

Supreme Court remands causeway bond issue

Word was received last Tuesday morning that the Florida Supreme court had voted 7 to 0 to overturn the Lee County Circuit Court's validation of the \$18-million Sanibel Causeway bond issue, from which city and county officials had hoped to derive funds for a host of road improvement projects in Lee County and recreational projects on Sanibel, among other uses.

The Causeway refinancing package was validated in April 1976, by Circuit Judge Thomas Shands. Shortly thereafter, the validation was challenged in an appeal suit filed by three Lee County residents: Hannah Davis of North Fort Myers, James T. Nix of Sanibel, and Marcelle McGovern who has since moved to Long Island, New York.

In their appeal, they contended that many of the projects to be implemented with the bond proceeds are

illegal in that they do not substantially benefit those who must pay the \$3.00 toll on the Causeway, which has already paid for itself.

"Tolls as well as taxes must be fairly imposed," the high court ruled in their recent decision.

In rejecting the projects to be funded with the bridge refinancing, the court for the first time gave legal definition of an approach road that would qualify for funding out of bridge tolls.

"A road or a segment of a road is an approach road if a significant portion of its traffic moves onto the bridge or causeway; or if a significant portion of the traffic moving across the bridge or causeway came from the road or road segment," the ruling said.

Six major roads in Lee County were slated for improvement with bridge refinancing revenues, including the Colonial Boulevard extension,

Gladiolus-Ortiz Loop Road, Daniels Road-Cypress Lake Drive, proposed State Road 869, synchronization of traffic lights on U.S. 41, and the four-laning of McGregor Boulevard south of College Parkway.

The supreme court ruled that only McGregor Boulevard could qualify as an approach road, adding, "Inherent in the legislative scheme for funding self-liquidating projects is the principle that those who directly benefit from the project should bear a substantial portion of the cost, and those who bear the cost should benefit from the expenditure of the money."

The court also said that it could find no direct relation between the recreational projects proposed for Sanibel and the bridge.

"No Island resident or visitor should be required to pay for mainland improvements or Island recreational

facilities unless they are of substantial benefit to the users of the bridge or a large portion of the bridge traffic will come from such improvements," the court ruled.

After waiting over a year for a decision in the case, local officials voiced mixed reactions to the outcome last week.

Sanibel City Councilmen were largely reluctant to comment when informed of the ruling by Mayor Porter Goss at their meeting last Tuesday without having seen a transcript of the court's findings.

Goss, however, said that the city had done the groundwork for two or three "fallback positions" in anticipation of the outcome, adding, "There's a real way to make a silk purse out of this."

Some county commissioners expressed different feelings over the ruling on Tuesday.

"This is a disaster," said Commissioner Dick Steele upon learning of the court's decision.

His fellow commissioner, Doug Taylor, concurred with the opinion, saying, "This sets our road program back at least ten years."

In light of the high court's unanimous decision, the county commission decided Wednesday that an appeal would be futile.

Instead, the commission resolved to reevaluate the road projects proposed for bridge funding and submit another bond package to Circuit Judge Shands for validation, as stipulated in the supreme court's ruling.

To this end, the commission voted Wednesday to hire New York traffic consultant Arthur Goldberg to conduct a seven-day origin and destination study of traffic using the Causeway, in an attempt to prove that at least some of the road projects proposed by the county will benefit motorists using the bridge or generate additional traffic over the Causeway.

The study will be a week-long poll of drivers passing through the Causeway toll plaza to ascertain where they come from and where they are going.

The study is estimated to cost Lee County at least \$12,000, to be partially funded through Causeway toll revenues.

Mayor Goss said Saturday that the city, too, will try to perform an origin and destination study on Sanibel, and will work closely with Lee County to work up a revised bond package for the courts to consider.

"The bond issue is very salvagable," said Goss. "The court has finally given us a formula they want us to follow by defining approach roads."

Goss added that in revising its plans for the use of refinancing proceeds, the city would not press the issue of how much causeway users stand to benefit from a variety of vague projects, including public beach access acquisition, recreational improvements and the installation of public restrooms, slated for Sanibel under the terms of the original bond resolution.

Under the bonding arrangement which was remanded by the court last week, 70 per cent of the proceeds from the bond sales were earmarked for use in Lee County, 26 per cent for Sanibel, and 4 per cent for use by the county on Captiva.



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Islanders oppose assessments for road improvements

A fairly large crowd of Islanders voiced nearly unanimous opposition last Tuesday to a road assessment program proposed by Sanibel City Manager Bill Nungester as a means for the city to fund a host of long overdue street improvements on the Island.

The city council's discussion of alternate road improvement funding sources was especially timely last Tuesday in light of the news received that morning concerning the Florida Supreme Court's decision overturning the Lee County Circuit Court's validation of the \$18-million Sanibel Causeway bond refinancing issue, from which the city had hoped to derive revenues with which to effect a wide spectrum of capital improvements on Sanibel.

"We have frankly ignored the roads the same way the county did for the past two and a half years except for emergencies because we were busy with planning primarily," Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss explained the city's dilemma to a group of citizens who gathered in McKenzie Hall last Tuesday morning.

Because of the young city's virtual neglect of Island streets, City Manager Nungester told the council last week that some city roads are facing total ruin if certain repairs are not performed in the very near future.

"The problem is additionally complicated by lack of personnel, planning and a shortage of capital funds," Nungester reported in a written memorandum to the council.

Mayor Goss described the city's

problem with road improvement funding as a "put up or shut up situation," saying that some streets on Sanibel are so deteriorated that mere patching will not save them from disintegrating into sand.

Nungester outlined a proposal last week to save six city streets in need of immediate repair through a road assessment program in which city taxpayers would pay 33.3 per cent of the total cost of bringing the roads up to city standards.

The other 66.6 per cent of the \$97,495 Nungester estimated would be needed for the program would come from property owners to either side of the six streets slated for improvement under his proposal, including Jamaica Drive, Tahiti Drive, Rocks Drive, Coquina Drive, Pectin Court and West Gulf Drive.

Nungester guessed that the actual cost to affected property owners would come to about \$2.15 for every linear foot of their property fronting on the street to be improved, while suggesting that the costs could either be paid immediately by affected property owners in cash, or in smaller payments over a period of up to five years.

The city manager recommended that the streets in question be improved by sealing with a bituminous coat, to be

surfaced with one inch of asphaltic concrete.

While almost everyone in attendance at the meeting agreed on the immediate need for street improvements on Sanibel, most of them vehemently opposed the city's funding the road repairs through an assessment program such as that proposed by Nungester.

The city's legislative adviser, Paul Howe, requested that the council defer action on Nungester's proposal until they have given the public an opportunity to comment on the matter, and suggested that the city use general tax revenues rather than special assessments to fund road maintenance on Sanibel (see "Letters to the Editor" on page 4 of this issue.)

Howe urged the city not to perform road improvements on a spot basis, but rather, to formulate a comprehensive road maintenance program for the entire island, to be funded through appropriate allocations of tax revenues in the city's annual operating budget.

Howe's idea was applauded by Islander Larry Snell, who said that the city should begin thinking seriously about creating a city highway department to maintain Sanibel's streets and roads, rather than

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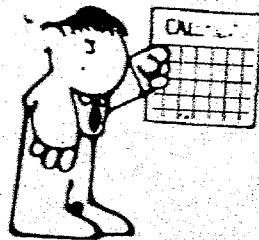
Captiva Shore Patrol

The Captiva Shore Patrol will hold a general open meeting Tuesday, May 17, at 7:30 p.m. at the Captiva Civic Association building. This is the first general

meeting of the groups.

All members and any members of the public who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

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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 Road, 472-9979.

BIRD TOURS: Griffing Bancroft, 472-1447; George Weymouth, 472-1516; Dick Frieman, 472-1315.

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SAILING (lessons and/or charter): Southwind, 472-2531; Paul Taylor, 472-1551; Chic Kennedy, 472-4087; Mike Fuery, Tween Waters, 472-1784, Ft. Myers Yacht Charters, Roger Nooruff, 463-2320, Twin Palms Marina; Papa Nui, 332-1200; Off Shore Sailing School, S.S.P., 472-1551, ext. 4141.

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

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WATER SKIING - Herb Purdy, 472-1849.

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

libraries

CAPTIVA LIBRARY - Tuesdays and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. 'til noon.

SANIBEL LIBRARY - Mon., Wed., Fri., 1 to 4 p.m.; Tues., Thurs., Sat., 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. No evening hours during the summer season.

fraternal groups

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL - area meetings. Fort Myers, Tuesdays at 12:15 in the Shrine Building off Cleveland Ave.; Fort Myers South, Mondays at 12:15 in the Sweden House on Rt. 41; Fort Myers Beach, Thursdays at 12:15 in the Holiday Inn on Estero Blvd.; Cape Coral, Wednesdays at 8:00 a.m. in the Nautilus Inn.

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.

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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 firehouse on Palm Ridge Road.

clubs & civic groups

AMERICAN LEGION POST No. 123 - American Legion Home, second Tuesday of the month, 8:00 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 at 10:00 a.m. on the third Monday of every month at the Sanibel Community House. The public is warmly invited.

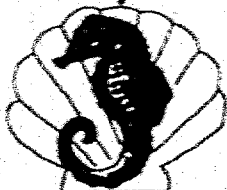
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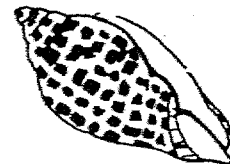


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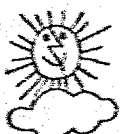
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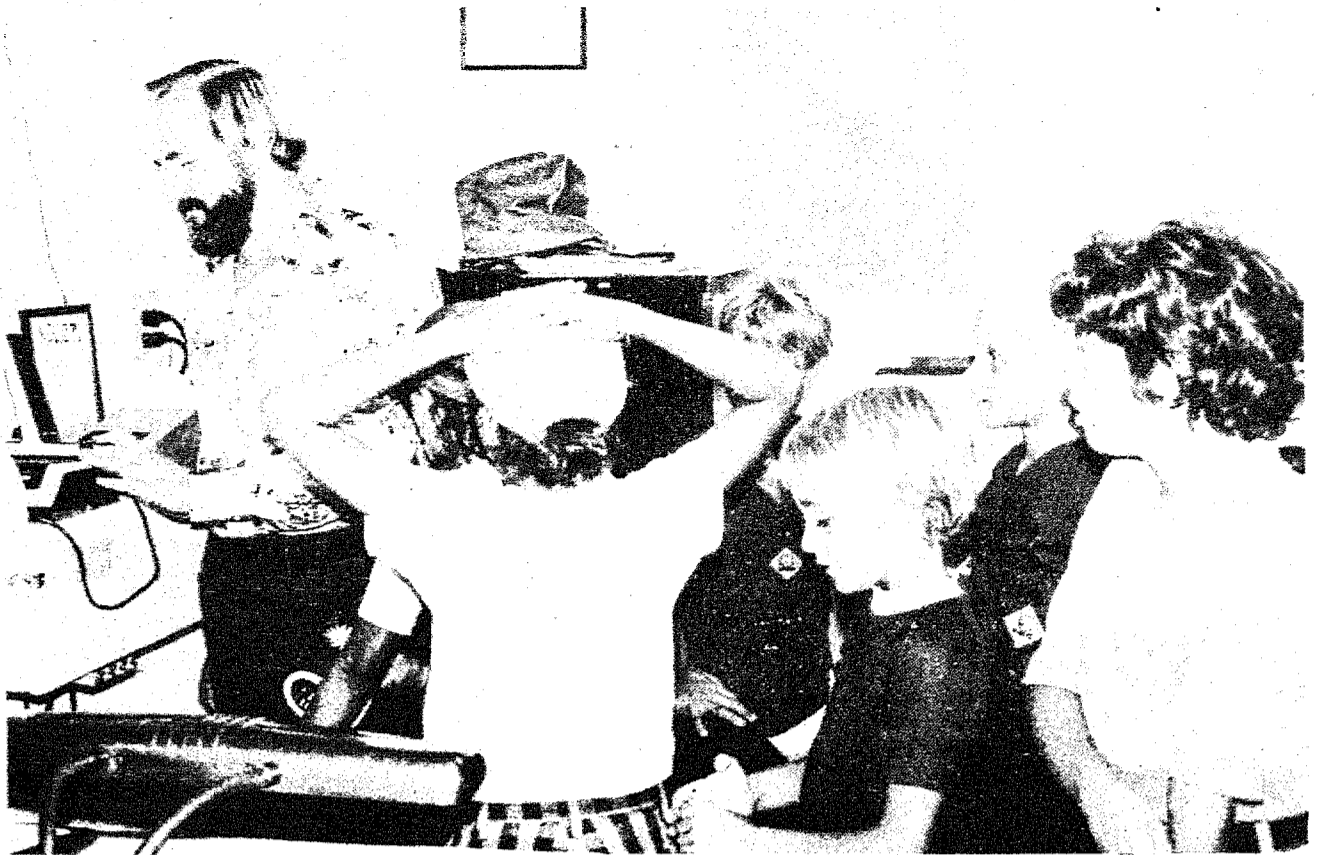
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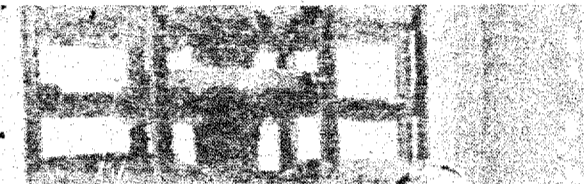
Jack Middlebrook shows members of Scout Pack 88 how the central IWA keeps in speaking distance of its road crews via mobile radio units. The Scouts visited the plant this week for a tour and refreshments.

More than 20 Scouts from Troop 88 were given a Cook's Tour of the Island Water Association this week. Wolves, Bears and Webelos were shown everything about water sources and purification.

The groups were headed by Jack Middlebrook and Preston Woodring.

The tour ended happily with cookies and Coke.

Groups or individuals who would like to see the workings of our water system need only call and-or drop by the IWA on Sanibel-Captiva Road and make arrangements. It is, of course, a requirement for anyone wishing new service.



Preston Woodring shows some Wolves, Bears and Webelos the outside water cleansing tanks before taking the boys inside for a plant tour. Any interested group is welcome to take the 20-minute plant tour and may arrange to do so by calling the IWA.

Council assigns committee to work on water franchise agreement with city

A seven-man committee was assigned by City Council to the task of forging a new franchise agreement between the Island Water Association and the City of Sanibel. The IWA franchise is currently held with Lee County.

attorney John Schumacher, IWA Director John Cook, Councilman Francis Bailey, City Manager William Nungester, City Attorney Neal Bowan and Arthur Wyckoff. The City estimates that a final agreement can be reached in a few weeks.

Serving on the Committee will be IWA General Manager Larry Snell, IWA

The motion to change the franchise from Lee County to the City of Sanibel was

brought before the IWA general membership meeting a few weeks ago by Paul Howe for consideration by the IWA Board of Directors. A formal request to the City was presented by IWA Board Chairman Jim Robson at last week's City Council Meeting.

The advantage of moving the franchise was primarily

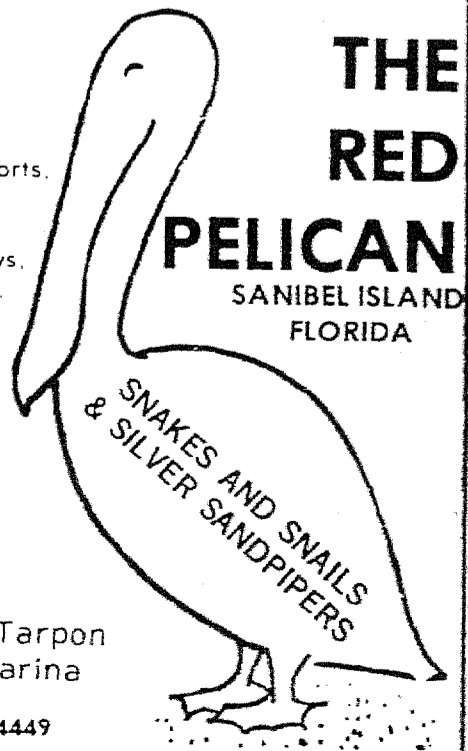
to give the City of Sanibel more flexibility in assisting the IWA during emergencies, General Manager Snell said at the time.

Some Islanders appear to be less than in total agreement with the plan. Note the letter to the editor from Paulette Burton, Legislative Chairman, Sanibel Island Taxpayers Association on page 4.

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Letters to the editor.

To the editor:

The government of our Island is still upon the small sands we all love so much. Let us hope the government does not grow so big that the sand also grows—since the last thing we need is government on the rocks!

And about the May 3rd editorial—I wonder how many feet walked how many feet to look at a half-inch? Assuming, of course, that all typewriter keys are a half-inch in diameter.

-s-Dahl Ross

Djarkarta, Indonesia



This letter is a comment on the 9:50 a.m. agenda item during the May 3 meeting of the Sanibel City Council, when switching the water company's franchise from the county to the city was discussed.

Article VII of the bylaws of the Island Water Association (IWA) requires that 50 members must be present when any business of the IWA is done.

IWA members were not informed of the pending action (transfer of the company's franchise from the county to the city) before the annual meeting on April 11. Therefore, without 50 members in attendance, it was illegal by the IWA bylaws to vote on this issue. And, since it is an exclusive franchise, it can't be given to the city anyway without the approval of the County Commission.

What does the city have to gain? Is this a scheme to take more money from the taxpayer's pockets to increase the city's coffers? Does the city plan to put a franchise tax on the water service, as they did on the electric service?

The county, as stated on page 6, section 14, of the present franchise agreement, does not charge a 6 per cent tax, since the IWA is a non-profit organization. However, there is nothing to stop the city from imposing a 6 per cent tax, since all they would have to do is change the franchise agreement. The fact that the IWA is a non-profit organization does not protect us from such a tax. Many people do not know that, ever since the city was incorporated, we have been paying a 3 per cent tax on our electricity, since the city's franchise imposed a 3 per cent franchise cost upon the Lee County Electric Co-Op, which is also a non-profit organization.

These two items, water and electricity, are necessities of life and should not be taxed.

Is this also a scheme for the city to get closer control over homes to be built?

We don't need closer control and "protection." In the IWA bylaws, Article XI, section 3, there is already adequate control, in that the company may cut back on water during shortages, emergencies, etc. The franchise bylaws also allow the company to control, for instance, the hours when water can be used, and it also states that present users and homeowners have first preference. This means they can limit or completely disallow new hookups if the water supply is not adequate to provide the present users and the new hookups with enough water, until such time as they can increase the water supply.

Under the county franchise, therefore, there is protection for both the present users and the new hookups, since only a shortage of water can halt new installations.

So again, is one reason for the franchise switch to give the city closer control? To quote the ISLANDER, April 19, 1977, "Under the current franchise agreement with Lee County, the ONLY TIME the IWA can NOW refuse service is during a major breakdown."

If the city takes over the franchise, it could refuse service to, first, projects it didn't approve of, or private homes.

Florida statute 367.022(2) exempts a water company managed, controlled or operated by a governmental agency from Florida Public Service control. This means no protection from the state.

What do WE have to gain, the people? NOTHING, except taxes on water that already has the highest rate price in the state, and we could be denied water.

What does the city have to gain? Power, power and MORE power to control and regulate our lives.

Also remember, "The power to tax is the power to destroy." And the city has the power to tax without your vote, my vote, anyone's vote.

-s-Paulette Burton

Legislative Chairman

Sanibel Island Taxpayers Assn.



The following letter to County Commission Chairman Bob Whan was given to the ISLANDER for publication:

Dear Mr. Whan:

I note that the Supreme Court has overturned approval of the bonding for the Sanibel Causeway bridge and that you are reconsidering the application.

I would like you to consider the suggestion that some of the funds be used for building a high-span bridge parallel to the present bascule span at the control level of the Cape Coral Bridge.

Mayor Goss and the City Council of Sanibel have expressed great concern over the problems of evacuation of the islands in event of hurricane and in my opinion have overlooked the obvious bottleneck and major hazard. In attempting to evacuate the islands prior to a hurricane, the road traffic would be in competition with ship traffic seeking refuge from the storm and I believe the ship traffic has precedence. Also, it is my understanding that when storm winds reach a certain velocity, the bridge must be left open and would be subject to damage due to high winds. In addition to the storm evacuation problem, every day a hazard exists with a bridge of this type. At any given time the bridge is open, it is vulnerable to damage and this past year has been stuck in an open position at least once to my knowledge.

As time goes on, we will be in the position that Fort Myers Beach is with its swing bridge. As it grows older, it experiences more and more operational failures.

In addition to the added safety factors, a minimum of \$40,000 a year could be saved in the bridge operation by eliminating bridge tenders and the maintenance of the lift machinery.

When this bridge was originally built, there was much controversy about the lift bridge being archaic and we were surprised that the Corps of Engineers permitted this type of bridge on an intercoastal waterway.

However, we now have the opportunity and the funds to correct this error and I urge that you give this matter your consideration.

-s-Paul E. Stahlin



The following was submitted to the ISLANDER for publication:

PRESENTATION TO
SANIBEL CITY COUNCIL
MAY 3, 1977
ON A PROPOSED SPECIAL
ASSESSMENT FOR ROADS
by Paul A. Howe

The proposed Resolution before you to levy a special assessment on adjoining property owners for resurfacing roads in the "Rocks and Tradewinds" areas is improper in form and procedure. Section 3.10 of the City Charter requires advertising at least fourteen days and two readings prior to adoption of an Ordinance that: "Sets service or user charges for municipal service or grants administrative authority for such charges."

In its present form, it is also an unlawful delegation of your legislative responsibility in that it is vague in prescribing the manner of apportioning the costs through a reasonable classification of roads and the treatment to be accorded them. It is also lacking in a clear-cut definition of such terms as "specially benefited property" to guide the administrative branch of the City.

It is my suggestion that this matter be handled in a more orderly and considered manner by the Council at its next regular meeting after proper advertising. Among the items to be considered should be:

1. A Citywide policy on Special

Assessments and other funding for:

a) Public roads initially surfaced by private funding (developers, etc.);

b) Public roads initially surfaced by public funding (city or county);

c) Resurfacing and maintenance of above roads, shoulders and drainage.

2. Establishing uniform percentages of participation from General Taxation for the above-mentioned three items.

3. Budgeting the total road funds received each year from the Federal, State and County governments to meet the resurfacing and maintenance costs so as to minimize the use of the Special Assessment device. That device is administratively cumbersome and costly. It also obscures the true cost of the City's highway function. Most importantly, however, it frustrates the taxpayers ability to express his views at a public hearing on the level of service he desires in that function.

In considering the Special Assessment formulas, due consideration should be given to the widespread municipal practice of confining them to the initial surfacing phase of highway work and utilizing General Taxation for resurfacing and maintenance. To load ALL road costs on the local property owners is to unfairly lessen the responsibility of other road users to share in the cost of the roads they require and use.

-s-Paul A. Howe



To the editor:

Consider this—it probably has happened to you. Either through negligence, or carelessness or, in the case of a tourist through sheer ignorance, you motor happily along Sanibel-Captiva Road admiring the sunset when you notice that, by golly, you are almost out of gas. While you are also almost out of luck. There isn't any place open after Three Star closes at 7 p.m. on the Islands.

This can take some getting used to, and while, there are objections that the serene quality of our Island may not be enhanced by one of the stations staying open, has anyone considered the possibility of one lonely little pump somewhere that could be coin-operated.

Now, it is utterly beyond my ken as to whether this is even physically possible, but since the police station has gone out of the gasoline business, I submit that someone else should perhaps be in it to help about-to-be stranded motorists.

-s-Jaynie Doakes



To the editor:

A juvenile court judge in an eastern state, who speaks with young people every day in his courtroom, has this long-overdue message for our youth:

"Always we hear the plaintive cry of the teenager: 'What can we do? Where can we go?'"

"The answer is clear.

"Go home! Hang the storm window, paint the woodwork, rake the leaves, mow the lawn, wash the car, learn to cook, scrub the floor, repair the sink, build a boat, get a job.

"Help the minister or priest or rabbi. Help the Red Cross, the Salvation Army, visit the sick, assist the poor, study your lessons, and when you are through, and not too tired, read a book.

"Your parents do not owe you entertainment. Your city or village does not owe you recreational facilities. The world does not owe you a living. You owe the world something.

"You owe the world your time and your energy and your talents so that no one will be at war, in poverty or sick or lonely again.

"In plain, simple words: Grow up! Quit being a cry baby.

"Get out of your dream world and develop a backbone, not a wishbone and start acting like a man or lady. You're supposed to be mature enough to accept some of the responsibility your parents have carried for years.

"They have nursed, protected, helped, appealed, begged, excused, tolerated and denied themselves needed comfort so that you could have every benefit. You have no right to expect them to bow to your every whim and fancy.

"In heaven's name, grow up and go home!"

-s-Paula Burton

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

Aries: You could find a possession at a bargain price, or some good news about property you want to buy. A cancellation of a trip is likely. You are going to be busier than usual with papers or correspondence.

Taurus: Keep finances in line with realities. Look for trouble with a supervisor or authority of some kind. Now is a good time for legal affairs.

Gemini: Good news coming now about job or career. An in-law may help you acquire money to pursue your education if that's your bag. Your efforts will be very much appreciated by co-workers.

Cancer: Avoid people who can upset you and don't lend money to a neighbor whom you know will never pay you back. Unexpected news comes from old friends about their travels.

Leo: Avoid making decisions about property, especially if it isn't yours. Be clever about competition as the outcome of this may not be as is expected.

Virgo: Take care of debts promptly. Your mate may cause unpleasantness if you take that trip. Take care of your obligations even if they seem to be very burdensome.

Libra: Some financial increase will come through routine activities. Be sure changes you are thinking of making are to your best interests. Good time to begin new education or study.

Scorpio: Likely to hear from old friends who have a double purpose in communicating. Be sure to get enough rest so you may create a better impression on others.

Sagittarius: Do your best to prevent marital or legal strife, you can't get far now

by trying to force your will. Be sure to accept a social invitation, it will do wonders for you.

Capricorn: Avoid family strife, spending and excess. Trip you are planning will either be postponed or will not turn out the way you are planning. Good news from far away places.

Aquarius: Be prepared for job hazards, unpredictable trends in your daily routine. There will be a great deal of activity in connection with distant interests or in-laws.

Pisces: Gains can be made by putting money back in a partnership matter. Information will come that you need very much to make future plans. This is not the time to spend heavily.

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By Appointment

New residents

Lou and Ruth Pearce, formerly of Bradley, Illinois, have recently moved into their home on Jamaica Drive, Sanibel, for good.

Pearce, who retired from the Armstrong Tile Company in January, said that he and his wife had been coming to the Islands on a regular basis since 1966.

"We first came over in 1960 by ferry," he told the ISLANDER. "That was before you had a bridge, of course. Then, when we heard the causeway was in, we started coming regularly—eight times since 1966. Do we think the Islands have changed? Oh, yes, they've certainly grown, but they're still A-OK with us!"

The Pearces first read of Sanibel in 1958 in a house magazine published by the Chevrolet Division of General Motors.

Welcome!

Restaurant Robbed For Fourth Time In A Week

On Thursday of last week Ye Olde Holmes House Restaurant was burglarized for the fourth consecutive night. The larceny was executed in the same fashion the previous Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The pilferers, 200 in number, disguised in casual civilian garb, were impersonating patrons of the popular eatery and watering hole.

The felonies occurred between 5:00 and 9:30 p.m., ironically the same time the restaurant is serving dinner. The items poached were the Maine Lobster, which are kept alive in a tank on the premises. Proprietor Dave Miller inferred the motive for the atrocities was the onset of their 3rd Annual Maine Lobster Feast, which Miller labels a "steal" at \$6.95 any Monday through Thursday.

Ye Olde Holmes House offers a Boiled Maine Lobster, creamy New England Clam Chowder, a visit to either of the two salad bars, fresh homemade loaves, choice of potato or spaghetti, (with Red or White clam sauce), all for \$6.95. This year they introduce all of the above plus another lobster for \$9.95 (serving for one person), or the New England Seafood Dinner consisting of a Boiled Maine Lobster Steamers & Broth and Stuffed quahogs for \$8.95.

Ye Olde Holmes House will still offer all of the delectables on its regular 10 page menu and continue to serve the most spirited grog in The Hamlet. So go and partake in this incredible delicacy. Ye Olde Holmes House, 2500 Estero Blvd., Fort Myers Beach, Florida 463-5519. 7 days from 5 p.m.

City Hall site still odds-on for Conservation offer

After re-evaluating a property offered by James Evans, and considering a new offer of a piece of land on the southwest corner of Sanibel-Captiva and Tarpon Bay Roads, the initial site recommendation of the Site Selection Committee for a new City Hall remains unchanged.

city facilities according to the committee.

The second offer to be discussed involved the property directly across from Three Star on Sanibel-Captiva Road. The comparative price per square foot ranked the property fifth in the Committee's consideration but they later

site unfeasible.

The Committee's final recommendation now stands as follows: Site No. 1-Coded "U". This is the site owned by the Conservation Foundation and is on Island Inn and Tarpon Bay Roads, fronting on Braun Rd. It is approximately 17 cents per

and multiple egress to the site.

The second and third sites recommended by the Committee include seven and a half acres on Periwinkle and Palm Ridge Road, which carries a price tag of \$360,000 (\$1.11 per square foot) and the land across from the Community Center. That parcel carries a price tag of \$195,000 for 4.6 acres or (\$1.11 per square foot), and has an advantage of already being off the tax rolls.

One suggestion furnished at the outset of the meeting is to have the Community Association donate the land to the city, with the City then picking up all change on the property and building the city hall building. With the funds which the Community Association holds in escrow (deemed to be about \$30,000) the Association could then refurbish its own building—or, if the new Civic Center incorporated the needs of the Community Association, the current building could be removed for parking.



Al Edwards, Fred Valtin and Ray Fenton review potential sites for the location of Sanibel's proposed City Hall.

The re-evaluation of Evans' property came when he changed the asking price on the land from \$295,000 to \$195,000. The property was not eliminated from consideration, but was ranked sixth in overall consideration, primarily due to its distance from current

eliminated it totally on the grounds that the required setbacks from the streets would decrease the usable area substantially, the location is undesirable for City Hall site compared by Fred Valtin to a "small Miners' Corner" and the geometrics of the site itself all combined, to render the

square foot, with a total gross asking price of \$105,000. The Committee feels that the local access is good—that is, it is located fairly close to existing city services such as the library and police station, there is only a "moderate" amount of traffic currently in the area, it has existing services

Council donation

Sanibel City Council led the parade this week in funding the second annual Fourth of July fireworks with a donation of \$25. The display will be sponsored this year by the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce. The display will take place on the Causeway by the picnic area.

Jim Hermes, who along with Porter Goss and Reid Toomey are a volunteer committee organizing the Fourth of July events, told the ISLANDER that arrangements have already been completed for a display that will be bigger and better than last year. The package also includes the appropriate insurance, Hermes added.

Bud Rickman, of the Audubon Society, told the City Council that he will be working with Lee County to ensure that, in their pre-fireworks, clean-up the County does not eliminate nesting areas situated on the Causeway.

Other events planned for the Fourth include a picnic at the Dunes sponsored by the Bank of The Islands and a repeat of last year's popular sunrise service is also being considered.

All donations to the fireworks fund are now being gratefully accepted. Make your check payable to "Fireworks Display" and send to: Bank of The Islands, Post Office Drawer X, Sanibel Island, Fla. 33957.

Shades of long ago . . . (or find your friends)



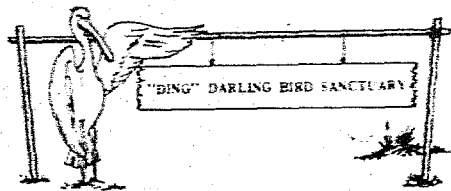
Here's the eighteen actor cast of "Mrs. McThing" produced in 1965 at the Pirate Playhouse.

See if you can find your friends! (Larry Amon, who played the waiter, must be hiding someplace) Norman Chambers,

Curtis Nave, Karen Booth, Jo and Jim Pickens, Robert Dormer, Mary Gault, Priscilla Murphy, Mrs. Howard Shriner, Robert Dormer, Joe Gault, Elaine Patton, Alice Aleck, Susan Holtz, Bill MacIntosh and the Hunters, Ruth and Philip.



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NORTH END OF SANIBEL AT BLIND PASS BRIDGE

Couple found dead on Sunday morning

by gwen stevenson

Early Sunday morning the discovery of a homicide-suicide became the first murder recorded in the City of Sanibel since its incorporation two and a half years ago when Thomas H. Izzo, 38 and his wife, Lillian, 36, were found dead from gunshot wounds in their room at the Ramada Inn.

The Lee County Medical Examiner has determined that Mrs. Izzo died of multiple gunshot wounds in the head, while her husband died of a single gunshot wound in the head. Sanibel Police Chief Butler told the ISLANDER that their investigation disclosed that Izzo had murdered his wife and then turned the gun on himself. The Medical Examiner put the time of death sometime between 9 p.m. and midnight

Friday night, May 6.

Sanibel police officer Don Case had been sent to the motel at 5:30 a.m. Sunday morning after telephone calls from relatives had gone unanswered. Izzo had sent suicide notes to family members in Sunrise, Florida—just outside Fort Lauderdale.

The Lee County Sheriff's Department was also on the scene and helped break down the door, which was locked and bolted from the inside. The couple was found lying on the floor, with Izzo holding a .38 caliber pistol in his hand.

The Izzos, who had checked into the Ramada Inn of Friday are from Sunrise City and have two sons, ages 13 and 14. The brothers had not accompanied their parents to Sanibel.

island weather

report

Here follows the Island weather report for last week, compiled by Walter Klie of the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce weather station on Causeway Road at Sanibel's east end:

DATE	HI	LO	RAINFALL (in inches)
April 29	83	64	None
April 30	84	69	None
May 1	(No reading taken)		
May 2	87	66	None
May 3	89	69	None
May 4	86	68	.01
May 5	89	72	.09

Weather around the country

By United Press International

City & Fcst	Hi	Lo	Pcp
Albuquerque c	82	53	....
Anchorage cy	47	38	.08
Asheville c	77	51	....
Atlanta c	84	58	....
Billings pc	77	52	....
Birmingham c	87	60	.17
Boston r	57	46	....
Buffalo pc	53	34	.05
Charleston S.C. pc	77	69	....
Charlotte N.C. c	83	56	....
Chicago c	72	32	....
Cleveland cy	67	37	....
Columbus pc	71	35	....
Dallas pc	94	66	....
Denver c	81	49	....
Des Moines c	76	44	....
Detroit c	69	35	....
El Paso pc	89	67	....
Hartford r	69	35	1.33
Honolulu pc	84	72	.01
Houston cy	88	74	....
Indianapolis c	72	39	....
Jackson Miss. pc	89	65	.05
Jacksonville r	94	68	.33
Little Rock c	86	60	.27
Los Angeles r	60	51	2.20
Louisville c	76	43	....
Memphis pc	86	64	.37
Miami Beach r	89	73	.02
Milwaukee c	68	35	....
Minneapolis c	76	42	....
Nashville pc	81	54	....
New Orleans r	89	66	....
New York r	64	36	.18
Oklahoma City pc	85	61	....
Omaha pc	77	53	1.55
Philadelphia cy	73	42	.05
Phoenix pc	91	62
Pittsburgh pc	65	34
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Portland Ore. pc	65	46
Providence r	59	42	.26
Richmond pc	77	41
St. Louis c	75	42
Salt Lake City r	70	46
San Antonio r	81	67	.01
San Diego r	66	56	1.49
San Francisco r	65	52	.17
San Juan pc	84	74
Seattle c	64	48	.02
Spokane pc	65	45
Washington cy	75	43

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The week's TV schedule

(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	11:00	6:00
20-Spanish Newscast	20-Wheel of Fortune	11-News Eleven
6:04	26-Happy Days	20-Eyewitness News
20-Gulf Coast Today	11:30	26-NewsScene
6:08	11-Love Of Life	6:30
20-The Lucy Show	20-Shoot For The Stars	11-CBS News
6:38	26-Family Feud	20-NBC News
20-Gulf Coast Today	11:55	26-ABC News
6:45	11-CBS Mid-Day News	
11-Morning Devotions	11:58	
6:48	20-NBC News	
11-Reports: Social Security, Dept. of Agriculture, Division of Forestry	12 Noon	
6:51	11-News Eleven	
11-WINK Informacast	20-Name That Tune	
8:53	26-Second Chance	
11-Spanish News	12:30	
7:00	11-Search For Tomorrow	
11-CBS Morning News	20-Lovers and Friends	
20-Today	26-Ryan's Hope	
26-Good Morning America	12:58	
7:25	20-NBC News Minute	
11-Local News	1:00	
20-Today in Florida	11-The Young & The Restless	
7:30	20-The Gong Show	
11-CBS Morning News	26-All My Children	
8:00	1:30	
11-Captain Kangaroo	11-As The World Turns	
8:25	20-Days of Our Lives	
20-Today in Florida	2:00	
9:00	26-\$20,000 Pyramid	
11-Sesame Street	2:30	
20-Donahue	11-The Guiding Light	
26-Sunshine Showcase: "Tickle Me," Elvis Presley (1965); Wed.: "From Here To Eternity," Frank Sinatra (1954); Thurs.: "They Came To Cordura," Gary Cooper (1959); Fri.: "Jubal," Glenn Ford; Mon., May 16: Jungle Larry in Naples (1/2 hr); Tues.: "Picnic," William Holden (1956).	26-The Doctors	
9:30	26-One Life To Live	
26-Peter Gunn (Monday Only)	2:58	
10:00	20-NBC News Minute	
11-Merv Griffin	3:00	
20-Sanford & Son	20-SPECIAL on Thursday, May 12 only: "The 1976-77 Daytime Emmy Awards" live from Tavern On The Green, Central Park, NYC (till 4:30 p.m.)	
26-A Psychic Called Elizabeth (Monday Only)	4:30	
10:30	11-Mike Douglas	
20-Hollywood Squares	20-Hogan's Heroes	
10:58	26-Dialing For Dollars: Tues.: "The Giant Claw," Jeff Marrow; Wed.: "Zombies of Mora Tau," Gregg Palmer; Thur.: "The Tingler," Vincent Price; Fri.: "The 27th Day," Gene Barry; Mon.: "Stop, Look and Laugh!"	
20-NBC News Minute	5:00	
	20-Emergency One	
		10:00
		11-The Cabot Connection

for full week's tv schedule, place left index finger here →

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20-The BEST of Police Story—"Little Boy Lost"	10:00	between Mike QUARRY and Mike ROSSMAN.	with Dyan Cannon and Harvey Keitel in a prettied up version of the life of a money changer for The Mob.
11-News Eleven	11:00		20-The Tonight Show
20-Eyewitness News	11:00		26-"The Rookies" & ABC Mystery Movie: "Terror In The Night." 1 a.m.
26-NewsScene	11:30		20-The Tomorrow Show
11-CBS Late Movie: Clint Walker & Peter Graves in "Scream Of The Wolf"	11:30	11-CBS Late Movie: "The Virginia Hill Story"	
20-The Tonight Show			
26-ABC Tuesday Movie: "Journey Into Fear" 1 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 Life & Times of Grizzly Adams, the simple story of a man and his bear in the hills during the 1800's.
	26-The MacNamaras' Band
	8:30
	11-CBS Wednesday Movie: John (The Duke) Wayne in "The Cowboys" 9:00 Approx.
	11-CBS News Minute
	20-NBC News Minute
	9:00
	20-NBC Sports Special: Duane BOBICK and Ken NORTON, two leading heavyweight contenders live in a 12 round bout from Madison Square Garden (which is still in New York) Preceded by an 11 round light-heavyweight match



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thursday-7 p.m. till sign-off

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|---|---|---|
| 7:00
11-Masquerade Party
20-Adam 12
26-To Tell The Truth | 9:00 Approx
11-CBS News Minute
20-NBC News Minute | about who's gonna control what.
26-Barney Miller
9:30
26-Tony Randall
10:00 |
| 7:30
11-The Muppets
20-Hollywood Squares
26-Victory at Sea | 11-Hawaii Five-O
20-NBC Movie Of The Week: "Danger in Paradise," a world premiere (that means it was made for TV) story of the fate of the Hawaiian ranch and fortune of a man stricken with a stroke when his young wife and his son get in a fight | 11-Barnaby Jones
26-Streets of San Francisco
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene
11:30 |
| 8:00
11-The Waltons
20-Baa, Baa Black Sheep - Pappy Boyington Aces WW II again!
26-Welcome Back, Kotter! | | 11-CBS Late Movie: Double Feature: Telly the bald as Kojak in "Life, Liberation and the Pursuit of Death" and |
| 8:30
26-What's Happening? | | |

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| Dennis Weaver as McCloud in "Give My Regrets to Broadway" with Milton Berle as a guest star. | 8:30
11-Dr. Seuss' "Horton Hears A Who" | 8:57
11-Morning Devotional
7:00 |
| 20-The Tonight Show | 9:00 Approx
11-CBS News Minute
20-NBC News Minute | 11-Music & The Spoken Word
20-The Lucy Show
26-Big Valley
7:30 |
| 26-Thursdays Night Special: Playboy's Playmate Party | 9:00
11-CBS Friday Movie: "Fear Is The Key" starring Barry Newman
20-The Rockford Files | 11-Fury
20-Little Rascals
8:00 |
| 1 a.m.
20-The Tomorrow Show | 10:00
20-Quincy
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene | 11-Sylvester — Tweety
20-Woody Woodpecker
26-"Tom & Jerry" and "Mumbly Show"
8:30 |

friday - 7 -m.

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|--|---|---|---|
| 7:00
11-Hee-Haw
20-Adam 12
26-To Tell The Truth | 8:00
20-The Nashville On The Road
8:00
11-"The White Seal," another Rudyard Kipling adaptation narrated by Roddy McDowell, again credited to Kipling's "Jungle Books" which it isn't. Somebody at CBS obviously never finished English Lit.
20-Sanford & Son, Part I of a 90 minute special episode, "The Hawaiian Connection"
26-ABC Double Feature Movies: "The San Pedro Bums" and at 9:30 "Feather & Father" | 7:30
20-The New Candid Camera
26-Friday Night Theater (All night movies till 6 a.m.) 1) "Run, Angel, Run!" William Smith (94 mins); 2) "Bluebeard," Michele Morgan (118 mins); 3) "Dingaka," Stanley Baker (96 mins).
1 a.m.
20-The Midnight Special: "The Million Sellers of '77" with Glen Campbell, Marilyn McCoo, Billy Davis, Jr., and More! | 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" and "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." |
| | | 12:40
26-Friday Night Theater (All night movies till 6 a.m.) 1) "Run, Angel, Run!" William Smith (94 mins); 2) "Bluebeard," Michele Morgan (118 mins); 3) "Dingaka," Stanley Baker (96 mins).
1 a.m.
20-The Midnight Special: "The Million Sellers of '77" with Glen Campbell, Marilyn McCoo, Billy Davis, Jr., and More! | |
| | | saturday - all day
6:00
26-The Lone Ranger
6:30
26-Peter Gunn | |

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Delta Kappa Gamma members and officers

Four new members to Delta Kappa Gamma Society join their chapter president and hostess at a meeting on Saturday. Left to right they are: Audrea Anderson, Professor of English, Edison Community College; Judy Andrews, Director of IMTS Lab., Edison Community College; Chapter president Nanette Smith, Coordinator of Community Relations, Edison Community College; Mildred Lightfoot, Coordinator of Reading, Lee County; Hostess and vice-president Caroline Beebe, retired educator, Sanibel; Dr. Dorothy Kiracofe, Chairman of the Division of Social Sciences, Edison Community College.



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 - 12 More paltry
 - 13 Bohemian
 - 14 Cling
 - 15 Nonsense!
 - 16 Before view or vail
 - 17 Girl's name
 - 18 Mescalero's abode
 - 20 In a — (agitated)
 - 21 Spanish painter
 - 22 Loafing
 - 23 Screech
 - 25 — up (fed the kitty)
 - 26 Pinza's birthplace
 - 27 "— Good Friends"
 - 28 Son of Jacob
 - 29 Prepare to be knighted
 - 31 Cistern
 - 32 Floor covering
 - 33 — sail
 - 35 Bring forth
 - 37 Wheel hub
 - 38 Figure of speech
 - 39 Fore-shadow
 - 40 Wobble
 - 41 Tend a garden
- DOWN**
- 1 Bayonet thrust
 - 2 Jewelry weight
 - 3 However (4 wds.)
 - 4 Actor Danton
 - 5 Turkish hospice
 - 6 Ancient Persian
 - 7 N.Z. fort
 - 8 Identical (4 wds.)
 - 9 Obsequious
 - 10 Picked up the check
 - 16 Father (Fr.)
 - 19 Finch or Fonda
 - 20 Sub-sequently
 - 23 Most somber
 - 24 Nelson Eddy hit song
 - 25 Nephew's favorite
 - 27 Peggy Fleming, e.g.
 - 30 Embankment
 - 32 "The Last —"
 - 34 Watch over
 - 36 Townsman
 - 37 "Both Sides —"

crossword

by thomas joseph

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At 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 1, Ms. Brooke Stanley and Dennis Simon were married in a shady grove of trees by the Sanibel Lighthouse.

Accompanied by bridesmaids Heather and Paige Stanley, the bride wore a white cotton peasant dress and carried a bouquet of pink and white roses, baby's breath and ivy. She was given in marriage by her father, Mr. Benjamin Stanley.

The double-ring ceremony was performed by Ms. Barbara Hire of Fort Myers Beach, a notary public and friend of the couple who had originally introduced them to one another at a party in her home.

The groom was dressed informally for the brief ceremony, which the couple had written themselves. Mr. Simon was accompanied by his father and best man, Joseph Simon.

Following the nuptials, a beach reception was held at

the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Stanley, at 6080 Estero Boulevard on Fort Myers Beach.

After passing the early afternoon amidst a large gathering of friends and well-wishes, the newlyweds were liberally deluged with wild rice as they left for Miami, from whence they departed for a 10-day honeymoon in the Dominican Republic.

Dennis Simon is currently employed as senior planner with the Lee County Planning Department, where he heads the county's Housing Assistance Office. He is the son of Joseph and Florence Simon of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

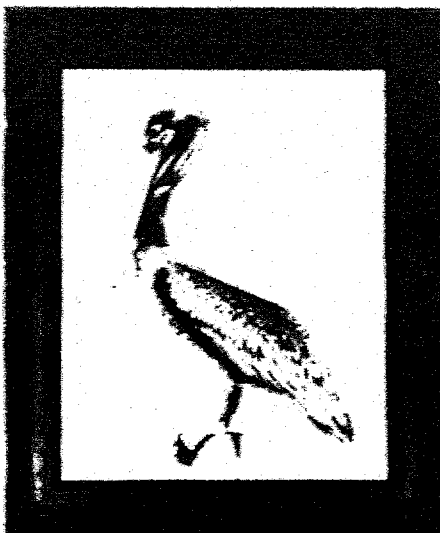
His wife is at present enrolled in nursing school in Fort Myers.

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Members of the League of Women Voters met last week to discuss upcoming meetings and projects. The next meeting to elect the new officers will be held at 10 a.m. at the Community Association on Monday, May 16. The next evening meeting will be held on May 26 at 7:30 p.m., also at the Community Association.

Last week's meeting was an informal discussion of objectives and parameters and how to work efficiently with the existing city organizations. The League plans a special traffic study for the City of Sanibel this summer, specifically regarding the feasibility of a tramway system, such as the one in Key West.

Interested Islanders are invited to attend the next session. (l to r) Carlene Bowen, Pat Renz and Eloise Braen.

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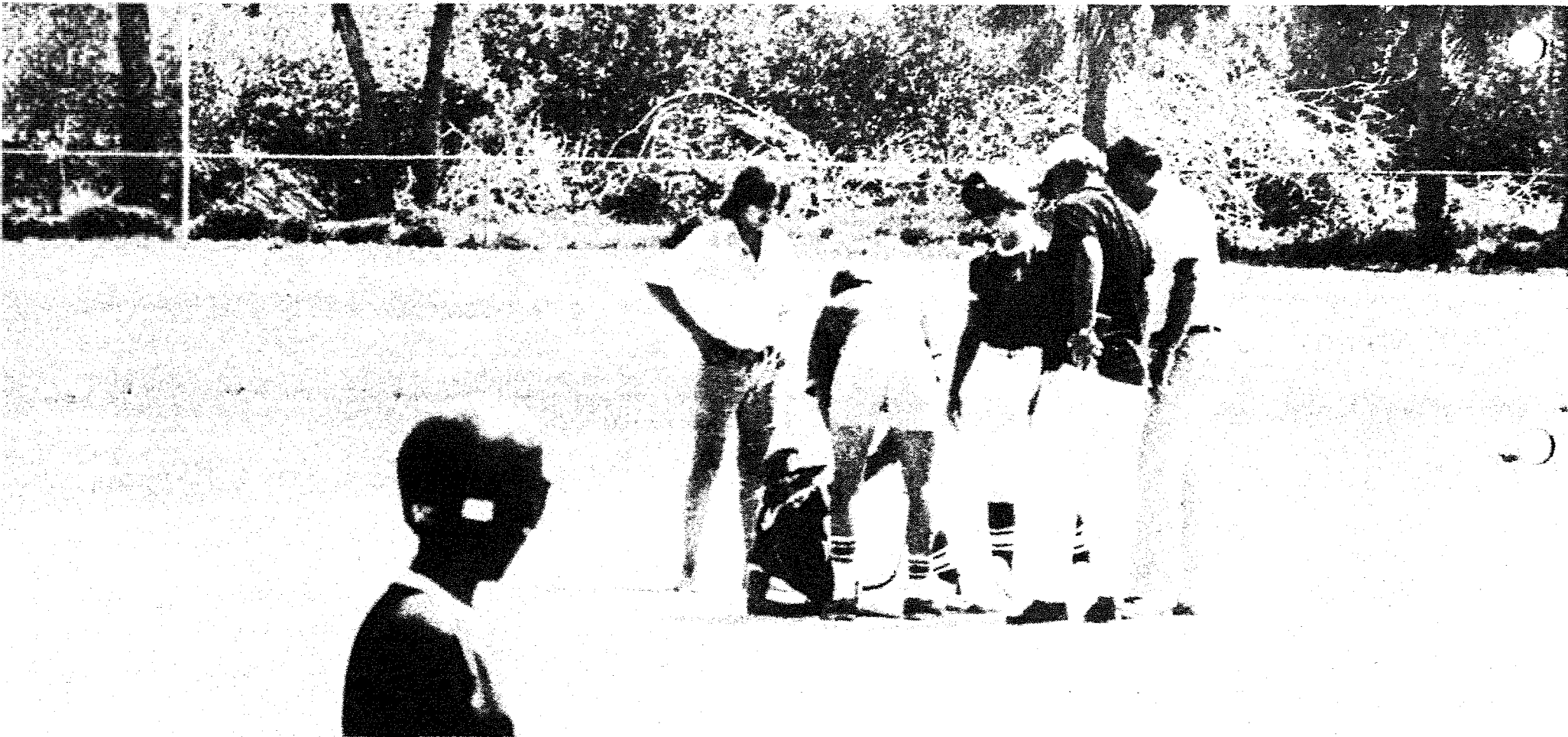
Weed 'n Things Doug Quimby on the run

Great plays — a

Sunday afternoon (and early evening) saw some great home runs and hard hitting during three first round games and one second rounder in the Old Sports for Youth Sports Men's and Women's Softball Classes. In the afternoon's



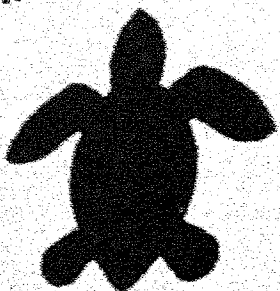
"I'll get there one way or another" — says Gail Rose who made



Down, but, thank goodness, not out.

Caretta Research group begins summer turtle patrol

CARETTA RESEARCH



TURTLE PATROL

Last week marked the outset of the 1977 sea turtle patrol season for Caretta Research, Inc., Project Director Charles LeBuff announced recently.

A non-profit all volunteer organization, Caretta Research was founded in 1968 by a group of Islanders who were alarmed at the rapid decline of nesting

loggerhead turtles along the Southwest Coast of Florida.

Caretta caretta, from which the organization gets its name, is the scientific nomenclature for the loggerhead sea turtle, the only marine turtle which nests in numbers along the Gulf Coast of Florida.

Since its inception, Caretta Research has strove to learn the secrets of the loggerhead turtle, which nests between May and August of each year. Slowly the loggerhead's story is being put together as more and more information is collected by the many volunteers who nightly patrol the various beaches up and down the Gulf Coast.

Caretta's beach patrols are carried out in a variety of ways, ranging from walking to patrolling the beach in project-owned or donated off-road vehicles. On Sanibel and Captiva, vehicles used by Caretta volunteers are easily recognizable from a distance by their green light, turtle research permit number (TP-1), and Caretta emblem.

The routine work performed by Caretta volunteers includes recording the head width, carapace length and width, counting eggs, transplanting eggs in danger of being destroyed by tides or predators, and on some beaches actually weighing the turtle. Last of

all is the tagging of the turtle with a small numbered tag.

Last year, over 200 turtles were tagged on Florida's Gulf Coast by Caretta volunteers. Many more turtles tagged prior to the 1976 nesting season were also handled during the nightly jaunts on the beach.

The importance of the ongoing research was recognized when a turtle tagged in 1968 returned to her previous nesting beach in 1976. Another turtle, not so keen on returning to her previous nesting site, was also caught. JI-1037 nested on Sanibel in 1976 but was originally tagged on Jupiter Island on Florida's east coast. This is only the second known occurrence

where a turtle has visited both coasts of Florida in an attempt to nest.

Caretta's research efforts over the past nine years have brought to light vast amounts of knowledge which will help to save the loggerhead turtle from the brink of extinction. Only through the kind contributions from individuals, groups and businesses can Caretta Research continue its program to learn the rest of the story of one of the most amazing animals in the world.

If you would like to help, send your tax deductible contributions to: Caretta Research, Inc.; P.O. Drawer E; Sanibel, Florida 33957.

and great games!

and the Island Water Association beat Weeds 'n Things by a score of 8 to 3 - a

score, by the way, that had the least amount of point spread of any game during the day.

The IWA got off to a good start, but Weeds 'n Things showed some string hitting in the final two innings...but not enough!

During the second men's game, the West Wind Inn team took South Seas Plantation by a score of 28 to 11 with Mark Heimann getting a grand slam and homers by Ray Rhodes and Oscar Gavin helping the win along.

In the women's division, the ESI Eskimoes beat the Cedar Chest team 19 to 5 and Charlie's Angels (who were short one team member but, to their credit, played a fine ball game anyway) lost to the Lady Lions by a score of 28 to 3.

Sunday, May 15, promises some fine action when the following teams square off: 12: noon: Lady Lions vs. ESI' 2 p.m. Kiwanis vs. Lions. (This is the annual Brown Jug trophy game

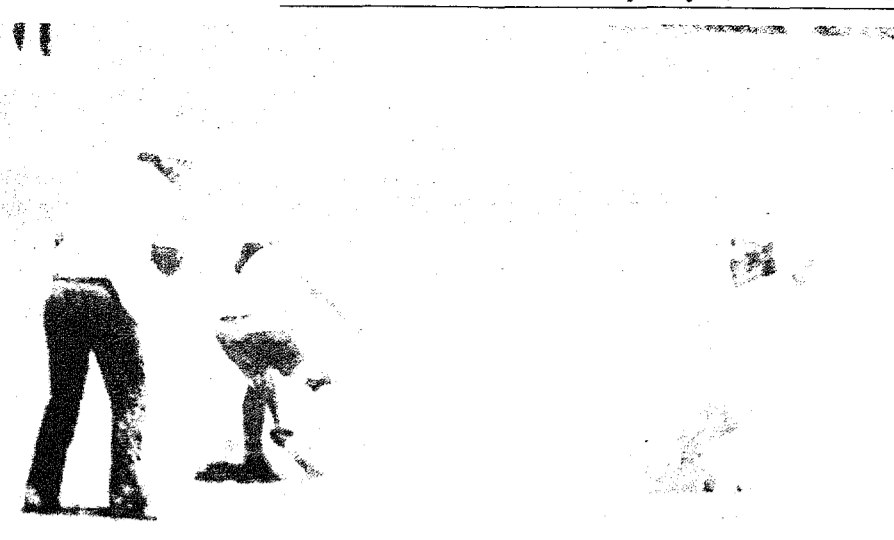
which has been won by the Kiwanis for three out of four years. The losers have to cook hot dogs for the winners, so you can bet there will be a lot of spirit out there!)

4: p.m.: Francis' Foxes vs. Priscilla Murphy Sea Horses; 6 p.m. Island Water Association vs. West Wind Inn.

In addition to the coaches and umpires who give of their time in what can be at times, a thankless job. As Jerry Meunch commented, special thanks also go to scorekeepers Steve Reynolds and Gerald Johnson and the superb commentation by Bill Covington and Dick Muench.

The hat is passed at each game to help buy equipment and hopefully get the softball field lighted so that all games, including softball, can go on during the cooler weather.

Go and support the oldsters and the youngsters! We'll be looking for you this Sunday!



This is going to be a toughie, but if you can't get there standing up, then, what else is there????



safely, to first base.



A Lady Lion makes it in for a run



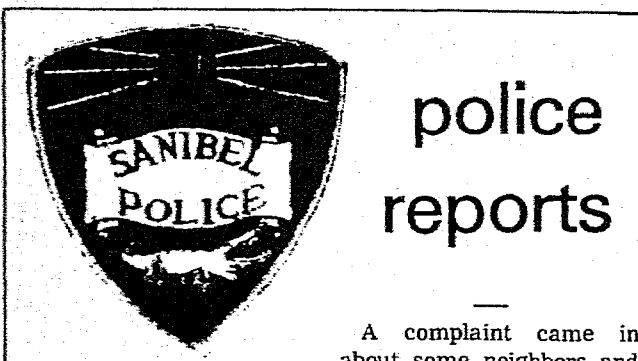
Waving to the fans is Charlie's Angel, Marilee Whitman



West Wind Inn team member Ray Rhodes gets congrats from teammates after a homer.

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police reports

Alarms went ding - a - linging 16 times this past week, 11 of 'em being one specific one; the Sanibel Police Department rendered aid and or assistance of one sort or another 15 times, the ambulance answered four calls while the chopper was dispatched once, one loud party, one loud dog and four sets of loud or visible motorcycles made the record sheets, one speeding ticket was issued, one camera was lost and five sets of keys were found and turned in.

The emergency call boxes were used four times, ranging in urgency from a request for an ambulance to a report of a found dog.

Outside of that, especially considering it was full moon and all (to say nothing of Mercury being in retrograde), it was really a fairly calm week.

Orders from above (read: City Hall) sparked a number of "nudie patrols" in that SPD personnel were requested to look for and warn and - or take appropriate action in dealing with anyone violating state statute 800. Something, which states it is unlawful to be unclothed in a public place.

The first patrol resulted in four young ladies being warned.

A complaint came in about some neighbors and their large pet noisy bird. Bird owners seemed disinclined to hush said bird. Complainants notified that if they were disturbed again to make a note of the time and then embark to the SPD with appropriate witnesses and so forth. No further action taken.

A call came in reporting that the caller had heard a noise like that made by a car hitting a tree.

A young boy was reported missing by his baby sitter, who thought he may have wandered off to beach. Officer dispatched; found young man at neighbor's home.

Special detail dispatched to look for uncovered sun bathers. Everyone in sight wearing clothes.

Little girl left behind by group of people, all of whom evidently assumed the little girl was in one of the other cars (there were about three vehicles involved) when she wasn't. Officer talked to little girl, who thought she knew what building her parents were staying in. About the time the officer and the girl arrived in the building parking lot, the mother called SPD to report her daughter missing. SPD informed her daughter was downstairs. Happy reunion.

A reported B & E was changed to "7 screws missing" when what was thought to be a case of attempted burglary turned out to be a case of seven screws not being in a certain window covering, with the

distinct possibility that the seven screws had never been installed in the first place.

A charge of trespassing made by a complainant was dropped when it was discovered the people involved actually belonged where they were seen.

Another search of the beaches for naked people proved fruitless, with the exception that a number of illegally parked cars were discovered and subsequently removed after the owners of same were informed they were, indeed, parking against the law.

Nude patrol discovered uncovered female, who grabbed her clothes and ran, since she had been warned before. A few others in the same area, not having been previously warned, were.

Report was made of the smell of a fire. Investigating fire unit neither saw nor smelled a fire.

Another fire -- a burst of blue flames yet -- was reported to both the power company and the fire department.

A call came in to complain that construction workers were playing radios in a very loud manner. Officer dispatched. No radio noises and only "moderate" construction noises. Complaint deemed "unfounded."

SPD officers accompanied by a citizen took off on another nude patrol. No one

naked. Another patrol uncovered twenty covered beach goers.

A burglary of a home was reported, with the approximate resultant loss of \$235.00 worth of clothing, jewelry and accessories.

Another theft--this time of about \$60 worth of construction materials.

School was broken into during the night with the result that a large amount of damage was done by person or persons unknown to collect a very small amount of money. It was unusual that any money was there at all, since almost all money brought into the school is for lunches and is deposited the same day it is collected. Fingerprints taken and investigation continues.

Island visitor hid purse in locked car. Car broken into. Purse gone. Plus \$70 cash.

Another routine patrol on beach resulted in the immediate covering up of about a dozen or more persons.

Another call came in about a sick racoon - - - which was evidently the third such call about the same sick animal. Animal GOA.

Another missing young one - - - this one about three years old. It was thought the young lady (who was about three) might be beaching it. Officer searched; found girl in living room.

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Youth will reign on Sanibel tomorrow

Tomorrow, May 11, is Student Government Day on Sanibel this year—the day when 13 lucky Island students will take the reins of government in their own hands by serving as acting city officials for a day of learning through experience.

The festivities will begin at 10:00 a.m. tomorrow with a tour of City Hall, the Sanibel Police and Fire Departments, and the Island Water Association.

The tour will be followed by a luncheon at the Sanibel

Community House starting between noon and 12:30 p.m. with the day's activities to culminate in a special city council meeting in MacKenzie Hall to be conducted by the students.

The public is warmly invited to attend the special council meeting tomorrow afternoon and join in the fun. Students who will participate in the day's activities were selected on the basis of their entries in a Student Government Essay Contest which was sponsored by the city and the Junior Community Association.

Island students in grades 5 through 12 were asked to submit a 200-word essay on "How I would like to serve my city," to be considered for participation in the Student Government Day festivities. The essays were

judged last Friday by a panel of judges, and tomorrow's student governors were selected.

Mayor - Tanya Machold
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Councilman - Peter Slosson
Councilman - Barry Grey
Councilman - Tom Carberry
City Manager - Alison Turner
City Clerk & Treasurer - Jerri Voss
Planning Commissioner - Anne Kennedy
Building Inspector - John Zelit
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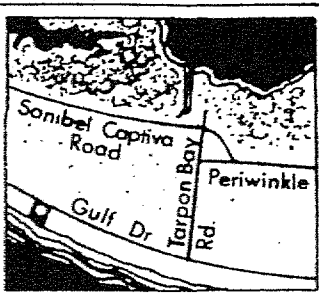
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Port of Call restaurant sold

Port of Call Restaurant on Tarpon Bay Road was sold last week to a group of Islanders: Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Wegryn, Father Beauregard and Jack and Colleen Elias. The restaurant will continue to

serve a similar menu and they expect to be open in June according to Jack Elias, President of the new corporation. He and his wife Colleen will manage the restaurant. Elias was formerly the manager of the Shalimar Resort.

Lee Memorial "Mini-Bazaar" May 14

For the first time in history, the Lee Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is holding a sale on the grounds of the hospital on Saturday, May 14, during the day. In case of rain, the sale will be held the following Saturday, May 21.

This sale will be a mini-bazaar—a smaller version of the traditional day long annual bazaar held in the fall. Everyone is urged to attend and to take advantage of the many interesting and useful items to be offered for sale.

Kiwanis meet tonight at library

The Sanibel-Captiva Kiwanis Board of Directors will be meeting tonight (Tuesday) at the Sanibel Public Library. This is a change in location from

Casa Ybel Resort and will serve as temporary arrangement until a permanent meeting room can be established. The meeting time is 8 p.m.

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Road plan

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remaining at the mercy of off-island contractors whose first priority in coming years will be contracts for work on Interstate 75.

Other Islanders who opposed Nungester's proposal vocally last Tuesday included city planning commissioner Don Marshall, John Cook, and Rocks Civic Association President Jack Stormer, while an informal show of hands requested by Mayor Goss indicated that the great majority of those at the meeting were opposed to road assessment programs for Sanibel.

A second show of hands requested by Goss revealed that many of those opposed to road assessments reside along the six streets proposed for inclusion in Nungester's recommended road assessment program.

Sanibel resident Maxine Michl objected to the fact that Donax Street is not slated for immediate repairs in Nungester's road improvement proposal. She pointed out that Donax serves three public beach accesses, and said that Donax currently carries the heaviest burden of construction traffic on the Island.

While recognizing the need for making some substantial repairs to Donax Street, Nungester said that the city is reluctant to improve the road until "alternate routes are opened for neighborhood traffic." To this end, Nungester reported that the city is on the verge of being able to connect East Gulf Drive with Tulipa Way, pending the acquisition of one or two additional easements.

In the meantime, Ms. Michl asked the city to close off Donax to construction traffic, which she said is creating a safety hazard for children playing in the neighborhood. She suggested that the city re-route construction trucks en route to Middle Gulf Drive development sites along Junonia Way through the Beachview Subdivision, but Nungester rejected her idea, saying that it would only serve to "relocate a problem."

Nungester said that the much-needed improvements to both Donax and the

Sanibel-Captiva Road were not included in his recommendation because of the council's position that, because of the arterial nature of the two roads, the cost of improving them should not be borne by Sanibel alone.

The city had originally hoped to use Causeway bond revenues to upgrade Sanibel-Captiva Road, although in anticipation of the Supreme Court's decision last week, the city has recently initiated talks with Lee County in an attempt to get the county to help foot the bill for repairing Sanibel-Captiva Road, which represents the only traffic access to unincorporated Captiva.

Nungester estimates that the cost of repairing and widening Sanibel-Captiva Road will be in excess of \$500,000.

Mayor Goss asked the city manager if it might be possible to get developers at work in the Donax Street area to help the city pay for the cost of improving the road, and directed Nungester to investigate the feasibility of imposing impact fees on heavy users of city streets.

"It has been our custom to try to make users pay their way," Goss said.

"I'm convinced that we've got to find some way to get growth to pay for itself," the mayor added, "although we haven't done it thus far."

Goss also requested that Nungester prepare cost estimates for hard-surfacing a number of shell roads on Sanibel, including Bay Drive, Island Inn Road and Wulfert Road, which Goss said are responsible for about 90 per cent of the complaints the city has received with respect to road maintenance on the Island.

Goss suggested that the city could employ additional assessments to bring these roads up to minimum city standards.

Councilman Duane White was quick to point out that the city is not to blame for the poor condition of the roughly 90 miles of paved roads on Sanibel at the present time, citing substandard road

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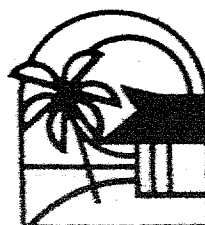


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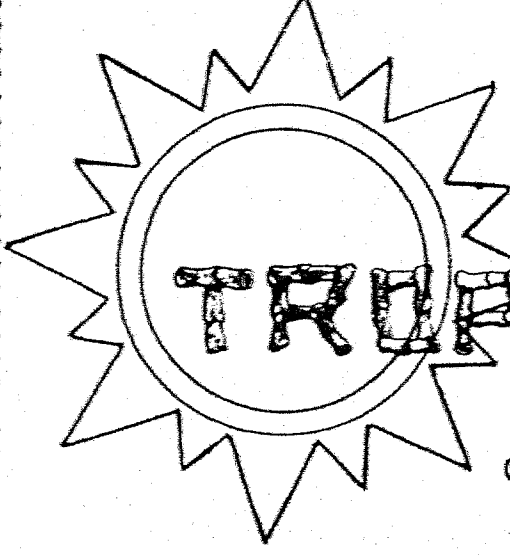
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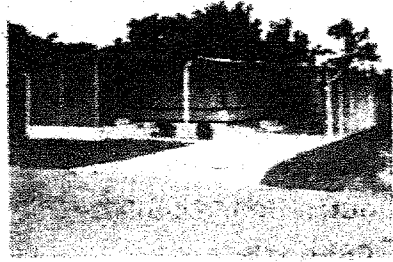
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11-Fat Albert & The Cosby Kids
20-Land Of The Lost
26-The Oddball Couple
12:25
26-Schoolhouse Rock
12:30
11-Ark II
20-The Kids From C.A.P.E.R.
26-American Bandstand
1:00
11-CBS Children's Film Festival
20-Fla. Wrestling Champs
1:30
26-Dolly
2:00
11-WINK-End Movie: "Captain Blood," starring Errol Flynn, Olivia De Havilland and Basil Rathbone in the 1935 classic version of Sabatini's tale of Dr. Peter Blood who escaped from slavery and an island prison to become a super pirate captain.
20-Grandstand
26-Peter Marshall Variety Show
2:15
20-Major League Baseball '77: L.A. at NY Mets backed up by Toronto at Minneapolis

3:30
26-U.S. Boxing Championship
4:00
11-The Colonial Open
26-ABC Wide World of Sports
5:00
11-CBS Sports Spectacular
20-Music Hall America
6:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
6:30
11-CBS Evening News
20-NBC Saturday News
26-Billy Graham Movie
7:00
11-Lawrence Welk
20-Jacques Costeau
8:00
11-Leonard Bernstein
20-NBC Saturday Movie: "Earthquake," in which Charlton Heston, Ava Gardner and others get swallowed, drowned, burned and so forth when L.A. shakes.
26-Wonder Woman
9:00
11-All In The Family (1 hour special)
26-Starsky & Hutch
10:00
11-Miss USA Beauty Pageant
26-Dog & Cat
11:00
20-Eyewitness News Weekend
26-ABC Weekend News
11:15
26-American Theater (All

night flicks till 7 a.m.)
1) "The Questor Tapes," Mike Rarrell, Robert Foxworth (97 mins); 2) "Damn The Defiant," Alex Guinness (101 mins); 3) "Baby, The Rain Must Fall," Steve McQueen, Lee Remick (100 mins); 4) "Ride Beyond Vengeance," Chuck Connors (100 mins).
11:30
20-NBC Saturday Night
12 Midnight
11-News Eleven
12:30
11-"The Fighting 69th," James Cagney, Pat O'Brien, Dennis Morgan, Jeffrey Lynn and George Brent in the 1940 flick of WW I recruits and their battle, including turning cowardliness into courage

sunday - all day
6:57
11-Morning Devotional
7:00
11-The Christophers
26-TV 26 Morning Feature: "Twelve To The Moon"
7:15
20-Davey & Goliath
7:30
11-Rex Humbard
20-The Lucy Show
8:00
20-Jimmy Swaggart Show
26-David Bradley
8:30
11-Oral Roberts
20-Norman Vincent Peale
26-The Lone Ranger
9:00
11-Old Time Gospel Hour with Jerry Falwell
26-Tony & Suzanne Alamo
26-Old Time Gospel Hour
9:30
20-Changed Lives
10:00
11-Catholic Mass
20-Hour of Power
26-Insight
10:30
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-Medix
26-Issues & Answers
12:30
11-Face The Nation
20-Meet The Press
26-Directions
1:00
11-Untamed World
20-Mission Impossible
26-IWA Professional Wrestling
1:30
11-NBA on CBS Playoff Basketball Game
2:00
20-WCT Singles Final: Top ranked men's tennis singles live from Dallas
24-TV 26 Afternoon

Feature: "The Fuller Brush Girl," (1950)
3:30
26-American Sportsman
4:00
11-Colonial National Invitational
4:30
26-World Invitational Tennis
5:00
20-Grandstand
5:30
20-Ara Parseghian's Sports
6:00
11-News Eleven
20-Last of The Wild
26-High Rollers
6:30
11-CBS Evening News
20-NBC Sunday News
26-Name That Tune
7:00
11-Sixty Minutes
20-Wonderful Disney
26-"Nancy Drew" and-or "The Hardy Boys" Mysteries
8:00
11-Rhoda
20-"The Father Knows Best" reunion - The Andersons are reunited when Jim decides Margaret can be cheered up with a 35th anniversary celebration, with the original cast.
26-The Six Million \$ Man
8:30
11-Phyllis
9:00
11-CBS Sunday Movie Special: "Paper Moon," starring Ryan O'Neal, Tatum O'Neal, Madeline Kahn, John Hillerman and P.J. Johnson in the comedy set in the Great Depression in which a small time Bible seller con artist is out-done by an innocent (ha) nine-year-old girl.
26-ABC Sunday Movie: "High Plains Drifter,"
9:30
20-David Niven hosts a star-studded show highlighting 12 of the most successful box office attractions in "The Billion Dollar Movies"
11:00
20-Eyewitness News
20-ABC Weekend News
11:10
11-News Eleven

11:15
26-Sunday Film Festival: "Friendly Persuasion" starring Gary Cooper
11:30
20-NBC Sunday Late Movies: "The Ballad of

Cable Hogue" with Jason Robards and Stella Stevens
11:40
11-CBS Sunday News
11:55
11-"I Spy"
monday - 7 p.m. till sign-off
7:00
11-Gunsmoke
20-Adam 12
26-To Tell The Truth
7:30
11-The \$128,000 "?"
26-Treasure Hunt
8:00
11-Dick Van Dyke, Bob Newhart and Jean Stapleton in "Cold Turkey" an hysterical satire on what happens when an entire town decides to stop smoking to win a fortune of a reward.
20-Little House On The Prairie
26-World Heavyweight Championship in which M. Ali takes on Alfredo Evangelista
9:00
20-NBC Monday Movie: "Alexander-The Other
11:00
Side of Dawn" the world premiere and sequel to "Dawn: Portrait of a teenage runaway"
10:00
11-The Andros Targets, all about newspapers 'n excitement 'n stuff.
11:00
11-News Eleven
20-Eyewitness News
26-NewsScene
11:30
11-CBS Late Movie: Double Feature: "Kojak: A House of Prayer" and Dennis Weaver and J.D. Cannon in "McCloud: Fifth Man in a String Quartet"
20-The Tonight Show
26-"Streets of San Francisco" & "Toma"
1 a.m.
20-The Tomorrow Show

women in the field of education.
The local chapter initiated four new educators at Saturday's meeting, bringing the total to 55.
Membership in the society is open to women who have

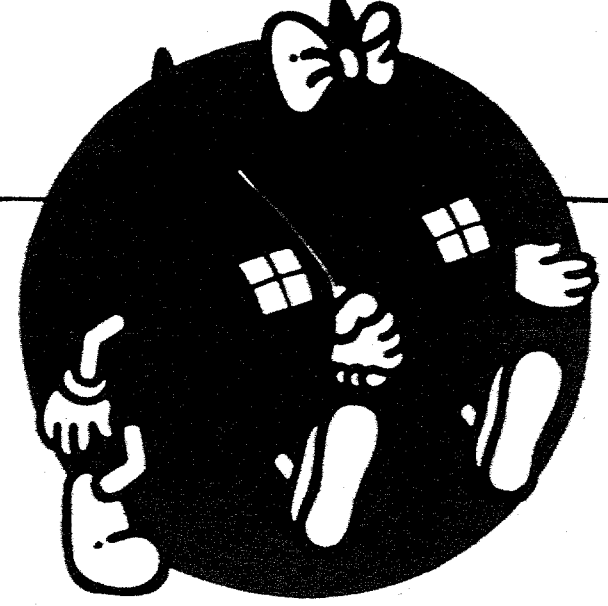
spent five years in education and who are recommended for membership by a sponsor who is already a member.

"While the majority of our members find us through their co-workers, educators who are not currently involved in the profession may join us as associate members," Chapter President Nanette Smith told the ISLANDER.

Projects Delta Kappa Gamma has accomplished this year include the gift of library books on educational research to the University of Southern Florida in Fort Myers and providing retired teachers, of whom there are many in this area, with activities and social functions.

"But we primarily encourage graduate study for women," said Mrs. Smith. "We give scholarships for an international exchange program at the adult level and one local Delta Kappa Gamma member was recently awarded a scholarship so that she could return to finish her Master's degree."

For further information about Delta Kappa Gamma Society, call Nanette Smith at Edison Community College, 481-2121, extension 259. The society holds four chapter meetings each year and one area meeting with the three other Southwest Florida Chapters.



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We call him Gramps. He is quite possibly the oldest pelican I have ever seen. He sleeps a lot. More than he fishes, I think. He's blind in one eye, with failing sight in the other. And he's got the marina folks eating right out

of his hand, er...web. We first noticed Gramps a few weeks ago. He was sitting alone in a position we have come to figure is his catnap position. That is, he gets on a piling, hooks as many toes as pelicans have over the edge, tilts his beak back so it rests on his grey chest, then watches all that goes on with his one good eye.

Naturally, we were concerned about Gramps. How did he get around to get enough to eat? How old do pelicans get before they die? Do the old ones always turn grey?

Gramps was not much up for winging it back to an island rookery each night to sleep, so he usually spends his days and nights here. He's the only one. At dawn, there he is, bill tucked in tight, the bright eye looking at me and his expression asks, "What the hell you doing up this early?"

It wasn't long after he was around the marina on a regular basis that I was sitting in the cabin of our sailboat one morning when there was this terrific crash overhead. I ducked, thinking one of my mast stays have given way and the whole works was coming down.

I got my head out the hatch just in time to see Gramps wobble in the air, then settle onto a piling near the boat. He had crashed head-on with my mast. He looked coolly at me, no doubt wondering what blame fool would put a mast right in his flight path.

Then one morning our dockmaster and I were moving boats when we had to pass under a pipe occupied by a sleeping Gramps Pelican. We shouted, banged, whistled, but Gramps was not to be moved. Finally the dockmaster had to literally push him out of the way so the boat would not injure him. Gramps was back and

asleep before we were 50 yards away. He could sleep through a hurricane.

Late one afternoon I was slowly walking on the dock when I turned to see Gramps, landing gear down, hovering for a landing on my head. I ducked. Things like

But age is still the best teacher. Along about then, Gramps decided it was time to take matters into his own hands, er...feet, er...webs. He confidently swam through the group and hopped onto the dock near the fishermen, then, walking



Sea captain of all he can see...

that don't fluster Gramps, though.

My favorite time with the old man was a few days ago while fishing was poor and the regular pelicans were begging in earnest for food. It was about that time that one fisherman did happen upon several nice trout and sheephead and came out on the docks to clean his catch.

Of course he had an instant audience of about 25 pelicans in the water before the cleaning table. Gramps was there too, but as the scraps were tossed out, Gramps was always a little bit late when the younger pelicans grabbed first. One fish scrap even hit Gramps on the top of the head, but another got the prize, leaving the old fella looking wistfully about for the food.

over to the cleaning table with his bill open, he proceeded to scarf several fish heads and backs. Following that, he strolled back to the edge of the dock, stopped for a couple of tourist photos, and hopped back into the water, leaving the other pelicans looking for more food as the fishermen walked away.

As I write this, it is a cool, windy morning and Gramps is on the piling next to the boat, his head tucked down in grey feathers against the wind and yes, he is fast asleep.

And I can't help thinking that if Gramps would only talk, my, what exciting fishing stories he could tell!

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



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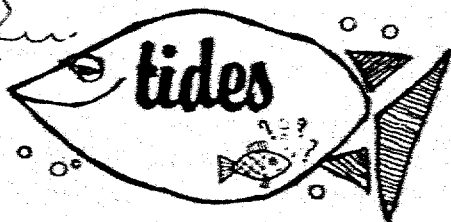
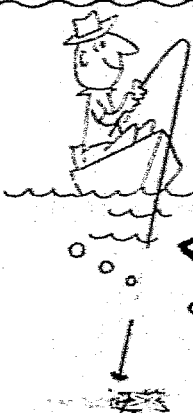
Tuesday, May 10 — Monday, May 16

DAY	DATE	PLACE	TIME	VISITORS	HOME
Tue.	May 10	Beach	5:30	Kiwanis Orioles	Lions Aux. Angels
Tue.	May 10	Beach	7:30	Beach Bank Royals	Lions Cubs
Wed.	May 11	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Astros	Rotary Red Sox
Wed.	May 11	Sanibel	7:00	Sanibel Indians	Sanibel Tigers
Thu.	May 12	Beach	5:30	Sanibel Yankees	Kiwanis Pirates
Thu.	May 12	Beach	7:30	Kelly's Athletics	Bobbi-Del Cards
Thu.	May 12	Sanibel	5:30	Lions Mets	Sanibel Giants
Fri.	May 13	Beach	5:30	Lions Cubs	Beach Bank Royals
Fri.	May 13	Beach	7:30	Lions Aux. Angels	Kiwanis Orioles
Fri.	May 13	Sanibel	5:30	Rotary Red Sox	Sanibel Astros
Sat.	May 14	Sanibel	9:00	Sanibel Tigers	Sanibel Indians

BYE: CARLOS BAY BRAVES SANIBEL DODGERS

FROM THIS POINT: Home Teams in boys games will be determined by flip of coin.

Mon.	May 16	Beach	5:30	Kiwanis Orioles	Lions Mets
Mon.	May 16	Beach	7:30	Kiwanis Pirates	Carlos Bay Braves
Mon.	May 16	Sanibel	5:30	Lions Aux. Angels	Sanibel Dodgers



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MAY

Day	Date	2:06 AM L	9:06 AM H	2:07 PM L	6:52 PM H
Tue	10	2:06 AM L	9:06 AM H	2:07 PM L	6:52 PM H
Wed	11	2:58 AM L	9:34 AM H	3:45 PM L	8:38 PM H
Thu	12	3:49 AM L	9:58 AM H	3:52 PM L	9:55 PM H
Fri	13	4:21 AM L	*10:25 AM H	5:41 PM L	11:02 PM H
Sat	14	5:06 AM L	*10:52 AM H	6:24 PM L	---
Sun	15	12:01 AM H	5:35 AM L	*11:14 AM H	7:03 PM L
Mon	16	12:49 AM H	5:57 AM L	*11:36 AM H	7:38 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 high tide, subtract two (2) minutes for every low tide. (N.C. we don't know how why, but it works. Instructions following are even less sense sical but as we stated, they do work.)

For Captiva Island, Gulf side, subtract 30 minutes from each high tide, and subtract 1 hour and 16 minutes for each low tide.

For Captiva Island, Pine Island Sound (Bay) side, add 1 hour and four (4) minutes for each high tide, and add 52 minutes for each low tide.

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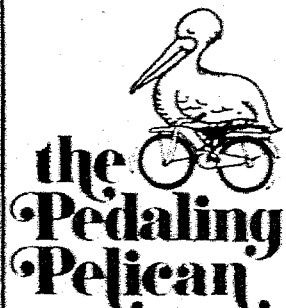
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Last week's derby winners ranked top in prize standings

Captiva's Codman Hislop was one happy angler last Tuesday evening as he received a \$50 check from Fritz Stoppelbein for landing the largest snook recorded last week in the Island Open Fishing Derby.

Hislop's first snook, taken using pinfish at Redfish Pass with Island fishing guide Bob Sabatino, tipped the scales at 29 pounds, 12 ounces, and catapulted him into first place in the grand prize standings for the snook division.

Robert Muscillo of New York City also took first prize last week and moved to the top of the grand prize standings for the seatrout division of the Derby with a 6 pound specimen caught in the Gulf below Blind Pass using live shrimp.

A 9 pound, 2 ounce redfish earned Bob Hepler of Sidney, Ohio, another \$50 weekly prize last Tuesday, and he, too, currently heads the grand prize standings for the redfish division after only two weeks of the Derby.

Hepler's catch was taken on pinfish at Redfish Pass on the morning of April 25.

Islander Steve Reynolds became another Derby leader last week in the cobia division with an 18 pound, 5 ounce fish he boated in Pine Island Sound with Captain Jerry Way, using pinfish for bait.

Weekly winners in the Derby receive \$50 for the largest catch in each division, with second and third prizes of \$25 and \$10 awarded each week as well.

Come the close of the Derby at midnight on May 29, the angler who records the largest catch in each division will win a free one-week vacation at South Seas Plantation (for snook), Sanibel Beach Club (for redfish), Song of the Sea Motel (for trout), and the Beachcomber Motel (for cobia).

For youthful fishermen (14 years or younger), a free week's vacation at the Castaways Resort at Blind Pass is a possibility.

In addition, everyone entered in the Derby

who shows up for the weekly awards presentation at the Island Chamber of Commerce office each Tuesday evening at 7:30 is eligible to win one of four weekly mystery prizes, which are awarded by drawing names out of a ceremonial bait bucket.

Last Tuesday, mystery prizes included a \$10 gift certificate from the Real Eel on Sanibel which went to Steve Reynolds, a \$10 gift certificate toward a dinner for two or more at the Castaway's Restaurant for George Mechanik, a spool of 8 pound test line by Ande for Ella Mae Rasmussen, and a spool of 14 pound fluorescent test line by Stren which went to Emil Fray.

Furthermore, every Derby entrant who attends the weekly awards ceremony receives a Buck's custom lure, courtesy of Buck Beverly Bait Company, and a floating buoy key chain and license holder, courtesy of Hook, Line & Sinker here on Sanibel.

Derby organizer Fritz Stoppelbein reported that 60 new anglers registered for

the competition last week, bringing the total number of registrations up to 117 thus far in the contest. Stoppelbein said that there were 132 entrants in the 1976 Island Open Fishing Derby.

For those avid Island fishermen or visiting anglers who have yet to enter the Derby, you may register at the Chamber of Commerce office on Causeway Road, at the Bait Box on Periwinkle Way, at the Real Eel in the Sanibel Center shopping plaza, at Hook, Line & Sinker in the Punta Ybel Plaza, or at any marina on the Islands.

The fee for registration is \$3 per angler.

What's more, anyone signing up for the Derby at the Bait Box will receive two dollars worth of bait free from Ralph Woodring.

So all you gotta do is lay your money down and find a good spot for hauling in the big ones.

Even if you don't, no one goes away empty handed in the Island Open Fishing Derby!



Codman captures contest lead

Codman Hislop of Captiva took first prize honors in the snook division of the Island Open Fishing Derby last week with a 29 pound, 12 ounce snook, his first, taken on pinfish at Redfish Pass with Island fishing guide Bob Sabatino.

Hislop is shown here accepting a \$50 check from Fritz Stoppelbein for boating the largest snook recorded in the Derby last week.

Reynolds is double derby winner

Islander Steve Reynolds was a double winner in the Derby last week.

His 18 pound, 5 ounce cobia earned him last week's \$50 first prize in the cobia division, while his mere presence at the weekly awards presentation last Tuesday evening netted him a mystery prize to the tune of a \$10 gift certificate from the Real Eel here on Sanibel.

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Occupational license ordinance to be revised

Sanibel City Attorney Neal Bowen told the city council last Tuesday that a draft revision of Sanibel's occupational license fee schedule would be ready for consideration by the council at the time of their next regular meeting, to be held on May 17.

Bowen said that he is currently preparing a new draft of the city's occupational license ordinance, which will in effect repeal and replace the city's current occupational license ordinance, as well as include recommended fees for additional categories of occupations not covered under the current legislation.

The council became aware of another shortcoming in the current ordinance last Tuesday, when they were confronted with a request for a city occupational license from Charles Nutting for permission to open a gameroom in the Legel Building at 1473 Periwinkle Way.

Because of complaints the city received about a similar gameroom which flourished briefly on the Island last summer, the council seemed reluctant to approve the issuance of an occupational license to Nutting, until City Attorney Bowen informed them that the authority to deny his request is not provided under the city's current occupational license ordinance.

Bowen said that the ordinance gives them the power only to establish the fee for the license, and not the power to either approve or deny any license which might be requested. In order for the council to have that authority, Bowen said that the ordinance should contain standards by which a request for an occupational license could be judged—standards which are omitted in the city's current ordinance.

"Many of us feel that a gameroom is a little out of place here," Mayor Porter Goss summed up many of the comments which were made last Tuesday, although in light of the city attorney's interpretation of the ordinance, the council established a fee of \$50 flat rate and \$20 per machine for the license requested by Nutting.

Nutting said that he would like to install about 12 machines, including pinball, football, electric air hockey and pool tables, in his gameroom and offered to surrender the license if any trouble is reported.

According to Ed Legel, owner of the building wherein Nutting had hoped to open his gameroom, the council's exercise last Tuesday went for naught. Expressing

reservations akin to those expressed by the city fathers, Legel said Thursday that he would not lease the building to Nutting for a gameroom, although Nutting said Tuesday that he is prepared to seek an alternate location for his proposed business.

In any event, the city council directed Bowen to draft the new occupational license ordinance so as to give them the authority to deny licenses to businesses which they feel are not in keeping with the character of the Island.

Bowen's proposed draft of the ordinance is scheduled for a first reading by the council at 10:15 a.m. on May 17.

Council approves 3 amendments, denies 1

The Sanibel City Council heard a number of second readings of ordinances specifically amending the city's comprehensive land use plan at their regular meeting last Tuesday afternoon.

The council voted to approve ordinances containing amendments proposed by:

—the city planning commission, to correct the residential yard requirements contained in the plan to permit swimming pools to be installed within 13.5 feet of open bodies of water in the city;

—John Kontinos, to permit the construction of a tennis pro shop at the Dunes Country Club off Sand Castle Road; and

—Howard C. May, to permit the construction of a single-family home on three contiguous lots in the Sanibel Isles Subdivision.

The council also adopted an ordinance last week denying a specific amendment requested by John and Susan Morken for an ecological reclassification of a .75-acre parcel of land off Bird Lane in the Richardson Subdivision.

While denying the request for a reclassification of the property in the Ecological Zones Map which accompanies the land use plan, the ordinance adopted by the council last week nevertheless granted the Morkens permission to construct a single-family home on their property in conformance with all of the other development standards outlined in the plan.



Assistant County Engineer Don Brame gained the city council's somewhat reluctant approval last week of the Lee County Technical Coordinating Committee's recommended alternate road network plan for the year 2,000.

Brame said that a map outlining a proposed road network for all of Lee County would be forwarded to officials of the Florida Department of Transportation to satisfy federal requirements for local highway planning.

City approves county road plan for year 2,000

The Sanibel City Council passed a resolution last week approving an alternate road plan for the year 2,000, which was presented to the council last Tuesday by Assistant County Engineer Don Brame.

The county's 25-year road plan was prepared by the county's Technical Coordinating Committee and will be submitted to

Health committee recommends restrooms and leash law

Last Tuesday, the Sanibel City Council accepted three recommendations from Dr. Robert Spicer, chairman of the city's Public Health Committee.

Pursuant to their discussions of the past few months, the committee has recommended that:

—the city require shopping centers containing three or more shops to provide public restrooms to their customers, as mandated by state health regulations;

—the city initiate periodic health examinations for all food-handlers on Sanibel, primarily because of what Spicer called "the rising incidence of venereal disease; and that:

—the city draft a domestic animal control ordinance similar to the controversial proposal of the city's former Public Health Committee which was rejected by the council last summer.

Spicer told the council last week that the committee favors an animal control law which would declare all domestic animals which "roam at large" on Sanibel to be "abandoned," and therefore at the discretion of the city.

This would, in effect, serve the same purpose as the unpopular "leash law" proposed by the city's former Health Committee. Additionally, the committee has recommended that the city ban dogs from all public areas, parks and beaches on the Island.

The council took no action on the Health Committee's recommendations last Tuesday, but decided to give the committee's suggestions serious consideration in the months ahead.

the State Department of Transportation, Brame told the council last Tuesday.

According to Brame, a map outlining the Technical Coordinating Committee's recommended road network for the year 2,000 will be forwarded to Tallahassee to satisfy the federal government's requirements for local traffic planning. Brame said that local governments are required to submit such plans to be eligible for federal funding assistance with local highway construction.

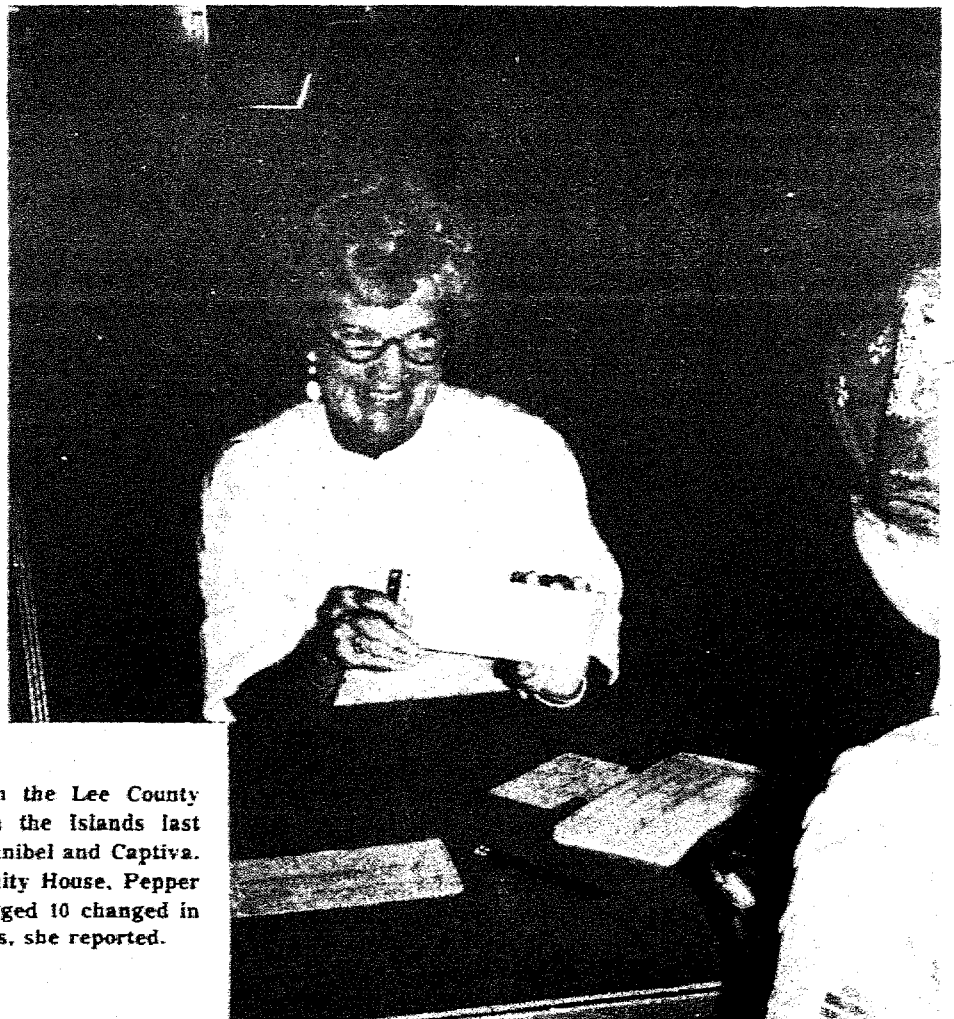
With respect to how Sanibel's road plans fit in with the county's, the council instructed Brame to include the city's road plans as outlined in the comprehensive land use plan in the map to be presented to state transportation officials. The long-range highway objectives contained in the land use plan include the completion of Gulf Drive, the proposed Northern by-pass and the existing traffic corridor of Periwinkle Way and Sanibel-Captiva Road as major traffic arteries to be provided by the city by the year 2,000.

Brame assured the council that their approval of this plan would in no way obligate the city to provide a Northern by-pass to Periwinkle Way by the year 2,000.

"All too often we're worried about land use, and this has nothing to do with land use," Brame told the council last Tuesday.

He said that the Technical Coordinating Committee's alternate road network plan for the year 2,000 is "purely a test vehicle" intended to satisfy federal traffic planning requirements.

Deputy Registrar Pepper Ellis from the Lee County Supervisor of Elections office was on the Islands last Thursday to sign up new voters from Sanibel and Captiva. In four hours at the Sanibel Community House, Pepper registered 18 new Island voters and logged 10 changes in current voter registration on the Islands, she reported.



Record

Planners recommend approval of coastal setback variance

In a special meeting last Monday morning, the Sanibel Planning Commission voted 3 to 2 to recommend approval of a specific amendment to the city's comprehensive land use plan proposed by Donald J. Anderson to enable him to build a single-family home seaward of the city's coastal construction setback line on a Gulf-front lot in the Tradewinds Subdivision south of Sanibel-Captiva Road.

The specific amendment requested by Anderson would entitle him to a 35-foot encroachment on the city's coastal setback line, one of the most cherished regulations contained in the land use plan.

Not wishing to violate the coastal setback, the council has in recent months taken great pains to work out another solution to Anderson's problem, including the proposed abandonment of the southern half of a small section of Gulf Drive which abuts Anderson's property to the north.

Anderson has rejected all alternate solutions, however, and has maintained that he cannot build a suitable home on his property without a variance from the coastal setback line, which falls rather far landward in that particular part of the Island.

The city planners voted to recommend approval of his request last week on the condition that an Islandwide study of the setback line be undertaken to ascertain how many other lot owners on Sanibel are similarly affected.

According to Sanibel Mayor Porter Goss, there are only 6 lots on the Island in a similar situation, most of them in the same section of the Tradewinds Subdivision.

"I think your solution is a good one," Goss told Planning Commission Chairman Ann Winterbotham last Tuesday.

Goss proposed that the city should approve the amendment only on the condition that Anderson comply with all other performance standards contained in the city's land use plan and in Lee County's new coastal development regulations when building his long-awaited home.

The city council will once again hear the case and hopefully hand down a decision on Anderson's request at their next regular meeting on May 17.

Winterbotham makes bike path donation

The Sanibel City Council gratefully accepted a donation of \$100 for the city's ongoing bike path expansion effort last Tuesday.

The contribution came from Islander George Winterbotham of West Gulf Drive, husband of Ann Winterbotham, chairman of the city's planning commission.

Winterbotham made a similar donation to the city's bike path fund last year.

Emergency dump truck purchase approved

The city council voted unanimously last Tuesday to authorize City Manager Bill Nungester to purchase a small dump truck for the city without going through the competitive bidding procedures required for counties and municipalities in Florida under state law.

Nungester asked the council to approve the emergency purchase of a dump truck for use in city road maintenance because of a two-month delay which would be involved in going the competitive bidding route to acquire the needed equipment.

The dump truck, which will be purchased from Sam Galloway Ford at a cost of \$5,875, is needed for immediate use in dumping small loads and distributing cold mix patching material on city streets, Nungester told the council.

Nungester said that the city priced a number of small dump trucks presently



Howe's welcome for Hunter

City legislative advisor Paul Howe had prepared a warm welcome last Tuesday in anticipation of the return to duty of the city's

assistant legislative advisor, Arthur Hunter, who has been out of commission recently due to an illness.

For reasons unbeknownst to Paul, Arthur

never made an appearance at the city council's regular session last Tuesday, although here's wishing for his speedy return to the political arena.

available in the Fort Myers area before deciding on a Ford truck, which carried the lowest price tag.

Street graphic ordinance to be aired today

The Sanibel City Council will hear a first reading of their proposed street graphic ordinance in a special meeting tonight, May 10, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Sanibel Community Association building.

The street graphic ordinance is intended to take the place of the city's former sign ordinance, a controversial piece of legislation which was viewed as practically incomprehensible as well as unenforceable by city officials and Island businessmen alike.

In preparation for tonight's meeting, the Sanibel-Captiva Chamber of Commerce held a special briefing on the proposed legislation last Thursday.

Throughout the past few months, the city council has struggled with the job of drafting a sign control law for Sanibel, and a Chamber committee has also been active in monitoring the proceedings and offering suggestions to the council to reflect the needs of the Island's business community, most of which have been ignored, according to Bill Frey of the Chamber.

Following tonight's first reading of the street graphic ordinance, the proposed legislation must come up for a second reading and public hearing before the council within 30 to 60 days before it can be adopted as a law of the Island.

Chances slim for bike path funding

The Sanibel City Council heard a report last week from City Manager Bill Nungester to the effect that prospects are currently bleak for the city to receive any outside funding assistance with the proposed expansion of Sanibel's bike path along the north side of Palm Ridge and Sanibel-Captiva Roads to the Sanibel Elementary School.

Nungester told the council that recent discussions with state officials have been disappointing with respect to the possible success of a city application for state funding assistance under a bikeway demonstration grant program administered by the Department of Natural Resources. The city had applied for a grant of about \$100,000 for

Ireland's plea falls on deaf ears

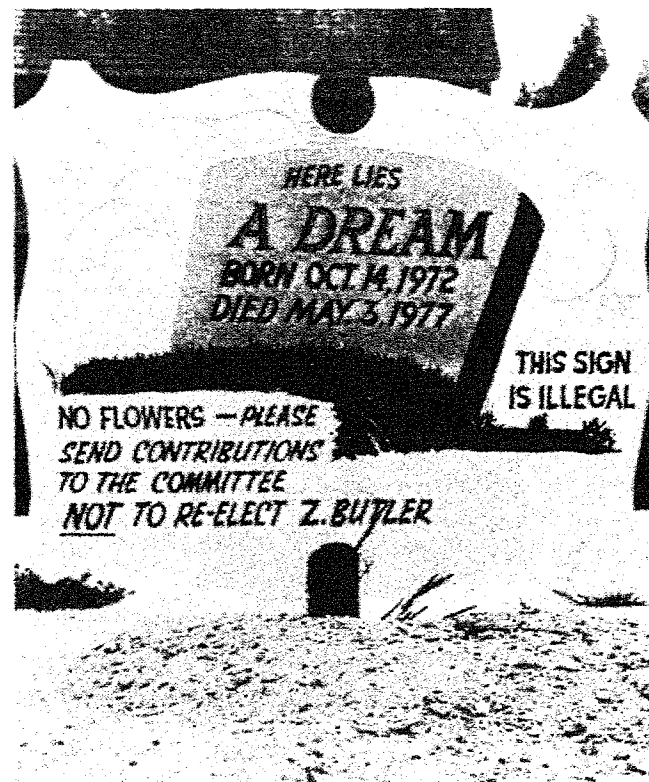
At the close of the city council's meeting last Tuesday, Myton Ireland approached the city fathers with a request for them to reconsider their vote of a month ago denying him a specific amendment necessary to permit the construction of a single-family home on three contiguous lots at the western end of Lighthouse Way.

Ireland's original proposal called for the home to be built at an elevation of 7.5 feet

above mean sea level, and was denied by a close 3 to 2 margin.

Last week, Ireland told the council that he is willing to revise his plans and elevate the house 8.5 feet, but that he is still unwilling to go to the 13.5 foot elevation required in the city's land use plan because it would be out of character for the subdivision and would block the view of the bay for those inland from his property.

In response to Vice-Mayor Zee Butler's



In light of City Council's decision last week, Myton Ireland erected this sign Monday morning on his property at the end of Lighthouse Way.

earlier statement that he was asking to build "the wrong house on the wrong lot," Ireland said that he had purchased the property because it was the only spot on the Island where he could keep his boat, drawing 4.5 feet of water, in a canal next to his home. He had previously told the council that he needed a large home to accommodate his large family.

Mayor Porter Goss pointed out that a motion for the council to reconsider the case should for practical reasons be made by a member of the council who had voted against Ireland's proposal originally.

Councilman Duane White, Francis Bailey and Zee Butler had voted to deny the specific amendment proposed by Ireland.

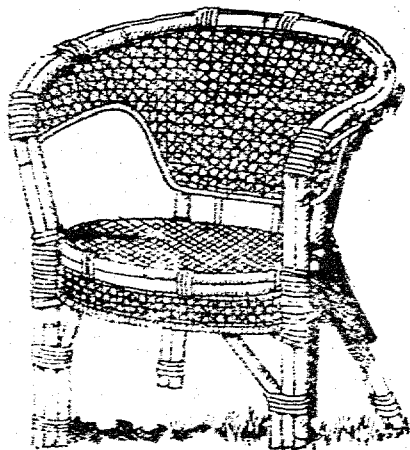
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by Gwen Stevenson

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The other advantage to this recipe is that, while it varies somewhat from the usual, the ribs just sit there and cook, leaving those of us who would rather wrap their hands around a cold martini than a hot spit free to do just that.

Take your spare ribs, (the pork kind) and put them in a roaster -- the foil ones do have the distinct advantage of not needing to be cleaned. In a separate bowl, mix the following: Soy sauce, ginger sherry and a little cornstarch for thickener. The proportions are up to the individual. I usually put in 2 cups of soy sauce to an eighth of a cup of sherry and sprinkle in the ginger -- about a quarter tablespoon.

Pour the mixture over the ribs and let them marinate. Officially, it is only for forty-five minutes, but the longer you leave it, within reason, the better they taste.

Bake at 375 degrees for one and a half to two hours -- and there you are.



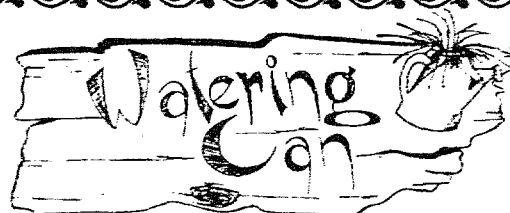
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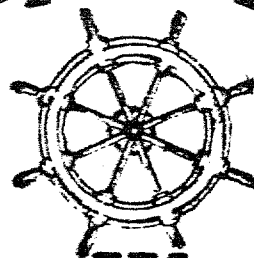


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Causeway bonds denied

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"One consequence of the decision will be that we will concentrate on our road network in preparing a new bond package," Goss said, adding that in all probability the city will focus its attention on long-overdue improvements to Donax Street and Sanibel-Captiva Road, among other Island thoroughfares.

Goss seemed optimistic about last week's turn of events and estimated that a new bond package would be ready for presentation to the courts within two to three months, while saying that he expects the bonds to be sold within four to ten months.

"It's by no means a lost cause," the mayor commented. "We just have to refine our proposal and do it in a dif-

ferent way, and I don't believe there will be any problem."

"We're not discussing fallback positions at this point," Goss added. "We feel it's unnecessary. The bond issue will work if we do it right."

According to County Attorney James Humphrey, Judge Shands has already scheduled a hearing on the revised bond package for August 4.

Throughout the past year, many Islanders have been apprehensive that a supreme court denial of the bond validation might serve to have the \$3.00 toll on the Causeway reduced or even removed entirely, flooding already-overburdened Island roads with a horde of day visitors from the mainland.

Late last week, the ISLANDER received an unconfirmed report indicating that a new class action suit may soon be entered in circuit court in an attempt to either reduce or entirely

do away with the current toll on the Causeway.

As of our deadline on Monday, the office of the clerk of circuit court reported that no such action had been filed.

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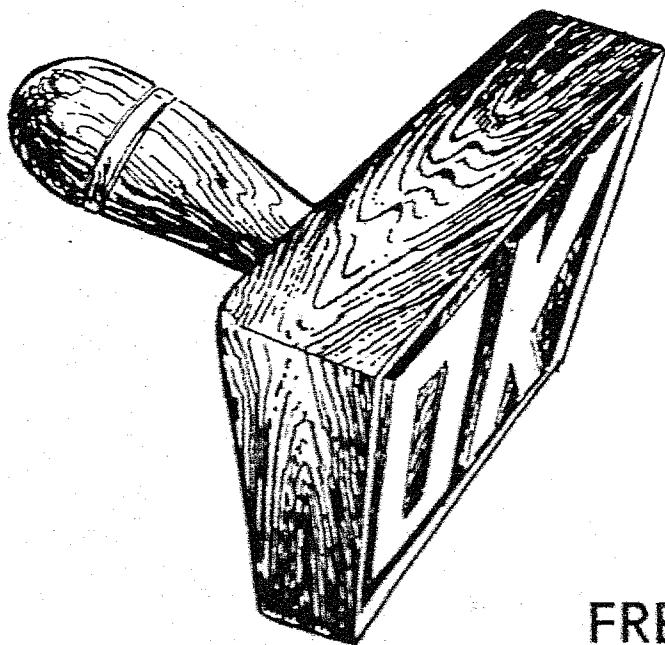
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construction prior to the city's incorporation as the real culprit in Sanibel's current road problem.

In light of the apparent widespread opposition to road assessment programs for Sanibel which was evident at their meeting last Tuesday, the council decided to defer action on Nungester's recommendation until

their next regular meeting this month.

The council has scheduled a public hearing on alternate proposals for road improvement funding for Tuesday, May 17, at which time they hope to come to a decision on whether or not to pursue road assessment programs such as that proposed by City Manager Nungester.



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