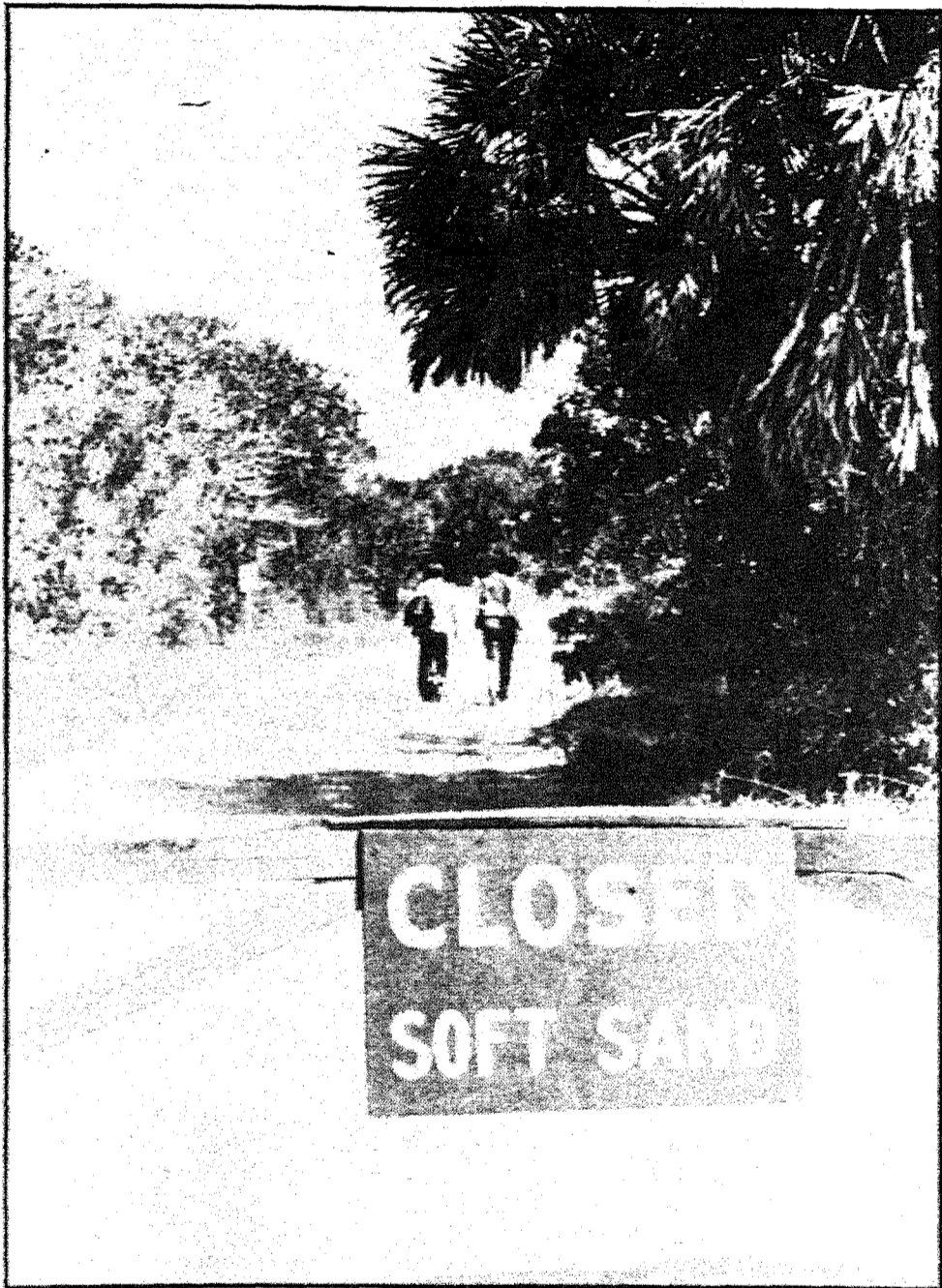


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## Dry weather closed wildlife drive



Visitors to the main tract of the J.N. Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge here on Sanibel were confronted with this disconcerting sign last week.

The popular "wildlife drive" through the Islands' famous tourist attraction was closed last Tuesday because so many cars were getting stuck in the loose sand along the scenic five-mile long mosquito dike which meanders through the Refuge.

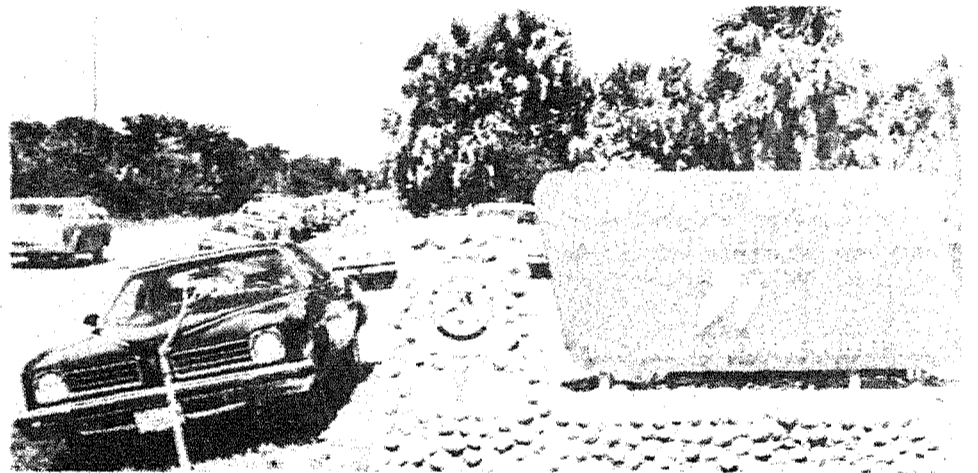
Many visiting naturalists and bird-watchers waxed disconsolate last week upon encountering this "road closed" sign at the entrance to the Main Tract of the J.N. Ding Darling National Wildlife Refuge here on Sanibel.

Refuge officials were forced to close the popular "wildlife drive" through the main tract of the Refuge at about 4:30 p.m. last Tuesday, according to Refuge Manager Glen Bond, when it became apparent that last Tuesday's brief and inconsequential rain shower was not going to make vehicular traffic

out!"

The wildlife drive has been closed for similar reasons in the past, said Bond, most recently during the dry spring of 1974.

Despite the unfortunate closing of the wildlife drive during the busy Easter weekend on the Islands, many undaunted visitors decided to see Sanibel's foremost tourist attraction on foot, leaving their cars and campers parked along the shoulders of Sanibel-Captiva Road near the entrance to the Refuge.



Refuge closing clogs traffic flow

The closing of the wildlife drive created another minor friction point for traffic along busy Sanibel-Captiva Road last week, as many undaunted naturalists and birdwatchers decided to see the Refuge on foot, leaving their cars parked along the shoulder of the narrow two-lane road near the entrance to the Refuge.

atop the sandy, five mile-long mosquito dike which transects the Refuge, any easier.

In recent weeks, growing numbers of cars have gotten stuck in the loose sand along the scenic wildlife drive—a result of the continuing and somewhat alarming drought conditions that have prevailed in Southwest Florida for much of the past few months.

"It'll take about an inch of rain before we'll reopen the road to traffic," said Bond last week. "I nearly got stuck myself when I went to check it

This naturally caused some minor distractions to motorists traveling along the heavily-trafficked Sanibel-Captiva Road last week, although no serious mishaps were reported when this was written.

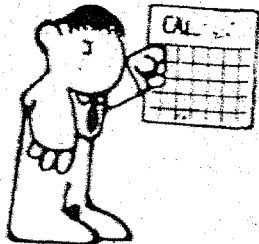
In the absence of rain, there is little which Refuge officials can do to reopen the wildlife drive, short of watering the road to compact the loose sand—a measure which Bond views with some reluctance in light of the current water shortage on the Islands.



And away they go!

Away they go—kids from toddlers on up had a terrific time during the Saturday Easter Egg Hunt. The youngsters picked up shells and retrieved them for prizes donated by local merchants.

more pix inside



# Activities Calendar

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

## things to do

**BINGO MUREX** — American Legion Home, Thursdays, 8:30 p.m. No minors. Sanibel-Captiva Rd., 472-9979.

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**MUSEUMS** the Odyssey Museum of Miniature Americana 1554 Periwinkle Way 472 1786. **Ellie May's Museum.** By appointment. Call 472-2121.

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**SHELLING TOURS** Beach Bay Bayou, 472-1315; Baughn Holloway, 472-2802; Duke Sells, 472-1784, Tarpon Bay Marina 472-1323, Jerry Way, 472-1784.

**SIGHTSEEING TOURS** Herb Purdy, 472 1849, Tarpon Bay Marina (canoes), 472 1323; Capt. Chic Kennedy, 472-4087; Capt. Herb Purdy, 472 1849, Mike Fuery, 472 1784, Jerry Way 472 1784.

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

**WATER SKIING** Herb Purdy, 472 1849

**OFF ISLAND DAY TIME ATTRACTIONS** Edison Home in Ft. Myers, 334-1080; Shell Factory, U.S. 41 North Fort Myers; Jungle Cruises, 334-7474. Fort Myers Yacht Basin; Waltzing Water, 283 0636, Pine Island Road.

## libraries

**CAPTIVA LIBRARY-** Tuesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. till noon.

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## fraternal groups

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL** area meetings, Fort Myers, Tuesdays at 12:15 in the Shrine Building off Cleveland Ave., 472-1000. **ELKS LODGE** meetings at 12:15 in the Shrine Building, Rt. 41, Fort Myers Beach. Thursdays at 12:15 in the Holiday Inn on Estero Blvd., Cape Coral. Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. in the Cape Coral Country Club. For information call Dick Vann, 463 9436.

**KIWANIS CLUB** meets at Scotty's Pub each Wednesday morning at 8:00.

**BOY SCOUT TROOP NO. 88** meets at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at the school.

**LIONS CLUB** of Sanibel Captiva meets at 6:30 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at the American Legion Sanibel Captiva Road.

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

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

## how to get there

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## political and governmental

**SANIBEL CITY COUNCIL** meets the 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays of every month at 9 a.m. at City Hall, unless special meetings are called. The public is invited.

**SANIBEL PLANNING COMMISSION** meets the 1st, 3rd and 5th Mondays of every month at Sanibel City Hall unless 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.

**SANIBEL FIRE CONTROL DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS** meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:00 p.m. at the fire house on Palm Ridge Road.

## 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, INC.** Sanibel Community house, 1st Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m.

**THE SANIBEL-CAPTIVA UNIT OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS** meets the third Monday of each month at the Clubhouse of the Sanibel Mornings Condominium on East Gulf Drive at 10:00 a.m. Public invited.

## Church Calendar

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Other Masses  
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Tuesday ..... 8:30 a.m. & 5:30 p.m.  
Holy Days ..... 7:30 p.m.  
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The Rev. Gerald Frost, Minister  
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Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
Worship ..... 11:00 a.m.  
Evening Services ..... 7:00 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY EVENING:**  
Prayer Meeting ..... 7:00 p.m.

**ST. MICHAEL'S AND ALL ANGELS EPISCOPAL CHURCH**

The Rev. James D.B. Hubbs, Rector  
**SUNDAY:**  
Holy Communion ..... 7:30 a.m.  
1st & 3rd Sundays ..... 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship,  
2nd & 4th Sundays ..... 9:30 a.m.

**SANIBEL COMMUNITY CHURCH**

The Rev. Bruce E. Milligan, Pastor  
Sunday Worship Service ..... 9:15 & 11 a.m.  
Sunday School  
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Sunday School  
3rd thru 8th grades ..... 10:15 a.m.

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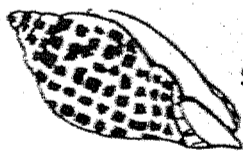
Cypress Lake Drive  
The Rev. Fr. Arthur Kontinos  
472-2253  
Sunday Liturgy ..... 10:30 a.m.

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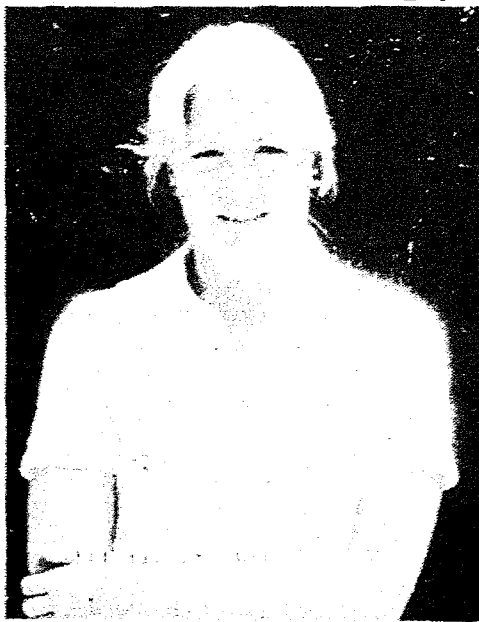
*"Are you still drinking coffee? If not, what are you drinking instead?"*  
 (Ed. note: a pound of Maxwell House coffee is now \$3.49 at Bailey's  
 A year ago, the price was approximately \$2.00 a pound.)



"I've really cut back - I stopped buying coffee by the pound after it reached \$1.00 per pound, especially since the growers aren't the ones making the money." Edie Waitt, Sanibel



"I'm still drinking the same amount of coffee as I always did, but I think the price is (expletive deleted)! People are going to continue to drink as much coffee as they always did, regardless of the price. When you get used to drinking coffee in the a.m., you miss it. Peter Mustell, Iona



"I only drink ice tea - when tea goes, I'll be hurting. My mother loves to drink coffee - the high price is making her grumpy." Debbie Hughes, Sanibel



"Coffee causes increased heartrate, heightens blood pressure, acts as a stimulant on the system, destroys brain cells, is a diuretic, causes burn ulcers on the tongue, stains teeth, produces bad breath and costs an arm and a leg. Tea does the same thing, but it tastes better, so I drink tea." Lew Phillips, Sanibel

## City reviews road improvement priorities

In a special workshop session held in MacKenzie Hall last Thursday night, the Sanibel City Council met with City Manager Bill Nungester to review the city's assignment of priorities to a wide array of capital improvements projects which have been proposed for Sanibel in the two and a half years that the city government has been in existence.

The workshop session was intended partially to give the councilmen and city manager the opportunity to sit down and define their respective areas of responsibility within the city administration, as the delineation of duty in city hall has become somewhat confusing of late to both Nungester and councilmen alike.

One of the most uncertain areas of city affairs, Nungester admitted, is the council's assignment of priorities to a number of long-delayed capital improvements for the Island.

In the past year or more, Nungester said, the city has directed its efforts toward dealing with whatever problem was foremost in the public attention at any given moment, and in so doing, the city has in some cases overlooked the routine work of attending to other ongoing concerns of the Island.

"Short-range projects are those that have

to do with tangible improvements in the city," Nungester told the council last Thursday. "Things of this nature are not getting done and there's a reason why they're not getting done.

"Obviously, the city's priorities seem to change from week to week," Nungester added in requesting that the council reassess their priority projects for Sanibel to enable Nungester to begin preparing both long and short-range capital improvements budgets for the city.

The final assignment of priorities to the city's proposed capital improvement projects has been neglected for about a year now, since a lawsuit was filed last April challenging the validation of the \$18-million Sanibel Causeway bond issue—one of the city's primary sources of outside funding assistance.

The council decided last Thursday to review their capital improvement priorities in light of the assumption that Causeway revenues will not be available to the city. Their decision was based on the continuing reluctance of the state Supreme Court to hand down a decision on the lawsuit, which alleged that some of the projects the city planned to implement with the bond proceeds are illegal under the terms of the bonding agreement.

An ambitious list of road improvements received the brunt of the council's attention last Thursday evening, although the city fathers refrained from advocating any major additions to the Island's existing road network, such as the oft-discussed "northern bypass" recommended by city traffic consultants James H. Kell and Associates (JHK).

Nungester warned the council that installing a northern bypass to Periwinkle Way might only serve to stimulate growth on Sanibel's west end.

"We're going to do only one thing, and that's encourage more traffic if we pursue the northern bypass route," Nungester said.

"I don't want an elaborate road network for Sanibel," agreed Councilman Duane White, "I want adequate, safe intersections and streets."

"I agree that we don't need any fancy four-lane highways," added Councilman Francis Bailey. Vice-Mayor Zee Butler also opposed JHK's recommendation that the city should three-lane Periwinkle Way.

"You put in three lanes on Periwinkle Way and you might as well name it 'Sunrise Road,'" she said.

"One thing we do not want to lose is the Island atmosphere," said White, while all

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# Editorial

—or here we go again—

OR

the Laws & the golden gone pot

by ginni brown

Weekend before last, the Florida Marine Patrol made one of the largest drug busts in Lee County history when patrol officers discovered a cluster of fishing boats off the shores of Fort Myers Beach and Sanibel. Since the Patrol was on the lookout for shrimp trawlers from Florida's east coast and local crabbing boats, who

have been disputing who's got the right to fish what and where with some heat lately, and since the cluster of boats consisted of "snapper-grouper" boats (commercial boats which line fish, rather than use nets) the Patrol boats were about to pull away, when an officer noticed an expired registration decal on one of the boats.

"For want of a nail..."

(in this case, a decal which costs about \$6) the boat was boarded, at which point, the officers noticed "bales of marijuana" here and there.

Other boats in the cluster doused their lights and proceeded to dump things (such as bales) overboard and since one thing lead to another, almost 300 bales of marijuana (or pot) were recovered.

Unfortunately for Island

law enforcement personnel, the tide was a-coming in, the wind was on shore, and so were bales and bales of soaking wet pot, which started drifting ashore in the wee hours of Sunday.

Only hearsay is available on how many bales arrived on the fair shores of Sanibel, but 48 were recovered by members of the Sanibel Police Department and Island citizens, residents

and visitors.

One visitor, it has been said, hailed the arrival of one bale as manna, since she was overheard (as she stuffed pockets, etc., full of the dripping wet weed) "Gee, they'll NEVER believe this back in ———." We quite agree with her.

Unfortunately, of the 48 bales recovered and recorded, only 45 and a half were turned over to the Florida Marine Patrol.

"It was an experience," SPD Chief John Butler told the ISLANDER on Friday. "Very frankly, it was an experience I wish hadn't happened.

"It was our fault. When the stuff was brought in, we didn't, I didn't, put a guy on to guard it with a shotgun. I didn't call for additional assistance. We, I, made the mistake of trusting people I shouldn't have.

## Air ambulance funds not yet okayed

by gwen stevenson

Island residents—any resident of any island—are special people. They usually have to relinquish many conveniences and sometimes necessities of life that are considered to be indispensable by a majority of the American populace: intermittent transportation to the mainland, frequent power outages, water problems and storm damage.

One recent innovation for Sanibel and Captiva Islanders that will alleviate one of the more serious problems of being an Islander is the addition of the Air Ambulance administered by Lee County Emergency Medical Service (E.M.S.).

The jet-powered Ranger 11 helicopter was pressed into service by the E.M.S. two and a half months ago to handle those life and death cases where the speed and maneuverability of the ambulance is crucial. The aircraft was leased from Mosquito Control in an arrangement that works well for both organizations. The insects are generally dormant at the same time this area is hit with its greatest influx of visitors, and therefore, its greatest number of medical problems. When the tourists return to northern climes, the mosquitos are about due to proliferate and the chopper is then required and returned to mosquito control.

Since its inception two and a half months ago, about one-third of all the chopper's emergency calls have been to the Islands.

E.M.S. has had the use of two small Bell helicopters for some time to transport

medics to the Island and other areas where road aid is unwieldy.

One is equipped to transport a patient on the exterior of the aircraft, but as Capt. Terry Dillon, E.M.S. Director of Operations pointed out, "We must be very careful who we put out there and what the circumstances are." The Air Ambulance, on the other hand, is equipped to carry two patients at a time inside the aircraft as well as a paramedic and the pilot.

During the heavy tourist season this year, the chopper ambulance was called to the Islands 31 times. (Please see the reprint of Erard Matthiessen's letter in this issue.) The total time incurred for the Air Ambulance from the E.M.S. dispatch area at Page Field until it reaches the Islands is approximately nine minutes, with the return trip to the hospital taking the same amount of time.

"We are not here to race an ambulance," said Capt. Dillon. "We only use it in a life or death situation where time is of the utmost importance in getting patients to the hospital. By land, in the season, even with lights and sirens, it takes an ambulance at least an hour running flat out."

Who decides when an air ambulance is necessary? "We must have one central dispatch area," said pilot Frank Bloom. "Otherwise we would have ground and air units racing all over the place." "Most emergency calls come from the family," added Capt. Dillon, "so the final determination of which transport to use must rest with the E.M.S. dispatcher at Page Field."

Paramedics as typified by "Emergency!"

are fairly representative of those who serve in this area. They work in direct contact with a physician at Lee Memorial Hospital and their equipment allows them a degree of mobility than even John Gage would envy.

"A paramedic," explained Dillon, "can even be dropped aboard a boat carrying a portable defibrillator and a mobile walkie-talkie and patch the patient into Lee Memorial. There is literally no area in the County that a paramedic can't go and still be in touch with his home base."

With the great influx of population into Southwest Florida in recent years, the Lee County Emergency Medical Service has also had to grow. In April 1974, the Lee County Department had 16 men and as of April 1977, there was a compliment of upwards of 55 men.

The training program for Lee County paramedics is probably one of the most complete in the nation. After a basic 40-hour first aid course, the trainees undergo a

mandatory 80-hour Emergency Medical Technician program, administered by the State of Florida. Lee County E.M.S. has instituted a further 600-hour program with the cooperation of 23 local physicians. The course is divided into study sessions, lectures and clinic work at the two cooperating hospitals—Lee Memorial and Lee Community.

"The largest number of calls," said Dillon, "are calls of a general illness nature, with a good number of them falling into the cardiac area, so we concentrate a large portion of our calls in that field. Also, since Lee County has grown so quickly, it automatically puts the road system behind," he added, "so a large number of calls requiring the Air Ambulance come from traffic accidents."

The continuation of the Jet Ranger Ambulance Service for 1977-78 is still up in

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## Your astrological week especially cast for Sanibel and Captiva Islands by madam dorinda

**Aries:** Unexpected happenings where money is concerned both good and bad are likely. There will be some temporary change in your surroundings which could cause you to show a negative side of yourself.

**Taurus:** If you don't like it, now is the time to take corrective action. Avoid handling responsibilities carelessly because of having too many things in the fire.

**Gemini:** Favored matters for you now could be related to entertainment, sports and children. Resist the tendency to dwell on past problems. Some changes in work are likely to be delayed.

**Cancer:** A good time to check security measures around your home base. One of your friendships could backfire, so take protective measures. A new domestic schedule could be upsetting.

**Leo:** You will get dependable support from a partner provided you don't cling to outmoded ideas and methods. Don't expect immediate results in remodeling or refurbishing.

**Virgo:** This is a good time to collect monies owed you; changes are starting, share resources and obligations. Safeguard papers that are important. Go easy in overloading yourself with unnecessary tasks.

**Libra:** Expect to deal with unfamiliar circumstances in the romance department. Those of you planning travel should be extra careful about reservations, etc. Be wary of secret financial agreements.

**Scorpio:** Domestic matters are favored, and a problem will be cleared up there. Expect some difficulties from authority over rules and regulations, could have to do with your work.

**Sagittarius:** Starting a new venture with a friend now could be unwise. The start of a new leisure time activity could well be postponed for lack of participation. Short trips will not be very productive.

**Capricorn:** Expect some changing circumstances in dealings with officials, a parent, or government that directly involves you. Difficulties with loved ones may cause you frustration or anxiety.

**Aquarius:** Be careful with far out ideas or there could be some troubles with relatives by marriage. Careful not to overextend yourself, you are likely to get a lesson in humility.

**Pisces:** You are apt to be watching someone leave; this could be a very lucky time for speculative ventures or gambling. Take care of small infections.



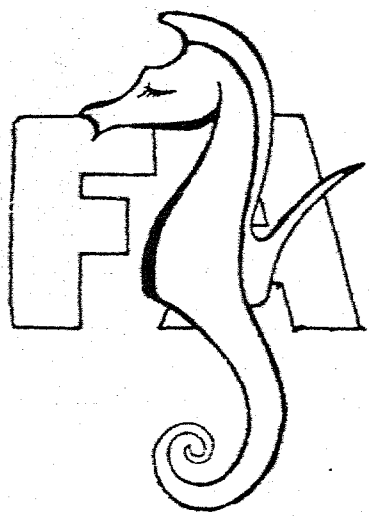
Pilot Tom Keim and Carlton Hawkins with the old Bell helicopter. "The Bell has its uses," said Keim, "in delivering a paramedic or spotting fires, but it is extremely difficult

to transport a patient with it. The old Bell chopper is like a horse-drawn buggy, compared to the jet-powered air ambulance—it goes about half the speed and has half the load capacity.

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and bill kruger

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Among the "Easy" selections you find a choice array of "Dr. Seuss" books. For a bit older tot, both grandparents and grandchildren will enjoy the big new Charlie Brown book "Peanut Jubilee."

You will find a good collection of the "Hardy Boy Books" and a full contingent of the "Nancy Drew" series.

For the more serious reader there are the auto-biographies of both Joe Namath and Helen Keller.

For the Junior "who done it fans," there is an ever expanding selection plus two very popular old favorites, "The Boys' Sherlock Holmes" by A. Conan Doyle and Ian Fleming's "Chitty Chitty Bang Bang."

Two new Science Fiction books the Junior crowd might enjoy are "Catseye" and "Are All The Giants Dead?" both by Andre Norton.

Should you have any young visitors interested in Shelling, there are two very good, easy to read and beautifully illustrated volumes on the shelf "Shells are where you find them" by Elizabeth Clemons and "The Book of Sea Shells" by Michael H. Bevans.

There are so many many more interesting books in this unique corner, craft books, adventure stories, young romances, travel etc. If you like reading to the young fry, don't pass up that old Platt and Munk classic "Stories That Never Grow Old." Everyone will enjoy it.

Did you know two of the most popular books in the Sanibel library were first published one hundred years ago and are still being published today? I'm sure you know them - "Horatio Alger" and "Little Women." Wonderful reading anytime!

Incidentally, the childrens story hour will again start at the library around the middle of June.

One of our story tellers, Mrs. Sylvia Strong, who has been a library volunteer since its inception, not only reads children's books but keeps up on most of the new novels, many of which she donates to the library. She is also an avid mystery fan and loves the "Miss Reed" books. If you have never read a "Miss Reed" book, do take one from the shelf this summer. You will find it most delightful light reading.

P.S. For our friends who like the large print books there are several new additions - "A Small Town in Germany" by John LeCarse, "Slay Ride," a mystery by Dick Francis, another Harry Kemelman Book, "Friday the Rabbi Slept Late" and "A World of Profit" by Louis Anchinloss.

# crossword

by thomas joseph  
answer on page 27

- ACROSS**  
1 — Guthrie  
5 Hidden supply  
10 Shortly  
11 Fictional sleuth, Lew —  
13 Mankind's common trait (2 wds.)  
15 Greek letter  
16 Singular  
17 Apex  
18 Last year's Jr.  
19 New Guinea town  
20 Dead heat  
21 Presidential nickname  
22 Illustrious Quaker  
23 Sing like Bing  
26 Basque headwear  
27 Babble  
28 Symbol of fidelity  
29 Nigerian city  
30 Russian commune  
31 Fairy queen  
34 Ventilate  
35 Christina's late father  
36 Wooden core  
37 Amphibious warriors (2 wds.)  
40 At rest  
41 Dossier  
42 Legislate
- DOWN**  
1 Symbol of Lent  
2 Dispatch  
3 Miller's salesman  
4 Put — pedestal (2 wds.)  
5 Shoe for Caesar  
6 Baseball deal  
7 Tread the boards  
8 Camera part  
9 Brave Ms.  
12 See the light  
14 Man without a country  
21 College in Iowa  
22 Margaret, to intimates  
23 Certain chocolates  
24 Shine  
25 Exceeded  
26 Kind of acid  
28 To the point  
30 Mentally troubled  
31 Mme. Curie  
32 Sufficient  
33 Assail  
38 Give — whirl (2 wds.)  
39 Not working

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# The week's TV schedule

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(Including story lines, occasional pungent reviews and editorial notes here and there. NOTE: The local stations are completely at the mercy of the Big City Networks when it comes to network scheduled movies, and to film distributors for locally scheduled movies, so if what is scheduled here is not what you see, please vent your ire on U.P.S. and/or the Networks, not your local stations or the ISLANDER. Thank you.)

## weekdays - through 6:30 p.m.

6:00	12 Noon
20-Spanish Newscast	11-News Eleven
6:04	20-Name That Tune
20-Gulf Coast Today	26-Second Chance
6:08	12:30
20-The Lucy Show	11-Search For Tomorrow
6:30	20-Lovers and Friends
11-Morning Devotional	26-Ryan's Hope
6:35	12:58
11-F.Y.I.	20-NBC News Minute
6:38	1:00
20-Gulf Coast Today	11-The Young & The Restless
6:55	20-The Gong Show
11-Spanish News	26-All My Children
7:00	1:30
11-CBS Morning News	11-As The World Turns
20-Today	20-Days of Our Lives
26-Good Morning America	26-Family Feud
7:25	2:00
11-Local News	26-\$20,000 Pyramid
20-Today in Florida	2:30
7:30	11-The Guiding Light
11-CBS Morning News	20-The Doctors
8:00	21-One Life To Live
11-Captain Kangaroo	2:58
8:25	20-NBC News Minute
20-Today in Florida	3:00
9:00	11-All In The Family
11-Sesame Street	20-Another World
20-Donahue	3:15
26-Sunshine Showcase:	26-General Hospital
Tues.: "Death of A Gunfighter," Richard Widmark (1968); Wed.: "Something For A Lonely Man," Dan Blocker (1968); Thurs.: "Privilege," Paul Jones (1967); Fri.: "Prescription Murder," Peter Falk (1967); Mon. Jungle Larry at 9, "Peter Gunn" at 9:30, "A Psychic Called Elizabeth," at 10; Tues.: "Secret Ceremony," Elizabeth Taylor (1969).	3:30
10:00	11-Match Game '77
11-Merv Griffin	3:58
20-Sanford & Son	20-NBC News Minute
10:30	4:00
20-Hollywood Squares	11-Tattle Tales
10:58	20-Tuesday Only: NBC's Special Treat-- "Figuring All The Angles," with Chuck Connors host for a special on stunt men and women.
20-NBC News Minute	20-Bewitched
11:00	26-Edge of Night
Double Dare	4:30
Wheel of Fortune	11-Mike Douglas
26-Can You Top This?	20-Hogan's Heroes
11:30	26-Dialing For Dollars:
11-Love of Life	Tues.: "Do You Know This Voice?" Dan Duryea (1964); Wed.: "The Trunk," Phil Carey (1961); Thurs.: "The Human Duplicators," George Nader (1964); Fri.: "Passport To China," Richard Basehart (1961); Mon.: "Ghengis Khan - Part I," Omar Shariff (1965).
20-Shoot For The Stars	5:00
26-Happy Days	20-Emergency One
11:55	6:00
11-CBS Mid-Day News	11-News Eleven
11:58	20-Eyewitness News
20-NBC News	

## 26-ABC Evening News 6:30

11-CBS News  
20-NBC News  
26-ABC News

9:00  
11-M.A.S.H.  
26-Eight Is Enough  
9:30  
11-One Day At A Time  
10:00  
11-Kojak  
20-Police Story  
26-Family  
11:00  
11-News Eleven  
20-Eyewitness News  
26-News scene  
11:30  
11-CBS Late Movie  
20-Tonight Show

26-ABC Tuesday Movie:  
"The First 36 Hours of Dr. Durant"  
1:00 a.m.  
20-The Tomorrow Show

wednesday -  
7 p.m. till sign-off

7:00  
11-Wild Kingdom  
20-Adam 12  
26-To Tell The Truth  
7:30  
11-Untamed World

20-Gong  
26-Wild World of Animals  
8:00  
11-Good Times  
20-"The Remarkable Kangaroo," an NBC special - filmed on location, not specified, but we bet it's Australia.  
26-The Bionic Woman  
8:30  
11-Loves Me, Loves Me Not  
9:00  
11-The Amazing Howard Hughes - Part I" the special about the dead



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## tuesday - 7 p.m. till sign off

7:00	20-"We Will Freeze In The Dark," NBC documentary on the energy shortage, its history and possible future.
11-Match Game P.M.	26-Happy Days
20-Adam 12	8:30
26-To Tell The Truth	26-Laverne & Shirley
7:30	
11-Andy Williams	
20-Hollywood Squares	
26-Bobby Vinton	
8:00	
11-Who's Who	

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man whose money has made him almost as post-humously interesting as his true life antics.

- 20-CPO Sharkey
- 26-Baretta
- 9:30
- 20-Sirota's Court
- 10:00
- 20-Kingston: Confidential
- 26-Charlie's Angels
- 11:00
- 11-News Eleven
- 20-Eyewitness News
- 26-NewsScene
- 11:30
- 11-CBS Late Movie
- 20-The Tonight Show
- 26-"The Rookies" and ABC Mystery Movie "The Black Box Murders"
- 1:00 a.m.
- 20-The Tomorrow Show

thursday-7 p.m.  
till sign-off

- 7:00
- 11-"Florida Yesterday," in which Frog Smith tells it like it is (or was) around the early 1900's for Florida and Georgia Crackers.
- 20-Adam 12
- 26-To Tell The Truth
- 7:30
- 11-The Muppets
- 20-Hollywood Squares
- 26-Victory at Sea
- 8:00
- 11-The Waltons
- 20-The Fantastic Journey
- 26-Welcome Back, Kotter!
- 8:30
- 26-What's Happening
- 9:00
- 11-"The Amazing Howard

Hughes - Part II"  
20-NBC's Best Seller: If ya missed 'em before, they're re-running "The Captain & The Kings"

- 26-Barney Miller
- 9:30
- 26-Three's Company
- 10:00
- 26-Westside Medical
- 11:00
- 11-News Eleven
- 20-Eyewitness News
- 26-NewsScene
- 11:30
- 11-CBS Late Movie
- 20-The Tonight Show
- 26-ABC Thursday Special: Gabe Kaplan presents "The Future Stars"
- 1:00 a.m.
- 20-The Tomorrow Show

friday - 7 -m. till sign-off

- 7:00
- 11-Hee Haw
- 20-Adam 12
- 26-To Tell The Truth
- 7:30
- 20-Candid Camera
- 26-Nashville On The Road
- 8:00
- 11-Code 'R'
- 20-Sanford & Son
- 26-Donny & Marie Osmond
- 8:30
- 20-Chico & The Man
- 9:00
- 11-"Nashville 99"
- 20-The Rockford Files
- 26-ABC Friday Movie: "Sweet Hostage"
- 10:00
- 11-Hunter
- 20-TBA
- 11:00
- 11-News Eleven

- 20-Eyewitness News
- 26-NewsScene
- 11:30
- 11-NBA Playoff Game
- 20-The Tonight Show
- 26-S.W.A.T.
- 12:30
- 26-Friday Night Theater: (Movies till dawn and-or 7 a.m.) 1) "And Soon The Darkness," Pamela Franklin; 2) "The Fabulous Dr. Munchausen," Milos Kopecky; 3) "Blood For A Silver Dollar," Montgomery Wood; 4) "Slaughter of The Vampires," Walter Brandy.
- 1:00 a.m.
- 20-The Midnight Special

- 12:30
- 11-Ark II
- 20-The Kids From C.A.P.E.R.
- 26-American Bandstand
- 1:00
- 11-"What's It All About Razzmatazz," a news magazine in TV format for young people with host Barry Bostwick.
- 20-Florida Championship Wrestling
- 1:30
- 26-World Series of Women's Tennis
- 2:00
- 11-WINK-End Movie: "Invisible Stripes," starring Humphrey Bogart, William Holden, George Raft and Jane Wyman in the 1939 film of an ex-con who, though trying to go straight (which meant legally correct in those days and had nothing to do with one's dating preference) sacrifices himself for his kid brother who is about to go wrong. Based on a (the?) book by Warden Lawes.
- 20-Grandstand
- 2:15
- 20-NBC's Major League Baseball '77 - Philadelphia Phillies at Montreal Expos unless the Oakland Athletics play the Minnesota Twins in a backup game.
- 3:00
- 26-Pro Bowlers Tour
- 3:30
- 11-Davis Cup
- 4:30
- 11-CBS Sports Spectacular
- 26-ABC Wide World of Sports
- 5:00
- 20-Women's International

saturday - all day

- 6:57
- 11-Morning Devotional
- 7:00
- 11-Music & The Spoken Word
- 20-The Lucy Show
- 26-Big Valley
- 7:30
- 11-Fury
- 20-Little Rascals
- 8:00
- 11-Sylvester & Tweety
- 20-Woody Woodpecker
- 26-"Tom & Jerry" and "Mumbly Show"
- 8:30
- 11-Clue Club
- 20-Pink Panther Laugh and a Half Show
- 26-Jabber Jaw
- 8:55
- 26-Schoolhouse Rock
- 9:00
- 11-"Bugs Bunny" & "Roadrunner" Hour
- 26-"Scooby Doo" & "Dynomut"
- 10:00

- 11-Tarzan, Lord of The Jungle
- 20-Speed Buggy
- 10:25
- 26-Schoolhouse Rock
- 10:30
- 11-New Adventures of Batman
- 20-Monster Squad
- 26-Kroffts Supershow
- 11:00
- 11-"Shazam" & "Isis" Hour
- 20-"Space Ghost" and "Frankenstein Jr."
- 11:30
- 20-Big John, Little John
- 26-Super Friends
- 11:55
- 26-Schoolhouse Rock
- 12 Noon
- 11-Fat Albert & The Cosby Kids
- 20-Land Of The Lost
- 26-The Oddball Couple
- 12:25
- 26-Schoolhouse Rock

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*City reviews road im*

from page 3  
agreed on the urgent need for improving Sanibel-Captiva Road.

The council has long proposed to widen Sanibel-Captiva Road by four feet, but has also long been uncertain as to how to pay for the improvement, which Nungester estimates will cost the city at least \$500,000.

In the absence of Causeway funding, the council wants Lee County to pay a share of the cost because the road also serves unincorporated Captiva. Due to the heavy use of the road by construction trucks en route to Captiva, the council seemed reluctant to consider a bond issue to fund the proposed improvements.

"I think we ought to wait a little longer on the Causeway money before thinking about a bond issue," Bailey cautioned his fellow councilmen.

"I think the taxpayers of this Island will take a dim view of us initiating a bond issue to accomodate the developers on Captiva," White said.

"There's got to be another way to fund those improvements," commented Mayor Porter Goss, suggesting that the city make the proposed widening of Sanibel-Captiva Road its number one priority in terms of time, while still giving the project only a proportionate share of the city's available money for road improvements.

The council concurred last week on the assignment of high priorities in the city's short-range improvements program to a number of minor projects such as the restriping and repaving of many city streets, as well as to more ambitious proposals to improve the intersections of Periwinkle with Lindgren Boulevard, Donax Street and Dixie Beach Boulevard, among others.

The connection of Gulf Drive from Sanibel's eastern end to its current western

terminus was also regarded as a high priority for the city by both council and city manager.

According to Nungester, the city needs only to acquire one or two easements to be able to connect East Gulf Drive with Tulipa Way, and Middle Gulf Drive, while the city's recent discovery of a dedicated viewer's easement through the Old Cemetery could provide a means of connecting Middle Gulf Drive with Casa Ybel Road, thereby completing a southern alternate to Periwinkle Way.

"I believe we're very close to being able to open up Gulf Drive to through traffic," Nungester told the council Thursday, while assuring them that the city's intent is for Gulf Drive to remain a quiet residential street and not a high-speed highway.

Nungester also informed the council that the city is faced with the necessity of making about \$300,000 worth of minor maintenance improvements to a number of small residential streets on the Island.

The city manager said that the council might do well to begin thinking seriously about undertaking road assessment programs to help the city pay for all the minor but essential road maintenance work needed on Sanibel.

"It seems to me that any time a city goes in and fixes the streets in a subdivision, the only equitable way to do it is by assessment against the benefiting property owners," remarked Councilman White, although the council as a whole seemed fairly divided on the subject.

In terms of the city's long-range transportation program, Mayor Goss suggested that the city investigate the possibility of providing some sort of mass transit system for Sanibel. Goss said that the city could alleviate traffic problems on the Island by providing "people movers" such as those at Disney World to bring tourists and day-



# Captiva Civic Assoc.

At their first meeting of a new operating year last Tuesday, the governors of the Captiva Civic Association conducted an election to determine who will preside as officers over the work of the Association in the coming year.

Edward C. Timble was elected president of the board and Jack Bennett, treasurer, while Don Seymour and Mrs. Charles Stevens were re-elected to the spots of vice president and secretary respectively.

Acting upon a directive which was approved by the Association membership at their last general meeting, the board of governors composed a letter to the Lee County Commission requesting further consideration of Captiva's mounting traffic problems.

Among other improvements, the board suggested that the county should repair the shoulders, repaint the centerline striping and post warning signs at the curves along the entire length of newly named Captiva Drive Southwest.

The board also requested that the county resurvey the dangerous curves along the road for future widening, install pedestrian crossing signs at Tween Waters Inn, and reduce weight limits for the Island's streets, as well as asking that Lee County Sheriff's continue their close surveillance of speed limit violators on Captiva.

The board of governors also reviewed a bid from Sub-Oceanics Corporation of Naples for a proposed engineering study of the half-mile long rock revetment on the Gulf side of Captiva Drive Southwest between Tween Waters and the Island's post office.

The revetment study, a cooperative proposal of the Civic Association board and the Captiva Erosion Prevention District board, is necessary to provide engineering data with which to formulate a permanent solution to curtail the rapid erosion along the road, according to retiring Association President Sam Conant.

The Naples firm's bid for the study was between \$9,000 and \$10,000.

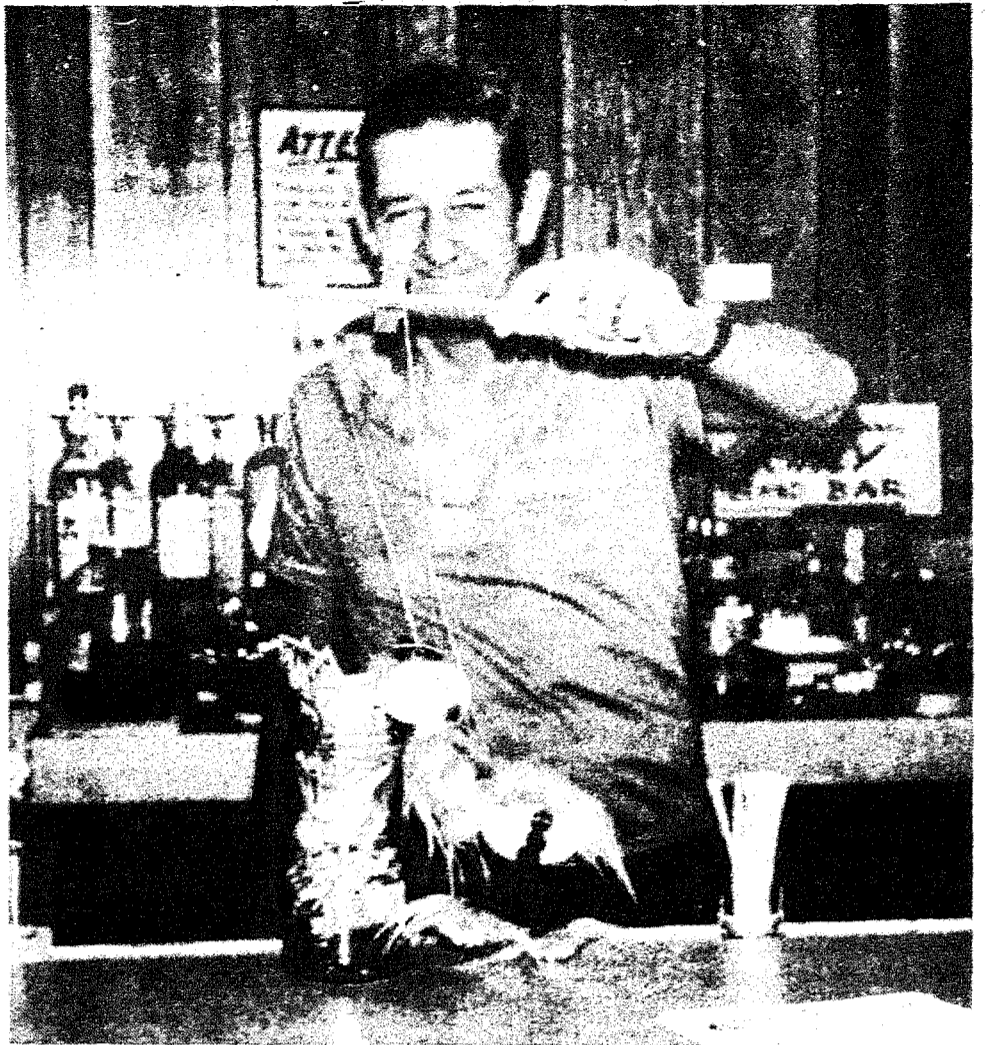
Civic Association representatives will appear before the county commission on April 20 to request that a portion of Captiva's 4 per cent share of Sanibel Causeway bridge revenues be allocated for the proposed engineering study of the revetment.

The board of governors also discussed a proposal for the Association to purchase a 50-foot buffer of land north of the Civic Center building from the Detrol Corporation, owners of the 10-acre property adjoining the Association's land. The intent is to maintain a vegetation buffer between the Civic Center and the 75-unit residential development slated for construction on the Detrol property by the Carter-Keathley Corporation of Captiva.

The board decided to pursue the proposed land acquisition with Captivan John Oster, principal owner of the Detrol Corp.

The board heard a preliminary report last Tuesday from Community Building Committee member Jack Mount on the estimated cost of installing heating and air conditioning units in the Civic Center building.

The board directed the committee, headed by Hudson Holland, to continue studying the possible cost of the project.



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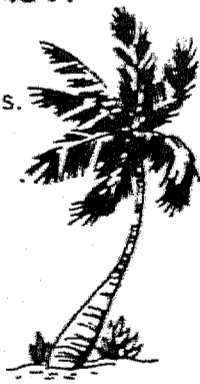
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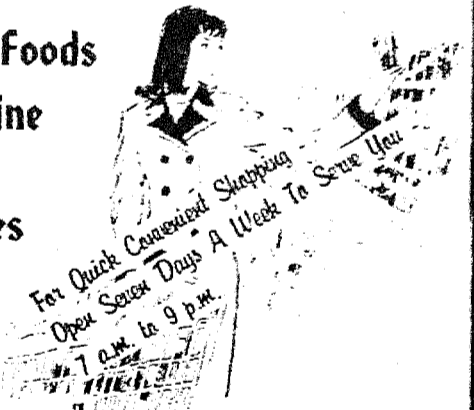
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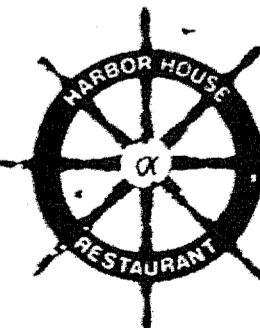
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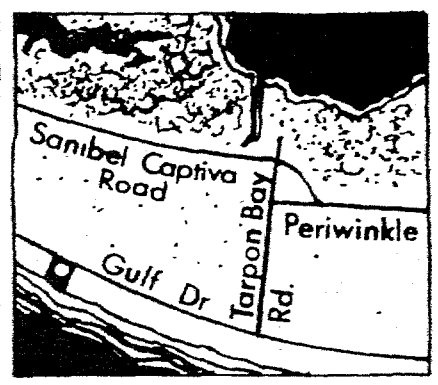
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# The beginning of an era — and the end . . .

by ginni brown

"Who, what, when, how and sometimes why..." the words which contain the formula for a perfect news lead will not be followed in this story.

As a matter of fact, this story exemplifies one of the reasons we are in this business. What started out to be a neat little puff feature turned into what just might be one of the biggest stories of the year . . . and, no, we shan't follow the formula of being able to "cut from the bottom . . ." a news edict which all editors probably wish were followed—the ability to cut (to stop) any story at the end of any paragraph and have what precedes the cut a complete story.

So . . . we'll start from the beginning. June Brinkworth, a dear friend who's also the editor of "Florida Theater Magazine" called us last week with the information that she, her husband, George, and "Fergy" were going to be on-Island this past week and would we perhaps be interested in interviewing Fergy, who is a member of "Theater Jacksonville," a theatrical group in Jacksonville, Florida, and a former resident of Sanibel?

"Sure," said we, never dreaming what last week might bring. "What are you all doing here anyway?"

"We're having a meeting of the board of the Florida Theater Con-



William & Esther Barnes

ference in Cape Coral at the Del Prado Inn over the weekend," replied June, "and then we're planning to visit the Islands early in the week, probably on Monday."

"Great!" said we.

Monday rolled around only to find two editorial staff members flu-

stricken and the third down with sleeping sickness, caused by a lack of that time-consuming but unfortunately necessary activity.

Fortunately, the ISLANDER is blessed with an advertising staff which (who?) can not only sell, but who can also read, write, type, take

photographs and do other things unconnected with their main job loads.

"Mmmm, dear, DEAR Kathie," say we in a sleep-slugged voice, "will you pop on down to The Pirate Playhouse and talk to the gentleman with Junie? Please? Ruth'll introduce you."

"How about in ten, no, 15 minutes? Kathie asks.

"Ummmmmmhum," is the reply, as we drift back to slumberland cherishing thoughts of dear, dear, DEAR Kathie.

The gentleman (according to Kathie's notes) is none other than William Ferguson (Fergy) Barnes, who is the grandson of The Rev. George O. Barnes of Kentucky.

It seems that after the Civil War, some of the Rev. Barnes's friends were living in Punta Gorda, which lacked either a church or a preacher.

Using some sort of persuasion, the Rev. Barnes arrived after a specific request that he come to enlighten the general populace and "teach about the evils of the Devil." He brought with him his two daughters, Marie and Georgia, and his son, C. Barnes (who was Fergy's father).

After a solid week of preaching meetings, both day and night, the Reverend and his family decided that perhaps a little vacation was in order,

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## ERA

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and planned to take a couple of days off to go up the Charlotte River and rest for a while.

The plans of mere man being subject to greater designs, the proposed two day jaunt promptly started and stopped when the family's craft got stuck on a sandbar, with the result being the family pulling towards the nearest island, presumably for more rest than could be afforded on a current-swept river sandbar.

The island happened to be Sanibel (No, we don't have the SLIGHTEST idea how the nearest, i.e. Sanibel island was near a Charlotte River sandbar—we surmise that perhaps the good Reverend mistook his rivers and/or channels.)

Anyhow, Sanibel worked its usual magic and the family eventually homesteaded 160 acres in 1888.

On the property, the family built a cottage, "The Sisters," which, during the next 30 years or so, blossomed into a 30-room cottage - hotel, known variously as "Mrs. Barnes's Fine Accommodations" (according to an advertisement in the Fort Myers Tropic News around 1905) or, more

familiarly, "The Sisters."

(This, by the by, should put to rest a recurrent rumor that the establishment was known as "The Three Sisters," especially since there were only two sisters involved.)

Along about 1915 or 1916, according to the notes, the name was changed to "Casa Ybel."

(All those who wish to chorus a "dum-dum-ta-de-dum" may do so at this point.)

C. Barnes died in 1923, leaving two heirs, William F. Barnes and his sister, Jean, who jointly decided to sell out shortly after their father's death. Fergy's (read William F.) first wife, Margarita, (who died of cancer in 1932) insisted that they reserve the oil rights to the land, since the sale took place during the "Signal Hill Oil Boom"—which they did, only to find out that for some legal reason or other, they could only retain 50 per cent of the oil rights, which rights end with Fergy's generation.

After Margarita's demise, Fergy married his present wife, Esther. Between the two of them, they raised four children—W.F. Barnes, Jr.,

Courtney (who later died of cancer), another son, MacKin and a daughter, Mary Barnes Nichols.

Mr. Barnes (read "Fergy") has 14 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. A student of mechanical engineering, he was a design and sales engineer, a business from which he retired when he was 60, making Jacksonville his home, where, as we related earlier, he has become active in the theater group.

About ten years ago, Barnes and his sister returned for a visit. Carefully looking over the grounds of the present Casa Ybel structure, Jean said, "Hey, Ferg—the very place where they have the cocktail lounge is where our grandfather used to preach his sermons every Sunday!" And it was.

He also recalled having a sailboat around 1905—not necessarily for pleasure, but as a necessity, since it was required to fetch and haul supplies and food from Fort Myers, weather permitting.

However, after they left Sanibel, they lived happily ever after, although he remarked that he wished they hadn't sold the property, and could buy it back for the same price they sold it—which

was just enough to cover the then-existing mortgage.

And there end the notes, which we were mulling over late Friday afternoon (or early Friday evening, depending on your personal time structure) at which time an office neighbor came in with a solemn announcement.

"The Case Ybel Resort Management Company," quoth he, "the principals of which are Keith Trowbridge and John Hill, have terminated their lease agreement with Howard Dayton Enterprises, Inc.

"Case Ybel will be closed as of April 16.

"The termination of the lease was made as Dayton Enterprises have sold, or are in the process of selling, the entire Casa Ybel complex to Mariner Properties."

The ISLANDER was unable to reach Mariner Properties for comment over the weekend.

So, quite baldly, what started out to be a story on the beginning of an era became a story marking the end of an era.

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Weeds 'n things sign illegal

Roy Davis pleaded not guilty in Lee County Court April 4th to charges that he had violated the Sanibel Building Code by erecting a sign without a permit.

Davis 'Weeds 'n Things' sign was knocked down by a motorist in mid-March. He replaced the broken sign with one that was slightly larger and higher than the original. "So motorists would be able to see it better and it wouldn't get hit again", Davis told the ISLANDER. "I didn't think I needed a permit because I was just replacing a sign, not erecting a new one."

The City of Sanibel thought otherwise and, after Davis and the City were unable to reach a com-

promise, filed suit against him.

Davis said that he understood the regular administrative procedure for obtaining a sign permit would take about two weeks, weeks that, because of the time of year, are very important to his particular business. The City told him to remove his sign, which he refused to do. Instead, he covered it. He removed the cover when the City filed suit against him.

According to City Manager William Nungester, there were no explicit provisions on the books for dealing with emergency situations like Davis' - or any other case such as a hurricane, where

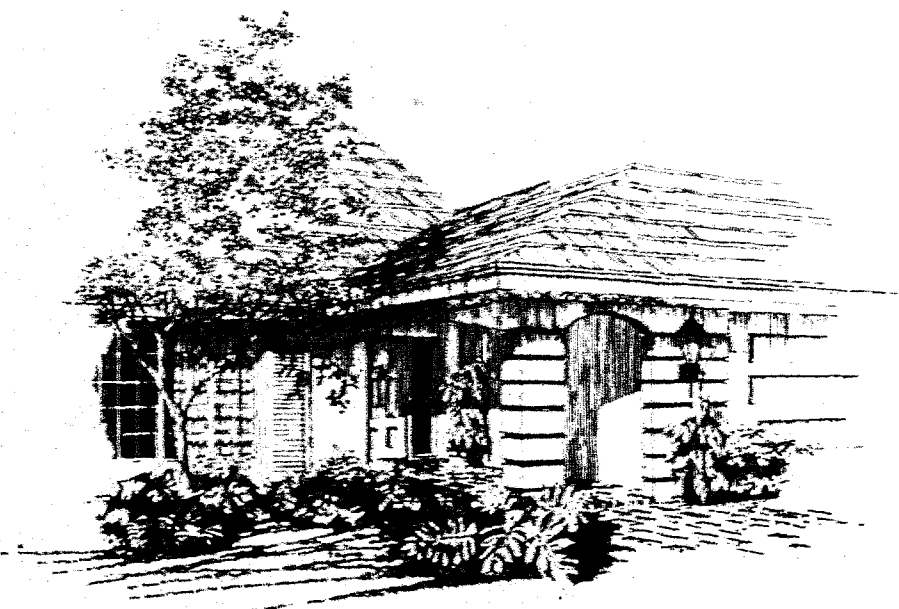
many Sanibel merchants' signs could be destroyed.

This was rectified in last Tuesday's City Council meeting by the introduction of an amendment to the Emergency Sign Ordinance whereby, if an existing sign is accidentally destroyed, a merchant may erect a temporary sign in accordance with the usual criteria of the Sign Ordinance while his request for a sign permit goes through the regular legislative process. He must, however, obtain written permission from the City Manager's office before erecting the temporary sign.

Meanwhile, the City intends to continue its case against Davis. A trial date was set for April 27.



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Ray Martorelli, Jr. and Bob Potts dished up sausages in "The Galley."

# Road Weight, speed restriction passed by emergency ordinance

In a somewhat surprising action, the Sanibel City Council voted unanimously last Tuesday to adopt an emergency ordinance imposing weight restrictions for Island roads as well as setting a new speed limit for Sanibel's main traffic artery: Periwinkle Way, Palm Ridge Road and Sanibel-Captiva Road.

At their meeting on March 29, the council had directed City Manager Bill Nungester to prepare an ordinance reducing the speed limit on Sanibel-Captiva Road, but pursuant to his own recommendation, Nungester took the initiative to include a proposal to enact weight capacities for city roads in drafting the emergency legislation.

Both recommendations were intended to improve traffic safety on Sanibel-Captiva Road, which has become dangerous to motorists because of its narrow, "deteriorating" pavement and increasingly heavy use by fast-moving trucks, campers and other oversize vehicles, Nungester told the council at their last regular meeting in March.

The council has long proposed to upgrade Sanibel-Captiva Road by repairing the eroded shoulders and widening the pavement on both sides of the road by two feet, but necessary funding for the project has been withheld since last spring when a legal challenge to the Sanibel Causeway bond validation stopped the flow from one of the city's primary sources of outside funding.

Nungester reported last Tuesday that an earlier cost estimate of \$230,000 for the project was unrealistically low and that he now expects that the needed improvements will cost the city closer to \$500,000. The council directed the city manager to seek funding assistance for the road improvement work from Lee County.

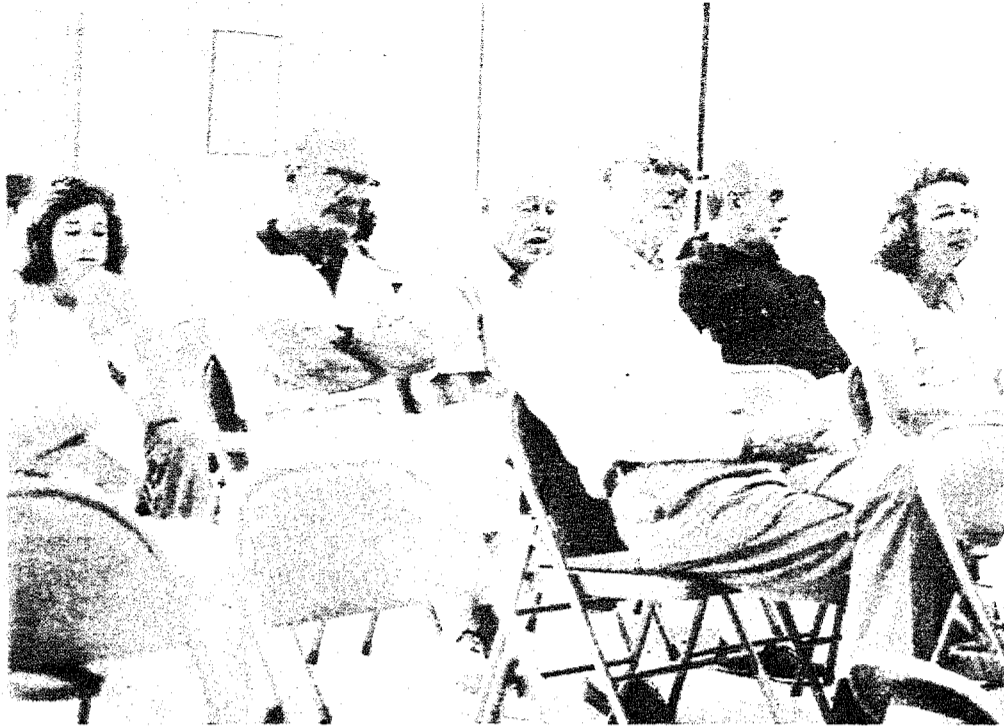
County traffic engineers had helped the city in preparing engineering plans for the project originally, but Nungester said last week that he was not satisfied with their specifications, which he implied were responsible for the low bids the city had received for the proposed roadwork. The council approved Nungester's recommendation that the city pay to have the engineering plans redrawn with an eye to re-letting bids for the project, although Nungester estimated that the city could hope for the completion of no major improvements to the road within the coming year.

In an attempt to forestall the deterioration of Sanibel-Captiva Road insofar as possible, the council voted last week to adopt Nungester's recommendations only as a temporary measure pending the availability of funding for the proposed road improvement work.

As contained in the emergency ordinance adopted last Tuesday, Nungester's recommendations called for the speed limit on Sanibel's main highway network to be set at 35 mph, and for weight restrictions of 40,000 pounds for two-axle vehicles and 55,000 pounds for trucks with three or more axles to be established.

The proposal to limit load capacities on city streets met with opposition from Island developers and businessmen, as well as some strong reservations among the council itself.

"There's a whole series of things you ought to get figured out in this respect before rushing into an ordinance," Mariner Properties President Bob



Large turnout . . .

Many interested Islanders turned out to MacKenzie Hall last Tuesday to see what action the city council would take to alleviate traffic problems on the narrow asphalt thread of Sanibel-Captiva Road.

The council adopted an emergency ordinance to reduce the speed limit on Sanibel-Captiva Road to 35 mph, as well as imposing weight restrictions on vehicles which use Island roads.

Taylor told the council. Taylor said that Sanibel-Captiva Road was designed for a capacity of 90,000 pounds and that the weight restrictions proposed by Nungester seemed arbitrary.

The city manager replied that his recommended weight limits were based only on an informal survey of Island businessmen and builders conducted by himself and Sanibel Police Chief John Butler, while saying that he was satisfied that they represent "a good alternative to a basic engineering study."

The council directed Nungester and city engineers to pursue an accurate study of load impact on the paved surface of the road for the council to adopt as permanent weight restrictions upon the expiration of the current emergency ordinance.

"I have not made this recommendation without some consideration," Nungester assured the council last Tuesday. "I've driven that road and I'm aware of the problems. The real difficulty is that the pavement of that road is too narrow and excess weight just complicates the problem."

Citing the city's "obligation to businessmen," Councilman Duane White expressed concern over the possibility that by restricting the size of the load a truck can carry, the council might be creating more construction traffic on city streets.

Both Nungester and Police Chief Butler claimed that the recommended weight limits will not place too much of a hardship on most delivery trucks which serve the Islands, but are aimed at controlling the damage done by construction trucks driven by occasionally irresponsible "contract drivers," according to Nungester.

"I just don't believe we are really enforcing the current speed limit on Sanibel-Captiva Road," White added. "I'm an advocate of really coming down hard on those who violate that speed limit."

Chief Butler informed the council that the road is patrolled by Island police at least once every hour between 7 a.m. and 2 a.m., and that his department had issued 23 speeding tickets during the week prior to last

Tuesday's meeting.

Mayor Porter Goss also voiced reservations about enacting weight restrictions without further study of the problem. Goss suggested that the council consider a number of other approaches to the problem, including the feasibility of requiring heavy-laden trucks en route to west end Sanibel or Captiva to be escorted by warning vehicles fore and aft, or for the council to limit the time of day at which construction material can be moved in the city.

Goss said his foremost concern about weight restrictions is the fact that the city has no weighing scales with which to enforce the regulations.

Chief Butler suggested that the city could either purchase scales at a cost of about \$800 or ask the state Department of Transportation to install scales at the approach to the Causeway to begin enforcing the existing weight restriction for the bridge which has hitherto been virtually ignored. Ac-

ording to Councilman Charles LeBuff, there are also restrictions on the number of trucks which can cross the Causeway at one time.

Vice Mayor Zee Butler urged adoption of the proposed emergency measures throughout the council's deliberations last Tuesday.

"I do not think this is the time to sit back and do more study," she urged her fellow councilmen.

Eventually, Councilman White concurred with the vice-mayor, saying, "I think this is a very serious problem, and I guess we should do something rather than nothing at the present time."

White moved for adoption of the emergency ordinance and his motion was carried unanimously.

The new speed limit and weight restrictions became effective last Tuesday, although the regulations won't be enforced until the city can provide a scale and erect signs to notify the public of the new speed limit, said Nungester.

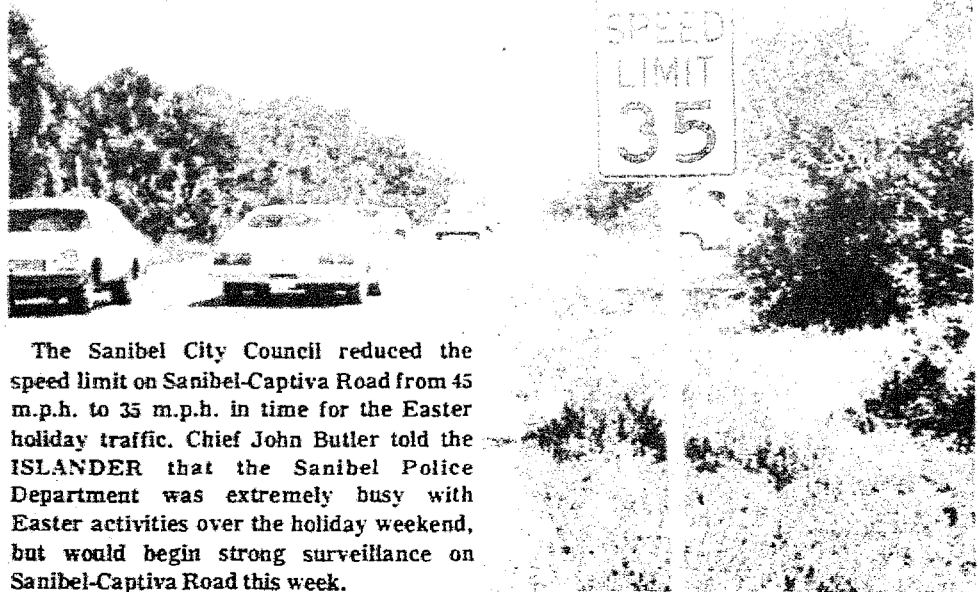
Nungester estimated that the new signs would be installed early this week.

The council's discussion of the ordinance became a forum for other traffic problems in the city at one point last Tuesday, when Sanibel resident Maxine Michl asked that the city do something to alleviate the road deterioration and traffic congestion around Donax Street caused by trucks hauling building material to the many construction sites along the Gulf in that area.

"You have a complete disregard for the safety of the people along that street, which is bearing the heaviest burden of construction trucks on the Island," she told the council.

Nungester reported that the city is close to obtaining the final easements necessary to connect Tulipa Way with East Gulf Drive, and thereby provide a second access route to this fast growing area of Sanibel, relieving some of the burden on Donax Street.

Nungester said that if all goes well, that section of the proposed connection of Gulf Drive could be completed in time to alleviate traffic problems on Sanibel's busy east end during next winter's peak tourist season.



The Sanibel City Council reduced the speed limit on Sanibel-Captiva Road from 45 m.p.h. to 35 m.p.h. in time for the Easter holiday traffic. Chief John Butler told the ISLANDER that the Sanibel Police Department was extremely busy with Easter activities over the holiday weekend, but would begin strong surveillance on Sanibel-Captiva Road this week.



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## League of Women Voters to meet Monday

The Sanibel-Captiva Unit of the Lee County League of Women Voters will hold its regular monthly meeting in the clubhouse of the Sanibel Moorings Condominiums at 10:00 a.m. next Monday, April 18.

The highlight of their last meeting in March was a presentation of the City of Sanibel's current highway problems and proposed solutions by City Manager Bill Nungester. The talk was arranged by the Unit's transportation committee chairman Mariel Goss.

Nungester emphasized the need for close cooperation between the city and Lee County in the planning and funding of roads, beach access, comfort stations, parking and other public facilities required by the growing numbers of tourists and day-trippers that visit the Islands.

The city manager also outlined the urgency for a prompt Supreme Court decision on the validation of the long-delayed \$18-million Sanibel Causeway bond issue to provide necessary funding for a program of highway and other capital improvements proposed by the city.

Nungester's talk prompted one member of the group to suggest that the city build a tramway across the Causeway to transport visiting motorists, who, it

was proposed, could park at Punta Rassa. This plan was well accepted as a relief mechanism for the intense traffic pressure on the Islands during the annual tourist season each winter.

In response to the city's plea, several members of the Island Unit volunteered for a day-long traffic count on Sanibel which was conducted on March 19. Statistics gathered in the counts will serve as a basis for engineering designs for the proposed improvement of a number of major road intersections on the Island.

Interest in the island Unit of the League has grown steadily during its first few months of existence on Sanibel and Captiva, and last month's meeting was very well attended, according to Chairman Carlene Bowen.

As a result, the group may schedule additional evening meetings in the months ahead if Islanders show sufficient interest in the gatherings.

The Island Unit of the League of Women Voters now meets at 10:00 a.m. on the third Monday of every month at the Sanibel Moorings clubhouse.

The general public is warmly invited to attend the meetings and join in the group's discussions of the problems confronting Sanibel and Captiva.

### Poti family increases

Dotti Pote has returned to Captiva after visiting her two new grandchildren in Connecticut: Shawn Micheal, who was born on February 16 to Warren and Denise Ahab and Jennifer Ann who was born to Richard and Betty Kovach on March 9.

While Dotti was in Connecticut, the whole

family helped her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Glaskowsky, celebrate her 75th birthday on March 19.

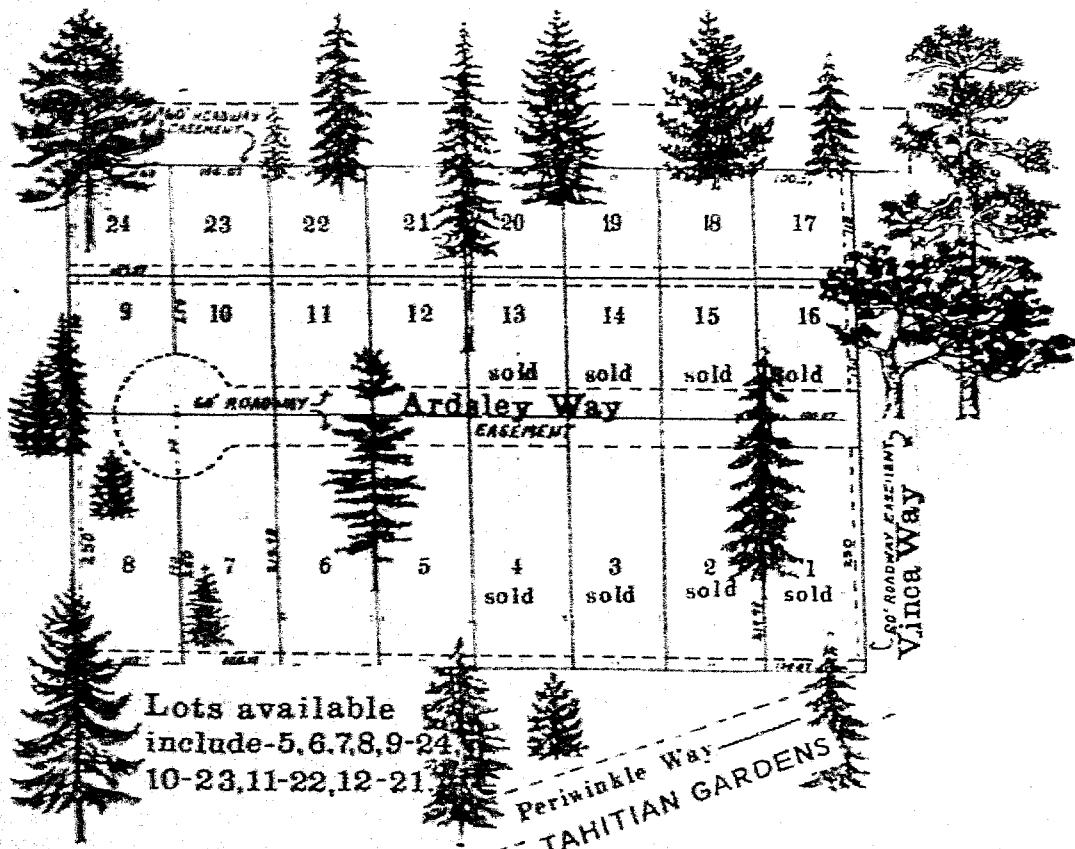
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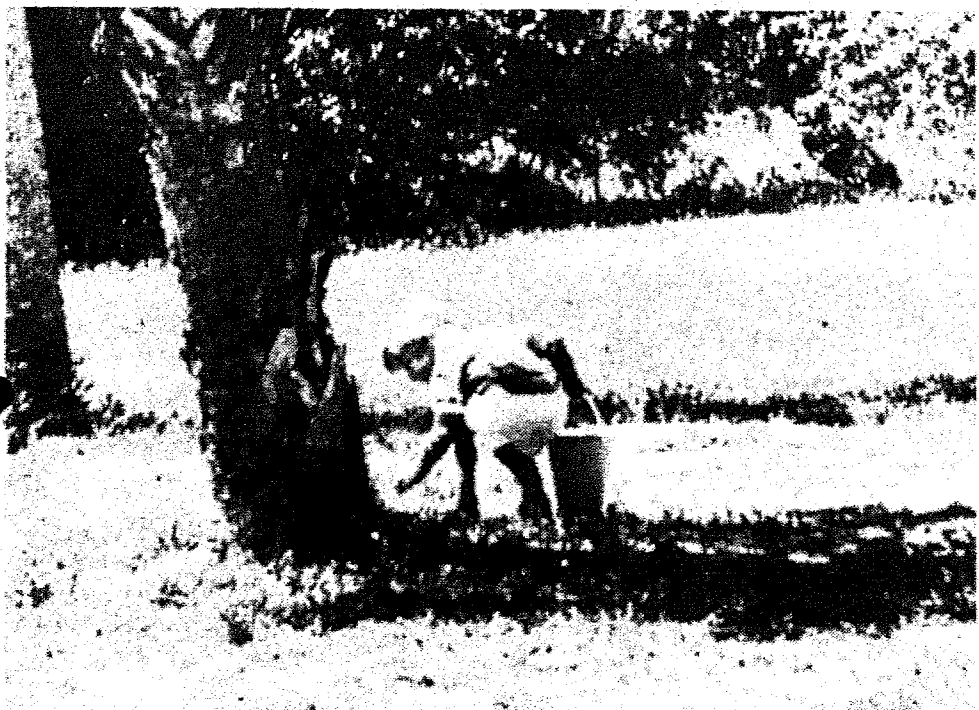
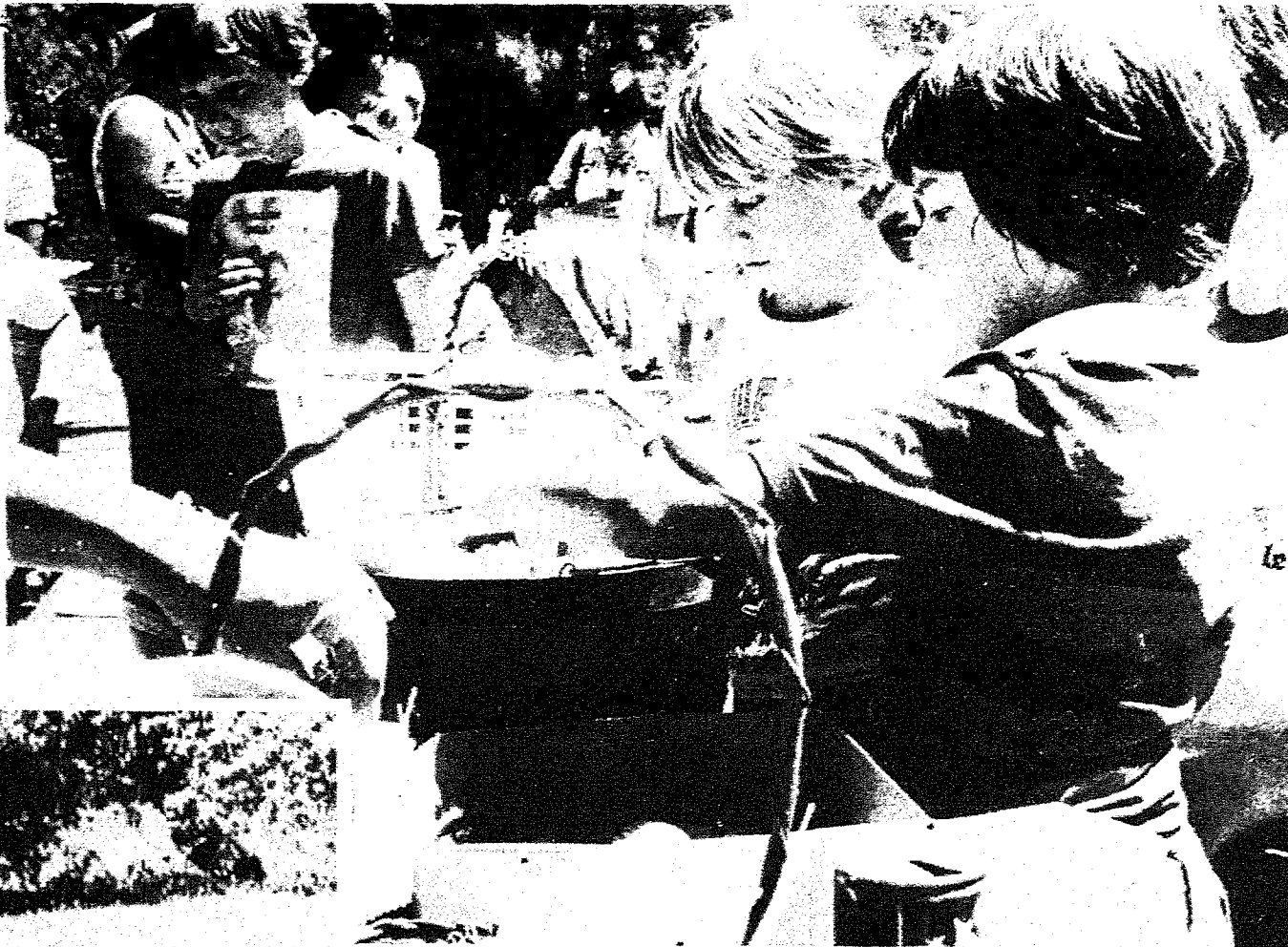
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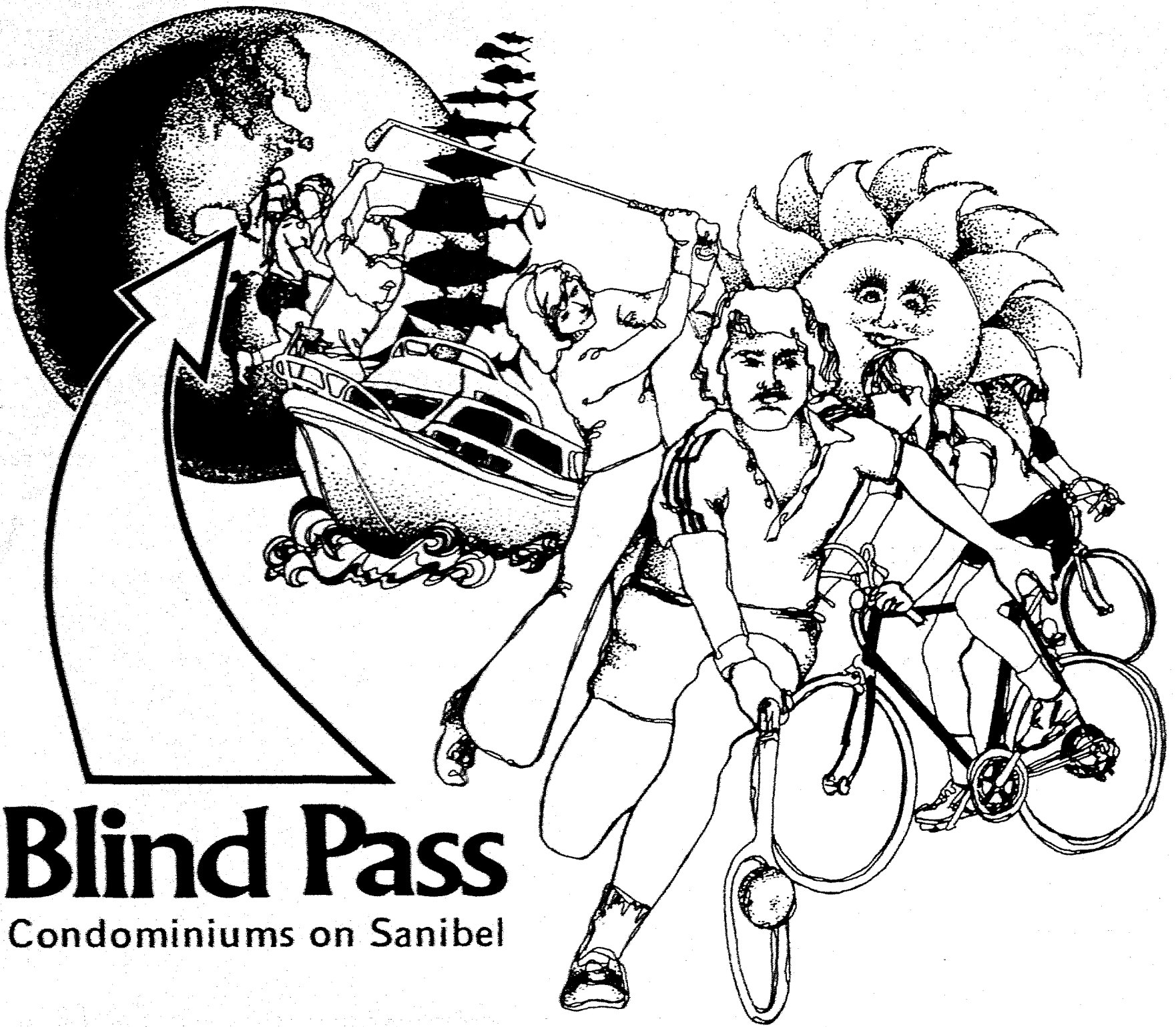
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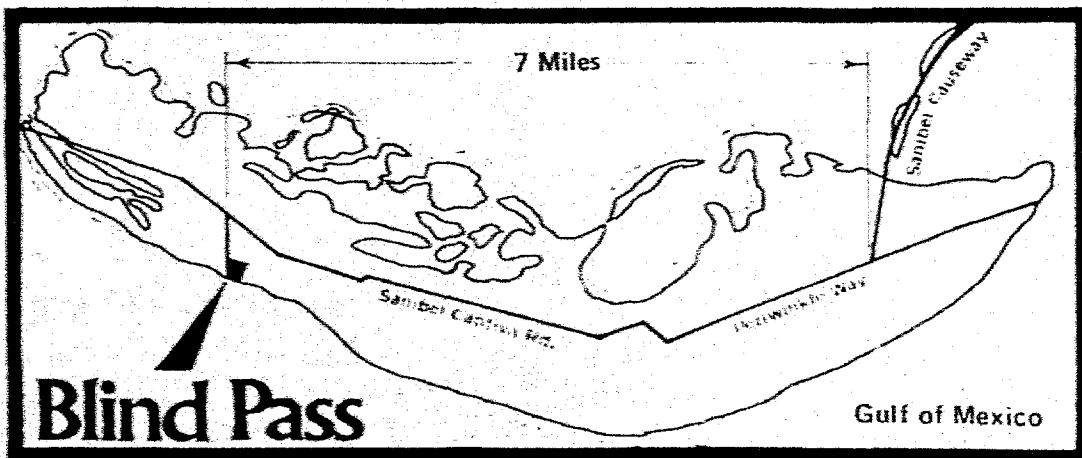
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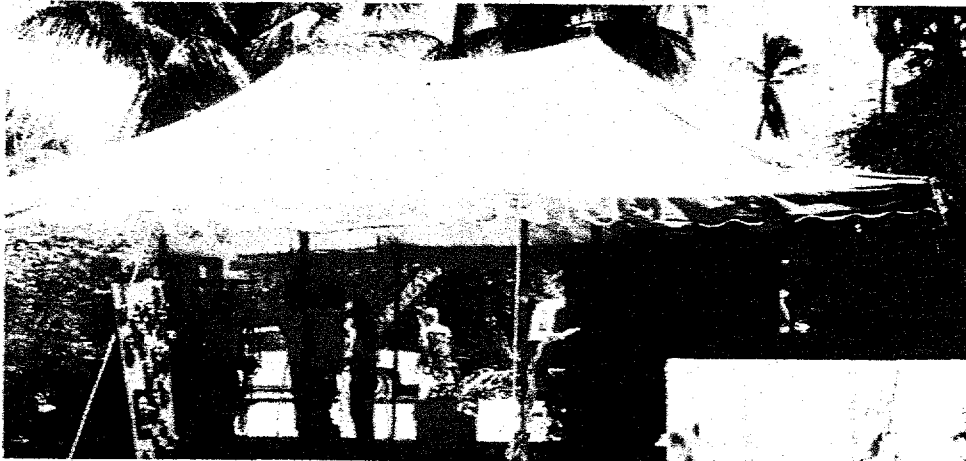
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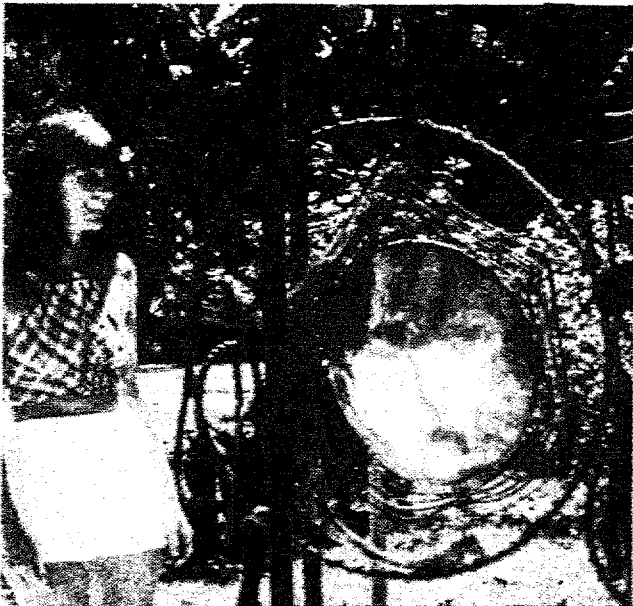
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The Captiva Erosion Prevention District Commission announces that, until further notice, the Board will meet at the Captiva Island Association building, starting at 4:00 p.m., on the first Tuesday of each month starting April 1, 1977. Workshop meetings will be held on the third Tuesday of each month, with the meeting place as yet undetermined.

-s- Max McCord, Chairman, CEPD.

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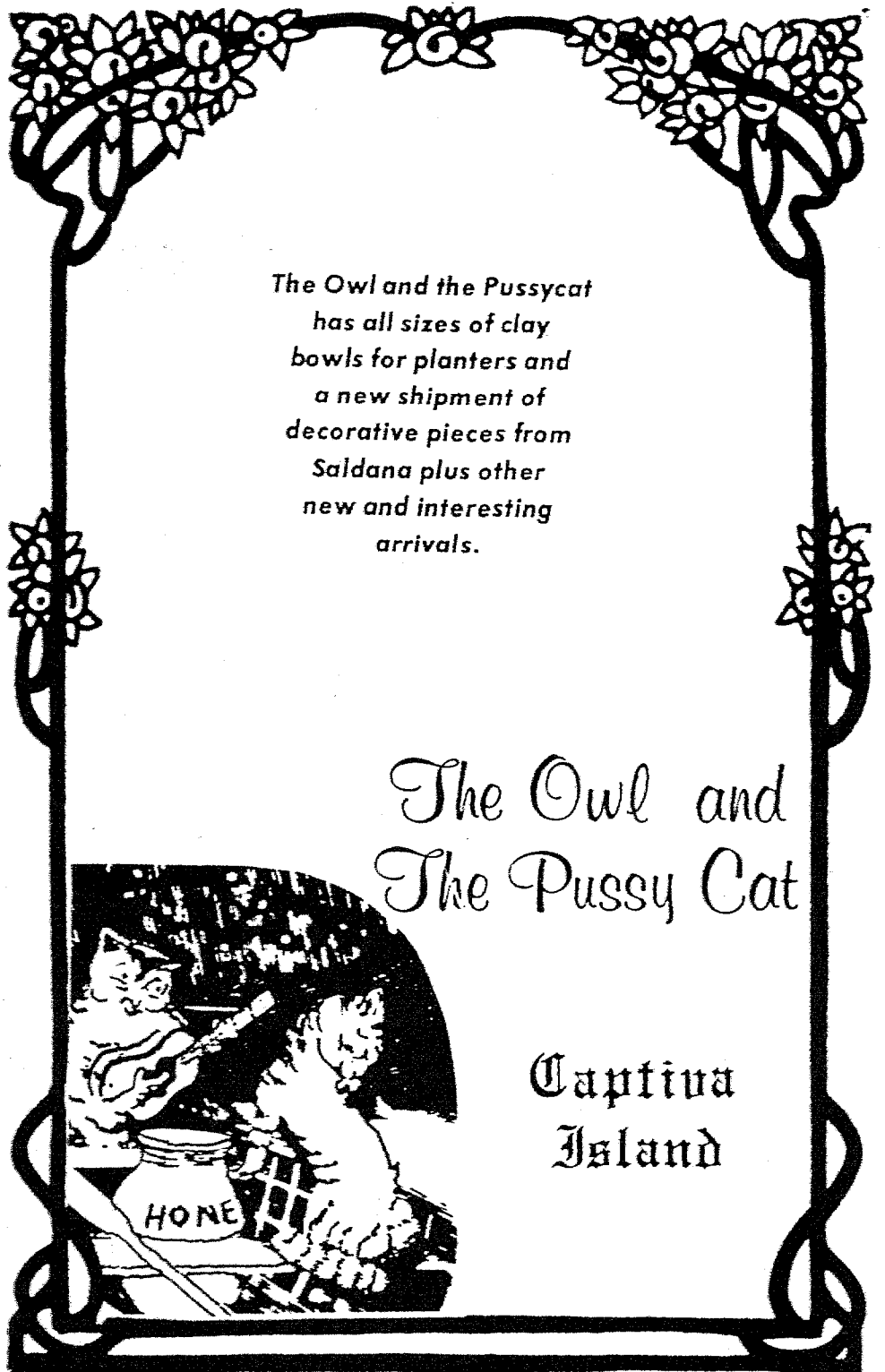
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## Letter to the editor

The ISLANDER has received permission to reprint the following letter originally addressed to the Fort Myers News Press: Editor, News Press:

Through a pointed, though most painful experience recently, I learned at firsthand of the vitally important service rendered to Captiva and Sanibel by the Lee County Emergency Medical Service.

In a matter of minutes after my wife was critically injured in an automobile accident, the ambulance was on the scene, manned by Chuck Earle and Tom Markovich. With assurance and competence, these men took charge and administered the vitally important first aid even while they were summoning the helicopter from Fort Myers. Even before it was possible to remove my wife from the wreck of the car, the helicopter, with pilot Tom Keim and paramedic Kenny Hutto aboard, was on the scene and moments later my wife was in Lee

Memorial Hospital.

My information is that these men were well trained, did just the right thing and did it efficiently and quickly. As a result, my wife arrived at the hospital alive, and gave the medical staff there a chance to save her life. Unfortunately, her injuries proved to be too serious for even the most skillful doctors to cope with, but without the rescue service, and most particularly the helicopter, she almost certainly would have died before ever reaching the hospital—a trip that by road can now take well over an hour.

I wish to take this opportunity not only to thank these dedicated and skilled men of the emergency service, but to emphasize again the tremendous importance of this service—both ambulance and helicopter—to the islands. Without it we would be living in a precarious situation indeed.

Erard A. Matthiessen  
Captiva Island

## A prayer

"James Whitcomb Riley's 'Little Orphan Annie' has remained in our hearts through the years for sure," said Ruth Hunter, "but did you know the following is the famous author's own special prayer?"

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Gracious Lord, I pray  
Thou wilt look upon all I love  
Tenderly today!  
Weed their hearts of  
weariness;  
Scatter every care  
Down a wake of Angel Wings  
Winnowing the air.  
Bring unto the sorrowing  
All release from pain  
Let the lips of laughter  
Overflow again.  
And with all the needy  
O divide I pray,  
This vast measure of con-  
tent  
That is mine today!"

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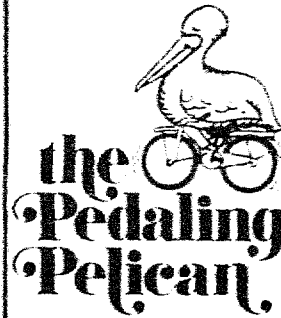
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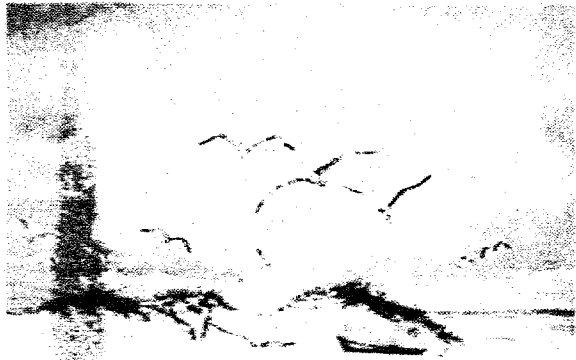
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 11-News Eleven  
 26-Tournament of Champions Golf  
 6:30  
 11-CBS Evening News  
 20-Eyewitness News  
 7:00  
 11-Lawrence Welk  
 20-Jacques Costeau  
 26-Peter Marshall Variety Show (J.I.P. - join in progress)  
 8:00  
 11-Mary Tyler Moore  
 20-Emergency  
 26-Paul Lynde Special  
 8:30  
 11-Bob Newhart  
 9:00  
 11-All In The Family  
 20-NBC Saturday Movie with John Wayne as "McQ"  
 26-Starsky & Hutch  
 9:30  
 11-Alice  
 10:00  
 11-Carol Burnett  
 26-Dog & Cat  
 11:00  
 11-News Eleven  
 26-ABC Weekend News  
 11:15  
 26-"American Theater," movies till 7 a.m. 1) "Happy Birthday, Wanda June," Rod Steiger; 2) "Friendly Persuasion," Gary Cooper; 3) "Operation Eichman," Werner Klemperer; 4) "13 West Street," Alan Ladd, Rod Steiger.  
 11:20  
 26-Eyewitness News  
 11:30  
 11-Movie Classics: "Adventures of Mark Twain," in which Frederick March.

Alexis Smith, Donald Crisp and John Carradine tried in this 1945 film to recreate the life of the author from his boyhood till his death.  
 11:50  
 20-NBC's Saturday Night - Most funny!  
 sunday - all day  
 6:57  
 11-Morning Devotional  
 7:00  
 11-The Christophers  
 26-WEVU Morning Feature: "The Three Stooges In Orbit" (1962)  
 7:15  
 20-Davey & Goliath  
 7:30  
 11-Rex Humbard  
 20-The Lucy Show  
 8:00  
 20-Jimmy Swaggart Show  
 8:30  
 11-Oral Roberts  
 20-Old Time Gospel Hour  
 26-The Lone Ranger  
 9:00  
 11-Old Time Gospel Hour with Jerry Falwell  
 26-The Old Time Gospel Hour  
 9:30  
 20-God of Our Fathers  
 10:00  
 11-Catholic Mass  
 20-Hour of Power  
 26-Insight  
 10:20  
 11-Day of Discovery  
 26-Jr. Almost Anything Goes  
 10:55  
 26-Schoolhouse Rock  
 11:00  
 11-Riverside Baptist Church Services  
 20-Cathedral of Tomorrow  
 26-Gilligan's Island  
 11:30  
 26-Animals, Animals, Animals!

12 Noon  
 11-Camera Three  
 20-Norman Vincent Peale  
 26-Issues & Answers  
 12:30  
 11-Face The Nation  
 20-Meet The Press  
 26-Directions  
 1:00  
 11-"Compassion - Special with Pat Boone & The Little Ones"  
 20-Sunday Film Festival: "The Ladies' Man," starring Jerry Lewis, George Raft. Jilted man moves to California where he figures he'll be safe from women and ends up as a handy man in a hotel—populated by 31 young women.  
 26-World Series of Women's Tennis  
 1:30  
 11-NBA on CBS: Doubleheader Basketball Playoff  
 2:30  
 20-Last Of The Wild  
 3:00  
 20-Women's International Golf - Live coverage of the final round played at the Moss Creek Plantation, Hilton Head Island, S.C.  
 26-ABC Wide World of Sports  
 4:30  
 26-Tournament of Champions Golf  
 5:00  
 20-Grandstand  
 5:30  
 26-Sacrilegious Movies  
 6:00  
 11-News Eleven  
 6:30  
 11-CBS Evening News  
 20-NBC Sunday News  
 26-Name That Tune  
 7:00  
 11-Sixty Minutes  
 26-Wonderful Disney  
 26-Nancy Drew & The

Hardy Boys 8:00  
 11-Celebrity Challenge of The Sexes, in which men and women compete head-to-head in various sportin' events, such as golf, billiards, go-karts, etc.  
 20-NBC Double Feature Mystery Movies: Lanigan's Rabbi; "Say It Ain't So, Chief;"; and  
 7:00  
 11-Gunsmoke  
 20-Adam 12  
 26-To Tell The Truth  
 7:30  
 20-The \$128,000 "?"  
 26-Treasure Hunt  
 8:00  
 11-Busting Loose  
 20-Little House on The Prairie  
 26-Happy Days 3rd Anniversary Show  
 8:30  
 11-"Pinocchio," a musical version of the classic

McCloud in "McCloud Meets Dracula."  
 26-Six Million \$ Man 9:00  
 26-ABC Sunday Movie: "21 Hours at Munich"  
 10:00  
 11-Leonard Bernstein Conducts!  
 11:00  
 11-News Eleven  
 20-Eyewitness News  
 26-ABC Weekend News

11:15  
 26-Sunday Film Festival: "No Way To Treat A Lady," Rod Steiger (1968).  
 11:30  
 11-CBS Sunday News  
 20-NBC Late Movie: "Oklahoma Crude" with George C. Scott and Faye Dunaway  
 11:45  
 11-Delvecchio

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7:00  
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 11-"Pinocchio," a musical version of the classic

tale with Danny Kaye and Sandy Duncan.  
 26-Monday Night Baseball - N.Y. at K.C.  
 9:00  
 20-NBC Monday Movie: "Macon County Line," with Alan and Jesse Vint, Cheryl Waters and Max Baer in a story of an enraged sheriff looking for revenge who takes out his feelings on two young men who happen to be travelin' through the county

when his wife is slain.  
 10:00  
 11-The Andros Targets  
 11:00  
 11-News Eleven  
 20-Eyewitness News  
 26-NewsScene  
 11:30  
 11-The CBS Late Movie  
 20-The Tonight Show  
 26-"Streets of San Francisco" and "Dan August"  
 1:00 a.m.  
 20-The Tomorrow Show

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trippers to Sanibel's beaches from the Causeway.  
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 The general concensus of council opinion at last Thursday's meeting seemed opposed to the use of city tax dollars for the acquisition of public beach access and parking facilities. The council registered a desire to provide additional public parking and beach access only if outside funding, such as Causeway revenue, is available.  
 The council viewed beach access acquisition as a low priority under the assumption that the needs of Island taxpayers should be attended to before the needs of visitors and day trippers.  
 With respect to other recreation related projects, the council took a firm stand on the need for the city to effect the proposed ex-

ension of Sanibel's bike path to the Sanibel Elementary School.  
 In this regard, Nungester told the council that the city has recently received pessimistic reports about the possible success of the city's application for a bikeway grant from the state Department of Natural Resources. Preparing for a possibility that state funds may not be forthcoming for the proposed bike path expansion, the city is now preparing an application for consideration under a \$5-million federal grant program administered by the Department of the Interior's Bureau of door Recreation, Nungester reported.  
 "It now appears that the possibility of us receiving a grant for the bike path is slim," Nungester said. "We've got to face up to the fact that we're either going to have to pay for our own bike path or drop it."  
 According to Nungester, the city had allocated \$50,000 for bike path expansion in the current capital improvement budget.  
 Among other possibilities, the council recognized that Sanibel's ad valorem taxes may go up if the city is to provide the many long-overdue improvements proposed by the council.  
 The assignment of priorities to those proposed improvement projects is bound to become an increasingly heated issue on Sanibel in the months ahead as the council begins to sort out the city's financial needs for budgeting purposes.

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While we are on fishing

inventions, another we could use would be a lure which automatically retracted its hooks if there wasn't enough drag from the fish which caught it. This way you could set your lure gauge at perhaps four pounds. If you got a two-pound redbfish, the hooks retract, reducing the possible danger of landing and or having to release the fish.

Or how about a gaff hook built into the butt of the fishing rod? When the fish was close, the angler could activate a trigger which would release a gaff and a flip of the wrist would open it for use.

With all the miracle materials we have, what about inventing a sinker which returns to the surface after perhaps an hour. That would save many lost fishing outfits. Or have a plastic sinker which could

be filled with sand. Once it is in the water the sand filters out. This would be for getting out to the offshore fish, not for keeping the bait on the bottom. Sometimes a large weight makes a fish reluctant to really grab the bait and run with it. Reeling in the terminal fishing outfit would be easier without a heavy weight on it, also.

For powerboat owners, when is someone going to invent a bubble-type of wind and sun shield for fishing hats? Regular glasses can be blown off in the wind. What I am thinking of is a retractable shield on the order of motorcycle face shields, but flexible and easily gotten out of the way.

Another fishing item I would like to see is a hook sharpener mounted on the side of the fishing rod. How much more quickly and convenient it would be to

simply swipe the hook tip over a small stone inlaid on the top of the rod handle? It is a good idea to sharpen the hook often. Hunting for the stone or file in a tackle box or boat junk drawer is a bother, especially if the sharpening stone could be right there on the rod.

Has anyone ever heard of a net which would be enlarged in the water, depending on the size of the fish about to be boated or brought to shore. Could a twist handle be made which would increase or decrease the diameter of the net opening? That would be handy for storage purposes, too.

And after that fish has been landed, wouldn't it be better to have a specially treated cloth or glove which would allow the angler to pick up a fish without harming the protective slime coating most fish have as it is released?

It's easier to think of inventions than to implement the ideas, but once there were those who dreamed of someday perfecting fiberglass for boats and rods, and mono fishing line and dacron sails.

Dreams pay off, but as one friend often remarks, it all comes down to whether the fish feels like biting or not. That's what's called back to the basics.

(Mike Fuery is captain of Captive Winds Sailing Charters out of Tween Waters Marina on Captiva.)

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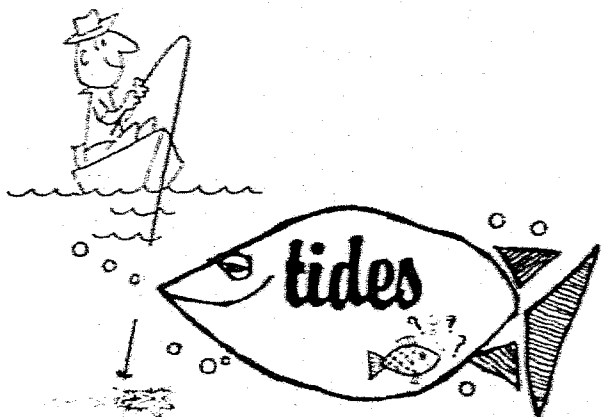
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Tuesday, April 12 - Monday, April 18

DAY	DATE	PLACE	TIME	VISITORS	HOME
Tue.	Apr. 12	Beach	5:30	Lions Mets	Kiwanis Orioles
Tue.	Apr. 12	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Tigers	Kelly's Athletics
Wed.	Apr. 13	Beach	5:30	Lions Cubs	Rotary Red Sox
Wed.	Apr. 13	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Indians	Bobbi-Del Cards
Thu.	Apr. 14	Beach	5:30	Beach Bank Royals	Carlos Bay Braves
Thu.	Apr. 14	Beach	7:30	Sanibel Astros	Kiwanis Pirates
Fri.	Apr. 15	Sanibel	5:30	Lions Aux. Angels	Sanibel Dodgers
Fri.	Apr. 15	Beach	5:30	Rotary Red Sox	Lions Cubs
Fri.	Apr. 15	Beach	7:30	Kiwanis Orioles	Lions Mets
Sat.	Apr. 16	Sanibel	9:00	Kelly's Athletics	Sanibel Tigers
Sat.	Apr. 16	Sanibel	11:00	Bobbi-Del Cards	Sanibel Indians

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Mon.	Apr. 18	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Giants	Kiwanis Orioles
Mon.	Apr. 18	Beach	7:30	Kiwanis Pirates	Carlos Bay Braves
Mon.	Apr. 18	Sanibel	5:30	Lions Cubs	Sanibel Yankees



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Day	Date	2:57 AM L	9:44 AM H	2:51 PM L	7:47 PM H
Tue	12	2:57 AM L	9:44 AM H	2:51 PM L	7:47 PM H
Wed	13	3:48 AM L	10:05 AM H	4:02 PM L	9:10 PM H
Thu	14	4:29 AM L	10:26 AM H	4:54 PM L	10:09 PM H
Fri	15	5:06 AM L	10:44 AM H	5:36 PM L	11:02 PM H
Sat	16	5:31 AM L	11:04 AM H	6:15 PM L	11:47 PM H
Sun	17	5:53 AM L	*11:21 AM H	6:47 PM L	---
Mon	18	12:26 AM H	6:11 AM L	*11:39 AM H	7:18 PM L

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 (sic) 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.

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# police reports

Island people being Island people, one can almost always expect them to do the opposite compared to how the rest of the world in operating, and, once again, the Islands have proved themselves. Since everyone else (ask your favorite bartender if you don't believe us) goes slightly batty 'round full moon, the Islands remained comparatively calm during that period of time, particularly if one compared this week's police report (written a couple of days after the full moon) with last week's (when the moon was on the increase and theoretically at its least point of influence). Oh, well!

The emergency call boxes were used eight times, to report such unhappinesses as cars stuck in sand to possible vandalism. Alarms went off a baker's dozen (13) times, with "that" one being a ding-a-ling II, the EMTs were called upon six times, the ambulance once and the emergency helicopter once, seven parkers and - or campers were doing their parking - camping illegally, three speeding citations were issued, as were two other UTCs (Uniform Traffic Citations) for other kinds of moving violations, two dark house checks were intensified because of open doors, one dog bite and three loud (barking incessantly) dog complaints were reported, two complaints were made about loud motorcycles, 29 "Notice To Appear" orders were delivered to the operators of bikes and - or mopeds who were in violation of city ordinance 76-16, the Sanibel Police Department ren-

dered assistance of one kind or another 15 times, two sets of keys, three wallets and one pair of glasses were reported lost, while one purse and one pair of glasses were found.

Citizen called, stating she fully expected to be "harrassed for issuing a complaint," but she did not think it proper for a vehicle to regularly remove a road sign so that the said vehicle could make a U-Turn instead of backing and trying again. She was assured she would not be harrassed. SPD then talked to operator of said vehicle, who said the practice of removing and presumably replacing the road sign had been a convenience for quite some time. Officer advised that it was not a good idea, and will stop, cease and desist. Driver agreed to try.

Call came in to report that "heavy trucks hauling fill" kept bopping down the road raising clouds of dust. Officer checked on complaint. Unfortunately, trucks driving the legal speed limit on that road will raise lots of dust, since the road, while recently "repaired with mari," is unpaved and "any rate of speed would case a very bad dust problem."

A report of a "disabled loggerhead" was changed to "deceased" when a large floating turtle entwined in fishing line was determined to be quite dead rather than hurt and needing help.

Someone left a wallet under the seat in a parked car in a beach access area

again. Result: loss of wallet due to B&E of auto.

Call came in to report "several shots or firecrackers" in a specific area. Officers couldn't hear any. Two minutes after they cleared the area, someone else reported hearing the sound of one firecracker. Area checked again. No shots, firecrackers or anything heard in area by officer during the following two hours.

A concerned citizen reported seeing a large man putting a large turtle in a pick-up truck. When complainant reportedly asked man what he was going to do with the turtle, the man allegedly replied, "Eat it." Complainant then told prospective diner that license plate would be noted, at which time complainant stated that prospective diner "followed (complainant) to his home" and then left area. SPD UTL truck; investigation continues.

Somebody seems to have a "thing" about car medallions. Two cars reported ripped off of same. First report of many.

A citizen reported two cars were, to the best of citizen's knowledge, improperly parked, as they were blocking a driveway. By time officer arrived there must have been four, since four citations were issued.

Parent reported young son had been missing for 40 minutes and gave detailed description of same. SPD officer and fireman dispatched. Three minutes later, lost son was located and reunited with parent three minutes after that. Total time between original call received and reunited family: 22 minutes.

Two t-shirted females pulled "flim-flam" con on shop owner, which was accomplished by much talking, confusion, "is this my change?" and so forth,

which ended up with shop cash register being \$50 short.

Possible broken water main reported. Proper person notified; will check it out.

Gold necklace reported stolen from business place. It was, but was also returned.

"Excited citizen" reported a plane crash with said plane being on fire. Turned out to be earlier plane crash. Four hours earlier.

Complainant stated she (and - or her family) had been cheated out of a specific amount of money as parents had been notified they could not cancel reservation but when daughter arrived, there was no room to stay in the hostelry and no money forthcoming. Seems to be a civil matter.

Call came in from a citizen (who refused to give a name) to complain about a "disturbance of teenagers" in a pool after closing hours, and that pool is clearly marked with closing hours and there was too much noise. Officer arrived and found three persons, all guests of the facility having pool, one of whom was going to room and two of whom who were just leaving. Officer did not observe a sign at the pool in reference to a closing time.

Suspicious car turned out to be apparently disabled and was removed from scene by following morning, presumably by unsuspecting person.

A citizen called in to report that a small pick-up was "runing people off (the road)" and was heading up-island. Officer located vehicle, administered field test to operator (who passed) and then followed same for a while before clearing.

As noted before,

medallion bug on loose, this time taking an emblem from a hub cap of a car.

A citizen reported a boat (with oars) had washed up on bayside. Boat GOA

More emblems taken from cars, this time in large parking lot.

Car was reported as being in ditch. It was. It was later removed from ditch (entrance to which had not caused damage to vehicle or surrounding property) and restored to owner.

Someone reported that a transformer pole was on fire. Lee County Co-op notified; said they already knew of it and a repairman was on his way.

Complaint was made by person who heard what "sounded like a shot." Officer checked in area, specifically with occupant of house from which sound allegedly was made. Occupant denied hearing anything, let alone shooting anything. More investigation disclosed that sound emanated from a stud gun on a nearby construction site.

Citizen came to station to

ask if a specific vehicle, which, complainant stated, "often speeds" on a specific road, and wanted to know if driver of said vehicle was visiting a friend. SPD explained that as complainant did not know driver of said vehicle, it could not be guessed whether said driver was visiting a friend, or any one.

One car too many stuck in sand in refuge; refuge closed at 4 p.m. that date (Tuesday, April 5).

Prowler reported as being seen prowling around a marina. GOA.

Loud party reported, Officer UTL; all quiet on all fronts (and backs).

Officer on duty found non-permitted bonfire in progress during routine patrol. Fireman dispatched to put it out. Did so.

Seven year old boy reported as missing for an hour. Found within 17 minutes of first "missing" report.

"Thump" on floor of large building brought in a complaint of possible vandalism, later changed to

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## Legion's frozen assets

Dawn broke over a windy and chilly Sanibel Island on Easter morn. Throughout the Island, folks were up early for their egg hunts and early services. The calm of the Sunday was broken when someone reported that the American Legion might have been burglarized. Sanibel Police Department were quickly dispatched to the scene of the crime and, in their competent fashion, dusted for fingerprints, photographed the area and began to interrogate "suspects." They were

unable to locate two of the possibilities at the time until a little later when the missing interrogees were run to ground at Three Star drinking coffee and reading the Sunday paper.

Did they know anything about the missing sum? It's not missing, came the reply. Did you look in the freezer?

SPD goes back to the Legion and checks out the alleged safe deposit area and found—some cold, cold cash.

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# Municipal

## San. Resource Center students protest

### "clean for pay" project

Last Tuesday, two Island students from the new Sanibel Resources Center appeared before the city council to oppose the city's recently initiated pilot project in paying Island youth groups to conduct regular clean-up efforts to rid city beaches of garbage and litter.

Saying that they represented most of the students at the school, Tom Carberry and Tanya Machold told the council that the city should have tried to sponsor a volunteer clean-up project before offering to pay Island groups for the work, and that an all-volunteer effort would be more in keeping with the city's adopted goals and policies.

The students also pointed out that most of the litter on Island beaches is above the vegetation line, and therefore is on private property, which the city should not be expected to maintain.

City Manager Bill Nungester responded to their objections by saying that volunteer

clean-up efforts such as those conducted by the Island Lions and Kiwanis Clubs have been very helpful in the past but have not

succeeded in completely erasing the city's litter problem.

"If we could be sure that an all-volunteer

program would solve the problem then that's how we would proceed, but unfortunately, this hasn't been the case," Nungester told the young Islanders.

One point on which both the students and the city manager agreed last week was the need for more garbage cans at public beach access points on Sanibel.



Sanibel Resources Center students Tom Carberry (right) and Tanya Machold (left) faced the Sanibel City Council last Tuesday to oppose the city's new pilot beach clean-up project, in which Island youth groups are paid by the city to conduct regular monthly litter clean-ups of Sanibel's heavily peopled beaches.

## Councilmen contribute to Sanibel

### July 4 fireworks display

Sanibel's five city councilmen each agreed last week to make a five-dollar donation each to a fund for the purchase of fireworks with which to repeat last summer's popular Fourth of July fireworks display over the Sanibel Causeway.

According to Mayor Porter Goss, Island businessmen will also be asked to contribute to what could very well become an annual July 4th fireworks event on the Islands.

The council's \$25 personal contribution is intended to start the ball rolling for this patriotic community event.

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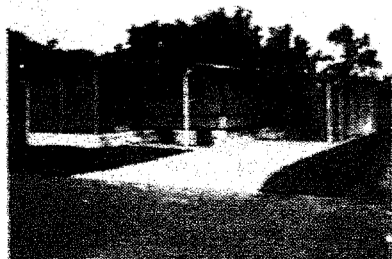
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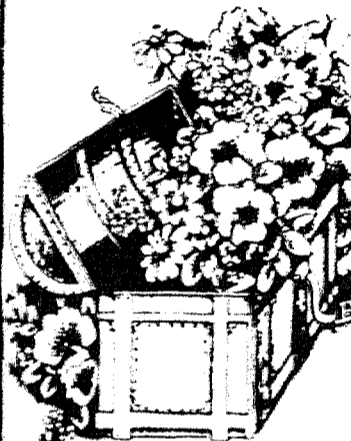
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# Record



## 7 signs & emergency sign ordinance approved

The Sanibel City Council voted last week to approve the issuance of temporary sign permits to:

—Stephen Keene for a sign at Estellas Island Gifts in the Santiva Plaza at Blind Pass;

—Mary Horak for a sign at Ada's Health Foods at 1640 Periwinkle Way;

—Eleanor Reed for a sign at the Sandpiper Cottages on Gulf Drive;

—Michigan Homes for a sign at their office on the corner of Periwinkle and Lindgren Boulevard;

—John Wilcox for a sign to identify his new law office at 1633 Periwinkle Way;

—Mariner Properties for a sign at their new model home in the Dunes Subdivision on Sand Castle Road; and

—Outer Island Development Corp. for a sign next to the Bank of the Islands on Periwinkle Way.

The council also rolled over the city's current emergency ordinance to regulate sign installation on Sanibel while awaiting the adoption of a new Street Graphic Ordinance for the city.

The council will hold a workshop meeting to continue the work of preparing the proposed Street Graphic Ordinance at 9:00 on Friday, April 15.

The emergency sign ordinance adopted last Tuesday will be in effect for 60 days from that date.

## City housing committee to meet

The City of Sanibel's ad hoc Committee on Housing will meet this coming Thursday, April 14, to continue their efforts in trying to propose solutions to Sanibel's lack of low and moderate income housing units for those who live and work on the Islands.

According to committee Chairman Zee Butler, the ad hoc group will review the results of a recently completed housing survey which was conducted on Sanibel.

The meeting will be held at 4:30 p.m. in MacKenzie Hall.

## Council approves 5 amendments, denies 2

Sanibel's city fathers endured another full slate of public hearings on proposed specific amendments to the city's comprehensive land use plan last Tuesday afternoon.

To be exact, the city council heard 7 specific amendment requests last Tuesday, voting to approve 5 and denying only 2.

The council voted to adopt ordinances approving specific amendments requested

—Mary R. LeRoux to permit the construction of additional commercial storage facilities for Once Upon A Time Antiques on Periwinkle Way;

—Richard J. Smith to permit the installation of a swimming pool at his home on Angel Wing Drive;

—Mr. and Mrs. Elliott T. Arnold to permit the construction of a single family home on Lot 3 in the Sanibel Shores Subdivision off Donax Street;

—Jonathan L. Bourne to permit the installation of a swimming pool at his home on Sand Dollar Drive; and

—Jimmie Cipriani to permit the construction of a helicopter launching pad and storage facility on his property at 2029 Periwinkle Way.

The council voted 3 to 2 last week to deny a specific amendment proposed by Myton and Daphne Ireland to permit the construction of a single family home on the west end of Lighthouse Way at an elevation of 7.5 feet above mean sea level.

Robert E. Hasting's proposed amendment to the plan to permit three single family homes to be built on three contiguous lots in the Gulf Pines II Subdivision died last Tuesday, as no member of the council cared to make a motion either to approve or deny the request.

In another land use planning action last week, the city council voted to approve a resolution accepting a re-plat of Beachview Country Club Estates intended to correct the old plat of the property, subject to the approval of the city planning commission.

The planning commission was to have reviewed the new plat of the country club land at their meeting on Monday, April 11.

## SPD plagues with missing persons in March

Sanibel Police Chief John Butler's monthly report of the activities of his department almost invariably reveals some interesting trends in crime and crime prevention on Sanibel, and Butler's report for the month of March is no exception to

## Goode appointed Engineering-Public Services director

Sanibel City Manager Bill Nungester reported last week that he has appointed city employee John Goode to the post of Director of the Engineering and Public Services Department for Sanibel's small but growing municipal bureaucracy.

Goode's duties in his new position include serving as a liaison for existing and proposed engineering contracts between the city and engineering firms as well as coordinating the construction and maintenance of such vital public services as streets, drainage and solid waste disposal facilities, and beach access and parking areas, among others.

As a city department head, Goode will also work with the city manager in preparing operating and capital improvements budgets for his department.

Goode has been employed by the city since February as code inspector for signs and vegetation.

His appointment as Director of Engineering and Public Services became effective April 4.

Shop owners in particular are urged to lock up their premises when they leave their stores for the night.

In response to the growing alarm over traffic safety on the Islands, S.P.D. issued 39 moving traffic violations last month as compared with only 17 in February.

Also, the assistance of an ambulance was requested almost twice as much in March as in either of the two preceding months. According to Butler, paramedics were called into action 22 times on the Islands last month, despite a minor decrease in the number of traffic accidents reported on Sanibel and Captiva in March.

Incidentally, S.P.D. confiscated 9 grams of marijuana and one ounce of hashish in the city last month, while only a very few felony crimes were reported on Sanibel.

## Council approves tractor purchase

At their regular meeting last Tuesday, the Sanibel City Council voted to approve City Manager Bill Nungester's recommendation that the city purchase a Case-Brown diesel

has been reduced for one of the most attractive pieces of property offered to the city to date.

Because of the lower price, the committee decided unanimously last Monday to recommend the property, located north of Periwinkle Way near its intersection with Palm Ridge Road, as its highest priority for city acquisition to the city council.

Valtin said that the property in question is still more expensive than the Sanibel Community Association's offer of 4.6 acres of land across from Periwinkle Way from the Sanibel Community House for \$195,000, although the committee favors the more expensive parcel because of its accessibility from Palm Ridge Road as well as from Periwinkle Way.

As a result, the Community Association's offer dropped into second place on the committee's list of priorities, Valtin reported.

The Site Selection Committee was to have met Monday morning to decide upon their recommendation to the council, which will be presented at a special workshop meeting scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on April 26.

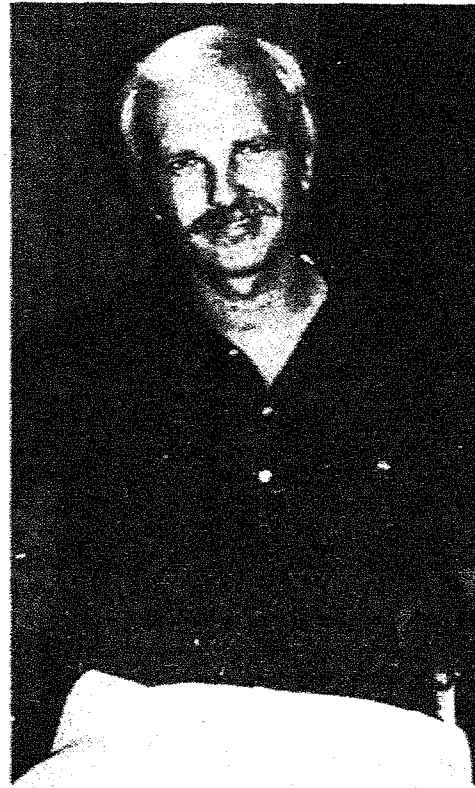
## City receives petition opposing septic tank placement under parking lot

The Sanibel City Council received a

petition last week from Richard Biddle on behalf of the Sanibel Lake Estates Property Owners Association requesting that the city deny a proposed specific amendment to permit the installation of a septic tank under the parking lot of the Tahitian Gardens Shopping Center on Periwinkle Way.

The septic tank in question will serve the Chez Rondolet Restaurant which is currently being built in the shopping center, but residents of the area feel that the proposed location of the septic tank under the parking lot is precarious and may endanger the health of homeowners in the subdivision, according to Biddle.

The council accepted the group's petition and promised to give it due consideration in coming to a decision on the proposed specific amendment to permit the tank installation at their next regular meeting on April 19.



John Goode

that rule.

Most notably, there were a lot of persons reported missing on Sanibel in March—over three times as many as S.P.D. was asked to find in January and February combined.

Island police investigated 17 reports of missing persons last month, and 17 missing persons were returned to their rightful owners or guardians.

Another interesting statistic which surfaced in Butler's monthly report indicates that S.P.D. enforcement of the city's bicycle safety ordinance returned to normal in March after a brief crackdown on under-equipped bicyclists on the Island late in February.

Butler reported that 27 bicycle warnings were issued by Sanibel gendarmes in February, while none whatsoever were issued last month.

In a surprise comeback last week, however, S.P.D. issued a total of 17 citations to Island cyclists and moped riders who were apprehended in violation of the provisions of the city's bicycle safety ordinance.

One optimistic fact contained in Butler's report for March seems to indicate that Island businessmen and homeowners are growing at long last. According to Butler's report, S.P.D. secured only 7 insecure premises last month, as opposed to 16 in February and 16 in January.

tractor and various accessory attachments for use in maintaining city streets.

To be included in the \$8,484.45 purchase package is a rotary mower, a rear blade, and a pickup sweeper for removing Casuarina needles from Sanibel's scenic bicycle path along the south side of Periwinkle Way.

The equipment will be purchased from the Nash Tractor Company and should be delivered to the city within 30 days, Nungester said.

Nungester told the council that the tractor would be kept in a storage shed on property to be leased from the Island Water Association.

## Site selection committee realigns priorities

The City Hall Site Selection Committee met last Monday to continue their appointed task of reviewing parcels of land which have been offered for city acquisition as the site of a city hall office complex proposed by the council as part of Sanibel's long range capital improvement program.

According to chairman Fred Valtin, the committee reassessed its assignment of priorities to the offers they have reviewed thus far after learning that the asking price

## Firehouse paving approved

Fire Chief Allan Nave told the ISLANDER that the City of Sanibel has approved the fire department's request for an emergency ordinance to allow them to proceed with plans to pave the driveway leading from the firehouse, thus eliminating the possibility of fire trucks getting stuck in soft sand as they make the turn from the fire station onto Palm Ridge Road.

Chief Nave said that the work would begin as soon as they can find a contractor or as soon as the original contractor they had consulted would be free again to do the work. During the interval while the city considered the fire department's request, the original contractor had undertaken another commitment.

"Now, it's a matter of deciding whether or not to wait for the original man," said Nave, "or whether to select someone else."

# Weather around the nation

# island weather report

## Shore patrol starts CB monitor

The Captiva Shore Patrol has decided to install a base C.B. station at Timmy's Nook, Secretary-Treasurer Jack Scott told the ISLANDER. The cost of the new equipment will run about \$500. The Shore Patrol has already received donations for more than half of the amount needed. The Base Station will include a 50-foot tower and be manned from 7 a.m. until 2 a.m. on Channel 13 daily.

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Los Angeles s	69	53	....
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San Antonio pc	81	60	....
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Seattle pc	52	44	....
Spokane pc	54	42	....
Toronto s	73	43	....
Tampa f	82	58	....
Washington s	65	45	....
Wichita f	81	53	....

The Islands' weather report for last week, as compiled by Walter Klie of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce weather station on Causeway Road, looks like this:

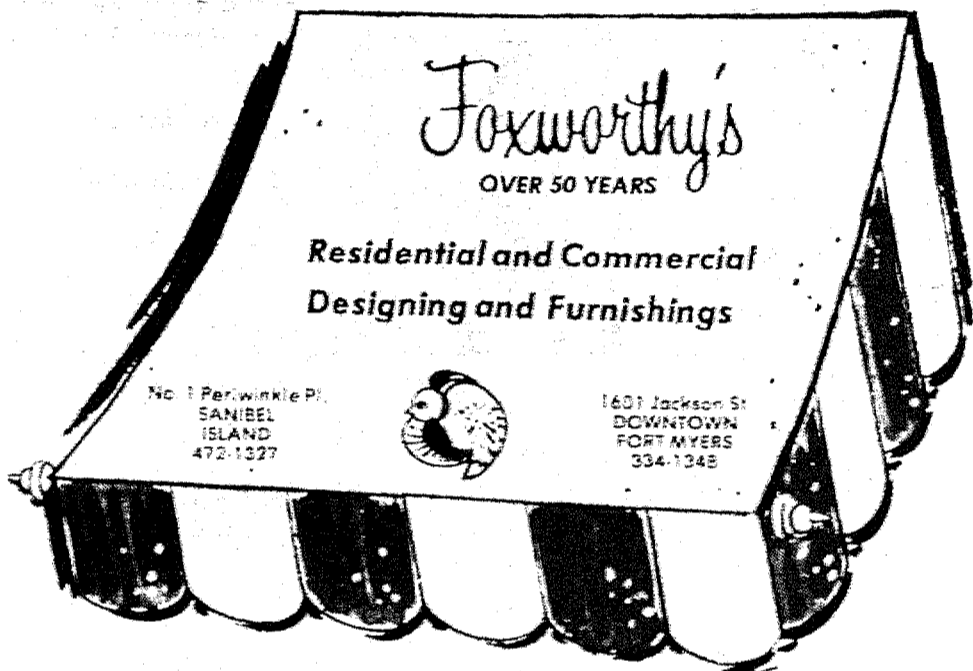
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April 4	85	74	No.
April 5	86	72	.06
April 6	73	60	None
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Theatre Associates, an amalgamation of four of the leading local theatre companies, Edison Players, Beach Players, Cape Players and Actors' Repertory Theatre. The lyrics and music for

"Follies" were written by Stephen Sondheim, creator of "A Little Night Music," "Company," and "Gypsy." Director Roger Crews said, "I would rather have an actor do a musical of Sondheim's than a singer. His lyrics are so involved with the story line that it takes an actor to put the song across."

The story of "Follies" is a natural for the Arcade Theatre in its present stage of remodeling. It is a reunion of old "Follies" girls, coming back to a last party in the theatre they played in just before it was torn down. As the four main characters chat about the "Follies" of their lives, younger counterparts come into the scenes doing and saying what the older ones are thinking.

Producer Joan Patterson said, "This show will be just about the biggest event in theatre history in Lee County. We not only have the largest cast in a show—more than forty people on stage, but we have a backstage crew of sixty people, all working at the same time to keep the show moving."

Reservations for the performances, which will run April 16 and 17, and again, April 20, 21, 22 and can be made by calling June Brinkworth at 463-6538.

Tickets are \$7.50 for opening night, and \$4 for each succeeding night.

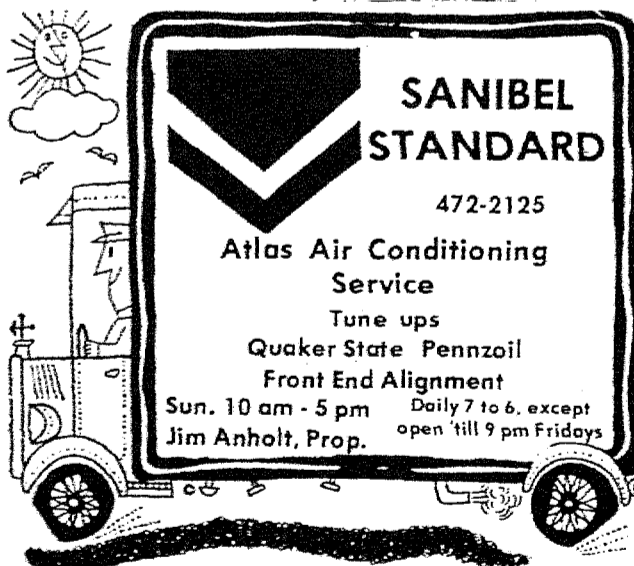
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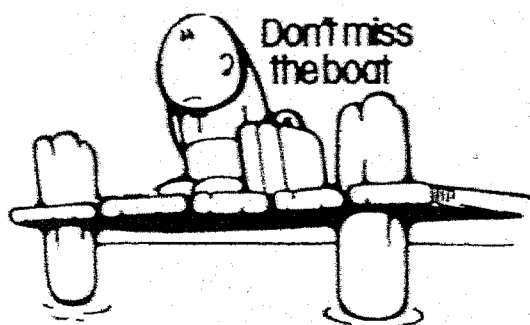
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# Air ambulance

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the air. The cost for next season will run between \$10,000 and \$12,000 per month for the ship and pilot. The decision will be made when the Board of County Commissioners puts together their budgets in June, July and August. The City of Sanibel recently passed a resolution, now in the hands of the County Commissioners, attesting to the value of the Air Ambulance and requesting it on a year-round basis.

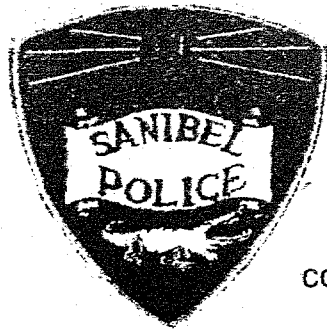
Roland (Ro) Roberts, County Commissioner for the Fort Myers Beach area, said that he is very sympathetic towards the continuation of the Service and that if he can find a way to incorporate it in the County budget for the coming year, he will try to do so. Commissioner Roberts added that he was very impressed with Mr. Matthiessen

for writing what must have been a difficult letter indicating his appreciation of the Air Ambulance Service.

Robert (Bob) Whan, chairman of the board and Islands' representative, said that he felt the Air Ambulance was a tremendous service and hopes to have it next year for the six month tourist season. He said that, in addition to the City of Sanibel resolution, he had received many letters urging its continuation.

"We've saved many lives with it," he said.

Commissioner Whan told the ISLANDER that if citizens, individually or as a group, wish to present their views on an issue such as the Air Ambulance, they are welcome to voice their opinions at the regular Wednesday Board meetings at the end of their regular agenda discussion. Whan said that discussion of items on the agenda is usually over about 2:30 p.m. and the Board remains after that to hear such discussion.



## police reports

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possible prowler, later changed to "will check to see if anything is amiss in the a.m."

Complaint called in to report that caller had heard "15 shots in the vicinity" of a specific area. Caller had not seen any person or vehicles. Officer arrived, talked to caller, listened for shots.

None heard. Later the next day, complainant reported that family members had found evidence of "large firecrackers" in the area.

Personage reported a specific vehicle had just "damaged his fence." Officer arrived to find six sections of fence, plus five poles, on ground, but no

evidence on bumper of vehicle alleged to have caused damage. Personage upset since it was his opinion if it had happened somewhere else, the "police would take some action." After a dialog of sorts, a citation for illegal parking was issued.

Store manager reported he had "thwarted a possible shoplifting" in that a female did attempt to hide a bottle of sun tan lotion under her clothing, but when a male, who had entered place of business with her was approached about the possibility of a theft, promptly admitted the attempt and showed said store manager where lotion was hidden.

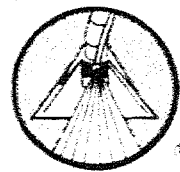


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