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Budget passes; SPD gets more money

The Sanibel Police Department got \$32,500 added to its fiscal budget (actually, \$500 of that is added to City Manager-City Clerk Division of Expenditures, but that's only to make the bookwork and catagorizing easier because it's for insurance) bringing their total to \$109,701 of the total budget of \$506,418.

The drive to increase the police budget started when Councilman Vern MacKenzie said that during his absence he had been kept apprised of the budget proceedings, and that while he thought it was a fine budget, one item in particular on it bothered him- - the amount allotted to the police.

"When you consider why people voted for incorporation, will find that they voted for it for two reasons: 1) the land use plan and 2) increased police protection," he said. He went on to say that for complete protection, he had come up with a figure about \$40,000, but he pared it down to \$31,000. (Chief John Butler had submitted a request for \$1,500 to train police aides. when ended up being incorporated in the final amount.)

MacKenzie said that he considered this (the police increase) "a must in my view as a member of this council. Anything less would not be responsive to what the people want." Zee Butler said that the city had gotten along very well EXPENDITURE without full police protection for a long time, and that while 410 City Council she felt the police deserved priority, she was definitely 420 City Manage opposed to increasing the budget, which was tight enough as it was, for something she thought was not of primary importance at this moment. 441 Police

Francis Bailey said he never wanted a police department 49 in the first place, but what we had worked very well and he 49 now thought we needed increased protection. 49

Butler and Charles LeBuff seemed to think that while 24 hour police protection would be ideal, the city was young and couldn't afford to be perfect from the very beginning.

Members of the audience supported the idea of increased police protection, one woman saying she had just figured it out, and that \$31,000 would cost .3 of a mill which was \$15.00 on a \$50,000 house, and, why "that's just the price of two bottles of Beefeater's!" Occupationa

After a number of motions, back and forth, it was finally
decided on a three-two vote (with Butler and LeBuff
dissenting) to give the police the \$31,000 plus the \$1,500 and
to subtract the amounts from other areas in the budget.Building permits & Misc. Licenses
Sale of Maps & Publications(They took \$25,000 from the Debt Service and \$7,500 from the
Contingency fund.)Fines and Forfeitures
Reappropriated Funds-Contingency Carryover
Interest on Investments

The final budget read like this:

haven't been sent your map identification form, be sure to stop by the Chamber office and fill one out-else your business will not be on the new map. The Chamber is also asking for suggestions as to what might be added to the map to help visitors to the Islands.

If you don't have your advertisment in for the new phone directory, this week is IT. Call Mrs. Jack Thomas if you have any questions.

The Lee County Commissioners turned down the deep port request for Boca Grande Wednesday, much to the relief of conservationists and almost everyone else who is interested in preserving the beauty of our beaches, deep water ports being notorious for oil spills and such like.

While we're thinking about deep water ports-what would have happened if eco systems and their enforcers had been around when the ports of, say, New York and Philadelphia, were being prepared? "Listen, man, the tar on the hemp anchor rope will kill ... " Can you imagine New York with a 35 (well, 45 foot, but nobody's really ready to say it officially) high limitation? It would have spread from Boston to Miami a good fifty years before it did. And then, directed completely by association-by-whatever, we think of local task forces-where, for instance, developers are asked to (nay, required) give recommendations to our city council on requests made by other developers. Is this the blind leading the blind, or-and please forgive us for the thought-thosewho-can-see-all-too-well-what's-a-coming given the power to "say Nay" those in a similar position. Who is running whom around here, anyway? Government by the people, for the people, with the people can only work if the people show up, Good Gad, we sound like our economic professor. All letters welcome.

	ENDITORE .	
410	City Council	\$1,000
420	City Manager-City Clerk	188,877
431	Planning, Zoning	78,001
432	Engineering, Inspection, Roads & Parkways	76,162
441	Police	109,701
494	Debt Service	13,177
495	Contingency	32,500
49 6	Special Projects	7,500
	Total expenditures	\$506,418

General Property Taxes. \$410,818 Franchise Taxes 6,500 Occupational Licenses 40,000 Building permits & Misc. Licenses 14,000 Sale of Maps & Publications 400 Misc. Revenues, Trailer licenses, Liquor licenses Fines and Forfeitures 5,200 24,000 Interest on Investments 5,500 Total revenue \$506,418

Two public hearings interrupted the budget hearing- - one, a short one on the bike paths, when Marial Goss and Star Thomas brought in the completed survey (which had cost the bike path committee \$5,000) and asked for permission for city permits to build along the right of way on the south (Gulf) side of Periwinkle.

The ladies said they had an additional \$7 or 8 thousand dollars, and they had gotten a few bids, one of which would be over \$80,000. Zee Butler said that she had been talking to some contractors within the past few days, and suggested that there be a meeting between Mrs. Butler, the Bike Path Committee and some other interested persons in the next few days. It was decided to hold off any council action until after this meeting.

The second public hearing was presented by Bert Jenks on behalf of the Lions Club, who wish to hold a Children's Circus from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. When the presentation was finished, MacKenzie said "What worries me is setting a pre-

Jenks interupted with "You don't have to worry about setting a precedent. There was a circus on Sanibel in 1918. I got the facts from Francis (Bailey) who said, of course, that



Klie, Jr., the executive director of the

News and editorial notes

Sanibel Captiva Chamber of Commerce. Orginally from Cleveland, where he spent 38 years with the Sherwin Williams Company, retiring as General Manager of the Branch Department of the Chemical Coating Division, this is only the second job he's ever held, and his duties, as he puts it, are to "exercise the philosiphy of the Board of Directors."

He and his wife moved here a year ago. Why Sanibel?

"Well," he said, "we shopped for it. We thought perhaps somewhere in Florida, since we were tired of cold weather, and started driving down the state. When we drove onto Periwinkle, we figured we'd found it—and we had."

Besides enjoying meeting and helping people, he finds the fringe benefits delightful—such as getting onto his Schwinn "Mercedies" and cycling home for lunch and a swim in the Klies' home in Mariner Pointe.

Kile is assisted by three lovely ladies. Doris Anderson, Betty Smith and Sherri Vardtel.

The Chamber of Commerce is putting together a new map of the Islands-if you

We went to a sign task force meeting the other morning, and were so completely shocked to hear an official city body say "yes" to everything, that we slept through the entire meeting.

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he wasn't born then, but he remembered hearing about it."

The audience and council roared with laughter.

There wasn't much laughter during the next hour and a half, what with fellow lions wanting to know who the fellow was who was putting on the circus (He's Mr. Von Hofen, who owns a home in Breakers West and an insurance business in Philadelphia) and Francis Bailey saying he thought it was a good idea, and Zee Butler saying the circus people would make money, so they should pay a fee, and Dave Bretzke saying they didn't have to pay a fee if they did all the work, Jim Robson saying other cities in Florida charged between \$1,000 and \$5,000 a week, and what would happen to the traffic and so on and on and on.

Finally, it was decided that the Lions could have their circus if they paid \$175 for the additional police protection needed, and to pay the fire department whatever that department wished to assess them for added fire protection, and if they held it on the school grounds on the Sanibel Captiva Road, and if they couldn't hold it on the school grounds, they would come back to Council and discuss where it should be held.

Then the council got back to the budget, which they passed unanimously. The ISLANDER salutes the council for their hard work, and in particular, for their response to the people's desire for increased police protection.

Chief John Butler, by the way, said he'd get the 24 hour police service underway as soon as possible after the start of the fiscal year, October 1.

NOTICE:

Free tetanus-diptheria shots are being offered to anyone over six years of age; bring past inoculation records.

Sanibel Community Center Saturday, Sept. 13, Irom 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Sponsored by the Kiwanis Club under the auspices of the Lee County Health Department.

The Islander

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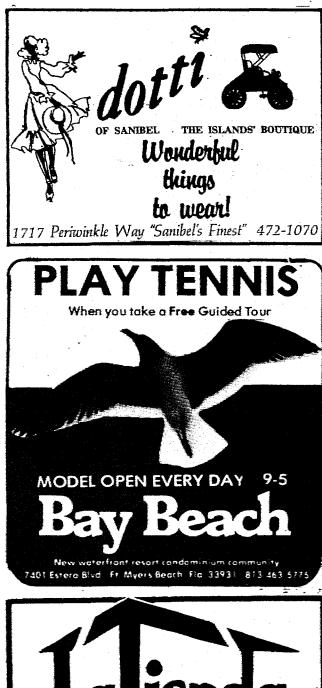
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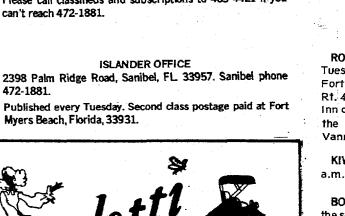
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Activities

Calendar

fraternal groups

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - area meetings. Fort Myers, Tuesdays at 12:15 in the Shrihe Bldg. off Cleveland Ave.; Fort Myers South, Mondays at 12:15 in the Sheraton Inn on Rt. 41; Fort Myers Beach, Thursdays at 12:15 in the Holiday, Inn on Estero Blvd.; Cape Coral, Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. in, the Cape Coral Country Club. For Information call Dick Vann, 463-9436,

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

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.

AL ANON - Every Friday, 8:00 p.m. at St. Michael's and All Angels Church, For information call 472-2491.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS - open meeting. St. Michael's and All Angels Church, Periwinkle Way, Friday nights, 8:00 p.m. For information call 332-1300.

clubs & civic groups

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

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

SANIBEL-CAPTIVA SHELL CLUB meets 3rd Wednesday, 8 p.m. at the Community House.

SANIBEL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, INC. - Sanibel Community House, 1st Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

political and governmental

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.

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

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

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.

libraries

CAPTIVA LIBRARY - Closed for the month of September.

things to do

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

BIRD TOURS - Griffin Bancroft, 472-1447, George Weymouth, 472-1516.

WATER SKIING - Herb Purdy, 472-1333 or 472-1849.

SHELLING TOURS - Beach Bay Bayou, 472-1315; Baughn Halloway, 472-2802; Duke Sells, 472-1784; Tarpon Bay Marina, 472-1323.

SIGHTSEEING TOURS - Herb Purdy, 472-1333 or 472-1849; Tarpon Bay Marina (Canoes), 472-1323.

SIGHTSEEING INFORMATION - U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, 472-1100.

TENNIS & SCUBA EQUIPMENT (RENTAL), The Real Eel, 472-2674.

OFF ISLAND DAY TIME ATTRACTIONS - Edison Home in Fort Myers, 334-1280; Shell Factory, U.S. 41 North Fort Myer Jungle Cruises, 334-7474, Fort Myers Yacht Basin; Waltzin-Waters, 283-0636, Pine Island Road.

how to get there

FISHING GUIDES FOR CHARTER: Capt. Ted Cole, 472-2723; Capt. Doug Fischer, 472-1551; Capt. Baughn Halloway, 472-2802; Capt. Belton Johnson, 472-1122; Capt, John Johnson, 472-1020; Capt. Bob Sabatino, 472-1784; Capt. Duke Sells, 472-1784; Esperanza Woodring, 472-1126.

BOATS (FISHING) TO RENT - Blind Pass Marina, 472-1020, Island Boat Rental, 472-2228, 'Tween Waters Marina, 472-1784, Tarpon Bay (canoes), 472-1323.

BOATS (SAIL) TO RENT - Snook Motel, 472-1345, The Colony, 472-1424.

BICYCLES FOR RENT: Hines Rental 472-2874 or check motel you are staying in.

Church

Calendar

ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH The Rev. James D. B. Hubbs, Rector

SUNDAY:

Holy Communion					
Church School & Kindergarten 9:30 a.m.					
WEDNESDAYS:					
Holy Communion					
HOLY DAYS:					
Holy Communion					
ST. ISABEL CATHOLIC CHURCH					
Fr. Gerard Beauregard					
Saturday Evening Mass5:30 p.m.					
Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.					
Friday Mass:					
First Friday of each month7:30 p.m.					
Daily Mass					
Holy Days 10:00 a.m.					
Vigil					
Confession before each Mass.					
SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH					
The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan, Pastor					
Sun. Worship & Nursery (to age 7) 11:00 a.m.					
Sunday School (ages 4-12) 9:30 a.m.					
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH					
The Rev. Gerald Frost, Minister					
SUNDAY SERVICE:					

Worship 11:00 a.m.

Evening Services......7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING:

far away places SANIBEL LIBRARY - Closed for the Month of September. **Punta Ybel Plaza** (around the corner on Buttonwood Lane) We know it . . . and you know it . . but won't you please tell our advertisers at the Lighthouse end of the Island "I saw it in the Islander" Tues.-Sat. 10-5 472-4561 Art Gallery **OFFICE SUPPLIES** JOEL S. CRONIN, M.D., P.A. **Custom Framing** -land **Art Supplies** full line from pens, pencils ANNOUNCES THE The Knot Shop & paper to 1554 ERIWINKLE Macrame **OPENING OF HIS OFFICE FOR THE** many other office needs. YAW Decoupage Craft Supplies **Practice of Opthalmology** (DISEASES & SURGERY OF THE EYE) Back to school AT DD Pens, Pencils, Crayons **Community Professional Plaza** Erasers, Paint, Glue of the 3830 EVANS AVE, FT. MYERS, FLA. 936-2332 BY APPOINTMENT Open 10 - 5 Tues. - Sat. Closed Mondays 472-2893 2398 Palm Ridge Rd. (across from the library)

Around town . . .

We have just about had it with the dogs on the beach-Labor Day Weekend several very large dogs (brought to Sanibel on boats which were anchored in the surf) made a virtual "dog john" of the beach. The entire beach, right where the water was breaking, from the light house clear down to The Colony, had dog manure on it. It was worse than appalling to me because there were so many small kids toddling along right where the surf was breaking!

The matter is not to be taken so lightlywhy doesn't someone-anyone see to putting up some signs? We are a city noweven if we are having budget problems it seems as if we could have a few signs made and put up-it would be cheap in the long run.

What if our beaches have to be closed like those in the greater Tampa area were-due to dog feces and the subsequent infections they generate in humans .? Think about the loss in taxes from motels, think about the cost of doctor bills, possible law suits, monies that tourists provide to gift shops and restaurants-a few signs would indeed be reasonable.

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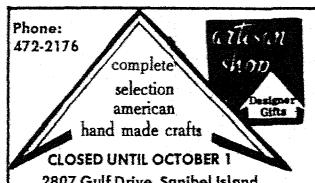
As I have said before, I really do not like to become involved in political aspects or controversial issues in this column-but this is now no small problem.

Let's see what can be done to start enforcing the county ordinance, at least by making note of it on a few signs. Most of the motel owners explain to their guests that dogs must be kept on leashes but it appears as though the brunt of the problem is coming Fom the boaters who may not know the Taws.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freeman of Louisville, Kentucky, have been enjoying a two week stay on Sanibel. They were visited by some Navy friends from Fort Lauderdale this past Thursday.

The fishing reports on the Blind Pass bridge area indicate that the snook and trout are much harder to find and are smaller than those taken in the past few weeks.

Pass cottages, is presently vacationing in Ohio. Unfortunately, her vacation was cut short when her mother, Mrs. Glenn Mc-



by georgie mankin

Connell Sr. of Troy, Ohio, suffered a stroke. Mrs. McConnell is presently under her doctor's care at home.

This is a "fish story" but a true one! Saturday night, an eight foot lemon shark was caught and then shot off the rocks near Blind Pass. The following day, an 18 inch sand shark was snagged and landed in nearly the same spot. Some of the residents have stated that they prefer that the people who chose to fish for shark go elsewhere. (Can't help but agree with them on that point!)

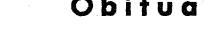
School has started once again and we urge all motorists to take care because the youngsters are getting on buses before daybreak to go to Cypress Middle School. Care is necessary for the young ones who get on during the day to attend Sanibel tool. They tousle about while waiting and may accidentally pop out into the road.

THE COLONY'S out of state guests this week include Mr. and Mrs. J. Stika of Laguna, Calif.

The COLONY'S Florida guests this week include Mrs. Harry Codding and party of Mt. Dora; Mrs. Leo Schnupp and family of Miami; Mr. and Mrs. William S. Baker of St. Petersburg; Sister Ann Loretta Fraes and Sister Louis Edwin of Tampa, Mr. and Mrs. Don Curry of Hialeah.

Mrs. Paul Aubel and Mrs. Marie Mc-Nicholas of Lauderdale by the sea, Fla. had a marvelous time visiting with Mrs. Aubel's son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and "Lee" Aubel just before Labor Day. Both were bitten by the Sanibel bug and hope to return to "this lovely Island" in the not too distant future.

MADAM DORINDA



MRS. HERBERT (VAL) VROONAN

Mrs. Herbert (Val) Vrooman, 83, a former resident of Captiva, died Saturday, Aug. 23, at Ozark Arkansas, where she had lived for the past three years with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Oschwald. Mrs. Vrooman had been in failing health for the past few months.

Her husband, Herbert, who preceded her in death, owned and operated a TV repair business on Captiva Island for many years.

Besides her daughter, she is survived by her grandchildren, Michael Romero of New York, N.Y. and Rosemary Dee of St. Petersburg, and a greatgrandson, Justin Dee.

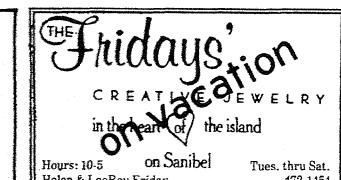
GRACE MAY BIDDLE Grace May Biddle, 97, of 1983 Roseate Lane, Sanibel, died last week.

She came here three years ago from Chevy Chase.

She was a member of the Ann Simpson Davis Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, Columbus, Ohio and a 58-year member of Plymouth Congregational Church in Columbus, Ohio. Surviving is one son, Commander Richard Spencer Biddle, U.S. Navy retired, and two grandsons. Services and burial were

WALTER J. PFEIFFER

Association



Obituaries

Chicago. He was a member of the Scottish Rite, the Medinah Temple, McKinley American Legion Post No.231.

A special Masonic Service was held for Mr. Pfeiffer on Monday, Aug. 11, followed by burial on Aug. 12.

Survivors include his wife, Johanna, of Sanibel, a son, Robert, two step sons, Richard and Delbert Yarnell, two sisters and a number of grandchildren.

BEATRICE B. BROWN

Beatrice B. Brown, 66, a Sanibel resident for the past five years, died here Tuesday, Aug. 19. There was no service held at the deceased's request.

She was a member of the Sanibel Community Church.

IWA installs new line

The Island Water Association has cut out an easement from Main Street to Dixie Beach Blvd. for the purpose of installing new lines from the Dixie Beach pumping station to the storage tank, which is located behind the county park on Periwinkle.

Mr. Snell, general manager of the IWA, said that \$118,000 had been spent in additional piping work which would have not been necessary had the city given permission to install the storage tank next to the Dixie Beach pumping station as originally planned by the IWA.

It is now planned to install a 20 inch line from the booster station to the tank and a 14 inch line from the tank to Periwinkle. The Periwinkle project, he reported, will be somewhat difficult due to having to cross Periwinkle. A bypass will have to be made at the time of installation of the pipe, which should be sometime in October when the traffic is not so heavy.

In the meantime, the county highway crews, who were on their rounds of the island last Tuesday, found Fitzhugh Street in a state of disrepair due to the machinery which had cut out the easement for the pipeline.

The crew did not know who or what had done the damage but set about doing the necessary repair work. One of the workers said "The cat that went across Fitzhugh Street and tore up the pavement might find a trap set the next time."



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Two no; one yes; one continuation

The Planning commission denied two relief cases yesterday, granted one and continued the fourth. The first case concerned a request by Rufus Dodrill to have approved eight lets for construction in his Sea Gull Estates subdivision. The eight lots were located on either side of the entrance drive into the total subdivision which, when completed, will have three lakes and 170 building lots.

Dodrill explained that he was not asking for the approval of the entire subdivision, but the eight lots in order to survive until the land use plan is completed. He said that he had three buyers interested at this time. Over the past years he said that he had continued in his efforts to plan the property w in accordance with the wishes of the citizens of Sanibel, changing one plan for another. Since 1971 his total expenditures amounted to over \$164,000.

Duane White asked if he was claiming a hardship. When Dodrill said an emphatic "Yes," White said that the commission could not hear financial hardship cases. White said that they could consider the request under 75-50. During the discussions by all the commissioners indicated that Dodrill's property was indeed one of the most critical areas on Sanibel, being not only on one of the main intersections, Gulf Drive and Tarpon Bay Road, but also being backed by the Sanibel River and the Bailey Tract.

White read part of 75-50 which discusses the length of time for the adoption of the land use plan to be complete. Dodrill asked "How long?" White said that guidelines will certainly be available in November from the planning firm even if it took several more months to actually adopt the plan. He said that the commission would be acting illegally to grant relief at this time.

Dodrill was not satisfied and gave a rundown of his activities before and after incorporation saying "I haven't been off in Timbuckioo or somewhere, I've been actively engaging in pursuing this subdivision." White rebutted with the fact that his property was abutting the Bailey Trace, that it was a sensitive area, being all wetlands and facing two main arteries.

"Shall I give it back to the Indians?" Dodrill asked.

White shook his head and said "You own it."

Dodrill said it was more a case that he paid the taxes but he actually didn't own it since he had no control over it.

Joe McMurtry said that Sanibel was spending \$60,000 for a comprehensive land use plan and that we are all caught up in saving or losing the Island. White said again that by all the seven guidelines mentioned in not up to the individual lot owners. 75-50, the commission would be in violation of the law by granting relief.

Dodrill said that the commission by its own law was obligated to do nothing. "I have question which Don Hiers was requesting no serious quarrel with you gentlemen.

"I bought the ground years before Sanibel was a city." He mentioned other property on

said, "This is a monumental hardship on me.'

White said that the time was long past when a man can do anything he wanted with his property without regard to his neighbor, and that in the process of preserving the island some would be hurt but that we will see the day when we will all profit.

Dodrill said, "I hope so. I also hope I can survive until that time."

McMurtry motioned to deny relief. The motion passed unanimously.

The second case was the continuation of Paul E. Stahlin to build a home in the Belle Meade subdivision. The plans had been revised to reflect minimum setback requirements and a first floor elevation of 13 feet above mean sea level. White asked if Stahlin was going to put in a septic tank. The answer was "yes." White said he saw no reason to deny the petition, that all requests had been complied with.

McMurtry said that the area was critical being so near the Sanibel River, that the drainage wasn't clear. Stahlin said that the drainage went into a canal.

White said that although he agreed that the area was critical, it was his own personal opinion that the subdivision would be developed as subdivided. Ann Winterbotham said that the wetlands area did not extend on each side of the Sanibel River as far as they did farther down.

Marshall made a motion to grant the request from the respite. After it was seconded, McMurtry said that any building in the area would effect the land use plan and that the commission would be in violation of the ordinance. With McMurtry voting "no" the motion passed 3 to 1.

Mr. and Mrs. H.M. Stafford asked for relief from the respite to build their home in the Sanibel Bayous Subdivision Phase 2 which at this time has no homes built. The Staffords said that they had sold their present home and had to be out by the 1st of October. They had planned to rent on Sanibel until the season rental rates became effective hoping that their contractor would have their house finished before the rates went up.

McMurtry asked for an explanation of the drainage in the area of the house. Stafford pointed out that the drainage from the lake and the properties went into a "very large culvert" which went under the road and out to the bayou.

McMurtry motioned to deny. Winterbotham seconded "just to get rid of it," after a delay of several seconds and White asking for a second twice. White asked Wint erbotham to take the chair so that he could second the motion after which Winterbotham se. She said that it would be up to the developer to rearrange the drainage of the whole subdivision if it was wrong and

The motion passed 3 to 1, with Marshall voting "no," to deny relief from the respite. Allen Nave, owner of the property in relief from the respite to establish a retail business, presented the case saving that there was one large building on his property which was currently being used as a rental the mainland which was similar to his house which he wanted to make into comNotes . . .

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(We had not yet adjusted to our daughter's

Anyhow, thanks to Jean, who shared the

information, Sanibel Homes, Duncan's,

Island Floor Covering, Blind Pass Condos

(whose "yes" was for an off premises sign)

and the Odyssey got okays. The next

meeting was set for Sept. 18 at 9 a.m. (thank

Our weather persons were out

gallevanting Sunday evening, when we

normally get you your weather report. When

we ran into Mario Hutton at City Council

Monday morning, he said, while he didn't

have the complete breakdown, that 1.4 in-

ches of rain had fallen on his end of Sanibel

Our Bowman's beach correspondent said

there were two rains last week, which added

up to 1.3 inches, so the western end of

Sanibel is running about even with the

The Marco Island dredging project, which

would destroy hundreds of acres of bay

bottom and mangrove areas, is still up for

debate, some sources saying it may take as

long as a year for the government to decide

Last Tuesday, propenents of the dredging

presented their views at a public hearing,

based on the financial gain to the builders

Wednesday, the conservations fought

against it violently, arguing that destroying

wetlands would be extremely ecologically

Friday, Clarance Rutland happened to

comment "What are those people thinking

of down there? Don't they realize that if they

dredge up that area-which is the Gulf's

major incubator for all marine life, shrimps

and fish that they'll destroy fishing in the

The Labor Day American Legion Fish Fry

was a humdinger. The food was especially

good. The baked beans with the addition of

pork bits and other spicy goodies were a

marvelous compliment to the always

Many long, volunteer hours go into all of

the before-hand, during and after work and

many thanks from the community go to all

of the guys and especially the gals who

More than 370 dinners were served to a

constant stream of festive holiday par-

ticipants. An impromptu dunking of kids

and grownups in the icewater tanks that had

held the beer and soft drinks turned out to be

a fun time. The hose was also turned on

those who had escaped a dunking which

pretty well cooled everyone off from a very

warm day cooking over a hot stove and

standing in the serving line. It was well after

10 p.m. before the Legion Hall was cleaned

up and everyone went home.

make the Legion fish fries so successful.

delicious fried fish and juicy cole slaw.

5 a.m. rising, necessitated by school

schedules, and we suppose an 9 a.m. "yes"

Sea grapes, crabs and hurricanes

Since there are a few tropical depressions bopping around south of us, we decided that perhaps this week was a good week to run the hurricane map. It's all there, and if you wish to be really fancy about it, you may track hurricanes in different colored ink pens, the end effect of which will look even better than pop-art soup can.

We stopped in to chat with Clarence Rutland, who has spent every hurricane (except the one in 1944, when he was under orders from Uncle Sam) on the Islands.

"You know," he told us, "I've a notion some of these people just don't know what they're talking about. Like the hurricane of '35---it didn't get any public notice, but it killed more people than any other hurricane I know of. Not here, of course, but on the Keys. But nobody talks about that one.

"And, yes, it was the hurricane of 1921 that cut the pass from Captiva to Upper Captiva." (We told him Andy Rosse had told us the same thing some ten years ago, which is what brought up the subject.) "And it did a lot more damage than that, too."

We had stopped in to see Uncle Clarence because people had reported that horseshoe crabs about the size of a silver dollar had been sighted in some of the local bayous, and, if you recall, he had said that if horseshoe crabs mate at a strange time, we'll get a hurricane about 60 days later.

"Well, I don't know just how old a horseshop crab that big would be," he told us. "But there sure a lot of 'em, all sizes, all over. And you know as well as I do that we're due for another hurricane."

"Now," he continued, "I'm not saying we'll get it here, on Sanibel, but it will be somewhere along this coast. And then there will be a lot of people who will find their homes lookin' like mud flats. Oh, I was living down in the Lighthouse in 1910, and it was all water between here and there."

"And another thing-when the sea grapes have an extra heavy crop, well, that's a sure sign. Have you noticed how heavy they are this year?"

We allowed as how we had.

"Well, we're due," he said. "We're overdue. And a lot of people are going to be mighty surprised-if they stay alive long enough to be surprised. Why there are people in areas around here that'll be killed like rats, because they just don't have time to get away from where they live, or they live in places they think are safe, which aren't.'

'Sure, you can come here and stay with me, if I have room. One time a lady came by and brought her own cot, which she set up in the hallway. Good thing it was a cot, 'cause the water blew right through the walls, and we had to keep sweeping that hallway clean of water. But you know, the people who get killed in a hurricane-well, they're the people who decide they have something to do in the middle of one. If they'd just stay put, they would've been alright."

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Sanibel property which now was a haven for mercial. wildlife where before it was nothing but a several years ago concerning high density and had made a revision to 3 units per acre.

There are two basic rights, he continued, property rights and you have taken away something almost as valuable as freedom of from the Environmental Confederation of speech." By denial of the use of eight lots he Florida.

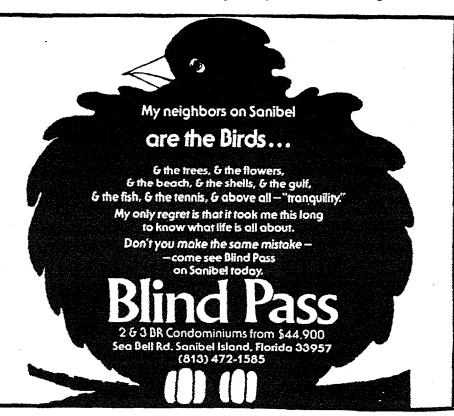
The commission thought that three enmosquito infested swamp. He added that he trances onto Periwinkle was one too many sensed the concern of Island residents and asked Nave to bring in a site plan showing all of the buildings and the parking arrangement as well as the ingress and egress arrangement. The motion was made the rights of the present citizens and to continue the case until next week. Motion property rights. "Take away private passed manimously and the meeting was adjourned until 1:30 p.m. to hear a report

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Garbage generates hearing

County commissioners heard a lot about garbage last Thursday night. It was the sixth public hearing on the mandatory system of garbage pick-up.

To a packed meeting room of about 250 people, the commissioners heard testimony and comments from the advisory committee and other interested

THE CROWD had to be reminded often to control themselves, and at 8 p.m. a deputy sheriff arrived to help keep order.

The majority of those who spoke were in favor of rescinding the ordinance. The crowd cheered and clapped for those who spoke against and heckled and tried to shout down those who supported it.

Many of the people had complaints which were swiftly handed over to the director of environmental protection, Jack Harper. Some of these were handled on the spot and some required further

study. Most seemed to come from misunderstandings, said Harper.

One person, Tom Youngblood, felt the ordinance should be rescinded because it would cost the staxpayers too much, the commissioners were fighting over it and the four men who resigned from the committee were admitting, by resigning, that the program was unworkable.

SOME BROUGHT petitions in favor of rescinding the system. Some felt it communistic to be forced to put out their garbage. There were complaints that the haulers wouldn't pick up the trash but charged them just the same

There were those with private roads who said the trucks were tearing the roads up.

THE BIGGEST complaint seemed to be over the \$2 charge on homes of people who are only here for a short part of the year. However, not all of those

present felt that it was unfair to charge, even if there was nothing to pick up.

A new state law requires county-wide garbage pickup service. How it is handled and funded is up to each individual county.

More on pin-map

A couple of weeks ago, the ISLANDER ran a picture of Police chief John Butler's "Pin-up", a map of the Island on which he's sticking color coded pins denoting where various crimes had been committeed. In the story, we had a rather off the cuff rhyme and asked for better ones.

Promptly, a gentleman from the toll booth called with his suggested motto: "A pin in the wall-May save us all."

He wouldn't tell us his name, but asked that the credit be given to all the good ol guys down at the toll booths.

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Regular patrol disclosed an open door on a closed restaurant. Investigation showed no sign of Forced entry and nothing missing. possibility that person and persons were frightened away before they could get into anything.

Family illegally parked on church property were finally convinced that they could not spend the night in their selfcontained camper waiting for church to open. Besides parking illegally, father of family could have been charged with resisting an officer. He was charged with neither, but basically because he decided to move and stop threatening the officers in question at just the right time.

Woman called Sanibel Police Department (SPD) to report her purse, containing \$176, plus credit cards and accessories, had been stolen from her home on Bayview. Officer found that the door showed pry marks near the lock and bare foot prints in the area. Fingerprints in area obscured. Found pocket book discarded and cashless near another nome in area. Area searched for matching footprints. Footprints which might match led to yet another home, occupied by four males. Males questioned, since officer had idea they might know something of the theft, but after questioning, decided he had no probable cause for further interview with them.

Same lady reported (a couple of days later) that she was missing a brand new book of bridge tickets and that someone had left a screen door in the woods near her home. Door is now at her home. No further action at this time.

The Children's Center was broken into; investigation showed nothing missing but a screen door. Screen door matched that found in woods by above complaintant. Center notified where door was to be found.

A color TV and a five foot headboard was stolen from an unoccupied motel on Gulf Drive. No sign of forced entry, but whoever did it fore a four inch hole in the rug.

Illegal sign reported erected over the weekend. Sign owner said he had city manager's permission; city manager said he had not given anyone permission to erect any sign over the weekend, let alone that one. Officer then took pictures of sign and advised owner that it was in violation of ordinance 75-53, sections 3 (2G), 3 (6), and 4

property and were returned to their vehicles.

Police

Report

Captiva motel reported a couple of people in a car were trespassing on motel's property. When officer arrived, trespassers were gone. No other action taken.

SPD received complaint of illegal fire off Periwinkle Way. Investigation showed person trying to rid property of red ants by burning them out. Advised person of antiopen-fire-ordinance and person promised he would cover and smother fire. (Hope he got some ants in the process.) No further police action necessary.

Person complained of a red van on beach on east end of Sanibel. Investigation disclosed a car, pick-up truck and two vans, all on beach below vegetation line. Informed all drivers to leave the beach area. They did. Two and a half hours a car, a pick-up truck and two campers were there again. Owners removed vehicles. No more complaints.

An ornamental planter made of clam shell and macrame hanger filled with the plant commonly known as Wandering Jew stolen from a place of business on Periwinkle sometime between Sunday night and Monday morning.

High school 1975 class ring reported lost in Tahiti Shores beach area. It's white gold with black onyx stone. Reward is offered to finder.

Two vehicles, one with boat trailer, reported trespassing on private property. Man said he didn't know he was on private property and that he would leave as soon as his family came back with the boat (which had been on the boat trailer). Late check found people gone.

Lady complained that a house near hers (or someone in the house, rather) was illegally dumping tree cuttings and other debris into canal. Officers, upon investigation, found that shrubs on property had been cut recently, and there were cuttings in the canal, but they were old cuttings, not new ones. Found occupant of house, who said he had just started living there and would clean up grounds and have any further debris hauled away. Original complaintant, when told of results of investigation, said she was very pleased. No further action. belongs to a man in Fort Lauderdale. Man was written to see if he wants tag returned.

Two young men turned in a small black bag containing hypos and medication to a motel owner on Gulf Drive, saying they found it in an empty lot. The bag contained medication consisting of a tranquilizer and motion sickness medicines. Leonard Kessler identified the substances, said it appeared that they had been used by an amateur, and that the medication appeared to be taken from a doctor's bag rather than a pharmacy.

Black male poodle jumped the fence of his home and was still missing as of Friday.

A 15 ton dragline struck power lines while digging for seawall installations. Off-duty officer called to stand by until Lee County Co-op arrived since dragline was resting on a broken hot line.

SPD responded to an alarm at First Federal. Turned out to be alarm malfunction, not robbery.

Two missing persons (young males) reported at school; one didn't get on bus; one didn't get off bus at proper stop. Both boys were located and returned to their parents.

Off duty officer was asked to deliver set of city ordinances to Fort Myers. He did so.

Underage boy reported illegally riding motorcycle. Mother informed, said she would correct situation and that her son wouldn't ride the bike any more until he got his license in January.

Plan ready by spring(?!)

Robert Taylor opened the real estate and development task force meeting Wednesday by saying that the purpose of the task force was to collect public input...to listen to the concerns of individuals regarding their particular properties or to give their opinions on what to do with the island before the master plan.

He said that the next meeting of WMRT was September 25 at the community center in the evening, and it was decided that the real estate task force would not have another meeting before the WMRT meeting.

Stan Johnson. in the audience of seven, said that he didn't think there would be too much input from the public until after the options were presented by the planners.

Mrs. Weygren of the clinic said that she had invited the planning commission to visit the clinic; that none of them had visited the facilities and that the planners should be aware of the needs and future needs of the island city regarding hospital care and that what she said was "off the record."

Tom Corbin, an attorney from Ft. Myers representing two property owners on the island, said that the owners now had RU 3 zoning and wished it to remain so, or, if there were rezoning in the form of setbacks from the Gulf, that 15 units per acre would remain or else it was not economically feasible for the owners to develop the property. He said that their land was bounded on two sides by already existing condiminiums and that it would be unfair to give a different designation to the property. He also said that the 35 foot height limitation was reasonable, but in other communities, as setback requirements forced building areas downward, height limitations were relaxed so that the buildings could go upward in order to accomodate a specific density. He also emphasised the "barracks effect" created by a wall of buildings all the same height.

Woman said she had been assaulted by her boyfriend in her home. She advised of proper procedure of filing charges against boyfriend and was further advised to call SPD if it happened again. Boyfriend also notified. Woman waited two days before filing original complaint.

Two largish dogs, one male, one female, both with wide collars but no identification, reported on porch of home on Lindgren Blvd., and later near shopping center on Periwinkle. Man called in SPD and said he was missing two dogs; was given their last location. He picked them up when he found them an hour later.

Man said he lost his wallet containing \$180 cash, driver's license and credit cards. Was sure he had had wallet night before, and thought he took it with him when he left his motel room. He noticed it was missing when he tried to buy something in a local store.

Officer on routine patrol noticed two dead pelicans washed up on beach and notified CROW, where Ms. Walter said she would investigate.

Speeding trucks reported by city manager. Trucks reported to be open trucks hauling waste material. Officer stationed himself in position to follow trucks if they appeared again the next day. They did, but did not exceed the speed limit. Trucks were stopped, it was ascertained they would be working on the islands for a few more days and had been travelling possibly at a higher rate of speed than legal the day before. Operator was given a verbal warning as to watch his speed.

Murphy: "Gasp. It isn't necessary."

Taylor said that one of the unique things about Sanibel was that one could not see the buildings and that the intent of the 35 foot height limitation was to keep the buildings under the trees.

(We did not ask if he had read the Red Book No. 2 in which it was specifically stated that the Australian Pines had to be removed from certain zones.)

Taylor said that Sanibel was going to go through an educational process. That Wallace, McHarg, Roberts & Todd would offer five or six options, as far as he knew, after which it would be up to the people to choose one or parts of the many which suited Sanibel.

He said that nobody expected a "buttoned up" plan in November. "Maybe by next spring..."

However, he continued, that the city did not need a plan in hand to make decisions on land use.

Andrew Mellody, referring to "that wonderful article in the Islander" said that the development in the east sector should be primarily limited to RU 1 and RU 2 zoning with no business.

Taylor asked, "Where should those people go to shop?"

Mellody answered that he felt no need for island shopping in that area and that a commercial area on Causeway Road might

and 5.

Two dogs, one large and one medium, were bothering a motel owner. Suspects (dogs) gone when officer arrived. Motel owner asked that premises be checked frequently for illegal dogs.

Someone turned in to the SPD a set of keys on a key ring with a silver knife. Possibly belong to local resident, from whose car they were stolen. Plan to check with resident.

Unknown person called in that 7-11 alarm was sounding. Officer arrived and alarm was sounding, but evidently all by itself, since there was not any sign of forced entry and anyone suspicious in area. Employee of store arrived and reset alarm. No further action needed.

Two suspicious persons were stopped and investigated when they were wandering around camp area at 4:30 in morning. They turned out to have permission to be on Woman called SPD and said that her car had disappeared from parking area of Periwinkle Place. Officer notified LCSD (Lee County Sheriff's Department) and toll booth and checked Dunes area and Sanctuary. Didn't find car. Woman who lost car later called back and said not to worry, that her car had been found "by her friend at the beach."

Woman said she was sideswiped by large red truck when she had to stay on the road so she wouldn't hit people working on water lines. The truck was moving at a high rate of speed and an unknown part of the truck hit her side mirror, smashing it, which she was unable to pick up because of traffic conditions. Officer checked area but couldn't find vehicle fitting description.

SPD supervised traffic at opening and closing of first day of school.

Somebody found and turned in a Florida auto tag complete with sticker which Taylor said that there had been some discussion regarding altering the height limitation. He asked Corbin how his people felt about 10 units per acre as a reasonable density. Corbin responded that they would not consider 10 units at the present rate of interest and considering what the owners had paid for the land.

Pricilla Murphy of the task force whispered to Taylor. "Does that mean he wants to go over 35 feet?"

Taylor: "Yes."

be all right.

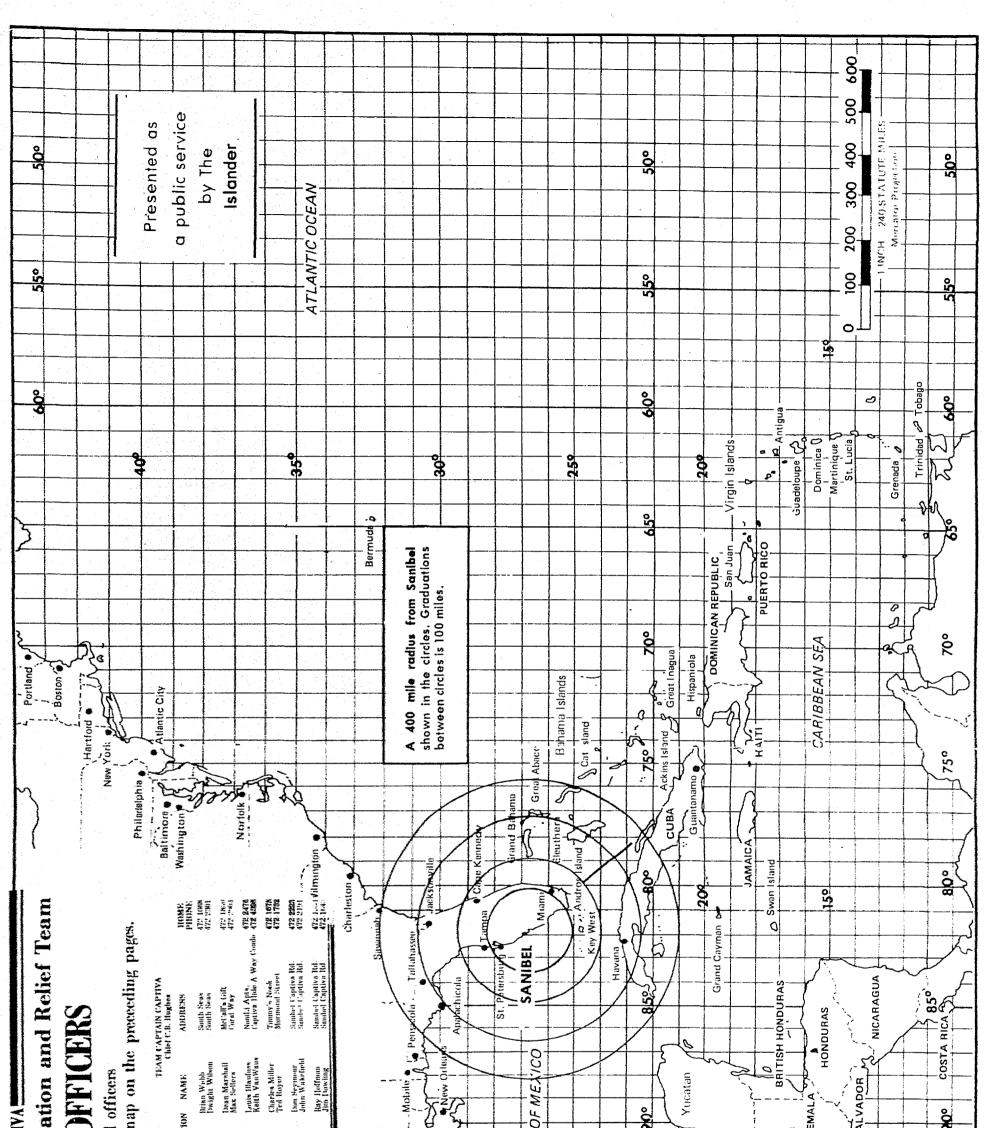
Stan Johnson said that there were only five or six acres of BU land in the east sector.

Betty Johnson said that she was absolutely against any business near Lindgren and the Causeway area. "That should be looked at very carefully," and added that Tennis Place was not yet occupied and what was the Causeway Road going to look like at Christmas time?

Mrs. Weygren added that they live in the east sector and sometimes it takes 20 minutes to go to the west central sector where the clinic is located.

Mellody questioned what the Public Information task force was supposed to be doing. Mary Robinson said that she had been part of the telephone committee to inform the public individually about the WMRT meetings.

Taylor said that there had been a lack of dialogue in the past and that more understanding and information was needed. There were no more questions from the audience and the meeting was adjourned.



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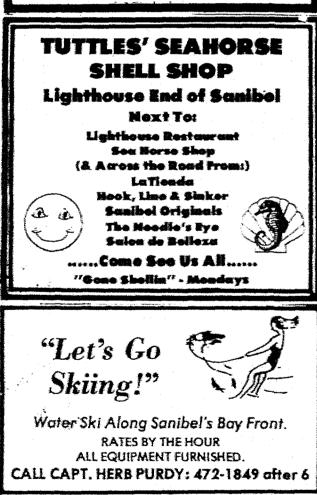
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Skip Bafalis

WASHINGTON- What ' does any business do when it finds its costs are too high? The answer is obvious-in addition to increasing productivity, it tries as far as possible to keep its administrative costs down to a minimum and continually looks for new methods of promoting efficiency and minimizing its nonproductive overhead.

The business of government should not be any different. The inflation present in our economy today means that the government is spending too much of the taxpayers' dollars in non-productive ways. Drastic corrective action is needed. Unfortunately, none is forthcoming.

Rather than trying to economize on the huge administrative costs of our government, the bureaucrats in Washington are actively involved in "empire-building." According to the present by method which promotions and salaries are calculated for government officials, the larger the size of a department, the greater its operational scope and the higher the number of its employees, the greater the status and the better the chance for advancement. Instead of trying to reduce the inefficiencies, to save on admanpower andministrative duplication and, most important, to reduce the drain on taxpayers, the system has given our officials a powerful incentive to do just the opposite.

We call in vain for administrative savings, when the whole system seems to have been designed to encourage officials to build their departments into empires. This is evidenced

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attacking inflation at itsroots, then this must be one of the first candidates for our attention. And I have a proposal.

The proposal which I have to make is a simple one, but one which I feel will provide lasting benefit to the American taxpayers. I suggest that, in addition to

Real eel tips . . .

By Skip Purdy

the same as the past 2 or 3 weeks. Island and tourist anglers are lining the favorite fishing spots awaiting their glorious fighting fish. Using "educated" shrimp, these fishermen report reds, snook and trout being taken quite often along with mangrove snapper. Snapper is an excellent fish for eating and try chumming. It's like smelling fresh one of my favorites.

around the pier. Matter of fact, an Island vacationer came into the Real Eel with a. Use your unwanted fish, put them through a beautiful cobia weighing 20¼ pounds caught meat grinder and toss it over. Even easier, off the pier. This fish can be identified by its deep cocoa color shading to an off-white Simply punch holes in it and hang the can in belly. He has a large mouth, flat head, and the water with a piece of line. about 8 seperate low spines in front of the dorsal fin. The cobia also has a dark strip catch that big one.

Astrological Hints

Aries: You are going to be asked to attend social events and or parties, so have a good turn; be responsive to an implied invitation. time. Influences are quite good now for Bring your resourcefulness into play to working in groups or reaching agreements overcome delays and shortages. that favor several people.

more broadminded outlook on present interests

something, go somewhere, or call someone. younger person. Demand for a loan is probable.

Cancer: Stress could appear in marital or partnership arrangements. Be appreciative more attention to your needs now. This of others' hospitality and cooperation. Be honest about your aims when talking with an older person.

Leo: There can be some tension over joint financial arrangements. Avoid indulging of spoiling children. Something you depend on could break down. Repairs may have to be put off because of inadequate knowledge.

Virgo: You're in luck if seeking a job or better assignment. Don't try to obtain a volving institutions or matters of privacy. pledge of faith or make a binding Plan a visit to a retreat or a rendezvous with agreement. Try to avoid physical hazards, someone who craves attention and affection.

normal salary consideration of such things as seniority and experience, we introduce a new consideration based on money saved for the taxpayers. Government officials should have to qualify for merit raises by showing they have succeded in introducing efficiencies which cut the costs of their department. Whatever innovations are introduced, be they to save on paperwork, on manpower, or on administrative duplication, the test should be whether or not they have

saved the taxpayers money.

This is not a revolutionary proposal. Business has been operating on this principle quite successfully for many decades. It is revolutionary however, to apply such a principle to the Federal government.

And, if we can economize on the administrative costs of government, we can strike two major blows against inflation.

By promoting officials who have shown their ability to make economies, we can make bureaucracy our servant instead of our master.

going from one end to the other. This fish strikes quickly, followed by charging runs The local fishing scene is running about with sharp yanking. The fisherman must pay strict attention for the entire fight because it is rough and very demanding. It's worth the fight for its eating quality is rated excellent.

Now for the tip of the week. If you're not having any luck in the fishing scene lately, coffee brewing and bacon frying in the morning. The fish get hungry and follow the I've had reports of cobia being caught stream of chum as it seeps through the water. Soon you'll have a lively fishing spot. use a can of sardines or fishy cat food.

Good luck to all you fishermen, I hope you

by madam derinda 481-3051

Libra: A love affair may take a surprising

Scorpio: Failure to follow through with Taurus: This is a favorable time for you in critical moves could have grave contaking on responsibility, also for looking for sequences. Put yourself out for others; voice a better position or a change of job. Take a a word of caution. Don't travel unless necessary.

Sagittarius: Sudden turnarounds may Gemini: Be cautious about acquiring affect your financial status. Avoid unwise things that others have used or possessed. speculation or taking chances with funds or Respond positively to a hunch to do trust. Pay attention to the point of view of a

> Capricorn: You will find others paying would be a good time to ask for a raise, as there are likely benefits or honors which could come your way now.

> Aquarius: Apply yourself resourcefully and all will go well for you. You're in the clear now and can put your charms and talents to imaginative use. Get going with whatever means a lot to you personally.

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Sun law leads to artist

By Carol Quillinan

There are some of the most exciting things in the Engineering News Record. In the August 28 issue there was an article refering to Japanese "Sun-rights" law which indicated that the Japenese have something of interest regarding building designs not depriving a resident of sunshine.

In order to find out more about the law, a search began for a Japanese family or person who would know something about it.

The search led to two new Island residents who have just moved here August 1; Ikki and Polly Matsumoto. All of you will remember Ikki Matsumoto as the creator of more than 350 illustrations in the latest edition of Joy of Cooking by Irma S. Rompauer and Marion Rombauer Becker.

In trying to explain the law and fumbling around a good bit, Ikki said that it must be a relatively new law since people congestion had overtaken many parts of Japan and that it was a custom of hundreds of years to place homes on lots oriented with the sun.

The law must have come about because people had been deprived of the sun, he said, and continued that it had been many years since he had been to his native country and therefore had no direct knowledge of the law.

The placing of buildings on lots to take maximum advantage of the winter sun for heat and shading the house with overhanging roofs to eliminate the bot summer sun is "a very old concept," he aid. "Japanese houses have always been esigned naturewise."

The gateway to a home always faced east, the west was closed off and the traditional kitchen areas were in the north corner (since the north side was always the coldest and the heat from cooking helped warm the rest of the house).

The front door always faced south for as legend has it, the owner will prosper. "It's a friendly sun angle," Ikki said.

We asked about the west side being closed off. He answered that he remembered his

father remarking about a house which had large windows facing west and his father saying that thick heavy curtains would be needed to prevent the west sun from bleaching out all the furniture fabrics and the wall hangings by intruding into the rooms with a pervasive light.

Katsuju Matsumoto, well known illustrator of children's books and father of Ikki, visited the United States in 1966. He was impressed with the many parks and gardens but also impressed with the fact that our homes are open to public view.

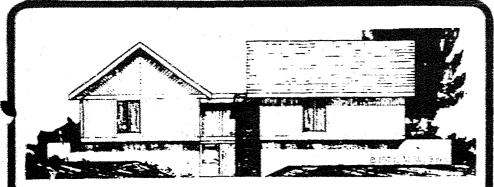
There is no privacy, anyone can look into your private life." he told his son and at the same time remarked that there was no orientation of the houses to the sun or wind.

In trying to pin down how long the Japanese have had the traditional placing of their buildings with nature. Ikki said that all of the old buildings of his knowledgehouses, building, shrines have always been that way. He said his great-great grandfather was a "shrine" carpenter which was the highest form of carpentry in Japan at that time. The buildings of his great great grandfather were oriented with the sun and the wind.

It took a month's journey for Ikki and Polly and their three youngsters, ages 6,11 & 15, to find safe harbor at Sanibel. Leaving a commercial art business and 50 acre farm in Ohio, the young family set out to find something other than a 40 hour work week. commuting and being tied down to goats, chickens and horses. "We liked the farm; Polly raised show horses, "We raised our own food, but we felt we needed more freedom so we set out to find it," Ikki said.

Polly spins and weaves her own fabrics and is now in the process of making a simple wrap-around frock which will undoubtedly become "the Sanibel Dress." They will be on sale soon at the Thetan Craft Shop. Her wools are made into rugs and wall hangings which are on sale at the Hilton Head, South Carolina, and in several shops in Cincinnati, Ohie.

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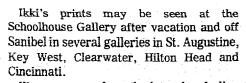
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We came away from the interview feeling grateful indeed that Sanibel offered these very talented people a home and we hope to see more of them in the future, even if they didn't know too much about the "Sun-rights law".

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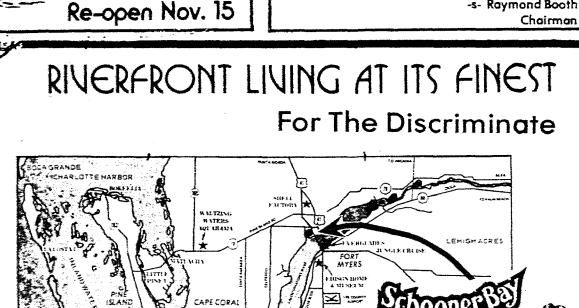
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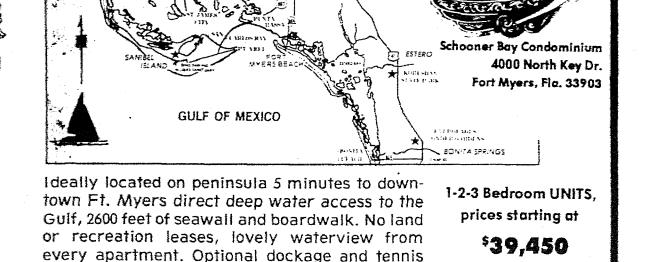
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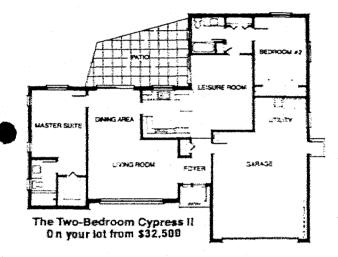
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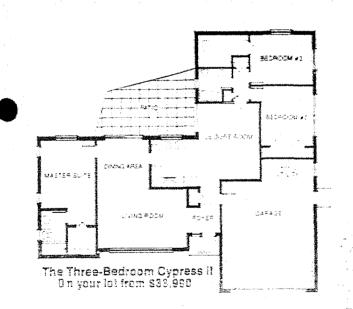
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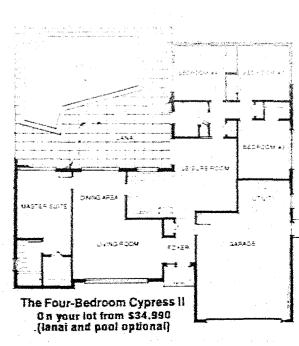
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New building undecided

In somewhat of a soul-searching exchange between fifty or so members and guests of the Sanibel Community Association last Tuesday evening, nothing was determined as to the new building being contemplated or the life of the association itself.

Stanley Johnson turned the meeting over to Mr. Wilson of the building committee who asked the group "Should we or do we still need a community association?" The majority voted aye.

He then approached the subject of the new building by pointing out that the old building was not adequate especially for the monthly Tuesday dinners and asked for an expression of interest in continuing with the new building plans.

Of the fifty or so people in the audience perhaps ten raised their hands in agreement that the new building should go forward and two or three disagreed. Wilson said that the new building had been estimated at \$300,000 to \$350,000 and in trying to eliminate the niceties for necessities they had gotten the price down to a quarter of a million and that it was possible to build the building in phases. He felt that a shell museum would generate sufficient income to support the auditorium eventually if the old building were sold and membership went up.

Ruth Hunter said that the association had 900 members in the past, and 600 at present. Wilson replied that the association never had more than 700-750 members. Hunter shot back, "Mr. White always said we had 900 members!"

Sherry Vartdahl asked where the youth center would be if the old building was sold? Hunter replied that Mayor Porter Goss said that the old building would be a good youth center.

Wilson said that it cost \$9,500 to operate the present building per year and that membership fees do not pay the total operating costs and that the deficit is made up by shell fair proceeds. He continued that both buildings were not necessary. A member of the audience asked what the function of the community center is? "Up til Nov. 5-this place was the heart and soul of the island, but now, since incorporation? we have to look at our 500 membership and ask what is the function."

Wilson replied that many civic functions meet in the community building, and that it would be a long time before the city will build a community center. Another person in the audience questioned the validity of so few members making decisions; that August and September were months during which many members were off island.

Bob Potts questioned why the community association had to survive solely on membership when the association gave birth to the shell club. Shell club funds are mandated to the building fund. He suggested th the community center think of tripling the dues.

Arthur Orloff said "I hate to go into my 'Casandra act' but there is a statistical mathematical formula concerning dues and memberships. We now have 588 paid members and we will not have more than 8 or 9 more. If we double the dues we will lose 29 percent of our membership. If we triple the dues we will lose 41 percent of the membership. We'll wind up with 310 to 315 members and we'll still go to the shell fair to make up the difference. It costs \$27.54 per day to run the present building and there is no way to get around that figure. We shouldn't be thinking of (about building) the Taj Majal but we may attract under our umbrella more community groups who v-11 feel a need for a building.'

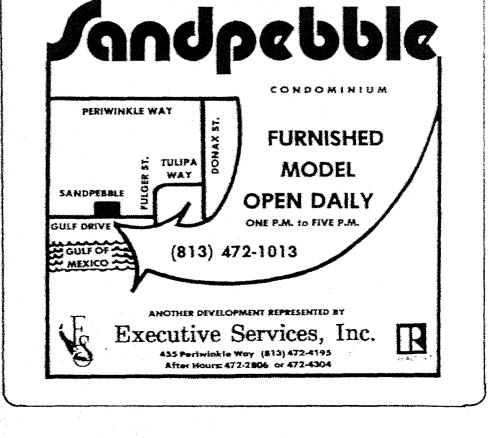
Cy Runnels asked why the building should be tied to memberships alone. "Let's go to the public for millage to support a new building."

Bob Vartdahl said that a can of worms had been opened and that "We're doing this the wrong way. You can't build a building without a feasibility study. Let's have one (Continued on Page 15)

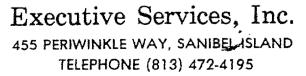
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meeting just to find out what we really want."

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Cookie Dugger put in her bid for more help at the shell fair.

Johnson said, "What we're trying to do here is get a lot of people stirred up. I hope everybody will express their personal opinions and we'll have our knock-down drag out meeting." He said that he realized that 15 or 20 people had been carrying the ball for years and added, "On this happy

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note, do you want to continue the meeting so we can hear what you want or do you want to go home?" The audience almost to a man said, "Let's go home!" "O.K" Johnson commanded, "Go out and stir up some trouble."

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