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...and aren't you glad you're here instead of there?

Local double (duel) tax may be state model

(Editor's note: the following story on the status of dual taxation was obtained by diligent research and an interview with Cape Coral's city manager. The facts it contains, however, are completely applicable to Sanibel—just substitute "Sanibel resident" for "Cape Coral resident" in your head while you're reading, and you'll have a very comprehensive idea of where Sanibel taxpayers are in the scheme of things.)

By Harry Hooper

After several weeks of negotiations, workshops and resolutions between Lee County Commissioners and city officials from Fort Myers, Cape Coral and Sanibel, the Commission says the problem of "double taxation" has been settled for the time being.

Double taxation has been a thorn in the side of many incorporated cities

throughout the State of Florida for a considerable time. Legislative delegations have met with various officials from these cities to hear their complaints and possible solutions on how the problem could be solved.

Some have been fighting double taxation through the courts, but the recent decision by Lee County will be watched carefully throughout the state as a way they, too, can resolve the problem.

The average taxpayer frequently asks what the problem means to him.

In the State of Florida there are more than just three layers of government, more than the local, county and state, City Manager Lee Evett explains.

Besides the local government that supplies the local services, county that supplies the umbrella services, and the state the state

services, the county also supplies some municipal services for cities. Fire protection, patrol services by the sheriff's department, and water and sewer services to some areas are provided.

All of these measures are supported by the first layer of government, the local layer, and through the general tax millage of the county, he says.

The problem has been that the county wears two hats and does two things, provides the umbrella service for everyone in the county, but also, for those in the unincorporated areas, supplies and acts as a local government and supplies them with local services.

The problem that the incorporated areas have complained about is that the county does not differentiate in their tax millage between those monies that are going

to the umbrella services and those going to unincorporated areas for local services.

A person paying taxes in Cape Coral, for instance, expects to receive for his money police and fire protection; the taxes he pays to the county he expects, in return, those services such as county court, tax assessor, tax collector, board of registration, etc. Unfortunately, a person from Cape Coral also pays for services that he is not getting, or is not able to receive, because he is living in an incorporated versus and unincorporated area.

For instance, a taxpayer of Cape Coral pays towards the Tice Fire District, patrol services by the sheriff's department, which the city officials contend the Cape doesn't need. Taxes go towards animal control, parks and recreation for the

unincorporated areas, which many citizens of this city do not take an advantage of or want.

City Manager Evett said this week that what the people of Cape Coral have been doing is paying for a duplication of services that their own city has been providing.

"What the City of Cape Coral, Fort Myers and Sanibel have been asking of the county is simply to identify those services in which it acts as a local government and supplier of services and to tax those it supplies it to in the unincorporated areas."

What the county commission decided on Tuesday was to set up a Municipal Taxing Service for these unincorporated areas. In effect, it forms a city like a conglomerate out of the unincorporated areas so that they alone can be taxed for the municipal services

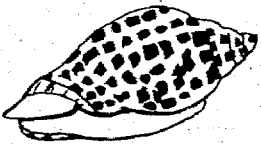
that a resident of Cape Coral receives from his city, but which they receive from the county.

This now means that the county will no longer charge the residents of Cape Coral for such things as, police, fire, recreation, roads, and bridges etc., says Evett.

"They will pay taxes only to the City of Cape Coral for the services they receive from the city, and to the county for those umbrella services he receives. No longer will he pay for a fire district in which he has no interest, patrol service from the sheriff's department or in the maintenance of county roads," he said.

Evett said that all along they have been telling the commission that they only wanted to pay for those services they have been receiving and the unincorporated areas should pay only for the services they

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fraternal groups

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

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clubs & civic groups

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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.

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PC grants or continues requests

The Planning Commission continued two relief cases and granted the rest at last Monday's (Dec. 22) meeting.

The two continued cases were: 1) Velna Ridge's request for a 95 unit trailer park and, 2) Stan Baumann's request to complete the construction of four more buildings in the 110 unit complex just east of Bowman's Beach Road.

The trailer park project, which many believe is sorely needed (especially during the season), has been in the works for months before the city incorporated November 1974. The apparent conflict between the need for more trailer space and the desires of some residents to stop any more trailers or RVs on the Islands has not yet been resolved by the commission.

Perhaps Wallace, McHarg, Roberts and Todd (WMRT), the city's hired planners, will use part of their planning process to provide for another overnight trailer park, and perhaps even take into account a place for day recreational vehicles (RVs) to have a legal resting place for a few hours or days, rather than running up and down the Islands from one illegal parking space to another, whether it be in the woods or on the beach. (It is most unlikely, in our opinion, that any amount of police work can effectively prevent a family driving a \$10,000 plus RV—to say nothing of the \$3 or more toll—from overnighting here if that objective was in the program for the vacation.)

Baumann's Blind Pass Condo project seems to be coming along nicely, partially because of an emergency ordinance passed by the city council in mid-December allowing the building continuation of "substantially completed" projects (50 per cent or more complete) to continue if they had valid Lee County building permits as of Dec. 16, 1974.

At any rate, both cases were continued till Jan. 5, as PC Chairman Duane White said "the petitions were not in order."

Mr. and Mrs. G. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Durwood Kirby, Mr. and Mrs. E.C. Spencer and Mr. and Mrs. George Slay were all given relief from the respite to build their homes on Sanibel.

The afternoon was spent reading the new allocation lists for subdivisions compiled by an ad hoc committee over the weekend, and making decisions on what to do with un-subdivided land.

The commission more or less decided that large parcel owners will have to stick with WMRT's allocation formula, but added an additional 1,500 dwelling units to be proposed 6,000, which allows most single lot owners to build.

The meetings were continued to Friday, when the PC was scheduled to vote. By the time Friday arrived, no voting was done and the plan (or what there is of it by now) will be told to the city council Monday (yesterday). The vote is now tentatively scheduled for today or tomorrow or...

Around town...

by georgie mankin

It felt a lot like Christmas! Some of the tourists just refuse to believe me when I tell them that the weather is never quite this cold for quite so long—really, this is the coolest it's been here in several years. Just stop to think, there's only a barbed wire fence between us and the North Pole—we're fortunate that it doesn't allow the cold to drop down here more often.

One great thing the chill winds have done is to increase the number of shells which are washing ashore. Shelling has been fantastic.

Robert Schweller of St. Louis, Mo., found a golden olive on the beach near the Tarpon Bay Road access.

We've been out several days this week picking up shells to complete some Christmas wreaths and the variety has been great. Remember, take only the dead shells—all you can carry—but leave the live ones to marry.

That person you think you know walking down the beach may indeed be someone you know from television or the movies—please, respect their privacy—after all, they deserve a vacation, too. We were requested not to mention some names in the column this week for that very reason.

Robert Cleppinger of Baltimore, Md., and Sam Blakeson of Washington, D.C., were enjoying feeding the fish from the pier a couple of days this past week. They say the fish are all burrowed under the sand in their snuggies—not a bad idea, fellows!

Home for Christmas this year are Nori Ann Reed, home from Florida Atlantic University; Robert Reed on leave from the Navy; and Darlene Mueller home from Prospect Hall College. Sunset South is happy to see these young folks back for a visit.

Tourists, don't give up hope—our weather doesn't stay cold for long!

Commander and Mrs. J.W. Seager are at the Sea Horse Cottages, where they spend each winter. We're glad to see them back on Sanibel.

We wish you all the Happiest of New Year's and may success bless you through this bicentennial year!

Alice Aleck, who is majoring in psychology at the University of West Florida in Pensacola, will be returning to school after the Christmas holiday.

Mary Aleck announced the engagement of her daughter, Mary Jane, to William Wilton Bunting, the son of Florence and Bill Bunting. The wedding will take place July 10, 1976.

Sailing in the choppy seas of the bay last week were: Mr. and Mrs. John C. Ward of Flint, Mich.; Mr. and Mrs. Chet Tunnicliffe of Grosse Point, Mich.; and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Porter of Ann Arbor, Mich. These folks keep telling me it is nice weather compared to the weather they just left.

Gretchen Klausman, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Erik K. Klausmann of Woodring Road, Sanibel, has been named to the 1976 varsity badmitten team at Swarthmore College in Pennsylvania. She is expected to start at the first doubles position with Beth Darling, according to college officials.



Christmas poinsettia

"Please don't eat the poinsettias" — says poison control center

If you got a poinsettia for Christmas, it's safe to look and touch but not to eat, warns the director of Duke University's Poison Control Center.

With that in mind, Dr. Shirley Osterhout urges owners of the colorful plants to keep them out of the reach of small children. The plant's milky sap can cause skin irritation and the leaves

can cause nausea and diarrhea if digested.

There is only one reported case of death from poinsettia poisoning, and that occurred in Hawaii in 1919. Still, Dr. Osterhout recommends treatment for a child that has eaten from the plant, since "it might be that one case where...something would happen if you tried to ignore it."

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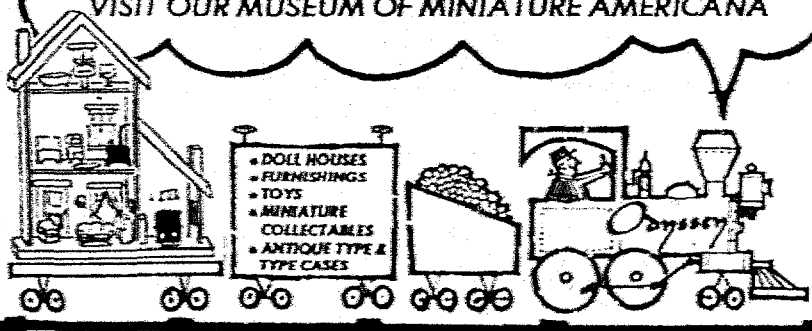
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Tax solution from page 1

have been receiving.

"We have contended all along that this was not difficult to do, but one knows that changes are difficult to accept."

Will the decision of the commissioners make a difference to the taxes that the residents of Cape Coral will make in the future?

Evetv said that he thinks it will, at least in theory.

"The theory is that our taxes should be lower in proportion to those raised in the unincorporated areas."

What will happen regarding the taxes that the incorporated areas paid in the past for services they did not receive and that these areas were requesting be returned?

Evetv said "The situation we have is identified by the Arthur Young study on Double Taxation that people were paying for services that they did not receive.

"If the county is willing to recognize this fact and corrects the injustices that existed in the past, all well and good, but at present we do not know what action they are going to take. There have certainly been injustices in the past to Cape Coral—in the past two years in the amount of \$2 million—whether we get this back, we will just have to wait and see," said Evetv.

His feelings on the recent decision of the County Commission are that they had taken a real step in trying to correct an inequitable system.

"It is a very significant step forward for both the county and our cities. We are one of the very few areas in the State of Florida that has successfully had negotiations with their county government and that have come to a relatively amenable agreement. I think that this is indeed a

Christmas present for Cape Coral in itself.

"We have demonstrated and accomplished a task together that other people are taking themselves to court over for years.

"The fact that we have successfully and peacefully settled the situation, that is a Christmas present present to all of us."

Evetv says that perhaps what made the negotiations click was personalities.

"Those of Mayor Oscar Corbin of Fort Myers, Mayor Don Graf of Cape Coral, County Commissioners Bob Whan and George Goldtrap, and Attorneys Dick Roosa and Jim Humphrey. They were able to sit down and discuss and consider alternative suggestions. It was a very personal thing.

"I think that what has been accomplished here will be watched by many others throughout the State of Florida, they will now be watching to see how things work out," says Evetv.

duel tax ruling

Pinnellas ruling may help cities

Cities and counties are hoping a circuit judge's ruling allowing them to levy extra taxes on residents of unincorporated areas will relieve the financial burden they bear under existing laws, a Florida League of Cities official says.

Under the ruling recently issued by Pinnellas Circuit Judge David Seth Walker, new taxes could be levied on dwellers of unannexed areas for such things as police and fire protection, road repairs, garbage collection and other

municipal services, said Ray Sittig, League of Cities head.

"The incredible growth of our unincorporated areas has forced the counties to provide city-type services in these areas," Sittig said. "The cities and counties don't have the fiscal resources to continue carrying the load either."

Walker ruled earlier this month an extra 1.3 millproperty tax on non-city residents of Pinellas County was constitutional. One mill

equals \$1 in taxes for each \$1,000 of taxes in property value.

Sittig said Walker's ruling ends a "double taxation" system which, in some cases, means "the poor (are) paying for the rich."

"The people who can afford new homes go to the unincorporated areas while the city is attracting the poorer people," Sittig said. The result is that 30 to 49 percent of Florida's homeowners are receiving services at city residents' expense, he said.

The League of Cities official said "every county is looking now to see how the court appeals (on Walker's ruling) go. If this ruling is upheld, you'll see more counties taxing the unincorporated areas.

The extra tax is the only alternative for providing services, Sittig says, in the absence of successful annexation drives.

A recent move to annex unincorporated areas surrounding Gainesville with the city was rejected at the polls by a three-to-one vote. Leon County residents have also fought annexation drives with Tallahassee.

"Non-city residents refuse to annex," Sittig said, "and, under current laws, annexation is extremely difficult."

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Police Report

seemed they were making noise in residential area. GOA.

Complaint came in that someone was stealing trees from Periwinkle Way, possibly, it was thought, to make room for the bike path. Investigation showed complaint to be invalid.

Anonymous caller reported "drunk person" attempting to enter own car in parking lot; investigation showed person was reacting to medication and was assisted to LMH (Lee Memorial Hospital) by EMTs. (Emergency Medication Technicians.)

Two young people tried some shoplifting allegedly in local store. Disciplinary action taken by parent.

Some homo sapien alleged sapiens thinks it's fun or funny to call people up and breath heavily into the phone.

Caller alleged that suspicious vehicle was parked on road leading to beach; car then allegedly headed for Captiva. GOA-UTL.

Local resident found lost child, who was returned to parents staying at a motel. Then one of the parents got lost, was found at another motel, and was returned to original motel and (hopefully) happy family group.

Tools taken from parked truck. (Please don't leave things of value in your vehicle.)

Rental car parked in Sanctuary when car should not be there. Car gone on later check.

Speeding ticket issued alleged driver of two wheeled vehicle.

Some person, alleged young (of school bus age) now proud owner of hood ornament from 1976 expensive car; owner of car not very proud or happy.

SPD assisted Coast Guard and LCSO in search for mission person allegedly on boat.

Remember that business alarm? It decided to chime frequently (more than once daily) up to and including Christmas Day; it's been behaving itself lately, and B & Es have taken place. (One time, it went off because it obviously objected to someone vacuuming the sidewalk near it. If we were still in the 1950s, we'd suspect it of having a beatnik heart.)

Two wheeled vehicles were complained about;

Wallet found in parking lot; turned into SPD complete with cash and credit cards.

Alleged DWI (Driving While Intoxicated) person given verbal warning; vehicle turned over to spouse.

Call came in that person in teens and person in 20s, allegedly walking on beach together, not seen and therefore were suspected missing. (Persons left place of departure in late afternoon.) Call came in 19 minutes later that both had returned safely.

Orange and purple bike with Levi's banana seat found and turned into SPD.

Yellow leather wallet found by nice person in phone booth; turned into SPD and thence to owner with contents (including cash) intact.

Out of state car stopped and alleged driver talked to by SPD officer for speeding and following too closely.

Suspicious vehicle noted by caller. Suspicious vehicle turned out to be out of gas and would be moved by owner as soon as station opened and gas could be obtained.

Sleeper found in parked car with motor running; advised to move on.

Guess what? Someone else's alarm went off for a change. Everything ok; alarm possibly triggered by electricity going on and off.

Boater parked boat next to

another boat at a pier in the evening; boat gone in the morning; relocated in ok condition early next evening.

Person said key would be made so that fires couldn't be started at end of road. (Must be a magic key which can stop a fire!???)

Out of county car raced through service station area and nearly hit a couple of pedestrians in front of nearby store. Vehicle stopped and given verbal warning. Assume same was also heard by driver.

Medical message relayed by SPD to unlisted phone number.

Blue bicycle left (abandoned?) behind shopping center.

Open door found in empty house; digarette butts in bedroom where no cigarette butts should be.

Call came in that child had left residence a couple of hours before and hadn't come home yet. Call came in from parents 19 minutes later reporting child was home safe.

Another wallet found in phone booth by local resident; turned into SPD and turned over to owner intact. (One of the nice things about writing this report is realizing that while we do have our share of nastys, we also have a lot of very nice and very honest people living and visiting here.)

Called informed SPD that a couple of kids were playing on rafts in a canal

which also contained alligators. Everything (kids, rafts and alleged alligators) GOA.

Caller complained that young people were riding motor bikes on little traveled road without proper equipment on bikes. Investigation revealed drivers were conforming to all regulations.

Visitor lost camera either in Sanctuary, the county park or on Dixie Beach Blvd.

Shopper lost purse while shopping and asked SPD to provide to supply her with ID.

Camera found on Lighthouse beach. (Not same camera as lost by visitor.) Tagged and held at SPD.

Complaint came in that mail was taken from mailbox, torn up and thrown on beach. Evidence also visible of small fires on walkway. Post office notified, which in turn notified Federal authorities. (In case you are not aware of it, stealing from a car or something is an illegal not nice thing to do; stealing or tampering with mail is a Federal offense and -is a Super No-No.)

Complaint came in that person on bike was trespassing on property after being specifically asked, nay, ordered not to. Alleged person contacted; informed SPD that he had not only not been on property as alleged, but that he didn't have a bike, either.

Three year old wandered away from motel; found exactly 10 minutes later, safe but sandy.

Call came in that intoxicated person was wandering around and falling down now and again. Located same and returned to spouse.

Utility pole got in front of driver of behicle.

Car went off road near Legion curve. No reported injuries to driver of passengers.

Complaint came in that persons were wandering around business place which could not be completely secured and taking off with items which appealed to them without paying for them.

Inconsiderate driver reported driving over yard around midnight, ripping up lawn and breaking bottles in driveway.

Complaint came in that two cars were drag racing on main road in mid-afternoon. Vehicles. GOA-UTL.

Three persons committing alleged nuisance with vehicles (skateboards) on ramp and were asked to stop but didn't. They had by time SPD arrived; they had also disappeared.

Report came in that people had fire on beach and were celebrating Christmas with Roman candles (which are pretty but illegal). People, fires and fireworks GOA.

THE CONCERNED

PROPERTY OWNERS OF SANIBEL

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All property owners are urged to attend.

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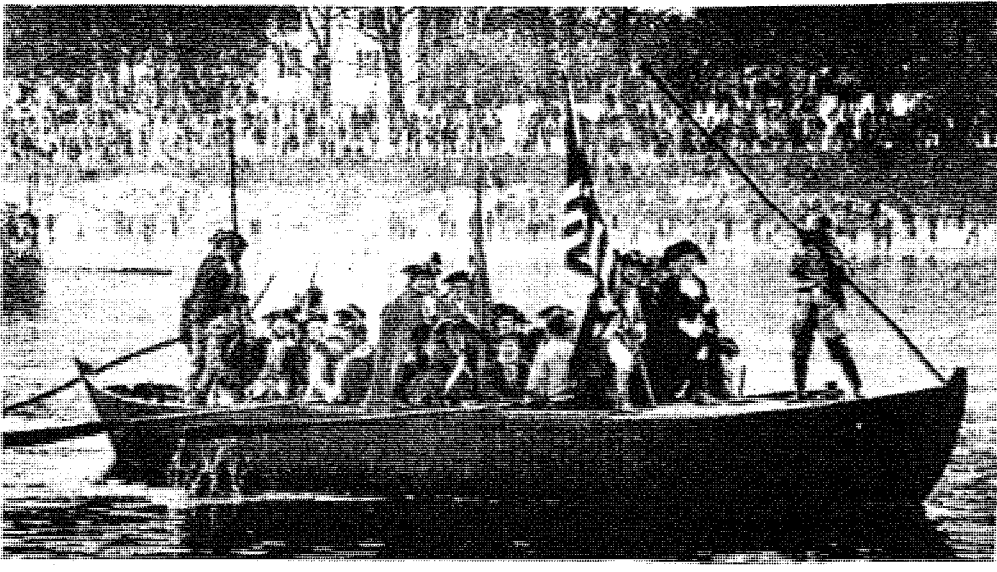
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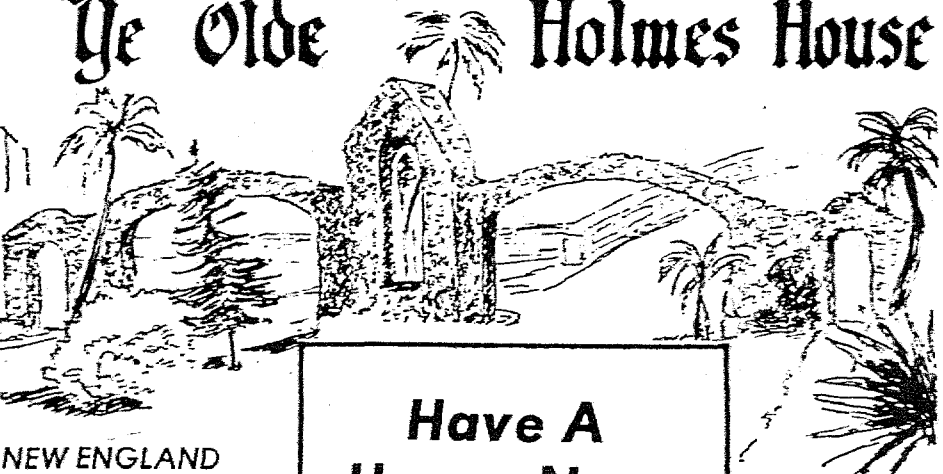
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Your Astrological Week

by Madam Dorinda cast especially for the Islands

Aries: Elders in your domestic circle may pose problems. Be careful when making exchanges, avoid anything which is too new or untested. Visit from distant individuals are invigorating.

Taurus: Be in touch with neighbors and close kin. Short trips and visits can prove very beneficial. This is a good time for handling financial difficulties, you have good judgment.

Gemini: Group activities promise excitement but may take an unusual turn. Pay attention to your hunches. Take the initiative in putting your personal projects before the right people today.

Cancer: Activities you share with your peer group are apt to be unusually stimulating, but for the proper conduct of private affairs, secret maneuvers, it might be prudent to preserve a low profile.

Leo: Sports outing is likely. Your partner or a parent could raise a barrier to current plans. Tend to business revenues. Contacts with friends and fraternal organizations are favored.

Virgo: Do not drink heavily, unexpected news may be negative. Much can be accomplished by using the experience of older people. Serve the needs of parents or other people you deem important.

Libra: A business or career change looms ahead; be prepared. Give some thought to distant connections, affairs of in-laws or the relatives of others. Play a hunch now, for your intuition is reliable.

Scorpio: Sign no papers that could drastically change your finances. Be circumspect in the presence of one who could be jealous. Link up with an unusual playmate.

Sagittarius: Expectations could exceed reality. Advice from others, especially from your mate or partners, tend to provoke you, but try to preserve worthwhile alliances.

Capricorn: Good time for improving facilities or making additions to home or office. Be constructive. A family member may misquote a statement. You will accomplish much by plain hard work.

Aquarius: Family affairs may be affected by economic conditions but resourcefulness pays. Affairs of kin or neighbors may be of more than usual interest.

Pisces: Aspects favor getting fun out of life. Remember what's traditional, do some serious planning in connection with your home or base of operations. Plan some recreational activities with children or loved ones.



The Pirate Playhouse

Schedule of Performances

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| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SUNDAY | JANUARY 4 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SUNDAY | JANUARY 11 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SATURDAY | JANUARY 17 |
| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SUNDAY | JANUARY 25 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 1 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 7 |
| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 14 |
| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 15 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 21 |
| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 22 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 28 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SUNDAY | FEBRUARY 29 |
| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SATURDAY | MARCH 6 |
| OUR AMERICAN COUSIN | SUNDAY | MARCH 7 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SATURDAY | MARCH 13 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SUNDAY | MARCH 14 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SATURDAY | MARCH 20 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SUNDAY | MARCH 21 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SATURDAY | MARCH 27 |
| THREE FOR TONIGHT | SUNDAY | MARCH 28 |
| YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU | SATURDAY | APRIL 3 |

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of the United States, in order to form a more perfect Union, establish Justice, insure domestic Tranquillity, provide for the common Defense, promote the general Welfare, and secure the Blessings of Liberty to ourselves and our Posterity, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the United States of America.

ARTICLE IV

Section 1—Each State to give credit to the public acts etc. of every other State.

Full faith and credit shall be given in each State to the public acts, records, and judicial proceedings of every other State. And the Congress may by general laws prescribe the manner in which such acts, records and proceedings shall be proved, and the effect thereof.

Section 2—Privileges of citizens of each State. Fugitives from justice to be delivered up. Persons held to service having escaped, to be delivered up.

1. The citizens of each State shall be entitled to all privileges and immunities of citizens in the several States.

2. A person charged in any State with treason, felony or other crime, who shall flee from justice, and be found in another State, shall on demand of the Executive authority of the State from which he fled, be delivered up, to be removed to the State having jurisdiction of the crime.

3. No person held to service or labor in one State, under the laws thereof, escaping into another, shall in consequence of any law or regulation therein, be discharged from such service or labor, but shall be delivered up on claim of the party to whom such service or labor may be due. (This clause was superseded by Amendment XIII.)

AMENDMENT XIII Slavery abolished.

(Proposed by Congress Jan. 31, 1865; ratification completed Dec. 6, 1865. The amendment, when first proposed by a resolution in Congress, was passed by the Senate, 38 to 6, on April 8, 1864, but was defeated in the House, 95 to 66 on June 15, 1864. On reconsideration by the House, on Jan. 31, 1865, the resolution passed 119 to 56. It was approved by President Lincoln on Feb. 1, 1865, although the Supreme Court had decided in 1793 that the President has nothing to do with the proposing of amendments to the Constitution, or their adoption.)

1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.

Section 3—Admission of new States. Power of Congress over territory and other property.

1. New States may be admitted by the Congress into this Union; but no new State shall be formed or erected within the jurisdiction of any other State; nor any State be formed by the junction of two or more States, or parts of States, without the consent of the Legislatures of the States concerned as well as of the Congress.

2. The Congress shall have power to dispose of and make all needful rules and regulations respecting the territory or other property belonging to the United States; and nothing in this Constitution shall be so construed as to prejudice any claims of the United States, or of any particular State.

Section 4—Republican form of government guaranteed. Each State to be protected.

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Section 4. The United States shall guarantee to every State in this Union a Republican Form of Government, and shall protect each of them against Invasion, and on Application of the Legislature, or of the Executive (when the Legislature cannot be convened) against domestic Violence.

Article V.

The Congress, whenever two thirds of both Houses shall deem it necessary, shall propose Amendments to this Constitution, or on the Application of the Legislatures of two thirds of the several States, shall call a Convention for proposing Amendments, which, in either Case, shall be valid to all Intents and Purposes as Part of this Constitution, when ratified by the Legislatures of three fourths of the several States, or by Conventions in three fourths thereof, the one or the other Mode of Ratification may be proposed by the Congress; Provided that no Amendment which may be made prior to the Year one thousand eight hundred and eight shall in any Manner affect the first and fourth Clauses in the Seventh Section of the first Article; and that no State, without its Consent, shall be deprived of its equal Suffrage in that Ratio.

Article VI.

All Debts contracted and Engagements entered into, before the Adoption of this Constitution, shall be as valid against the United States under this Constitution, as under the Confederation.

This Constitution, and the Laws of the United States which shall be made in Pursuance thereof; and all Treaties made, or which shall be made, under the Authority of the United States, shall be the supreme Law of the Land; and the Judges in every State shall be bound thereby, any Thing in the Constitution or Laws of any State to the Contrary notwithstanding.

The Senators and Representatives before mentioned, and the Members of the several State Legislatures, and all executive and judicial Officers, both of the United States and of the several States, shall be bound by Oath or Affirmation, to support this Constitution; but no religious Test shall ever be required as a Qualification to any Office or public Trust under the United States.

Article VII.

The Ratification of the Conventions of more States, shall be sufficient for the Establishment of this Constitution between the States so ratifying the Same.

Done in Convention by the unanimous Consent of the States present the thirteenth Day of September in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty seven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the Twelfth in Witness whereof We have hereunto subscribed our Names.

Belmont: G. W. B. ... Maryland: D. ... Virginia: J. ... New Hampshire: J. Langdon, N. ... Massachusetts: N. Gorham, R. ... Connecticut: W. S. Johnson, R. Sherman. New York: A. Hamilton. New Jersey: W. Livingston, D. Brearley, W. Paterson, J. Dayton. Pennsylvania: B. Franklin, T. Mifflin, R. Morris, G. Clymer, T. FitzSimons, J. Wilson, G. Morris. Delaware: G. Read, G. Bedford Jun., J. Dickinson, R. Bassett, J. Broom. Maryland: J. McHenry, D. Carroll. Virginia: J. Blair, J. Madison, Jr. North Carolina: W. Blount, R. Spaight, H. Williamson. South Carolina: J. Rutledge, C. Cotesworth Pinckney, C. Pinckney, P. Butler. Georgia: W. Few, A. Baldwin. Attest: W. Jackson Secretary.

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Constitution; how amended; proviso

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ARTICLE VI.

Certain debts, etc., declared valid. Supremacy of Constitution, treaties, and laws of the United States. Oath to support Constitution, by whom taken. No religious test.

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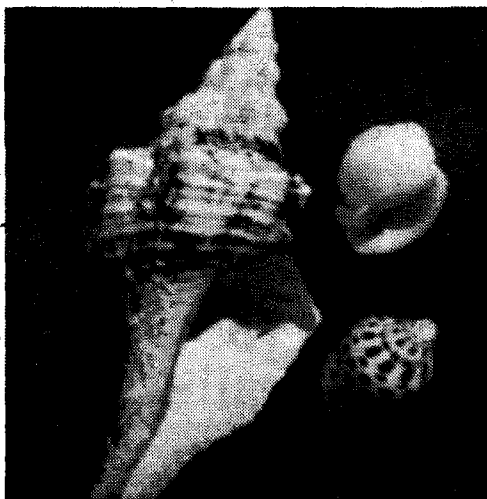
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Letters to the editor

To the Islander:

My husband and I have visited Sanibel Island three times in the last two years. We stay at Periwinkle Park. We very much enjoy the tropical nature of the island, its shells and fishing.

On our last trip in October, 1975, I had the good fortune of finding the three shells in the enclosed picture. They were all found on



Captiva Island at Blind Pass. All three were found within a few feet of each other. I understand that the Junonia is relatively rare and the Scotch bonnet is uncommon.

We wanted to bring them by your office while there, but in two weeks could not tear ourselves away from the shelling and fishing long enough.

We subscribe to your paper to keep up with the news of our favorite islands. We intend to return again in the Spring.

-s-Mrs. Gregory (Marjorie) A. O'Neill
St. Louis, Mo.

To the Islander:

The Driftwood Crafts Work Shop for the Sanibel Shell Fair will start Jan. 5th (9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.) at the Sanibel Community House and continue until Shell Fair time in March.

Anyone interested in making items for the Fair is invited to attend, especially experienced craft workers.

We shall have much new and unique material to work with but we still need clean, sorted shells. Anyone wishing to donate shells can drop them off at the Community House or at Mrs. William Krueger's home at 430 E. Gulf Drive.

Instructors this year will be Amy Meyers and Dorothy Putnam, co-chairman of the Driftwood Shop, Cookie Dugger, Dottie Starns, Martha McCullough, Martha Krumbotz, Marion Back and Helen Godfrey...all well known island craft artists.

Other helpers already signed up are Myra Zuhone, Ruth Bopp, L. Storner, Holly Morse and Kay Ford.

After the first meeting I am sure there will be many more. So come and join us—the men are also most welcome as we need them, especially if they possess a glue gun.

Yes, we will be serving coffee. For any other information call 472-2826.

-s-Margaret Kureger
Chairman, Sanibel Shell Fair Driftwood Shop

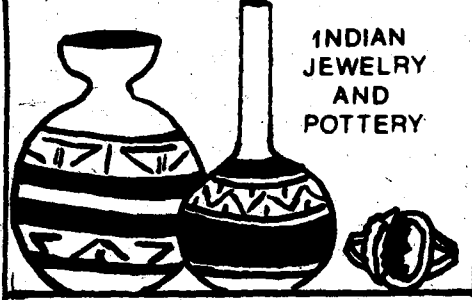
To The ISLANDER:

One day in November, 1975, a group of Senior Citizens from Lake Worth, Florida, travelled by Greyhound Bus for a day's outing on Sanibel Island.


It was a great disappointment to us as a group to find the Public Beach without benches or sanitary facilities. (Three of these visitors were crippled up with arthritis and had to stay in the bus for there was no place for them to sit down.)

However, the beach was beautiful and the shelling quite good.


-s-Anne Keenan




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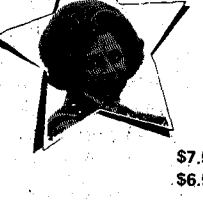






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| <p>CONCERT/DANCE - PACKAGE # 1</p> <p>JANUARY 9, 1976 - FRI JOHNNY DESMOND, a hit from his days with Glenn Miller to a co-starring role on Broadway in "Funny Girl" with Barbara Streisand. First time in Lehigh. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5</p>  | <p>POTPOURRI - PACKAGE # 2</p> <p>JANUARY 19, 1976 - MON GUY LOMBARDO & His Royal Canadians One of the most listened to, talked about, and imitated big bands of all time returns for a memory-making concert and dance. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5</p>  | <p>CONTEMPORARY - PACKAGE # 3</p> <p>FEBRUARY 2, 1976 - MON REGENERATION - 10 vivacious collegians salute our nation's Bicentennial. They are heard daily on the radio program "America Is..." and appear each year at Disney World. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$5, \$4</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;">3 EXTRA SPECIAL CONCERTS SOLD INDIVIDUALLY.</p> |
| <p>FEBRUARY 23, 1976 - MON WAYNE KING & HIS ORCHESTRA "The Waltz King" with his golden saxophone has entertained millions, including the guests at President Eisenhower's Inaugural Ball. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5</p>  | <p>FEBRUARY 28, 1976 - SAT JOHN GARY, star of stage, screen, radio & TV returns after an enthusiastic reception last year. One of today's most talented performers. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$5, \$4</p>  | <p>FEBRUARY 13, 1976 - FRI BRENDA LEE has thrilled audiences from Las Vegas and Disney World to Europe, South America, and Australia. Three-time winner of "World's Top Female Vocalist" Award. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$5, \$4</p>  | <p>January 14, 1976 - Wed CAVALCADE OF AMERICAN THEATRE A look at American life, portrayed in the theater through the years, with the highly-acclaimed National Players Company. SEATS - \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$5, \$4</p>  |
| <p>MARCH 26, 1976 - FRI MYRON FLOREN By popular demand the featured accordionist on the Lawrence Welk TV Show returns to Lehigh for an exclusive concert dance. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5</p>  | <p>MARCH 3, 1976 - WED NORMAN LUBOFF CHOIR The artistic offerings of this group range from Bach to the Beatles. They have recorded more than three dozen albums for Columbia and RCA. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$5, \$4</p>  | <p>MARCH 8, 1976 - MON THE RHODES BROTHERS bring their club show from Miami. They have been hits on the Mike Douglas, Merv Griffin, and Johnny Carson TV shows. \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5.50, \$5, \$4</p>  | <p>February 9, 1976 - Mon PAT BOONE & FAMILY Pat, his wife Shirley, and their four daughters present an evening of songs, laughs, and nostalgia. Bring the whole family. SEATS - \$9, \$8.50, \$8, \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5</p>  |
| <p>\$7.50 seats for all 3 evenings, \$20.25</p> | | | <p>March 12, 1976 - Fri KATE SMITH One of America's all-time great entertainers brings along The Kids Next Door to top the festivities for the Spring Bicentennial Festival! SEATS - \$9, \$8.50, \$8, \$7.50, \$7, \$6.50, \$6, \$5</p>  |
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*You may use your Maas Brothers charge account.
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To order tickets by mail, complete the coupon and send your check or money order (no cash) to FESTIVAL OF STARS, Lehigh Auditorium, P.O. Box 573, Lehigh, Florida 33936. MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO LEHIGH AUDITORIUM.
Be sure to include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Enclosed please find \$ _____ for the packages and/or single concerts indicated below and a self-addressed, stamped envelope. _____ I am a Lehigh Country Club member. Cost per package is \$15.75 for Country Club members and \$20.25 for non Country Club members. Indicate in the blanks the number of packages or seats being ordered for each performance. For individual show tickets, indicate the price ticket being ordered.

Package 1 _____ Package 2 _____ Package 3 _____

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Christmas cocktail party for crew

Some very interesting people were enjoying a pre-Christmas cocktail party at the Casurina complex Tuesday given by Keith Trowbridge for his workers. Some of the guys were sitting on the porch rail of the construction trailer, some were inside relaxing, some talking shop, others not.

One, a manufacturer's rep for cabinets, introduced

himself as "Uncle Frank Jenkins. I'm a clown."

All the while the party was going on Jenkins was blowing up long skinny balloons and twisting them into balloon animals. He'd pass out a balloon every now and again but nobody could manage to blow them up. There were lots of comments like "ya smoke too much," and "they're trick

balloons," and things like that.

"What do you mean, you're a clown?" we asked.

"Clowning is my part-time work," he explained. "I'm the director of the Shrine Clown Unit of Fort Myers. I have 33 clowns under my direction."

He said that they did mostly charity work, going to crippled children's hospitals and this season his

clowns, dressed as clowns, are manning the Salvation Army Kettles at Edison Mall.

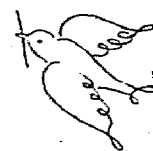
We asked the secret of the balloons and even though he explained carefully and showed us how to blow the balloons up, no way could we accomplish the task.

A good-looking girl in worker's clothes came into the trailer. Keith called us over to meet Andie Gosnell

who had just "hired on today," and who explained that she was a "dry-wall person" who knew a lot about drywall but not a whole lot about the rest of the business of putting a building together. We didn't have a lot of time to chat but it was good to know that girls are on the job in the construction industry.

It got to be about 6 p.m. when we said so-long and

wandered up to the firehouse to see how Santa Claus was coming along with his deliveries.



More police reports

Boat reported on fire across causeway. On arrival, discovered bonfire, but not in boat. False alarm.

Bifocal glasses in black case lost on or around Gulf Drive near Beachview.

While on routine patrol, complainant stopped officer and said that microphone and cord had been removed from his docked boat, and furthermore, a jacket belonging to complainant had been left on dock post the day before and four persons took it away.

Money lost, strayed or stolen from large motel. Amount undisclosed.

Not counting that alarm that was going off all the time, one was reporting as going off but it couldn't be found and had evidently

reset itself (wherever it was) when SPD arrived.

License tag stolen from parked motorbike. (Is nothing sacred?)

Christmas package removed by non-owner from parked unlocked car.

Reckless driver reported running people off the road. Either inebriated or distracted, or possible neither, depending on reliability of complainant who was anonymous.

Dog decided to jog and run in road. Dog taken into custody and returned to owner.

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News and Editorial Notes

Well, it's almost the new year—and we hope it is a fruitful and joyous one for all of you. We're breathing a sigh of relief, ourselves, since we realized that if we could get through last week (which we did) we will be able to survive anything—even more CLUP (Comprehensive Land Use Plan) meetings.

Hopefully, they will slacken off (some where, some time) so we'll have time and space to report on the many fascinating things which are happening (or will happen) on these beautiful islands.

Speaking of which (the CLUP) the newest announced date for the planning commission to vote on same is tomorrow—but, very frankly, we wouldn't make book on it.

has become a yuletide tradition on the Islands.

As usual, the show is open to the public, and all are invited to attend.

DO YOU HAVE YOUR TICKET?

Next Sunday, January 3, the drawing for the new Pinto will be held on the grounds of St. Isabel's Church at 2 p.m. You need not be present to win. Tickets (if you haven't already purchased them) may be purchased at the Rectory on Sunday right up to the time of the drawing. (Hope the ones we bought last summer didn't get lost, come to think of it.)

Good Luck!

CITY COUNCIL

Today being Tuesday, the City Council is meeting at city hall to hold public hearings and second readings (which means they get passed) on five ordinances, ranging from adopting the Florida Motor Boat Law to fixing the supplemental budget.

Council will also hear requests for continuation of or the start of building projects, will discuss the annual financial report and have the usual reports from the city attorney, manager, mayor, councilmen and the public.

YULETIDE PHOTO VERSE TONIGHT

Tonight (Tuesday) Mario Hutton is presenting his ninth "Year End Special" at the season's second meeting of the Sanibel Captiva Audubon Society at 8 in the Sanibel Community House.

A selection of "photo verse," a novel technique combining photo slides and poetry which has been nationally known since his first showing in 1967, will be varied, as usual, but will underscore the joy of the holiday season. By this time, Hutton's presentation

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SOUTH SEAS ASK FOR PERMIT

The Army Corps of Engineers has announced that South Seas Plantation Land Company has applied for a permit to construct more seawalls, extend the yacht basin and carry out "maintenance dredging of approximately 1,746 cubic yards of sand and shell below the existing meal high water line."

Any comments on the application should be submitted in writing to the District Engineer, Jacksonville District, Corps of Engineers, P.O. Box 4970, Jacksonville, Fla. 32201, on or before Jan. 19, 1976.

Any questions on South Sea's application may be answered by calling John Santorelli at 1-904-791-2211.

TEEN DANCE

The Holiday Teen Dance, originally scheduled for Saturday, was postponed till last night at the Sanibel Community Hall. As this is being written before the dance, we can just wish that everyone had a wonderful time.

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HOO, BOY

The traffic on the Islands has been—well, one doesn't really wish to use that kind of language in a family newspaper. It's all because so many people want to enjoy our Islands during the holiday season, and we can only hope the traffic isn't blunting too much of their (and Islander's) enjoyment.

Theoretically, we'll get a 10 to 14 day "respite" after New Year's Day, but the motels and hotels we've checked with are pretty well booked even then. Good season, yawl!

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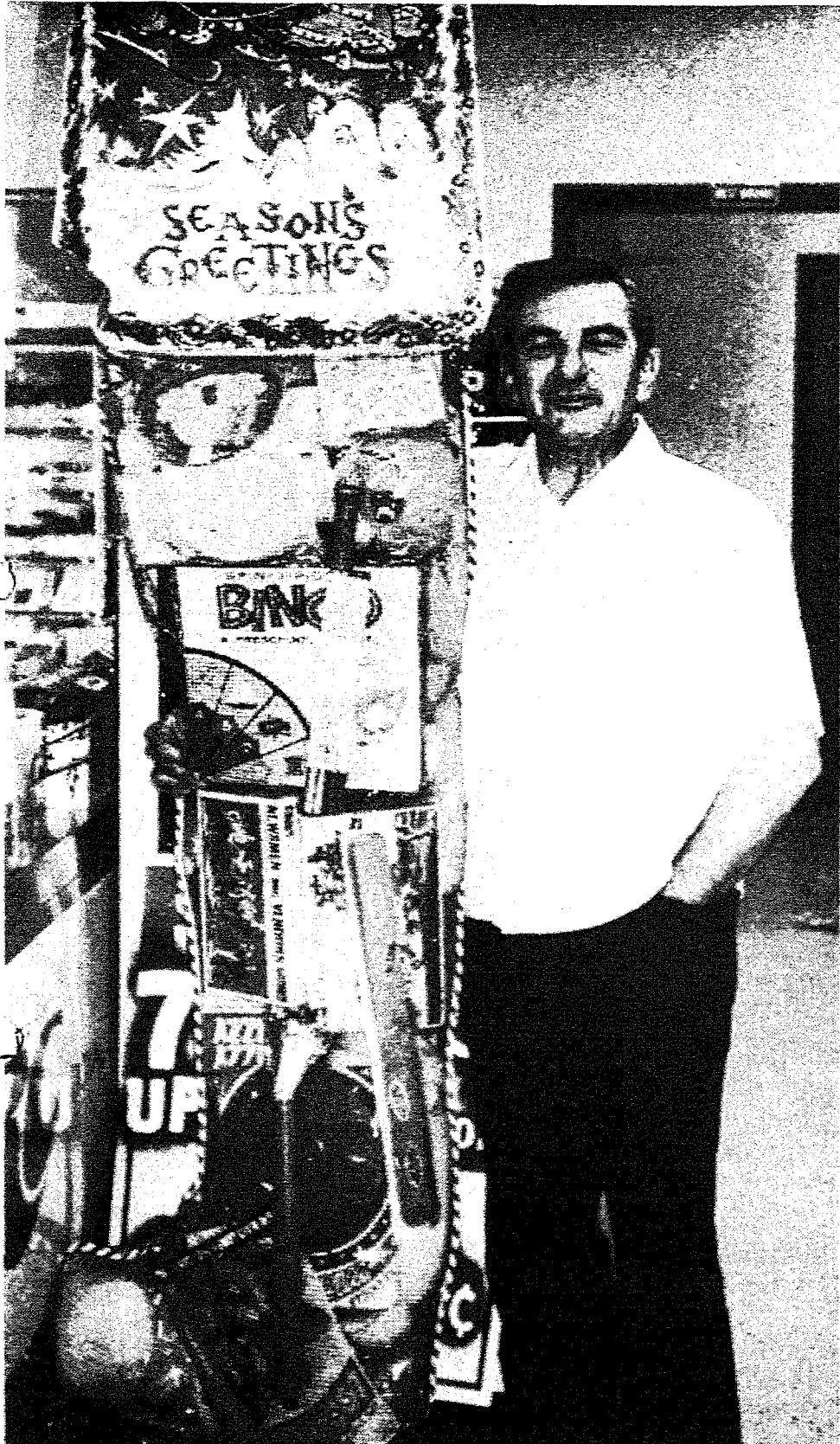
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(and, of course,) to all our out of state readers!**



Sam's 7-11 drawing for the six-foot high Christmas stocking filled with all kinds of goodies took place an hour and a half late Wednesday since Betty Weir, one of Sanibel's policewomen (who was going to pull the lucky number out of the box) was sent on a call just at drawing time.

We asked four young ladies who were waiting for

the drawing what they would do with the stocking if they won it.

Laura Creagh said, "I'll give it to my little neighbor."

Janice Price said she would give it to the kid across the street.

"I'll give it to my little sister," Julie Suhling said and Joy Vitkovich said she would give it to her step-

sister. It was fairly obvious that "little sister" would receive the huge stocking if any of the four came up the winner.

Betty finally came, pulled a name out of the box said, "Joy Daugherty."

All the girls whooped and hollered.

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The saga of the six foot stocking



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Deaths...

NICK G. ALECK
Nick G. Aleck, 50, who had been a Sanibel resident for seven years from 1955 to 1962, died midnight Christmas of leukemia in Anchorage, Alaska.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly, of Anchorage, his mother, Mrs. Angeliki Aleck of Oroville, California, a brother, John, two sisters, Bess and Joy, and three daughters, Alice, Deena and

Mary Anne Aleck, all of Sanibel.

Funeral services were held in Oroville, California, yesterday, Dec. 29.

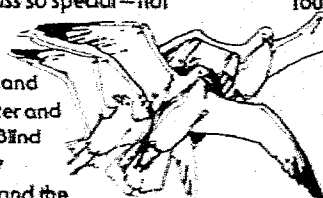
ELMA ANDERSEN
Miss Elma Andersen died in Roosevelt Hospital, New York, N.Y., Sunday, Dec. 21. She is survived by one sister, Mia Melin.

Elma had been associated with Mary Aleck's beauty shop during the winter season since 1955. Her many friends and clients will miss her.

Private services and internment took place in New York.

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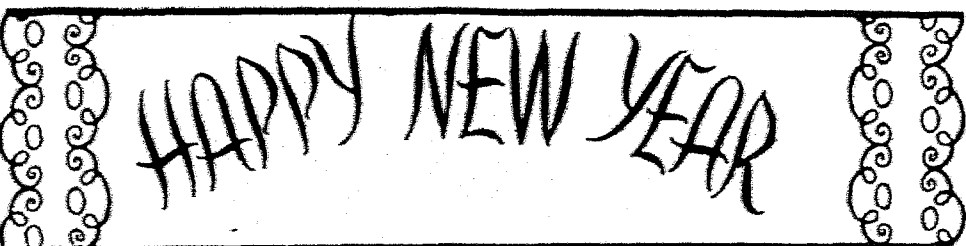
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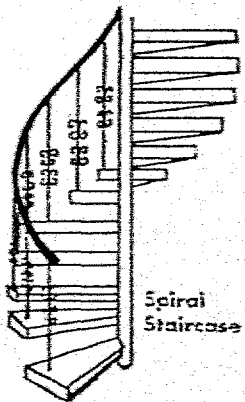
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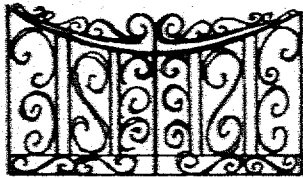
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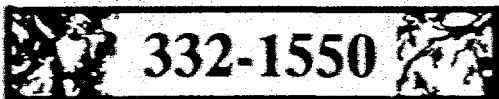
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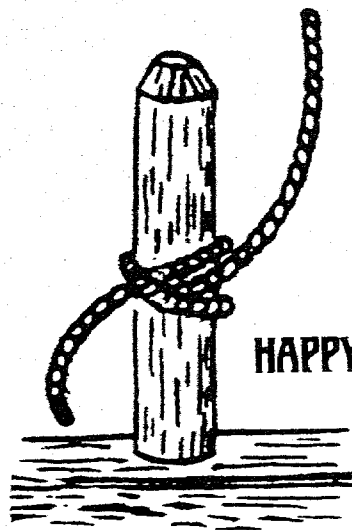


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Ringling exhibit to come to Fort Myers

Live music, dance, theatrical performances, an exhibition of art objects from many parts of the world and a lecture by an authority on Indian sculpture are planned in "Art from Around the World," from Jan. 10 to Feb. 3 at the Edison Mall in Ft. Myers.

The program of events, sponsored by the Lee Chapter of the Ringling Museums under the Ringling Statewide Availability Project (SWAP), is open to the public at no charge.

The theme, "Art from Around the World," was selected by Chapter members because of the diverse ethnic segments of the Lee community.

A preview of the exhibition and a reception for Chapter members and their guests will be held at 8:30 p.m. on Fri., Jan. 9, at the Edison Mall.

At 9 p.m., Roy C. Craven, Jr., a professor of art and director of University Gallery, the University of Florida, will give a lecture on "Indian Sculpture."

An accomplished artist, Craven has lectured on contemporary art and the art of India in the U.S. and foreign museums and universities. He has written and presented various television programs on art.

Craven has made extensive photographic surveys on Indian contemporary art, ancient Indian architecture and sculpture and pre-Columbian art. He recently received a travel and expense grant to South America to assemble folk-art items and photography for a planned exhibition, Andean Folk-Art.

Following the lecture, Nancy Hine, program coordinator for State Service in the Education

Division of the Ringling Museums, will lead an informal discussion.

The exhibition will open to the public on Sat., Jan. 10.

The selection includes East Indian sculpture, oriental fans, ceramics, an 18th century Mandarin ceremonial skirt and contemporary Japanese prints such as wood cuts and etchings from Asia.

Also included will be examples of African art such as an Ashanti comb from Ghana, a Mossi helmet from Upper Volta and from Ethiopia, a 19th century double-edged sword and sheath, a dagger and three crosses.

Implements from Oceania, the Sepik River Region in New Guinea, will be exhibited as well as 20th century Eskimo art, sealskin stencil, a copper engraving and soapstone sculpture.

European objects displayed will include 19th century Russian spoons and ladles, a Roman glass vase and cup, 100 B.C.-400 A.D., and 17th century German goblets.

The exhibition will be on view for the public Monday through Saturday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

On Fri., Jan. 16, the public is invited to hear a group of Florida State University-Asolo actors from the FSU Conservatory of Acting in a special presentation, "Popular Music from Around the World."

The performance begins at 7 p.m. in the Edison Mall.

Robert Stallworth, Toni Stallworth, Donna Pelc,

Stephen Joseph, Burmah Smith and Clark Niederjohn will sing the popular music from the plays, "Milk and Honey," "Fiddler on the Roof," "Godspell," and "Jacques Brel is Alive and Well and Living in Paris" and an Israeli folk song.

On Fri., Jan. 23, a musical program entitled, "Music from Around the World" will be performed at 3, 4, and 5 p.m. by the Chamber String Ensemble of the Fort Myers Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Arlo Deibler.

On the performers roster are Madeline Barnum, Florence Shapol, Michael Monahan and Soozie Kirschner, violins; Grace Peacock and Jacalyn Dhoore, violas; Arlo Deibler and Marie Goyette, cellos, and Charles Flory, bass.

The Jean Bochette Dancers will perform dance themes from "Art from Around the World" at 4 p.m. on Fri., Jan. 30. They will personify some of the works displayed in the exhibition.

The dance performance will be followed by "Music from Around the World" at 7:30 p.m. sung by the Ft. Myers Symphony Chorus.

The Ringling Statewide Availability Project (SWAP) began in mid-1972 providing cultural services for areas of the state where little or no art services are available. The Lee Community is one of three Chapters in the Ringling family.

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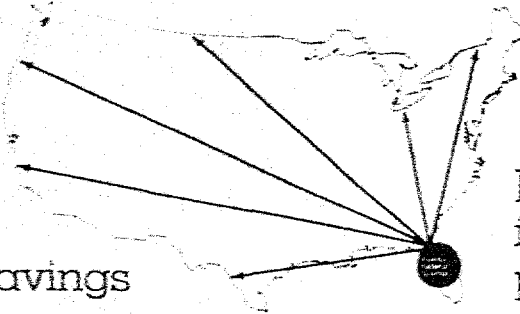
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Let's Have a Super Birthday Year!

New Year's Resolutions for '76

It's finally here! 1976 ... the year that we celebrate our country's 200th birthday.

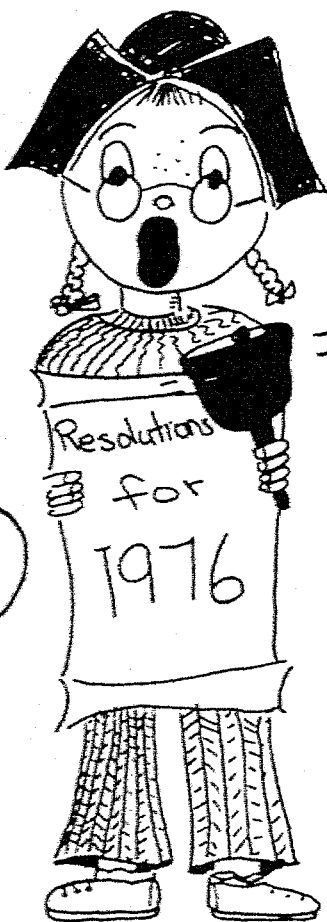
We all want to make this year something special. We want to look at the past. We want to look at the present and we want to look to the future. We want to do this so we can make our country a better place to live.

Here are some resolutions you might consider. Check the ones that interest you! Maybe you can think of some to add to the list!

Tell me about your family customs!



I will learn more about my fellow Americans so I can better understand and get along with them.



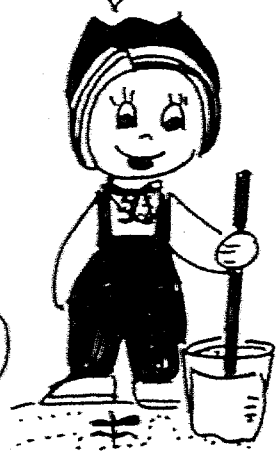
School children will be reliving the spirit of '76 as they celebrate the big birthday!

My own personal motto:

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I will try to think through my decisions and to become a more responsible person.

I will plant my very own tree!



I will do my part to make America beautiful!



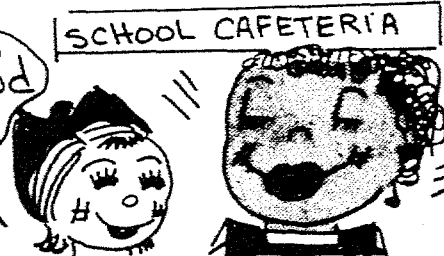
I will learn more about my country's history so I can better understand the contributions of Americans great and small!

We're trying to raise money for our school band!



I will try to become a better citizen and take part in the life of the community.

That was a very good lunch you served today!



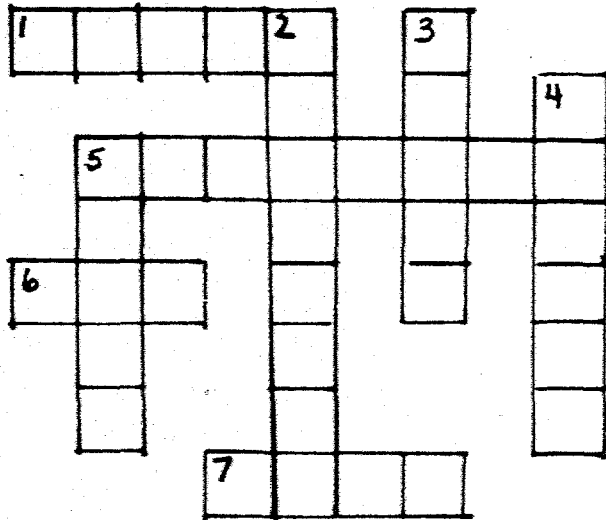
I will work hard in everything I do and I will try to appreciate the hard work that others do!

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| | 4. saw | 4. secret |
| | 5. seam | 5. scare |

Bicentennial Ideas

For School

13 Colonies

Each classroom studies one of the original 13 colonies and makes flags, mottoes and notebooks. Share what you do with other classes.

Va.- Delaware
N.C.- Maryland
S.C.- Penn.
Georgia Mass.
N.Y. N.H.
N.J. Conn.



My Favorite American

Study about your favorite American. Make a poster about him or her. Put on a program and act out what he or she did. Ask the other children to guess who you are!

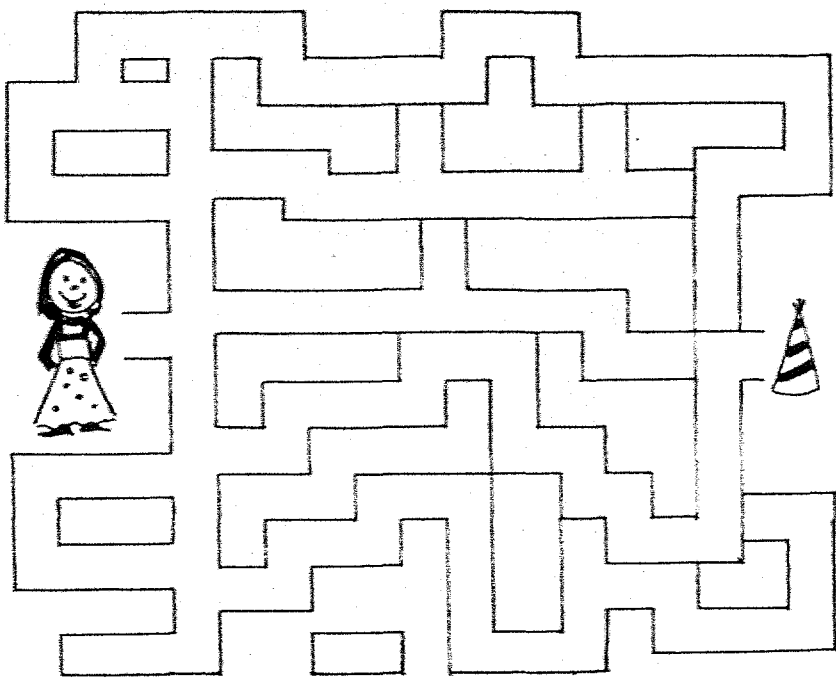
Visit a Graveyard

Make tombstone rubbings by placing a sheet of paper on a stone and rubbing it with crayon. Note the dates and well-known community names.

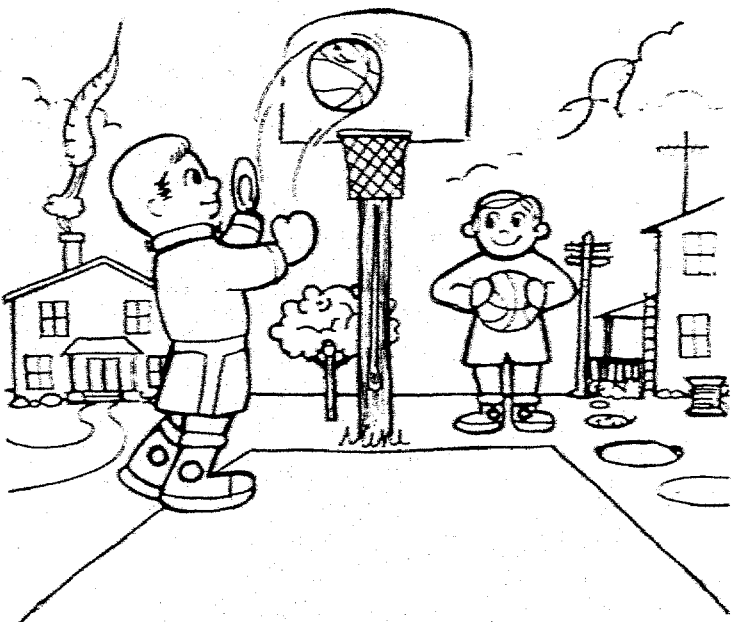


Mini Maze

Help the little girl find her hat. The New Year's Eve party is about to begin.



Mini Spy

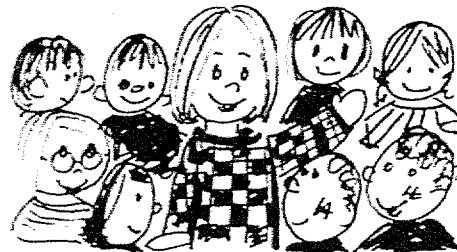


- See if you can find:
- Nail
 - Comb
 - Four "O's"
 - Spool
 - Fish
 - Sausage
 - Ladder
 - Needle
 - Match
 - Carrot
 - Funny face
 - Letter "T"
 - Word "Mini"



Colonial Olympics

Have a Colonial games day and compete in games and contests that were popular 200 years ago!



Town Meeting

Hold a town meeting like the New Englanders used to have. Discuss your school problems and how to solve them.

At Home

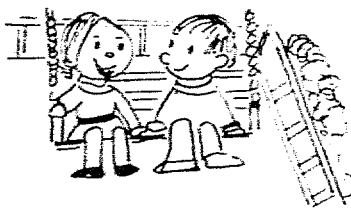
No Power

Try to live a day with no electricity and see how much we depend on machines to do our work and to entertain us!



Front Porch Day

Years ago, most Americans had a front porch where they spent many hours chatting with neighbors and watching people go by. Try sitting on your front porch or steps and see what fun you'll have!



Family Interviews

Interview your grandparents, aunts, uncles, cousins and Mom and Dad to develop a "down-home" history of your family. Take notes or record what they say. Save what you collect to pass on to your kids!



The ideas above were given to the Mini Page by Tim Ahrens, chairperson of "Spirit of 76 and Beyond." This is a Bicentennial program sponsored by high school students from North Penn High School in Lansdale, Pa.



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An attempt to put George Washington back in the White House has apparently failed.

Officials of Ripley International Ltd., operators of Louis Tussaud's Wax Museum, offered to place a life-size wax figure of Washington in the White House during the Bicentennial year.

Ripley officials, along with Sen. Jacob K. Javits, R-N.Y., thought it was a good

idea but the suggestion was turned down by President Ford.

An official for Ripley's said he received a letter from Milton Mitler, Special Deputy Assistant to the president, thanking the company for the offer but graciously declining.

The letter said that with the expected increase in visitors to the White House next year there was no space "in which to properly display the figure."



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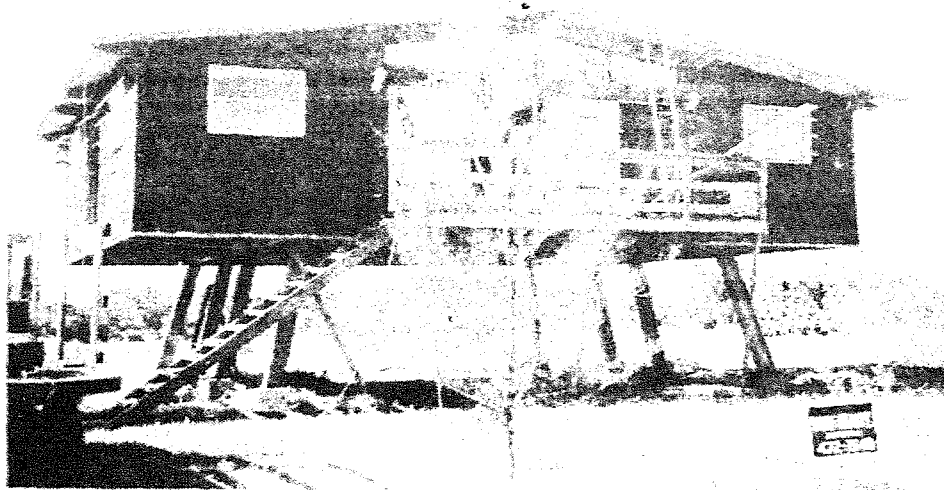
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No concrete west of Tarpon Bay (?!\$✓→!)

by Carol Quillinan

limitation be set on motel units to separate them from the condominiums.

After running through the list of motels and approximating how many more units each could build according to the amount of land available, the 300 unit number was not nearly approached.

White said that the left over units would have to go somewhere, to which Holtzman replied that there weren't too many existing motels to add to west of Westwind which could be built onto or which were desirable to add to.

It was decided that it was not economically feasible to build at 16 units per acre (that's starting from scratch what with the price of raw land being so high) although there might be some land owners who might conceivably turn a neat profit at 16 u-acre.

Claire Walter, in the audience, pointed out that the Jolly Roger and the Shalimar were west of Tarpon Bay Road, to which White said that the planning commission would create a "motel district" just as they had created a "commercial district," and the Jolly Roger and Shalimar would come into that district.

Maxene Michl asked whether the owners of smaller cottages along the Gulf would be included in the "motel" category.

White answered that the cottage areas would not be counted.

It was then decided to turn the study over to the task force.

Michl then asked when the public was going to find out about the revisions of the allocations to the subdivisions, which were also turned over to an ad hoc committee to figure out.

White said "next Tuesday or Wednesday."

Bill Frey submitted a letter in early December, which was read into the record by White, which said that he has sympathy with the plan but had doubts about its objectivity. The letter criticized the economic study, the acquisition of utilities, the expansion of the police department, the hurricane evacuation figures as not being realistic, and the lack of study of fire safety. The letter said that it would not do simply to protect the single lot owner so he "won't take us to court," and called for a review of the plan by a conventional planner.

Arthur Hunter had submitted a four page letter, which the commissioners took turns reading, calling for an engineering study of the roads. Although his letter admitted lack of expertise in such matters, it pointed out that the money allocated for roadwork was "a staggering amount for this small community." The letter attacked each of WMRT's suggestions for road work and finally suggested that a detailed study of a dual purpose road (service and evacuation) 100 feet to 200 feet south of Periwinkle be undertaken.

The planning commission agreed to meet again Wednesday (tomorrow) morning, 10 a.m., at city hall with Bill Roberts and the public to try to come to a vote in order to hand the plan over to city council the 6th of January.

"If we're going to have a concrete wall, let's have it only up to Tarpon Bay," George Tenney said after Chairman Duane White announced that allocations of units be changed, based on discussions with members of city council, to 8 units per acre including acreage within the DNR setback line only up to Tarpon Bay Road and 2 units per acre west of Tarpon Bay Road, Friday afternoon.

At last Monday's meeting it was decided that 9 units per acre and 1 unit per acre in the DNR setback line be allocated up to Westwind on West Guld Drive and 2 per acre with zero units in the DNR setback line west of Westwind. The planner, Bill Roberts of Wallace, McHarg Roberts and Todd, concurred with the change, apparently by phone. He was not present at Friday's meeting. However, he is scheduled to be on Sanibel this week.

A motion was made and passed to change the line from Westwind to Tarpon Bay Road, the four members present voting unanimously. Joe McMurtry, Don Marshall and Anina Hills were absent.

The commission decided not to vote on The Plan with three members absent and therefore presented a lengthy report to City council Monday, (Yesterday) but not for a formal hearing of the plan.

The commercial task force has been charged with allocating 300 additional motel units among the existing motels since the WMRT said 300 more motel units would be needed.

White asked the commission how they felt about allowing the existing motels to build out at 16 units per acre in order to comply with the 300.

Dave Holtzman, owner of the Shell Harbor Best Western Motel said that he had enough land to build an additional 45 to 50 units and suggested an up to a 500 square foot

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Holiday death toll 33

At least 33 accidental deaths, including four drownings, were recorded in Florida during the four-day Christmas holiday weekend which officially ended at midnight Sunday.

The Florida Highway Patrol, which had predicted 31 persons would die in traffic accidents during the 102-hour period, reported 28 traffic fatalities throughout the state as the holiday ended. Another person died in a fire.

A Canadian motorist and a Pompano Beach pedestrian were the last two reported traffic deaths Sunday.

Authorities said the woman, identified as Monique der Osiers, 36, of Quebec, was killed when she attempted to change lanes on U.S. 27, a mile north of Lake Wales, and ran into the path of a trailer truck shortly after midnight Sunday. The pedestrian, Owen George Stansbury, 54, was killed at 1:35 a.m. Saturday when he was struck by a car on South Ocean Boulevard in Broward County.

The latest reported drowning victim was identified as John Arthur Baker of Hialeah. His body was found floating in a canal at Hialeah Saturday night.

Sports standings

Nat. Hockey

| Campbell Conference | | | | |
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| Patrick Division | | | | |
| W | L | T | Pts. | GF GA |
| Philadelphia | 22 | 5 | 8 | 52 152 92 |
| N.Y. Islanders | 19 | 10 | 6 | 44 141 86 |
| Atlnt | 18 | 15 | 4 | 40 116 101 |
| N.Y. Rangers | 15 | 17 | 4 | 34 113 135 |
| Smythe Division | | | | |
| W | L | T | Pts. | GF GA |
| Chicg | 14 | 10 | 12 | 40 116 100 |
| Vncvr | 12 | 15 | 6 | 30 105 107 |
| St. Los | 11 | 19 | 5 | 27 106 128 |
| Kansas City | 11 | 21 | 4 | 26 85 137 |
| Minnesota | 11 | 21 | 2 | 24 79 122 |
| Wales Conference | | | | |
| Norris Division | | | | |
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| Mntnl | 25 | 5 | 6 | 56 151 76 |
| Los Angeles | 20 | 14 | 2 | 42 118 119 |
| Pittsburgh | 4 | 17 | 4 | 32 142 144 |
| Detrt | 10 | 21 | 4 | 24 90 138 |
| Washington | 3 | 27 | 5 | 11 102 179 |
| Adams Division | | | | |
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| Buffl | 21 | 10 | 5 | 47 156 100 |
| Bostn | 19 | 9 | 8 | 46 125 107 |
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Nat. Bsktbl.

| Eastern Conference | | | | |
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| Atlantic Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct. | GB | |
| Boston | 21 | 8 | .724 | — |
| Philadelphia | 20 | 11 | .645 | 2 |
| Buffalo | 18 | 15 | .545 | 5 |
| New York | 14 | 20 | .412 | 9 1/2 |
| Central Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct. | GB | |
| Atlanta | 17 | 13 | .567 | — |
| Cleveland | 17 | 15 | .531 | 1 |
| Houston | 15 | 15 | .500 | 2 |
| Washington | 15 | 15 | .500 | 2 |
| New Orleans | 12 | 19 | .387 | 5 1/2 |
| Western Conference | | | | |
| Midwest Division | | | | |
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| Detroit | 13 | 16 | .448 | — |
| Milwaukee | 13 | 17 | .433 | 1/2 |
| Kansas City | 10 | 21 | .323 | 4 |
| Chicago | 8 | 22 | .267 | 5 1/2 |
| Pacific Division | | | | |
| W | L | Pct. | GB | |
| Golden State | 22 | 8 | .733 | — |
| Los Angeles | 21 | 14 | .600 | 3 1/2 |
| Phoenix | 15 | 13 | .536 | 6 |
| Seattle | 17 | 17 | .500 | 7 |
| Portland | 12 | 21 | .364 | 11 1/2 |

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| Indianapolis | 14 | 17 | 2 | 30 | 102 107 |
| Cleveland | 12 | 20 | 2 | 26 | 110 125 |
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| San Dg | 16 | 13 | 4 | 36 | 130 108 |
| Minnesota | 16 | 13 | 2 | 34 | 101 105 |
| Phnx | 15 | 15 | 3 | 33 | 117 118 |
| Dnvr | 12 | 20 | 1 | 25 | 109 141 |
| Canadian | | | | | |
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| Qubc | 24 | 14 | 1 | 49 | 174 155 |
| Winnipeg | 24 | 14 | 0 | 48 | 152 107 |
| Cigr | 19 | 14 | 2 | 40 | 143 120 |
| Edmonton | 15 | 22 | 2 | 32 | 137 162 |
| Tornt | 11 | 22 | 3 | 25 | 149 179 |

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| Denver | 22 | 7 | .759 | — |
| New York | 19 | 9 | .679 | 2 1/2 |
| San Antonio | 18 | 11 | .621 | 4 |
| Indiana | 19 | 12 | .613 | 4 |
| Kentucky | 15 | 14 | .517 | 7 |
| St. Louis | 15 | 20 | .429 | 10 |
| Virginia | 5 | 27 | .156 | 18 1/2 |

CPOOS meet tonight

The Concerned Property Owners of Sanibel met Monday evening at the Island Beach Club with Guy Amason, an attorney from Fort Myers.

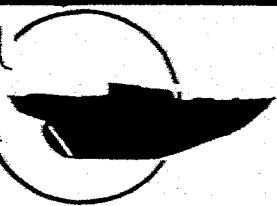
The discussion centered around the legalities of The Plan, the effects of The Plan on individuals, and the health, welfare and safety aspects of the plan.

Amason said, in answer to a question regarding a referendum on the plan should it be passed as it

stands, that it would be highly doubtful if a referendum on the plan could be forced.

The group, after posing many questions and listening to answers, voted to retain Amason as council for the CPOOS. He smiled and thanked the group for "ruining his Christmas" by giving him The Plan to study and agreed to meet again tonight (Tuesday) at the Island Beach Club at 7:30 p.m.

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It has brought about a prodigious, not to say irrational, boom in indoor greenery, whose sales last year amounted to more than \$111 million, a 64 per cent increase over the previous year.

Now another question. What kind of pet never needs watering, requires no fertilizer or repotting and doesn't drop dead leaves on the floor?

This time the answer may

be less obvious. For the sale of pet rocks is a relatively new phenomenon.

It is, however, catching on fast. Stores everywhere are featuring miniature cardboard pet carriers, each with a lovable little rock inside.

Also included is an instruction booklet that tells the purchaser how to teach pet rocks to "sit," "stay" and obey other simple commands.

We all know what caused so many people to start buying houseplants as pets. It was a best-selling book called "The Secret Life of Plants," which purported to prove that aspidistras, philodendrons and the like have emotions.

The sudden popularity of

pet rocks is less easy to explain.

As far as I know, no one has written a book about the emotional aspects of rocks. Although that may come in time.

Seeking some insight into this curious manifestation of pethood, I spent an hour or so hanging around a store that sells pet rocks. As I entered, I noticed a ragged, tousled-haired youngster with his nose pressed against the display case.

"How much is that pebble in the window?" the kid asked wistfully.

At \$4, it was beyond his means. But a woman right behind him purchased an adorable brown and white spotted stone.

"That's a cute one," I said, giving the rock a friendly pat. "What kind is it?"

"It's part granite and part marble," she replied.

"Then it has no pedigree?"

"No. We traced its granite lineage back to an igneous boulder, but its marble ancestry is unknown."

I said, "Did you buy it mainly for companionship, or what?"

"Mainly for protection. I'm told that pets like this are a good security investment for the home."

"You mean it wakes you up when there's a burglar in the house?"

"Something like that. You put it under your mattress when you retire and it makes the bed so hard you have trouble sleeping. Consequently, if there are any funny noises during the night, you usually hear them."

I said, "In that case, guess it's what you would call it a watch stone."

"No. It's what you would call a bedrock."

Natural gas supply not plentiful

Natural gas still will not be as plentiful this year as last, but warmer than usual weather in November and early December indicate shortages will not be as severe as initially forecast, according to the Federal

Energy Administration.

What shortages that do occur are not expected to hit homeowners or small commercial customers but "will fall upon industries and electric utilities which can readily switch to an alternative fuel," the FEA said Thursday.

FEA Administrator Frank Zarb said in a statement that the possibility of industrial shutdowns still exists in some areas — notably North Carolina, Ohio and Pennsylvania — because increased supplies may not meet needs.

He said an onset of severely cold weather still could put a serious strain on

supplies, particularly propane for North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee and West Virginia.

But, Zarb said, "the gas supply and alternative fuel outlook have significantly improved" in Maryland, Delaware, New Jersey and Virginia.

An FEA survey "shows natural gas shortages will be greater this winter than last," Zarb said, "although not as great as previously forecast."

He said the shortage threat has been eased by reduced use of gas for heating in November and the first part of December,

and by Federal Power Commission action giving high-priority users better access to supplies in an emergency.

"So far, we can thank the weatherman for the improved outlook this winter," Zarb said. "But such good luck is not going to solve the nation's longer-range natural gas problem."

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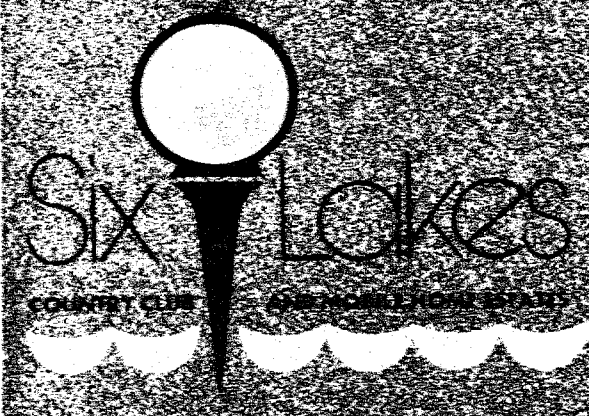
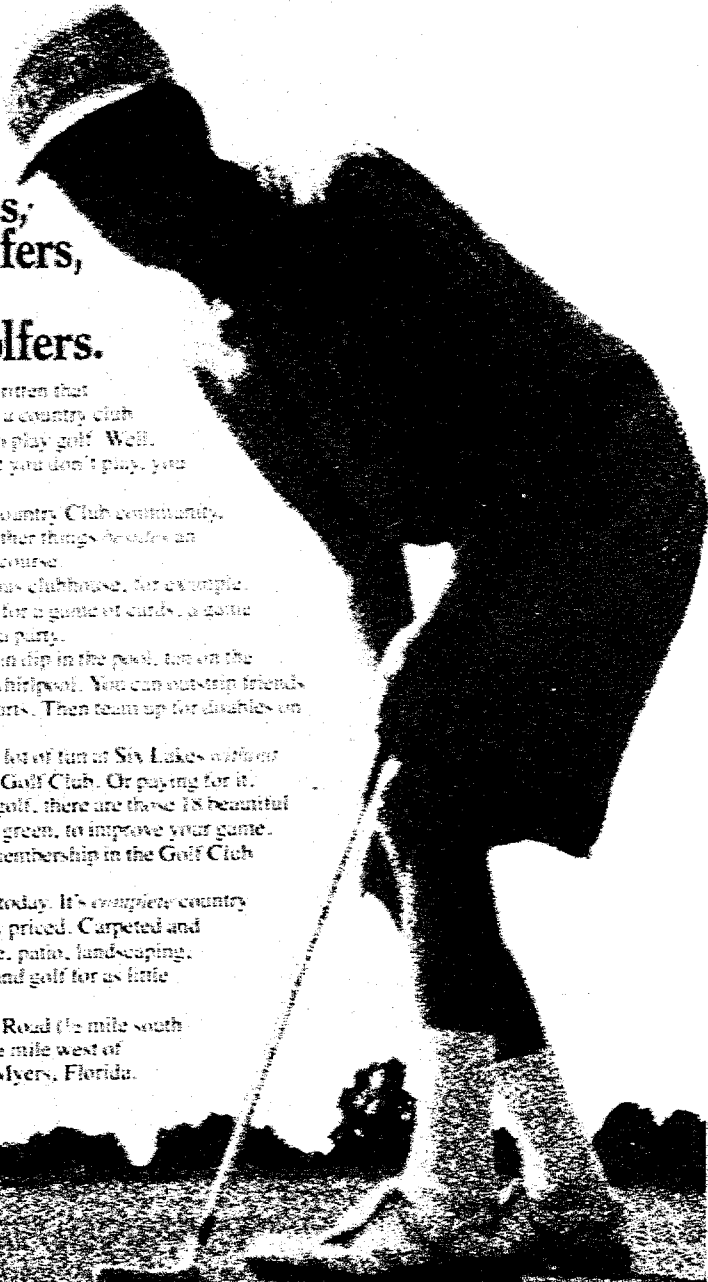
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by Carol Quillinan

Last Thursday morning along about 6 a.m., just as the full moon was about to set and the sun not yet out of bed, a light rain began falling. I opened one eye, winked at the moon and listened to the raindrops on the roof and my boy get ready for school.

"Mon, come on, get up. I don't want to walk up the road in the rain," he called from the kitchen.

"O.K., O.K., I'm coming." I threw on a robe and got into the car. As we drove up Bowman's Beach Road, I looked to the east for no particular reason and for a few seconds I didn't realize what I was seeing.

"Kev, stop the car!"
For a change, he didn't ask "why?"
"Look at that!...it's a rainbow!"

He looked, "What's making the rainbow?" he asked.

"Must be the moon. I've never in my whole life seen anything like that before."
"I'm looking at a very rare thing," he

said, sort of in awe and not really knowing what he was seeing either.

We stopped and looked at the light grey arc in the black eastern sky showing a tinge of red on the outside near the ground. As the rain got heavier, the rainbow got lighter and more prominent.

By the time the school bus came, the rainbow had disappeared. The moon was nearly down. I drove back home, put the coffee on realizing that we had seen a phenomenon...a once in a lifetime happening...and maybe not even that...

During the day I told John Puerifoy about the moon rainbow. He said that he had never seen anything like that and he didn't think the moon had enough light to make a rainbow. He suggested that perhaps, what we had seen was the backside of a sun rainbow since the sun was just coming up.

Could a rainbow have a grey backside? I wondered.

Saturday morning we had breakfast with Cort Daniels, who had also seen the rainbow

on her way to work. She said at first she had thought it was a waterspout until she saw the whole arc and realized that it was indeed a rainbow.

Tuesday morning we called Hardy Owens of the U.S. Weather Bureau and telling him about the "moon" rainbow, he read the meteorological definition of a rainbow.

"Any one of a family of circular arcs consisting of concentric colored bands arranged from red on the inside and blue on the outside which may be seen on a sheet of waterdrops (rain, for or spray). The common center of the arcs is on the line connecting the observers eye with the existing light (sun, moon or artificial light) or more usually on that line extending in the direction of the observers shadow.

"Much less common of the many possible rainbows is the primary rainbow of about 42 degrees angular radius seen opposite the luminary from the observer. Much less common is the secondary rainbow of about 50 degrees angular radius concentric with a

primary bow and having the reverse spectral; tertiary and higher order bows are exceedingly rare due, to their low luminosity.

"Super luminary bows are seen fairly often just within the primary bow although reasonably good explanation may be formulated for the principal rainbow in the terms of geometric optics (refractions and reflections at the water drop surface); a complete theory can be built up only in terms of diffraction effects."

After reading and rereading the definition of a rainbow, we were still Non compus mentus (not receiving) but we did understand that the moon was figured in there somewhere. We really did see a moon rainbow and not the backside of a sun rainbow so all of the early birdwatchers and mothers who are out taking their kids to the bus...keep a look out for grey rainbows on the east side of the morning sky.

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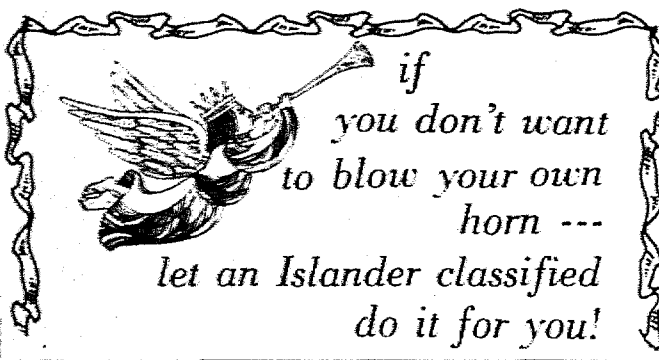
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will not rise to that level until Jan. 1, 1978.

Labor Secretary John T. Dunlop said Thursday the 1974 amendments to the Fair Labor Standards Act provided for three different minimums, each raised by annual steps, "to lessen their inflationary impact."

About 53 million of 57.4 million persons covered by the act now earn more than \$2.30, Dunlop said. Among


those who must receive raises in minimum-pay levels this New Year's Day, he said, are:

— More than 1.2 million nonfarm employees, from \$2.10 an hour minimum to \$2.30.

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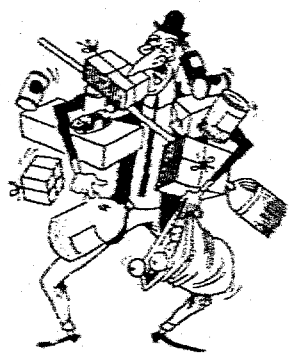
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