

## Captiva votes "no" to merger

In an overwhelming 80 per cent response to a straw ballot sponsored by the Captiva Civic Association, Captivians voted better than three-to-one against pursuing a proposed merger with the City of Sanibel, in reenactment of a similar event which transpired just prior to Sanibel's incorporation in 1974.

The majority sentiment on the issue was plainly apparent long before the final vote was tallied last Friday af-

ternoon, as the reiterant sound of "No...No...No..." echoed through the near-empty Civic Center, where a five-man tabulating committee appointed by the Civic Association's board of directors was gathering to count the returns.

Jack Scott and Richard Angle intoned the "Yea's" and "Nay's" of the informal ballot circulated by the Civic Association for the pens of vote-

counters Eugene Rochow and Mrs. Carl Wightman to record, while committee chairman Cadman Hislop scrutinized the proceedings Friday afternoon.

By about 4:00 p.m., their chore was accomplished and the Association's board of directors was already

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## Arts and Crafts Fair



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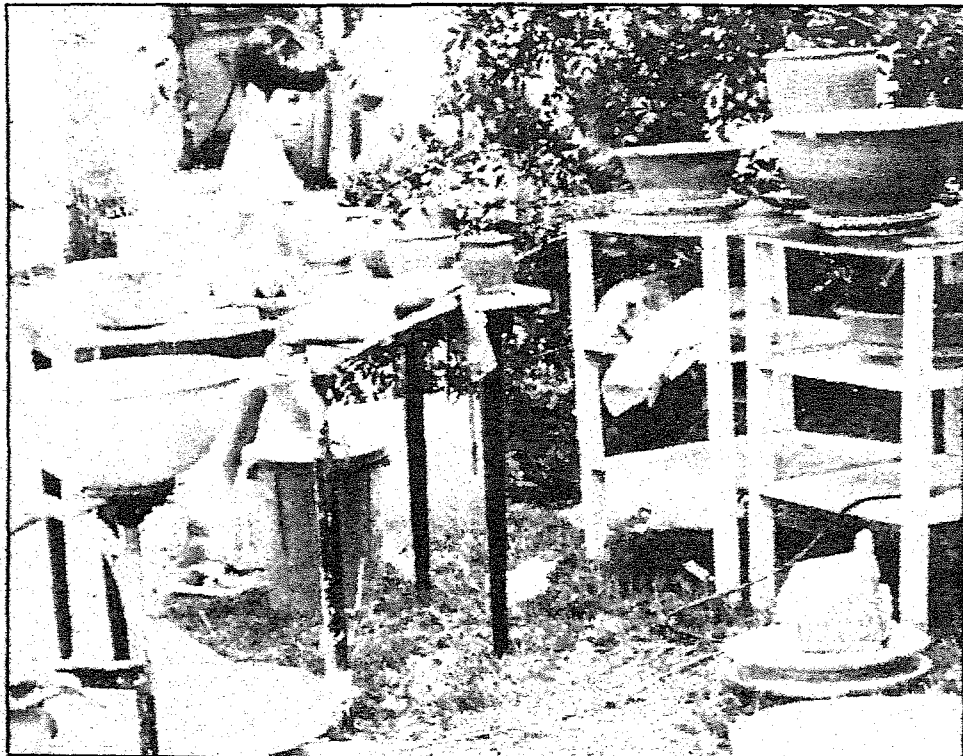
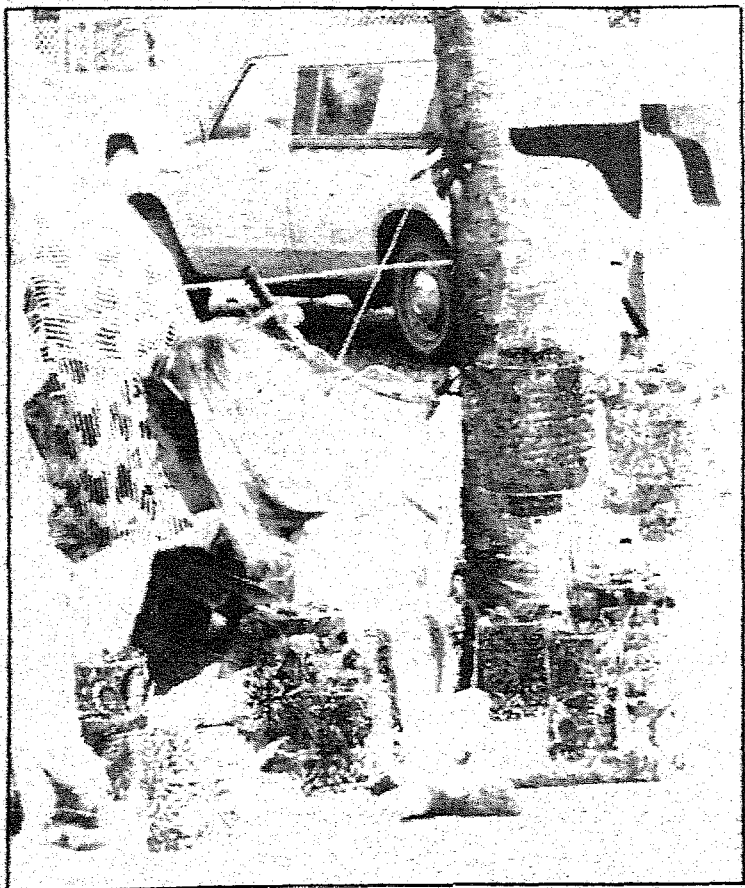
The first weekend in February there is — and has been for the past six years — a natural phenomenon on Sanibel: the Arts and Crafts Fair. This year was no exception — the only difference being in the success of the event itself. From rather humble beginnings in 1971 when Harriet Howe, Jean Danyes and John Cook came up with the idea of an arts and crafts fair to raise money for the Library, it, too, has come a long way baby. This year's Fair had almost 6000 visitors and grossed in the vicinity of \$12,000, estimated Fair Treasurer Larry Snell. (This compares with gross receipts last year of \$8500.)

Putting on a successful Fair is no small undertaking. "Harriet Howe and her committee began with a good deal

of trepidation, six years ago," said Paul Howe, "but that first year, they soon ran out of trepidation — and crafts — very quickly." They had no idea it would be so successful. Snell estimated that about 1500 man hours, all volunteered, went into this year's Fair.

What did the customers think? "Terrific," I wish I had gotten here sooner," said Mr. and Mrs. Millican of Denver. Helene Edmunds of Sanibel praised it also saying that, in her opinion, the Fair was "Superb. Absolutely superb. Beautifully run,

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# Assistant City Manager begins work here



Tom Locker started work last week in City Hall as Assistant to the City Manager.

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Thirty-three-year-old Thomas Locker reported for work last Monday at Sanibel City Hall to become the newest full-time employee on the growing city staff.

As Assistant to the City Manager, Locker will be called upon to perform a variety of duties dealing with city planning, budgeting, correspondence, and other related administrative tasks. As soon as Locker becomes thoroughly familiarized with the intricacies of Island government, he will be empowered to make recommendations to City Manager Bill Nungester as to how the administrative

process in Sanibel City Hall might be streamlined, with an eye ultimately to conserving city revenues.

In this, he will be working closely with the city manager and other department heads to sort out the work overload that has been accumulating in city hall over the past few months.

Locker comes to Sanibel highly qualified for the job which awaits him. After serving in the United States Air Force, he worked for the Chemical Bank of New York as senior management trainee, for the Petrobras International government oil monopoly in Brazil, for the State of Florida, and

most recently as Deputy Comptroller to the board of county commissioners in Orange County, Florida.

Locker earned his Bachelors degree in Political Science from West Virginia University and a Masters degree in public Policy from the Florida Technological University.

Incidentally, Locker speaks Portuguese fluently and understands both Spanish and French, having spent his early years on the Island of Aruba in the Netherlands West Indies and in Rio de Janeiro, where his father was employed by the Exxon Corporation. Locker first became in-

terested in Sanibel in February of 1974 and eventually applied for a job in the city government.

"I came down here for the first time last July and drove around and just fell in love with the area," he told The ISLANDER last week.

"I'm very much impressed with the friendliness of the people on Sanibel," he continued. "It's one of the Island's most distinguishing characteristics."

After receiving word of his appointment to the post last month, Locker moved to Sanibel, where he resides at the Captain's Walk Condominium on East Gulf Drive.

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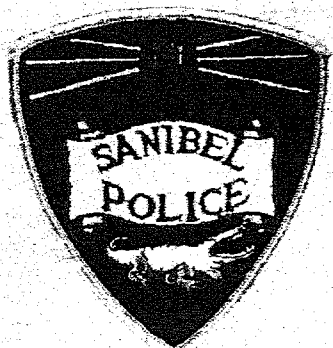
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# police reports



Complainant called station to request an officer to direct traffic as there was a power line down on the road and his crews could effect no repairs.

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Complainant called to report that dogs in the neighborhood had overturned his garbage cans during the night. He stated that he thought he knew the owner of the dogs.

S.P.D. officer followed up the complaint and found dog owner out of town temporarily.

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While on routine patrol, S.P.D. officer noticed young male riding dirt bike on city road at excessive speed. On spying S.P.D., suspect fled into wooded area.

Officer gave chase and eventually apprehended the suspect, who turned out to be a juvenile and was issued a warning.

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Island visitor called to report B & E auto, at the public beach access parking facility on Tarpon Bay Road. They claimed that an

instamatic camera, a purse and a wallet containing money and credit cards had been stolen from the car in a space of about 15 minutes.

S.P.D. is continuing to investigate the occurrence, which involved the theft of over 100 pounds in English currency.

Anyone coming in contact with person or persons trying to exchange English currency is urged to notify S.P.D. immediately, as the city does not wish to jeopardize its excellent diplomatic detente with the City of Dublin, Ireland.

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Complainant called to report 30 or 40 vehicles parked directly beneath a large "No Parking" sign on Gulf Drive.

Investigation of the complaint revealed that an Island resident was having a party and had insufficient parking space to accommodate his guests.

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S.P.D. officer issued traffic ticket to young adult male driving at 49 mph in a 35 mph zone.

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Officer discovered door to Island business unlocked at

2:55 a.m. one morning, and was unable to secure the door as the lock required a key.

When attempts to reach the store owner proved fruitless, officer left a note.

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Officer found local gas station insecure late one night, with pumps turned on, gas hoses left on ground, and doors open to service shed on premises.

Call to owner revealed that meters had been read that night, and owner came in person to secure the station, instructing the officer to "gas up" in the meantime if need be.

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Officer issued speeding ticket to Island resident for driving too fast for conditions.

Poor devil will have to pay a fine.

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Complainant found three twenty-dollar American Express checks which didn't belong to him.

S.P.D. attempts to locate the owner were in vain.

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Elderly complainant called to report a disturbance of the peace in his neighborhood which is a great nuisance to his wife who is ill.

S.P.D. contacted the leasee of the premises from which the disturbance originated and advised same that he would be arrested if the disturbance is repeated.

Members of the department have been directed to take action upon a repeat of the complaint and observation of the violation.

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S.P.D. received a complaint of construction crews parking illegally near an

Island building site.

Investigation revealed that the work on the building was almost complete and that no further parking problems were anticipated.

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Complainant came to the station to report the loss of one hub cap while driving along Sanibel-Captiva Road.

An intensive search to recover the lost hub cap has turned up nothing but insects and mud. Complainant was not overly enthusiastic with the results.

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A responsible citizen brought a pair of prescription sunglasses he had found to S.P.D. for return to the owner. Glasses were found in the vicinity of Punta Ybel Plaza at Sanibel's east end.

The lost item is currently in S.P.D.'s evidence locker, waiting to be claimed.

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Complainant phoned station to report dogs running loose in neighborhood overturning garbage cans.

S.P.D. called the residence of the reported owner of the dogs, who was not at home at the time. Someone else at the house volunteered to confine the waywardly pets.

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Complainant called station at 2:15 a.m. to report yelling neighbors who refused to tone it down.

Upon arriving at the scene, officer found male subject sitting on a porch, drinking beer and laughing. He complied with officer's advice that he retire to the quiet confines of his house and shut up.

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Late one evening, a complainant phoned S.P.D.

to report that a young female adult had entered her store to ask for help, as the young lady had been beaten up by her boyfriend during an argument.

Officer was dispatched to the scene to find the young woman with one eye beginning to turn black and blue. She declined to file charges against her boyfriend and resolved to spend the night elsewhere.

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Complainant phoned S.P.D. on Call Box No. 17 to report that someone was shooting at pelicans in the vicinity.

The patrolman dispatched to the scene found a young man shooting at targets on his own property, with no pelicans in sight.

Apparently, pelicans are gunshy.

+++++ Patrolman issued a speeding ticket to a young man apprehended while driving 50 mph in a 30 mph zone.

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Complainant called to report lights on in a house that has been vacant for some time, thinking there may have been a prowler.

Upon investigation, officers found only an Island realtor trying to sell the house by showing it to prospective customers.

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Complainant called to request an ambulance for a male who had passed out while dining at a local restaurant.

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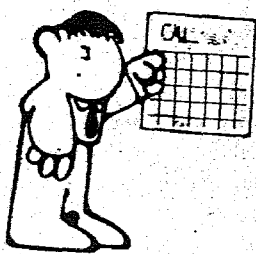
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## things to do

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

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**MUSEUM** - the Odyssey Museum of Miniature Americana 1554 Periwinkle Way, 472-1786.

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## 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 COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION, IC.** - Sanibel Community house, 1st Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

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## fraternal groups

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**SANIBEL PLANNING COMMISSION** meets every Monday at 9:30 a.m. at Sanibel City Hall, unless special meetings are called. The public is invited.

**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.

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Daily ..... 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.

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Sunday School

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(3rd thru 8th grades) ..... 10:15 a.m.

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

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# Town meetings still planned:

## Lee County electric to be discussed

The Committee of the Islands' (COTI) plan for New England-style "town meetings" to be held on Sanibel is still active, according to COTI President Harrison Wilson Smith, although it is not likely that the first in their proposed series of public forums on Island problems will be held much before the middle of next month.

After abandoning their original plans for the first town meeting to be held on January 26 because of what Smith called "a lack of communication" between the various individuals involved in the program, the COTI board of directors met last Monday to sort out the confusion which surrounded the agenda for the first meeting and to reschedule the controversial forum for another date.

The soonest the first town meeting can be held is in either early or mid-March, Smith reported, because of a wide variety of civic events and gatherings scheduled for the Sanibel Community House in the weeks ahead. The Community House, where the proposed town meetings are to be held, is not available for the undertaking until at least the completion of this year's Shell Fair, Smith said.

The COTI board also discussed the agenda for the first town meeting last week and arrived at some tentative decisions, according to Smith.

In response to a request from Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss, the board agreed to sponsor a discussion of the Islands' problems with the Lee County Electric Cooperative at the first town meeting.

Many Islanders have become increasingly disappointed with the service provided by the Co-op and the frequent power outages experienced on the Islands, as well as the fact that the Islands have no representative on the board of directors of the power company which serves Sanibel and Captiva.

Because of the remoteness of the Co-op's main offices and facilities on Pine Island, repairs to damaged power lines across Pine Island Sound have on occasion been slow in coming during blackouts, causing obvious headaches and rising costs of equipment maintenance for Island businessmen, Island utilities which are powered by Co-op electricity, and for the city government. In recent months, officials of the city government and Island Water Association, along with other concerned Islanders, have met with Homer Welch of the Co-op in an amicable effort to talk the situation out.

Among other measures to improve service to the Islands, Island officials have requested that the Co-op install subaqueous transmission cables in Pine Island Sound to serve as a secondary source of energy, and that overhead lines be double-circulated to improve load capacities of the system. The city has offered to assist the Co-op in investigating outside funding sources to effect the proposed improvements.

According to Mayor Goss, Homer

Welch approached him and asked Goss to arrange a meeting where Welch can be present to discuss the Co-op's problems with the Island public. As the town meeting concept was suggested by Goss in the first place, the mayor passed Welch's request along to the COTI board, which agreed last Monday to schedule the discussion for the first town meeting.

A few of Goss's fellow councilmen were not as enthusiastic as the mayor last Tuesday about the presentation of the Co-op problem in the town meeting format.

"We might be leaning on a very weak stick to depend on COTI," said Councilman Duane White, "Because of their past track record."

Councilman Francis Bailey agreed with White and suggested that the Sanibel Community Association might be a better forum for the discussion because of the Community Association's non-political leanings. As the Co-op problem hasn't reached the stage where the city should step in, in the mayor's opinion, the council took no action to prevent this preliminary discussion from taking place in the town meeting.

"Other agenda items for the first town

meeting have not yet been decided," Smith told the ISLANDER last week, although it is likely that the first meeting will feature a discussion on the problems involved with funding a massive capital improvements program contemplated by the city for the years ahead, he added.

A discussion of city finances had originally been slated for the town meeting which was to have been held on January 26, along with a discussion of law enforcement on the Islands which Smith did not think would be featured on the agenda for the meeting to be held in March.

However, some time will probably be set aside at the first town meeting for the discussion of any problems which might be troubling Islanders, Smith reported. The board's intent here is to limit the town meetings to about two hours in length so as to render the discussion interesting to the general public, according to Smith.

"That's the line of our thinking right now," he said.

The COTI board is scheduled to meet again on February 21 to decide upon a date for the first town meeting, with an improvement in the program's coordination expected this time around.

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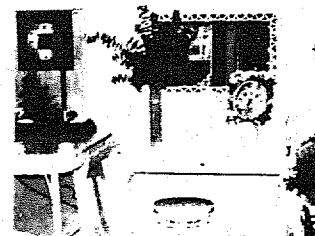
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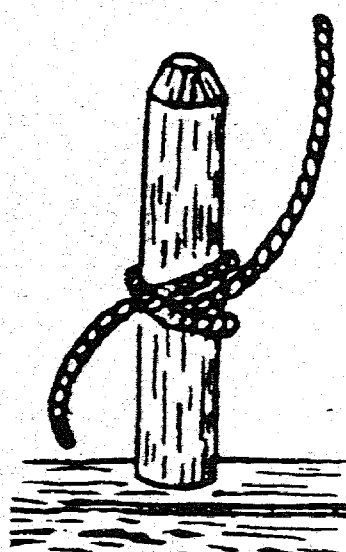


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# Amendment process revised

Sanibel residents whose requests for city development permits entail their getting either a specific or general amendment to the city's comprehensive land use plan are in for a bit of a delay in the process from here on out, City Manager Bill Nungester revealed last week.

Because of the labyrinthine legal interplay involving the requirements of the City Charter, Local Government Comprehensive Planning Act of 1975, and a new State law, two months from the date of filing an application in City Hall is the soonest one can expect a ruling on a specific amendment in those cases where the proposed work does not conform to the land use plan, Nungester told the city council last Tuesday.

In a memorandum to the council, Nungester outlined the administrative steps to be followed in processing specific amendments to the plan pursuant to all applicable laws. The new procedure to obtain a variance from the plan's provisions includes a pre-hearing before the planning department, a hearing before the planning commission, two hearings before the city council, a delay of between 44 and 88 days for public notice and due legal process, and a formidable amount of paper work for the relatively small but growing city staff.

Thus, the new administrative procedure is both cumbersome to Island developers and costly to city taxpayers.

The renovation of the city's planning process was the result of an intensive "house-cleaning" effort involving the

city manager, city attorney, and city planning director—a task begun over a month ago, when the council recognized the gravity of the work overload in City Hall and that their former method of giving public notice for planning matters might have done serious damage to the plan itself.

To comply with State requirements governing public notice for planning changes, the city will hereafter publish a calendar of hearings each week in local newspapers to inform the public of ongoing planning processes in the city. According to Nungester's memorandum, this calendar will be updated weekly to reflect cancellations and continuations of hearings.

Because of requirements set forth in the city's charter, the plan can only be amended by an act of equal legal weight. City Attorney Neal Bowen informed the council last Tuesday. As the plan was enacted by ordinance, all amendments to the plan must also be adopted in ordinance form, necessitating two hearings before the city council, which can be held no sooner than 30 days and no later than 60 days apart.

The processing of a general amendment to the land use plan will take at least 75 days under the new State law, according to Nungester, in that proposed general amendments must be reviewed by state, county and regional planning agencies before they can be acted upon by the city council.

The council last week approved Nungester also suggested that the council hear requests for general amendments only three times each year, although the council took no final

action on the proposal.

For Islander Sam Price, whose request for city permits to install decorative fencing around the parking lot of his Casa del Mama Restaurant on Periwinkle Way requires a specific amendment to the plan's requirements for commercial yard setbacks, the new planning processes mean that the winter tourist season will be over by the time he is able to make the desired minor improvement to his business.

Price appeared before the council last Tuesday to plead his case, but because of the required 30-day delay between hearings, his petition won't get a final hearing and possible approval until 3:00 p.m. on March 15.

The first request for a general amendment to the plan, that of Quinton B. McNew for permission to sell the lots in the Little Lake Murex Subdivision as originally platted, will not come to a hearing before the council for an indefinite period of time, although the council passed a resolution last week to forward McNew's application to the appropriate state, regional and county planning agencies for review.

Other requests for specific amendments heard by the council last Tuesday included that of:

—Donald J. Anderson for a waiver of the plan's coastal construction setback line to construct a single-family home on a lot to the south of Gulf Drive in the Tradewinds Subdivision;

—Dale Beatty for a waiver of the Permitted Uses Map accompanying the plan to construct a commercial development to the north of Periwinkle Way directly across from Periwinkle Place Shopping Center;

—John R. Goode for a waiver of the Permitted Uses Map to construct a one-unit commercial development to the south of Periwinkle Way one-hundred feet west of the entrance to Periwinkle Trailer Park;

—Nancy Z. McNamara for a waiver of the Permitted Uses Map to permit a commercial use on a lot directly across Casa Ybel Road from the Bank of the Islands in the Lagoon Estates Subdivision;

—Robert R. Hollopeter and David G. Thompson on behalf of Outer Island Development Corporation for a waiver of the plan's provisions governing residential densities to a permit a density of two units per acre on a 3.55-acre parcel of land located to the north of the Ocean's Reach Condominiums off of Camino del Mar Drive.

After some discussion, the council appointed Vice-Mayor Zee Butler to head a city "fact-finding team" to investigate the latter amendment request, after agreeing that Outer Island Development Corporation's request was a genuine "transition case" because of the issuance of Lee County building permits for the project prior to the city's incorporation in November of 1974.

Patricia Daniel, a resident of the Ocean's Reach area, presented the council with a petition signed by more than fifty per cent of the area's residents and property owners in opposition to Outer Island's request.

The council scheduled second and final hearing on all of the proposed specific amendments listed above for the afternoon of March 15.

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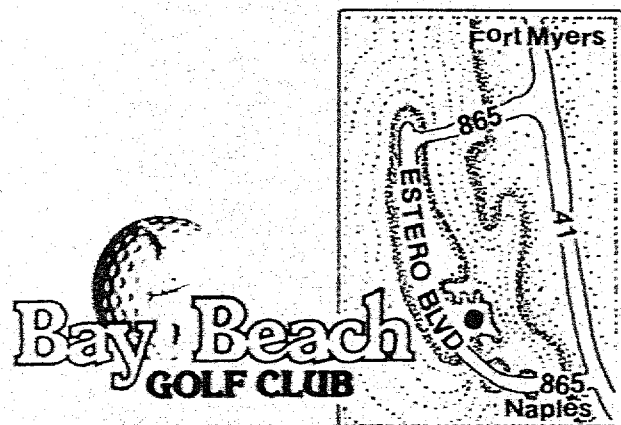
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## More police reports

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declined to accept assistance or transportation to a hospital.

shed any light on the mystery.

An investigation of the matter is continuing.

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A young female adult called to report a grand larceny of \$330.00 of her money from a Sanibel residence where she had been staying temporarily.

A number of persons who were known to have entered the house just before the money was discovered missing were contacted by S.P.D., although none could

Lee County Sheriff called to report two children missing in the waters around Sanibel in a small inflatable life raft. The children were last seen wearing lifejackets and were reported to have been missing for over two hours.

S.P.D. conducted a search of the area and turned up the two hapless youngsters, still in the raft.

# Hosts and hostesses needed for Shell Fair

Men and women are still needed to act as hosts and hostesses for the upcoming Shell Fair, to be held this year from Thursday, March 3, through Sunday, March 6.

Anyone and everyone wishing to volunteer their services are invited to call Mrs. William Krueger, Chairman of the Hostess

Committee for the Fair, at 472-2826.

"We need both men and women very badly," said Mrs. Krueger last week, "especially so as we're having two extra evenings and a Sunday showing this year which we've never had before."

"We would like to get as

many men to serve as hosts as possible, to break up the monotony and to lend their commanding presence to the festivities," she quipped.

But seriously, folks, both men and women are desperately needed to make this year's Shell Fair the success it has been in the past.

Although the pay for hosts and hostesses has never been too good, the job is a whale of a lot of fun and gives you the chance to meet many interesting people. What's more, you can help to make the biggest event of the year on the Islands even better!

## United Way Fund Drive over \$7,000 so far

Islander Jim Dvorin, Vice-Chairman of the Sanibel-Captiva United Way Fund Drive, reported last week that their residential drive on the Islands has already netted about \$7,000 for the United Way, as well as another \$1,000 or

thereabouts in pledges which have not yet been collected.

The Island fund-raisers held a United Way kickoff coffee for the businessmen of the Islands last Wednesday evening at the Bank of the Islands. Among those

local civic leaders who were on hand to boost the United Way cause were Bank of the Islands Executive Vice-President Jim Hermes, Island Chamber of Commerce President Mike Peceri, Barnett Bank Vice-President Gene Wirick, United Way Executive Director Dave Sherman, and Island United Way Chairman Keith Trowbridge.

"We're continuing to rap the drive up and hoping to

reach those who weren't home when our volunteer called in the very near future," said Vice-Chairman Dvorin last week. Dvorin expressed confidence that the Island fund drive would achieve its goal quite handily.

Those who missed seeing the local United Way volunteers are invited to send their tax deductible contributions to: United Way of Lee County, P.O. Box 1573, Fort Myers 33902.

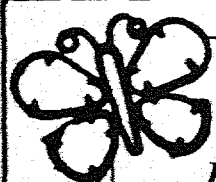
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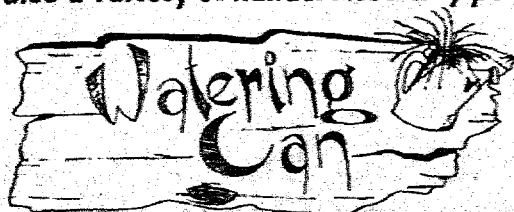
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For the Coming Week  
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**ARIES:** Romantic interests may become more important to you, and there will be confusing working conditions. Be patient with an older person regarding a family related matter.

**TAURUS:** Conflicts can swell all out of proportion now. Any parties you host should go very well however. A modest improvement in the income likely. Sleep could be a problem.

**GEMINI:** A short trip is likely. You may overexaggerate statements, or spend money extravagantly, or sign a document that you may later regret. Local visiting may prove disappointing.

**CANCER:** Home beautification plans are indicated, and your creative urges may find expression in design and decor. Don't forget to be careful of your personal possessions.

**LEO:** You could well make financial gain through a property deal. Also restrain impulsive accusations or you could break an important partnership or friendship. Stress tact and patience.

**VIRGO:** The assets of another will be shifted to serve your interests. You should change your mind about an important personal matter. Find the solution to the problem rather than running away.

**LIBRA:** Give priority to your health now, and avoid the problems of others. You are going to be around some very emotional people who will try to involve you in their problems.

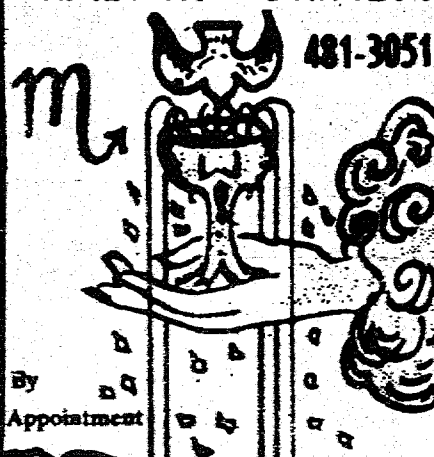
**SCORPIO:** Travel likely, partly pleasure and partly business. Opportunity for expansion will come whether you take advantage of it or not. This is not the time to overextend.

**SAGITTARIUS:** Be willing to alter your plans, especially concerning persons who are a distance away from you. Friends can be very helpful in promotional schemes. Plan an enjoyable evening.

**AQUARIUS:** Some difficulties concerning plumbing or a home appliance is likely. This is not the time to go shopping however. Turn on the charm and personal matters will fall into place.

**PISCES:** There will be extra activity in your working surroundings, and you will get extra help there, whether you need it or not. A new diet or exercise program can be very beneficial for you now.

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## Island Weather

The Islands' weather for last week yielded the following interesting statistics, which were compiled by Walter Klie of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce weather bureau at Sanibel's east end:

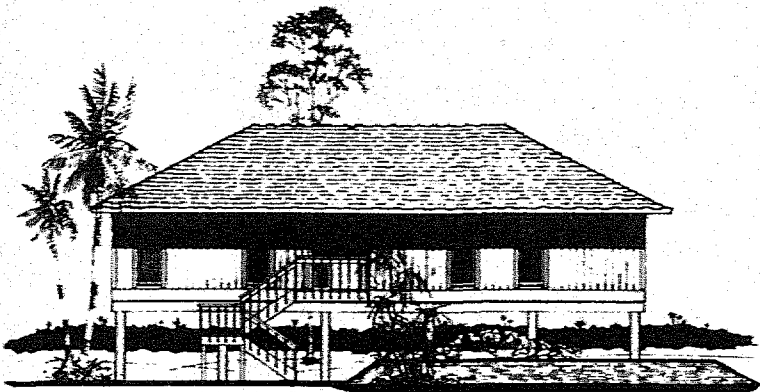
DATE	HI	LO	RAINFALL (Inches)
January 28	69	60	.37
January 29	69	62	.13
January 30	(No reading taken)		
January 31	68	44	.07
February 1	62	42	None
February 2	62	50	None
February 3	72	49	None

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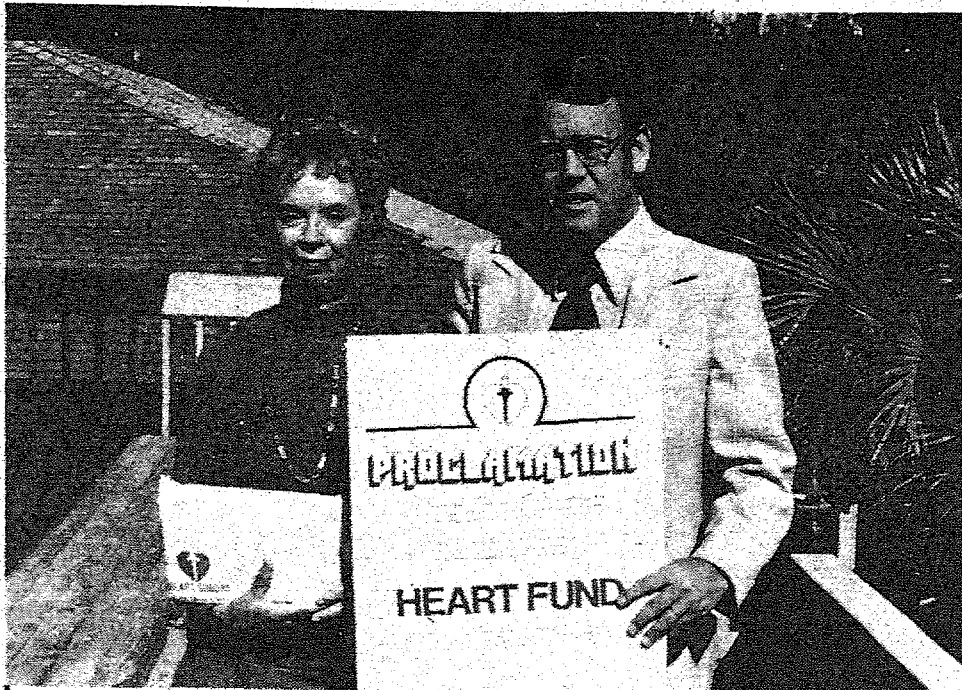
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Lee County Heart Association Chairman Lee Hutchinson (right) and Sanibel's Priscilla Murphy Shelski (left) announced the kickoff of an Island Heart Fund drive last week. Mrs. Shelski will be heading up the fund-raising campaign on the Islands.

# February declared Heart Month

At last Tuesday's city council meeting, Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss issued a proclamation declaring the month of February as "Heart Month" in the city and encouraged all of his fellow Islanders to support the local Heart Association's fund drive which is currently underway.

Islanders Mrs. Elizabeth Pollock and Mrs. George Morel will be assisting with the Island fund drive, according to Mrs. Shelski, with a door-to-door and telephone campaign slated to begin within the next week or two.

Public contributions to the Heart Fund make the fight against heart disease possible, as well as supporting the Heart Association's numerous research programs.

Lee Hutchinson, President of the Lee County Heart Association, was present to receive the proclamation and to thank Mayor Goss for his support.

Mayor Goss personally offered a contribution to the Heart Fund, which was appreciatively accepted by Priscilla Murphy Shelski, who will be heading up the fund-raising drive on the Islands.

According to Hutchinson, the local Heart Association plans this year to offer a free course in Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation at Lee Memorial Hospital with funds collected in the current drive. This course in valuable lifesaving techniques will be open to all Lee Countians.

## Islanders to attend interval ownership conference

Keith W. Trowbridge, President of Casuarina Corporation and Developer of Sanibel Beach Club, the area's first and most successful interval ownership condominium resort on Sanibel Island has been appointed to the faculty of the Resort Timesharing Conference '77.

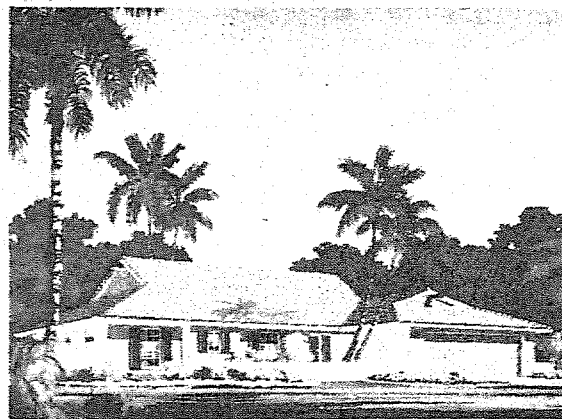
The conference, to be held February 13 and 14 at Stouffer's Atlanta Inn in Atlanta, Georgia, will host over two hundred of the leading developers of interval ownership and timesharing resorts from the free world. Also attending the conference will be local, State and Federal representatives involved in the legislation of this, the fastest growing segment of the travel-vacation industry.

Trowbridge will conduct

seminar classes regarding the development of the interval ownership mode of timesharing. Other faculty members, including the Assistant Attorney General from the State of Florida will conduct other classes ranging in subjects from marketing to legislation and finance.

Trowbridge will be accompanied to the Resort Timesharing Conference, which is co-hosted by the CHB Company and the American Land Development Association, by two other officers of Casuarina Corporation: Mr. Anthony Neuser, Vice President and Treasurer of the firm, and John U. Hill, the Director of Marketing and President of the Upsall Corporation, a creative services and marketing consulting firm based on Sanibel Island.

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## Barbara Hill demonstrates the venerable art

The sixth renewal of the Sanibel Arts and Crafts Fair was fortunate to host a number of talented master craftsmen and exhibitors as well as a dazzling display of original artwork. Eminent among the creative spirits taking part in the gala event was one Barbara Anderson Hill, who has applied her talents and energies to the venerable art of ceramics.

A veteran of various art and craft festivals in Dade County, and twice president of the Ceramic League of Miami, Barbara's enthusiasm as she prepared her materials for exhibition at the Sanibel Arts and Crafts Fair offered assurance that the local extravaganza would indeed be bigger and better than every.

The day before the much anticipated event we were afforded the privilege of observing Barbara as she crafted some new articles of stoneware. Fascinated with her mastery of this age old art, we have chosen to take this opportunity to pass along some of the finer points involved in the clay craft.

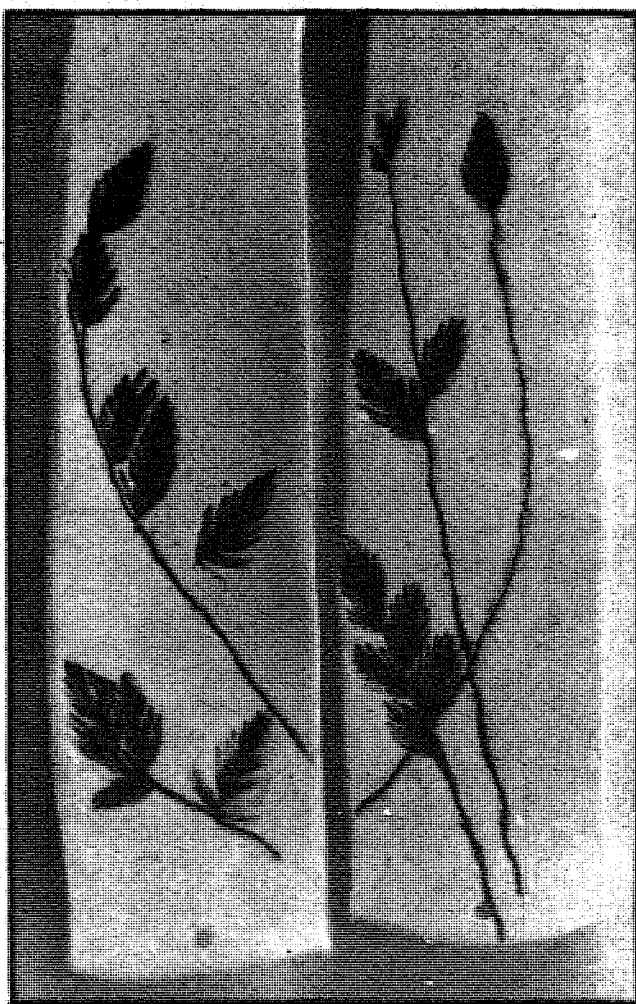
The initial step in the creation of any of a number of items collectively referred to as stoneware involves physically beating the chosen lump of clay. The

beating process, actually called "wedging" by insiders, serves to rid the clay of air bubbles, which could prove to be slightly explosive when the clay is fired. Wedging further aids in accomplishing a fairly even distribution of moisture within your lump of clay, the reason for which completely evades us at this time.

Anyhow, upon completing the rigors of wedging, there's a variety of good isometric exercises involved in the process," says Barb. Barbara takes careful aim and ever so rudely plops the lump of clay onto the center of the bat. The bat we are speaking of here is a disk of pressed wood which fits on the potter's wheel and facilitates transportation of the clay. Bats may, in fact, be composed of a variety of materials as long as they fit on the wheel and allow you to carry your object d'art around without getting fingerprints in it.

At this point Barbara centers the mass of clay, puts the potter's wheel in motion by pressing a pedal switch, and as the lump spins about she carefully forms her hands around it and deftly molds the lump into a cone of sorts. Spinning between practiced hands the cone gradually becomes taller and thinner.

Gracefully pressing her



delicate fingers into the center of the mushy clay Barbara transforms the cone into a smooth cylinder. Thus is explained that age old mystery, "How did they get the hole in the middle of it?"

Next, using fingers, sponges or any of a variety of insidious looking devices

our featured artisan carefully applies the tool of her choice to the clay and forms the neck and lip of the pot. Bear in mind that all the while this is going on, the clay is spinning madly about on the wheel and even the slightest touch will result in a series of rings on your pot. It is important at this point to keep the clay well lubricated with water to prevent your hands from dragging across it. Frequent splashes of water will facilitate the gentle caressing motion that means so much to your pot.

Having created the desired texture on the surface of the pot Barbara now moves the object of her attentions, using the bat mind you, to a nearby table where it may dry out in peace.

The dry ceramics will accept a variety of finishes, some of the more popular being paint, stain and glaze. The completely decorated pot is then fired in a kiln. The kiln is an oven of sorts and the firing process is not unlike baking.

Barbara has derived much of her knowledge and skills while studying both ceramics and sculpture at a number of schools and workshops. At present many of her works are on exhibit at Artisans Exchange, in Coral Gables, The Frog and the Fly at the Old Marine Marketplace in Naples, and at Island Arts on Sanibel Island.

Barbara, accompanied by her delightful children and distinguished husband, has recently established residence on Sanibel Island and is giving considerable thought to offering lessons in the ceramic arts.

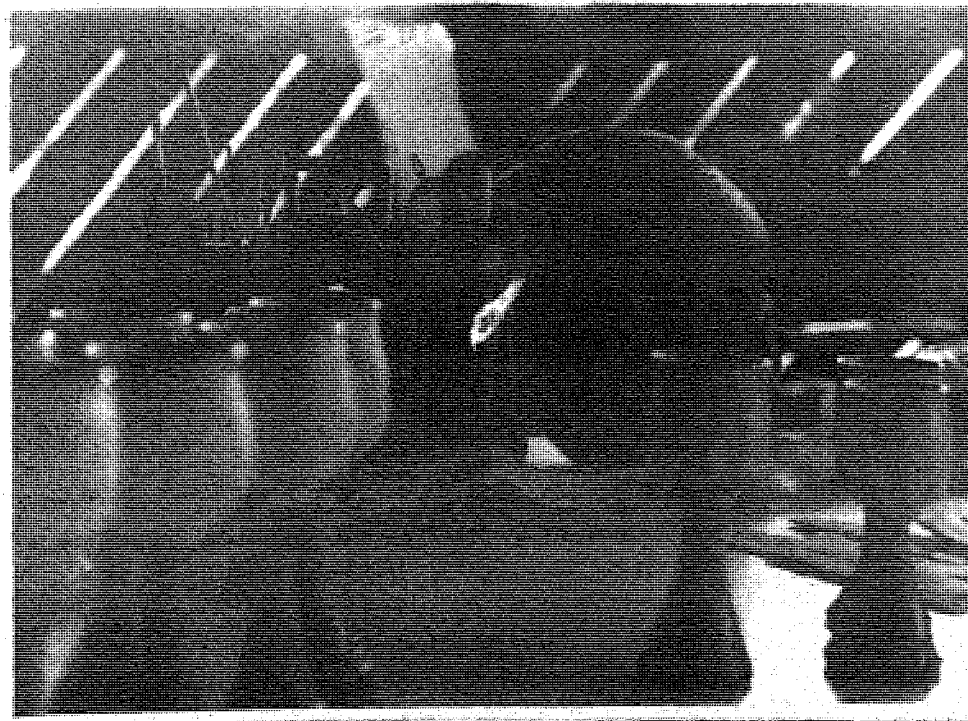
In addition to stoneware Barbara also creates objects out of porcelain. Porcelain, Barb has discovered, makes beautiful wind chimes which yield a particularly pleasing range of

sounds. Delicate impressions of sea oats, colored with red iron oxide, add considerable beauty to the chimes.

Although the ceramic art is ancient, Barbara delights in the fact that its numerous applications offer the opportunity for one to express creativity in a variety of ways as was so clearly displayed at Sanibel's own craft festival.

While the sixth annual occurrence of the Sanibel Arts and Crafts Fair is historic, the beauty, the pleasure, and the many ideas derived from it will carry on for years. And most certainly Barbara Hill's warmth, enthusiasm and talent will continue to be a welcome addition to our peerless island communities.

# of ceramics



# Islanders at work and play

## Bazire elected first Executive Director of ECOSWF

In its annual meeting held in Port Charlotte on January 29, the Environmental Confederation of Southwest Florida ECOSWF elected Sanibel's Roy E. Bazire to be its first Executive Director. Bazire was co-founder and first president of the organization, established in 1970 with the assistance of the Sanibel-Captiva Conservation Foundation, of which he was then Chairman of the Board.

ECOSWF is a coalition of environmentally concerned groups in Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, Lee and Collier counties. Its membership now includes 45 organizations, representing approximately 20,000 people.

An ECOSWF workshop session adopted a program for 1977-78, starting off with a regional session on March 26, on the state's Coastal Zone Management Plan. This will be conducted by the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council's Wayne Daltry, in cooperation with the Sierra Club and ECOSWF.

A series of local meetings on Coastal Zone Management will be conducted in each of the five counties served by ECOSWF this coming June under the auspices of the Regional Planning Council.

To promote action on ECOSWF's nomination of the Charlotte Harbor-Pine Island Sound Complex as a regional area of critical state concern ECOSWF will sponsor

a cruise of Pine Island Sound and Charlotte Harbor on April 30. All officials of the 12 county, city, and regional jurisdictions in the area will be invited.

Developing recommendations for additional acquisition and preservation of sensitive land and water areas in the region and formulating a set of policies and guidelines for the management of areas acquired, will be the focus of a meeting to be held on May 14.

A fall session slated for November will review and compare what has been done on existing comprehensive land use plans in the region. The year-long program will culminate in a regional planning conference designed to bring developments in the area to the attention of the public early in the winter of 1978.

During 1977, ECOSWF will also sponsor a "Survey of Land Use Patterns on Pine Island, Little Pine Island and the Mainland Adjacent to Matlacha Pass" in combination with a "Study of Archeological and Historical Sites of the Pine Island Sound Region." The dual project will be carried out under the direction of Dr. John Morrill, Director of Environmental Studies at the University of South Florida's New College in Sarasota.

Current research studies, including a Tidal Creek Survey of Southwest Florida, a Study of the Natural History of Cayo Costa, both by Dr. Morrill, and the Environmental Inventory of Southwest Florida, 1976 revision, by the Regional Planning Council, have been completed and will be available for distribution at the March meeting.

## Wegryn article to appear in "Medical Tribune"

Word has it that this week's issue of the "Medical Tribune," an international medical newspaper published weekly in a multitude of languages the world over, will feature an article by Dr. Stanley P. Wegryn, Director of the Wegryn Medical Clinic on Sanibel.

Dr. Wegryn's article, "Cryosurgery for Hemorrhoids," will appear under the heading of "In Consultation," a regular column in the publication.

Dr. Wegryn's work is based on over 200 cases where the operation was performed without anesthesia in his office. The article will discuss indications, contra-indications, and the techniques used in cryosurgery for hemorrhoids, according to Mrs. Wegryn.

## Islanders to attend Iowa alumni gathering

The second annual gathering of University of Iowa alumni living in the area between Punta Gorda and Naples will be held at the Naples Sailing and Yacht Club on Tuesday, February 22, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

A number of Islanders will be attending this meeting, among them Roy E. Bazire and Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Stanley, members of the University of Iowa Foundation Directors for the Naples-Port Myers area. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Heninger and Dr. and Mrs. Wayne K. Cooper of Sanibel have also been invited to attend the gathering.

University of Iowa President Willard L. Boyd will be guest of honor for the evening.

## Evan's relative named Alabama DA

Sanibel's Jim Evans reported last week that his nephew, James D. Evans, has been appointed to the office of District Attorney for the First Judicial Circuit of the State of Alabama.

The proud aunt and uncle, Jim and Helen Evans, reside on Rabbit Road, Sanibel.

## Island orchid growers take note!

Butterflies and Lady Slippers are orchids, too. You'll see these as well as the more

familiar Cattleyas and Vandas on Saturday and Sunday, February 12 and 13, at the Exhibition building in Terry Park.

The theme, "Orchid Pageant," ties this orchid show to the Edison Pageant of Light, making it one of the highlights of the pageant week when Lee County honors the great inventor.

The Palmetto Savings and Loan Bank is sponsoring the show, which is to be held from 2:00 until 9:00 p.m. on Saturday, and from 10:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m. on Sunday.

Added interest in this year's show should be inspired by corsages and arrangements made with orchids, as well as larger displays. Trophies will be awarded in each class of entries, as well as first, second, and third prize ribbons.

To enter the flower arrangement or corsage class one should call Mrs. James Snyder at 482-1268. To enter orchid plants call either Mrs. A.L. Chandler at 694-3755 or Mrs. Everett Link at 334-8533.

The Terry Park exhibition building will be open for staging and entries from 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. on Friday, February 11. All entries must remain in place for the duration of the show, or until 6:15 p.m. on Sunday.

Island residents involved in the show thus far include Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gemrich, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Borchers, Mr. and Mrs. Myron Klein, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Matthews.

## Visitor shoots hole-in-one at Dunes

Last Thursday, Tony Licate of Cleveland Heights, Ohio, scored an ace while golfing at the Dunes Country Club on Sanibel.

Licate played his hole-in-one shot with a number four iron, while playing the 168-yard fifth hole at the Dunes with Bill and Myrtle Finn.

Congratulations to Mr. Licate and a tip of the golf hat from The ISLANDER.

## For cabbage heads only

Islanders with a taste for swamp cabbage and parades will be happy to learn that the annual Swamp Cabbage Festival and Parade has been scheduled for February 25 through 27 this year.

The annual event is held in LaBelle.

## Arts and Craft Fair

beautiful products and very well managed." One of the highest commendations came from two Ft. Myers shop owners who recently exhibited in another Fair. Kathy Harney and Pamela O'Neil of What Knots both agreed that the crafts were truly unusual.

The craftsmen themselves were also pleased. Barb Hill, who exhibits both wheel and hand-built stoneware at The Island Art Shop, was also pleased with the way everything went this year, and, she added, I think there is enough interest to generate a three-day Fair, running Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Myrtle Weinstein loves being in the

Fair because "I meet so many nice people". She also felt that it could possibly be extended one more day.

The Sanibel Public Library gets a public support. It has currently over 500 dues-paying members, but you don't have to be a member to enjoy its offerings -- just a Lee County resident. Non-residents can also join with a small refundable deposit. Over 900 people now use the Library's facilities.

Based on the success of this year's fair, there will obviously be a seventh annual Sanibel Arts and Crafts Fair in 1978 that will be bigger, better and perhaps longer than ever.

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6:04 20-Sign On	Fri: "Sullivan's Empire," Martin Milner (1967)	1:00 11-The Young & The Restless
6:06 20-Spanish Newscast	Mon: Feb. 14: "Valley of Mystery," Richard Egan (1967)	20-The Gong Show
6:11 20-Gulf Coast Today	Tues: "Shenandoah," James Stewart (1965)	26-All My Children
6:15 20-The Lucy Show	10:00 11-Merv Griffin	11-As The World Turns
6:30 11-Morning Devotional	20-Sanford - Son	20-Days of Our Lives
6:35 11-F.Y.I.	10:30 20-Hollywood Squares	26-Family Feud
6:55 11-Spanish News	10:58 20-NBC News Minute	26-\$20,000 Pyramid
7:00 11-CBS Morning News	11:00 11-Double Dare	11-The Guiding Light
20-Today	20-Wheel of Fortune	20-The Doctors
26-Good Morning America	26-Can You Top This?	26-One Life To Live
7:25 11-Local News	11:30 11-Love of Life	20-NBC News Minute
20-Today in Florida	20-Shoot For The Stars	11-All In The Family
7:30 11-CBS Morning News	26-Happy Days	20-Another World
8:00 11-Captain Kangaroo	11:55 11-CBS News	26-General Hospital
8:25 20-Today in Florida	11:58 20-NBC News Minute	11-Match Game '77
9:00 11-Sesame Street	12 Noon 11-News Eleven	20-NBC News Minute
20-Donahue!	20-Name That Tune	11-Tattle Tales
26-Sunshine Showcase:	26-The Don Ho Show	20-Bewitched
Tues: "Sgt. Ryker" (1968)	12:30 11-Search For Tomorrow	26-Edge of Night
Wed: "A Matter of Innocence" (1968)	20-Lovers and Friends	11-Mike Douglas
Thurs: "The Pad (And How To Use It)" (1961)	26-Ryan's Hope	20-Hogan's Heroes
	12:58 20-NBC News Minute	26-Can You Top This?
		5:00 20-Emergency One
		26-Big Valley

tuesday - 6 p.m. on

6:00 11-News Eleven	8:00 11-Who's Who, when CBS News shows you the who and why.	20-Dean Martin's Celebrity Roast with Angie Dickenson as the Roastee.
20-Eyewitness News		25-Family
26-NewsScene		11:00 11-News Eleven
6:30 11-CBS News	20-Baa, Baa Black Sheep	20-Eyewitness News
20-NBC News	26-Happy Days	26-NewsScene
26-ABC News	8:30 26-Laverne & Shirley	
7:00 11-David Niven	9:00 11-M.A.S.H.	11:30 11-CBS Late Show
20-Adam 12	20-Police Woman	20-The Tonight Show
26-To Tell The Truth	26-Rich Man, Poor Man	26-ABC Tuesday Movie: "The Giant Spider Invasion"
7:30 11-Andy Williams	9:30 11-One Day At A Time	1:00 a.m. 20-The Tomorrow Show
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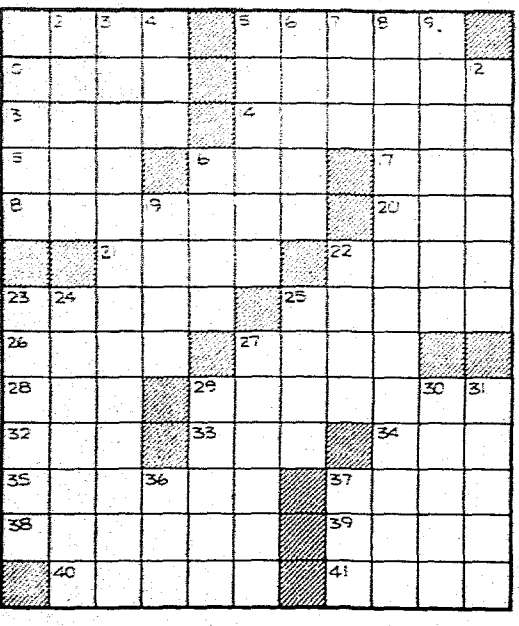
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# Local artists invited to compete in show

Arrangements are now being completed for the local showing of the Okeechobee Waterway Landscape Art Show, featuring scenes pertaining to the waterway.

The show will be held locally from February 16 through February 22 at the Fort Myers Beach Art Association located at the corner of Denora Street and

Shell Mound Boulevard on Fort Myers Beach, according to art show coordinator Tom Waterman.

Entries must be received at the gallery no later than February 16, Waterman said.

Ribbons will be awarded by the Okeechobee Waterway Association and the winning picture will be shown at the final judging in Fort Myers on March 8.

Cash prizes of \$300, \$125, and \$75 will be awarded at that time.

The purpose of the show is to make people aware of the beauty along the waterway.

The show will feature pictures in a variety of mediums, which will be judged by a panel of outstanding judges who will travel across the state judging all shows from Fort Myers Beach to Stuart.

There has been a great deal of interest in the show by local artists, according to Waterman, and there is still ample time for additional artists to enter the contest. Tom Waterman can be reached at 472-2919.

The Fort Myers Beach show will include artists from Sanibel, Captiva and Bonita Springs, among others.



## "Goodnight, Mrs. Puffin"

Shown here is that popular Pirate Playhouse actor, John Asp, who opens in "Goodnight Mrs. Puffin" this weekend in the role of the American, Roger Vincent.

Island audiences will remember John from "Brush With A Body" and the difficult role of Lord Dunderary in the Playhouse's Bicentennial offering, "Our American Cousin."

Playhouse owners, directors and actors, Ruth and Philip Hunter, are delighted that John will be

with them for the balance of the season, as are his fellow players, Marilyn Barry, Robin Fincham, Allen Mainard, Tania Clements, Terri Weinberg, Jonathon Tuttle, and the Seahorse Shell Shop's Pauline and Robert Tuttle.

"Goodnight Mrs. Puffin," one of three Playhouse productions this season, will be offered this Saturday and Sunday, February 12 and 13, beginning at 8:15 p.m.

For tickets, call the Playhouse box office at 472-2121.

## Islanders present concerns to legislative delegation

Islanders Paul Howe and Sanibel Vice-Mayor Zee Butler were among those who journeyed to Fort Myers Beach last Monday to present their concerns to the Southwest Florida Legislative Delegation, which convened at a number of locations in the area early last week in preparation for the upcoming session of the State Legislature.

As the City of Sanibel's representative to the Delegation, Vice-Mayor Butler presented a variety of city concerns, many of them dealing with general inequities in state and local tax situations.

Other legislative concerns of the city included the Department of Environmental Regulation's current permitting procedure, the lack of municipal representation on local tax adjustment boards, the

state's coastal zone management program, the Development of Regional Impact permitting process, the return of municipal ordinance penalties to the municipalities, and the current state requirements for public notice on local

planning decisions. Islander Paul Howe proposed that the state legislators restore Florida's sovereign immunity. His concerns in this respect are the subject of a letter reprinted elsewhere in this issue of The ISLANDER.

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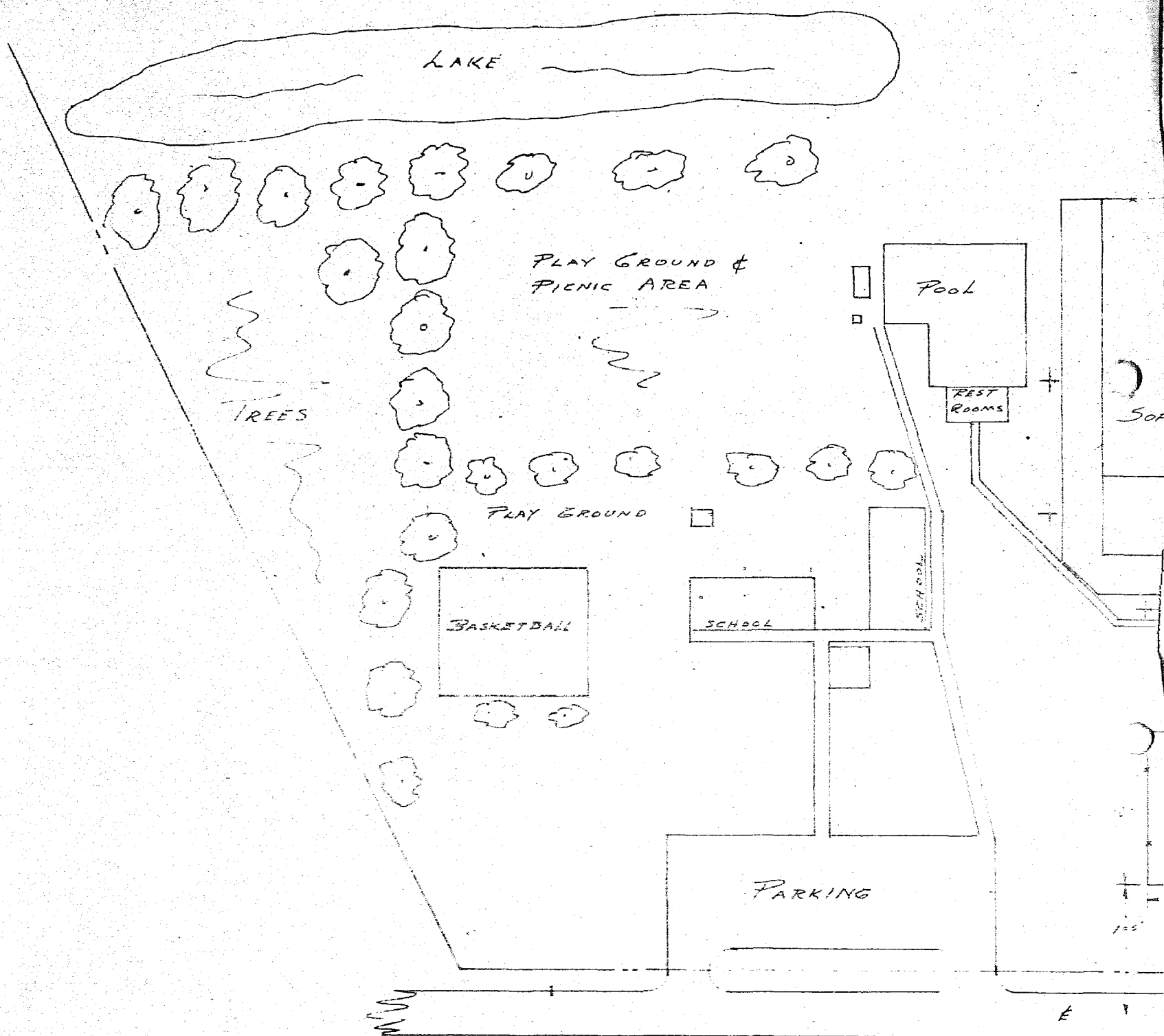
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## Priorities determined

A basic schedule of priorities relating to the development of additional recreational facilities on Sanibel Island was established during a workshop meeting at city hall Thursday morning. The planned improvements on the Sanibel-Captiva recreation complex are already underway on land situated next to the Sanibel Elementary School on Sanibel-Captiva road.

Public tennis courts, four in all, are currently under construction and are expected to be ready for play sometime this year. Lighting for the existing softball field looms as the next development according to the tentative schedule agreed on at the Thursday meeting. Following, or in conjunction with the lighting will be the construction of a central building housing restroom facilities, electrical switch gears

for the lights, and the concession stand. A lighted basketball court, to be situated on the west side of the school, appears third on the schedule of priorities. The next endeavor will be the construction of a Little League baseball field, complete with lights, to be accompanied by a new parking lot.

The meeting was also an effort to establish better communication among the various groups and agencies involved in the project. Dick Muench, representing the Sanibel-Captiva Youth Sports Fund, and Mariel Goss, of the Citizen's Advisory Committee, offered their insights regarding the recreational needs of the community while City Manager Bill Nungester and Community Services Director Larry Gnagey applied the information, the physical and financial requirements involved. Glenn

Bond represented the U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Commission and expressed the desire to maintain a buffer zone, composed of natural vegetation, between the recreation complex and the boundaries of the J.N. "Ding" Darling Sanctuary.

"We are in full agreement with everyone in that we do not want to destroy that wilderness area," stated Dick Muench. Towards that end, and in compliance with the current recreational needs of the community, revisions were suggested in the design of the two new ballfields.

The regulation size baseball field, which also encompasses a full size football field may be changed to become another softball field, while the new Little League field planned for the area next to the Sanibel-

Captiva Road might be rotated a bit in a clockwise direction so as to not be facing into the afternoon sun. Both alterations would allow for a larger wilderness buffer zone between the sports complex and the wildlife sanctuary.

County crews are currently engaged in the construction of additional facilities at Riverdale High School after which they shall be involved with new projects at Suncoast. The Sanibel-Captiva sports complex falls next on the county work agenda. Hopefully, by the end of the calendar year the lights on the existing softball field will be installed and in operation and a new, lighted Little League field will be completed, as well as a building housing the restrooms and electrical switch gears. The time element regarding the lights will depend heavily on Lee County Electric Co-op, stressed Larry Gnagey. Based on past experience, Gnagey suggested that Lee County Co-op be allowed some six months to provide service which would put off the lighting of the ballfields until late in the year.

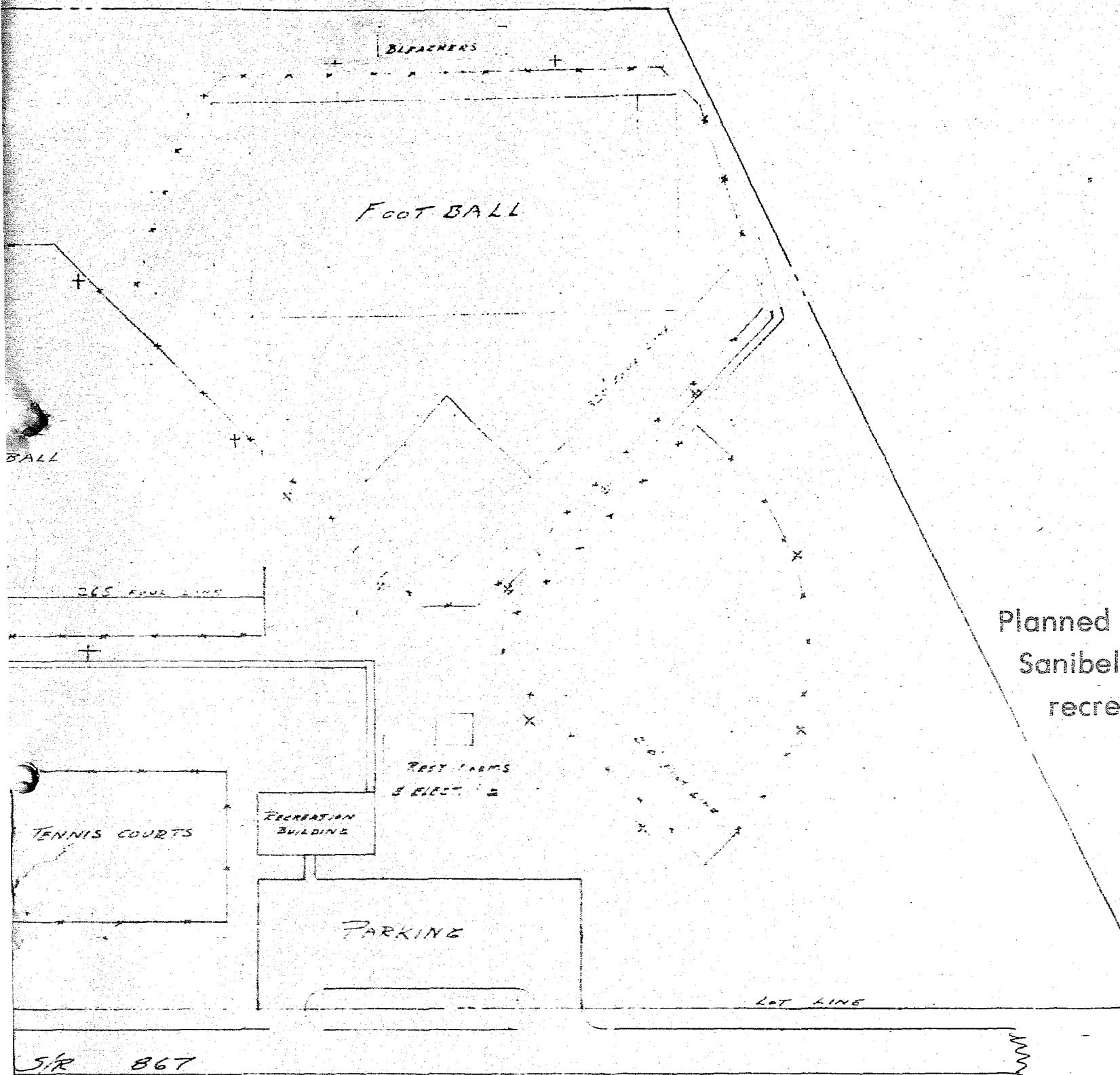
The lights for the ballfields will be switched on only for scheduled games as approved by the Recreation Department offices at Terry Park. At this time it appears that ease of operation would dictate that a meter system be implemented at the tennis courts which would switch the lights for that facility on and off automatically.

Plans for the total Sanibel-Captiva sports complex, as tentatively approved by the Lee County Recreation Department and the County Commission, would also include a lighted basketball court, an Olympic size swimming pool with complete wet facilities (wet facilities would be comprised of showers and restrooms as well as housing necessary pool equipment), and a recreation center building. The recreation center building, which will not be realized this year.



Dick Muench and Bill Nungester





Planned Sanibel-Captiva recreation complex

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## recreation facilities

would comprise roughly 4500 square feet and would serve as a location for teen center activities, community functions, dances, and storage for recreation equipment.

Although everyone involved is striving for the earliest completion of all facilities, should the time element involved preclude the spending of all the funds allocated for the project this year, those monies could be carried over into 1978.

Bill Nungester stated that he would prepare a letter to the Sanibel city council seeking a \$30,000 appropriation to match the additional monies the county has allocated for the sports complex. The funds would be used to expedite progress on the additional facilities.

Larry Gnagey proposed that the city might consider withholding some portion of the matching funds to be applied towards construction of a bike path to the school. Mariel Goss urged that attention should indeed be given to a bike path which could accommodate the increased bicycle traffic along Sanibel-Captiva Road. A major obstacle to such a bike path, as explained by Bill Nungester, would be acquiring sufficient space for the route. The problem involves a narrow existing right-of-way, the proposed widening of Sanibel-Captiva Road, firm boundaries maintained by the wildlife sanctuary, and the city's desire to adhere to federal criteria specifying that bike paths be a minimum of five feet wide.

Another topic discussed at the workshop meeting was the application of funds raised

by the Sanibel-Captiva Youth Sports Fund. Dick Muench offered that the money might be utilized in constructing and equipping an announcer's booth to serve the Little League and softball fields. The project could possibly be accomplished by volunteer labor organized by the Youth Sports group. Larry Gnagey stated that complete plans for the location and construction of the structure would first have to be submitted to the county engineers for approval.

The recreation complex is being built on land donated by the Lee County School Board for such a purpose. Mariel Goss reported that while the number one priority at the Sanibel school remains the construction of a cafeteria, a building where students and teachers may meet or have lunch indoors, the new sports facilities are indeed welcomed. However, due to the proximity of the school the public would be restricted from using any of the facilities while classes are in session.

The workshop meeting did much to establish better communication and cooperation among the various civic groups and government agencies involved in the effort. The project is an ambitious undertaking, recent county estimates placing the cost of the finished complex between \$350,000 and \$400,000, yet with proper attention and cooperation the project could evolve into a longstanding source of pride and pleasure for every member of the community.



Larry Gnagey

# The Municipal Record

## Sign Ordinance hearing set

The Sanibel City Council scheduled a special workshop meeting for 4 p.m. on Thursday, February 17, to discuss their proposed draft of a new Sign Ordinance for the Island.

At this point, the new sign ordinance is for the most part a diamond in the rough, although some new ideas on how to legally attack Sanibel's sign dilemma are expected at the upcoming meeting, according to city officials.

Last Tuesday, the council refused to accept the resignation of Sign Committee Chairman Maggie Klausmann, as well as those of committee members Mary Johnson and Freda Jurka. Rather, they decided to ask the committeemen to remain on in the task until the city can get a legal ruling on whether or not members of city advisory committees are required to file financial disclosure statements, as are elected officials and other members of city decision-making bodies.

If council's plea is granted, the committeemen will serve until the adoption of a new sign ordinance, at which point a new Sign Review Committee will be appointed.

## Student Government Day coming

The city council agreed on the date of May 11 for the commemoration of Student Government Day on Sanibel this year.

The annual event provides Island students the opportunity to become city officials for a day of learning and levity.

## "Topos" of Sanibel available to Islanders

City Manager Bill Nungester reported last week that Bosworth Aerial Services have completed their preparation of topographic maps for the city, with aerial and infra-red photographs of the Island expected to be available for city use within the month.

Copies of the topographic maps are available to the public at \$6 per sheet.

## Corrective amendments to be introduced soon

The Sanibel Planning Commission met last Monday to continue their current task of preparing a variety of corrective specific amendments to the city's comprehensive land use plan, including:

- a revision of the plan's requirements for decorative fencing to be set back at least 10 feet from property lines;

- a revision of the side-and-rear-yard setbacks for commercial property;

- a revision of the setback requirements for swimming pools from open bodies of water, and

- a thorough refinement of the commercial designations outlined in the Permitted Uses Map which augments the plan (i.e. commercial zoning).

The in-house corrections to the plan are almost ready to undergo the necessary administrative processing to become law in the city, with a number of other corrective amendments already slated to be worked out in the months ahead as the city council and planners attempt to improve on the existing plan. The city council will meet on the 15th to discuss the corrections.

## Housing Subcommittee draws up questionnaire

A five-member subcommittee of the city's new Committee on Housing met last Thursday in MacKenzie Hall to draw up a questionnaire intended to assess the extent of the demand for low and middle income housing on Sanibel.

The questionnaire prepared by the subcommittee will be one of the main topics of discussion at a meeting of the full committee to be held at 4:00 this afternoon in MacKenzie Hall.

## City becomes a friend of the court

Circuit Judge James Shearer last Monday granted a city petition for leave to appear as amicus curiae, or friend of the court, in the suit of John Kontinos and William R. Frizzell against the Lee County Property Appraiser over the appraisal of the Dunes Subdivision on Sanibel.

Filed in 1975, the suit seeks a lower assessment for the Dunes property because of the city building moratorium which was in effect at the time, according to City Attorney Neal Bowen.

## Edison Pageant bike race may be held on Sanibel

The Sanibel City Council gave a tentative nod of approval last week to a plea from the Lee County Division of Community Services for city permission to hold a bicycle race on Sanibel in the not too distant future.

Despite the likelihood that additional city policemen will be needed to control traffic in the vicinity of the race, the council voiced no objections to the proposal last Tuesday, provided that the race isn't held along Periwinkle Way, the Island's main traffic artery.

Mayor Goss suggested that the vicinity of the Jamestown-Beachview treatment plant might provide a suitable course for the bike race, although ultimately, the city manager was left to work out the details.

The proposed date for the bike race is sometime this coming April.

## S.P.D. betting 1,000 in missing persons and assaults

With a new year Sanibel Police Chief John Butler began a practice of issuing monthly reports on the work of the department for informational purposes. The statistics compiled by Chief Butler for the month of January, 1977, reveal some laudable areas of excellence in S.P.D.

In the category of felony crimes against persons, S.P.D. solved both of the two known cases of aggravated assault involving a firearm which occurred in the city last month.

In the category of missing persons, S.P.D. was also highly effective last month. S.P.D. recovered the four persons who were known to have been missing in January.

In handling juvenile complaints, the Island police can boast of another perfect record for January, thanks to the apparent cooperation of Island juveniles. There were no complaints involving juveniles reported in the city last month, according to Butler's records.

Butler's 14-man force logged approximately 8,800 miles last month. S.P.D.'s three patrol vehicles, investigating 8 traffic accidents and issuing 32 traffic citations, 23 of which were for speeding violations.

Butler's staff also put in a total of 265 hours of overtime, court time, and special detail assignments.

The emergency medical unit was called out 14 times in January, while the Sanibel Fire Department answered 5 calls to fires.

Twenty felony crimes against property were committed last month, according to S.P.D. records, with Breaking and Entering of automobiles accounting for half of the total.

Because of the unfortunate oversights of Island residents and businessmen, Sanibel patrolmen were called upon to secure 16 unlocked homes or businesses in January.

All told, S.P.D. received 254 calls for assistance last month, according to Butler's monthly report.



## Mayor cited for meritorious service

Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council Chairman Roland Eastwood (left) attended the city council's meeting last Tuesday to present Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss (right) with a plaque in appreciation for the mayor's service to the area as a member of the regional planning body.

Goss' two-year term on the Planning Council ended last month.

## Nationwide suit dismissed again

City Attorney Bowen had a busy day in court last Monday, as Judge Jack Schoonover dismissed the Nationwide Realty Corporation's suit for injunctive relief from the provisions of the city's land use plan for the second time in recent months.

The Nationwide group had been given a chance to amend their complaint after the earlier dismissal to set forth the ways in which they had exhausted all administrative remedies open to them in the city before initiating legal action.

Judge Schoonover upheld the city's position that the developers had not exhausted all of their administrative remedies.

## Moped helmet law to be softened

Mayor Goss introduced a proposal last week to amend a provision of the city's month old Moped Ordinance which requires moped riders on the Island to don regulation motorcycle helmets in their travels on city streets.

Goss proposed to the council that the helmet law be broadened to allow riders a choice between motorcycle helmets or a more lightweight model hockey helmet, which Goss said is better ventilated for the slower-speed mopeds and allows moped riders to hear more than with the more cumbersome helmets required for motorcycles.

As none of the mayor's fellow councilmen registered opposition to the proposal, the city attorney was instructed to draft the appropriate amendment in ordinance form for the council to consider.



friday - 6 p.m. on

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| 6:00<br>11-News Eleven<br>20-Eyewitness News<br>26-NewsScene<br>6:30<br>11-CBS News<br>20-NBC News<br>26-ABC News<br>7:00<br>11-Hee Haw<br>20-Adam 12<br>26-To Tell The Truth<br>7:30<br>20-Candid Camera<br>26-Nashville On The Road<br>8:00<br>11-Code R<br>20-Sanford & Son<br>26-Donny & Marie Show<br>8:30<br>20-The Rockford Files | 9:00<br>(Time Approx.)<br>20-NBC News Update<br>9:00<br>11-Sonny & Cher (or vice versa)<br>26-ABC Friday Movie: "The Last Dinosaur"<br>9:30<br>20-Quincy<br>10:00<br>11-Executive Suite<br>11:00<br>11-CBS Late Movie<br>20-The Tonight Show<br>26-S.W.A.T.<br>1:00 a.m.<br>20-The Midnight Special with guest host, the very special Richard PRYOR! |
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saturday - all day

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| 6:57<br>11-Morning Devotional<br>7:00<br>11-Music and The Spoken Word<br>20-The Lucy Show<br>26-Big Valley<br>7:30<br>11-Fury<br>20-Little Rascals<br>8:00<br>11-Sylvester & Tweety<br>20-Woody Woodpecker<br>26-"Tom & Jerry" and "Mumbly Show"<br>8:30<br>11-Clue Club<br>20-Pink Panther Laugh and A Half Show<br>26-Jabber Jaw<br>8:55<br>26-Schoolhouse Rock<br>9:00<br>11-"Bugs Bunny" & "Roadrunner" Hour<br>26-Scooby Doo & Dynamite<br>10:00<br>11-Tarzan, Lord of The Jungle<br>20-Speed Buggy<br>10:25<br>25-Schoolhouse Rock<br>10:30<br>11-New Adventures of Batman<br>20-Monster Squad<br>26-Kroffts Supershow<br>11:00<br>11-"Shazam!" & the "Isis" | Hour<br>20-"Space Ghost" & "Frankenstein, Jr."<br>11:30<br>20-Big John, Little John<br>26-Super Friends<br>11:55<br>26-Schoolhouse Rock<br>12 Noon<br>11-Fat Albert & The Cosby Kids<br>20-Land of The Lost<br>26-The Oddball Couple<br>12:25<br>26-Schoolhouse Rock<br>12:30<br>11-Ark II<br>20-Muggsy<br>26-American Bandstand<br>1:00<br>11-CBS Youth Invitational via Skateboards<br>20-Fla. Wrestling Championships<br>1:30<br>11-Way Out Games<br>26-Metro "7" Basketball: Georgia Tech vs. Cincinnati<br>2:00<br>11-Bill Cosby Show<br>20-Ara's Sports World<br>2:30<br>11-WINK-End Movie: "Roughly Speaking" (1915) when Roz Russell (along with Jack Carson & Donald Woods) proves in a comedy- |
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- drama that a woman CAN help her husband's business—in a business—like fashion!
- 20-NCAA College Basketball: Mississippi at Georgia 3:30
- 26-Pro Bowler's Tour 4:30
- 11-CBS Sports Spectacular 20-Bob Hope Desert Classic, where the "Nose" hosts the semi-finals in a live 90-hole PGA Tourney from (and in) Palm Springs. 5:00
- 26-abc wide World of Sports 6:00
- 11-News Eleven 6:30
- 11-Thirty Minutes 20-Eyewitness News Weekend 26-Peter Marshall Variety Show 7:00
- 11-Lawrence Welk 20-Jacques Costeau 8:00
- 11-Mary Tyler Moore 20-Emergency! 8:30
- 26-Mrs. Blansky's Beauties 8:30
- 11-Bob Newhart Show 26-Fish 9:00
- 11-All In The Family 20-NBC Saturday Movie: "The Wild Party"

- (which if it's anything like the book Momma wouldn't let me read, is; with James Coco stars as a silent movie star trying to save everything with one "go for broke" movie PLUS party. (Wow!)
- 26-Starsky & Hutch 9:30
- 11-Alice 10:00
- 11-Carol Burnett 26-Most Wanted 11:00
- 11-News Eleven 20-Eyewitness News 26-ABC Weekend News 11:15
- 26-"American Theater" (All night movies till 8 a.m. this week) "Doctor's Wives," Dyan Cannon (90 mins); "Ipcress File," Michael Caine (107 mins); "King's Pirate," Doug McClure (100 mins); "Madigan," Henry Fonda (100 mins); "The Plainsman," Don Murray (92 mins). 11:30
- 11-Movie Classics: "Watch On The Rhine" (1943) in which Bette Davis, Paul Lukas & Geraldine Fitzgerald play out their roles in Lillian Hellman's drama of an anti-Nazi underground leader escapes to the good ole U.S.A. with his American wife and family and is blackmailed.
- 20-Vitalis - U.S. Olympic Invitational Track Meet live from Madison Square Garden in New York

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6:55 11-Morning Devotional	12:30 11-Face The Nation	26-High Rollers
7:00 11-The Christophers	26-Meet The Press	6:30 11-CBS Evening News
7:15 26-Davey & Goliath	26-Directions	7:00 20-NBC Sunday News
7:30 11-Rex Humbard	11-Challenge of the Sexes	7:00 11-Sixty Minutes
20-The Lucy Show	20-Grandstand	20-Wonderful Disney
8:00 20-Jimmy Swaggart Show	26-Insight	26-Nancy Drew & The Hardy Boys
8:30 25-Peter Gunn	1:30 20-NCAA College Basketball: Michigan at Indiana	8:00 11-Rhoda
11-Oral Roberts	26-Dolly	20-The BIG Event: "2,001: A Space Odyssey" which is easier to understand if a) you're a space out, or b) you've read 7 times. - From the submitted synopsis, NBC did neither, locally or network.
20-Old Time Gospel Hour	1:15 11-NBA Basketball on CBS: From Milwaukee: Best Eastern Stars vs. Best Western Stars	26-The Six Million \$ Man
26-The Turney Family with Baby Lulu	2:00 26-American Sportsman	8:30 11-Phyllis
9:00 11-Thy Kingdom Come	3:00 26-U.S. Boxing Championships	9:00 11-SWITCH!
26-Old Time Gospel Hour	3:30 20-Grandstand	26-And The Winner Is
9:30 11-Far Out Space Nuts	4:00 11-Nation's Challenge Cup in which the best American and Austrian skiers face off.	10:00 11-Delvecchio
20-God of Our Fathers	20-Final round of Bob Hope's Desert Classic, with ole Skijump hosting the last round of the PGA Tourney live from Palm, Springs	11:00 11-News Eleven
9:56 11-In The News	1:30 26-ABC Wide World of Sports	20-Eyewitness News
10:00 11-Catholic Mass	5:00 11-NY Philharmonic Young People's Concert: "Making Pictures With Music"	11:15 26-ABC Weekend News
20-Hour of Power	6:00 11-News Eleven	11:30 11-CBS Sunday News
26-The Lone Ranger	20-Last of The Wild	20-Sunday Showtime: "Is Paris Burning?" - The true story of how some white hat Germans tried to save a city without destroying it. (Bring Kleenex)
10:30 11-Day of Discovery		26-Sunday Film Festival: "Torn Curtain," starring Paul Newman (119 mins)
26-Jr. Almost Anything Goes		1:15 11-"I Spy"
10:55 26-Schoolhouse Rock		
11:00 11-Riverside Baptist Services Live From Fort Myers		
20-Norman Vincent Peale		
26-Rex Humbard		
11:30 20-Gospel Singing Jubilee		
12 Noon 11-The Price of Peace and Freedom (CBS Documentary)		
26-Issues & Answers		

**monday - 6 p.m. on**

6:00 11-News Eleven	Prairie 26-The Captain & Tennille	11-All's Fair
20-Eyewitness News	8:30 11-Busting Loose	10:00 11-The Andros Targets in which an investigative newspaper reporter really does target in.
26-NewsScene	9:00 11-Maude	11:00 11-News Eleven
11-CBS News	20-NBC Monday Movie: "The Sunshine Boys" with George Burns' Academy Award winning performance, plus Walter Matthau & Richard Benjamin in the film version of Neil Simon's play	26-NewsScene
20-NBC News	26-ABC Monday Movie: "How The West Was Won - Part 3"	11:15 20-Eyewitness News
26-ABC News	9:30 20-Little House on The	11:30 11-CBS Late Movie
7:00 11-Gunsmoke		26-Streets of San Francisco & Dan August
20-Adam 12		11:15 20-The Tonight Show
26-To Tell The Truth		1:15 a.m. 20-The Tomorrow Show
7:30 10-The \$128,000 Question		
26-Treasure Hunt		
8:00 11-Be My Valentine, Charlie Brown		

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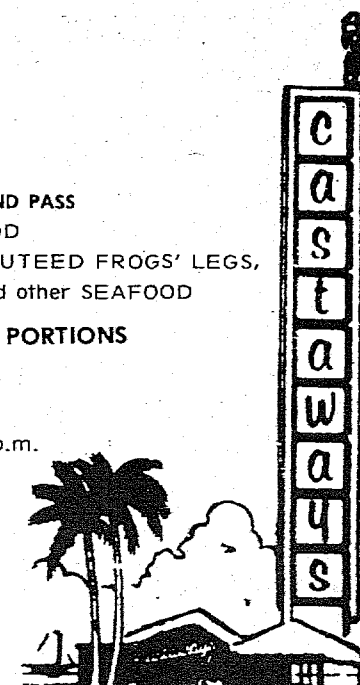
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# Letters to the ISLANDER:

Dear ISLANDER:

I am writing in response to the discussion about low-cost housing in the February 1st issue of the ISLANDER where Don Whitehead indicated that he favored "decent rental housing in the \$200 - \$300 per month price range" that would guarantee the developer a fair profit. I don't know what Mr. Whitehead means by "fair profit" but that price range is still much too high for many Island residents.

The average city employee earns approximately \$125.00 per week. With rent at even the lower end of the scale (\$200 per month), his housing cost is still way out of line with his monthly income.

Other resort communities who have, as full-time residents, working people who support the lucrative tourist business don't penalize the people who live in the community - in and out of Season - for their residency. Why should Sanibel?

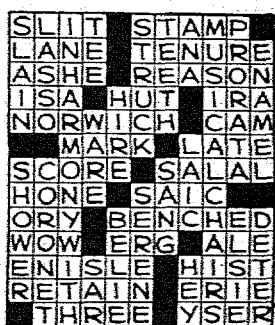
Yours very truly,  
Hap Payne

The following petition was submitted by Islander Paul Howe to the Southwest Florida Legislative Delegation last week for consideration by the upcoming session of the State Legislature.

In an effort to keep Islanders informed of the problems and issues confronting local and state law-makers at the present time, we are reprinting the complete text of Paul's petition below. Paul has gained considerable notoriety on the Island for his continuing efforts to research and inform both himself and others on a wide range of important governmental issues, and the ISLANDER appreciates this opportunity to share Paul's informative thoughts with our readership.

The ISLANDER welcomes any and all responses and opinions that other Islanders might have regarding this or any other issue of current importance.

A Petition to the Southwest Florida Legislative Delegation—January 31, 1977:



Crossword puzzle on page 14

**Sanibel Marina, Inc.**  
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"The current issue of 'The Florida Municipal Record' of the Florida League of Cities contains the results of a survey by that organization on the impact of the 'Waiver of Sovereign Immunity Act of 1973' as it relates to municipalities. The survey results sound a clear tocsin that Florida and its political subdivisions need a quick repeal of that Act.

"The reported essence of Section 768.28 that was enacted is that it creates municipal tort liability in the same manner and to the same extent as for a private individual for any judgement up to \$50,000 per person or \$100.00 per occurrence. Beyond that limit, remedy is to be sought from the legislature through the bothersome and time-consuming claim-bill route familiar to you lawmakers. The crux of the problem is the interpretation the Courts are giving to the Act which in turn results in a 'wait and see' posture of lawyers and insurance carriers which deepens the problems of the cities.

"The above-mentioned survey revealed some arresting facts on the impact. A third (130) of the State's 390 cities responded to the questionnaire. Their responses indicate difficulties are being experienced in obtaining and maintaining tort liability insurance. Seventeen per cent say that the difficulty is attributable to their being forced into a high-risk category that makes insurers reluctant to assume the risk. Fourteen per cent found fewer carriers any longer seeking their business. On a statewide basis, the cost of such insurance has risen 39 per cent since 1970. Forty-two per cent of the cities carried excess liability ranging from \$250,000 to the staggering sum of \$10 million for bodily injury. Fifty-nine per cent carried other liability coverage for special groups and functions in addition to their usual general liability. Thirty per cent were engaged in some form of risk-

management program to hold down the increasing trends of exposure to claims. And a growing six per cent, including Sanibel, is looking at the undesirable role of self-insurers. This, because of the difficulties and sharply rising premiums that attend obtaining and maintaining normal insurance coverage.

"The aforementioned self-insurer posture creates intense problems in the smaller cities in building up the needed reserves. Such reserves are staggeringly disproportionate to the taxing ability. In assessing the impact of this problem, it must be remembered that the State has preempted all but three of the twenty-four possible Florida taxes listed in your Legislator's Tax Handbook. Of the three, only the ad valorem property tax could be deemed a 'broad based' one. And even that base is continually shrinking because of the welter of exemptions granted to individuals, groups and functions.

"The results of the survey are indeed compelling. They shout out in clear and loud tones the immediate need to restore the essential ingredient of an American form of government the sanctity of the public purse. Our public treasuries should not be flung open to the depredations of a rash of 'ambulance-chasing' type of lawsuits. Our already clogged courts should not be imposed upon to furnish the key to public vaults. The innocent and prudent taxpayer should not become the victim of his guilty and imprudent fellows. Section 768.28 of Florida's Statutes should be repealed in the 1977 Legislature and a measure more equitable to the general taxpayer be devised to compensate truly moral claims on the public treasury."

Respectfully submitted,  
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Day	Date	2:35 AM H	9:15 AM L	3:08 PM H	10:26 PM L
Tue	8				
Wed	9	3:42 AM H	9:41 AM L	* 3:47 PM H	11:45 PM L
Thu	10	5:51 AM H	10:05 AM L	* 4:33 PM H	---
Fri	11	1:15 AM L	* 5:33 PM H	---	---
Sat	12	2:47 AM L	* 6:42 PM H	---	---
Sun	13	* 3:57 AM L	* 7:54 PM H	---	---
Mon	14	* 4:57 AM L	12:20 PM H	3:06 PM L	* 9:04 PM H

Tides courtesy of Priscilla Murphy, Realtor, Inc.

Conversion table: The above tides are for the lighthouse point of Sanibel only. To convert for Redfish Pass (north tip of Captiva), add 55 minutes to the time shown for every hi tide, and subtract two (2) minutes for every low tide. (NO, we don't know why, but it works. Instructions following are even less sense-sical but as we stated, they do work.)  
For Captiva Island, Gulf side, subtract 30 minutes from each high tide, and subtract 1 hour and 16 minutes for each low tide.  
For Captiva Island, Pine Island Sound (bay) side, add 1 hour and four (4) minutes for each high tide, and add 52 minutes for each low tide.  
In between these points on gulf or bay ... guesstimate ... and have good fishing and - or shelling.

# on the water . . .

with mike fuery

Many times I will be walking along the dock and a fisherman will stop me and ask what kind of fish they have just landed. Quite often the fish will have a rather unusual name, such as needlefish, dogfish, spitting fish and so on. Of course, the fisherman will want to know just how the fish got its name and this week we are going to take a look at some of the stories

behind the naming of fish.

### THE NEEDLEFISH

As you might suspect, the needlefish is long and skinny and looks like a darned needle. In fact, when dried carefully in the sun for a couple of weeks (or baked in the oven for three days), the fish becomes quite rigid. Early settlers, short on cigars, often tried to smoke these fish in the absence of

Cuban cigar supplies, but that's another story. (They couldn't keep the fish lit.) So one net fisherman decided to put twine through the mouth of the fish and out the other end, thus forming a needle with which to mend his torn nets. Naturally, the advent of modern steel needles, the net fishermen abandoned the needlefish as a working tool, but to this day the fish bears the name. You didn't know that, did you?

the bays at that time.

Once the guide could see a school ahead, he would give everyone in the party, including the women and girls, a large chew of tobacco. Quickly, at the guide's urging, the party would get into a tight circle in the middle of the boat and chew like hell to get the wad ripe for what was to come next. Placing the mixture of tobacco and newly formed juice at the back of their throats, the party members would step to the rail and on signal, would start spitting into the water. This would bring the fish into a feeding frenzy. As the fish came charging to the surface for chunks of tobacco, the guide would scoop them up. You are probably ahead of me, but as it would work out, northern fishermen accustomed to mountain speckled trout fishing came down and started catching the fish by hook and line. They insisted that the fish looked like a spotted northern trout and eventually

the name was evolved from spotted spitting fish to what is known as today, the spotted sea trout.

Sadly enough, spit fishing also died out with the growing popularity of hook and line fishing.

### DOGFISH

Years ago, there were many dogfish in the waters, but as with certain birds and fur bearing animals, the dogfish had a special quality about it which eventually lead to its near extinction.

The dogfish is not a pretty fish, but it has one unusual talent, and that is barking. A barking dogfish is a sight and sound to behold, because as it turned out, they sounded exactly like a highly irritated German Shepard. At first, early settlers did not know what to do with the dogfish and often a constable would have to be called to a neighborhood on Captiva to settle a dispute between two families because one had a dogfish which barked all night.

Fishermen soon figured out that since good guard dogs were in short supply, the next best thing was to have a guard fish with one hell of a loud bark. That started a practice of having a live bait well on the boat where a dogfish was placed at night when the owner was absent. To shorten this story, the guard dogfish was "discovered" by the wealthy in Boston and New York and it wasn't long before all dogfish were shipped up there. Well, through over breeding, a backlash of nature happened and the bark was

taken out (who wants a barking fish at a chic cocktail party?). It wasn't more than 10 years before the fad was over and nearly the entire population of dogfish with it. You know, of course, that the fish is making a gradual comeback and occasionally you do catch a dogfish in our waters. You are in for a real treat if you hold up the fish and then in a firm, but friendly voice, command: "Speak! Speak!"

### ARROWFISH

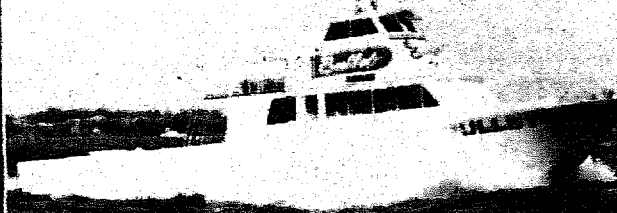
One of my favorite stories involves the naming of the arrowfish. This fish is a beautiful silver fish, usually about 30 inches long and very streamlined. Anyway, this fish played a major role in the development of Florida. Now, you might suspect that I am going to tell you that the arrowfish got its name because local Calusa Indians would dry and sharpen the fish's nose to be used as a weapon point. That's an old and untrue story which does not deserve disproving.

Actually, the arrowfish had a vital use for tourists in early days. Can you guess how? Well, when cured and properly painted white, the fish are perfect size for street name signs. So it wasn't long before a fish with say, EAST THIRD STREET, was nailed to a post or tree to show with an "arrow" the way the traveler should go. "Just follow the arrowfish, you can't miss it," was a commonly heard call to tourists. Now you know the real story.

We will discuss more of these unusual names for fish later on, but this gives you a start for learning the history of these interesting fish. It's a slightly jaded version, I admit, but still a history just the same.

(Mike Fuery is captain of the Captive Wind Sailing Charters out of Tween Waters Marina, Captiva Island.)

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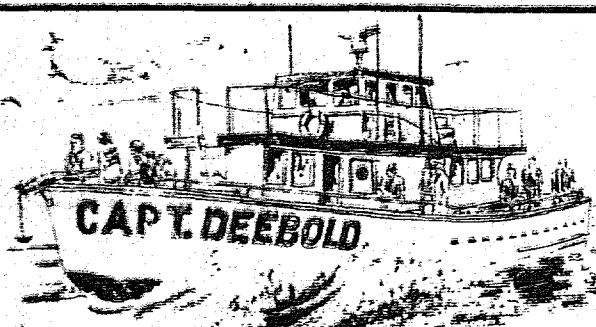
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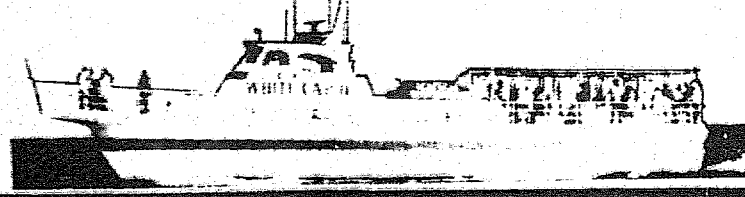
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# An open letter for all Islanders

Dear Islanders:

In the summer of 1974, several young mothers, seeing the need for a pre-school for Island children, formed a non-profit corporation and named it The Children's Center of the Islands. The school was organized with one main purpose in mind—to provide an excellent educational opportunity for Island youngsters. It was their firm belief that the pre-school experience, and the opportunity to learn and play with children of the same age, is a vital part of a child's early development.

Starting a new school was indeed a difficult undertaking—but because of the generosity of Island residents and the donation of the use of the old Bailey's store, the Children's Center was established and has become an integral part of our community.

The individuals directly involved in the school have always taken great pride in the excellence of the educational program offered. Despite lack of experience and money, the program established is truly head and shoulders above most others. This accomplishment which so richly enhances our community was achieved not only through the efforts of a handful of organizers and our excellent teachers, but with the support and generosity of many Sanibel and Captiva citizens as well.

Most pre-schools have the advantage of a "sponsor"—a group or organization such as a church which assists them in a variety of ways—particularly financially. The Children's Center does not have such a sponsor, but we have something maybe even better—an entire community which cares about the needs of its citizens and supports their worthwhile endeavors.

Running a school—even a small one like the Children's Center—is very expensive. With our teachers' salaries, insurance, supplies, maintenance, etc. we have a

budget of over \$17,000 a year. Our tuition is not adequate to cover these expenses with our present low enrollment, and yet to raise it would put the school out of reach of many young families. Our fund raising efforts, plus contributions of time, space, services and money help but are still not adequate to balance our budget.

So we are turning to you, the community as a whole, and requesting donations to help us through a difficult time. Contributions of any size are tax deductible and will be greatly appreciated. The people of our Islands have always demonstrated their determination to preserve and protect our natural resources. Please help us again to provide for our most precious resource of all—our children.

If you would like further information or have questions about the school, please contact me at 472-2076. Checks or pledges may be sent to:

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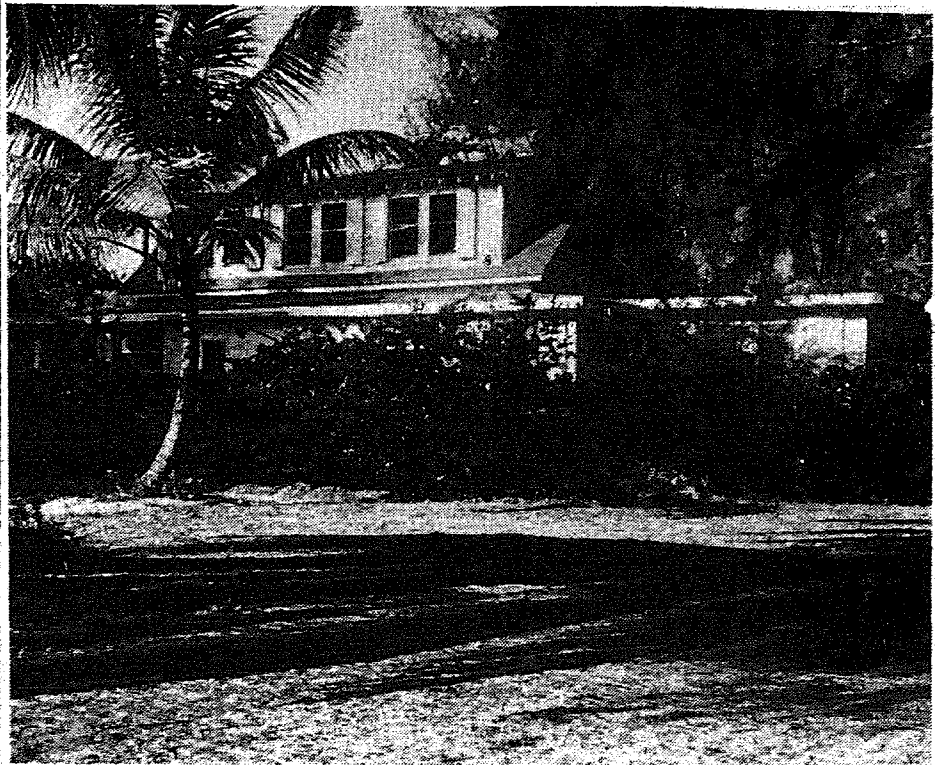
On behalf of the Board of Directors, the teachers and especially the children, I thank you for your support, interest and generosity. That's what helped us get started and will ensure our continued success.

Sincerely,  
Mary Ten Broek  
President

Board of Directors

P.S. On February 10 from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m., we will have an open house at the school. Please stop and visit us so you can see firsthand the program we offer. Also, we are having a yard sale at the Community Association on February 12 from 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. If you have any saleable articles, old or new, you'd like to donate, please drop them off at the school or at the sale. Thank you for your generosity.

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## League of Women Voters to discuss U.N.

On Tuesday, February 15, the League of Women Voters of Lee County will hold a general meeting on the role of the United States in the United Nations.

The League's United Nations study committee will present its recommendations on specific issues for the membership's

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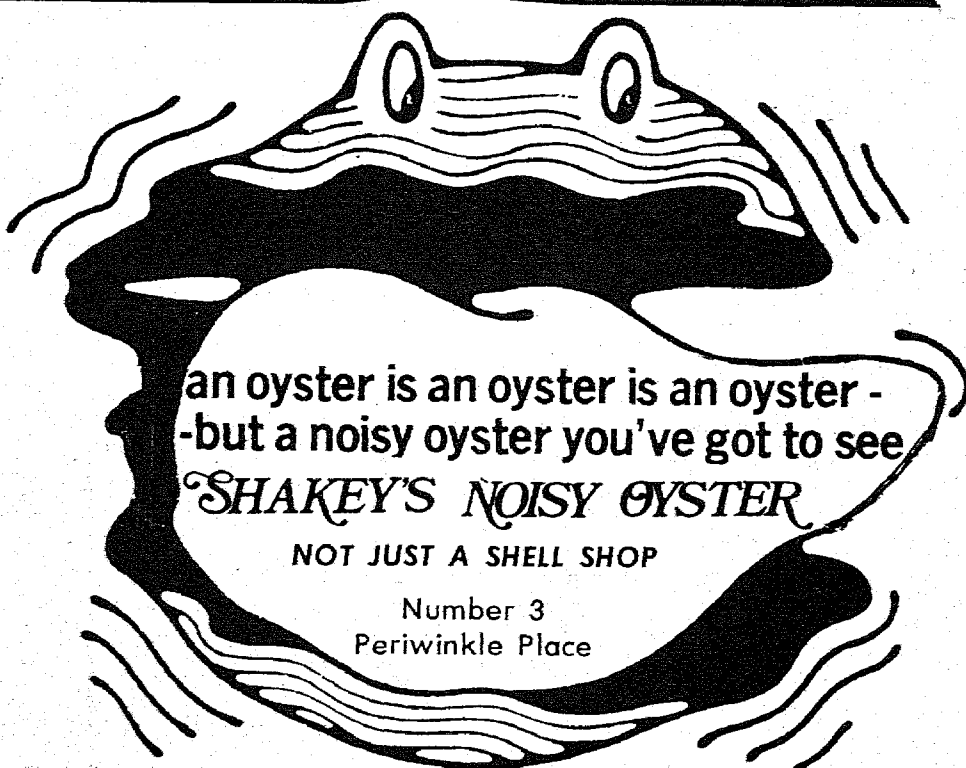
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# Shelf Reading

By Margaret and Bill Krueger

Sanibel is known as "The Shell Island." If you like most of us, come for the shelling, your interest in the shells you collect and in those that got away may stimulate your interest in learning more about them.

As in everything we do, some fundamental knowledge of the subject will increase our pleasure many times over. Try this homey philosophy on shelling. It works!

In the pre-causeway era, the popular island witticism was "The Shellers" go to bed at eight and "The Hellers" at Nine" Not true today, for good reason. The many shell books and periodicals at the Sanibel Library can put innocent shellers into the hellers

class.

Don't let the scientific names scare you off. Most of the books list both scientific and common names, but remember that common names or shells vary from one locale to another while scientific names are in worldwide useage. No confusion for the technically oriented person. Most of these books are lavishly illustrated with colors so realistic there is no mistaking the identity of any shell.

For just pure poetry in illustration, for the allure of the many color plates and for better understanding of the subject, we feel that the following two books are a must.

"The Shell," subtitled "Five Hundred Million years of Inspired Design," by Hugh

and Marguerite Stix and Dr. R. Lucker Abbott will dazzle and hold you enthralled by it's sheer beauty.

The second books is "Kingdom of The Seashell" by Dr. Abbott alone.

Here he informs us how the shell animals breed, grow and defend themselves. We also learn of the appreciation and uses of the shell through the ages, from primitive man to the present.

Do not limit yourself to these. Find your own favorite among the extensive collection of books covering every phase of shelling.

In the library reference room, along with the "Collectors Encyclopedia of Shells," is a wide selection of periodicals.

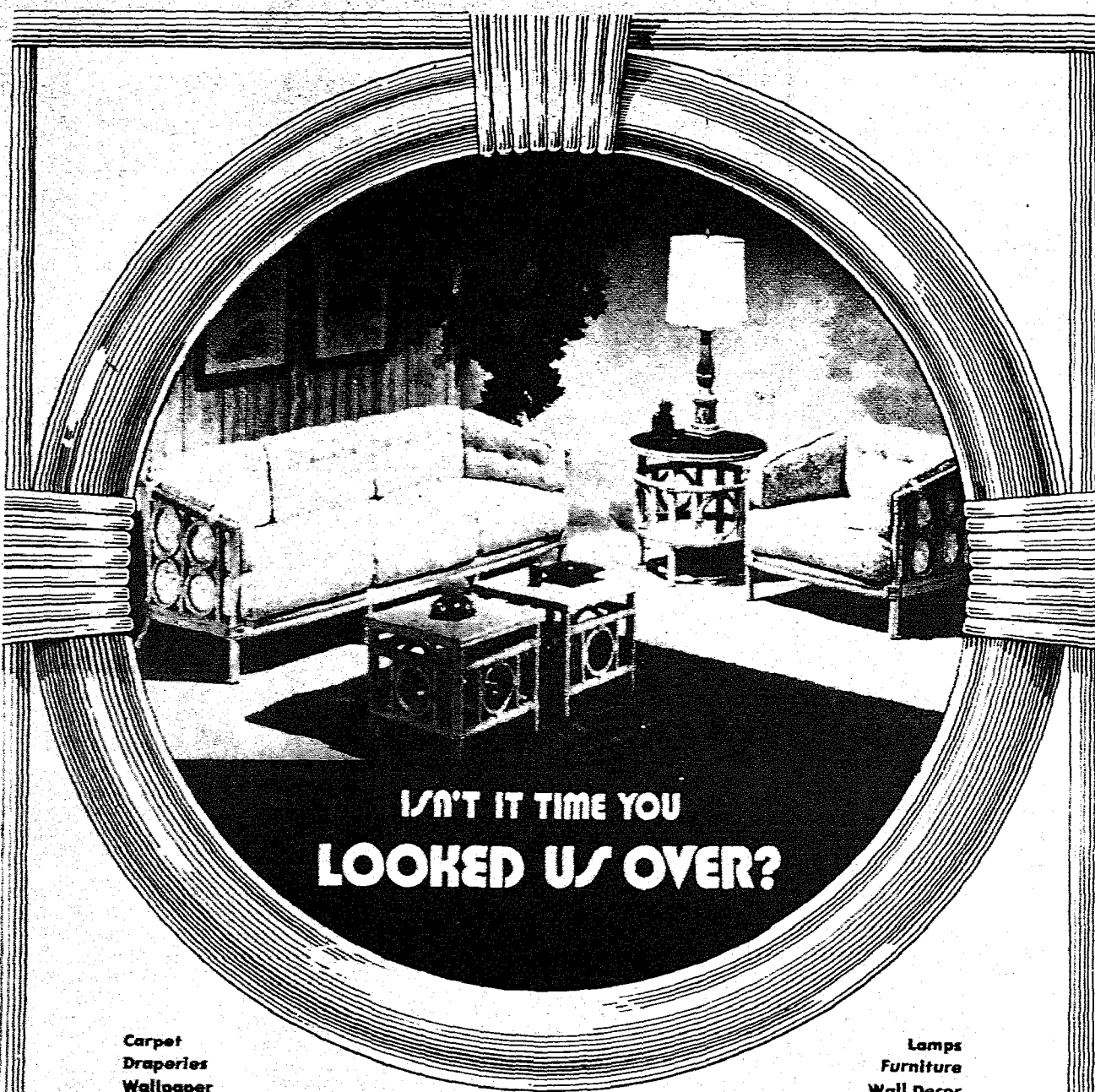
One, "Sea Frontiers," has an intriguing

article on "The Regular Sea Urchins of South Florida" describing how sea urchins, with the continous movement of their burrs, can cause the collapse of large metal bridges.

Sanibel's own shell club outdid itself this season by publishing an informative and interesting monthly newsletter. This supplemets their previously published pamphlet which contains complete instructions for cleaning and preparing your shells.

Incidentally, Shell Club President, Anne Jaffe, who dotes on all shell books is also an Irving Wallace fan.

Good Shelling, and just a little Helling!



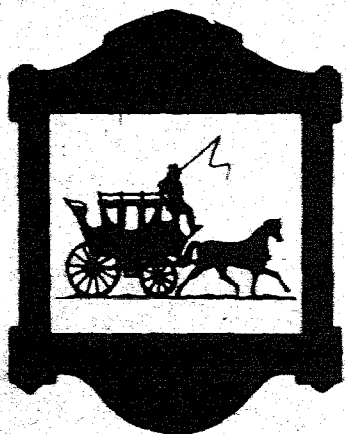
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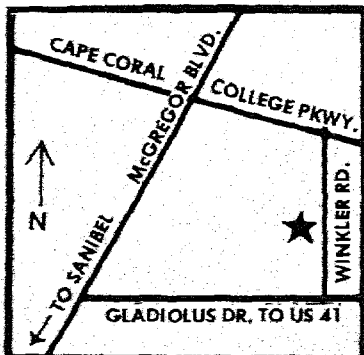


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Feb. 11	Friday	11:15	5:30	11:40	6:00
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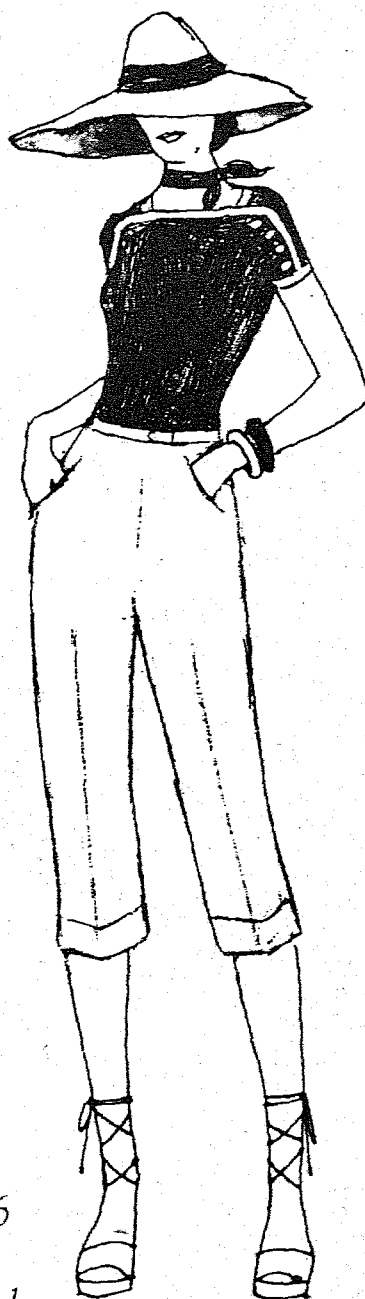
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## Vegetation clearance frustrates city

What Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss termed "an element of frustration" has crept into the city's thinking of late over a number of recent instances where Islanders have gone ahead and cleared vegetation in the city without obtaining the necessary permit from City Hall.

In recent months, one Island developer, one local civic group, and most recently the Island Water Association (IWA) have performed clearing work on their property in violation of the city's Vegetation Ordinance and comprehensive land use plan.

In case of the IWA, the violation was merely a technical oversight on the part of IWA engineering consultants, Bennet and Bishop, according to IWA President Jim Robeson.

Although the IWA had been issued a vegetation clearance permit for the site of their soon to be constructed one-million gallon storage tank facility off of Wulfert Road, the engineers had failed to pick up the permit in City Hall before initiating the work, and thus, the IWA was cited for a violation of city statutes, which require all Islanders to possess permits to remove almost all types of vegetation from their land.

The IWA's minor indiscretion was discovered during a routine building inspection of the site made on January 20. As the clearing which had been performed did not exceed that which the city had approved in reviewing the IWA's application for a development permit, the IWA was asked only to deposit a \$500.00 check in City Hall to be returned upon the completion of the project and the restoration of as much vegetation as possible on the site.

According to Robeson, the IWA contemplates a four-month building program for the much needed storage tank, which is intended to improve the level of service to Captiva and to Sanibel's west end.

What alarmed the city council last Tuesday was the thought that other Islanders have gone ahead and cleared vegetation without even bothering to apply for a city permit, while yet others have obtained city permits and then neglected to follow the guidelines approved by

the city in removing vegetation.

The city's leniency in dealing with the three violations reported in recent months prompted Vice-Mayor Zee Butler to suggest making an example of the next person found in violation of the Vegetation Ordinance by inflicting the penalty clause it contains. Councilman Duane White concurred, saying that continued non-enforcement of the land use plan's provisions governing vegetation clearance could jeopardize the plan as a whole.

Mayor Goss suggested that one way to attack the problem might be to require all operators of heavy machinery in the city to obtain city occupational licenses, in order for the city to get some sort of control over those who perform the actual clearing work.

City Manager Bill Nungester proposed that another way to deal with the problem would be to withhold city approval of certificates of occupancy until vegetation unlawfully removed from a site is restored by the owner or developer.

Nungester told the council that part of the city's problem with enforcing the vegetation statutes has

hinged upon the inability of the city's inspection staff to keep pace with the growing work load involved in the planning process. The city is currently in the process of hiring more inspectors, Nungester reported.

In the meantime, Nungester said that he would send a weekly report of building permits issued by the city to Sanibel police, for them to assist city inspectors in monitoring building activity on the Island in the course of their routine patrol work.

So, Islanders be forewarned! If you are contemplating the removal of any vegetation from your property whatsoever, with the exception of certain undesirable exotic plant species such as Brazilian pepper, Cajeput, Casuarina and others, a vegetation clearance permit issued by the City of Sanibel is required.

Thus, Sanibel residents would be well advised to consult with the city's Vegetation Committee, headed by George Campbell, before initiating any clearing work on their property.

It might spare you the ignominy of a rebuke from the city government and the cost of a fine, should the city deem it necessary.

## Community Association to offer site for City Hall

At a special meeting held last Tuesday night, a small percentage of the general membership of the Sanibel Community Association voted overwhelmingly to direct the Association's board of directors to offer the City of Sanibel a parcel of land owned by the Association for consideration as a site for the proposed city municipal complex.

The area in question, a tract approximately 4.5 acres, located to the north of Periwinkle Way directly across from the Island Community House, will be offered to the city for a price of \$195,000.

A number of other possible sites for the proposed city hall complex have been investigated by the city's Site Selection Committee headed by Fred Valtin.

At the time of Valtin's most recent report to the city council in December, he told the city fathers that a

recommendation from the committee would be forthcoming within two or three months. At that time, the Community Association property had not been considered by the committee, although it is likely that the new offer will be considered by the group at a meeting which is expected sometime within the month.

The construction of a new city hall is included in a rather ambitious capital improvements program contemplated by the city council for the years ahead, with money having been set aside in the city's current capital improvements budget for the acquisition of a 5-acre site for the facility. At the present time, however, the funding for the great majority of the capital improvements proposed by the council is still largely uncertain.

If the city accepts the Association's offer, it is likely to mean some changes

for the old Sanibel Community House, according to Community Association officers.

The Association has been working for many years to raise money with which to renovate the 50 year-old Community House. A variety of proposals have been kicked about in recent years with respect to the Association's property and the Community House.

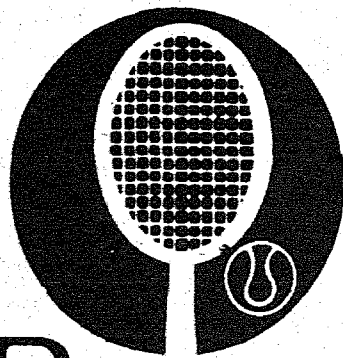
At one time, it was suggested that the current building be made into a shell museum and that a new community center be erected on the property which will now be offered to the city. Others have proposed a joint venture between the Association and the city for the construction of a city-community center on the site.

Perhaps the recent offer of the property will result in official attention being given to the oft-discussed proposals for the Community House.

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# Audubon Society Notes

## Kale to address meeting

The Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society will have as their guest speaker the Vice President of the Florida Audubon Society, Dr. Herbert W. Kale III.

Dr. Kale will speak on "Ornithological Research in Florida" at the meeting to be held on Thursday evening, February 10, 1977, at 8:00 p.m. at the Sanibel Community House.

Dr. Kale is currently responsible for studies on population status of marsh birds, taking census of wading bird populations, surveying of nesting tern colonies, and is also the coordinator of the bird conservation activities of the Florida Audubon Society. He is serving as President of the Ornithological Society, Chairman of the Committee on Birds for the Florida Committee on Rare and Endangered Plants and Animals, and also serves as Florida Regional Editor for the American Birds.

Dr. Kale has an impressive list of publications relating particularly to birding in Southwest Florida.

He will bring all this expertise to his presentation of the subject: "Ornithological Research in Florida". This program should be a most fitting conclusion to a busy Birding day that will begin with the "Conducted Bird Tour of Sanibel" at 8:00 a.m. that morning.

The early birders will meet at the Island Cinema Parking Lot—and twelve hours later—at 8:00 p.m., at the Sanibel Community House to hear Dr. Kale's lecture on "Ornithological Research in Florida".

All proceeds from donations made at the evening meeting will be added to the Special Fund for the purchase of a new 16 mm. sound projector. The old projector has collapsed and currently the Sanibel Public School and the Fish and Wildlife Service have aided the Audubon Society by allowing the use of their projectors to present programs.

The "Target-Projector" has passed the halfway point in the amount needed to purchase a new machine, and donations made at the February 10th meeting will be placed in that special fund.

The public is invited to attend this excellent program, and to help attain the "Target-Projector" goal with a small tax-exempt gift.

## Bird tour offered

The Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society offers a "conducted Bird Tour of Sanibel".

The tour will be held on Thursday morning, February 10, 1977, and all interested "birders" will assemble at the Island Cinema Parking Lot near Bailey's Store, at 8:00 a.m.

The groups will be conducted by some of the finest and most experienced birders on the Island. Charles and Ella Newell and Karen Eastman, who recently conducted the Bird Identification classes, will lead groups.

Richard Beebe, Director of African Tours, leader of local nature tours, and Audubon Society President, will head up one group.

George Weymouth, naturalist, Bird

Tour Guide and member of the Board of Directors of the Audubon Society will head a group on this trip.

Glenn Bond, Manager of the National Fish and Wildlife Service, Ding Darling Refuge, and member of the Audubon Society Board of Directors will be another guide.

Billie Saxinger, one of the islands most knowledgeable birders, will be another group leader.

With such a skilled and experienced group of leaders, the "Conducted Bird Tour of Sanibel" should be a wonderful and enlightening experience.

All who are interested in seeing the birds of Sanibel should bring their field glasses and bird books and meet at the Island Cinema Parking lot on Thursday morning, February 10, at 8:00 a.m.

## Winter field trip planned

The Sanibel-Captiva Audubon Society has planned the first of several field trips to an outstanding birding area away from Sanibel Island.

On Sunday, February 20, 1977, the Audubon Society plans to visit the Shark Valley Area of the Everglades National Park.

The Shark Valley area is easily accessible from Sanibel. Drivers should follow these directions:

—Travel to High 41 (Tamiami Trail) from Sanibel and take 41 South to Naples.

—Travel through Naples and continue on Highway 41 East for about 50 to 55 miles.

—Entrance to Shark Valley is located across the highway from a large brown building called "Miccosukee Restaurant," with the entrance well marked.

The park opens at 8:00 a.m. and all Auduboners should meet in the parking lot beyond the entrance not later than 8:30 a.m. The cost to enter the park is two dollars per car, which also entitles you to the tram ride.

The Shark Valley entrance to the park was opened in 1965, and is the newest view of Everglades Park. There is a fourteen mile loop road, which is traversed by a tractor powered tram.

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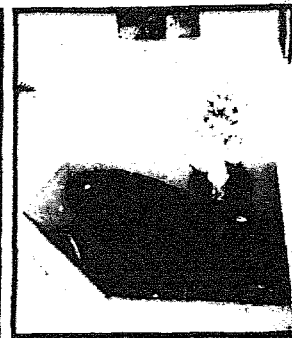
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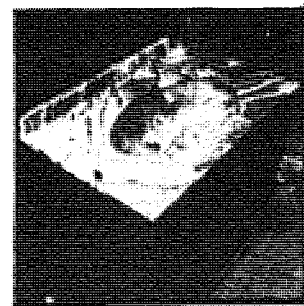
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# Captiva votes

## "NO"

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gathered at the Center for a 4:30 meeting to decide the fate of the proposed merger with Sanibel.

Of 259 yellow ballots mailed out to Captiva's registered voters, 233 were returned, for a formidable 85 per cent response to the question.

Fifty-two Captiva voters cast their ballots in favor of the proposed merger, while 171 others voted against it.

An outstanding 77 per cent of the 590 Captiva property owners voting elsewhere who received the blue ballots circulated by the Civic Association responded to the survey. Of these, 102 voted for the proposed merger, with 351 opposing it.

All told, 522 Captivans who responded to the straw ballot voted against Captiva becoming a municipal suburb of Sanibel, while only 154 cast their ballots in favor of inclusion under a Sanibel comprehensive land use plan.

"It was an excellent response to the straw ballot," said Civic Association President Sam Conant last weekend, "and I think it was good that there was such a clear indication of opinion for the board to go on in deciding our course of action."

Based on the strong negative response to the proposal, the

Association's board of directors decided last Friday that there was "no point in pursuing further merger discussions with the City of Sanibel," in Conant's words. According to Conant, the board voted unanimously to drop the proposal.

Conant speculated that the overwhelming argument for the majority of Captivans must have been Lee County's better financial ability to maintain the fragile strand of public road which runs south from the Island post office along Captiva's Gulf beach.

"That's just about it for the merger idea," said Conant on Saturday. According to an impartial study of the idea done by a five-man committee appointed by the Association's board of directors, the proposed merger would require the majority support of the voters and property owners of both Islands to become a reality.

As was obvious from the results of the straw ballot, Captivans do not support the proposed merger with Sanibel.

So once again, Captivans have voted down another incorporation movement, preferring instead that Captiva remain an Island unto itself, shored up only by the services provided by Lee County government.

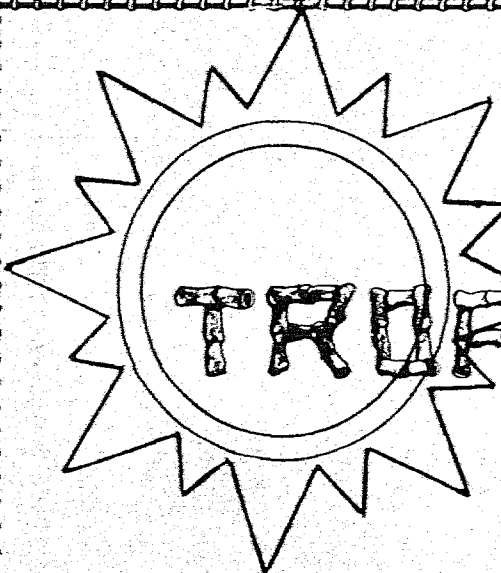


Committee Chairman Codman Hislop (left) and Jack Scott (right) were two members of a five-man committee entrusted with the job of counting the straw ballots distributed by the Civic Association last Friday.

Captivans voted almost 3 to 1 against the proposed merger with the neighboring City of Sanibel.

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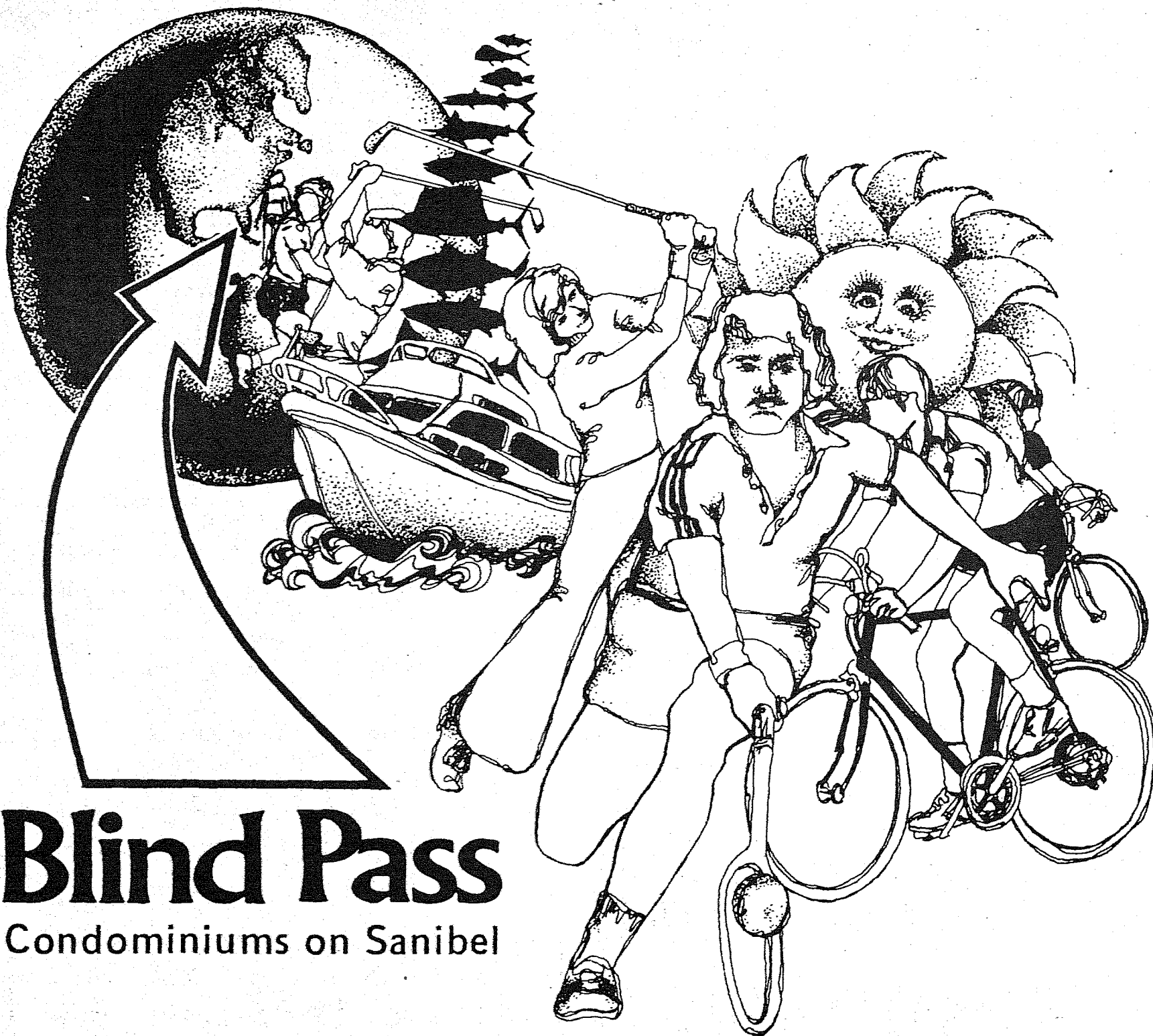
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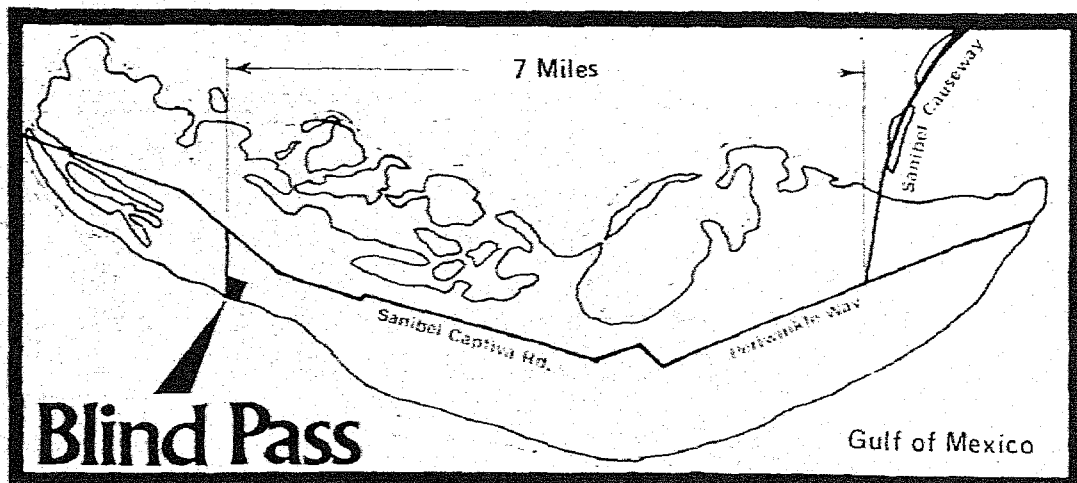
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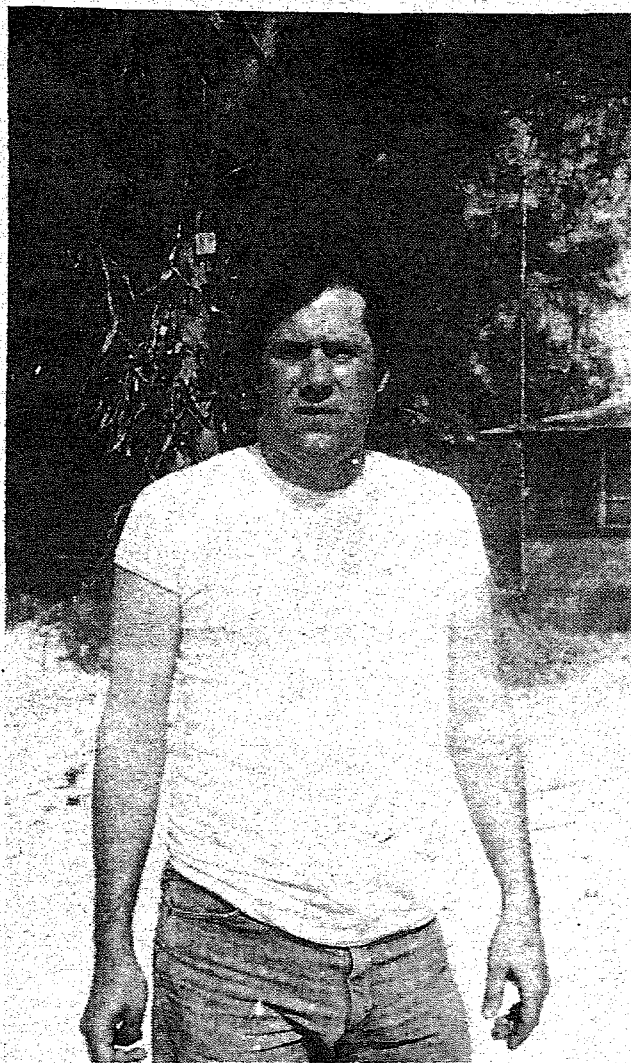
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Three cheers for Martha Reynolds — she was the only one to do anything about it. A good solution would be to get people and groups to donate the time and money necessary to construct nesting sites higher than the ospreys regular sites.  
Karen Booth, Captiva Island



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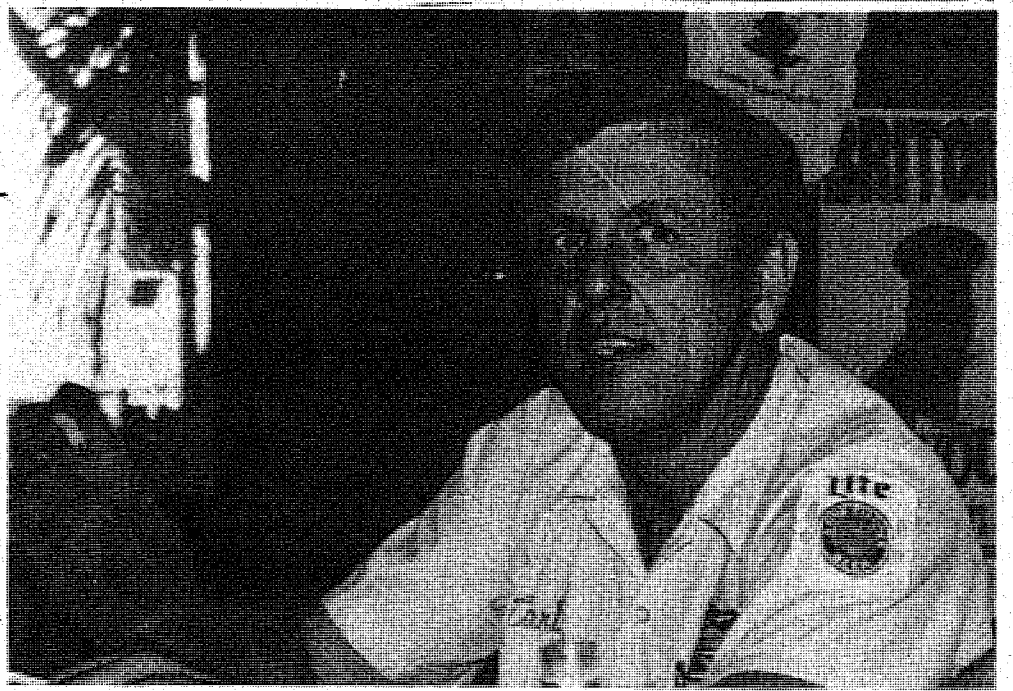
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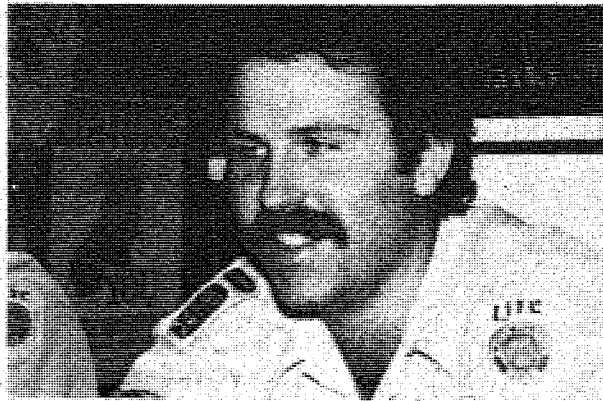
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Sanibel Island



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Carl Houck, Ft. Myers.



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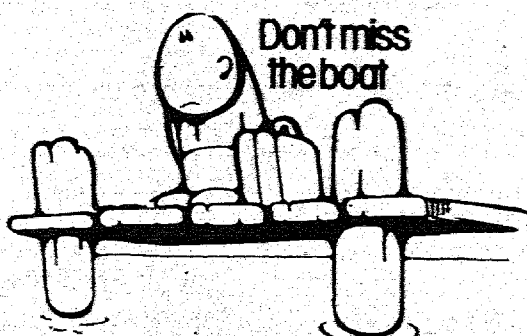
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