

SANIBEL — CAPTIVA

ISLANDER

Serving the Islands since 1961

Volume 16 Number 1

Tuesday, January 6, 1976

1 Section, 10 cents



more than one way to cross a bridge

The British WERE coming, came, and went!

by ginni

One if by land and two if by sea, but what do you do when they come by canoe? You run around a lot, that's what.

First report that the British were not only coming, they were HERE, camping on Sanibel, filtered into the ISLANDER office via a few phone calls from people who had heard something of the sort on radio.

"Oh, sure," we thought.

The phone rang a few more times.

"Well, let's see—if they were here, where would they be camping? It would have to be on private property...hmmm, the report came out of the Miami office, and they probably wouldn't know the difference between Sanibel and Captiva...let's call South Seas."

South Seas didn't know anything. They were helpful, though, and gave us a few more names.

However, they didn't know anything either. We gathered a few snickers, too.

"Ah, ha—the Conservation Foundation."

The phone was either out of order or off the hook.

"Ah, ha—Charles Wilson of the Counservation Foundation."

Luck!

"Umm, oh yes, they're here. Where? Well, actually, in the Sanctuary, I think.

Yes, on a program of some sort. Why don't you call Dick; I'm sure he'll have more information," kindly said Mr. Wilson.

Conservation phone still not working.

Call Glen Bond.

"Oh, yes, they're here. Camping out on the Lighthouse Government property, as a matter of fact. Went for a canoe ride this morning, and I took them on a birding exhibition yesterday. That was fun, explaining what a 'birder' was. In England, you know, a 'birder' is a guy who is out looking for girls. Not the same here, though," reported Mr. Bond.

"Now I'm not quite sure of all the facts, but they're members of a squad of the British Army headed a major who's the son-in-law of Dr. Yoder. Said something about sloshing around in the sanctuary, although it's raining," Bond continued.

After agreeing that if one were sloshing, it didn't make much difference if one were getting wet from what one was sloshing through, or from what one was sloshing under, we decided to take off for the Sanctuary.

Found LOTS of birds (feathered types) a number of fishermen, a beautiful nature walk (on which Carol broke her shoe) but not a Britisher in sight.

Left Sanctuary, went to

visit the Yoders. Lovely, lovely couple, who welcomed us in and explained that while their son-in-law, Major Kelvin Kent, wasn't here himself, he had been and really loved the Island. Major Kent is not only lucky enough to have the Yoders as in-laws and be married to their beautiful daughter, Jennifer, he also does all sorts of things like climb mountains with people who write books about it and swims Panama canals and breaches the Darien Gap and so forth.

Anyhow it seems as if the British Army has an "Army Adventurous Training" program, in which the squad members themselves kick in a bit of money, plus some Army funds, plus some money from whichever scientific foundation(s) they are helping (in this case, the British Museum of Natural History and the Sanibel Captiva Conservation Foundation) and this particular squad wanted to do something "Really different," so Major Kent came up with the idea of searching for Indian mounds which looked as if they might be here in aerial photographs according to the Yoders and collecting lizards and shells for the British Museum.

The Yoders mentioned the squad had flown into Washington, where they

were provided with GI issue tents and rations, as well as a big red rental car, which they weren't at all used to. Also mentioned the boys were being led by Lt. Iain Robertson and accompanied by the lieutenant's fiancée, Miss Sue V. Pryn, who is associated with the zoological department of Cambridge University.

Thanked the Yoders and headed towards the Lighthouse, when we spotted a big red car turn into the road. Finally flagged them down by Bailey's and found they were, indeed, the British (at least the car was red—their



Lt. Robertson

fatigues were green and didn't have a bit of gold braid on 'em, either) and that yes, they really were staying here, were going down to the Lighthouse and then back up to the Yoders, where they might play a bit of soccer, what?

Got other camera and Kathie and all three converged on the Lighthouse, where we talked with Lt. I.P. (Iain) Robertson, Royal Signals Leader, whose previous adventurous experience was in tropical and jungle survival in Malaya and deep water snorkeling and coastal navigation; Sgt. B.J. (Brian) Doughty, Royal Signals, who had been a member of the 1974 Joint Services West-East Sahara Expedition; Cpl. T.J. (Tim) Elsey, Royal Signals, who's been a member of expeditions to Mont Blanc, Norway and Iceland; Sig Devon, Royal Signals, and Sig Sirr, Royal Signals, both members of the Icelandic Glaciological survey expedition (where they really did survey glaciers) and Dvr. Dickson, RCT, Cfn. Pinchard, REME, and Pte Thomas, RAOC, for whom, we assume, this is a first official adventure.

And, of course, Miss Pryn of Cambridge.

They set up camp on Tuesday and headed out on Sunday, planning to visit Cape Canaveral and Disney

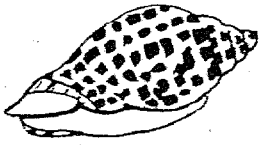
World ("Don't you think we ought, being so close and all?" to which we heartily agreed, and advised them to try and see Disney under world, which two of our three staff members present insisted was by far the best part. The third was silent, only being a mere editor and just having seen the top, which we thought impressive enough for anybody.) That was on their way back to Washington from Sanibel, of course.

According to the official fact sheet, the results were stated as such: "If all goes well, the scientific value of such an expedition could be significant and benefit both this country's (Great Britain) Natural History knowledge as well as Sanibel's own conservation project."

The official aim of the expedition's Sanibel research was to add to the conchological knowledge of the British Museum and to see if they could find the Florida Puma (a particularly rare specie of American Mountain Lion—the florida puma Felis Conculor Conju which the Royal Signals, at least, seem to believe may still be surviving on Sanibel.

Well, anything's possible on Sanibel.

And what a delightful way to start the second week of the first month of America's Bicentennial year!



SANIBEL-CAPTIVA ISLANDER
Established 1961

Editor Virginia N. Brown

Classified Rates: \$1.00 minimum for 10 words or less; five cents per word thereafter.

Deadlines: Advertising - Wednesday 5 p.m.
Classifieds may be phoned in (472-1881) up to Thurs. noon.
Please call classifieds and subscriptions to 463-4421 if you can't reach 472-1881.

ISLANDER OFFICE

2398 Palm Ridge Road, Sanibel, FL 33957. Sanibel phone 472-1881.

Published every Tuesday. Second class postage paid at Fort Myers Beach, Florida, 33931.



Activities Calendar

These listings are presented as a public service for visitors and motel owners (who may get tired of reciting long lists for their guests) by the Sanibel Captiva ISLANDER. If you have a service, either paid for or free, which you think should be included, please call the ISLANDER office at 472-1881. Thank you.

things to do

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

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

NATURAL HISTORY FIELD TRIPS to Sanibel's wildlife habitats by Richard Beebe and George Campbell. Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment. For reservations call 472-2180. Wednesday's Open Trip: meet at Sanibel Elementary School parking lot, Sanibel-Captiva road at 9:00 am. Wednesday fee: \$4 per person.

NOAH'S ARK - Thrift shop open Tuesday through Friday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Located in back of St. Michael's and All Angel's Episcopal Church.

SHELLING TOURS - Beach Bay Bayou, 472-1315; Baughn Holloway, 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.

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

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

fraternal groups

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - area meetings. Fort Myers, Tuesdays at 12:15 in the Shrine 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. Wednesday 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.

libraries

CAPTIVA LIBRARY - Open Tuesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to Noon.

SANIBEL PUBLIC LIBRARY - Open Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed Sundays.

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.

how to get there

FISHING GUIDES FOR CHARTER: Capt. Ted Cole, 472-2723; Capt. Doug Fischer, 472-1551; Capt. Baughn Holloway, 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 the motel you are staying in.

Church Calendar

CAPTIVA CHAPEL BY THE SEA
The Rev. Dr. H. Ganse Little

Sundays 11:00 a.m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES

Sanibel Public Library

Sunday 11:00 a.m. - Wednesday 8:00 p.m.

EPISCOPAL HOLY COMMUNION - CAPTIVA

South Seas Plantation Conference Room

Sundays 7:30 a.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The Rev. Gerald Frost, Minister

SUNDAY SERVICE:

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.

Worship 11:00 a.m.

Evening Services 7:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY EVENING:

Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

The Rev. Nicholas Sitaras

Services held in the Redeemer Lutheran Church corner of Canal and Broadway, Fort Myers.

Sunday 10:00 a.m.

ST. ISABEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Gerard Beaugard

Saturday Evening Mass 5:30 p.m.

Sunday Mass 8:30 & 10:00 a.m.

Friday Mass:

First Friday of each month 7:30 p.m.

Daily Mass 5:30 p.m.

Holy Days 10:00 a.m.

Vigil 7:30 p.m.

Confession before each Mass.

ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Rev. James D.B. Hubbs, Rector

SUNDAY:

Holy Communion 7:30 a.m.

1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30 a.m.

Morning Worship,

2nd & 4th Sundays 9:30 a.m.

SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan, Pastor

Sunday (nursery to age 7) 9:15 & 11:00 a.m.

Sunday School (ages 4-12) 9:15 a.m.

SPIRITUALIST CHURCH

Rev. Nona F. Hurtado, Secretary - 639-0843

The Christian Thinkers of America, 3620

Acline Road, Punta Gorda. Worship Service

Sunday, 11:00 a.m.



Art Gallery
Custom Framing
Art Supplies

The Knot Shop
Macrame
Decoupage
Craft Supplies

REGISTER FOR MACRAME' AND ART CLASSES STARTING THE THIRD WEEK IN JANUARY. CALL FOR INFORMATION.

472-2893

Open 10 - 5 Tues. - Sat. Closed Mondays

dottì
OF SANIBEL THE ISLANDS' BOUQTQUE

Serbin Pant Suits,
Jumpsuits!!!

1717 Periwinkle Way "Sanibel's Finest" 472-1070

NOTICE

The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Captiva Erosion Prevention District Commission will be held the third Tuesday of each month at the Captiva Island Association Building. The Commission will convene at 4:30 p.m.

—s— Raymond Booth, Chairman

FABRICS NOTIONS YARN
SEWING MACHINE RENTALS

The Nimble Thimble

Complete Sewing Center

Hours: 10-5 Mon.-Sat.

2242B Periwinkle 472-4210

Open Mon. thru Sat.

Elsie Malone

Specimen Shells
Florida & WORLD Wide

1017 Periwinkle Way
Also At
2422 Periwinkle Way

Thomas Clifford
Custom Shell Cabinets

472-1121

TURQUOISE TRADER

AUTHENTIC *Turquoise & Silver Jewelry *Rugs *Pottery

*Handicrafts *Sanibel Shell Creations *Select Oil Paintings

2398 Palm Ridge Road 472-1208

The Plan for the week---not the morrow (necessarily)

by Carol Quillinan

This week's plan, accepted by the planning commission on Wednesday, and which will be presented to city council February 2, is this week's plan only. The commission and the planning firm Wallace, McHarg, Roberts and Todd (WMRT) will continue working on the plan throughout the next few weeks in order to come up with a plan which is satisfactory to all concerned.

Early on Monday morning, we seemed to be getting closer to a "people's plan" with the advent of the commercial task force being asked to make recommendations about where the commercial and restricted commercial areas were to go. However, as one member of the task force commented, "We only had one day to think about it and none of us are planners."

While the commercial areas were under discussion, no public comment was elicited before motions, during motions or after motions and since most of the business people are at work during the day, needless to say, most of them were not in attendance.

Nowhere in the commercial areas was there provision made for tourist commercial, which is a fairly common designation in tourist areas which would allow for such things as day parking, tent grounds, etc.

Late Monday afternoon Richard Workman, conservation foundation, spoke saying that the people of the island had been disappointed in that they did not come forward to speak for the plan, but that the people who were more concerned about and what they could build or not build had had more input; therefore the planning commission had not heeded the mandate of the city charter, but had listened more to vested rights than to the ecologic problems of Sanibel. He begged the commission to reconsider the real problems and not add any more dwelling units to the fragile island in spite of how many people cried dollars.

Councilman Vernon MacKenzie spoke after Workman, speaking not as a councilman, but as a person. A year ago, he said, Sanibel was operating under such

constraints which would have allowed 90,000 people, but now, a considerable degree of progress has been made due to the planning process. He gave kudos to both the commission and the firm. The plan he said, should be a continuing process and no first plan was going to meet all of the objectives.

"You know some things aren't too good, but you don't know exactly what to do about it," he said, and continued to talk about specifics, eutrophic lakes, snook fishing, lawns, pesticides, etc., and ended on a positive note saying "I think we're on the right track."

Bill Roberts had the last word on Monday. He said that he had to fight off discouragement some nights.

In the beginning it had been his impression that the people of Sanibel would be willing to go to the absolute limits of the law to take care of the ecology. But after December 1, 85 per cent of the public input had been about protection of property rights. He said that 90 per cent of the planner's time had been spent to accommodate the real human problems, and "it can be made better before the plan goes to council." He continued that even if there was a complete buildout under the revised plan, the densities were so low that the environment would not be totally destroyed.

The planning commission Wednesday morning, expressed shock that so many Islanders and off Islanders had expressed dismay at the plan---that it was not workable or not defensible.

After listening to more testimony, there was nothing for them to do after working so many hours, days and months but to vote unanimously for the plan as revised by themselves, the commercial task force and the commissioners, individually.

Wednesday, LeeRoy Friday stepped out of his role as Commissioner Friday and spoke for more than a half hour as Citizen Friday in regard to a 100 foot by 100 foot parcel on each side of Dixie Beach Blvd. which had been removed from the commercial zone by the p.c. on Monday when Friday was absent from the meeting.

The land belongs to Friday. He was asked if he did not in fact have a conflict of interest. He said that he did and was asked to file a letter to that effect.

The commission then decided to leave the west 100 feet commercial and leave the 100 feet on the east alone. Citizen Jim Evans was counted out of order when he wanted to discuss commercial along Rabbit Road.

Dave Holtzman made another pitch for more motel units but so far was unsuccessful. "Certain people are being asked to bear the cost of this plan."

As it now stands: On the Gulf Beach Ridge: 6 units per acre from the lighthouse to Tarpon Bay Road and 2 units per acre thereafter.

Most of the individual lot owners in subdivisions will be able to build a home, if they own 10,000 square feet or more, so hopefully the construction business will pick up.



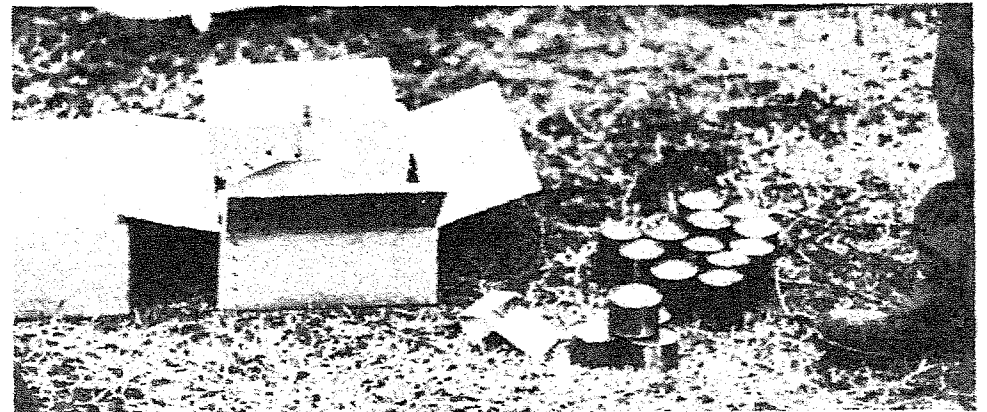
One of the pretty places in the Sanctuary walk, what with rain drops and all, but no British.

SW Fla. delegates meet

1-19-76. 10:30 a.m., Cape Coral City Hall, 2:30 p.m., Fort Myers Beach.

1-20-76. 10:30 a.m., Bonita Beach, 2:30 p.m., Lehigh Acres.

Southwest Florida Legislative Delegation will meet at the above dates and places. The legislative delegation, composed of all of the state senators and representatives, meet in their home districts to listen to proposed legislation by groups or private individuals.



GI rations issued to the "invaders"

NIGHTIES and PHILIPPINE SCUFFS



THE OPEN GATE

BOUTIQUES

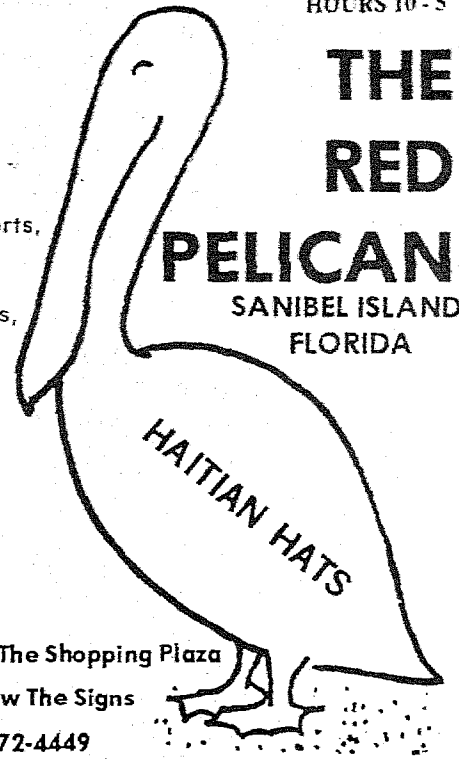
Periwinkle Way 472-2108
NEXT TO THE BOOK SHOP

HOURS 10-5

THE RED PELICAN

SANIBEL ISLAND
FLORIDA

Resort Wear,
Mexican Imports,
Gifts from
35 Countries,
Antiques, Toys,
Penny Candy,
Salmagundi,
Prints



Turn Right At The Shopping Plaza

Follow The Signs

472-4449

"Since 1957"



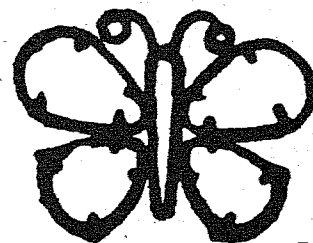
Affording a house in your kind of neighborhood is one thing. Finding it is something else.

Sanibel-Captiva Real Estate

Claire T. Walter, Reg. Real Estate Broker

(813) 472-1500

Sanibel Island, Fl. 33957



What's new at the Jade Butterfly?

Fine jade jewelry --- rings, earrings, bracelets, pendants, brooches, necklaces and charms. Also! Pearls, opals, precious coral, malachite, tiger-eye, onyx lapis-lazuli, carnelian, rose quartz, and turquoise.

Always Something New!!

THE JADE BUTTERFLY INCORPORATED

10-5 Mon. thru Sat. Closed Sunday

472-1387 1711 Periwinkle Way, next to dotti's

Around town... by georgie mankin

Keep your snuggies out, folks—it's freezing cold! Temperatures went down into the 30's in Southwest Florida this past weekend. (Wish they'd put something besides a barbed wire fence between the North Pole and Southwest Florida and give us a break!)

Speaking of cold—a visitor from the frozen north was on Sanibel this past week. Kate from the River City of Fairbanks, Alaska, was here on the island to visit with Jack and Bo Seager. Katie has been (still is) a "daughter" to Jack and Bo, and she had to come and introduce her new husband, Chris, to them.

Katie just graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Wyoming and is planning to take a position as a CPA upon returning to the cold north. The Jensens were among the guests at a New Year's Eve cocktail party given by the Seagers.

Tourists and Southwest Florida have had a love affair for many years—but they've gone home and told their friends about the snowless and ice-less winter days here and the result has been a virtual inundation of tourists during the peak season. Its becoming undearable.

Not that we don't want them and need them (tourism is our bread and butter—

remember the gas shortage and the "tourist-less" season?) but our inferior network of highways, roads, and bike paths are ruining our lives and the tourists vacations.

McGregor Blvd. has been backed up from the 41 bridge clear out south of town to the beach cut off. (Avoid this area when the schools are starting or dismissing.)

Fender benders are extremely abundant and tempers are short as motorists inch their way along, not only McGregor but 41, and Fowler, too.

The thought of evacuating in the case of an unusual or unseasonable storm has crossed my mind—what to do? Death by drowning in ones home might be preferable to drowning in a monumental traffic jam.

Let's do something to push the I-75 extension—it could save your life!

The Bridge At Sanibel

When day is done and work is o'er
From cares we seek respite
And meet the neighbors on the bridge
Most every week-day night.

We scan the stars; we search the tide
The while we drag a lure
Along the rail on either side
The fish are there for sure.

And, should one with good fortune blest
Impale upon his hook
A fish, one leans from end to end
"I hope that it's a snook!"
"Keep up his head!" "Give him no slack!"
Advice, like air is free
What chance has one poor lonely snook
'Gainst the whole community?
And when at Length the fish is stretched
Upon this "Bridge of Sighs"
Who'd not forgive the fisherman
Just one or two small lies?
And so we fish from year to year
With joy no one can tell;
So bring your bait and meet us on
The Bridge At Sanibel
-s-Author Unknown

Guests at Blind Pass Cottages this week are: Dr. and Mrs. Penz from Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Geddes Douglas, Jr. of Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. Alma Jones and her mother of Dayton, Ohio; Mr. and Mrs. Clark Fitzgerald of Castine, Me.; Dr. and Mrs. Carl Cori of Cambridge, Mass. (Dr. Cori was a Nobel Prize winner in bio-chemistry a few years ago).

Mrs. Kay Casparis, co-owner of Blind Pass Cottages, has just returned from an extended holiday in New York and Ohio. She reports that her mother, Mrs. Glen McConnell, who is known by many Sanibelites, is recovering nicely from her stroke this past summer. However, she will not be able to make her annual trip to the Islands this year.

theater notes...

You can't take it with you

That all time smash hit, "You Can't Take it With You," by Moss Hart and George Kaufman, plays its second (of eight scheduled) performances on January 17 at the Pirate Playhouse.

Ruth Hunter who plays delightful, homey Penny Sycamore, in this great comedy, had the good for-

tune to meet Moss Hart, in New York City the day the play was published in book form. She repeats what she told him then—"you've done us all a great favor in writing this play for it is a story of love and understanding."

Philip Hunter, who has done a fine job of directing his eighteen acts, portrays "Grandpa Vanderhoff."

To join him in all the fun

are Brian Webb, Mozella Jordon, Jack Stormer, Bonnie Wegryn, Robert Krepin, Patricia Slater, Jerry McWilliams, Thelma (Sam) Mayeron, Wyman Atkins, Margaret Krueger, Frank Herndon, Zelma Herndon, Rob Alberts, William Krueger and Stephanie Webb.

Curtain is 8:15; Box Office, 472-2121.

Concert this weekend

In concert Saturday, Jan. 17, and Sunday, Jan. 18, at 7:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. at Shell Point Village Auditorium of the Covenant Presbyterian Church, two young concert artists will perform.

Antony Cooke and Armin Watkins join in making one

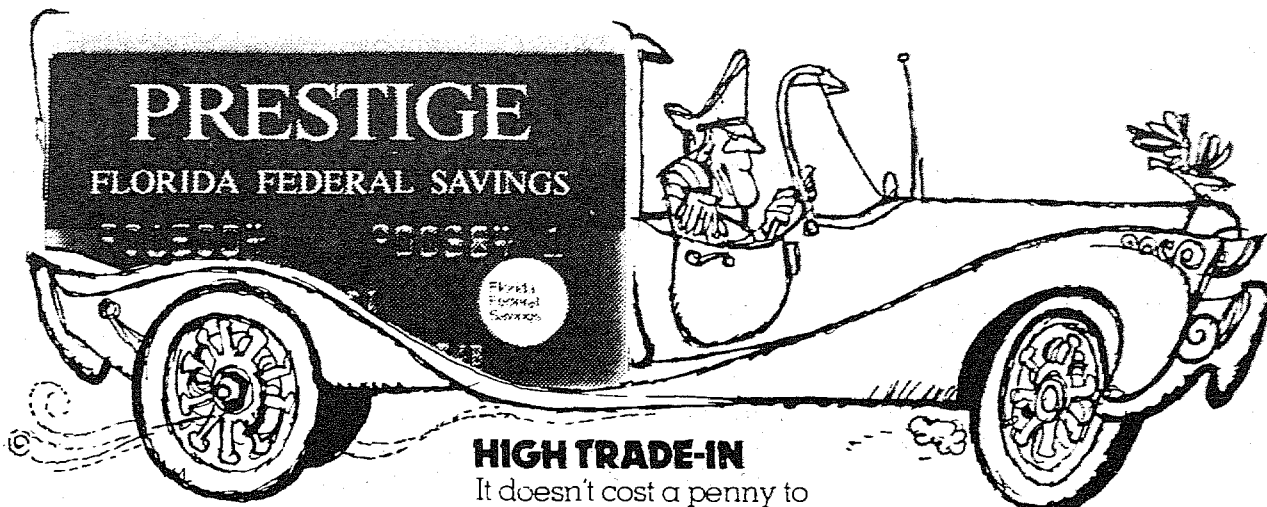
of the finest cello-piano duos for the public.

Both are professors of music at the University of South Florida and have toured Europe and America as concert soloists.

There is no admission charge but donations are accepted.

Introducing the '76 Florida Federal

The New Florida Account from Florida Federal



NO SACRIFICE IN PERFORMANCE

Just like a regular passbook account, every dollar earns 5 1/4% interest compounded daily. And you're covered by our "warranty", \$40,000 in FSLIC insurance for the life of your account.

BETTER MILEAGE

Travels to more than 2500 locations across the country at which you can make withdrawals or cash personal checks up to \$200. At no cost to you.

HIGH TRADE-IN

It doesn't cost a penny to convert your present passbook account, whether it's here at Florida Federal or at any other savings and loan or bank, anywhere. Or you can open a new Florida Account with only a \$5 minimum deposit.

MORE ECONOMICAL

Standard equipment with every Florida Account is THE SAVER, a quarterly publication with sound advice on financial planning, travel tips, discounts at leading Florida attractions and book club savings on best selling paperbacks and hardcover books.

LUXURY COMPACT

The perfect size to fit your wallet and your lifestyle. Available in handsome brown and beige, with gold embossing. Personalized, of course. Heavy duty plastic holds up in any weather.

LOW MAINTENANCE

You'll never have to bring in a passbook for updating. Instead we'll service your account by mail with a financial statement that's the ultimate in detailed bookkeeping.

Trade in your old Passbook for the New '76 Florida Account today.

Florida Federal Savings

One billion dollars strong with 29 offices serving Florida

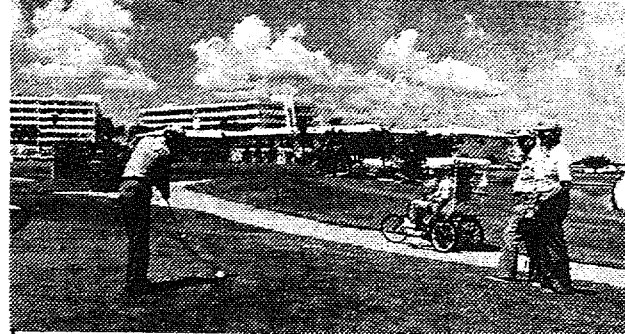
FT. MYERS: 3853 College Parkway 481-8118

FSLIC



Choose a Long Gown
Charming & Casual

Punta Ybel Plaza
(around the corner on Buttonwood Lane)
at the Lighthouse end of the Is and
Mon.-Sat. 10-5 472-4561



The Best Is After 65 Here

Shell Point Village is not a condominium, definitely not an ordinary retirement community. Our concern is for your happiness, security and spiritual well-being. Your apartment will be on the Caloosahatchee River, with breathtaking views. You'll enjoy sports, social and church activities and delicious, economical meals in our residents' dining room. Our Nursing Pavilion is one of the finest in the country. Visit us or Phone (813) 481-3737 for FREE information.



Shell Point Village
Fort Myers, Florida 33901

Follow McGregor Blvd., abt 15 mi. so. of Fort Myers (Rte. 867) to our sign just before the Sanibel Bridge.

A Ministry of the Christian and Missionary Alliance Foundation

In your opinion ...

"What is your favorite color -- and do you know why it is?"



James Collier, Fort Myers, Light blue, because it is a gay color and always easy on the eyes.

Ruth Hunter, Sanibel: Red. Because my mother made me a red coat and my father bought me red mittens. I always wore red ribbons. Everything red is gay and cheerful, merry-go-rounds-Christmas flowers.



Helen Y. Zoccolillo, R.B.P., Sanibel, Yellow. I like yellow no matter what color it is. It makes me feel happy.

David Joffe, Sanibel: Brown. It matches my eyes and fits my personality. I even have a brown car! !



Philip Hunter, Sanibel, Blue. Because you asked me. I've liked blue ever since I was six months old, because they always put blue on baby boys.

Vera Hunter, Sanibel: Blue. It gives you a feeling of peace of mind, security and well being. It is a serene and peaceful color.



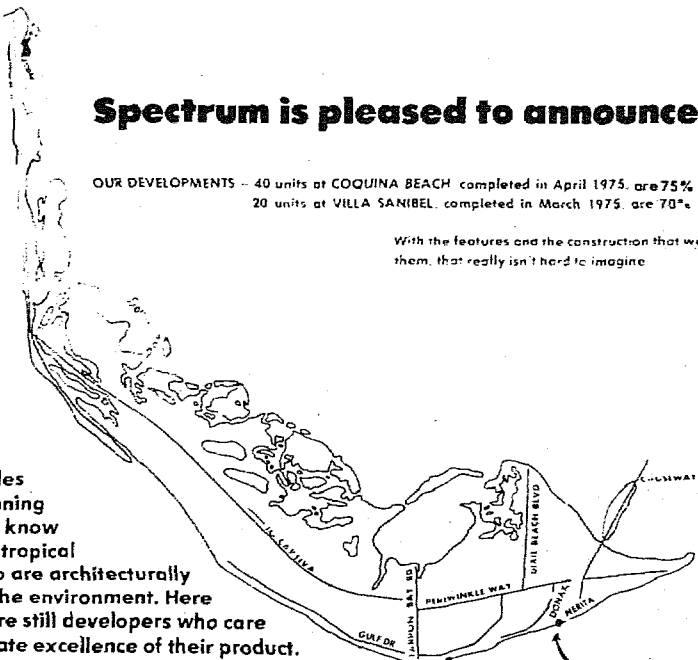
Island Living On The Gulf Of Mexico

Spectrum is pleased to announce:

OUR DEVELOPMENTS -- 40 units at COQUINA BEACH completed in April 1975, are 75% sold out. 20 units at VILLA SANIBEL, completed in March 1975, are 70% sold out.

With the features and the construction that we put into them, that really isn't hard to imagine.

Superb examples of creative planning by experts who know how to relax in tropical Florida and who are architecturally responsible to the environment. Here is proof there are still developers who care about the ultimate excellence of their product.



Island Condominiums on Gulf Drive



Island Condominiums on Nerita Street (off Donax)



2 Bedroom, 2 Bath Condominiums with fully equipped kitchens, landscaped grounds, tennis court and swimming pools designed for delightful island living.

Please send me additional information about

Coquina Beach Villa Sanibel

The Spectrum Corporation
 1-104 West Sanibel Island Florida 33957
 Phone (813) 472-2998 472-1581

NAME _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY _____
 STATE _____ ZIP _____

Get the picture?

Why not share your islands with your friends back home? We're here to help you do just that. We can supply all your photographic needs including top quality professional processing, fresh film, cameras and accessories. And, while you're here, why not let us arrange for your film to be processed by Kodak to arrive at home before you do? It's a nice touch!

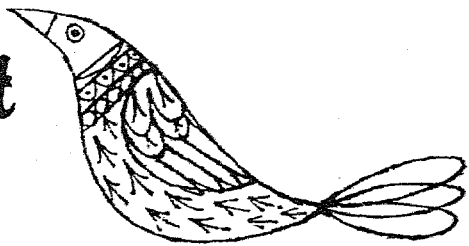


- Kodak
- Honeywell
- Polaroid
- Olympus
- Agfa
- Novoflex
- Fuji



... in beautiful Periwinkle Place on Periwinkle Way between the Pirate Playhouse and the Post Office. Phone 472-1086.

For Your Dining and Entertainment Pleasure





The Pirate Playhouse

Schedule of Performances

YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU OUR AMERICAN COUSIN THREE FOR TONIGHT

SATURDAY	JANUARY 17	JANUARY 17
SUNDAY	JANUARY 25	JANUARY 25
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 1	FEBRUARY 1
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 7	FEBRUARY 7
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 14	FEBRUARY 14
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 15	FEBRUARY 15
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 21	FEBRUARY 21
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 22	FEBRUARY 22
SATURDAY	FEBRUARY 28	FEBRUARY 28
SUNDAY	FEBRUARY 29	FEBRUARY 29
SATURDAY	MARCH 6	MARCH 6
SUNDAY	MARCH 7	MARCH 7
SATURDAY	MARCH 13	MARCH 13
SUNDAY	MARCH 14	MARCH 14
SATURDAY	MARCH 20	MARCH 20
SUNDAY	MARCH 21	MARCH 21
SATURDAY	MARCH 27	MARCH 27
SUNDAY	MARCH 28	MARCH 28
SATURDAY	APRIL 3	APRIL 3

CURTAIN 8:15 - BOX OFFICE - 472-2121

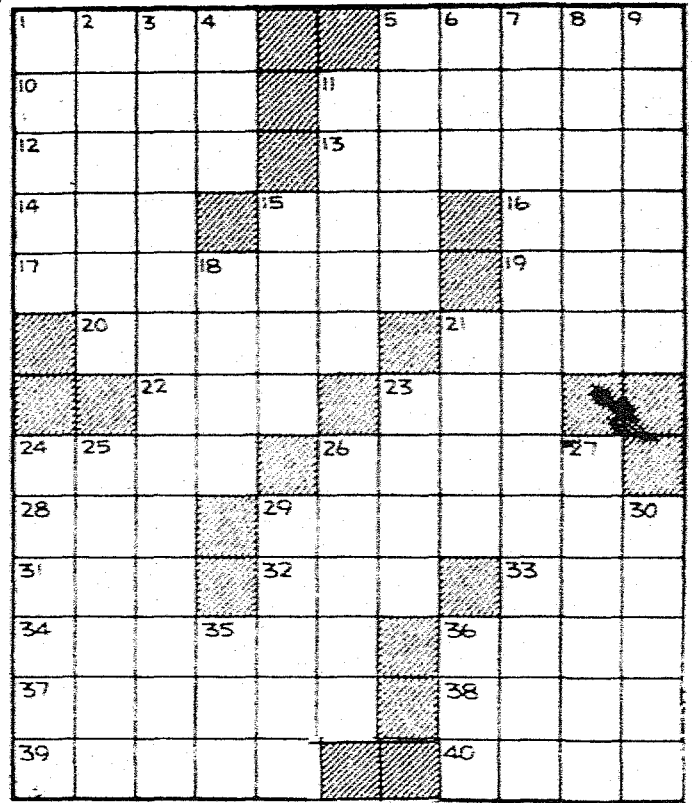
Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

No peaking ---

the answer is
on page 23.

- | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|
| <p>ACROSS</p> <p>1 Glove compartment items</p> <p>5 Lawful</p> <p>10 — Nazimova</p> <p>11 Knee slapper (2 wds.)</p> <p>12 For men only</p> <p>13 Excite</p> <p>14 — sauce</p> <p>15 Lapin, e.g.</p> <p>16 Furrow</p> <p>17 Type of dye</p> <p>19 Three (It.)</p> <p>20 Concerning</p> <p>21 Ballpark drink</p> <p>22 Word with about or fly</p> <p>23 Mr. Grange's nickname</p> <p>24 Radar signal</p> <p>26 Twigs and such</p> <p>28 Slower (mus.)</p> <p>29 Apprehended by touch</p> <p>31 Dolt</p> <p>32 Stripling</p> <p>33 Ending for run or gun</p> <p>34 Of a type style</p> <p>36 Czech river</p> <p>37 Flaw</p> <p>38 Soccer great</p> | <p>39 Skulker</p> <p>40 Infuriated</p> <p>DOWN</p> <p>1 Man in a Stephen Foster song</p> <p>2 Hamburg's port</p> <p>3 Taking no chances (3 wds.)</p> <p>4 Droop</p> <p>5 "M" star</p> <p>6 Japanese statesman</p> <p>7 Took chances (2 wds.)</p> <p>8 Guarantee</p> <p>9 Wobble</p> | <p>11 Frequent</p> <p>15 Discovery</p> <p>18 Hurdle</p> <p>21 Spelling and quilting</p> <p>23 Wrest</p> <p>24 Tresses</p> <p>25 Give heed</p> <p>26 Respond emotionally</p> | <p>27 English essayist</p> <p>29 Glazed, as paper</p> <p>30 Went astray</p> <p>35 Grassy ground</p> <p>36 Spire ornament</p> |
|--|--|---|--|



Gasparilla Restaurant

next to Sanibel Community House



SALAD BAR

CHICKEN, STEAKS, LOBSTER & FRESH SEAFOOD

TRY OUR DAILY SPECIALS YOU'LL BE GLAD YOU DID!

CHILDRENS MENU AVAILABLE

Open daily 5 p.m. - 9 p.m.,

472-2113

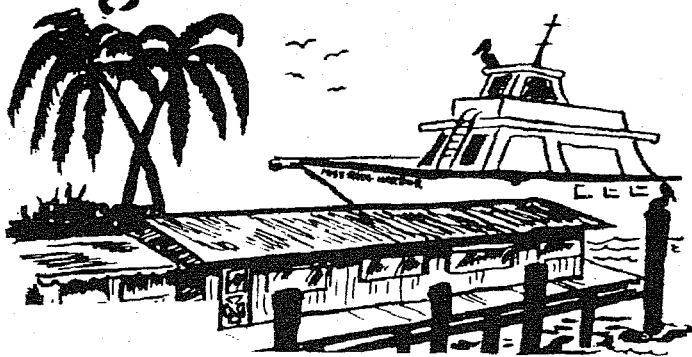
The Gulf Shore Inn Restaurant

ON BEAUTIFUL FT. MYERS BEACH
"With Traditional Island Atmosphere"
Watch The Sun Set Over The Gulf

Beef	Open Hearth	Seafood
Beer	Open Evenings 5 to 10: Dining On The Gulf	Wine

1270 Estero Blvd. 463-9551

Snug Harbor RESTAURANT



NOW OPEN

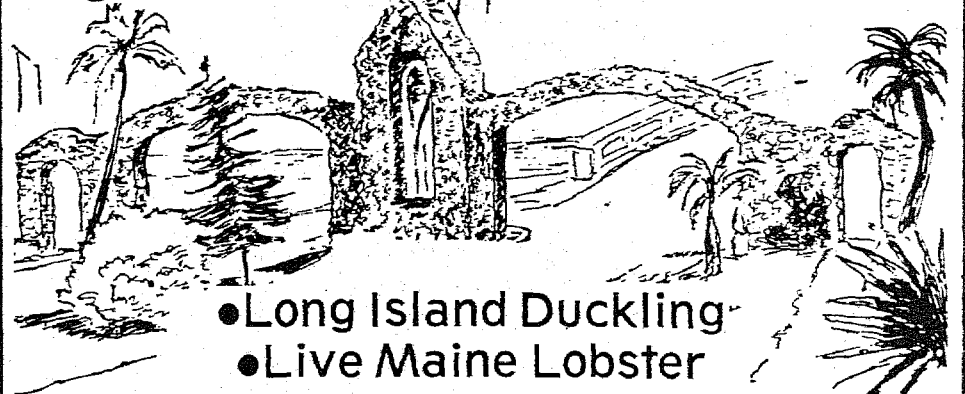
MARYLAND STYLE SEAFOOD
Seafood at its Best!
Crabcakes with all lump meat
Chesapeake Bay Oysters
Our Famous Steamed Shrimp

Ft. Myers Beach
Florida

463-2153

TUES.-SAT. 11:30 TO 9:00 SUN. 4:00 TO 9:00 CLOSED MONDAY

Ye Olde Holmes House



- Long Island Duckling
- Live Maine Lobster

5 INTIMATE DINING ROOMS

Gourmet Cuisine

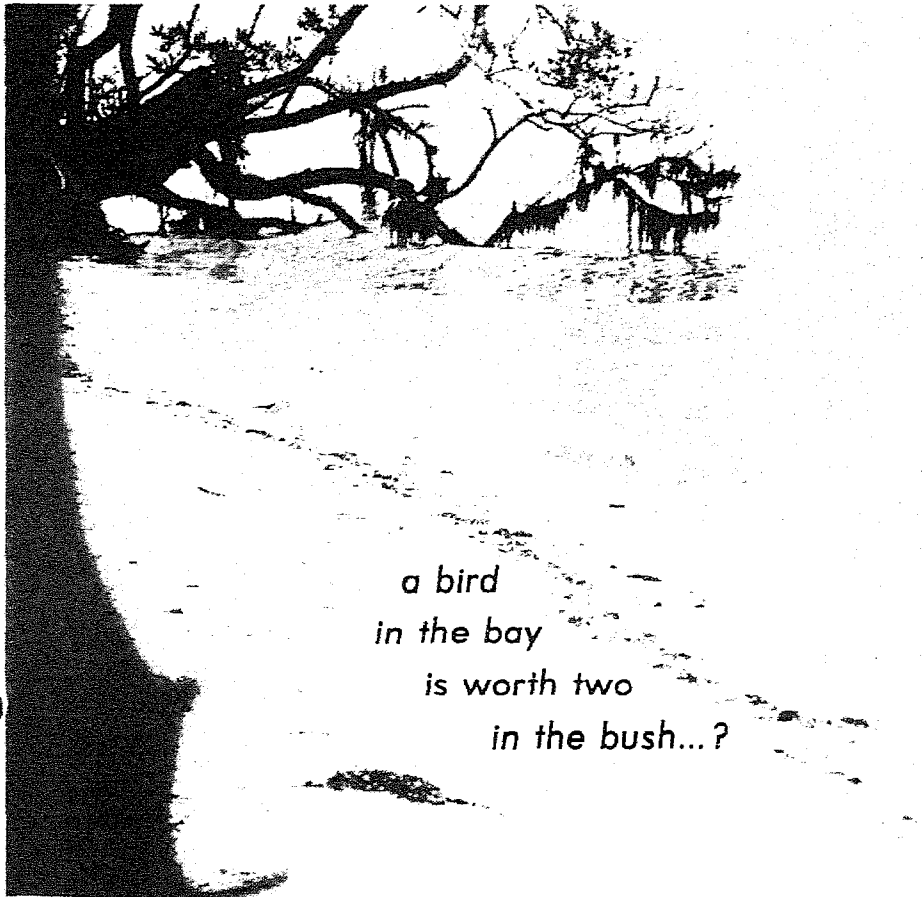
35 Entrees - 10 Page Menu

Dining & Cocktails
7 Days - 5 'til?
Entrees starting at \$3.95*

463-5519

CHILDRENS MENU AVAILABLE

2500 ESTERO BLVD. FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA



a bird
in the bay
is worth two
in the bush...?

Notes about the arts and craft fair

Forty-one Island crafts people have already signed up for the forthcoming fifth Annual Arts and Crafts Fair sponsored by the Sanibel Public Library according to Mada Harrison, general chairman of the affair. The fair will be held at the Sanibel Community House on February 7 and 8. This number does not include the artists whose exhibits are being coordinated by the Sanibel-Captiva Art League under the supervision of Helene Sparkes.

Both professional and amateur craftsmen will exhibit and demonstrate their skills. The list of crafts runs the whole gamut from ceramics to spinning and weaving.

As might be expected on a shell island such as Sanibel there will be a variety of shell crafts exhibited including flowers, jewelry, pictures and animals, all concocted from shells. There will also be a wide range of ceramics including demonstrations with a potter's wheel.

For the first time there will be exhibits by some of the island's noted nature photographers.

Other skills to be shown include macrame, jewelry making, eggery, metal

working, decoupage, needlepoint and stitchery, plant hangers and wood carving.

Hourly demonstrations outside the building have been scheduled for both Saturday when the show will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sunday afternoon between 1 and 4 p.m.

If present plans work out, these demonstrations will have a bi-centennial theme in that they show some of the crafts popular around the time of the Revolutionary War.

As in the past, several

Island people have donated works which will be awarded as prizes in a drawing at the conclusion of the Fair on Sunday. These include a fine wood carving by Russell Denyes, a beautiful shell floral arrangements by Emma Guthrie, a water color by the late Leon Levy (whose works are now on display at the Sanibel Library) and finally, eight autographed books each by a different Island author. These prizes may be seen at the Library where tickets may be purchased for 50 cents each or three for \$1.

WELKERS' ... MOM'S CRACKER BOX

Last Outpost before Sanibel Causeway
on Mainland - McGregor Blvd.
or ... if you're in need of an early hot coffee
or a late beer, the first outpost before going
into Fort Myers from Sanibel.

Good Food - Beer and Carryout

Open at 6:30 ... 6 days a week
Closed Sunday

Serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner

Island Inn

DINING ROOM NOW OPEN
SERVING
BREAKFAST - 7:30 to 9:00 a.m.
DINNER - 6:30 to 7:45 p.m.
Reservations Recommended - 472-1561

CASA DEL MAMA

The Islands Italian-American
"Family" Restaurant

BREAKFAST - 7:00 am to noon
LUNCH - 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
DINNER - 5:00 pm to 9:30 pm

Sunday: Breakfast 8 am to 2 pm; Lunch 11 am to 2 pm

Open 6 Days A Week, Closed Wednesday

Dinner music nightly except Wed. & Sun. by
Sanibels own Marly Stokes on the guitar

American Express - Bank AmeriCard - Master Charge

Located at 1625 Periwinkle Way (across from the Heart of the Island) 472-1033

Coconut Grove

restaurant &
cocktail lounge

featuring fresh seafood

steaks • salad bar • chops

daily dinner specials

children's menu available

Open 7 days a week 10 a.m. - 11 p.m.
Island Shopping Center 472-1366

the PELICAN

ON ESTERO ISLAND
OVERLOOKING THE GULF

SEAFOOD IS OUR SPECIALTY
BEEF AT ITS BEST

EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT

BAR-B-Q BEEF RIBS (ALL YOU CAN EAT) 4.50
ENTREES FROM 3.25
CHILDREN'S MENU — WINE & BEER

SERVING 12-2 5-10

3040 ESTERO BLVD. AT THE FLASHER

463-9255

OPEN FOR LUNCH 12-2
SANDWICH MENU AND
BUFFET LUNCHEON



Winner of Meritorious
Food Service Award

Harbor House

RESTAURANT
FRESH SEAFOOD

"The Closest You Can Get To
Fresh Seafood Without Getting Wet"!

Fla. Lobster, Stone Crab Claws, Steaks, Chicken

DINNER 5:00 - 9:00

Reservations
Not Required Closed Sunday 1244 Periwinkle Way

Castaways

Resort & Restaurant

BEAUTIFUL GULFSIDE DINING AND SUNSETS AT BLIND PASS

Luncheon: Noon - 3 p.m.
Dinner: 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Seafood lunches and dinners to satisfy a pelican.
(even those whose beaks hold more than their bellies can!)

YES, WE HAVE LOBSTER TAILS - AND STONE CRAB CLAWS
AND SAUTEED FROGS' LEGS - AND SHRIMP SCAMPI
AND RED SNAPPER
and other outstanding SEAFOOD, STEAKS & CHICKEN.

WINE & BEER

Carry out available on all items

To Serve You: Chef Watson - Host, Vic Collette

RESERVATIONS 472-1212
Closed Sundays



Happy birthday, Welcome!



Welcome McNamara, the daughter of Nancy and Bryce and natural child-birthing, was four years old January 7.

Nancy was eight months pregnant before she found a doctor and a hospital which would allow her to come and have her child and leave.

After quite a search, she found Dr. Fox of Naples who agreed with the idea.

Nancy and Bryce left

Sanibel at 4 in the morning, drove to the Naples Community Hospital, where at 10 a.m. Welcome was born with doctor and husband in attendance if help was needed. Nancy and Welcome stayed one night in the hospital and came home the following day.

Four years later, Welcome told us that she was having two birthdays this year. One on her real birthday with Grandma and

Grandpa McNamara who are on island to help celebrate and a luncheon on Saturday with her little friends. Welcome has been attending the Children's School of the Islands and loves being part of a school whose teacher share all kinds of life's more fascinating tidbits with the children.

And just for Welcome, Happy Birthday, child of nature.

We've said it before ...

Nutmeg Village is not for everyone. It was never intended to be. Nutmeg Village condominiums are for the discerning, discriminating people who are looking for the ultimate in vacation or retirement living on Sanibel.

Right now, we are applying the finishing touches to our first building and are busy transforming this area of rare, natural beauty into Sanibel's most prestigious condominium residence. Our decorator furnished Display Residence is ready for viewing. Visit us ... perhaps we were made for each other.



Visit Our Decorator Furnished

DISPLAY RESIDENCE

Open Weekdays 10-5 Sundays 1-5

2777 Gulf Drive between Nutmeg House Restaurant and Artisan Shop.

More news & edit notes

by ginni

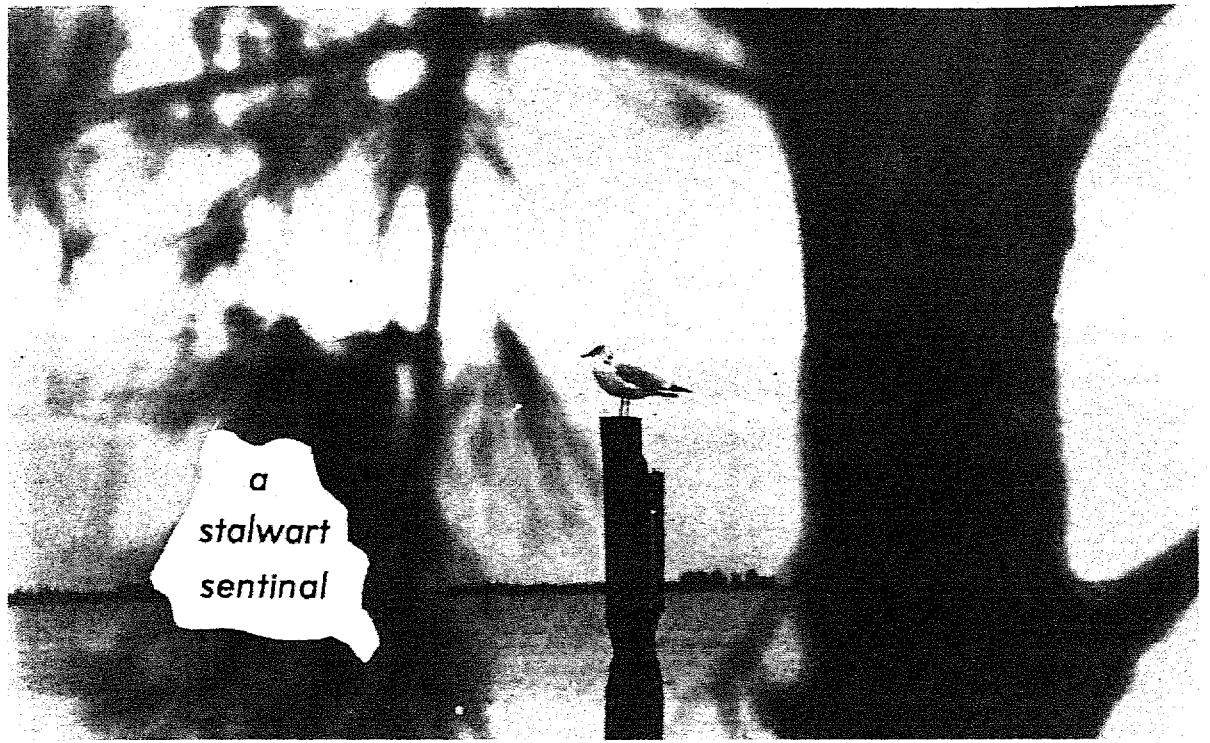
Sexy (?) teeth

Did you know that sex and social classes were influential in determining whether or not you got your teeth fixed? We didn't either, but that's what a spokesman for the Florida Society of Orthodontists said, and went on to say that concern about one's looks (guess that's where the sex part comes in) more often determines what dental work one has done than one's health.

Fascinating what one can learn by reading one's mail, what?

Brrrrrrr!

In case you haven't noticed (like if you just flew here from the Arctic and are enjoying the 75 degree jump in temperatures) it's COLD out there, and a cold front which was supposed to move over QUICKLY on Thursday afternoon both speeded up so it got here sooner and slowed down so it could last longer. Hopefully, by the time you read this, the weather will once again be back where it should be—around 80 or so.



a stalwart sentinal

Postal rates

As we're sure you're all aware, the postal rates went up after all, but most everybody we know is out of stamps, so we'll show you the pretty pictures NEXT week, or whenever we're sure you can buy them at our local post offices.





**Resurfacing
Pavement
Sealing
Design &
Construction**

CALL NOW
**FREE ESTIMATE
542-7390**

**Rainbow
Tennis
& Sports
inc.**

ALSO
TENNIS COURT
EQUIPMENT

**"Let's Go
Skiing!"**



Water Ski Along Sanibel's Bay Front.
RATES BY THE HOUR
ALL EQUIPMENT FURNISHED.
CALL CAPT. HERB PURDY: 472-1849 after 6



\$300 FISHING

½ DAY SIGHT SEEING - FUN TRIP

Nobody-But Nobody Gets Seasick
A MOST ENJOYABLE TRIP - COME RAIN OR SHINE
EVERYBODY CATCHES FISH

RODS AND REELS RENTED \$2.00 OR BRING YOURS
TWO TRIPS A DAY — 7 DAYS A WEEK

	START	RETURN
MORNING FISHING	9:00 AM	12:00 PM
AFTERNOON FISHING	1:00 PM	4:00 PM

No Phone — No Reservations — Just Be Here

CAPT. STAN LUMMIS
ON THE BIG BOAT "JOY VAN"
AULD-WOODEN BRIDGE, FORT MYERS BEACH, FLA.
(NO DRUNKS)

ROD & REEL RENTAL \$2.00



1976 MFG ROYAL GYPSY 17'

LAY DOWN SEATS, FULL BOW CUSHIONS, COMPLETE TOP & SIDE CURTAINS, FULL UPRIGHT FOAM FLOTATION, POWERED BY 1976 JOHNSON JAVELIN 85 H.P. WITH POWER TILT & TRIM. COAST GUARD EQUIPPED. \$4295.

COMPLETE MARINE DEALER
Johnson Motors Sales & Service

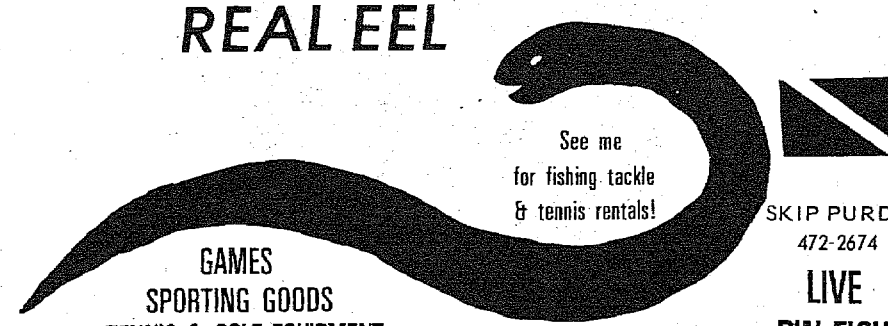
SAN CARLOS MARINA

463-9552 Open Daily 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Home of the Live Educated Shrimp
75 cents a dozen

We Restring Tennis Racquets
& Replace Grips

At The
REAL EEL



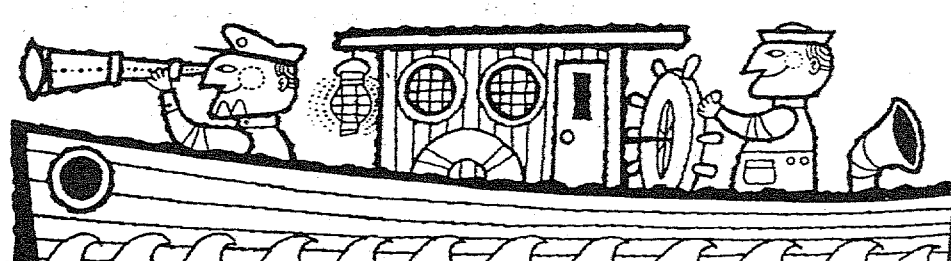
See me
for fishing tackle
& tennis rentals!

SKIP PURDY
472-2674
**LIVE
PIN FISH**

**GAMES
SPORTING GOODS
TENNIS & GOLF EQUIPMENT**

RAFTS-BEACH TOWELS-BAIT
CASTING NETS-SPEARGUNS-TIPS & BANDS
MEN'S SWIM TRUNKS-FILM-SUNTAN LOTION-MASKS, FINS, SNORKLES
RODS, REELS & FISHING TACKLE-ISLAND'S ONLY SCUBA AIR STATION-
SCUBA RENTALS-TENNIS-WATER SKIES

Sanibel Center Bldg., Periwinkle & Casa Ybel Road



LOOKING FOR A BOAT?

THE COVE MARINA, IONA

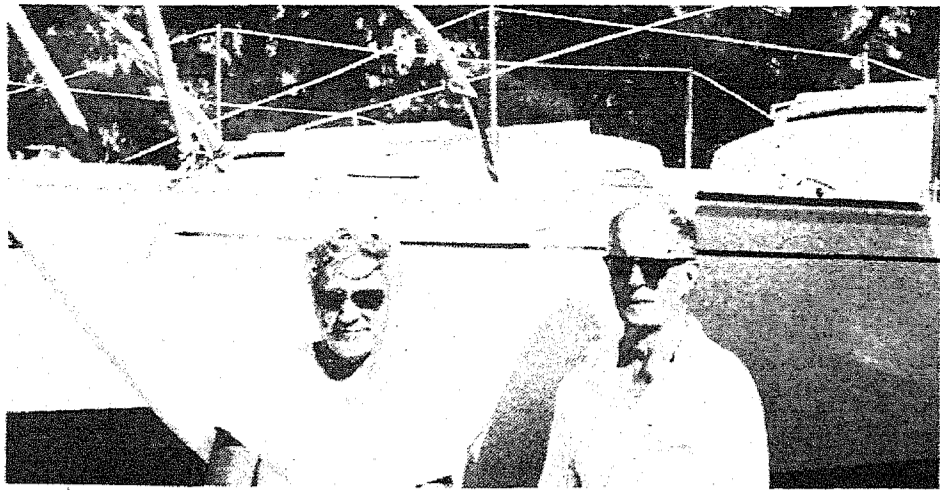
Several boats to choose from, a sailboat, cruisers and other pleasure boats. Also excellent boatwork done.

From Sanibel take a left on Davis Rd. & follow to the end.
phone 481-2332

**BOATING
SUPPLIES**

MOSS MARINA = SERVICE & QUALITY

HARBOR CRT. OFF
3RD ST. F.M.B.



Williamson and Tool smile against the sun, no doubt happy with their sloop distributor ship.

Try sailing --- for a change!

Want to glide by people in outboards and sneak up quietly on unsuspecting birds and wildlife? Try sailing in an Alberg classical design sloop. The sailboats are for sale at the Sanibel Marina, one boat is on land and the other in the water.

John Williamson, realtor

for Parcels and Gentry, and Bernie Tool, owner of the Valhalla Shop in Periwinkle Place, are the only distributors of the sloop in Florida.

The boat is 22 feet, 6 inches with a 7 foot beam, draws 3 feet of water, has a 30 foot mast and 1,475 pounds of lead on the keel.

This design allows for one person to sail (which was done within the past couple of years by a 21 year old who sailed single-handed to England).

The boat is built in North Kingston, Rhode Island, and is designed as a weekend pleasure boat.

real eel tips ...

by skip purdy

Holiday fishin's great!

These past few weeks of holidays have kept all the local fishing areas jam packed with Island and vacationing anglers. (Editor's note: obviously including the writer of this column, whom we hope had a good time and sold a lot of educated shrimp. Welcome back to the ISLANDER's pages!)

One of the most popular fishing spots is the Sanibel Causeway. Many of our fishing friends reported catches of trout, sheep-

head, small black grouper and some nice redfish.

Whiting are being caught frequently in the surf. Wade out to the second sandbar during low tide or fish from the beach from high.

Try tipping your jigs with a little piece of shrimp. I've found it very productive in increasing your catch.

The novice usually doesn't know how to care for the fish he has caught. They should be kept alive in fresh salt water by using a stringer or a floating live bag. Also,

using an inexpensive styrofoam ice box (with ice) will keep your fish fresh, if not alive. Clean your catch after each fishing day, wrap in plastic and refrigerate.

The flavor of your fresh fish can be greatly enhanced if you don't have to pick out the bones. Filleting your fish will make your meal much more enjoyable. Follow these steps:

1) Put the fish on a flat board and make a cut through the skin from the back of the head, along the back to the top of the tail. Don't cut the flesh free from the carcass. Do the same on the opposite side of the dorsal fin.

2) Cut around the back of the head to the rib bones; then make a straight cut from the first incision to the backbone from the tail.

3) Leaving the rib bones attached to the backbone, carefully free flesh from the ribs, using your knife and fingers.

4) Now you have a strip of flesh with skin and tail attached. (Editor's note: wanna bet?) Do the same on the other side.

5) Start a cut between skin and flesh at the tail end, hold the blade of the knife flat. Take hold of the tail and pull, still holding the knife flat. The fillet will peel right off.

If you have any problems, stop in at The Real Eel and I'll be glad to show you how to fillet your fish. (Editor's note: When you do, call us and we'll come and take pictures.)

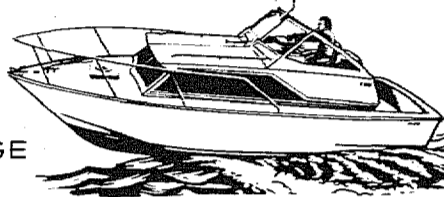


Sanibel Marina, Inc.

Welcomes you to our Service at Sunrise
From 6:30 AM to 6:00 PM

GAS DIESEL LAUNCHING RAMP
LIVE BAIT MECHANIC ON DUTY GUIDES
By boat 1/2 Mile East of the Causeway

BOATING SUPPLIES



DOCKAGE
PH 472-2723 Periwinkle at N. Yachtsman Dr.


SANIBEL MOTORCYCLE RENTALS

75CC AND 100CC MOTORCYCLES FOR RENT
• BY THE DAY, HALF DAY, AND THE WEEK •

• LOCATED NEXT TO HINES BIKE RENTALS •
AT
1203 PERIWINKLE
PHONE 472-2001

• MOTORCYCLES SUPPLIED BY •
G & R SUZUKI, FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

Sails



NEW, USED OR REPAIRED
WE ALSO TAKE TRADE-INS
AND DO ALL KINDS OF
CANVAS WORK.

Lincoln's
Loft

817 SAN CARLOS BLVD.
FT. MYERS BEACH
Above Beach Tap Room

463-2380

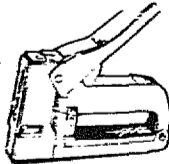
Gaddie's

HARDWARE & MARINE SUPPLY, INC.

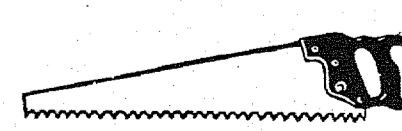
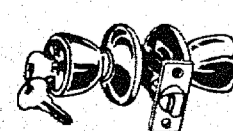
- GEN. HARDWARE
- HOUSEHOLD & GIFTS
- MARINE SUPPLIES
- ORIENTAL JEWELRY
- FISHING TACKLE
- PAINTS (Belnap)
- AUTOMOTIVE SUPPLIES

WE ARE NOW OPEN

FOR YOUR
HARDWARE & HOUSEHOLD NEEDS!



Corner of Kelly Rd & San Carlos

482-0144

News and editorial notes

by ginni

Fire & rescue report

The Sanibel Fire Control District members made a total of 75 fire and rescue calls during 1975, according to a report from administrative assistant Phil Verdung to Fire Chief Allen Nave.

There were 37 rescue calls, ranging from three "dead on arrivals" to one person locked out of a house, and 38 fire calls (with fortunately only one false alarm) ranging from eight palm fronds to one TV set on fire.

This number, Verdung pointed out, does not include the calls made by the Lee County Emergency Medical Services (EMTs).

Traffic awful

As we're sure anyone who ventured out of their habitat during the past few weeks has to be aware, the traffic on the Islands has been ferocious. Over 72,000 cars went through the toll gates during December (we'd figure about 70,000 from Dec. 21 to Dec. 30—well, we THINK we're kidding) and that's not counting the over 5,000 trucks who came a-hauling. We know the gentlemen at the toll booths looked exhausted (although they managed to keep on smiling) and also quite relieved during the much lighter (traffic-wise) first week of the new year.

The traffic flow was helped considerably by the installation of the four-way stop signs at the intersection of the causeway, Periwinkle and Lingren. At least it helped when the locals got used to seeing them, which quite a few didn't for the first few days. The four-way signs were installed on an emergency proposal by councilman Francis Bailey, who suggested the measure at the Dec. 29 council meeting.

Although some think a traffic light could be used, the general run of opinion is "Oh, please—No traffic lights on Sanibel!" (Reminds us of a time when we were a wee tad—well, sorta—and one of our mother's friends returned from a visit to the east coast, absolutely HORRIFIED that a traffic light had been installed in that tiny, adorable town of Fort Lauderdale. And that was in the late 40s or early 50s!)

Bike path note

Thanks to the super hard work and dedicated efforts of Mariel Goss and Starr Thomas, it looks as if those bike paths might be rideable on towards the end of the season, 'round March or so.

Pinto won by Miamian

The prize Pinto car, raffled off by St. Isabel's Church to help the rectory building fund, was won by Mr. G. Bradley of Miami. While we're sorry to see the car go off the Islands, we're glad that at least it will be driven in the state, and perhaps the Bradley family will be visiting the Islands more often now.

Fr. Gerard Beauregard thanked everyone who had helped sell the tickets and run the raffle after the winning ticket was drawn last Sunday.

City council notes

The City Council meeting this past Tuesday was sort of outshone by the Planning Commission's acceptance of The Plan (see elsewhere for complete PC report) but a few sparks flew when council told Pointe Santo de Sanibel owner Richard Miller that he couldn't build anything at this point, and that the hearing "would be continued until a mutually agreeable time."

From Miller's words and actions, as well as those of his attorney, Richard Brodeur, who have been working since mid-summer to get a permit for one or another of the five building projects, we're not quite sure any time will be "mutually agreeable."

After explaining about financing, and saying that "vested rights would not be brought up at this hearing although we do not waive them," (with the clearly implied, if unspoken, notion that they would be elsewhere, most likely in court) Brodeur said they'd be willing to settle for two permits for two buildings, and then, finally, one permit for one building, building C.

The discussion was fascinating, because somehow or other 18 units per acre got down to six, and 10.1 acres got down to 2, which we would think would allow 12 units (if you take the two acres at 6 units per acre literally) but it added up to 30 units, of which they only wanted 28.

Maybe they got the 30 units by taking 7 acres times 9 units, which are in our notes,



A sanctuary walk to tempt anyone...

but that didn't last long, because Chairman White said the Plan threw out the nine units, at least along the Gulf Beach Ridge, and then there was some discussion as to whether one went to the mean high tide line (Council Vernon MacKenzie holding out for that one) or mean sea level favored by Chairman White) or the waters of the Gulf of Mexico, which is what Brodeur said the deed read, and indeed, all deeds on the Gulf read.

Anyhow, after Mayor Porter Goss said, while the plan would be adopted by the planning commission the following day, it would be in effect around March, Council Zee Butler made the motion to continue until mutually, etc.

Miller and Brodeur turned their backs on council, turned back and said they'd like a yes or no on whether or not they could build Building C.

Goss asked if they were aware a motion to continue was on the floor. They turned their backs again, turned back to council and said yes, but could they or could they not build Building C?

Zee Butler called "Question," all voted

"Aye" and Miller, Brodeur and their court reporter (plus that cute little punch tape machine) buckled up their briefcases and took off for parts unknown.

We could hazard a guess or two, but we're sure we'll have more to report later that isn't guesswork.

Earlier on, while a case was being presented for the Christensens, who wish to build a home in Gumbo Limbo, the question of the height of the road came up (but not far enough. Bad joke. Oh well.)

Anyhow, seems the road is 4½ feet and that just wouldn't do.

Mayor Goss asked P.C. Chairman White, with a bit of horror in his voice, "You mean to tell me we're going to ask the planners or developers to raise their already paved roads another foot or foot and a half to six feet?" To which White replied, "Yes, your Honor. That is our intention."

Anyhow, the case got continued without prejudice.

And that's enough about city council. It was an awful day, anyway.

HAND CRAFTED GIFTS CRAFT SUPPLIES

HOURS: 10 TO 5 CLOSED SUNDAY
2365 PERIWINKLE WAY, SANIBEL ISLAND

1ST COASTAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
FORT MYERS, FLORIDA

SPECIALIST IN
Island & Waterfront Homes

BUILD THE WAY YOU WANT!

- * Base Home to Turn Key
- * Wood or C.B.S.
- * Elevated or on the Ground
- * Fully Engineered
- * Sold through local specialist only
- * Inquire about our "Builders' Plan" to save additional dollars

Sanibel
Captiva
Ft. Myers Beach

Phone 472-2141

OLD FLORIDA FERN NURSERY on FIDDLEHEAD BAYOU

The Fern Lady Says,
"mounted ready to hang
LARGE \$12.50 up STAGHORNS!"

mounted on prepared cypress for easy care and good growth ... no dealers, please!

The most unusual Nursery in Southwest Florida - on S.R. 80 - 1 mile east of Hickey Creek Bridge. Turn left at Balsely Road. PH. 728-2594 after 6 p.m. (p.m. security patrol).

Captiva Island Store

Downtown Captiva's Mini Soup-er Market

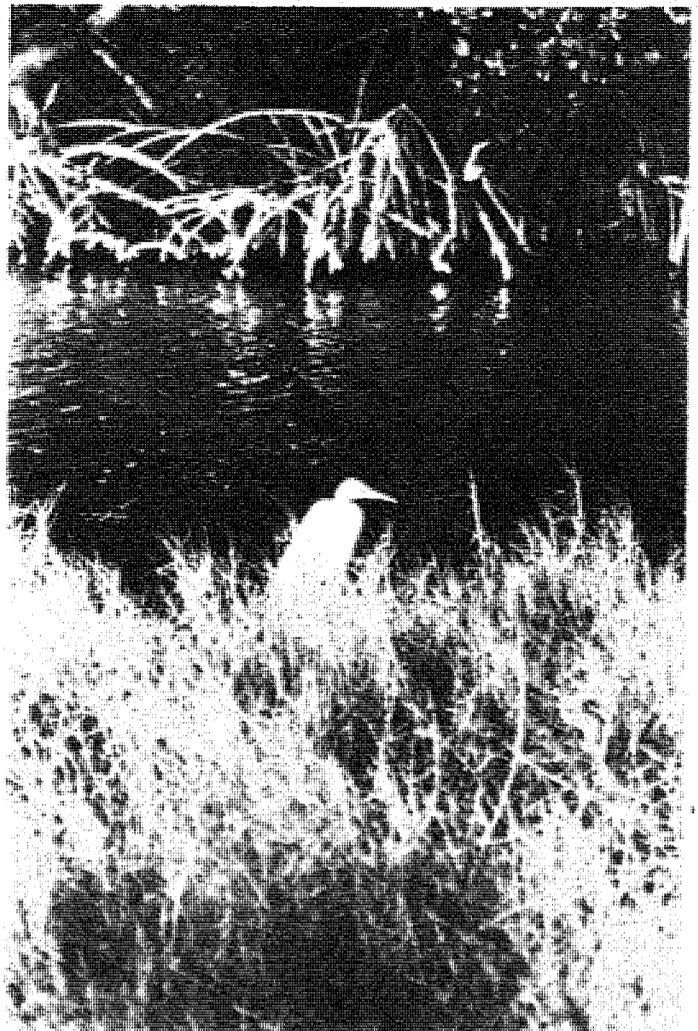
Mon.-Sat.: 9:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Closed on Sunday - 472-2374

DICK and DE HAHN CAPTIVA ISLAND

A cold Friday morning

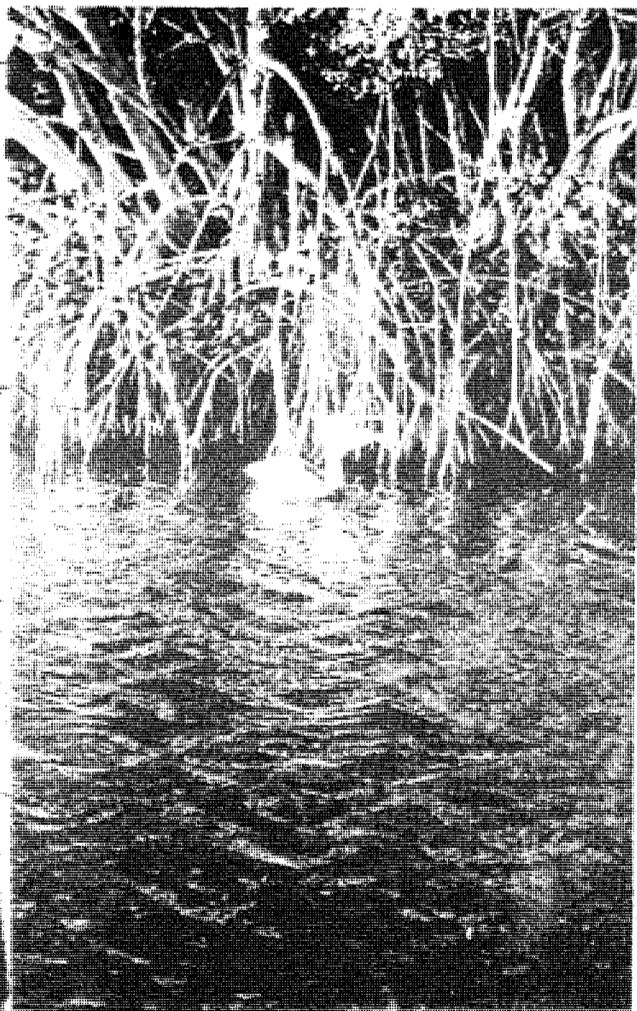


cold

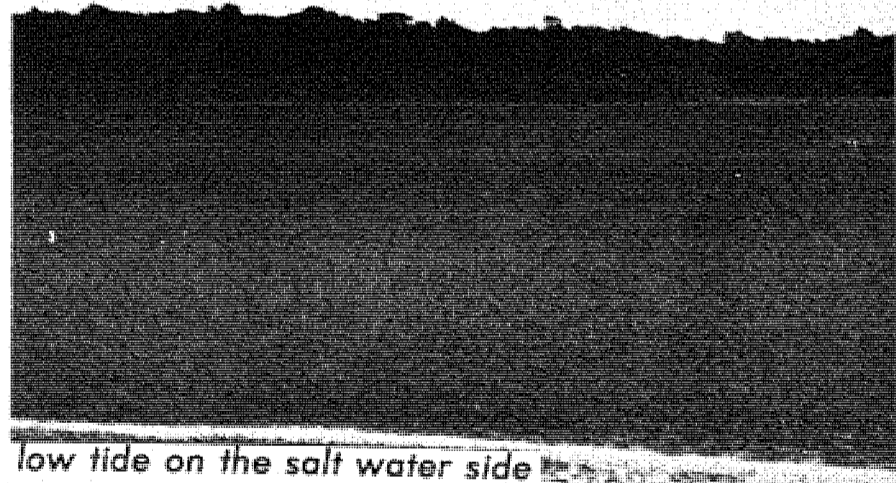


-colder

...coldest!



*mr. pelican starts things moving
with a bite of breakfast*

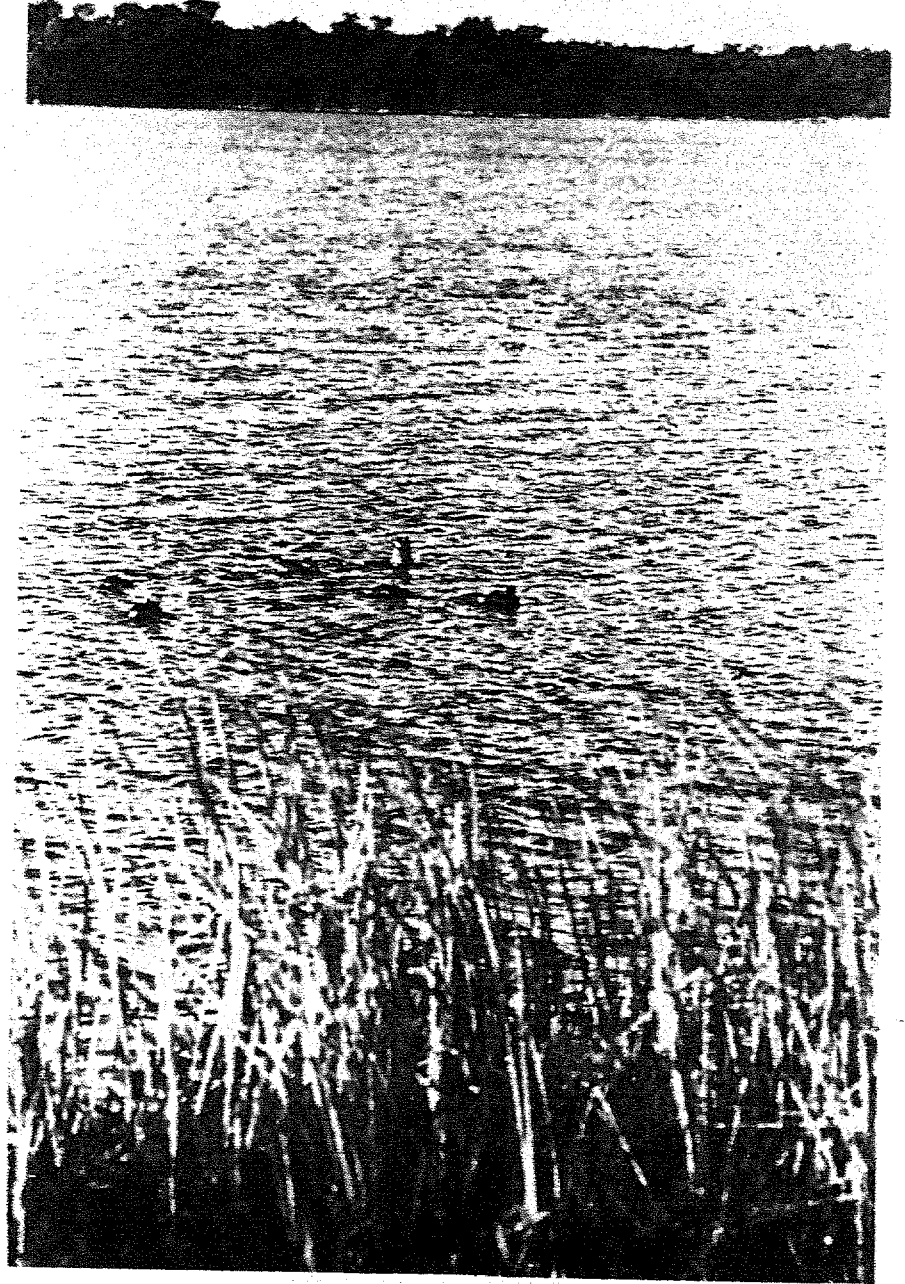
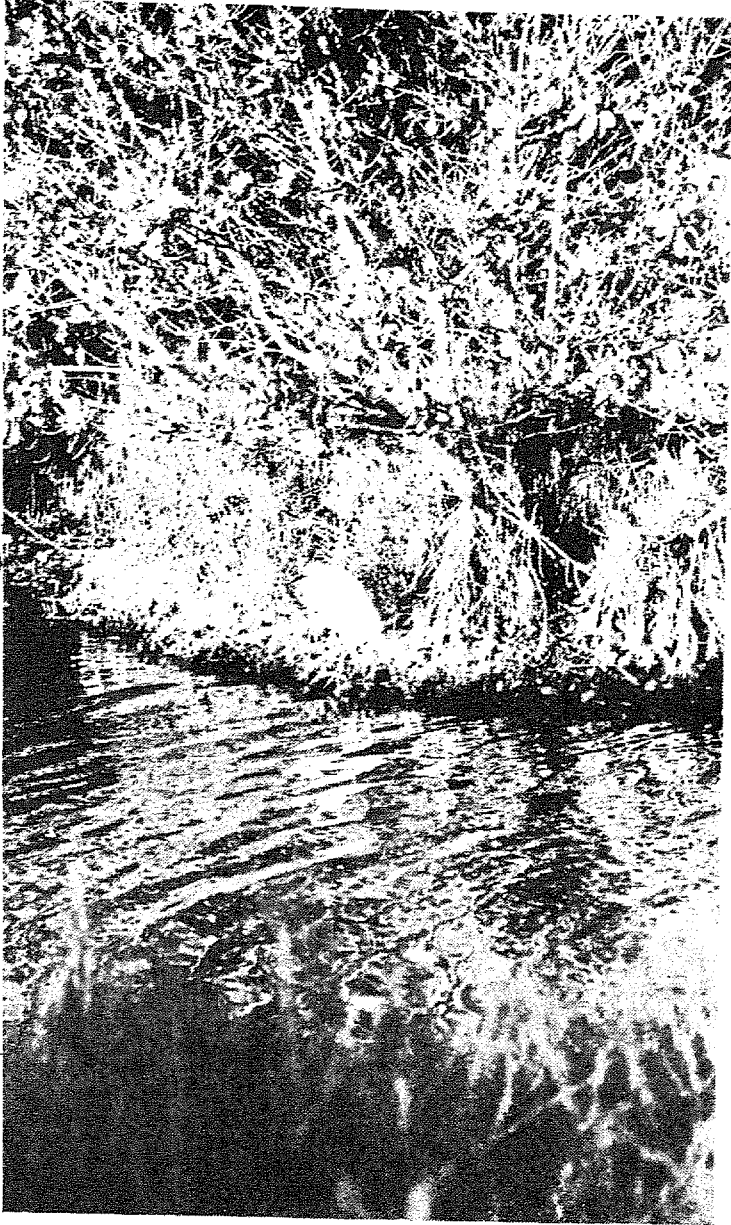


low tide on the salt water side

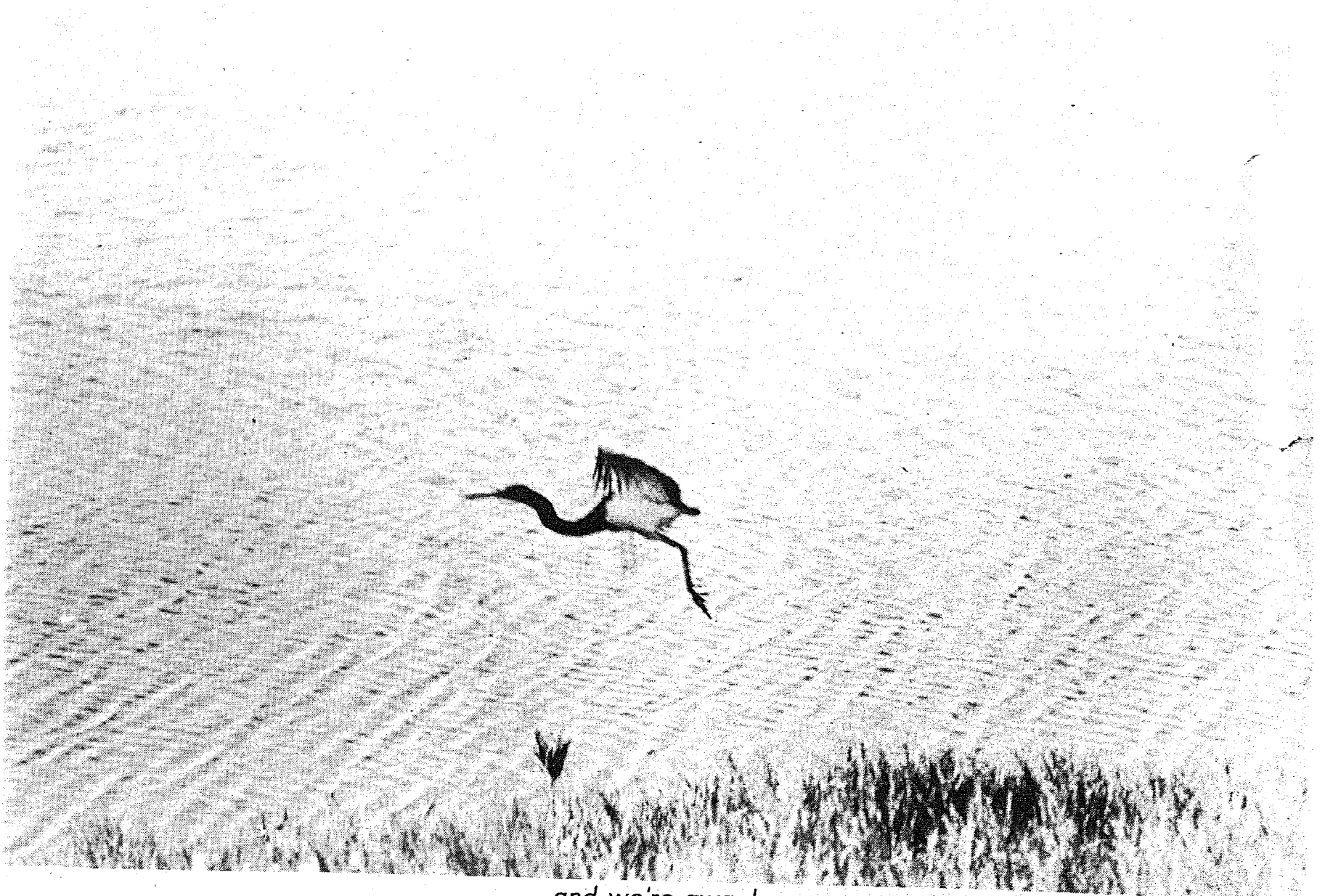
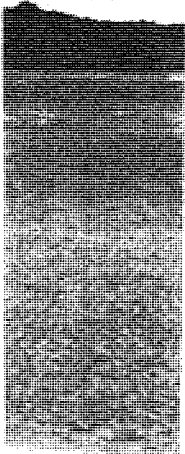


shall I risk it?

ing in the Sanctuary...



ever wonder why they call it "ducking?"



and we're away!

Especially for young readers

The Mini Page



Distinguished Achievement Award Winner 1975

©1976 by The Mini Page Publishing Co. All rights reserved world-wide. Syndicated by M.S.C. Features, Inc.

By BETTY DEBNAM

Puzzle-le-do

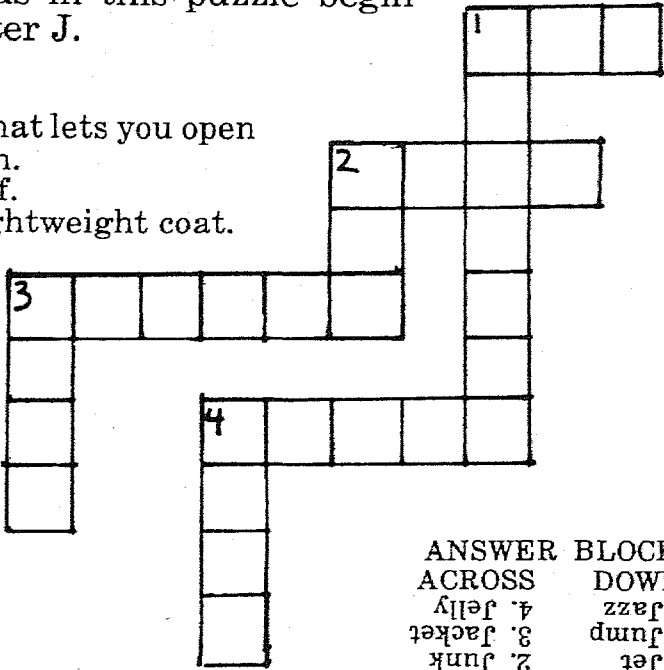
All the words in this puzzle begin with the letter J.

ACROSS

- The bone that lets you open your mouth.
- Messy stuff.
- A short, lightweight coat.
- Not jam.

DOWN

- The first month in the year.
- A fast plane
- A big leap
- A type of music.



ANSWER BLOCK
 ACROSS DOWN
 1. January 1. jaw
 2. junk 2. jet
 3. jacket 3. jump
 4. jazz 4. jelly

Banana Sandwich

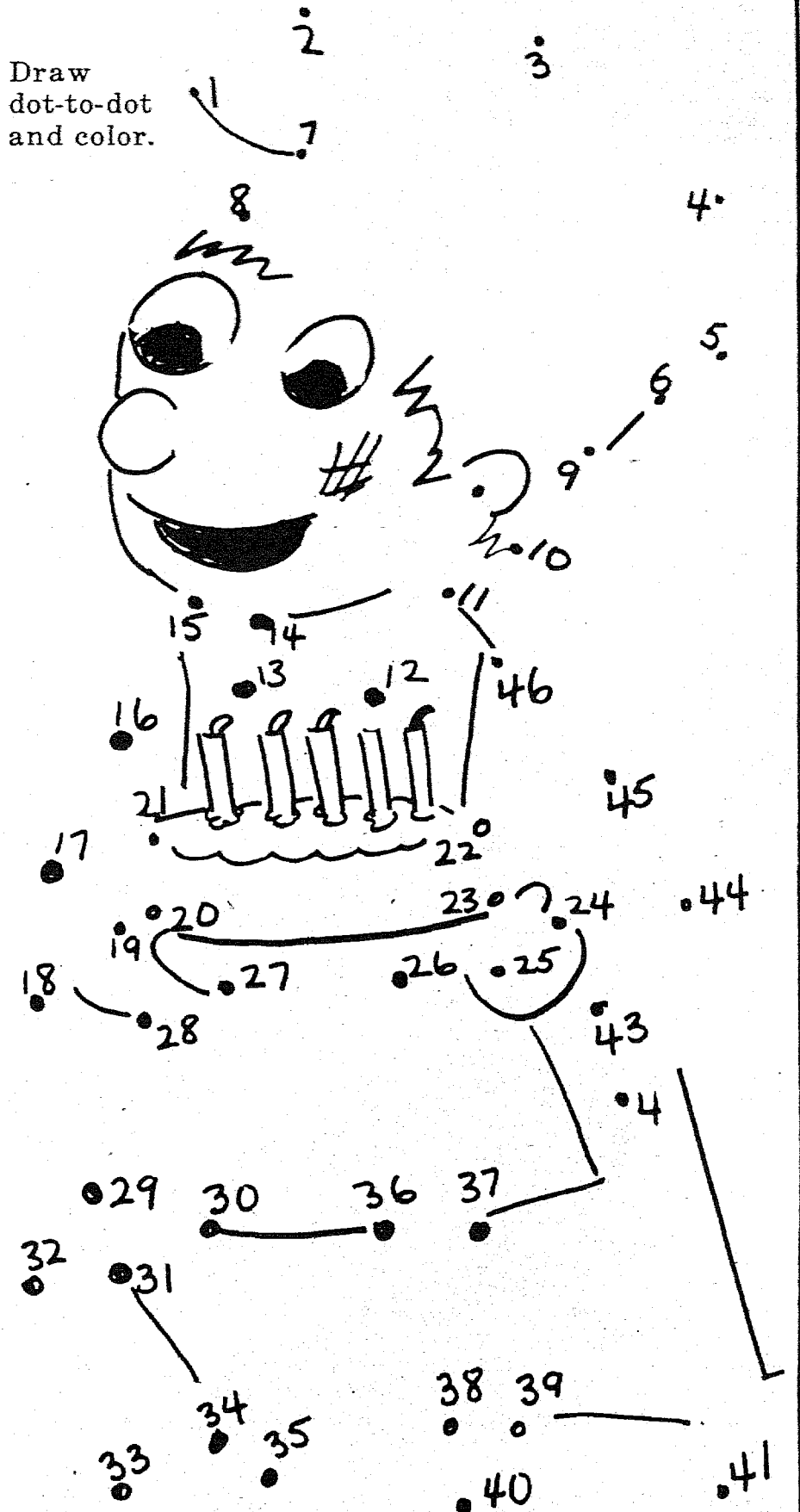
What you'll need:

- 1/2 Banana
- Peanut butter
- Mayonnaise
- Bread

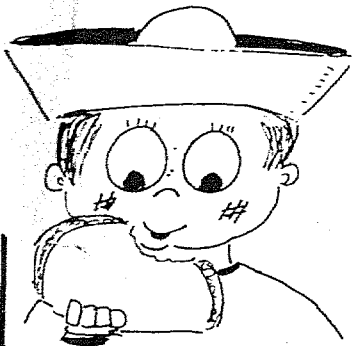
What to do:

Spread the bread with mayonnaise. Then spread on peanut butter. Slice banana and put it on the peanut butter. Put on the sandwich top.

Draw dot-to-dot and color.



The Chef's Recipe for kids



Mexican Food

The Mexican food that Americans eat is the "soul" food from that country. It is cheaper than other Mexican foods. Mexicans use a lot of garlic. Many eat beans a lot.

Tortillas are an important Mexican food. A tortilla is a round, thin bread made from corn.

Guacamole

Dip or SALAD

This is a great classroom recipe. No cooking is needed! Serve it as a dip on corn chips or as a salad on a lettuce leaf with egg and tomato wedges and a black olive on top.

- You'll need:
- 1 avocado
 - 1 teaspoon minced onion
 - 1 teaspoon olive oil
 - 1/8 teaspoon salt
 - 1 teaspoon fresh lemon juice
 - dash of pepper

Slice avocado in half. Remove seed. Scoop pulp from rind. Mash pulp with a fork to a coarse paste. Add ingredients. Mix thoroughly. Place in an airtight container and chill.
 *Try to use California avocados, if possible.

This recipe is courtesy of Mr. Peter Weir who owns La Fonda, a well-known Mexican Restaurant in Washington, D.C.

Aries: Matters concerning domestic life and family planning will occupy your attention. Travel and sports will go well if you show patience and maturity with elders.

Taurus: Influences this week somewhat erratic. Family members will find it hard to agree and each may strike out in a different direction. Avoid unreliable speculation.

Gemini: Important news or a journey is possible. Plan to speak out plainly on how you feel about issues that concern you. A tendency to home accidents or domestic spats.

Cancer: You will have a lot of restless energy and difficulty concentrating and focusing your attention on one thing. Others may seem very hard to please, avoid angry debate.

Leo: Use care in handling property, tools, you could break something hard to replace. Take care you get enough sleep and rest. News which seems negative will turn out fine.

Virgo: A way out of a limited condition will be found. What needs fixing will not cost as much as you think. This is a good time to end an association that wastes your time.

Libra: You will have a chance to move up in your

Your astrological week...

job or be offered a new one. Be discreet in conducting secret affairs. Friends hold the key if you are candid.

Scorpio: Watch for strings to be attached to what at first seems a good plan. You may find yourself paying more this week for insurance, taxes, etc. Keep flexible.

Sagittarius: Start cracking down on waste, and it will more than pay off. An unexpected trip is possible, with in-laws at the bottom of it.

Capricorn: Don't procrastinate where

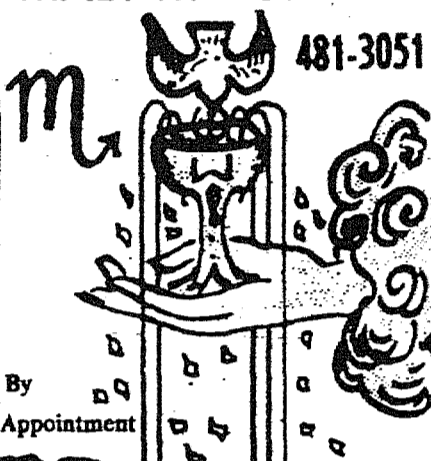
planning is concerned. This is a good time for utilizing the talents and experience of other people. Don't let lazy workers slow things up.

Aquarius: You could cause dissension if you start throwing your weight around. You are likely to be involved with the financial affairs of other people, perhaps to help with a loan or payment.

Pisces: Group activities are likely to have much value for you so contact those who know about them. Don't neglect your health while doing things for others.

by
Madam
Dorinda
cast
especially
for
the
Islands

MADAM DORINDA
481-3051



By Appointment

**ASTROLOGER
TAROT CARD READER**

LOOKING FOR ANTIQUES?

- EARLY AMERICAN CLOCKS
- BRASS BEDS
- STAINED GLASS WINDOWS
- PRE AUDUBON PRINTS
- MANY OTHER COLLECTABLES

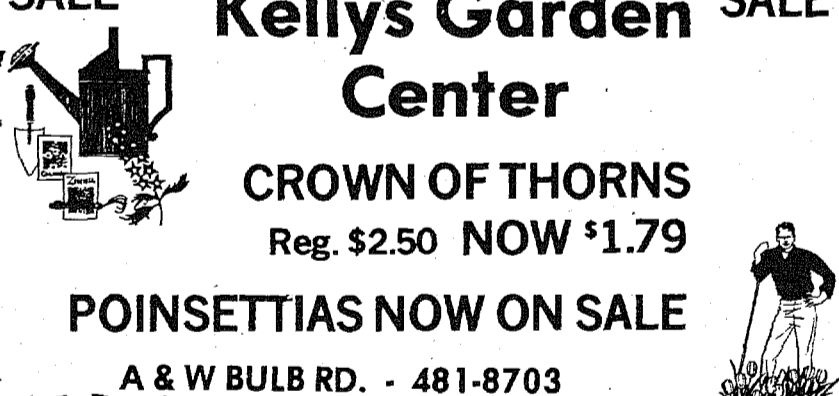


WE'VE GOT THEM AT THE WESTWARD SHOP

BETTY & STEARNS WILLIAMSON, OWNERS

OPEN DAILY 10 - 4, SUN. 12 - 6, CLOSED MONDAYS

SALE **Kellys Garden Center** SALE



CROWN OF THORNS
Reg. \$2.50 NOW \$1.79

POINSETTIAS NOW ON SALE

A & W BULB RD. - 481-8703

LEGAL NOTICE PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF SANIBEL, FLORIDA

The Sanibel City Council will hold a special meeting and public hearing on Monday, February 2, 1976, at 9:00 a.m. at the Island Cinema, Island Shopping Center, Sanibel, Florida, to consider adoption of a Comprehensive Land Use Plan for the City of Sanibel, Florida as submitted by the Sanibel Planning Commission. All interested parties are invited to attend.

ATTEST: *David J. Bretzke*
City Manager - City Clerk

JAN. 13, 20, 27, 1976

"IT'S A STRAW WORLD"

THE LAST STRAW



FASHIONABLE HAND BAGS AND HATS FROM ITALY WOVEN FROM THE FINEST STRAW.

Pictured above are Milan handbags with matching hats.

The Last Straw
"Your Island Straw Market"

2242 Periwinkle Way, Sanibel 472-2154 Gifts, Packaged & Shipped 9:30 - 5 Mon. - Sat.

FOR SOUTH TRAIL DISCOUNT GARDEN CENTER

on All of Your **GROWING NEEDS!**

— ROSES —
PATENTED REG. \$5.50 - \$3.89
UNPATENTED REG. \$3.50 - \$2.89

— ROSE TREES —
EGG SIZE REG. \$12.00 & \$15.00
NOW \$9.49

481-0457



CARRISSA BOXWOOD
GAL. \$1.69
EGG \$3.89

PINE BARK NUGGETS
3 CU. FT.
CYPRESS MULCH
3 CU. FT.
COW MANURE
MICHIGAN PEAT
40 LB.
NOW \$1.89

8" HANGING BASKET
REG. \$6.99 - \$4.99

BOUGAINVILLEA ALL COLORS
EGG CAN \$4.69 GAL. \$2.09

GERANIUM 8" POT
REG. \$1.50 - \$1.39

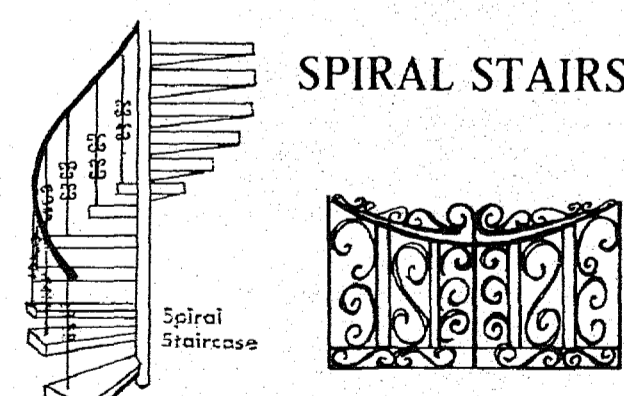
HIBISCUS - SINGLE - DOUBLES
EGG \$3.99 GAL. \$1.69

FIA SHADE TREES
FROM \$4.99 TO \$8.99

CARNATION HIBISCUS
EGG SIZE \$3.79

SOUTH TRAIL DISCOUNT GARDEN CENTER
US 41 SO. FT. MYERS (LOCATED ACROSS FROM SOUTH SIDE DRIVE-IN)
OPEN 8:00 TO 8:30 MONDAY - SATURDAY

ART IN IRON and ALUMINUM



SPIRAL STAIRS

SPANISH DESIGN Gates & Window Guards [or design your own]

COLUMNS — RAILINGS — ROOM DIVIDERS —

332-1550

SPECIAL ITEMS BY MASTERCRAFTSMEN

RABER INDUSTRIES, INC.

2903 FRIERSON ST. - FT. MYERS

Your Island Electrician
PUT A LITTLE LIGHT IN YOUR LIFE

SEMMER ELECTRIC
Serving the Islands

Radio Dispatched Trucks
Complete Maintenance Service

Residential
Commercial
Industrial

472-2588
463-2588

don't get stung.



use your seat belts!

PUBLIC AUCTION

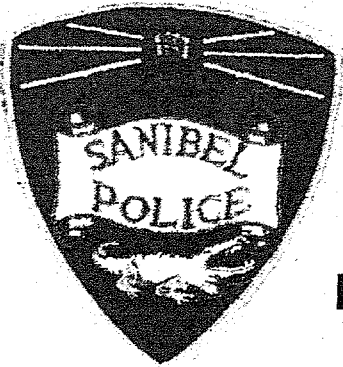
EVERY THURSDAY
208 4th STREET
PAGE PARK

"YOU BRING IT IN
OR
WE'LL PICK IT UP"

ALSO
FLEA MARKET
SAT. & SUN.
ALL BOOTHS INSIDE

FT. MYERS
AUCTION & FLEA MKT.

939-2100



Police report

Tis said that all times (mostly lately) things gotta get better, 'cause how can they get worse—right? Well, in at least one way, they're right—that business alarm only went off four time this past week. Each time it was checked out, of course, and each time, everything was 10-4.

Suspicious parked car checked out. Everything, including occupants of same, 10-4.

Car on beach inspected; seems was there to accommodate cripple. When advised this was against ordinance of city of Sanibel (car being on beach) car moved.

Rental car reported dumping garbage on vacant lot. GOA-UTL.

Two people having "words" in public place; after being spoken to by

officer, left public place, assumingly wordless.

Several auto b&e's (breaking and entering) and a number of purses stolen, allegedly, from parking lot of public place. Investigation continuing.

Day 4 of new year (so they didn't even have a hangover as an excuse) brought in a report of a car racing up and down the road, blowing horn and shouting obscenities. No mention made of occupants. GOA-UTL.

Hit and run accident, involving two cars which both hit and ran. Investigation still under way.

Attempt made to enter goodie store through roof. Attempt apparently unsuccessful as nothing seemed to be missing.

Prescription sunglasses lost on beach.

In spite of the horrific traffic and accompanying hanged nerves, only six mv (motor vehicle) accidents reported all week (excepting hit and run above which no one's quite sure about anyway) none of which involved injuries serious enough to write home (or here) about.

An alleged live mouse in a stove sparked a controversy as to how much who should pay whom for rental of unit which included alleged uninvited mouse. Controversy resolved. Alleged mouse GOA-UTL.

Person reported stolen dog gone.

Routine check of house found insecure premises; could not secure. Notified owner and agent.

Complaint came in that view of main road was obstructed from entrance of shopping center. Unable to locate owner; letter sent to city manager requesting removal of visual obstruction.

Person reported vandalism in home; everything under control; Lee County Sheriff's office also answered call.

Car left near beach. Gone on later check.

Car owned by off-island visitor driven without authorization by person of opposite sex. Car, intact, with keys under seat, located next morning in parking lot.

Motorcycle reported riding on beach. GOA.

Lost brown leather wallet reported.

Northern emergency message came in to be delivered to person allegedly staying on islands. Alleged was right; person never here.

Checkbook found; returned to rightful owner.

Last week someone had it in for banana and coconut trees; this week it was mailboxes. Four of 'em knocked down into nearby mangroves.

Request for ambulance; transported patient into hospital emergency room.

Tire tracks reported leaving road and going into house yard to back of house. Dog growled, occupant will be on lookout in future.

Found brown leather wallet returned to owner.

Tennis racquet lost or strayed.

Complainant reported four back-packers and dog walking on beach. GOA and not noticed by other persons in area.

Complaint reported four persons and dog slept on beach previous night and possibly other nights. Could be above walkers. No one present when area checked.

Clean car (no contraband) contained persons possibly under influence of something. Nothing found; subjects released.

Pedestrian under the influence wished to expand cultural horizons. Was allowed to do so when disturbance ended.

Complaint stated billfold was gone; believed it was taken while at Edison Community College.

Person found silver and turquoise necklace, which was delivered to SPD for safekeeping.

Tag missing, stolen or strayed from parked bike.

"CALL FOR CALL"
813-472-4127

WE EXCHANGE YOUR UNWANTED PROPERTY FOR SOMETHING YOU REALLY LIKE

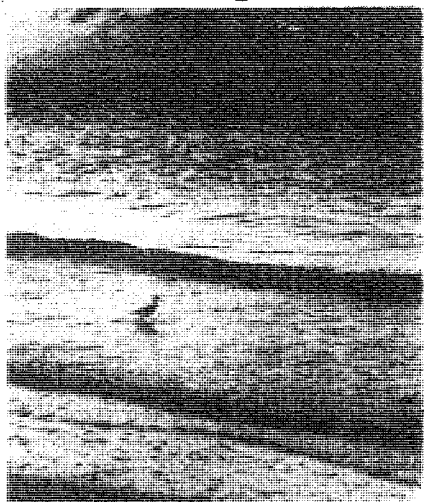
RALPH A. CALL, REALTOR EXCHANGOR-COUNSELOR

P.O. BOX 232 - 147 PERIWINKLE
SANIBEL, FLORIDA 33957

ALSO SALES AND RENTALS CONDOMINIUMS

Gulf front and Gulf view
Sanibel Island

Homes That Respond To Peoples' Needs



We continue to build fine custom homes that do respond to individual needs, individual tastes and individual desires. Cathedral ceilings, studios, screened decks, lofts, skylites and the natural island warmth of wood.

Many of our unique designs can be incorporated into your personal home.

visit our model center on Sandcastle Road, The Dunes Subdivision



one of a series of unique designs from



P.O. Box 271, Sanibel, Florida 33957 Phone (813) 472-2881

NOTICE

CITY OF SANIBEL DOG LICENSES NOW ON SALE AT CITY HALL

LICENSE FEE - \$5.00

All dog owners living on Sanibel are urged to comply in order to avoid penalties

Penalties will be assessed beginning February 1, 1976

ATTEST: David J. Bretzke
City Manager - City Clerk

JAN. 13, 1976

PLAQUES & THINGS

NON-FIRING WHITEWARE
PAINT AND SUPPLIES

FREE CLASSES

MON. THRU FRI. 10 TO 12 A.M. AND 2 TO 4 P.M.
MON. EVE. 7 TO 9 THURS. EVE. 7 TO 9

VILLA SANTINI PLAZA 1324 CAPE CORAL PKWY.
FT. MYERS BEACH CAPE CORAL



snow is engulfing the nation, but not OUR Gulf!

Pottinger Landscaping

WANTED - COCONUT PALMS
We Move, Fill Hole & Pay For Them

Monday to Friday

Call 481-4734

McCAUL'S TREE HOUSE on Captiva Island

We have such unusual and lovely gifts, beautiful jewelry and specimen shells, of course. Come in and browse.

7 days-9:30 to 5:30 Happy To Ship BankAmericard-Mastercharge

SANTIVA MINI MART

- Grocery - Dairy - Frozen Foods
- Meats - Cold Beer & Wine
- Fishing Tackle
- Post Cards - Magazines
- Hats
- Health & Beauty Aids



NORTH END OF SANIBEL
AT BLIND PASS BRIDGE

The GLOVE HITCH

Purveyors of Ladies' and Gentlemen's Furnishings

SALE

On All IZOD Clothing
20% to 50% OFF

Full line of Ladies Sportswear arriving soon!!

1509 Periwinkle Way

472-2269

Hours 9 to 5

Shell Fair notes

The appointment of Twink Underhill as exhibits chairman of the 1976 Sanibel Shell Fair has been announced by Cookie Dugger, the Fair's general chairman. This year's fair, sponsored as usual, by the Sanibel Community Association, will take place March 4, 5 and 6.

Mrs. Underhill succeeds Priscilla Murphy, who is unable to serve this year, Mrs. Dugger said. Mrs. Murphy was exhibits chairman in 1975.

With the approaching

March fair dates in mind, Mrs. Dugger reminds every one who plans to enter shell exhibits this year that entry blanks, rules and lists of exhibit categories are available now from shell shop and shell craft sponsors.

These, she said, are The Shell Net, the two Elsie Malone shops, The Black Pearl, Tuttle's Sea Horse Shop on Sanibel and McCaul's on Captiva. They are also available from Mrs. Underhill and Mrs. Dugger.

Entry blanks must be received by the exhibits

chairman before noon Saturday, February 28, and can be mailed to Exhibits Chairman, P.O. Box 90, Sanibel, Fla. 33957. The same address can be used to request entry forms.

Major changes in the list of exhibits this year, Mrs. Dugger said, are in the "Artistic" category, which has been enlarged and clarified to make it easier for prospective exhibitors to choose the correct category and to make the categories more understandable to people attending the fair.

ARTISAN SHOP NUTMEG VILLAGE 2807 Gulf Drive West

Featuring exclusively American Craftmen, Designer Gifts and Painting, with special emphasis on the Florida Scene.

GUEST ARTIST

Dr. Frank Tranter - Master of Macrame - demonstrates his skill every Thursday starting Jan. 15, 1976 10:00 to 5:00.

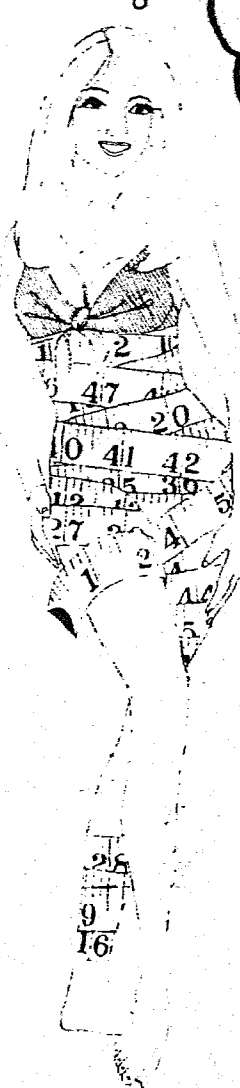
Mildred Ferich - Instructions in Water Color every Wednesday at 1:00 to 3:00. Commencing Jan. 21, 1976. \$2.00 per lesson. Bring your own materials.

Hours 9-5 Daily Except Sunday
472-2176

YOU PROMISED

TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT YOUR SHAPE RIGHT AFTER THE FIRST OF THE YEAR

DO IT NOW



LET US HELP YOU AT

Slenderizing WRAP SALON

"The Discovery that is Revolutionizing the Reducing Industry"

LOSE AT LEAST 3 INCHES IN ONE HOUR
• No Exercises • No Diets • No Machines

If you have inches to lose, cellulite, or stretch marks you'll find our method to be effective and effortless. You do nothing but relax, read, nap or watch TV for one hour. The wrap does all the work. Safe, Non-Toxic, Non-Allergenic, Private and Personal Sessions. No Contracts. No Membership Dues.

Introductory Wrap, Only **\$9.50**

GUARANTEE

You must lose a minimum of 3 inches your very first wrap or it's free.

WHAT CAN YOU EXPECT TO LOSE IN YOUR WAIST AND HIP AREA? FIND YOUR WEIGHT CATEGORY

If You Weigh	120-139 LBS.	140-159 LBS.	160-179 LBS.	180 & ABOVE
IN 2 WRAPS YOU CAN EXPECT TO LOSE	5 1/2-6 IN.	5 1/4-7 IN.	6-8 1/2 IN.	7-10 1/2 IN.
IN 4 WRAPS YOU CAN EXPECT TO LOSE	7 1/2-10 IN.	7 1/4-11 1/4 IN.	9-13 1/4 IN.	10 1/2-17 IN.
IN 6 WRAPS YOU CAN EXPECT TO LOSE	12-14 1/2 IN.	12-16 IN.	13-18 IN.	15 1/2-22 IN.
IN 8 WRAPS YOU CAN EXPECT TO LOSE	15-19 IN.	16-21 1/2 IN.	20-23 1/2 IN.	24-28 IN.

Slenderizing WRAP SALON

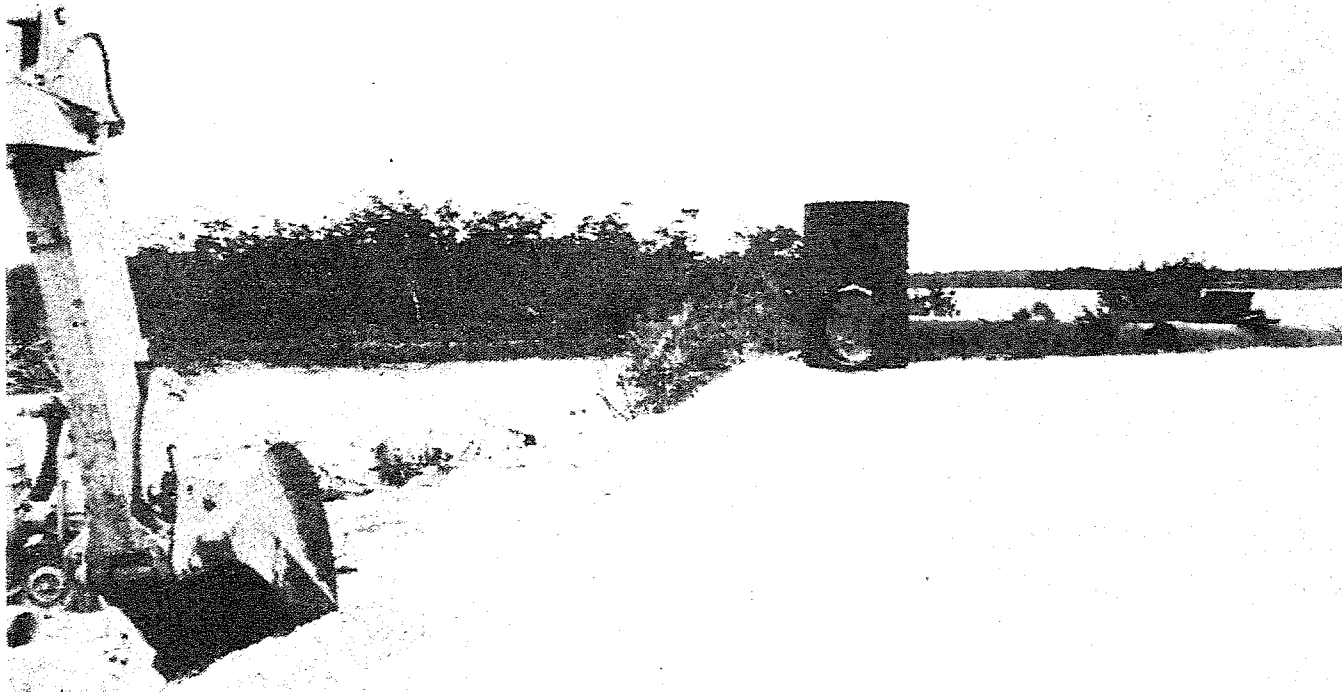
CALL NOW! WHAT DO YOU HAVE TO LOSE?

649-9155

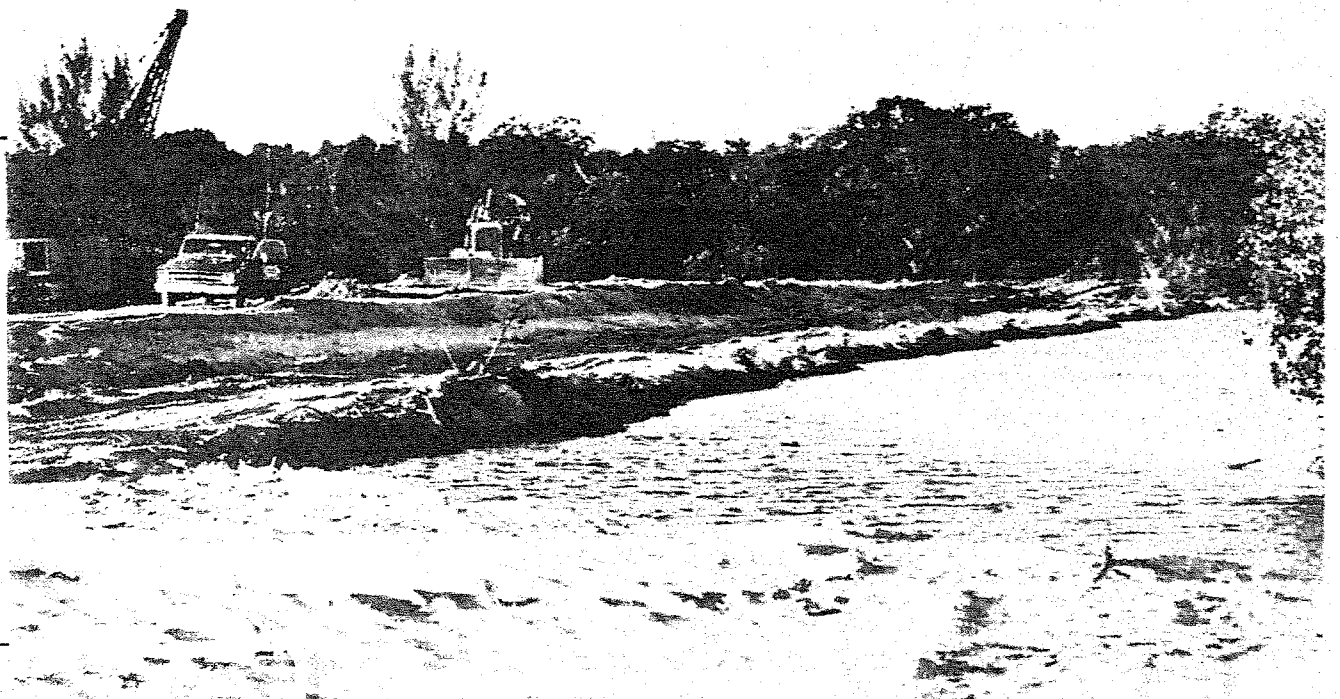
660 9th Street N., Naples

332-1017


3076 Fowler St., Fort Myers



No, it's not a cannon --
 or a playhouse --
 it's a water pipe section for the dike



work proceeds on the
 government dike in the Sanctuary



Check our prices...
 you can add to your
 collection today!
 browsers welcome at
Jim's Shell Shop
 Open daily 10 - 5
 West of Causeway on Periwinkle Way

Blouses, Blouses, Blouses

new long sleeve soft knits,
 mix and match with our great
 selection of shorts and slacks.



Bailey's
 Sportswear Center
 next to Grog Shop



at the right price...
\$499.95

Group includes sofa,
 chair, 2 end tables,
 and coffee table.
 Your color
 and fabric is in stock.

Browse through
 the tropics
 today!

**Our
 "Florida
 Five"
 Rattan
 Group**

Bahama house
 Elegant Tropical Furniture Showroom
 2070 Cleveland Ave., Center of Hansen & Cleveland 334-2992 Member BankAmericard & Master Charge



water shadows

Wicked Wicker Woman

HAS ENLARGED

**Come Browse Through
The Most Extensive
Wicker Selections In
Southwest Florida**

3319 Cleveland Avenue
Fort Myers, Florida 33901 936-8916

THINK NATURAL

Custom Made Hishi
& Shell Jewelry
By Pauline

Shells-Corals-Neat Creations

TUTTLES' SEAHORSE SHELL SHOP

Lighthouse End
Sanibel Island

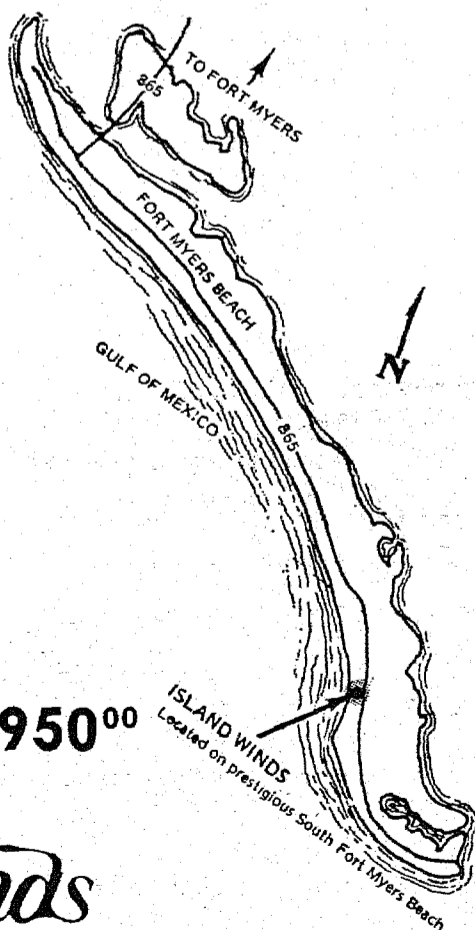
10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m.
"Come Shellin" - Mondays



This Is Beachfront Luxury



- Gulf and bay views from every apartment
- All corner apartments
- Three balcony terraces in every apartment
- Four two-bedroom, two-bath floor plans, min. 1630 square feet
- USLTA approved tennis courts
- Heated pool
- Saunas and hydro-therapy pool
- Over 300 feet of white sand beachfront plus access and docking on bay waterway
- Shuffleboard
- Complete indoor recreation facilities including kitchen, wet bar, card-playing and game room, billiards



From **\$74,950⁰⁰**



Island Winds

CONDOMINIUM BATH & RACQUET CLUB

6610 ESTERO BLVD. SOUTH END OF FT. MYERS BEACH

FLORIDA 33931 PHONE 463-2357

A Truesdale, Lynch Development

MODEL OPEN 9 TO 5 DAILY 1 TO 6 SUNDAY

**SEASON APTS.
FOR RENT**

SANIBEL STANDARD

472-2125

Tune ups

Air Conditioning

Front End Alignment

8-6 Monday-
Saturday

Jim Anholt, Prop.



Surf Realty

Custom built home in Tradewinds subdivision. More than half an acre of land. Small lake. Walking distance to private beach area on Gulf of Mexico.

Fireplace and other special features.

By Appointment

SANIBEL PROPERTY OWNERS SINCE 1955

975 Rabbit Road, Sanibel 33957

(813) 472-1540 or 472-1549



A beautiful way to start the new year

by Carol Quillinan

We approached the twin diesel tour boat to the strumming of banjos plunking out "Down by the Levee."

It was just along about sunset Friday last, after a long work day for the employees of the Cape Coral Evening Breeze, the Islander and the Beach Bulletin, when we all gathered on "The Suncoaster" to go boating down the Caloosahatchee.

One of the most unfortunate things about the

Fort Myers area is that the only time one can view the great river is coming across one of the bridges. After that, it disappears and cannot be seen again until one goes to Cape Coral or reaches the Sanibel causeway, after the river has become a part of San Carlos Bay and is no longer distinguishable as a river.

Never having been privileged to go boating up or down the river before, we were in a seventh heaven state as the Suncoaster left the dock in Fort Myers and the twinkling lights of the city behind.

The vast expanse of the Caloosahatchee in the blackness of the night was being watched over by thousands of stars.

The city lights, the streaks of car lights along McGregor, were soon to disappear behind the shoreline of trees. Only now and again the lights of a house along the shore could be seen and along the west bank, the beginning lights of Cape Coral began to twinkle.

The river became all of the here and now. Several boats passed going the other way. The lights of the Cape

Coral bridge span the river somewhere far away and in the future.

The channel meandered around in the wide black calm waters.

The boat was doing about ten knots; the two great engine hearts were thumping away steadily, the guests were talking and dancing to the tunes of Marty Goldberg and his banjo.

It was a beautiful, clear cool night. Just the right kind of night to be out on the river, going nowhere in particular, but just going. One could feel the kind of peace that comes only from one's soul joining the totality of the river-sky-universe.

The boat approached the Cape Coral bridge. The long striped reflections of the green bridge lights became shorter and shorter along with the reflection of the town lights.

You know where you are on shore because you've crossed that bridge many times.

The buildings of Cape Coral are stunning at night...little jewels of color, especially the reflections in the river, which were soon to disappear in the wake of the boat.

The Cape Coral bridge, from the river side, looking up, is a fairly respectable piece of engineering. The pilings and beam decking inspired confidence in the engineers and builders, but that inspiration soon passed to become once again part of the night as we left the bridge behind.

Only a few Cape Coral house lights remained. In the distance, on shore, was another patch of light which was soon obscured by an uninhabited mangrove island. The boat disturbed a few birds from their sleep.

Once past the island, the patch of light became brighter but unrecognizable. The second mate said that they were the lights of Shell Point Village and just beyond, we passed Little Shell Island. A warm yellow glow beckoned from the dark shadows of a house tucked into the bushes and the trees.

Once again the night covered all. A very small boat rested at anchor near the shore. The captain turned on his spotlight to find a channel marker, then turned the boat slightly to starboard. The land mass of Cape Coral came to an end.

The river was all of a sudden confined in between little mangrove islands and, over the loudspeaker, the Captain said the river was entering the bay, the lights in the far distance were Fort Myers Beach and the red, green and white lights immediately in front were the lights of the Sanibel causeway. The bow wake of the boat stirred up a little phosphorus.

Dinner was served. A magnificent spread of cold cuts were spread out on a long table in the lower deck.

The boat whistled. The causeway bridge was raised, cars stopped as gates came across the approach.

The boat passed under the

bridge. Ginni came to the forward deck to remind us that it was time to eat. We went below, filled a plate full and returned to the forward deck. Something terrible had happened. We were approaching another bridge! Where were we? The stars weren't in the same position!

The lights of Fort Myers Beach had disappeared! What had happened to the beacon of the lighthouse?

Somehow, all recognition of time and space had left consciousness.

The second mate said that the boat was now on its way back to Fort Myers. It had made the turn-around. The captain had turned the boat so carefully that none of us had realized what had happened.

There was a temporary feeling of being out of harmony with nature, and feeling a bit annoyed that food had taken precedence over the turning around part of the voyage.

However, it wasn't long before the little islands and the constellations were in their proper place for the return trip.

The night air had turned quite chilly but not cold enough to be inside except briefly for a dance or two.

Two hours more of soul soaring brought us back to the real world of Fort Myers at night, a lot of hustle and bustle of the group gathering up their belongings and going ashore and, thanks to the Captain, the crew and the musicians we began the new year just right.



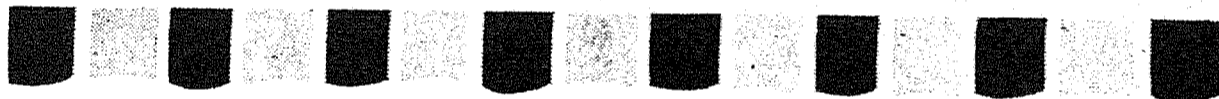
take off time ...

GED testing

The next local testing for Florida General Education Development (GED) high school diplomas will be February 2, 3, and 4, 1976.

Adults who are at least 18 years old, have a high school credit in American history, and are Florida residents are eligible for testing.

Successful applicants are awarded a high school diploma by the Florida Department of Education. Interested persons should contact the adult education office at 2266 Second Street, Fort Myers, or call 334-7172 before January 30, 1976.



Foxworthy's

OVER 50 YEARS

Residential and Commercial Interior
Designing and Furnishings

A.S.I.D. PERSONNEL

1601 Jackson St.
DOWNTOWN
FORT MYERS
334-1348



No. 1 Periwinkle Pl.
SANIBEL
ISLAND
472-1327

LEE COUNTY APPLIANCES, INC.

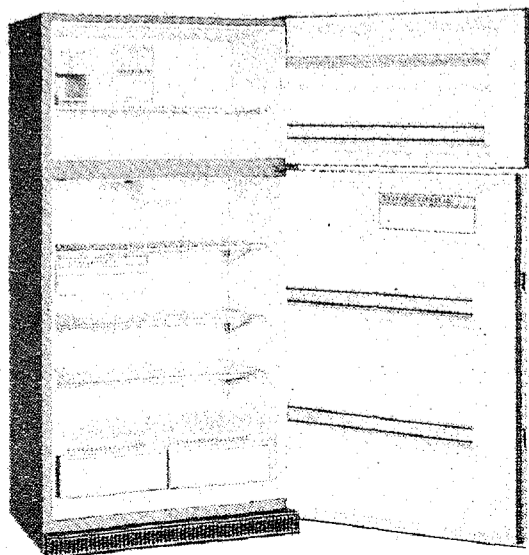
GIBSON RT17F7 17.0 CU. FT.

Reg. \$509⁰⁰

NOW

\$429⁰⁰

SAVE \$80.00



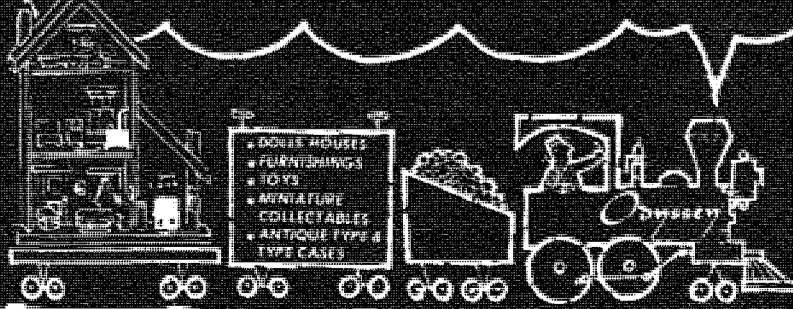
FT. MYERS BEACH (between the bridges)

8
6
5
S
A
N
C
A
R
L
O
S

P
H
O
N
E
4
6
3
6
1
6
8

Odyssey offers a world of
mini things for collectors of all ages
Antique & Modern

ALSO, TAKE A NOSTALGIA TRIP
VISIT OUR MUSEUM OF MINIATURE AMERICANA



SHOP HOURS: 10-5 TUES. SUN. (CLOSED MON.)

1473 PERIWINKLE WAY

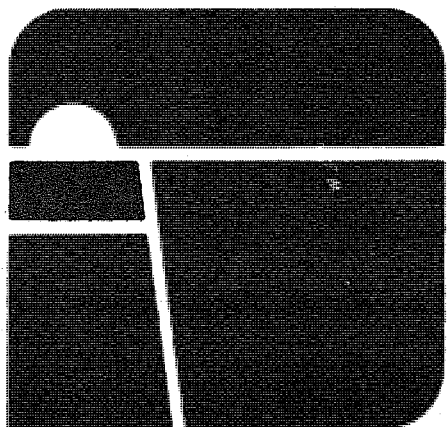
MUSEUM HOURS: 10-4 30 TUES. SUN. (CLOSED MON.)

472-1786

There's more to choosing a condominium for your home on Sanibel than sea and sand and shells

There's no question about it. Sea, sand and shells are an important part of Sanibel living and, of course, of the life style here at Lighthouse Point Condominiums. But then, there's not too much we can tell most people about the delightful life style of this unique little island paradise.

For those of you who contemplate a vacation or retirement home on Sanibel, Lighthouse Point offers a little different kind of island living. We'd like to tell you about it. We'd like to show you around our peaceful, quiet and naturally, beautiful grounds. And, of course, show you our furnished model apartments, recreation facilities, etc. Everything is completed awaiting your approval. Come visit us - you'll like what you see!



Lighthouse Point

CONDOMINIUMS
ON
SANIBEL ISLAND

Turn left off the Causeway. Take Periwinkle
Way straight ahead to Model on Lighthouse Rd.

SEND FOR FREE BROCHURE

1250 Lighthouse Road/Sanibel/Florida/33957 (813) 472-4105

L&H

Casa Ybel Road



Periwinkle Way

The Real Estate Corner

START OFF THE NEW YEAR ON THE RIGHT FOOT — WITH US

Island homes \$37,000.
 Condominiums \$33,000.
 Wide selection of lots.
 Business opportunities.

CALL COLLECT FOR INFORMATION
472-1123

Laughrey & Holtz
Island Real Estate, Inc.

REG. REAL ESTATE BROKER
"IN THE HEART OF SANIBEL'S FINANCIAL DISTRICT"
Located in Sanibel Center Building, 1711 Periwinkle Way
AFTER HOURS 472-1846



*The British contingent
in camp at the Lighthouse*

Six Lakes is for good golfers, average golfers, bad golfers and non-golfers.

Nowhere is it written that just because you live in a country club community, you have to play golf. Well, average or at all. And if you don't play, you shouldn't have to pay.

At Six Lakes Country Club community, we've provided a few other things *besides* an 18-hole executive golf course.

A plush, spacious clubhouse, for example. Where you can drop in for a game of cards, a game of billiards, a sauna or a party.

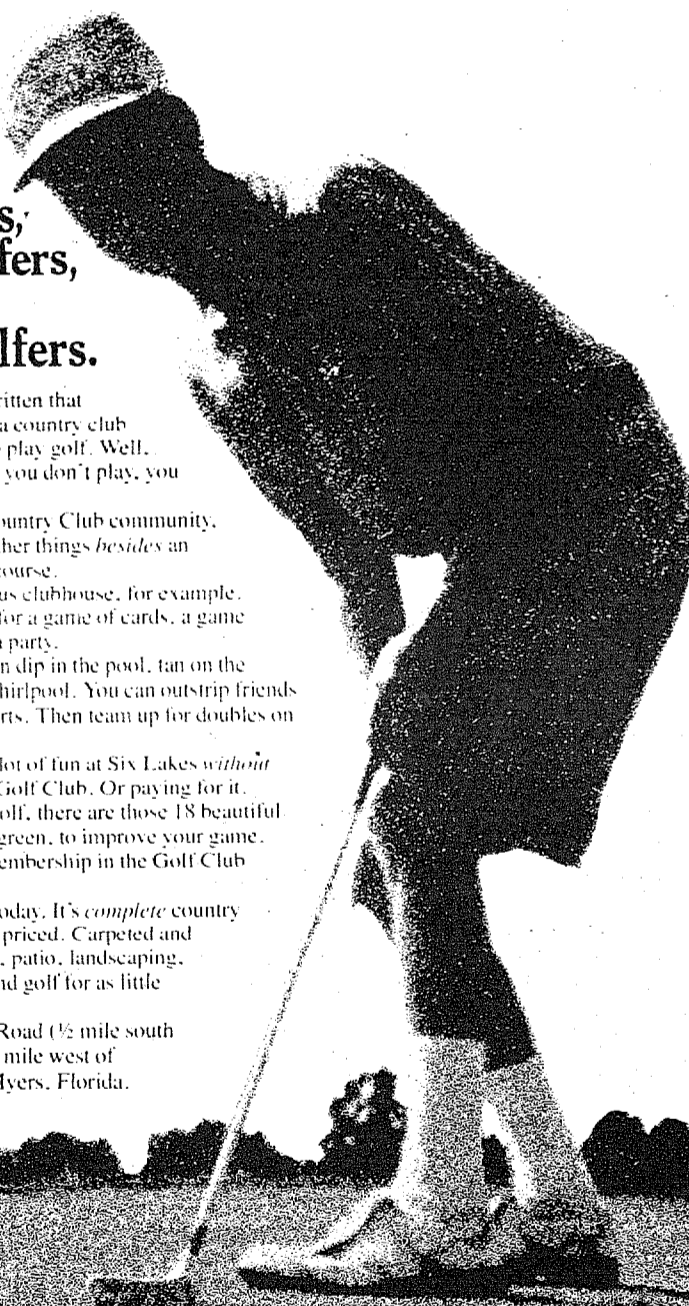
Outside, you can dip in the pool, tan on the sundeck, whirl in the whirlpool. You can outstrip friends on the shuffleboard courts. Then team up for doubles on the tennis courts.

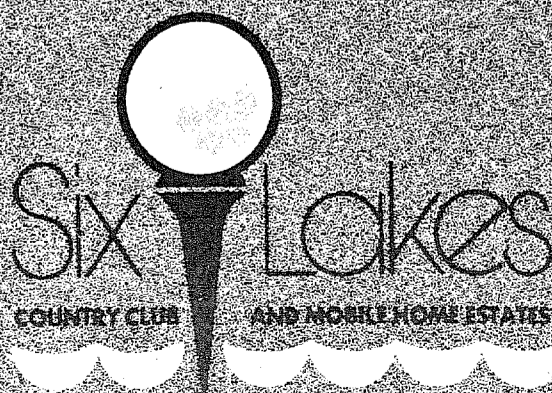
You can have a lot of fun at Six Lakes *without* being a member of the Golf Club. Or paying for it.

If you do play golf, there are those 18 beautiful holes. And the putting green, to improve your game. And your first year's membership in the Golf Club is free.

See Six Lakes today. It's *complete* country club living, reasonably priced. Carpeted and furnished mobile home, patio, landscaping, carport, country club and golf for as little as \$12,500.

4066 Littleton Road (1/2 mile south of Shell Factory and 1/2 mile west of U.S. 41), North Fort Myers, Florida. Phone 995-0595.





PHONE (813) 995-0595

FOR INFORMATION WRITE:

SIX LAKES C.C. AND MOBILE HOME ESTATES
4066 LITTLETON RD.
NO. FT. MYERS, FLA.
33903



MARI-BROOK GROOMING & BOARDING

939-1500 332-2515

TWO
HANDY LOCATIONS
TO SERVE YOU BETTER

1860 COMMERCIAL DR. 2051 MCGREGOR
FT. MYERS FT. MYERS
(BOARDING & GROOMING) (GROOMING ONLY)

DUGGERS OF SANIBEL

Unusual Ceramic & China Painted Gifts

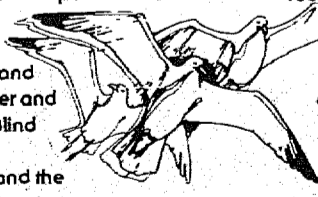
2902 Gulf Drive 472-1181 Tuesday thru Saturday 10-3

On Sanibel Island our neighbors are for the birds...

In fact they're for all the good things that make Blind Pass so special — not only birds, but woods, meadows, white sand beaches, blue water and nature at its best. Blind Pass nestles gently between the Gulf and the Ding Darling Bird Sanctuary, offering secluded trails for quiet strolls, homes in harmony with their setting, a wide range of recreational pastimes — tennis courts, swimming pools, recreation center and sauna, and, in the making, a private marina. Uncluttered, uncrowded and unbelievably lovely, Blind Pass Condominiums offer luxury homes

with enchanting Polynesian decor. Your choice of town house or ranch-style homes with 2 or 3 bedrooms for as little as \$44,900 with absolutely no recreation or land leases... where you can live as carefree as a lark.

Write for our free brochure or come see us soon.



NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE _____

ZIP _____

Blind Pass

"Sanibel's Finest Condominium Homes"
Sea Bell Rd., Sanibel Island, FL 33954
Telephone 813/472-1585

Letters to the editor

To the ISLANDER:

Your news account of January 6th reporting on the previous day's meeting at the Island Cinema of the Sanibel Planning Commission was very informative.

One paragraph, however, gave me pause to wonder whether a statement attributed to Chairman White was misunderstood or whether he truly believes the "carefully-cultivated" myth that his statement implies. In response to an inquiry as to "whether the plan would supersede subdivision deed restrictions," he was quoted as responding: "Yes."

It is customary in these United States for the courts, when properly requested by a party to that specific agreement, to enforce a Deed Restriction so long as it does not contravene public policy on such matters as civil rights, moral turpitude, health, safety, etc. It is true that the Lee County Commission has shied away from such enforcement by insisting that the parties settle

through the costly and time-consuming civil court machinery. That attitude is not based on any specific provision in Florida's laws as our City Attorney advised in response to my recent specific query at a public meeting of the Planning Commission.

The above-mentioned court custom goes back to the days when "zoning" by governmental action was a rarity, and contractual Deed Restrictions were the accepted medium for neighbors to insure continuing compatibility in the use of their lands. The emergence of "zoning" as the modern tool for that purpose has been spotty throughout the Nation. Texas, for instance, still relies heavily on enforcement by local governments of acceptable Deed Restrictions instead of establishing zoning regulations and a bureaucracy to administer them. (It is that practice that has mislead Lee County Commissioner Goldtrap into believing that the City of Houston is not concerned with land use planning and control).

You may wish to belatedly report my recent suggestion to the Planning Commission that the enforcement of Sanibel's land-use regulations defer to a valid and recorded Deed Restriction when the latter is more restrictive on such land use matters as lot sizes, set-backs, elevations, densities, etc. Council action on such rulings would obviously be needed.

-s-Paul A. Howe
Sanibel Island

To the Islander:

With the City of Sanibel collecting all of those franchise fees for doing nothing, I think I'll go someplace else and start me a city.

Sincerely
-s-John Peurifoy.

two-wheel roulette...
a deadly game



Register to vote today!

The Board of the Community Association announces that there will be voter registration today (Tuesday) at the Community House from 10 a.m. to noon and from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The purpose of the registration is to make sure that all new residents and residents who have not previously registered do so, since the books will be closed shortly for the Presidential primary on March 9.

CPOOS and Sayers tonight

The Concerned Property Owners of Sanibel (CPOOS) meet tonight, Jan. 13, at 7:30 at St. Michael's and All Angel's Church on Sanibel.

County Commissioner Dick Sayers will be the guest speaker. All CPOOSers are urged to attend!

Islander classified advertising

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

FOR SALE: Sanibel Arms West, Gulf and Tennis condominium. Spacious 2 bedroom, 2 bath apt. Large screened porch with beautiful gulf view. Decorator furnished with many extras. Will show at your convenience. THE KNUDSEN COMPANY, Realtor. 440 San Carlos Blvd., Fort Myers Beach. 463-9652, after hours, 472-2385.

FOR SALE

Two Lots on private road on Sanibel. Only 700 ft. from Gulf with access to beach via permanent easement. Lot 1: 90 x 120 ft. Lot 2: 111 x 110 ft. Buy one or both. \$18,000 per lot. Call 472-2621.

FOR SALE: 2 bedrooms, 2 baths or 1 bedroom and 1 bath and efficiency apartment, furnished home on pilings built 1974, value \$45,000, sell \$37,500 with terms, consider as part down payment in trade, new auto, commercial lot or ? Call 995-4269 or 995-5481, ext. 34.

WOODEN DOCKS

repaired or built to order. One year free guarantee. Also have barge to transport any material. Excellent reference furnished. Call 694-0980.

REAL ESTATE FOR RENT

FOR RENT

Woodbridge Apartments - Efficiencies and One Bedroom Units. Centrally located just off Periwinkle Way. \$170 and \$195 plus electricity, furnished. NO children. NO pets. Another development served by Executive Services, Inc. Realtor. Call

472-4195

FOR RENT: Home on Sanibel, completely furnished, 2 bedroom, 2 bath Michigan Home for two people. No pets. Available Oct. 18 for 5-6 months rental. Central air, color T.V. Private elevated sundeck, dock on canal. Monthly \$450. plus utilities. 472-2267.

FOR RENT: Completely furnished apt. available for season or yearly. Call Lou Niper, 995-5481 ext. 34.

HOUSE FOR RENT: Privately constructed, 1975 on lagoon, bordering incomparable Ding Darling Wilderness Sanctuary. Secluded bird observation decks. Sky-lighted interior. Now available. Original rental. \$500.00 weekly also season/annual lease. 4 bedroom, 4 bath, 2 levels. Furnished. No pets. (813) 472-4413 or (312) 943-4446. P.O. Box 305 Sanibel, Fla.

TOWN HOUSE FOR RENT
2 bedroom, 2 bath, furnished, pool, dock. Call 305-921-2935 or 305-921-1879.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

MERCHANDISE WANTED. Oriental rugs, any size, any condition. Paying top dollar. (1)-774-5194, Naples.

LOCKSMITH

Master Keying
Locks Opened
Deadbolts Installed
463-2752
Licensed & Bonded

WANTED: Used Outboard Motor - Johnson or Evinrude, 20 HP or 25 HP with cable controls and electric start wiring. Contact Blind Pass Marina (Mr. Johnson) 472-1020.

WANTED: Experienced salespersons needed. Full or part-time. 472-1198.

MAPS LICIT
ALLA HOTONE
STAG AROUSE
SOY FUR RUT
ANILINE TIRE
ANENT BEER
GAD RED
BLIP REEDS
RIT SENSATE
ASS LAD NER
ITALIC EGER
DEFECT PELE
SNEAK TRED

SERVICES

REMO (RIP) GABACCIA
PLUMBING CONTRACTOR
LICENSED-INSURED-BONDED
CAPTIVA 472-2518

FLORIDUS
LANDSCAPING DESIGN
MAINTENANCE
SPRINKLER SYSTEMS
481-2619 481-7323
481-6673

WINDOW WASHING DONE
RESIDENTIAL &
COMMERCIAL
481-7679

Custom Framing
done on premises
Island Arts
1554 Periwinkle Way
472-2893

HELP WANTED: Gasoline attendant wanted. Apply in person at Three Star, corner of Tarpon Bay & Palm Ridge Road, Sanibel.

SITUATION WANTED: Work wanted, part time or full time. Please call evenings, 939-2079.

answer to
crossword
on p. 6

WANTED: CONDOMINIUMS & COMMERCIAL LAWN MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS. We do it all-Call "ALL MAINTENANCE COMPANY"

542-4989

FOR SALE: Like new twin bedroom set and dresser, Florida styled, mattress & springs included. In addition, 400 power telescope! Now - \$80. Two Coleman lanterns \$25. each, good condition. One tape recorder \$35. Estero Island Beach Club. 463-2275.

Real Estate SALESMAN -WANTED- Experience in Construction and sale of new homes.

SURF REALTY
472-1549
REALTOR

MISC. FOR SALE

FOR SALE - Olds 98 Convertible 1962, full power. 472-2826.

FIBERGLASS, RESINS, POLYESTER, EPOXY, FOAM, FIBERGLASS CLOTH, MATS, ETC. EPOXY PAINTS, OVER 100 DIFFERENT ITEMS

Suncoast Fiberglass
2880 Palm Beach Blvd.
Ft. Myers 334-6127

Bring Ad - 10% Discount

RESOLUTIONS

Some are kept - some are broken! Resolve now to keep your promise to invest in our beautiful islands. We have homes on the beach, bay, canal or inland - prices starting at \$43,000 (inland). For a complete carefree life, see one of the fine condominium communities - prices starting in low \$30's - most have pool and tennis facilities. We also have a good choice of vacant lots for your custom built home.

Call us for an appointment to inspect a property to fit your desires.

Priscilla Murphy
REALTOR
Realty, Inc.

A generation plus of islands experience.

MAIN OFFICE
P.O. Box 57
Periwinkle Way, Sanibel Island
472-1511

BRANCH OFFICE:
Causeway Road 472-4121

FORD

See
TOM LANTERMAN
OR
AL LAPPA

for new or used cars or trucks
for any budget

-- WILL DELIVER --

SAM GALLOWAY FORD

Fort Myers, Florida

936-2193

BEAUTIFUL LOCATION

on Sanibel River. 3 bedroom, 2 bath on approximately ¾ acre... heavily wooded. Realistically Priced Under **\$60,000.**

Wyman B. Atkins, Jr., Realtor

Reg. Real Estate Broker

1473 Periwinkle Way 813-472-2194 or evenings 472-2901



Don't miss
the boat

Subscribe now to the Sanibel-Captiva ISLANDER
the original little paper which really gets around!

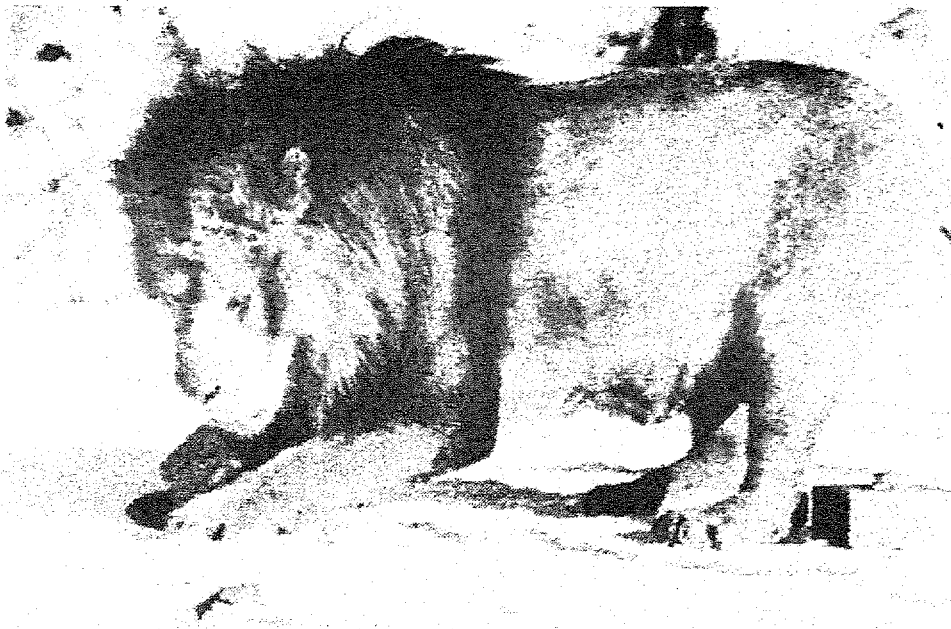
- \$5.00 Check enclosed for year's subscription
- Bill Me

NAME

ADDRESS

CITY & STATE..... ZIP

Mail this coupon to the ISLANDER, P.O. Box 3, Sanibel, FL. 33957



this BIG cat tries to figure out what snow's for
— basically, it's NOT for the islands




Welcome to
Sanibel & Captiva,
our Beautiful Islands!

While you are here, a visit to
our offices will inform you
about homes and homesites,
condominiums, acreage, Gulf
and Bay frontage and businesses.
Or, write for island information:

Priscilla Murphy
Realty, Inc.

Priscilla A. Murphy, Chairman
Stanley E. Johnson, Jr., President

Main Office: P.O. Box 57
Periwinkle Way, Sanibel Island 472-1511
Branch Office: Causeway Road 472-4121

SHOP WHERE
THE NATIVES SHOP

seahorse shop

A COMPLETE LINE
OF RESORT WEAR AND GIFTS

AT THE LIGHTHOUSE END OF SANIBEL

close at 5:30 each evening

BARGAIN



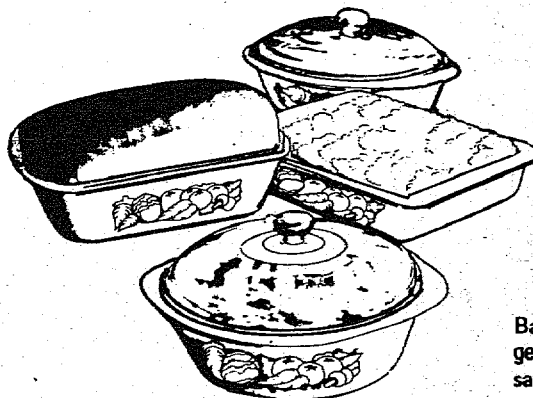
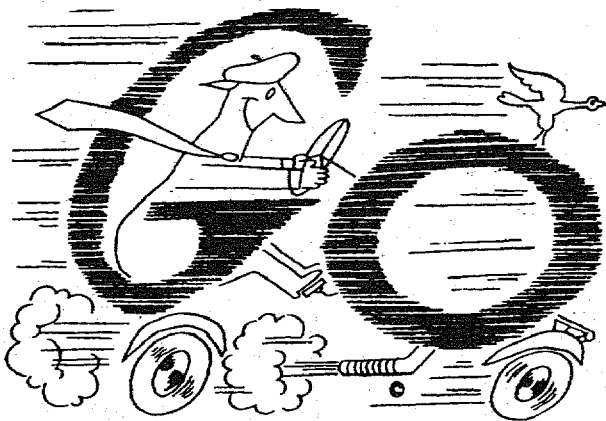
of the MONTH

"POTLUCK"

7-Pc. Bake 'n Serve Set

now **7⁷⁷**

Glasbake



Bake in it, serve with it, store leftovers in the refrigerator! Each piece is ovenproof and dishwasher safe. White with colorful vegetable design. Get 2-qt. and 1-qt. covered casseroles, deep loaf pan, long baking dish, and 8" square cake pan. PL-7

BAILEY'S GENERAL STORE

in Island Shopping Center, corner of Periwinkle & Tarpon Bay Roads

Serving Sanibel & Captiva Islands since 1899

SANIBEL PACKING COMPANY

WESTERN UNION — WINE & COLD BEER — FILM DEVELOPING SERVICE

We Are Open 52 Weeks A Year To Serve You

Monday - Thursday 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday & Saturday 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Sunday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.