!

This is an HO scale single track street car model assembled by Bruce Frazier of Sanibel. Bruce, along with Jim Pickens, is a street car and model rail road buff. This particular car, which is of 1890's vintage, would have been about the length of a two axel modern dump truck in full scale.

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called for. The quarter million dollar figure, however, is what the finance committee is aiming for.

"I'm sure that if I had the time to get on the phone this afternoon, I couldn't raise \$100,000—even if it were from 100 people," Robson said. "The more money we can go into that hearing with the stronger our position will be."

Committee members and the audience agreed that the Condon suit was "pulling the city together" and was, in effect, proving, by the citizens' approval, that the city was actually really a city. Certainly, it was agreed, the Condon suit, while it might be costly, was really acting as a "cohesive effect" on the citizens of Sanibel.

The city council, originally scheduled to

skip this week's regular city council meeting, called an emergency meeting at 3:30 p.m. Tuesday afternoon (too late for the ISLANDER's deadline this week) to consider the finance committee's recommendations and to hear a report from Assistant City Attorney Roger Berres on the revised causeway refinancing resolution.

"Our lawyers, their lawyers, everyone's lawyers, all got together in Tallahassee to talk about refinancing the causeway, and what share of the fund Sanibel should get," Mayor Porter Goss told the ISLANDER Monday morning. "That's what Berres will report to the council about."

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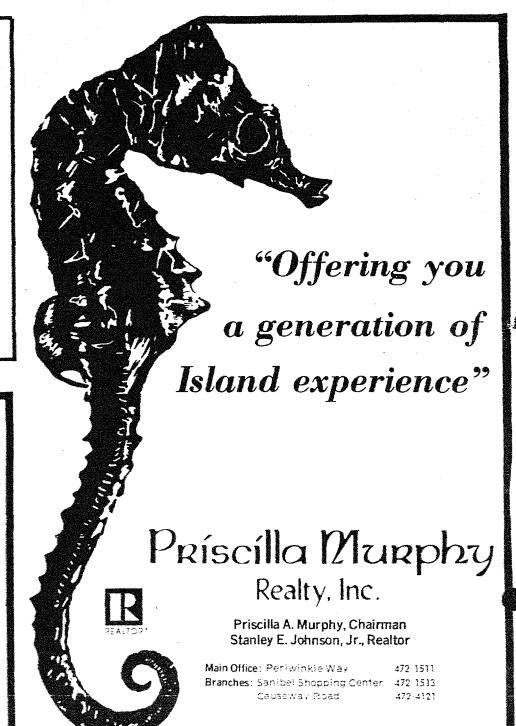
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